APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1 – SAMPLE QUESTIONNAIRES

QUESTIONNAIRE

INTRODUCTION TEXT

Thank you for clicking through to this questionnaire, which will ask you about your experiences of elections.

This is the first part of a two part academic study. The second part of the survey will be sent to you on 7 November, just after the first results of the Presidential Election are known.

INSERT Partner Intro
This survey is completely anonymous and your answers will only be used for purely academic purposes.

You can begin this survey by clicking on the 'Next' button below.

ASK ALL

START DEMOGRAPHICS

D1_GENDER

GENDER
What is your gender?
1 Male
2 Female

AGE
Numeric variable

D2_AGE (ENTER EXACT VALUE)

D3_REGION

(PLEASE CODE AS 601, 602, ETC)

State
Which of the following states do you live in?

Alabama	Florida
Alaska	Georgia
American Samoa	Guam
Arizona	Hawaii
Arkansas	Idaho
California	Illinois
Colorado	Indiana
Connecticut	Iowa
Delaware	Kansas
District of Columbia	Kentucky

Louisiana	Ohio
Maine	Oklahoma
Maryland	Oregon
Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Michigan	Puerto Rico
Minnesota	Rhode Island
Minor Outlying Islands	South Carolina
Mississippi	South Dakota
Missouri	Tennessee
Montana	Texas
Nebraska	Utah
Nevada	U.S. Virgin Islands
New Hampshire	Vermont
New Jersey	Virginia
New Mexico	Washington
New York	West Virginia
North Carolina	Wisconsin
North Dakota	Wyoming
Northern Mariana Islands	Not in USA

ASK ALL
Q1

V1_1 THROUGH V1_3 (ALL EXACT WORDINGS)

In our country, citizens are regularly invited to participate in elections. Voting can mean many different things and represent very different experiences to many people. In your case, when you think of voting, what are the first three words that come to your mind?
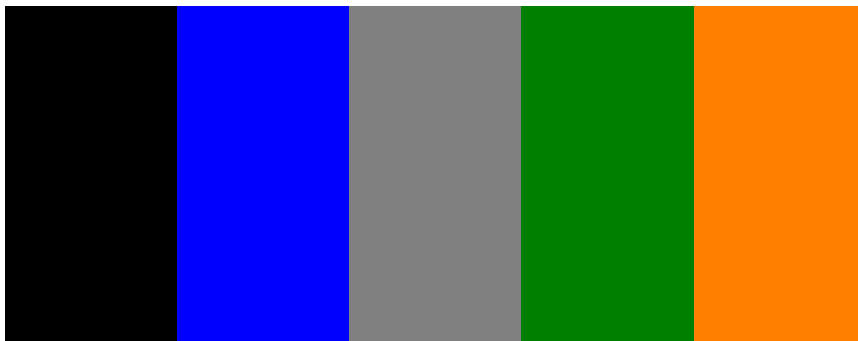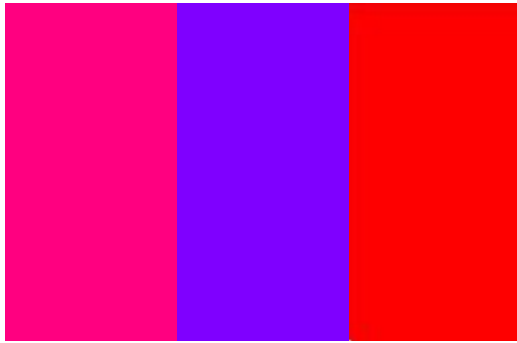**[VERBATIM BOXES X 3, 2 REQUIRED]**

ASK ALL
Q2

V2 (SAME CODING AS IN UK: 1=BLACK, 2=GREY, 3=WHITE, 4=RED, 5=PINK, 6=PURPLE, 7=BLUE, 8=GREEN, 9=YELLOW, 10=ORANGE)

What is your favorite color?
[VISUAL BUTTONS]
[SINGLE CODE]

ASK ALL
Q3 [SPLIT SAMPLE]
GROUP A - What is your favorite fruit? [NOTE TO OPINIUM – USE PHOTOS [SINGLE CODE]

V38 (CODES AS BELOW)

1. Strawberry
2. Banana
3. Apple
4. Peach
5. Mango
6. Fig
7. Cherry
8. Grape
9. Orange
99 Other (Please specify)
100

GROUP B – *Typically which of the following photos represents your favorite type of holiday? [USE PHOTOS, SINGLE CODE]*

1. **V34**

   1 Sea landscape
   2 Pretty city landscape (e.g london or rome)
   3 Mountain landscape
   4 Country/rural landscape
   5   Desert landscape
   99 Other holiday (Please specify)

ASK ALL
Q4
In life, people have different ways of doing things. Here are a number of statements which could characterize your feelings and preferences. Overall, can you tell us which best corresponds to you?

V23_1 THROUGH V23_16 [NEW QUESTION!] CODED 1 THROUGH 7 AS PER ORIGINAL SCALE

I prefer to stick to what I know I like	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I prefer to try new things
I often feel that my values and beliefs are very different from everyone else's	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I often feel that my values and beliefs are similar to everyone else's
If things are uncertain I am more likely to expect the best	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	If things are uncertain I am more likely to expect the worst
I think I usually understand others quite well	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I think I usually understand others quite badly
I think others usually understand me quite well	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I think others usually understand me quite badly
I usually prefer to be with others	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I usually prefer to be on my own
I am easily worried	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I am never worried
I am always satisfied with myself	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I am never satisfied with myself
When I cook, it is usually from a recipe	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	When I cook, it is usually without a recipe
If I am in a group, I mostly care about a decision being taken efficiently	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	If I am in a group, I mostly care about everyone having had their say
I (honestly) always tend to be early late	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I (honestly) always tend to be
I always like to plan everything to make sure they are well organized	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I always like to decide things at the last minute to keep them spontaneous
I tend to be a party animal	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I tend to be the quiet type
I tend to find arguments healthy and stimulating	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I hate fights and arguments
I tend to be impatient	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	I tend to be patient
I think it is always important to explain things in detail	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Sometimes, it is better to do things than to talk about them

ASK ALL
Q5 Without self-modesty, if you were to describe your three main qualities, what would they be?

V35_1 THROUGH V35_12.
CODE 3 FOR BEST, 2 FOR SECOND BEST, 1 FOR THIRD BEST, 0 IF NOT SELECTED

V35_1 Kind
V35_2 Honest
V35_3 With common sense
V35_4 Intelligent
V35_5 Nice
V35_6 Modest
V35_7 Innovative
V35_8 Serious
V35_9 Down to earth
V35_10 Tolerant
V35_11 Perseverant
V35_12 Brave

ASK ALL
Q5b
And now, if you were to describe your three main downsides, what would they be?

V36_1 THROUGH V36_13.
CODE 3 FOR WORST, 2 FOR SECOND WORST, 1 FOR THIRD WORST, 0 IF NOT SELECTED

V36_1 Impatient
V36_2 Aggressive
V36_3 Clumsy
V36_4 Unreliable
V36_5 Intolerant
V36_6 Boring
V36_7 Loud
V36_8 Selfish
V36_9 Ignorant
V36_10 Shy
V36_11 Too serious
V36_12 Snobbish
V36_13 Too demanding

ASK ALL
Q6
We would now like you to think of all the elections that you have experienced in your life, whether you voted in them or not.

Please consider what you remember about these elections...for instance, you could remember walking into the polling station, something about the campaign, who won the election, discussions or arguments amongst family and friends, or how you or someone else voted.

On the whole, how much would you say that you remember about the following elections?

