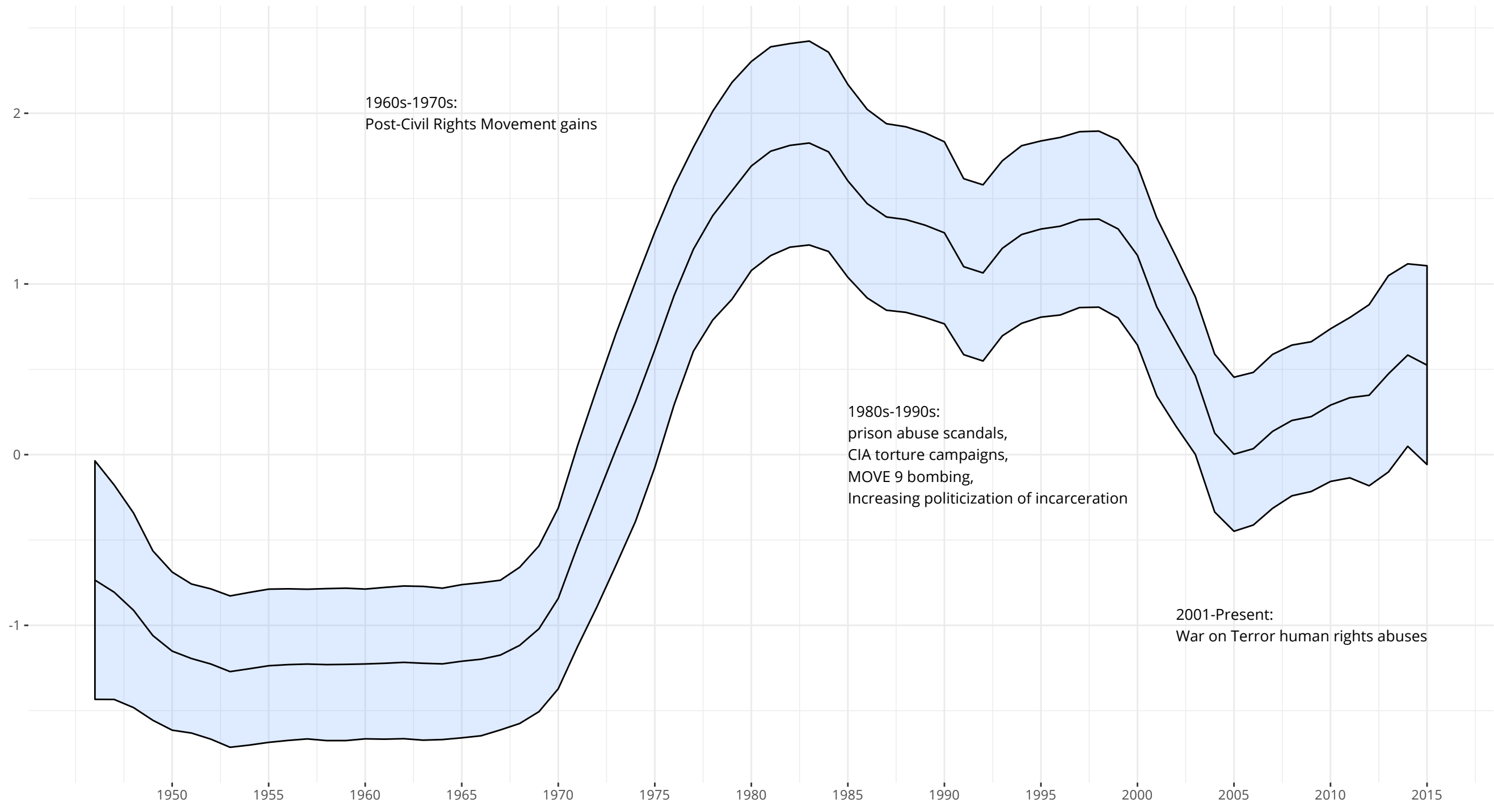# Human Rights Protection Scores for the U.S., 1949–2015

The U.S. made considerable progress on human rights in the 1960s and 1970s, which turned south in the 1980s, stagnated in the 1990s, and sunk after the War on Terror.

1960s-1970s:
Post-Civil Rights Movement gains

1980s-1990s:
prison abuse scandals,
CIA torture campaigns,
MOVE 9 bombing,
Increasing politicization of incarceration

2001-Present:
War on Terror human rights abuses

Mean Latent Human Rights Protection

Year