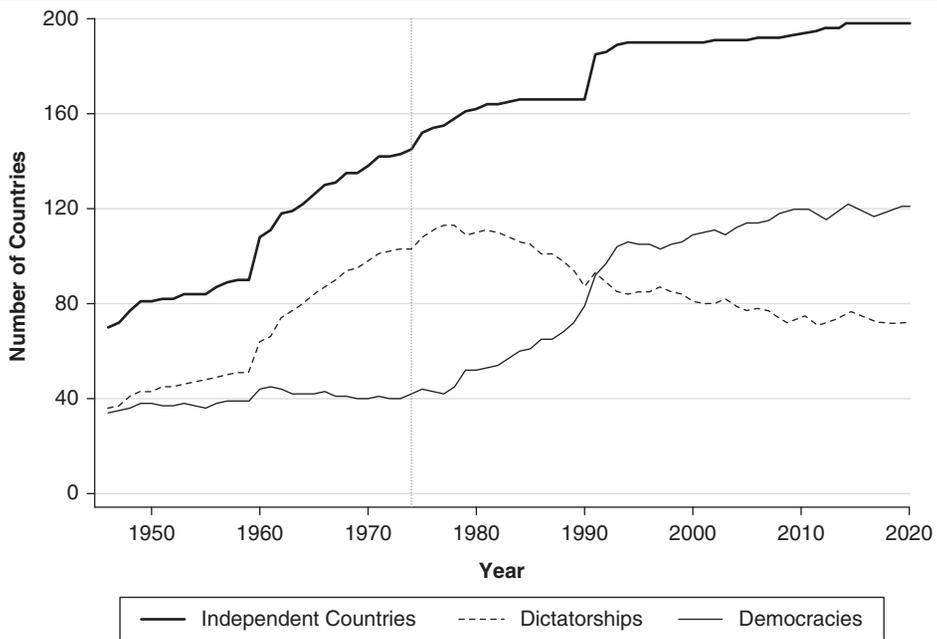


FIGURE 7.1 ■ Independent Countries, Democracies, and Dictatorships, 1946–2020



Note: The dotted vertical line in 1974 marks the beginning of what is commonly known as the third wave of democracy. The Democracy-Dictatorship measure of regime type is used to classify countries as democratic or dictatorial (Bormann and Golder 2022; Cheibub, Gandhi, and Vreeland 2010).