ROWS:
V6_1 Some election when I was a child before I had the right to vote
V6_2 One of the elections when I voted for the first time
V6_3US The 1980 Presidential election
V6_4US The 2000 Presidential election
V6_5US The 2008 Presidential election
V6_6US The 2010 Congressional election

COLUMNS:
3 A lot
2 A fair amount
1 A little bit
0 Nothing at all

ASK ALL
Q6b
In addition to the particular elections we just asked you about, are there any other elections which you remember well?
[If you do not remember any other elections, simply type 'N/A']
[VERBATIM OPEN ENDED]

V6_OTH

ASK ALL
Q7
And when you think of the past elections that you have experienced, how well do you remember each of the following elements?
[SINGLE CODE FOR EACH ELEMENT]
[RANDOMISE ORDER OF STATEMENTS]

PLEASE NOTE TWO ADDED CATEGORIES (DEBATED AND CONVENTION) AS COMPARED TO FRANCE, PLEASE ENSURE SIMILAR STATEMENTS ARE CODED SIMILARLY ACROSS ALL COUNTRIES

ROWS:
 V7_1 Past elections in general
 V7_2 Who I voted for
 V7_3 Some discussion with family or friends
 V7_4 Some argument or dispute with family or friends
 V7_5 Some elements of the campaign (promises, slogan)
 V7_6 Some campaign poster, flier, clip or advertisement
 V7_13 Something from the election debate
 V7_14 Something from one of the party conventions
 V7_7 Some personal experience or image of the election (entering the polling station, standing in the polling booth, etc)
 V7_8 Who won the election
 V7_9 Who lost the election
 V7_10 Some image of election night (portrait of the winner, watching the results come in, etc)
 V7_11 Whether I hesitated on who to vote for
 V7_12 Whether I hesitated on whether to vote or not

COLUMNS:
3 One of the first the memories that first comes to mind
2 I remember this quite clearly
1 I remember this a little
0 I do not remember this at all

Please consider the following statements.

For each of them, we would like you to indicate to what extent you agree or disagree using a scale from 0 to 7.

0 means that you completely disagree with the statement, and 7 means that you completely agree with the statement.

Using this scale, could you please tell us to what extent you agree that…
[SINGLE CODE PER STATEMENT]

ROWS:
V8_1 In the past, I have changed or made up my mind about who to vote for on the very day of the election
V8_2 I sometimes think that my experience and memory of past elections – discussions, campaigns, promises, etc – has an influence on the way I now vote
V8_3 When I go to vote, I often think of the way other people may be voting
V8_4 When I enter the polling station, I clearly have the feeling that I have a responsibility on my shoulders
V8_5 In general I tend to vote in all elections
V8_6 In my life, I have always voted for the same political party
V8_7 I like the atmosphere of the polling station
V8_8 I like the atmosphere of election night and the discovery of the first results
V8_9 I have sometimes cried because of an election, be it out of emotion, happiness, anger, or sadness
V8_10 If there is an election and I do not vote, I feel guilty about it
V8_11 When I decide who to vote for, I always vote for the party I like best regardless of how likely it is that this party will win the election
V8_12 When I decide who to vote for, I sometimes vote for a party I do not necessarily like in order to express my dissatisfaction to the party in power or another party
V8_13 When I decide who to vote for, I sometimes vote for a party which is not my favourite one if my favourite party has no or little chance of winning
V8_14 When I decide who to vote for, I think of what is good for my country rather than what is good for myself
V8_15 When I go to vote, I often feel that the way I vote can influence the way my country is governed
V8_16 When I go to vote, I often feel that if many people feel and vote the way I do it can influence the way my country is governed

COLUMNS: CODES: ENTER VALUES AS BELOW

0 - completely disagree
1
2
3
4

5
6
7 – completely agree

Elections are made of many important moments, such as political campaigns, debates, the moment one goes to vote, and 'election night'. Please, think of the way you feel when are in the polling booth ready to cast your vote, are not able to vote while there is an election, and when you follow election night.

What best describes your feelings in the following circumstances?

When I am in the polling booth casting my vote I tend to feel...
[If you usually vote by proxy/ post, please think of this moment when you answer the question]

[Please either click the point on each scale which represents your views or drag the slider to that point]

V9_1_EXC_BORED Excited   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Bored
V9_2_SAD_HAPPY Sad   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Happy
V9_3_EMO_UNMVD Emotional   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Unmoved
V9_4_INT_LIGHT Intense   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Light
V9_5_WOR_REASS Worried   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Reassured
V9_6_IMPME_NOT Feeling it is important for me   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Feeling it is unimportant for me
V9_7_IMPCO_NOT Feeling it is important   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Feeling it is unimportant
for my country   for my country
V9_8_NER_RELAX Nervous   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Relaxed
V9_9_PESS_OPTI Pessimistic   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Optimistic
V9_10_PROUD_ASH Proud   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Ashamed
V9_11_CLOSE_NOT Feeling close to my fellow   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Not feeling close
Countrymen   to my fellow countrymen

CODE AS ABOVE 1 THROUGH 7

When there is an election and I cannot go to vote I tend to feel...
[If this has never happened to you, try to think of how you would feel in this circumstance]

[Please either click the point on each scale which represents your views or drag the slider to that point]

V10_1_EXC_BORED Excited   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Bored
V10_2_SAD_HAPPY Sad   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Happy
V10_3_EMO_UNMVD Emotional   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Unmoved
V10_4_INT_LIGHT Intense   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Light
V10_5_WOR_REASS Worried   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Reassured
V10_6_IMPME_NOT Feeling it is important for me 1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Feeling it is unimportant for me
V10_7_IMPCO_NOT Feeling it is important 1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Feeling it is unimportant
for my country   for my country

V10_8_NER_RELAX Nervous   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Relaxed
V10_9_PESS_OPTI Pessimistic   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Optimistic
V10_10_PROUD_ASH Proud   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Ashamed
V10_11_CLOSE_NOT Feeling close to my fellow   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Not feeling close
Countrymen   to my fellow countrymen

CODE AS ABOVE 1 THROUGH 7

ASK ALL Q11
When I follow election night and the results being announced I tend to feel...

[Please either click the point on each scale which represents your views or drag the slider to that point]

V11_1_EXC_BORED Excited   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Bored
V11_2_SAD_HAPPY Sad   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Happy
V11_3_EMO_UNMVD Emotional   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Unmoved
V11_4_INT_LIGHT Intense   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Light
V11_5_WOR_REASS Worried   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Reassured
V11_6_IMPME_NOT Feeling it is important for me 1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Feeling it is
unimportant for me
V11_7_IMPCO_NOT Feeling it is important 1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Feeling it is unimportant
for my country   for my country
V11_8_NER_RELAX Nervous   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Relaxed
V11_9_PESS_OPTI Pessimistic   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Optimistic
V11_10_PROUD_ASH Proud   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Ashamed
V11_11_CLOSE_NOT Feeling close to my fellow   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Not feeling close
Countrymen   to my fellow countrymen

ASK ALL
NEW QUESTION
Using the following scale where 1 means that you completely disagree with the statement and 5 means that you completely agree with the statement, could you please tell us how much you agree with the following statements:

V39_1 THROUGH V39_8

COLUMNS:
    0   Completely disagree
 1   Disagree
 2   Neither disagree nor agree
 3   Agree
 4   Completely agree

Rows
V39_1 In an election, I think that my role as voter is to determine which candidate is most competent
V39_2 In an election, I think that my role as voter is to determine who defends my ideas
V39_3 When I listen to electoral debates, I feel very involved and don't like 'my' candidate to lose
V39_4 When I listen to electoral debates, I feel very detached and assess who is more convincing
V39_5 If elections were a football game, I would say that citizens are players who can go and make their team stronger

V39_6 If elections were a football game, I would say that politicians are the players and citizen the referees
V39_7 If the candidate I vote for loses the election, I will regret that a majority like wrong policies
V39_8 If the candidate I vote for loses the election, I will regret that a majority were fooled by the other candidate's arguments

[VIEW PARTY LOGOS]
Q12a/b – split logo vs candidate

How likely is it that you will EVER vote for the following parties

Please answer on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means that it is extremely unlikely that you will ever vote for the party mentioned, and 10 means that it is extremely likely that you will vote for that party at some point in the future.
[GRID]

SAMPLE A ROWS:

V12_6030 Democratic Party
V12_6050 Republican Party
V12_6099 Other Party

ASK ALL
Q13
In a few days, US citizens will be invited to elect their President. At the moment, which ONE of the options below best describes your voting intentions?
[SINGLE CODE]
V13

   20 I intend to vote at the polling station on the day of the vote
   23 I intend to vote in advance at a polling station (early voting/advanced voting)
   21 I intend to vote by mail (mail absentee voting)
   24 I intend to vote from overseas
   10 I am currently unsure as to whether I will vote
   0 I do not intend to vote
    1   I am not eligible to vote

ASK ALL WHO SAY THEY INTEND TO VOTE (Q13 = code 1/2/3 /)
Q14_A1
You mentioned that you intend to vote in the upcoming Presidential Election.

