

Public Affairs Profile Variables

FOR ONLINE VERSION:

UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE, RESPONDENTS ARE ALLOWED TO SKIP OVER ANY QUESTION THEY DON'T WANT TO AND CODE THESE SKIPPED RESPONSES AS 98 (98 SKIPPED ON THE WEB)

FOR PHONE VERSION:

77 DON'T KNOW

99 REFUSED

Q#	Item Stem	Value	Label
Q1	Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted, or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?	1	Most people can be trusted
		2	You can't be too careful in dealing with people
Q2	How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington, DC to do what is right?	1	Just about always
		2	Most of the time
		3	Only some of the time
		4	Almost never
Q3A	How often do you watch, read, or hear news? By news, we mean any kind of news, including sports, traffic, weather, stocks, politics, lifestyle, or any other kind of news, by any means. Do you generally watch, read, or hear news ...?	1	Several times an hour
		2	Several times a day
		3	Once a day
		4	Several times a week
		5	Once a week
		6	Less often than once a week
		7	Never
Q3B	How important is it to you personally to keep up with news and information?	1	Not at all important
		2	Not very important
		3	Somewhat important
		4	Very important
		5	Extremely important
Q3C	Choose the statement that best describes you, even if it is not exactly right. In general,	1	I actively seek out news and information
		2	I mostly bump into news and information as I do other things or hear about it from others
Q3	How much of the time do you think you can trust the media to report the news fairly?	1	Just about always
		2	Most of the time

		3	Only some of the time
		4	Almost never
Q4N EW	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements: The average citizen has considerable influence on politics.	1	Strongly agree
		2	Agree
		3	Neither agree nor disagree
		4	Disagree
		5	Strongly disagree
Q5N EW	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements: I feel I have a pretty good understanding of the important political issues facing America.	1	Strongly agree
		2	Agree
		3	Neither agree nor disagree
		4	Disagree
		5	Strongly disagree
Q6	Some people don't pay much attention to politics generally. From day to day, when there isn't any big election campaign going on, would you say you are...?	1	Not interested at all
		2	Not very interested
		3	Somewhat interested
		4	Very interested
		5	Extremely interested
Q7A	Do you happen to know what job or political office is now held by Mike Pence?	1	Yes - please specify : [specify box]
		77	Don't know
Q8	Whose responsibility is it to determine if a law is constitutional or not? Is it...?	1	The president
		2	The Congress
		3	The Supreme Court
		77	Don't Know
Q9	How much of a majority is required for the U.S. Senate and House to override a presidential veto?	1	Please specify : [specify box]
		77	Don't Know
Q10	Do you happen to know which party has the most members in the House of Representatives in Washington, DC?	1	Yes - please specify : [specify box]
		77	Don't Know
Q11	Would you say that one of the parties is more conservative than the other at the national level?	1	Yes - Which party is more conservative? [specify box]
		2	No
		77	Don't Know
Q12	[Attended a political protest or rally] In the past 12 months have you...?	1	Yes
	[Contacted a government official] In the past 12 months have you...?	2	No
	[Volunteered or worked for a Presidential campaign] In the past 12 months have you...?		

	[Volunteered or worked for another political candidate, issue, or cause] In the past 12 months have you...?		
	[Given money to a Presidential campaign] In the past 12 months have you...?		
	[Given money to another political candidate, issue, or cause] In the past 12 months have you...?		
	[Worked with others in your community to solve a problem] In the past 12 months have you...?		
	[Served on a community board] In the past 12 months have you...?		
	[Written a "letter to the editor"] In the past 12 months have you...?		
	[Commented about politics on a message board or Internet site] In the past 12 months have you...?		
	[Held a publicly elected office] In the past 12 months have you...?		
Q14 A	In talking to people about elections, we often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they just didn't have time. Which one of the following statements best describes you?	1	I did not vote in the 2016 presidential election.
		2	I thought about voting in the 2016 presidential election, but didn't.
		3	I usually vote, but I didn't in the 2016 presidential election.
		4	I'm sure I voted.
Q14	What about for the 2012 presidential election? Which one of the following statements best describes you?	1	I did not vote in the 2012 presidential election.
		2	I thought about voting in the 2012 presidential election, but didn't.
		3	I usually vote, but I didn't in the 2012 presidential election.
		4	I'm sure I voted.
Q15 A	In 2016, did you vote for Hillary Clinton and Tim Kaine with the Democrats or Donald Trump and Mike Pence for the Republicans?	1	Clinton/Kaine - Democrats
		2	Trump/Pence - Republicans
		3	Another candidate – please, specify: [TEXTBOX]
Q15	In 2012, did you vote for Barack Obama and Joe Biden with the Democrats or Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan for the Republicans?	1	Obama/Biden - Democrats
		2	Romney/Ryan - Republicans
		3	Another candidate – please, specify: [TEXTBOX]
D7	To what extent do you consider yourself a religious person? Are you...?	1	Very religious
		2	Moderately religious
		3	Slightly religious
		4	Not religious at all
D8	To what extent do you consider yourself a spiritual person? Are you...?	1	Very spiritual
		2	Moderately spiritual
		3	Slightly spiritual
		4	Not spiritual at all

C1	Where were you born?	1	In the United States
		2	Outside the United States – Please specify country where you were born
C1	[Open-ended] [2-Outside the United States – Please specify country where you were born] Where were you born?	Char	
C2	Are you a CITIZEN of the United States?	1	Yes
		2	No, not a citizen
C3	Were you born a citizen of the United States?	1	Yes
		2	No
C4	Did you become a citizen of the United States through naturalization?	1	Yes
		2	No