Drinking Water Survey

Supplementary Materials

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Table S1: Survey questions.

Questions	Response Options
What is the source of your household tap water?	☐ Public supply - municipal
	\square Public supply - rural water district
	\square Private supply - private well, river, pond,
	lake
	$\hfill\Box$ Private supply - rainwater harvest system
	□ I don't know
	□ Other
What is your main source of drinking water?	\square Unfiltered tap water
	☐ Filtered tap water
	\square Bottled or prepackaged water
	□ Other

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Table S1: Survey questions. (Continued)

Has your primary source of drinking water ever	Odd taste
been impacted by any of the following issues? (se-	□ Odd smell
lect all that apply)	☐ Discolored water
	☐ Cloudy water
	\square Staining of clothes, teeth, or skin
	□ Saltiness (high salt content)
	☐ Hardness or scale buildup (high mineral content)
	☐ Corrosion of pipes or water fixtures
	☐ Boil water notice
	□ Water shortage
	□ None of the above
	\Box Other
On a scale from 0 to 10, how safe do you believe	Scale, 0-10
your drinking water is for consumption?	
¹ What is your level of trust in the following en-	☐ Do not trust at all
tities for making sure drinking water is safe for	☐ Somewhat trust
consumption:	☐ Moderately trust
• Federal government	☐ Mostly trust
• State government	☐ Fully trust
• Local government	
• Water utility	
• Landlords, property manager	
• Household residents	
¹ How often do you use the following sources to	□ Never
get information about drinking water quality?	□ Occasionally
• Local news agency	□ Sometimes
National news agency	□ Often
• Local newspaper	□ Always
National newspaper	
Social media	
• Radio or podcast	
Word of mouth	
• Email	
• Government agencies	
My water provider	
• Other	

¹ Matrix style question.

Table S2: Unweighted and weighted survey demographics.

Value	Unweighted	Unweighted	Target	Weighted	Weighted	
	(n)	(%)	(%)	(n)	(%)	
Age						
18:24	125	11.4	11.9	130.6	11.9	
25:34	192	17.5	17.7	195.1	17.7	
35:44	204	18.5	16.6	183.1	16.6	
45:54	198	18.0	16.3	179.2	16.3	
55:64	171	15.5	16.8	184.4	16.8	
65+	208	18.9	20.7	227.6	20.7	
No answer	2	0.2	NA	NA	NA	
Education						
Some high school	47	4.3	7.8	85.8	7.8	
High school graduate or GED	418	38.0	49.4	543.7	49.4	
Associate degree	178	16.2	8.3	91.3	8.3	
Bachelor's degree	246	22.4	19.4	213.7	19.4	
Master's degree	132	12.0	8.3	91.3	8.3	
Doctorate or terminal degree	28	2.5	1.3	14.7	1.3	
Other	40	3.6	5.4	59.5	5.4	
No answer	11	1.0	NA	NA	NA	
Race/Ethnicity						
White	723	65.7	62.4	686.3	62.4	
Non-white	373	33.9	37.6	413.7	37.6	
No answer	4	0.4	NA	NA	NA	
Sex/Gender						
Male	529	48.1	49.0	539.1	49.0	
Not Male	569	51.7	51.0	560.9	51.0	
No answer	2	0.2	NA	NA	NA	

Table S3: Results of multinomial logistic regression model for primary source of drinking water. Odds-ratios are relative to unfiltered tap water.