V14

Can we ask which candidate you are most likely to vote for?
   6030   Barack Obama
   6050   Mitt Romney
6080 Other (specify)
6090 I intend to purposefully spoil my vote

Q14_A2
Can we ask which party you are most likely to vote for in the congressional election?

V14D
   6030   Democratic party
   6050   Republican party
   6080   Other (specify)
   6090   I intend to purposefully spoil my vote

ASK ALL WHO SAY THEY Probably Certainly Wont vote (Q13 = code 5/6/7/)
Q14_B1
If you were to decide or could vote in the upcoming General Election.

Can we ask which candidate you would be most likely to vote for?

V14
6030Barack Obama
6050Mitt Romney
6080Other (specify)
6090 I intend to purposefully spoil my vote

Q14_B2
And who would you be most likely to vote for in the congressional election?

V14D
6030Democratic party
6050Republican party
6080Other (specify)
6090I intend to purposefully spoil my vote

ASK ALL
Q15
Of the following personal qualities which are the THREE you consider the most important for a future US President to have [Please drag into most important, second most important, and third most important]

V30_1 THROUGH V30_13 + V30_99 FOR OTHER, CODED 3 FOR MOST IMPORTANT, 2 FOR SECOND MOST IMPORTANT, 1 FOR THIRD MOST IMPORTANT, 0 IF NOT SELECTED

V30_14 Strong
V30_1 Charismatic
V30_2 Honest
V30_3 Statesmanlike
V30_4 With common sense
V30_5 Intelligent
V30_6 Nice
V30_7 Moderate
V30_8 Experienced
V30_9 Creative
V30_10 Modest
V30_11 Innovative
V30_12 Down to earth.
V30_13 Perseverant
V30_99 Other

ASK ALL:

When you are unhappy with the situation in our country, would you consider the following reactions

V32_1 THROUGH V32_11 + V32_99 FOR OTHER

Columns
3 Yes certainly
2 yes probably
1 no probably not
0 no certainly not:

V32_1 Vote for one of the main parties which are not in power
V32_2 Abstain in elections
V32_3 Participate in a peaceful demonstration
V32_4 Sign a petition

PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK IF DK WAS OFFERED AS AN OPTION IN FRANCE AND ALSO IN NEW ZEALAND AND OTHERS WITH THE SAME QUESTION

	Strongly Agree 4	Agree to some extent 3	Neither agree nor disagree 2	Disagree to some extent 1	Disagree Strongly 0	DK 80
V33_1 On the whole democracy works quite well in the USA						
V33_2 Society has improved over the past fifty years						
V33_3 On the whole, US politicians are rather good						
V33_4 Ultimately, our children will probably live a happier life than our generation						
V33_5 The situation of our country really depends on world finance and companies, ultimately government has no influence						
V33_6 We should recognize that some large segments of society are keen on making everyone else's life miserable and cannot be helped						

V33_7 In the USA, the school system is a big failure					
V33_8 Administrations make life worse and not better for US citizens					
V33_9 Political parties are all the same					
V33_10 We have accepted 'diversity' so much that the USA is now incoherent					
V33_12 The USA is not as dominant as it used to be and its destiny is really decided elsewhere.					

Ask all
Q18
Here are a number of moral values that have founded some of the formal and informal rules that govern our society.

Could you please tell us how you would rank them from most to least important for our society.

Please rank these moral values from 1 to 6. 1 means that you consider this value the most important, while 6 means that you consider this value the least important.
[RANK 1-6 GRID]

V15_1 THROUGH V15_6 (SCORE: 6 IF RANKED FIRST, 5 IF RANKED 2ND, 4 IF RANKED 3RD, 3 IF RANKED 4TH, 2 IF RANKED 5TH, 1 IF RANKED 6TH, AND 0 IF NOT RANKED)

V15_1 One should honour and respect his/her parents
V15_2 One should not commit murder
V15_3 One should not commit adultery
V15_4 One should not steal
V15_5 One should not commit perjury/falsely testify
V15_6 One should not covet other people's partners and/or possessions

Ask all
Q19
Historically, many people have considered the following 'vices' to be major sins. When you think of people with these attributes, could you please tell us how you would rank them from the most objectionable to the least objectionable?

Please rank these attributes from 1 to 7. 1 means that you consider this value the most sinful, while 7 means that you consider this attribute the least sinful.
[RANK ORDER SORT]

V16_1 THROUGH V16_7 (CODES: 7 IF RANKED 1ST, 6 IF RANKED 2ND, 5 IF RANKED 3RD, 4 IF RANKED 4TH, 3 IF RANKED 5TH, 2 IF RANKED 6TH, 1 IF RANKED 7TH, 0 IF NOT RANKED)

V16_1 Wrath
V16_2 Greed
V16_3 Sloth
V16_4 Pride
V16_5 Lust
V16_6 Envy
V16_7 Gluttony

END DEMOGRAPHICS

IDEOLOGY

When it comes to politics, people often talk of 'liberal' and 'conservative'. Please, consider the following scale where 0 means that somebody's ideas are on the very liberal and 10 means that they are on the very conservative. Can you please tell us where you would place yourself on this scale?

V20 (0 TO 10 AS ENTERED, NO POLITICAL IDEAS = 80, DK = 81)

SCALE (SHOW HORIZONTALLY FROM LEFT TO RIGHT)
0 – Very liberal
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
10 – Very conservative
I have no political ideas
Don't know

ROW:
I would say my political views tend towards...

EDUCATION LEVEL
What is your highest level of education?

D4_EDU

1. 11th grade or lower
2. High school graduate
3. Some college, no degree
4. Associate degree or equivalent
5. Bachelor's degree or equivalent
6. Master's degree or equivalent

7. Doctorate
8. Professional degree
9. Other (specify)
10. Prefer not to say

UK SOCIAL GRADE

D5_OCCUP

We would now like you to think about the chief income earner in your household; that is the person with the highest income, which may or may not be yourself. Which of the following groups does the chief income earner in your household belong to?

If the chief income earner is retired with an occupational pension, please enter their former occupation. Please only enter 'retired' if the chief income earner receives the state pension only.

If the chief income earner has been unemployed for a period of less than 6 months, please answer based on their previous occupation.

- Higher managerial/professional/administrative (e.g. established doctor, solicitor, board director in large organization (200+ employees), top level civil servant/ public service employee, head teacher etc.)
- Intermediate managerial/ professional/ administrative (e.g. newly qualified (under 3 years) doctor, solicitor, board director of small organization, middle manager in large organization, principal officer in civil service/ local government etc.
- Supervisory or clerical/ junior managerial/ professional/ administrator (e.g. office worker, student doctor, foreman with 25+ employees, sales person, student teacher etc.)
- Skilled manual worker (e.g. skilled bricklayer, carpenter, plumber, painter, bus/ ambulance driver, HGV driver, unqualified teaching assistant, pub/bar worker etc.)
- Semi-skilled or unskilled manual worker (e.g. manual jobs that require no special training or qualifications, apprentices to be skilled trades, caretaker, cleaner, nursery school assistant, park keeper, non-HGV driver, shop assistant etc.)
- Student
- Retired and living on state pension only
- Unemployed for over 6 months or not working due to long term sickness

THE ABOVE ANSWERS WILL BE RECODED INTO SOCIAL GRADES A/B/C1/C2/D/E

Ask all – single code
ETHNICITY

D9_ETHNICITY

Which of the following best describes your ethnicity?

