

# Middle Tennessee Poll Fall 1999

## Questionnaire

**(This questionnaire contains complete coding for the Ci3 computer-assisted telephone interviewing package. Most of the coding can be disregarded, but the name of each question as found in the SPSS data file follows the designation "Q: ".)**

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Q: MAINPROB

\*First, tell me in your own words: What do you think is the number one problem confronting the state of Tennessee at this time?

[CHOOSE ONE OF THE GENERAL CATEGORIES BELOW IF THE PERSON'S ANSWER SEEMS TO FIT THERE. OTHERWISE, CHOOSE "OTHER," TYPE IN A SUMMARY OF THE PERSON'S ANSWER, THEN CLICK "OK."]

- 1 High crime
- 2 Government inefficiency and waste
- 3 Government corruption
- 4 The poor state of education
- 5 The poor state of health services and health insurance
- 6 High taxes
- 7 Outdated or unfair tax system
- 8 Traffic congestions and road construction
- 9 Other:
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: APPREZ

\*Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill Clinton is handling his job as President?

(IF "DEPENDS," PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill Clinton is handling his job as president?)

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- x Don't know/not applicable
- r Refused

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Q: APGOV

\*Do you approve or disapprove of the way Don Sundquist is handling his job as governor?

(IF "DEPENDS," PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Don Sundquist is handling his job as governor?)

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- x Don't know/not applicable
- r Refused

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Q: APLEG

\*Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democratic leaders in the Tennessee State Legislature are doing?

(IF "DEPENDS," PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democratic leaders in the Tennessee State Legislature are doing?)

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- x Don't know/not applicable
- r Refused

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Q: APMAYOR

\*Do you approve or disapprove of the job Phil Bredesen has done as mayor of Nashville?

(IF "DEPENDS," PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the job Phil Bredesen has done as mayor of Nashville?)

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- x Don't know/not applicable
- r Refused

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Q: WINDEM

\*Who would you like to see win the Democratic primary? Al Gore or Bill Bradley?

- 1 Al Gore
- 2 Bill Bradley
- 3 Don't care about the Democratic primary
- 4 Want someone else to win
- x Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: GOREBUSH

\*If the next presidential election were being held today, and the candidates were Al Gore the Democrat and George Bush Jr. the Republican, would you vote for Al Gore or George Bush Jr.?

- 1 Al Gore
- 2 George Bush Jr.
- 3 Neither
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: BRADBUSH

\*If the next presidential election were being held today, and the candidates were Bill Bradley the Democrat and George Bush Jr. the Republican, would you vote for Bill Bradley or George Bush Jr.?

- 1 Bill Bradley
- 2 George Bush Jr.
- 3 Neither
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: FINANCES

\*We're interested in how Middle Tennesseans are getting along financially these days.

So far as you and your family are concerned, would you say that you are pretty well satisfied with your present financial situation, more or less satisfied, or not satisfied at all?

- 1 Pretty well satisfied
- 2 More or less satisfied
- 3 Not at all satisfied
- x Don't know/not applicable
- r Refused

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Q: FINLSTYR

\*Would you say that you and your family are better off, or worse off, financially than you were a year ago?

- 1 Better off
- 2 Same (VOLUNTEERED)
- 3 Worse off
- x Don't know/not applicable

r Refused

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Q: FINNXTYR

\*Now looking ahead ... do you think a year from now you and your family will be better off financially, or worse off, or just about the same as now?

- 1 Better off
- 2 Same
- 3 Worse off
- x Don't know/not applicable
- r Refused

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Q: TRANS1

Let's talk next about state spending. Most people can't be expected to know exactly how the state spends its money. We just want your best estimate of how much the state spends in a few of its budget categories. Ready?

[PLEASE PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE]

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Q: PAYHELTH

\*About how many cents out of every dollar go to pay for health and social services?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: PAYLAW

\*About how many cents out of every dollar go to pay for law enforcement and public safety?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: PAYROADS

\*About how many cents out of every dollar go to pay for roads and other transportation expenses?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: PAYEDUC

\*About how many cents out of every dollar go to pay for education?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: PAYGEN

\*About how many cents out of every dollar go to pay general government expenses?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: TRANS2

We are faced with many problems in Tennessee. I'm going to name some of these problems. For each one, I'd like you to tell me whether you think we're spending too much money on it, too little money, or about the right amount. Ready?

[PLEASE PRESS A KEY TO CONTINUE]

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Q: SPTENCAR

\*What about TennCare, the program that insures poor people?  
Are we spending too much, too little, or about the right  
amount on TennCare?

- 1 Too little
- 2 About right
- 3 Too much
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: SPWELFAR

\*What about welfare programs for the poor? Are we spending  
too much, too little, or about the right amount?

- 1 Too little
- 2 About right
- 3 Too much
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: SPHIGHED

\*What about higher education, like state universities,  
community colleges and technical schools? Are we spending  
too much, too little, or about the right amount?

- 1 Too little
- 2 About right
- 3 Too much
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: SPHWYMAN

\*What about highway maintenance? Are we spending too much,  
too little, or about the right amount?

- 1 Too little
- 2 About right
- 3 Too much
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: SPENVIRO

\*What about the environment? Are we spending too much, too  
little, or about the right amount?

1 Too little  
2 About right  
3 Too much  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: SPHSEEDUC

\*What about elementary and secondary education? Are we spending too much, too little, or about the right amount?

1 Too little  
2 About right  
3 Too much  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: SPLAWENF

\*What about state law enforcement agencies? Are we spending too much, too little, or about the right amount?

