Country: Denmark

Years: 1945 - 1946

Head of government: Prime Minister Knud Kristensen

Ideology: right

Description: HoG identifies ideology as right. CHISOLS identifies party as Denmark's Liberal Party (*Venstre – LP-V*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Liberals' (*Venstre*) ideology as rightist. DPI identifies V's ideology as rightist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Centerright" (1.597) in 1971. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the Liberal Party's ideology as rightist, writing "Liberal Party (Venstre—V). Founded in 1870 as the Agrarian Party... the Liberal Party (commonly referenced in Danish as Venstre [Left] rather than Liberale Parti) stands for individualism as opposed to socialism in industry and business, reduction of taxation through governmental economy, relaxation of economic restrictions".

Years: 1947 - 1949

Head of government: Prime Minister Hans Hedtoft

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-1.213) in 1971. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in 1871, the SD... advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 1950 - 1952

Head of government: Prime Minister Erik Eriksen

Ideology: right

Description: HoG identifies ideology as right. CHISOLS identifies party as Denmark's Liberal Party (*Venstre – LP-V*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Liberals (*Venstre*) as rightist. DPI identifies V's ideology as rightist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-right" (1.597) in 1971. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the Liberal Party's ideology as rightist, writing "Liberal Party (Venstre—V). Founded in 1870 as the Agrarian Party... the Liberal Party (commonly referenced in Danish as Venstre [Left] rather than Liberale Parti) stands for individualism as opposed to

socialism in industry and business, reduction of taxation through governmental economy, relaxation of economic restrictions".

Years: 1953 - 1954

Head of government: Prime Minister Hans Hedtoft

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-1.213) in 1971. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in 1871, the SD... advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 1955 - 1959

Head of government: Prime Minister Hans Christian Svane Hansen

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-1.213) in 1971. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in 1871, the SD... advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 1960 - 1961

Head of government: Prime Minister Olfert Viggo Fischer Kampmann

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-1.213) in 1971. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in 1871, the SD... advocates

economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 1962 - 1967

Head of government: Prime Minister Jens Otto Krag

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-1.213) in 1971. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in 1871, the SD... advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 1968 - 1970

Head of government: Prime Minister Hilmar Tormod Ingolf Baunsgaard

Ideology: center

Description: HoG identifies ideology as center. CHISOLS identifies party as the Radical Liberal Party (*Det Radikale Venstre*—RV). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Radical Party (Det RadiKale Venstre, RV) as rightist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center" (.187) in 1971. While DPI identifies RV's ideology as leftist, Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies RV's ideology as centrist, writing "Radical Liberal Party (Det Radikale Venstre—RV). Also characterized in English as a "Social Liberal" grouping, the RV was founded in 1905... The party advocates strengthening private enterprise in a social-liberal context". Döring and Manow (2019) identify RV as rightist, describing the RV as "Liberal". In the Global Party Survey 2019, 14 experts identify the average left-right (0-10) score of Radical Left (RV) as 6.0. Thomas (2016) identifies RV's ideology as centrist, writing "In intermittent alliance with the Social Democrats (SD) in 1929-64, the Radicals... exert[ed]... a liberal influence on the socialism of the Social Democrats... Bertel Dahlgaard and Kristen Kristensen placed the party with a pivotal role between Left and Right." Perspective Monde (2020) identifies the Baunsgaard as centrist, "center".

Years: 1971

Head of government: Prime Minister Jens Otto Krag

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-1.213) in 1971. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in 1871, the SD... advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 1972

Head of government: Prime Minister Anker Jørgensen

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-1.213) in 1971. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in 1871, the SD... advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 1973 - 1974

Head of government: Prime Minister Poul Hartling

Ideology: right

Description: HoG identifies ideology as right. CHISOLS identifies party as Denmark's Liberal Party (*Venstre – LP-V*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Liberals (*Venstre*) as rightist. DPI identifies V's ideology as rightist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-right" (1.597) in 1973. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the Liberal Party's ideology as rightist, writing "Liberal Party (Venstre—V). Founded in 1870 as the Agrarian Party... the Liberal Party (commonly referenced in Danish as Venstre [Left] rather than Liberale Parti) stands for individualism as opposed to socialism in industry and business, reduction of taxation through governmental economy, relaxation of economic restrictions".