10 Caucasian (Non-Hispanic)
49 African American/Black
50 Latino / Hispanic
60 Native American
34 East Asian / Pacific Islander
35 Sub-continental Asian (from the region of India or Pakistan)
70 Middle-Eastern / North African
20 Multiracial
99 Would rather not say

RELIGION
Which, if any, of the following religions do you MOST affiliate yourself with?
D8_RELIGION

51 Afro-American Folk religions (Vodou, Santeria, Kumina, etc.)
1 Agnostic
0 Atheist
42 Buddhism
25 Christianity
43 Confucianism
40 Hinduism
4 Humanist
30 Islam
10 Judaism

52 Native American religions
61 Scientology
3 Secularist / Irreligion
41 Sikhism
2 Spiritualist
44 Taoism
62 Unitarian Universalism
63 Wiccan
80 Other
98 Not applicable
99 Prefer Not to Answer

Ask all – single code
RELIGIOSITY/ATTENDANCE
Attendance (on average, how often do you attend religious services?

D8B_RELIGATTENDANCE

4   Once a week or more
3 Once or twice a month
2 Several times a year
1   Once or twice a year
0   Never or very rarely
99 Prefer not to answer

Ask all – single code
INCOME
What is your annual HOUSEHOLD income (before taxes/deductions)?

D6 INCOME

Under $20,000
$20,000 to $29,999
$30,000 to $39,999
$40,000 to $49,999
$50,000 to $59,999
$60,000 to $69,999
$70,000 to $79,999
$80,000 to $89,999
$90,000 to $99,999
$100,000 to $119,999
$120,000 to $149,999
$150,000 to $199,999
Over $200,000
Would rather not say

Recontacting as many Wave 1 respondents as possible – aiming for 90%+ re-response rate
Survey to launch on the night of 6 to 7 November at midnight

Analysis
SPSS file to include all questions and demographics.
Data to be merged for wave 1 and wave 2.

QUESTIONNAIRE

INTRODUCTION TEXT

Thank you for clicking through to this questionnaire, which will ask you about your experiences of the Presidential election that has just taken place.

This is the second part of a two part academic study. Thank you very much for taking part in the first survey before the Election, and we now look forward to receiving your responses to this second survey.

This survey is completely anonymous and your answers will only be used for purely academic purposes.

You can begin this survey by clicking on the 'Next' button below.

DEMOGRAPHICS ALREADY COLLECTED IN WAVE 1

EVERYONE: Q101a, THEN THREE DIFFERENT ROUTES:

 (1) **VOTED IN PERSON: 101b, 102, 103a, 104a, 105A or B (split sample, in situ phrasing), 106_1a, 106_2, 107a**
 (2) **VOTED BY POST/PROXY: 101b, 102, 103b, 104b, 105A or B (split sample, post phrasing), 106_1b, 106_2, 107a**
 (3) **DID NOT VOTE: 101c, 102, 103c, 104b, 105A or B (split sample, non-voter phrasing), 106_1c, 106_2, 107_b**

ASK ALL
Q101a
US citizens have just elected their President and renewed their Congress. Which ONE of the options below best describes what you did with regards to this election? [SINGLE CODE]
V101_A

20I voted in both the Presidential and Congressional elections
11I voted in the Presidential election only
12I voted in the Congressional (House or Senate) election only
0I did not vote in either election.

Q101b1: ASK those who participated in at least one vote (Q101a=codes 1, 2 or 3):
Q101b1
And can you please tell us how you voted?

V101_B

1 I voted at the polling station on the day of the vote
2 I voted in advance at a polling station (early voting/advanced voting)
6 I voted by mail (mail absentee voting)
3 I voted from overseas
0 I did not vote

Q101b2: ASK those who did not participate in either vote (Q101a = code 4):
Q101b2
And can you please tell us if you chose not to vote or were ineligible to vote?
V101_C

1 I did not vote because I chose not to
0 I was not eligible to vote

Q101c1: Ask WHO SAY THEY VOTED IN THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION (Q101a = code 1/2)
Q101c1
You mentioned that you voted in the Presidential election. Can we ask which candidate you voted for on that occasion?
V102AB

Randomise

    6030   Barack Obama
    6050   Mitt Romney
    6080   One of the other candidates (specify) :
6090 I purposefully spoilt my vote

AND ASK ALL Q101d1 THOSE WHO SAID THEY VOTED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION (Q101a= code 1, 3)
Q101d1
You mentioned that you voted in the Congressional election. Can you please tell us from which party was the candidate you voted for on that occasion?
V102AB_2

Randomize
    6030   Democratic Party
    6050   Republican Party
    6080   Other (specify)
    6090   I purposefully spoilt my vote

ASK ALL WHO SAY THEY DID NOT VOTE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION (Q101a code=3, 4)
Q101c2
You mentioned that you did not vote in Presidential Election.
If you had voted, can we ask which candidate you would have been most likely to vote for?
V102C

Randomise

6030 Barack Obama
6050 Mitt Romney
6080 One of the other candidates (specify) :
6090 I would have purposefully spoilt my vote
6099 I'm not sure

ASK ALL WHO SAY THEY DID NOT VOTE IN THE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION (Q101a=2, 4)
Q101c3
You mentioned that you did not vote in the Congressional Election.
If you had voted, can we ask for which party was candidate you would have been most likely to vote for?
V102C_2

Randomize

6030 Democratic Party
6050 Republican Party
6080 Other (specify)
6090 I would have purposefully spoilt my vote
6099 I'm not sure

ASK ALL
Q102
Try to remember election day and what thoughts went through your mind on that day. Please, tell us what are the first three words that come to your mind when you think of that day, its atmosphere, and what went through your mind about the election?

[VERBATIM BOXES X 3, 2 REQUIRED]

1. **V103_1**_____
2. **V103_2**_____
3. **V103_3**_____

ASK ALL
Q103X
If, for the sake of argument, you think of the election as the political equivalent of the Superbowl between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney, and you think of your own position as voter.

Would you say that you were more like:
V103X

1 Definitely a referee
2 Mostly a referee
4 Mostly a supporter
5 Definitely supporter
3 A bit of both
8 Neither

ASK ALL WHO VOTED ON THE DAY OR IN ADVANCE AT A POLLING STATION (Q101b1 = code 1 or 2)

Q103A
Now, try to remember the moment when you were in the polling booth about to cast your vote. Please tell us what are the first three words that come to your mind when you think of that experience?

VERBATIM BOXES X 3, 2 REQUIRED]

1. **V104A_1**_____
2. **V104A_2**_____
3. **V104A_3**_____

ASK ALL WHO VOTED FROM ABROAD BY MAIL OR USING ABSENTEE BALLOTS (Q101b1 = code 3, 4)
Q103B
Now, try to remember the moment when you were filling in your postal ballot/absentee ballot. Please tell us what are the first three words that come to your mind when you think of that experience?
[VERBATIM BOXES X 3, 2 REQUIRED]

1. **V104B_1**_____
2. **V104B_2**_____
3. **V104B_3**_____

ASK ALL DID NOT VOTE (Q101a = code 4)
Q103C
Now, try to remember election day when you knew many other citizens were voting but you were not. Please tell us what are the first three words that come to your mind when you think of that experience?
[VERBATIM BOXES X 3, 2 REQUIRED]

1. **V104C_1**_____
2. **V104C_2**_____
3. **V104C_3**_____

Q104 ASK ALL WHO VOTED IN PERSON: (Q101b = code 1 or 2)

In one sentence, can you tell us what went through your mind when you were in the polling booth, ready to cast your vote?
V104X (VERBATIM)

ASK ALL WHO VOTED IN PERSON (Q101b = code 1 or 2)
Q104a
In particular, when you stood in the polling booth, did you think at all of the following things?