1 Too little  
2 About right  
3 Too much  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: SPHCAPPD

\*What about programs for the handicapped? Are we spending too much, too little, or about the right amount?

1 Too little  
2 About right  
3 Too much  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: SPRTRDED

\*What about programs for the mentally retarded? Are we spending too much, too little, or about the right amount?

1 Too little  
2 About right  
3 Too much  
x Don't know

r Refused

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Q: SPFOSTER

\*What about foster care services? Are we spending too much, too little, or about the right amount?

- 1 Too little
- 2 About right
- 3 Too much
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: SPMHEALTH

\*What about mental health? Are we spending too much, too little, or about the right amount?

- 1 Too little
- 2 About right
- 3 Too much
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: SPMTRANS

\*What about mass transportation, including bus and rail service? Are we spending too much, too little, or about the right amount?

- 1 Too little
- 2 About right
- 3 Too much
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: FICRISIS

Now we have a few questions about how the Tennessee state government might raise money.

\*Do you believe that the state of Tennessee is facing a financial crisis, or not?

- 1 Yes, it is
- 2 No, it isn't
- x Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: TRANS3

There have been several suggestions made about how Tennessee could raise more money. We would like to ask you how you feel about some of these options. Here's the first:

[PLEASE PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE]

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Q: INCTAX

\*What about establishing a state personal income tax? Would you strongly favor ... favor ... oppose ... or strongly oppose establishing a state personal income tax, or aren't you sure?

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Favor
- 3 Not sure
- 4 Oppose
- 5 Strongly oppose
- x Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: SALESTAX

\*What about raising the state sales tax? Would you strongly favor ... favor ... oppose ... or strongly oppose raising the state sales tax, or aren't you sure?

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Favor
- 3 Not sure
- 4 Oppose
- 5 Strongly oppose
- x Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: SMBIZTAX

\*What about extending state business taxes to small firms that currently do not pay taxes on profits and assets? Would you strongly favor ... favor ... oppose ... or strongly oppose that idea, or aren't you sure?

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Favor
- 3 Not sure
- 4 Oppose
- 5 Strongly oppose

x Don't know  
r No answer  
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Q: LOTTERY

\*What about creating a state lottery? Would you strongly favor ... favor ... oppose ... or strongly oppose creating a state lottery, or aren't you sure?

1 Strongly favor  
2 Favor  
3 Not sure  
4 Oppose  
5 Strongly oppose  
x Don't know  
r No answer

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Q: ATTENTAX

\*How much attention would you say you've paid to the debate about establishing a state personal income tax in Tennessee?

1 A great deal  
2 Some  
3 Not very much  
4 None at all  
x Don't know  
r No answer

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Q: INDPAY

\*Do you think individuals are paying more than their fair share, about their fair share, or less than their fair share of taxes in Tennessee?

1 More than their fair share  
2 About their fair share  
3 Less than their fair share  
x Don't know  
r No answer

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Q: BBIZPAY

\*Do you think BIG businesses are paying more than their fair share, about their fair share, or less than their fair share of taxes in Tennessee?

1 More than their fair share  
2 About their fair share

3 Less than their fair share  
x Don't know  
r No answer

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Q: SBIZPAY

\*Do you think SMALL businesses are paying more than their fair share, about their fair share, or less than their fair share of taxes in Tennessee?

1 More than their fair share  
2 About their fair share  
3 Less than their fair share  
x Don't know  
r No answer

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Q: GRPFAIR

\*Are there any people or groups we haven't talked about yet that you think should pay a bigger share of taxes than they're paying now? [IF YES]: Which ones?

[USING THE MOUSE, CHECK EACH GROUP THE PERSON NAMES, OR CHECK 'NO GROUP NAMED.']

[WHEN YOU'RE READY TO MOVE ON, CLICK 'CONTINUE WITH INTERVIEW']

1 Churches  
2 Newspapers  
3 Limited liability corporations  
4 The rich  
5 Cities  
6 Tourists  
7 People moving into the state  
8 Non-residents who own property here  
9 Other [TEXT BOX WILL APPEAR ON NEXT SCREEN]  
10 NO GROUP NAMED  
11 CONTINUE WITH INTERVIEW

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Q: GRPOTHR

TYPE IN THE "OTHER GROUP(S)" THAT THE PERSON NAMED, THEN PRESS "ENTER" TO CONTINUE

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Q: INCTAX2

\*Would you strongly favor ... favor ... oppose ... or strongly oppose a state personal income tax if it meant ending the sales tax on groceries and lowering the sales tax

on other items? Or aren't you sure about that?

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Favor
- 3 Not sure
- 4 Oppose
- 5 Strongly oppose
- x Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: INCTAX3

\*Would you strongly favor ... favor ... oppose ... or strongly oppose a state personal income tax if the state government could raise your tax rate only by constitutional amendment? Or aren't you sure about that?

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Favor
- 3 Not sure
- 4 Oppose
- 5 Strongly oppose
- x Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: TRANS4

Let's talk briefly about five possible sources of money for state spending in Tennessee: business taxes, grocery taxes, sales taxes, personal income taxes, and a state lottery.

As I read each source, I'd like you to tell me about how many cents out of each dollar the state spends you think should come from that source. If you would rather see no money come from that source, just say zero. Ready?

[PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE]

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Q: REVBIZ

\*How many cents out of every dollar of state spending should come from business taxes?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: REVGROC

\*How many cents out of every dollar of state spending should come from grocery taxes?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: REVSALES

\*How many cents out of every dollar of state spending should come from sales taxes?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: REVINCOM

\*How many cents out of every dollar of state spending should come from personal income taxes?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: REVLOTTO

\*How many cents out of every dollar of state spending should come from a state lottery?

[ENTER 101 IF "DON'T KNOW"]

[ENTER 102 IF "REFUSED"]

[TYPE THE NUMBER AND PRESS 'ENTER']:

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Q: TAXORCUT

\*If you had to choose between raising taxes and cutting programs to balance Tennessee's budget, which would you do?

- 1 Raise taxes
- 2 Cut programs
- 3 Balance budget without doing either one [VOLUNTEERED]
- x Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: LOTSOLVE

\*If Tennessee had a state lottery, do you think it would solve our financial problems entirely, help a lot, help some, help a little, or not help at all?

- 1 Solve our problems
- 2 Help a lot
- 3 Help some
- 4 Help a little
- 5 Not help at all
- x Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: PROTAXAD

\*Do you happen to have seen any of the ads on TV asserting that the state of Tennessee is facing a budget crisis?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: ADEFFECT

\*Would you say the ad made you more likely or less likely to support tax reform in Tennessee, or that it made no difference?

- 1 >Less< likely to support reform
- 2 >No difference<
- 3 >More< likely to support tax reform
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: NPFAIR

Now I'd like you to think about the newspaper you read most often. On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 means "fair" and 5 means "unfair," how would you rate that newspaper?

1 Fair  
2  
3  
4  
5 Unfair  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: NPBIAS

\*How would you rate that newspaper on a 1-to-5 scale where 1 means "biased" and 5 means "unbiased"?

1 Biased  
2  
3  
4  
5 Unbiased  
x Don't know  
r Refused

\*How would you rate that newspaper on a 1-to-5 scale where 1 means "tells the whole story" and 5 means "doesn't tell the whole story"?

1 Tells whole story  
2  
3  
4  
5 Doesn't tell whole story  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: NPACCU

\*What about if 1 means "accurate" and 5 means "inaccurate"?

[IF NECESSARY, PROMPT WITH: "How would you rate that newspaper on a 1-5 scale where 1 means "accurate" and 5 means "inaccurate"?]

1 accurate  
2  
3

4  
5 inaccurate  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: NPTRUST

\*What about if 1 means "can be trusted" and 5 means "cannot be trusted"?

[IF NECESSARY, PROMPT WITH: "How would you rate that newspaper on a 1-5 scale where 1 means "can be trusted" and 5 means "cannot be trusted"?]

1 can be trusted  
2  
3  
4  
5 cannot be trusted  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: TVFAIR

\*Now I'd like you to think about the TV news program you watch most often. On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 means "fair" and 5 means "unfair," how would you rate that program?

1 Fair  
2  
3  
4  
5 Unfair  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: TVBIAS

\*How would you rate that TV news program on a 1-to-5 scale where 1 means "biased" and 5 means "unbiased"?

1 Biased  
2  
3  
4  
5 Unbiased  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: TVSTORY

\*How would you rate that TV news program on a 1-to-5 scale where 1 means "tells the whole story" and 5 means "doesn't tell the whole story"?

- 1 Tells whole story
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 Doesn't tell whole story
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: TVACCU

\*What about if 1 means "accurate" and 5 means "inaccurate"?

[IF NECESSARY, PROMPT WITH: "How would you rate that TV news program on a 1-5 scale where 1 means "accurate" and 5 means "inaccurate"?]

- 1 accurate
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 inaccurate
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: TVTRUST

\*What about if 1 means "can be trusted" and 5 means "cannot be trusted"?

[IF NECESSARY, PROMPT WITH: "How would you rate that TV news program on a 1-5 scale where 1 means "can be trusted" and 5 means "cannot be trusted"?]

- 1 can be trusted
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 cannot be trusted
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: MEDFAIR

\*Now I'd like you to think about the news media in general. On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 means "fair" and 5 means

"unfair," how would you rate the news media in general?

- 1 Fair
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 Unfair
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: MEDBIAS

\*How would you rate the news media in general on a 1-to-5 scale where 1 means "biased" and 5 means "unbiased"?

- 1 Biased
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 Unbiased
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: MEDSTORY

\*How would you rate the news media in general on a 1-to-5 scale where 1 means "tells the whole story" and 5 means "doesn't tell the whole story"?

- 1 Tells whole story
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 Doesn't tell whole story
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: MEDACCU

\*What about if 1 means "accurate" and 5 means "inaccurate"?

[IF NECESSARY, PROMPT WITH: "How would you rate the news media in general on a 1-5 scale where 1 means "accurate" and 5 means "inaccurate"?]

- 1 accurate
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 inaccurate
- x Don't know

r Refused

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Q: MEDTRUST

\*What about if 1 means "can be trusted" and 5 means "cannot be trusted"?

[IF NECESSARY, PROMPT WITH: "How would you rate the news media in general on a 1-5 scale where 1 means "can be trusted" and 5 means "cannot be trusted"?]

1 can be trusted  
2  
3  
4  
5 cannot be trusted  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: TRANS5

Now, we'd like to know how much, if any, protection you think the law should give to journalists and news organizations. Please keep in mind that we're not asking whether you personally approve of these behaviors. We just want to know how much, if at all, you think the law should protect that behavior. We want to know whether these things should be protected by law all of the time, only under certain circumstances, or not at all? Ready?