Years: 1975 - 1981

Head of government: Prime Minister Anker Jørgensen

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-.924) in 1975, 1977, 1979 and 1981. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in 1871, the SD... advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 1982 - 1992

Head of government: Prime Minister Poul Holmskov Schlüter

Ideology: right

Description: HoG identifies ideology as right. CHISOLS identifies party as the Conservative People's Party (*Konservative Folkeparti*—KF). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Conservative People's Party (KF) as rightist. DPI identifies KF's ideology as rightist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-right" (1.25) in 1981, 1984 and "Center-right" (.975) in 1987, 1988 and 1990. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the KF's ideology as rightist, writing "Conservative People's Party (Konservative Folkeparti—KF). Founded in 1916 as an outgrowth of an earlier Conservative grouping (Højre), the KF... supports adequate defense, protection of private property, sound fiscal policy, and lower taxation. Under the leadership of Poul Schlüter, the party recovered from a low of 5.5 percent of the vote in 1975 to 14.5 percent in 1981, enabling Schlüter to form a center-right coalition in 1982".

Years: 1993 - 2000

Head of government: Prime Minister Poul Nyrup Rasmussen

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-1.504) in 1990 and "Center-left" (-.742) in 1994 and 1998. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in 1871, the SD... advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 2001 - 2008

Head of government: Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen

Ideology: right

Description: HoG identifies ideology as right. CHISOLS identifies party as Denmark's Liberal Party (*Venstre – LP-V*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Liberals (*Venstre*) as rightist. DPI identifies V's ideology as rightist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-right" (1.004) in 2001, 2005 and 2007. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the Liberal Party's ideology as rightist, writing "Liberal Party (Venstre—V). Founded in 1870 as the Agrarian Party... the Liberal Party (commonly referenced in Danish as Venstre [Left] rather than Liberale Parti) stands for individualism as opposed to socialism in industry and business, reduction of taxation through governmental economy, relaxation of economic restrictions".

Years: 2009 - 2010

Head of government: Prime Minister Lars Løkke Rasmussen

Ideology: right

Description: HoG identifies ideology as right. CHISOLS identifies party as Venstre (V). World Statesmen (2019) identifies party as Denmark's Liberal Party (*Venstre – LP-V*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Liberals (*Venstre*) as rightist. DPI identifies V's ideology as rightist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-right" (1.004) in 2007. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the Liberal Party's ideology as rightist, writing "Liberal Party (Venstre—V). Founded in 1870 as the Agrarian Party... the Liberal Party (commonly referenced in Danish as Venstre [Left] rather than Liberale Parti) stands for individualism as opposed to socialism in industry and business, reduction of taxation through governmental economy, relaxation of economic restrictions".

Years: 2011 - 2014

Head of government: Prime Minister Helle Thorning-Schmidt

Ideology: left

Description: HoG identifies ideology as left. CHISOLS identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (SD). CHISOLS does not identify party. World Statesmen (2019) identifies party as the Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet—SD*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-.502) in 2011. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the SD's ideology as leftist, writing "Social Democratic Party (Socialdemokratiet—SD). Founded in

1871, the SD... advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning."

Years: 2015 - 2018

Head of government: Prime Minister Lars Loekke Rasmussen

Ideology: right

Description: HoG identifies ideology as right. CHISOLS identifies party as Venstre (V). CHISOLS does not identify party. World Statesmen (2019) identifies party as Denmark's Liberal Party (*Venstre – LP-V*). Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Liberals (*Venstre*) as rightist. DPI identifies V's ideology as rightist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-right" (1.236) in 2015. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the Liberal Party's ideology as rightist, writing "Liberal Party (Venstre—V). Founded in 1870 as the Agrarian Party... the Liberal Party (commonly referenced in Danish as Venstre [Left] rather than Liberale Parti) stands for individualism as opposed to socialism in industry and business, reduction of taxation through governmental economy, relaxation of economic restrictions".

Years: 2019-2020

Head of government: Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen

Ideology: leftist

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. Varieties of Democracy identifies party affiliation as Social Democrats. Political Handbook of the World (2018-2019) identifies party affiliation as Social Democratic Party (*Socialdemokratiet*—SD). DPI identifies SD's ideology as leftist. In V-Party (2020) 4 experts identify head of government party's ideology as "Center-left" (-1.217) in 2019. Political Handbook elaborates, writing, "Founded in 1871, the SD mainly represents industrial labor and advocates economic planning, full employment, extensive social security benefits, and environmental planning." Armingeon et al. (2019) identifies the Social Democrats' (*Socialdemokratiet*, *SD*) ideology as leftist. Perspective Monde (2021) and World Statesmen (2021) corroborate party affiliation as SD and identify the party as center-left. In the Global Party Survey 2019, 14 experts identify the average left-right (0-10) score of SD as 3.3.

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