COLUMNS:
ALL VARIABLES BELOW CODED:

3 Yes, I thought of it a lot
2 Yes, I thought of it a little bit

ROWS:
V105A_1 Some previous election
V105A_2 My family
V105A_3 My responsibility
V105A_4 A discussion I had with someone about the election in the past few weeks
V105A_5 An argument I had with someone about the election in the past few weeks
V105A_6 How the rest of the country was likely to vote
V105A_7 That this election might be historical
V105A_8 Something I heard during the campaign
V105A_9 Something I heard during the candidates' debates
V105A_10 Some image I saw during the campaign (poster, photo, etc)
V105A_11 The candidates I had to choose between
V105A_12 The people who could be in the Cabinet after this election
V105A_13 Some happy thought
V105A_14 Some angry thought
V105A_15 Some emotional thought

ASK ALL WHO VOTED FROM OVERSEAS OR USING MAIL OR ABSENTEE BALLOT (Q101b = code 3 or 4)
Q103B
Now, try to remember the moment when you were filling your absentee (or overseas) ballot to cast your vote. Please tell us what are the first three words that come to your mind when you think of that experience?

ASK ALL WHO VOTED FROM OVERSEAS OR USING MAIL OR ABSENTEE BALLOT (Q101b = code 3 or 4)
Q104b
In particular, when you were filling in your overseas ballot or absentee ballot, did you think at all of the following things?

COLUMNS:
ALL VARIABLES BELOW CODED:

3 Yes, I thought of it a lot
2 Yes, I thought of it a little bit
1 No, I did not think of it much
0 No I did not think of it at all

ROWS:

V105B_1 Some previous election
V105B_2 My family
V105B_3 My responsibility
V105B_4A discussion I had with someone about the election in the past few weeks
V105B_5 An argument I had with someone about the election in the past few weeks
V105B_6 How the rest of the country was likely to vote
V105B_7 That this election might be historical
V105B_8 Something I heard during the campaign

V105B_9 Something I heard during the candidates' debates
V105B_10 Some image I saw during the campaign (poster, photo, etc)
V105B_11 The candidates I had to choose between
V105B_12 The people who could be in the Cabinet after this election
V105B_13 Some happy thought
V105B_14 Some angry thought
V105B_15 Some emotional thought

ASK ALL DID NOT VOTE (Q101a = code 4)
Q104c
In particular, when you thought about the election and about other people voting while you did not, did you think at all of the following things?

COLUMNS:
ALL VARIABLES BELOW CODED:

3 Yes, I thought of it a lot
2 Yes, I thought of it a little bit
1 No, I did not think of it much
0 No I did not think of it at all

ROWS:
V105C_1 Some previous election
V105C_2 My family
V105C_3 My responsibility
V105C_4 A discussion I had with someone about the election in the past few weeks
V105C_5 An argument I had with someone about the election in the past few weeks
V105C_6 How the rest of the country was likely to vote
V105C_7 That this election might be historical
V105C_8 Something I heard during the campaign
V105C_9 Something I heard during the candidates' debates
V105C_10 Some image I saw during the campaign (poster, photo, etc)
V105C_11 The candidates people had to choose between
V105C_12 The people who could be in the Cabinet after this election
V105C_13 Some happy thought
V105C_14 Some angry thought
V105C_15 Some emotional thought

IF Q101A = code = 1 = both elections ask Q105,Q150A and Q105B
IF Q101A = Code = 2 = Presidential elections ask Q105
IF Q101A = Code = 3 = Congressional elections Ask Q105a
Q105
When you think of how you made up your mind about how to vote in the Presidential Election, which one of these statements best describes your own situation?
V106AB_A

5 I already knew how I would vote months before the election
4 I decided how I would vote some weeks before the election
3 I decided how I would vote about a week before the election
2 I only decided how I would vote within a couple of days of the election
1 I only decided how I would vote when I went to or arrived at the polling station
0 I thought I knew how I would vote but I changed my mind when I went to or arrived at the polling station

Q105a
And when you think of how you made up your mind about how to vote in the Congressional Election, which one of these statements best describes your own situation?
V106AB_A2

5 I already knew how I would vote months before the election
4 I decided how I would vote some weeks before the election
3 I decided how I would vote about a week before the election
2 I only decided how I would vote within a couple of days of the election
1 I only decided how I would vote when I went to or arrived at the polling station
0 I thought I knew how I would vote but I changed my mind when I went to or arrived at the polling station

Q105b
And when you think of the way that you voted, which one of these statements best describes your own situation?
V106X

0 For both elections, I was really not happy about any candidate and had the impression I had to settle for the 'least bad' option
2 For both elections, while not actually enthusiastic, there was a candidate I felt quite happy to vote for
1 There was one election for which I had to settle for the 'least bad option' amongst the candidates but another for which I could choose a candidate I felt rather happy voting for
3 I voted for a candidate I felt enthusiastic about for both elections

ASK Q105c TO ALL WHO DID NOT VOTE IN THE ELECTION
Q105C
When you think of how you made up your mind about not voting in this election, which one of these statements best describes your own situation?
V106C_A

5 I already knew I would not vote months before the election
4 I decided I would not vote some weeks before the election
3 I decided I would not vote about a week before the election
2 I only decided I would not vote within a couple of days of the election
1 I only decided I would not vote on the day of the election
0 I thought I would vote but I changed my mind on the day of the election

ASK ALL
Q106X
Thinking of election night, which ONE of the following statements best applies to you?
V107
3 I followed the whole of election night and the first results (or estimations) of the election.
2 I followed some media coverage of election night and the first results (or estimations) of the election

1 I did not follow any media coverage of election night but I do know the first results (or estimations) of the election

0 I did not follow any media coverage of election night and I do not know any of the results (or estimations) of the election yet

ASK ALL WHO VOTED IN PERSON (Q101B = codes 1 or 2)
Q106_1a
Please, think of the way you felt when you were in the polling booth ready to cast your vote. Please tell us what best describes your feelings at that time. Did you feel…?
A INSTEAD OF X IN TABLE BELOW. EX:
V108A_1
V108A_2
V108A_3
…

ASK ALL WHO VOTED FROM OVERSEAS OR BY PROXY (Q101B = codes 3 or 4)
Q106_1b
Please, think of the way you felt when you were when you were filling in your overseas ballot or absentee ballot. Please tell us what best describes your feelings at that time. Did you feel…?
B INSTEAD OF X IN TABLE BELOW. EX:
V108B_1
V108B_2
V108B_3
…

ASK ALL WHO DID NOT VOTE (Q101a = 4)
Q106_1c
Please, think of the way you felt on the day of the election while other people were voting but not yourself. Please tell us what best describes your feelings at that time. Did you feel…?
C INSTEAD OF X IN TABLE BELOW. EX:
V108C_1
V108C_2
V108C_3
…

Please either click the point on each scale which represents your views or drag the slider to that point. **ALL BELOW CODE=SCORE (1=1, 2=2… 7=7)**

V108X_1 Excited	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Bored
V108X_2 Happy	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Sad
V108X_3 Emotional	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Unmoved
V108X_4 Intense	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Light
V108X_5 Worried	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Reassured
V108X_6 Feeling it was important for me for me	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Feeling it was unimportant
V108X_7 Feeling it was important for my country	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Feeling it was unimportant for my country
V108X_8 Nervous	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Relaxed
V108X_9 Pessimistic	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Optimistic
V108X_10 Proud	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Ashamed

V108X_11 Feeling close to my
fellow countrymen   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Not feeling close to my
                                                          fellow countrymen