[HIT ANY KEY TO CONTINUE]

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Q: FOREIGN

\*How about when journalists take sides with a foreign government against the position of the United States?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

1 Not at all  
2 Under certain circumstances  
3 All the time  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: CRITPOLS

\*How about when journalists criticize political leaders.

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- Don't know
- Refused

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Q: CRITARMY

\*How about when journalists criticize the military?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- Don't know
- Refused

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Q: GOVCLASS

\*How about when journalists report classified material that the government wishes to keep secret?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- Don't know
- Refused

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Q: VIOLENCE

\*How about when newspapers or television stations run graphic photographs of violent events?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- Don't know
- Refused

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Q: REPSECUR

\*How about when journalists report stories about national security without government approval?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- Don't know
- Refused

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Q: REPINACC

\*How about when journalists report factually inaccurate information that they believe to be true

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- Don't know
- Refused

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Q: PUBFIGUR

\*How about when journalists report about the mistakes a public figure made more than 20 years ago?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- Don't know
- Refused

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Q: NPENDORS

\*How about when newspapers take sides in editorials during an election campaign

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: TVENDORS

\*How about when television stations take sides in editorials during an election campaign?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RAPEID

\*How about when journalists report the name or identity of a rape victim?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: KIDCRIME

\*How about when journalists report the name of a juvenile charged with a crime?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: AFFTRIAL

\*How about when journalists report stories that may affect the outcome of a criminal trial?

[IF NECESSARY: SHOULD THAT BE PROTECTED BY THE LAW ALL THE TIME, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR NOT AT ALL?]

- 1 Not at all
- 2 Under certain circumstances
- 3 All the time
- Don't know
- Refused

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Q: CHRCHSPK

\*There are always some people whose ideas are considered bad or dangerous by other people. For instance, somebody who is against all churches and religion.

If such a person wanted to make a speech in your community against churches and religion, should he be allowed to speak, or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- No answer

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Q: CHRCHTCH

\*Should such a person be allowed to teach in a college or university, or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- No answer

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Q: CHRCHLIB

\*If some people in your community suggested that a book he wrote against churches and religion should be taken out of your public library, would you favor removing this book, or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- No answer

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Q: RACESPK

\*Or consider a person who believes that Blacks are genetically inferior.

If such a person wanted to make a speech in your community claiming that Blacks are inferior, should he be allowed to speak, or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: RACETCH

\*Should such a person be allowed to teach in a college or university, or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: RACELIB

\*If some people in your community suggested that a book he wrote which said Blacks are inferior should be taken out of your public library, would you favor removing this book, or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: GAYSPK

\*And what about a man who admits that he is a homosexual?

Suppose this admitted homosexual wanted to make a speech in your community. Should he be allowed to speak, or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: GAYTCH

\*Should such a person be allowed to teach in a college or university, or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: GAYLIB

\*If some people in your community suggested that a book he wrote in favor of homosexuality should be taken out of your public library, would you favor removing this book, or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- r No answer

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Q: INCOMPANY

\*Now we're going to consider some major institutions in this country.

First, as far as the people running major companies are concerned, would you say you have a great deal of confidence in them, only some confidence in them, or hardly any confidence at all in them ... a great deal, only some, or hardly any?

- 1 A great deal
- 2 Only Some
- 3 Hardly any
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused
- (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable

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Q: INRELIGN

\*What about organized religion?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR HARDLY ANY?]

- 1 A great deal
- 2 Only Some
- 3 Hardly any
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused
- (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable

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Q: INEDUCAT

\*Education?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

- 1 A great deal
- 2 Only Some
- 3 Hardly any
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable

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Q: INEXEC

\*The executive branch of the federal government?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

- 1 A great deal
- 2 Only Some
- 3 Hardly any
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable

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Q: INUNION

\*Organized labor?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

- 1 A great deal
- 2 Only Some
- 3 Hardly any
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable

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Q: INPRESS

\*Press?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

- 1 A great deal
- 2 Only Some

3 Hardly any  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable

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Q: INTV

\*Television?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

1 A great deal  
2 Only Some  
3 Hardly any  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable

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Q: INMED

\*Medicine?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

1 A great deal  
2 Only Some  
3 Hardly any  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable

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Q: INSCOURT

\*United States Supreme Court?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

1 A great deal  
2 Only Some  
3 Hardly any  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable

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Q: INSCIENC

\*Scientific community?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

1 A great deal  
2 Only Some  
3 Hardly any  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable  
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Q: INCONGRS

\*Congress?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

1 A great deal  
2 Only Some  
3 Hardly any  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable  
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Q: INARMY

\*Military?

[DO YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF CONFIDENCE IN IT, ONLY SOME, OR  
HARDLY ANY?]

1 A great deal  
2 Only Some  
3 Hardly any  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable  
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C: END OF SPLIT 1  
C: START OF SPLIT 2  
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Q: CAPMURDR

\*Now we'd like to ask you some questions about the death  
penalty. Are you in favor of the death penalty for a person  
convicted of murder?

1 No, not in favor  
2 Yes, in favor  
x Don't know  
r Refused  
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Q: CAPMANSL

\*Are you in favor of the death penalty for all killings,

including unintentional manslaughter?

- 1 No, not in favor
- 2 Yes, in favor
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: CAPARROB

\*Are you in favor of the death penalty for a person convicted of armed robbery? (DO NOT ROTATE)

- 1 No, not in favor
- 2 Yes, in favor
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: CAPWCCRM

\*Are you in favor of the death penalty for so-called white-collar crimes like embezzlement or fraud?

