

Freedom House - Zusammenfassung

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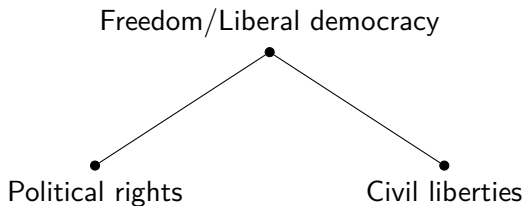
Allgemeines zur Publikation

- jährliche Publikation der Freedom House Stiftung
- Auftakt 1973 unter Leitung von Raymond Gastil
- erscheint als 1978 als *Freedom in the World*
- Link: Freedom in the World 2016
- Text: Summarische Darstellung der Jahre 1973 bis 1990

Konzept

- urspr. Intention
 - “orienting discussion of variation in levels of freedom” (21)
 - Kolumne in *Freedom at Issue*
- “essentially a survey of democracy” (22)
- “assumption that freedom for all peoples is best achieved in liberal democratic societies” (Freedom House 2016)
- rights in use:
 - PR: z.B. “take the opposition into account in major decisions and appointments, *even when it does not have to be consulted in terms of the formal requirements of the system*” (31; Ausdr. hinzugefügt)
 - CL: “looking for patterns and balances in activities” (31)

Konzeptbaum



Checklisten für Political rights & Civil liberties

Political rights

- 1 Chief authority recently elected by a meaningful process
- 2 Legislature recently elected by a meaningful process
- 3 Fair election laws, campaigning opportunity, polling and tabulation
- 4 Fair reflection of voter preference in distribution of power
- 5 Multiple political parties
- 6 Recent shifts in power through elections
- 7 Significant opposition vote
- 8 Free of military or foreign control
- 9 Major group or groups denied reasonable self-determination
- 10 Decentralized political power
- 11 informal consensus; de facto opposition power

Civil liberties

- 1 Media/literature free of political censorship
- 2 Open public discussion
- 3 Freedom of assembly and demonstration
- 4 Freedom of political or quasipolitical organization
- 5 Nondiscriminatory rule of law in politically relevant cases
- 6 Free from unjustified political terror or imprisonment
- 7 Free trade unions, peasant organizations, or equivalents
- 8 Free business or cooperatives
- 9 Free professional or other private organizations
- 10 Free religious institutions
- 11 Personal social rights
- 12 Socioeconomic rights
- 13 Freedom from gross socioeconomic inequality
- 14 Freedom from gross government indifference or corruption

Daten & Aggregation

- subjektive Messung: früher Gastil, heute Länderexperten)
- Quellenmaterial: persönl. Expertise & Medienberichte
- graduelle Messung: 1 (frei) ··· 7 (unfrei)
 - Früher implizites Modell von Gastil
 - Heute nach festen Punktwerten vergeben
- Mittlung von Political rights und Civil liberties
- Klassifikation von (PR, CL) nach frei, teilweise frei und unfrei

Kritik an Freedom House

- atheoretisch: kein ausdrückl. Demokratiekonzept
 - 1 Was ist Demokratie?
 - 2 In welcher Beziehung stehen ihre Attribute zueinander?
 - 3 Interne Homogenität: "Democracy is a moving target." (21)
- intransparenter Mess- & Aggregationsprozess
 - 1 Welche Coder und Quellen werden ausgewählt?
 - 2 Welches Gewichtungsschema findet Anwendung?
 - 3 Wie sehen die Rohdaten aus?
- enorme Gefahr einer systematischen Verzerrung
 - 1 Gastil lange einziger Kodierer
 - 2 Heute zusätzl. intransparente Kalibrierungsstufe
 - 3 Strukturkonservativ: anlassbezogene Veränderungen der Ergebn.