Q106_2
And now, please tell us what best describes your feelings when you followed election night and/or discovered the results (or estimations) of the election. Did you feel…?
ALL BELOW CODE=SCORE (1=1, 2=2… 7=7)

V109_1 Excited   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Bored
V109_2 Happy   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Sad
V109_3 Emotional   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Unmoved
V109_4 Intense   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Light
V109_5 Worried   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Reassured
V109_6 Feeling it was important for me   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Feeling it was unimportant
for me
V109_7 Feeling it was important   Feeling it was unimportant
for my country   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   for my country
V109_8 Nervous   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Relaxed
V109_9 Pessimistic   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Optimistic
V109_10 Proud   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   Ashamed
V109_11 Feeling close to my   Not feeling close to my fellow
countrymen   1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7   fellow countrymen

Q106_3
Now think of the election that you participated in – Presidential and Congressional. In your opinion, can you please tell us if you:
V109_Y

0 Thought it was better to give a majority to the same party in both elections
2 Thought it was better to not give all the power to the same people in the two elections
1 Voted as if the two elections were completely separate and did not consider the link between the new President and new Congress

Q107a
Still thinking about the time when you cast your vote, please, consider the following statements.
For each of them, we would like you to indicate to what extent you agree or disagree using a scale from 0 to 7.

0 means that you completely disagree with the statement, and 7 means that you completely agree with the statement.

Using this scale, could you please tell us to what extent you agree that…

COLUMNS:
0– completely disagree
1
2
3
4

5
6
7 - completely agree
ALL BELOW CODE=SCORE (1=1, 2=2… 7=7)

ROWS:
V110AB_1 To me, voting felt important
V110AB_2 When I cast my vote, it brought back memories of some previous elections
V110AB_3 When I cast my vote, I thought of some discussions I had with family members, colleagues, or friends about the election
V110AB_4 When I cast my vote, I had the feeling that I had a responsibility on my shoulders
V110AB_5 I liked the atmosphere of election day
V110AB_6 I liked the atmosphere of the polling station
V110AB_7 I liked the atmosphere of election night and the discovery of the first results
V110AB_8 I would have felt guilty if I had not voted in the election
V110AB_9 When I voted, I thought of the way other people would be voting on the day
V110AB_10 I think that some of the memories I have of previous elections had an influence on my vote this time
V110AB_11 I voted for the party I liked best regardless of its chances of winning
V110AB_12 When I decided who to vote for, I thought of what was good for my country rather than what was good for me
V110AB_13 I thought that my vote could influence the way my country is governed
V110AB_14 I thought that if many people felt and voted the way I did it could influence the way my country is governed

ASK ALL WHO DID NOT VOTE (Q101a = code 4)
Q107b
Still thinking about election day when other people were voting, but you were not, please, consider the following statements.

For each of them, we would like you to indicate to what extent you agree or disagree using a scale from 0 to 7.

0 means that you completely disagree with the statement, and 7 means that you completely agree with the statement.

Using this scale, could you please tell us to what extent you agree that…

COLUMNS:
0– completely disagree
1
2
3
4
5
6
7 - completely agree
ALL BELOW CODE=SCORE (1=1, 2=2… 7=7)

ROWS:
V110C_1 To me, not voting felt important
V110C_2 When thought of the election, it brought back memories of some previous elections
V110C_3 When I thought of the election, I thought of some discussions I had with family members, colleagues, or friends about the election

V110C_4 When I thought of the election, I had the feeling that I had a responsibility on my shoulders
V110C_5 Even though I did not vote, I liked the atmosphere of election day
V110C_6 I disliked hearing about the election in the media
V110C_7 I liked the atmosphere of election night and the discovery of the first results
V110C_8 I disliked hearing people around me talk about the election or of going to vote
V110C_9 I thought of the way other people would be voting on the day
V110C_10 I think that some of the memories I have of previous elections had an influence on my abstaining this time
V110C_11 Despite not voting I had strong feelings about a party I wanted to win
V110C_12 Despite not voting I had strong feelings about a party I wanted to lose
V110C_13 I did not think that my vote could influence the way my country is governed
V110C_14 I did not think that if many people felt and voted the way I would it could influence the way my country is governed
V110C_15 I would have felt proud if I had gone to vote

END

Wave 3

Recontacting as many Wave 1 respondents as possible
Survey to launch on the night of 4 to 5 November at midnight

Analysis
SPSS file to include all questions and demographics.
Data to be merged for wave 1 and wave 2.

QUESTIONNAIRE

INTRODUCTION TEXT

Thank you for clicking through to this questionnaire, which will ask you about your experiences of the Midterm Congressional election that has just taken place.

This is the third part of a three part academic study. Thank you very much for taking part in the first survey in 2012, and we now look forward to receiving your responses to this new survey.

This survey is completely anonymous and your answers will only be used for purely academic purposes.

You can begin this survey by clicking on the 'Next' button below.

DEMOGRAPHICS ALREADY COLLECTED IN WAVE 1

EVERYONE: Q201a, THEN THREE DIFFERENT ROUTES:

(4) VOTED IN PERSON:
(5) VOTED BY POST/PROXY:
(6) DID NOT VOTE:

Q201a
US citizens have just renewed their Congress, and some also voted in Senate, Governor, and other elections. Which ONE of the options below best describes what you did with regards to this election?
[SINGLE CODE]
V201_A

20 I voted in both the Congressional and some other elections
11 I voted in the Congressional election only
12 I voted in another election only (Governor, Referendum, etc) but not for Congress
0 I did not vote in any election.

Q201b1: ASK those who participated in at least one vote (Q201a=codes 1, 2 or 3):
Q201b1
And can you please tell us how you voted?
V201_B1

1 I voted at the polling station on the day of the vote
2 I voted in advance at a polling station (early voting/advanced voting)
6 I voted by mail (mail absentee voting)
4 I voted by internet (electronic ballot)
3 I voted from overseas
0 I did not vote

Q201c1: ASK those who said they voted in polling station (Q201b1=codes 1):
Q201c1
You said that you went to the polling station in person in order to vote? Can you please tell us what the ballot paper that you were given was like
V201_C

1 It was a single piece of paper that needed to be marked with a pen
2 It was multiple pieces of paper (one for each vote) that needed to be marked with a pen
3 It was a single punch card that needed to be marked through a machine
4 It was multiple punch cards (one for each vote) that needed to be marked through a machine
5 It was an electronic voting machine whereby I needed to enter my choices on a computer-like machine or a screen
8 It was another type of ballot
9 I do not remember or did not pay attention

Q201b2: ASK those who did not participate in either vote (Q201a = code 0):
Q201b2
And can you please tell us if you chose not to vote or were ineligible to vote?
V201_C

1 I did not vote because I chose not to
0 I was not eligible to vote

AND ASK ALL Q101d1 THOSE WHO SAID THEY VOTED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION (Q201a= code 11, 20)
Q201c1
You mentioned that you voted in the Congressional election. Can you please tell us from which party was the candidate you voted for on that occasion?

V202AB

6031	Democratic Party
6051	Republican Party
6081	Other (specify)
6091	I purposefully spoilt my vote

Q201b3
You mentioned that you did not vote in the Congressional Election.
If you had voted, can we ask for which party was candidate you would have been most likely to vote for?
V202C_2

6030 Democratic Party
6050 Republican Party
6080 Other (specify)
6090 I would have purposefully spoilt my vote
6099 I'm not sure

Q201d
You mentioned that you voted in another election than the Congressional election. Can you please tell us from which party was the candidate you voted for on that occasion?
V202D

6032	Democratic Party
6052	Republican Party
6082	Other (specify)
6092	I purposefully spoilt my vote

Q202
Try to remember election day and what thoughts went through your mind on that day. Please, tell us what are the first three words that come to your mind when you think of that day, its atmosphere, and what went through your mind about the election?