- 1 No, not in favor
- 2 Yes, in favor
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: CAPDUI

\*Are you in favor of the death penalty for a person driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol?

- 1 No, not in favor
- 2 Yes, in favor
- Don't know
- r Refused

C: ROTATE NEXT TWO ITEMS

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Q: CAPDNA

\*Today, biological and chemical evidence such as DNA testing can establish conclusively whether certain persons did or did not commit a murder. Would you give the death penalty ONLY when DNA or other chemical evidence establishes a murderer's guilt? Or would you give the death penalty without such evidence?

- 1 Only with DNA proof

2 Without DNA proof  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: CAPXTREM

\*Some people favor giving the death penalty only when certain extremely cruel or violent murders are committed, such as serial killings, torture-killings, torture and mutilation of children, and the like. Would you give the death penalty ONLY when extreme murders of this sort are committed? Or would you give the death penalty when other kinds of murder are committed?

1 Only with extreme murders  
2 For other kinds of murders  
x Don't know

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Q: TRANS6

Now, we would like to know whether certain things would affect your support for the death penalty. Would you be more likely to oppose or favor the death penalty if the following things are true, or wouldn't it matter? What if the following were true? . . .

[HIT ANY KEY TO CONTINUE]

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Q: CAPMENT

\*Some people who are mentally ill may receive the death penalty.

[IF THAT WERE TRUE, WOULD YOU BE MORE LIKELY TO OPPOSE THE DEATH PENALTY, MORE LIKELY TO FAVOR IT, OR WOULDN'T IT MATTER?]

1 More likely to oppose  
2 Wouldn't matter  
3 More likely to favor  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: CAPLIFE

\*The murderer would receive a life sentence without the possibility of parole.

[IF THAT WERE TRUE, WOULD YOU BE MORE LIKELY TO OPPOSE

THE DEATH PENALTY, MORE LIKELY TO FAVOR IT, OR WOULDN'T IT MATTER?]

- 1 More likely to oppose
- 2 Wouldn't matter
- 3 More likely to favor
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: CAPMIN

\*Members of minority groups are more likely than others to receive the death penalty for the same crimes.

[IF THAT WERE TRUE, WOULD YOU BE MORE LIKELY TO OPPOSE THE DEATH PENALTY, MORE LIKELY TO FAVOR IT, OR WOULDN'T IT MATTER?]

- 1 More likely to oppose
- 2 Wouldn't matter
- 3 More likely to favor
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: CAPPOOR

\*Poor people are more likely than others to receive the death penalty for the same crimes.

[IF THAT WERE TRUE, WOULD YOU BE MORE LIKELY TO OPPOSE THE DEATH PENALTY, MORE LIKELY TO FAVOR IT, OR WOULDN'T IT MATTER?]

- 1 More likely to oppose
- 2 Wouldn't matter
- 3 More likely to favor
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: CAPTEEN

\*The murderer is a teenager under age 18.

[IF THAT WERE TRUE, WOULD YOU BE MORE LIKELY TO OPPOSE THE DEATH PENALTY, MORE LIKELY TO FAVOR IT, OR WOULDN'T IT MATTER?]

- 1 More likely to oppose
- 2 Wouldn't matter
- 3 More likely to favor
- x Don't know

r Refused

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Q: CAPCOST

\*Keeping murderers in prison for life would cost less than the death penalty.

[IF THAT WERE TRUE, WOULD YOU BE MORE LIKELY TO OPPOSE THE DEATH PENALTY, MORE LIKELY TO FAVOR IT, OR WOULDN'T IT MATTER?]

- 1 More likely to oppose
- 2 Wouldn't matter
- 3 More likely to favor
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: CAPINNOC

\*Some people who have been executed are proved to be innocent.

[IF THAT WERE TRUE, WOULD YOU BE MORE LIKELY TO OPPOSE THE DEATH PENALTY, MORE LIKELY TO FAVOR IT, OR WOULDN'T IT MATTER?]

- 1 More likely to oppose
- 2 Wouldn't matter
- 3 More likely to favor
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: CAPDETER

\*The death penalty is not a deterrent to murder.

[IF THAT WERE TRUE, WOULD YOU BE MORE LIKELY TO OPPOSE THE DEATH PENALTY, MORE LIKELY TO FAVOR IT, OR WOULDN'T IT MATTER?]

- 1 More likely to oppose
- 2 Wouldn't matter
- 3 More likely to favor
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: CAPREID

\*As you may know, Paul Dennis Reed has been convicted of first degree murder in the slayings of employees of fast food restaurants. Some authorities argue that he is mentally ill. Others say he is competent. If Paul Dennis Reed is guilty of these murders, do you think he should be given the death penalty?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETIRED

\*Now on a different topic. Are you currently retired?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: SOSECURE

I'd like to ask you some questions about retirement financial planning.

\*Do you believe adequate funds to support Social Security will be available for you when you retire?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: PCTSAVE

\*About what percentage of your yearly income are you saving toward retirement?

- 1 less than 10 percent
- 2 10 - 15 percent
- 3 More than 15 percent
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETQUIZ1

\*Next I'd like to ask you some questions about retirement. Many people don't know the answers to these questions. If

you don't know, please feel free to say so. Please tell me whether you think each question is true or false. Please let me know if you don't know.

\*As a rule of thumb, you need 60-80% of your pre-retirement, after-tax income to maintain your standard of living in retirement?

- 1 True
- 2 False
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETQUIZ2

\*Inflation is a major threat to your retirement security. A 4% rate of inflation over 20 years will reduce the purchasing power of \$1 to 46 cents.

