



# **The Recall referendum: Democratic Advance, Safety Valve, or Risky Adventure?**

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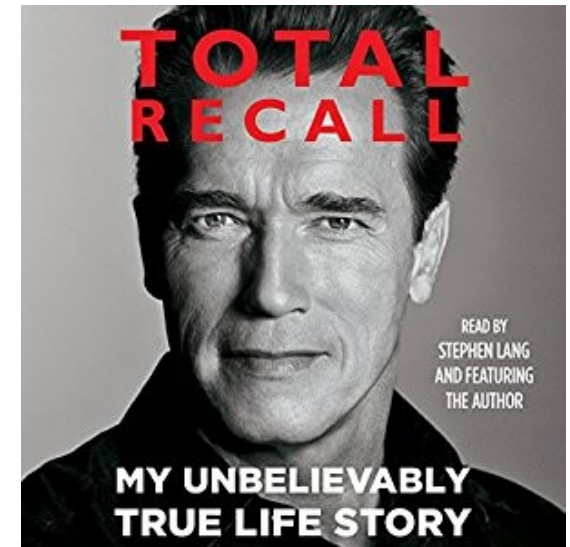
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## 1. Definition

**The recall referendum is a mechanism oriented to allow the removal of an elected official from office before his or her term is complete.**

**Direct:** When the mechanism is activated by signature collection (e.g. 'bottom-up').

**Indirect:** When recall is activated by the authorities (i.e. for a parliament against the executive, 'top down').



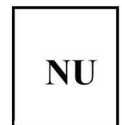
ROMÂNIA

BULETIN DE VOT

pentru referendumul național din data de  
29 iulie 2012 pentru demiterea  
Președintelui României



Sunteți de acord cu demiterea  
Președintelui României,  
domnul Traian Băsescu?



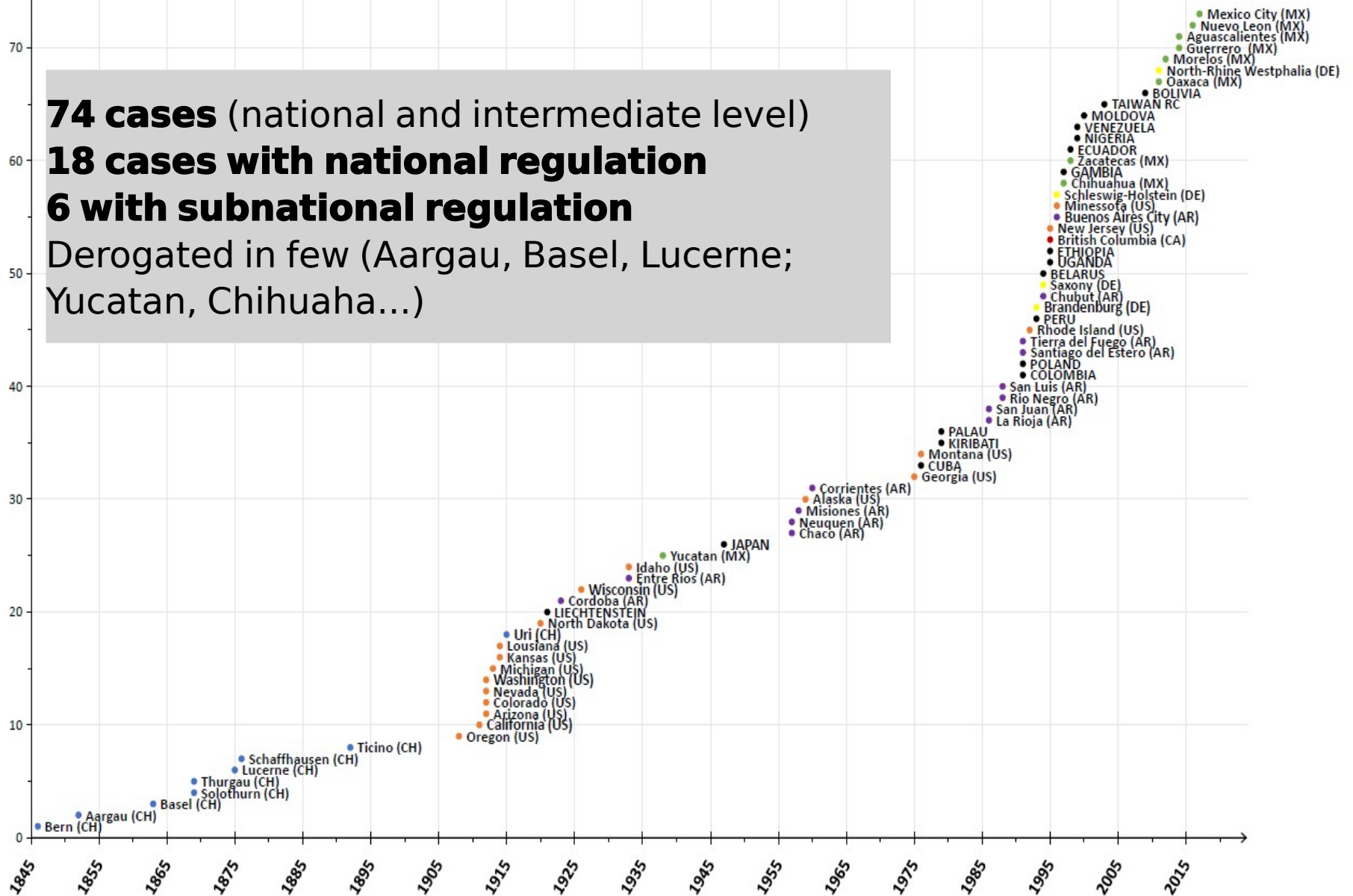
Only direct recall. Intermediate and national level.

**74 cases** (national and intermediate level)

**18 cases with national regulation**

**6 with subnational regulation**

Derogated in few (Aargau, Basel, Lucerne;  
Yucatan, Chihuahua...)



### 3. Political Functions

Main Function / Main Agent	Primary	Secondary
Civil Society	<b>Direct accountability</b> (Duisburg 2012)	<b>Indirect accountability</b> (Japan long periods, Ecuador 2015-2017)
Political actor	<b>Institutional struggle</b>  (Nagoya 2012)	<b>Political struggle</b>  (Peru, Colombia)



## 4. Is it a good idea?



NOUS SOMMES POUR  
**LE DROIT DE  
RÉVOQUER  
LES ÉLUS**

**NOUS PROPOSONS**

LA CRÉATION D'UN DROIT DE  
RÉVOQUER UN ÉLU EN COURS  
DE MANDAT PAR RÉFÉRENDUM  
SUR DEMANDE D'UNE PARTIE DU  
CORPS ÉLECTORAL

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