[VERBATIM BOXES X 3, 2 REQUIRED]

4. **V203_1**_____
5. **V203_2**_____
6. **V203_3**_____

Q203X
If, for the sake of argument, you think of the election as the political equivalent of the Superbowl between the Democrats and the Republicans, who represent 'the players' in that game, and you think of your own position as voter.

Would you say that you were more like:
V203X

1 Definitely a referee
2 Mostly a referee
4 Mostly a supporter
5 Definitely supporter
3 A bit of both
8 Neither

ASK ALL
Using the following scale where 1 means that you completely disagree with the statement and 5 means that you completely agree with the statement, could you please tell us how much you agree with the following statements:

V239_1 THROUGH V239_8

COLUMNS:
2   **Completely disagree**
5   **Disagree**
6   **Neither disagree nor agree**
7   **Agree**
8   **Completely agree**

Rows
V239_1 In an election, I think that my role as voter is to determine who is most competent
V239_2 In an election, I think that my role as voter is to determine who defends my ideas
V239_3 When I listen to electoral debates, I feel very involved and don't like 'my' candidate to lose
V239_4 When I listen to electoral debates, I feel very detached and assess who is more convincing
V239_5 If elections were a football game, I would say that citizens are players who can go and make their team stronger
V239_6 If elections were a football game, I would say that citizens are the referees who need to arbitrate between the different parties
V239_7 If the party I vote for loses the election, I will regret that a majority like wrong policies
V239_8 If the party I vote for loses the election, I will regret that a majority were fooled by the other party's arguments

ASK ALL WHO VOTED ON THE DAY OR IN ADVANCE AT A POLLING STATION
(Q201b1 =1,2)
Q203A
Now, try to remember the moment when you were in the polling booth about to cast your vote. Please tell us what are the first three words that come to your mind when you think of that experience?

VERBATIM BOXES X 3, 2 REQUIRED]

4. **V204A_1**_____
5. **V204A_2**_____
6. **V204A_3**_____

Q203B
Now, try to remember the moment when you were filling in your postal ballot/absentee ballot. Please tell us what are the first three words that come to your mind when you think of that experience?
[VERBATIM BOXES X 3, 2 REQUIRED]

4. **V204B_1**_____
5. **V204B_2**_____
6. **V204B_3**_____

ASK ALL DID NOT VOTE (Q101a = code 0)
Q103C
Now, try to remember election day when you knew many other citizens were voting but you were not. Please tell us what are the first three words that come to your mind when you think of that experience?
[VERBATIM BOXES X 3, 2 REQUIRED]

4. **V204C_1**_____
5. **V204C_2**_____
6. **V204C_3**_____

Q204 ASK ALL WHO VOTED IN PERSON: (Q201b = code 1 or 2)

In one sentence, can you tell us what went through your mind when you were in the polling booth, ready to cast your vote?
V204X (VERBATIM)

Q900: Please think of elections. Now, look at each of the following word-beginnings and complete them so that each forms the first complete word that comes to your mind. Please type the COMPLETED word into the corresponding text box. In other words, if the prompt says "ma_", you could write 'Man' or 'Mad' or 'Manner' or 'Magpie'.
V250_1 to 250_5 (OPEN ENDED)

1. Pr ____
2. Ha ____
3. Ho ____
4. Tr ____
5. De____

Q902: When you think of <u>Congress as an institution</u>, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
V252_1 TO 252_3 (1 TO 7)

1. I would say that Congress is likely to act in a competent manner in the case of technically complex questions
2. I would say that Congress is likely to act in a moral manner in the case of ethically difficult questions
3. I would say that Congress is likely to act in accordance with my political preferences in the case of ideologically divisive questions

(1) strongly disagree __ (7) strongly agree

Q903: Now, think of the <u>person you voted for</u> in the Congressional election. Thinking of this person, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
V253_1 TO 253_3 (1 TO 7)

1. I would say that if elected, this person is likely to act in a competent manner in the case of technically complex questions
2. I would say that if elected, this person is likely in a moral manner in the case of ethically difficult questions
3. I would say that if elected, this person is likely in accordance with my political preferences in the case of ideologically divisive questions

(1) strongly disagree __ (7) strongly agree

Q904: Imagine that you can decide on the priorities that Congress will focus on in the next ten years. Imagine that you have to distribute 100 points between the following three priorities. The more points you allocate to a given priority, the more Congress policy will focus on improving it. Using that model, how would you allocate 100 points between the following three priorities:

1. Policies which will make life better for everyone right now, but which effects will have faded after just 2-3 years;
2. Policies which will make life better for everyone in about 5-10 years but which will imply some sacrifice in the shorter term and which will not have a permanent effect;
3. Policies which will make life better for everyone in the long term starting in 10 years but which will represent severe sacrifices for everyone until then.

Q905: Still using the same system, how would you allocate 100 points between the following three priorities:

1. Policies that focus on the interest of children and the youngest generations and ensure that they start in life with the best chance being happier, safer, and wealthier than we are;
2. Policies which ensure that people can spend their middle age years in social and financial conditions which enable them to enjoy the product of their hard work and raise a family easily;

3. Policies which ensure that people can spend the last 20-30 years of their lives in conditions of dignity and social and financial security;

Q906: Finally, still using the same system, how would you allocate 100 points between the following three priorities:

1. Policies that are beneficial to you and your family but negatively affect most other Americans;

2. Policies that are beneficial to the 50% of the US population which are most similar to you but negatively affect the other half;

3. Policies that are beneficial to the vast majority of the US population but negatively affect a minority of citizens that include people like you.

Q907: Imagine that two candidates, A and B, are competing for your vote. Which candidate would you vote for in the following situations?

[certainly A, probably A, probably B, certainly B]

1. Candidate A's proposed economic programme would make **you personally $200 worse off** every year, but would make **the average American $100 better off** every year. Candidate B would keep the current situation unchanged so neither you nor the average American would stand to gain or lose anything.

2. Candidate A's propose economic programme would make **you personally $100 better off** every year, but would make **the average American $200 worse off** every year. Candidate B would keep the current situation unchanged so neither you nor the average American would stand to gain or lose anything.

3. Candidate A's proposed economic programme would make **you personally $200 worse off** every year, but would make **the average American $100 better off** every year. Candidate B's propose economic programme would make **you personally $100 better off** every year, but would make **the average American $200 worse off** every year.

4. Candidate A's proposed pension reform would make **everyone in your generation $100 better off** every year past retirement, but it would make **all other generations $200 worse off** every year past retirement. Candidate B would keep the current situation unchanged so neither you nor the average American would stand to gain or lose anything.

5. Candidate A's proposed pension reform would make **everyone in your generation $200 worse off every** year past retirement, but it would make **all other generations $100 better off** every year past retirement. Candidate B would keep the current situation unchanged so neither you nor the average American would stand to gain or lose anything.

6. Candidate A's proposed pension reform would make **everyone in your generation $100 better off** every year past retirement, but it would make **all other generations $200 worse off** every year past retirement. Candidate B's proposed pension reform would make **everyone in your generation $200 worse off** every year past retirement, but it would make **all other generations $100 better off** every year past retirement.

7. Candidate A proposes a pilot project of **publically funded increased police action against burglaries in your city**, but as a result, it would **lower publically funded police action against burglaries in most of the rest of the country**. Candidate B proposes not to change anything to police action.

8. Candidate A proposes a pilot project of **publically funded increased police action against burglaries in most cities around the country**, but some will be excluded from the pilot, and as a result, there will be **lowered publically funded police action against burglaries in your particular city** will be slightly lowered. Candidate B proposes not to change anything to police action.

9. Candidate A proposes to **build a new large housing facility for homeless people in your part of town**. This will significantly improve the living conditions of poor people in your city but candidate B argues that this will bring a lot of social problems in your area, attract more homeless people to town, and lower the value of houses.