- 1 True
- 2 False
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETQUIZ3

\*An individual retiring at age 65 has a life expectancy of 25 years.

- 1 True
- 2 False
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETQUIZ4

\*Those who retire early and begin receiving Social Security benefits at age 62 would have their benefits reduced by 10%.

- 1 True
- 2 False
- Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETQUIZ5

\*One of the most important rules of retirement planning is to stick with the most conservative types of assets, such as bonds or certificates of deposit.

- 1 True
- 2 False
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETFAM

\*Now I would like to ask you about where you get information about retirement planning.

About how often do you talk with family members about retirement planning. Would you say you talk about every week, once or twice a month, only a few times a year, or hardly ever?

- 1 every week
- 2 once or twice a month
- 3 only a few times a year
- 4 hardly ever
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETFRNDS

\*About how often do you talk with friends about retirement planning. Would you say you talk about every week, once or twice a month, only a few times a year, or hardly ever?

- 1 every week
- 2 once or twice a month
- 3 only a few times a year
- 4 hardly ever
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETCOWRK

\*About how often do you talk with coworkers about retirement planning. Would you say you talk about every week, once or twice a month, only a few times a year, or hardly ever?

- 1 every week
- 2 once or twice a month
- 3 only a few times a year
- 4 hardly ever

x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: RETPROF

\*About how often do you talk with a professional financial planner about retirement planning. Would you say you talk about every week, once or twice a month, only a few times a year, or hardly ever?

1 every week  
2 once or twice a month  
3 only a few times a year  
4 hardly ever  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: RETTV

\*About how often do you watch television to learn about retirement planning. Would you say you watch television for this purpose about every week, once or twice a month, only a few times a year, or hardly ever?

1 every week  
2 once or twice a month  
3 only a few times a year  
4 hardly ever  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: RETNET

\*About how often do you use the Internet to learn about retirement planning. Would you say you use the Internet for this purpose about every week, once or twice a month, only a few times a year, or hardly ever?

1 every week  
2 once or twice a month  
3 only a few times a year  
4 hardly ever  
x Don't know  
r Refused

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Q: RETPRINT

\*About how often do you read print media like newspapers, news magazines, or political magazines to learn about

retirement planning? Would you say you read print media for this purpose about every week, once or twice a month, only a few times a year, or hardly ever?

- 1 every week
- 2 once or twice a month
- 3 only a few times a year
- 4 hardly ever
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: RETRADIO

\*About how often do you listen to radio or talk radio to learn about retirement planning? Would you say you listen to the radio for this purpose about every week, once or twice a month, only a few times a year, or hardly ever?

- 1 every week
- 2 once or twice a month
- 3 only a few times a year
- 4 hardly ever
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: NETBELEV

\*In answering the next four questions, please compare the Internet to sources you would normally go to for retirement planning information. Even if you do not use the Internet, we still want your perceptions.

Compared to other sources, how believable is the Internet as an information source? Very believable, moderately believable, somewhat believable, or not at all believable?

- 1 very believable
- 2 moderately believable
- 3 somewhat believable
- 4 not very believable
- 5 not at all believable
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: NETFAIR

\*Compared to other sources, how fair is the Internet as an information source? Would you say it's very fair, moderately fair, somewhat fair, not very fair, or not at all fair?

- 1 very fair

- 2 moderately fair
- 3 somewhat fair
- 4 not very fair
- 5 not at all fair
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: NETACCU

\*Compared to other sources, how accurate is the Internet as an information source? Would you say it's very accurate, moderately accurate, somewhat accurate, not very accurate, or not at all accurate?

- 1 very accurate
- 2 moderately accurate
- 3 somewhat accurate
- 4 not very accurate
- 5 not at all accurate
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: NETDEPTH

\*Compared to other sources, how in-depth is the Internet as an information source?

- 1 very in-depth
- 2 moderately in-depth
- 3 somewhat in-depth
- 4 not very in-depth
- 5 not at all in-depth
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: TALKFAM

\*Now I'd like to ask you some questions about how often you talk to various people.

First, during an average day, approximately how many hours do you spend talking with family members? Would you say you talk to them more than two hours a day, about one to two hours, about an hour, 30 minutes or so, or almost none?

- 1 more than two hours a day
- 2 about one to two hours a day
- 3 about an hour a day
- 4 30 minutes or so
- 5 almost none
- x Don't know

r Refused

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Q: TALKFRND

\*During an average day, approximately how many hours do you spend talking with friends? Would you say you talk to them more than two hours a day, about one to two hours, about an hour, 30 minutes or so, or almost none?

- 1 more than two hours a day
- 2 about one to two hours a day
- 3 about an hour a day
- 4 30 minutes or so
- 5 almost none
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: TALKWORK

\*During an average day, approximately how many hours do you spend talking with coworkers? Would you say you talk to them more than two hours a day, about one to two hours, about an hour, 30 minutes or so, or almost none?

- 1 more than two hours a day
- 2 about one to two hours a day
- 3 about an hour a day
- 4 30 minutes or so
- 5 almost none
- x Don't know
- r Refused

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Q: NPDAYS

Now just some final questions to help us analyze the poll's results.

\*In the past seven days, between (TODAY'S DAY OF THE WEEK) of last week and yesterday, how many days did you read or look at a daily newspaper?

