**Campbell\_Data.xls** includes the data received from James Campbell

The variables include:

INPTYVOTE – in party vote

SEPTPOLL – Early September Preference Poll

GDPQTR2HALF – 2nd qtr. real GDP growth (annualized) − 2.5 with half-credit for successor candidates

PRECNVENTION -- Pre-Convention Preference Poll

CONBUMP – Net Convention Bump

**Lewis-Beck\_Tien\_Data.xls** includes the variables directly received from Charles Tien.

These are:

JOBHOUSU – jobs growth, in percentage change in jobs over the first 3.5 years of the president’s term; the entries are calculated as follows: (number employed in June of the election year − number employed in January of the inauguration year)/number employed in January of the inauguration year) × 100. The employment numbers are from the Civilian Labor Force (16 years and older), reported in the Bureau of Labor Statistics’ *Current Population Survey of Households* (not seasonally adjusted).

POP2PVOT – two party vote

CLOSEINC - incumbent party advantage, scored 1 if the incumbent party candidate is the elected president (1956, 1972, 1980, 1984, 1992, 1996, 2004) or following a president who died in office (1948,1964), scored 0 if the incumbent party candidate has a tolerable relationship with the previous president (1952, 1976, 1988), scored −1 if the incumbent party candidate and the president are not united (1960, 1968, 2000)

JULYPOP – Presidential Popularity in July of election year, measured by Gallop

GNPCHAN - gross national product, as percentage change (non-annualized) in GNP (constant dollars) from the fourth quarter of the year prior to the elec- tion to the second quarter of the election year, data from the Survey of Current Business.

IINCXGDP – Interaction of GDPCHAN variable of elected president running (scored 1) or not (scored 0.5)

**Erickson\_Wlezien\_Data.dta** is the data received directly from Christopher Wlezien. It includes multiple different variables, but they use in their model in Table 1 in the 2008 PS article:

IncumbentPoll - Trial heat poll results for the incumbent

CumLeiGrowth - Cumulative LEI growth (they use quarter 13)

**Cuzan\_Bundrick\_Data.xls** contains the data from the data appendix in the Cuzan Bundrick PS 2008 article (from 1944 on). The variables are (2008 are estimates):

F - Federal expenditures as a percent of GNP (through 1960) or as a percent of GDP (1964–2000): F = (federal outlays/GNP or GDP) × 100

F1 - Arithmetic change in F between election years: F1 = F*t* − F*t*􏰀1, where *t* = election year, *t* − 1 = previous election year

F2 - Arithmetic change in F1 between election years: F2 = F1*t* − F1*t*−1

FISCAL - FISCAL = 1 if F1 > 0 *and* F2 ≥ 0; FISCAL = −1 if F1 < 0 *or* F2 < 0

FPRIME - FPRIME = 1 if F1 > 0; FPRIME = −1 if F1 < 0

VOTE2 - Percent of the two-party vote won by the incumbent party candidate

**Fair\_Data.xls**  contains the data from Ray Fair’s website. It includes the following variables:

VP - Democratic share of the two-party presidential vote

VC - Democratic share of the two-party on-term House vote

I - 1 if there is a Democratic presidential incumbent at the time of the election and −1 if is a Republican presidential incumbent

DPER - 1 if a Democratic presidential incumbent is running again, −1

if a Republican presidential incumbent is running again, and 0 otherwise.

DUR - 0 if either party has been in the White House for one term, 1 [−1] if the Democratic [Republican] party has been in the White House for two consecutive terms, 1.25 [−1.25] if the Democratic [Republican] party has been in the White House for three consecutive terms, 1.50 [−1.50] if the Democratic [Republican] party has been in the White House for four consecutive terms, and so on

WAR - 1 for the elections of 1918, 1920, 1942, 1944, 1946, and 1948, and 0 otherwise.

G - growth rate of real per capita GDP in the ﬁrst three quarters of the on-term election year (annual rate).

P - absolute value of the growth rate of the GDP deﬂator in the ﬁrst 15 quarters of the administration (annual rate) except for 1920, 1944, and 1948, where the values are zero.

Z - number of quarters in the ﬁrst 15 quarters of the administration in which the growth rate of real per capita GDP is greater than 3.2 percent at an annual rate except for 1920, 1944, and 1948, where the values are zero.

**Hibbs\_Data.xls** contains the quarterly data for Douglas Hibb’s “Bread and Peace” model. The data is taken from his website and includes the following variables:

dpi\_pc

cpi\_sa\_8284

presvote

electq

wtq16

qdates

Fatalities

**Abramowitz\_Data.xls** includes the data received from Alan Abramowitz