10. Candidate A proposes to **close all hostels for homeless people in your town** in order as he argues that they cause social problem and negatively affect the value of houses. Candidate B says that this policy is inhumane and will mean that many homeless people will become sick of vulnerable as they will have to live on the street.

Q908: Imagine that you have to choose between two candidates, A and B. Which candidate would you vote for in the following situations?

[certainly A, probably A, probably B, certainly B]

1. Candidate A says that the country's priority should be to **protect the older generation** by increasing their health and pension protection. Candidate B says that the country's priority should be to **lower the burden on the middle aged generation** by lowering taxes and making it easy for people to enjoy the fruit of their hard work.

2. Candidate A says that the country's priority should be to **defend the interest of the younger generation** by improving education and the protection of children. Candidate B says that the country's priority should be to **lower the burden on the middle aged generation** by lowering taxes and making it easy for people to enjoy the fruit of their hard work.

3. Candidate A says that the country's priority should be to **defend the interest of the younger generation** by improving education and the protection of children. Candidate B says that the country's priority should be to **protect the older generation** by increasing their health and pension protection.

IF Q201A = code = 1 = both elections ask Q205,Q250A and Q205B

Q205
When you think of how you made up your mind about how to vote in the Congressional Election, which one of these statements best describes your own situation?
V206AB_A

5I already knew how I would vote months before the election
4I decided how I would vote some weeks before the election
3I decided how I would vote about a week before the election
2I only decided how I would vote within a couple of days of the election
1I only decided how I would vote when I went to or arrived at the polling station
0I thought I knew how I would vote but I changed my mind when I went to or arrived at the polling station

Q205a
And when you think of how you made up your mind about how to vote in the other election (not Congressional), which one of these statements best describes your own situation?
V206AB_A2

5I already knew how I would vote months before the election
4I decided how I would vote some weeks before the election
3I decided how I would vote about a week before the election
2I only decided how I would vote within a couple of days of the election
1I only decided how I would vote when I went to or arrived at the polling station
0I thought I knew how I would vote but I changed my mind when I went to or arrived at the polling station

Q105b
And when you think of the way that you voted, which one of these statements best describes your own situation?
V206X

0 For both elections, I was really not happy about any candidate and had the impression I had to settle for the 'least bad' option
2 For both elections, while not actually enthusiastic, there was a candidate I felt quite happy to vote for
1 There was one election for which I had to settle for the 'least bad option' amongst the candidates but another for which I could choose a candidate I felt rather happy voting for
3 I voted for a candidate I felt enthusiastic about for both elections

Q205C
When you think of how you made up your mind about not voting in this election, which one of these statements best describes your own situation?

V206C_A

5 I already knew I would not vote months before the election
4 I decided I would not vote some weeks before the election
3 I decided I would not vote about a week before the election
2 I only decided I would not vote within a couple of days of the election
1 I only decided I would not vote on the day of the election
0 I thought I would vote but I changed my mind on the day of the election

ASK ALL WHO VOTED IN PERSON (Q201B = codes 1 or 2)
Q206_1a
Please, think of the way you felt when you were in the polling booth ready to cast your vote. Please tell us what best describes your feelings at that time. Did you feel…?
A INSTEAD OF X IN TABLE BELOW. EX:
V208A_1
V208A_2
V208A_3
…

ASK ALL WHO VOTED FROM OVERSEAS OR BY PROXY (Q201B = codes 3 or 4)
Q206_1b
Please, think of the way you felt when you were when you were filling in your overseas ballot or absentee ballot. Please tell us what best describes your feelings at that time. Did you feel…?
B INSTEAD OF X IN TABLE BELOW. EX:
V208B_1
V208B_2
V208B_3
…

ASK ALL WHO DID NOT VOTE (Q201a = 4)
Q206_1c
Please, think of the way you felt on the day of the election while other people were voting but not yourself. Please tell us what best describes your feelings at that time. Did you feel…?
C INSTEAD OF X IN TABLE BELOW. EX:
V208C_1
V208C_2
V208C_3
…

Please either click the point on each scale which represents your views or drag the slider to that point. **ALL BELOW CODE=SCORE (1=1, 2=2… 7=7)**

V1208X_1 Excited	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Bored
V208X_2 Happy	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Sad
V208X_3 Emotional	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Unmoved
V208X_4 Intense	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Light
V208X_5 Worried	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Reassured
V208X_6 Feeling it was important for me for me	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Feeling it was unimportant
V208X_7 Feeling it was important for my country	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Feeling it was unimportant for my country
V208X_8 Nervous	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Relaxed

V208X_9 Pessimistic	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Optimistic
V208X_10 Proud	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Ashamed
V208X_11 Feeling close to my fellow countrymen	1 2 3 Neither 5 6 7	Not feeling close to my fellow countrymen

ASK ALL WHO VOTED (Q101a = Codes 1,2,3)
Q207a
Still thinking about the time when you cast your vote, please, consider the following statements.
For each of them, we would like you to indicate to what extent you agree or disagree using a scale from 0 to 7.

0 means that you completely disagree with the statement, and 7 means that you completely agree with the statement.

Using this scale, could you please tell us to what extent you agree that…

COLUMNS:
0– completely disagree
1
2
3
4
5
6
7 - completely agree
ALL BELOW CODE=SCORE (1=1, 2=2… 7=7)

ROWS:
V210AB_1 To me, voting felt important
V210AB_2 When I cast my vote, it brought back memories of some previous elections
V210AB_3 When I cast my vote, I thought of some discussions I had with family members, colleagues, or friends about the election
V210AB_4 When I cast my vote, I had the feeling that I had a responsibility on my shoulders
V210AB_5 I liked the atmosphere of election day
V210AB_6 I liked the atmosphere of the polling station
V210AB_7 I liked the atmosphere of election night and the discovery of the first results
V210AB_8 I would have felt guilty if I had not voted in the election
V210AB_9 When I voted, I thought of the way other people would be voting on the day
V210AB_10 I think that some of the memories I have of previous elections had an influence on my vote this time
V210AB_11 I voted for the party I liked best regardless of its chances of winning
V210AB_12 When I decided who to vote for, I thought of what was good for my country rather than what was good for me
V210AB_13 I thought that my vote could influence the way my country is governed
V210AB_14 I thought that if many people felt and voted the way I did it could influence the way my country is governed

ASK ALL WHO DID NOT VOTE (Q101a = code 4)
Q207b
Still thinking about election day when other people were voting, but you were not, please, consider the following statements.

For each of them, we would like you to indicate to what extent you agree or disagree using a scale from 0 to 7.

0 means that you completely disagree with the statement, and 7 means that you completely agree with the statement.

Using this scale, could you please tell us to what extent you agree that…

COLUMNS:
0– completely disagree
1
2
3
4
5
6
7 - completely agree
ALL BELOW CODE=SCORE (1=1, 2=2… 7=7)

ROWS:
V210C_1 To me, not voting felt important
V210C_2 When thought of the election, it brought back memories of some previous elections
V210C_3 When I thought of the election, I thought of some discussions I had with family members, colleagues, or friends about the election
V210C_4 When I thought of the election, I had the feeling that I had a responsibility on my shoulders
V210C_5 Even though I did not vote, I liked the atmosphere of election day
V210C_6 I disliked hearing about the election in the media
V210C_7 I liked the atmosphere of election night and the discovery of the first results
V210C_8 I disliked hearing people around me talk about the election or of going to vote
V210C_9 I thought of the way other people would be voting on the day
V210C_10 I think that some of the memories I have of previous elections had an influence on my abstaining this time
V210C_11 Despite not voting I had strong feelings about a party I wanted to win
V210C_12 Despite not voting I had strong feelings about a party I wanted to lose
V210C_13 I did not think that my vote could influence the way my country is governed
V210C_14 I did not think that if many people felt and voted the way I would it could influence the way my country is governed
V210C_15 I would have felt proud if I had gone to vote

END