- 1 One
- 2 Two
- 3 Three
- 4 Four
- 5 Five
- 6 Six
- 7 Seven
- 8 None
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: NATVDAYS

\*In the past seven days, between (TODAY'S DAY OF THE WEEK) of last week and yesterday, how many days did you watch a national nightly television news program such as those anchored by Dan Rather, Tom Brokaw, or Peter Jennings?

- 1 One
- 2 Two
- 3 Three
- 4 Four
- 5 Five
- 6 Six
- 7 Seven
- 8 None
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: LOTVDAYS

\*In the past seven days, between (TODAY'S DAY OF THE WEEK) of last week and yesterday, how many days did you watch a >>local<< nightly television news program?

- 1 One
- 2 Two
- 3 Three
- 4 Four
- 5 Five
- 6 Six
- 7 Seven
- 8 None
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: NPRDAYS

\*In the past seven days, between (TODAY'S DAY OF THE WEEK) of last week and yesterday, how many days did you listen to National Public Radio?

- 1 One
- 2 Two
- 3 Three
- 4 Four
- 5 Five
- 6 Six
- 7 Seven
- 8 None
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: USENET

\*Do you use the Internet, either to check e-mail or browse the World Wide Web?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

C: NOTE THAT 'NETNEWS' MUST BE MODIFIED IN THE FINAL DATASET  
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Q: NETNEWS

\*In the past seven days, between (TODAY'S DAY OF THE WEEK) of last week and yesterday, how many days did you read or browse Internet news?

- 1 One
- 2 Two
- 3 Three
- 4 Four
- 5 Five
- 6 Six
- 7 Seven
- 8 None
- x Don't Know
- r Refused

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Q: NEWSMAG

\*In the past seven days, between (TODAY'S DAY OF THE WEEK) of last week and yesterday, how many days did you read or look at news magazines or political magazines?

- 1 One
- 2 Two
- 3 Three
- 4 Four
- 5 Five
- 6 Six
- 7 Seven
- 8 None
- x Don't Know
- r Refused

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Q: RADNEWS

\*In the past seven days, between (TODAY'S DAY OF THE WEEK) of last week and yesterday, how many days did you listen to radio or talk radio news programs?

- 1 One
- 2 Two
- 3 Three
- 4 Four
- 5 Five
- 6 Six
- 7 Seven
- 8 None
- x Don't Know
- r Refused

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Q: VEEP

\*Now, here are a few questions about the government in Washington. Many people don't know the answers to these questions, so if there are some you don't know, just tell me, and we'll go on.

First, do you happen to know what job or political office is now held by Al Gore?

- 1 Vice president
- 2 Any incorrect answer
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: TWOTHRDS

\*How much of a majority is required for the U.S. Senate and House to override a presidential veto?

- 1 Two-thirds
- 2 Any incorrect answer
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: HOUSMAJ

\*Do you happen to know which party currently has the most members in the U.S. House of Representatives?

1 Republican  
2 Any incorrect answer  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: EDLETTER

\*Now, please tell me whether you have used any of these forms of expression in the last five years. Have you ...

Written a letter to a newspaper, magazine or television news program?

1 Yes  
2 No  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: CALLEDIN

\*Called in to a radio or television talk show?

1 Yes  
2 No  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: CONTCAND

\*Written a letter to, phoned or otherwise contacted a candidate for public office or an elected official?

1 Yes  
2 No  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: GOTOMEET

\*Attended a public meeting of an organization interested in public affairs?

1 Yes  
2 No  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: TALKMEET

\*Spoken out at a public meeting of an organization interested in public affairs?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: PROTEST

\*Taken part in a public demonstration or march?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: WORKCAMP

\*Worked in a political campaign?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: UPTODATE

\*Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there's an election going on or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say that you follow what's going on in government and public affairs ... most of the time, some of the time, only now and then, or hardly at all?

- 1 Hardly at all
- 2 Only now and then
- 3 Some of the time
- 4 Most of the time
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: REGVOTE

\*Are you registered to vote in Tennessee?

- 1 Yes, registered

2 No, not registered  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: OFTVOTE

\*How often would you say you vote? Always, nearly always, part of the time, or seldom?

1 Seldom  
2 Part of the time  
3 Nearly always  
4 Always  
5 (DO NOT READ) Never  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: LIBCON

\*Many people feel that their political views are too complex to describe with a single label. But if you had to choose one of the following categories, how would you describe your political orientation? Are you far left, liberal, middle of the road, conservative, or far right?

1 Far left  
2 Liberal  
3 Middle of the road  
4 Conservative  
5 Far right  
x Don't know/Not applicable  
r Refused

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Q: PARTYID

\*Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, Democrat, Independent, or what?

1 Republican  
2 Democrat  
3 Independent  
4 Other  
x (DO NOT READ) Don't know/not applicable  
r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: EMPLOYED

\*As of last week, were you working full-time, working

part-time, going to school, keeping house, retired,  
or something else?

(IF MORE THAN ONE, RECORD FIRST ANSWER ON THE LIST)

- 1 Working full-time (35 hours/week or more)
- 2 Working part-time
- 3 Employed, but on vacation, sick, etc.
- 4 Unemployed/laid off
- 5 Retired
- 6 In school
- 7 Keeping house
- 8 Other
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: EDUC

\*What is the last grade in school you completed?  
(READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Never went to school
- 2 Elementary school (1-8)
- 3 Some high school (9-11)
- 4 High school graduate (12)
- 5 Some trade school
- 6 Some college
- 7 College graduate
- 8 Some graduate study
- 9 Master's degree
- 10 Doctor's degree
- 33 (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 27 (DO NOT READ) Refused

(TYPE ANSWER HERE:        )

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Q: YEARBORN

\*What year were you born?

