The State of U.S. Democracy

How 'procedural democrats' and 'participatory democrats' differ in resources and approach to the FCC's proposed deregulation of media ownership, 2003.

Data from survey of approximately 90 organizations urging FCC limits on media ownership, 2003.

Co-occurrence analysis of organization type and activities.

Legend

- Organizational activities.
- Organization type according to resource base.
- $$$$$ Resource scale indication.

Low-cost democracy

Procedural democrats with no resources participate in the formal political process: filing of comments. Participatory democrats with no resources turn towards protest and step outside the political process.