(TYPE ANSWER HERE: 19        )

(IF PERSON REFUSES, TYPE IN A SINGLE ZERO)

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Q: INCOME

\*Which of the following income categories best describes your total household income in 1998? Was it ... (READ CATEGORIES)

- 1 10,000 or less
- 2 10,001 to 15,000
- 3 15,001 to 20,000
- 4 20,001 to 25,000
- 5 25,001 to 30,000
- 6 30,001 to 35,000
- 7 35,001 to 40,000
- 8 40,001 to 45,000
- 9 45,001 to 50,000
- 10 50,001 to 75,000
- 11 75,001 to 99,999
- 12 100,000 or more
- 33 (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 27 (DO NOT READ) Refused

(TYPE ANSWER HERE:        )

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Q: TNYEARS

\*How many years have you lived in Tennessee? (ENTER 0 IF LESS THAN 1)

(TYPE ANSWER HERE:        )

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(ENTER '0' IF LESS THAN 1 YEAR)

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Q: COUNTY

What county do you live in?

- |            |              |               |               |               |
|------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1 Bedford  | 11 Grundy    | 21 Marshall   | 31 Stewart    | 88 Don't know |
| 2 Cannon   | 12 Hickman   | 22 Maury      | 32 Sumner     | 99 Refused    |
| 3 Cheatham | 13 Houston   | 23 Montgomery | 33 Trousdale  |               |
| 4 Clay     | 14 Humphreys | 24 Moore      | 34 Van Buren  |               |
| 5 Coffee   | 15 Jackson   | 25 Overton    | 35 Warren     |               |
| 6 De Kalb  | 16 Lawrence  | 26 Perry      | 36 Wayne      |               |
| 7 Davidson | 17 Lewis     | 27 Putnam     | 37 White      |               |
| 8 Dickson  | 18 Lincoln   | 28 Robertson  | 38 Williamson |               |
| 9 Franklin | 19 Macon     | 29 Rutherford | 39 Wilson     |               |
| 10 Giles   | 20 Marion    | 30 Smith      | 40 Other      |               |

(TYPE ANSWER HERE:        )

(THEN PRESS "ENTER" TO CONTINUE)

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Q: GOCHURCH

\*Lots of things come up that keep people from attending religious services even if they want to. Do you go to religious services almost every week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, or never?

- 1 Never
- 2 A few times a year
- 3 Once or twice a month
- 4 Almost every week
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: TYPCHRCH

\*Do you mostly attend a place of worship that is Christian, Jewish, Islamic, or something else?

- 1 Christian
- 2 Jewish
- 3 Islamic
- 4 Something else
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: DENOM

\*What is your church's denomination?

[READ LIST IF NECESSARY]

- 1 Southern Baptist
- 2 Other Baptist
- 3 Church of Christ
- 4 Episcopalian or Anglican
- 5 Lutheran
- 6 United Methodist
- 7 Other Methodist
- 8 Presbyterian
- 9 Catholic
- 10 Something else
- 33 (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 27 (DO NOT READ) Refused

(TYPE ANSWER HERE:        )

(THEN PRESS "ENTER" TO CONTINUE)

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Q: HISPANIC

\*Do you consider yourself of Hispanic origin or descent?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

I:  
LOCATE 13 4 1  
HIGHLIGHT .25  
KEY 1-2,x,r

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Q: RACE

\*Do you consider yourself white, black or African-American, Asian, Native-American or some other race or races?

- 1 White
- 2 Black or African-American
- 3 Asian or Pacific Islander
- 4 Native American or Alaskan Native
- 5 Other
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

I:  
LOCATE 13 7 1  
HIGHLIGHT .25  
KEY 1-5,x,r

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Q: MARITAL

\*Are you currently married, divorced, separated, widowed, or have you never been married?

- 1 Married
- 2 Divorced
- 3 Separated
- 4 Widowed
- 5 Never been married
- x (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- r (DO NOT READ) Refused

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Q: NUMKIDS

\*How many children, if any, do you have who are living with you and who are high school age or younger?

(TYPE ANSWER HERE:        )

(THEN PRESS 'ENTER' TO CONTINUE)

(IF NO KIDS, ENTER '0')

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Q: PERMIT

OK, here's my last question. We make our poll results available to academic researchers and news reporters as well as to the general public. Sometimes, these people want to talk further with people like you who have responded to the poll. Would you mind making your answers to the poll available to these people along with your name and phone number in case they want to contact you? You certainly don't have to. Saying "yes" would mean giving up your anonymity, but it also might mean getting interviewed for a newspaper article or TV news story about one or more of the poll's topics.

(IF OK, TYPE PERSON'S FIRST AND LAST NAME BELOW, THEN PRESS "ENTER" TO CONTINUE.)

Example: Jane Doe

(IF "NOT OK," PRESS "ENTER" TO CONTINUE)

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Q: GENDER

That's the end of the interview. I really appreciate your time. Goodbye.

(HANG UP, THEN, WITHOUT ASKING, RECORD WHAT YOU PERCEIVE TO BE THE RESPONDENT'S GENDER)

- 1 (DO NOT READ) MALE
- 2 (DO NOT READ) FEMALE

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Q: RATERESP

\*How would you rate the person whom you just interviewed?  
Was he or she ...

- 1 Wholly pleasant
- 2 Mostly pleasant
- 3 Equally pleasant and unpleasant
- 4 Mostly unpleasant
- 5 Wholly unpleasant