	Filtered tap water			Bottled water			
Variable	Odds-Ratio, [95% CI]	t-statistic p-value		Odds-Ratio, [95% CI]	t-statistic	p-value	
(Intercept)	0.7, [0.21, 2.31]	-0.59	0.558	0.5, [0.16, 1.58]	-1.18	0.240	
Sex/Gender							
Female	1.06, [0.73, 1.54]	0.32	0.752	1.49, [1.02, 2.17]	2.08	0.038	
Other	0.22, [0.01, 4.17]	-1.01	0.311	0.51, [0.04, 6.17]	-0.53	0.595	
Age							
25:34	0.95, [0.42, 2.13]	-0.13	0.897	1.22, [0.53, 2.81]	0.47	0.641	
35:44	0.52, [0.24, 1.14]	-1.64	0.100	0.96, [0.43, 2.13]	-0.11	0.911	
45:54	0.29, [0.13, 0.64]	-3.09	0.002	0.69, [0.32, 1.5]	-0.94	0.348	
55:64	0.29, [0.13, 0.65]	-3.02	0.002	0.58, [0.25, 1.33]	-1.28	0.201	
65+	0.28, [0.13, 0.62]	-3.15	0.002	0.74, [0.33, 1.69]	-0.71	0.480	
Race/Ethnicity							
Non-white	1.17, [0.74, 1.85]	0.68	0.496	1.59, [1.01, 2.52]	1.99	0.046	
Education							
High school graduate or GED	2.37, [0.93, 6.03]	1.82	0.069	1.08, [0.5, 2.37]	0.20	0.840	
Associate degree	1.46, [0.54, 3.94]	0.75	0.451	0.7, [0.3, 1.64]	-0.82	0.410	
Bachelor's degree	4.31, [1.59, 11.66]	2.88	0.004	1.24, [0.51, 3.01]	0.47	0.642	
Master's degree	3.06, [1.09, 8.59]	2.12	0.034	1.07, [0.41, 2.76]	0.13	0.894	
Doctorate or terminal degree	2.81, [0.72, 11]	1.48	0.138	0.63, [0.16, 2.5]	-0.66	0.509	
Other	1.23, [0.33, 4.56]	0.32	0.752	1.57, [0.53, 4.67]	0.81	0.417	
Home Ownership							
Rent	1.28, [0.86, 1.91]	1.21	0.226	1.64, [1.07, 2.5]	2.29	0.022	
Income							
\$25,000 - \$49,999	1.35, [0.79, 2.3]	1.10	0.271	1.22, [0.72, 2.07]	0.75	0.455	
\$50,000 - \$74,999	2.2, [1.23, 3.93]	2.66	0.008	1.56, [0.86, 2.83]	1.46	0.145	
\$75,000 - \$99,999	1.83, [0.96, 3.5]	1.82	0.068	1.66, [0.84, 3.27]	1.46	0.145	
\$100,000 - \$200,000	1.52, [0.77, 3]	1.20	0.230	0.93, [0.45, 1.9]	-0.20	0.838	
> \$200,000	2.73, [0.94, 7.97]	1.84	0.066	2.51, [0.78, 8.08]	1.54	0.123	
Primary tap water supply							
Public supply - rural water district	1.37, [0.82, 2.28]	1.21	0.227	1.25, [0.74, 2.11]	0.82	0.413	
Private supply - well, river, pond, rainwater	0.83, [0.5, 1.39]	-0.70	0.486	0.8, [0.47, 1.38]	-0.79	0.427	
I don't know	1.16, [0.6, 2.26]	0.44	0.663	1.6, [0.85, 3]	1.45	0.147	
Taste, odor, color issues	•			- · · · ·			
Yes	1.07, [0.75, 1.52]	0.35	0.723	1.4, [0.96, 2.04]	1.75	0.081	

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Table S4: Results of proportional odds-models on (1) water safety rating and (2) trust in water utilities. Model coefficients are displayed as odds-ratios relative to the reference level for each variable.

	Water safety rating			Trust in water utility			
	Odds-Ratio, [95% CI]	t-stat	p-value	Odds-Ratio, [95% CI]	t-stat	p-value	
Sex/Gender							
Male	-			-			
Female	0.883 [0.683, 1.141]	-0.954	0.340	0.760 [0.593, 0.974]	-2.169	0.030	
Other	0.190 [0.014, 2.563]	-1.253	0.210	0.127 [0.051, 0.311]	-4.505	< 0.001	
Age							
18:24	-			-			
25:34	0.906 [0.550, 1.491]	-0.390	0.697	0.935 [0.586, 1.493]	-0.280	0.779	
35:44	0.730 [0.439, 1.215]	-1.213	0.226	0.793 [0.484, 1.300]	-0.920	0.358	
45:54	0.528 [0.301, 0.928]	-2.221	0.027	0.457 [0.276, 0.759]	-3.029	0.003	
55:64	0.849 [0.485, 1.486]	-0.574	0.566	0.720 [0.429, 1.211]	-1.239	0.216	
65+	0.708 [0.416, 1.205]	-1.273	0.203	1.142 [0.675, 1.933]	0.497	0.620	
Race/Ethnicity							
White	-			-			
Non-white	0.859 [0.642, 1.148]	-1.029	0.304	0.783 [0.575, 1.067]	-1.550	0.122	
Education	į , į						
Some high school	-			-			
High school graduate or GED	1.920 [0.926, 3.980]	1.756	0.079	1.243 [0.580, 2.664]	0.560	0.576	
Associate degree	1.715 [0.794, 3.702]	1.376	0.169	1.025 [0.461, 2.282]	0.061	0.951	
Bachelor's degree	2.185 [1.019, 4.684]	2.012	0.045	1.514 [0.681, 3.363]	1.019	0.308	
Master's degree	3.339 [1.487, 7.494]	2.926	0.004	2.001 [0.881, 4.545]	1.660	0.097	
Doctorate or terminal degree	2.274 [0.757, 6.829]	1.466	0.143	1.684 [0.685, 4.141]	1.138	0.256	
Other	1.814 [0.694, 4.738]	1.217	0.224	0.951 [0.366, 2.472]	-0.103	0.918	
Homeownership							
Own	-			-			
Rent	0.689 [0.527, 0.901]	-2.721	0.007	0.676 [0.513, 0.889]	-2.799	0.005	
Income							
< \$25,000	-			-			
\$25,000 - \$49,999	0.790 [0.547, 1.141]	-1.259	0.209	1.187 [0.815, 1.728]	0.895	0.371	
\$50,000 - \$74,999	0.864 [0.577, 1.294]	-0.710	0.478	1.075 [0.720, 1.605]	0.354	0.723	
\$75,000 - \$99,999	0.701 [0.444, 1.107]	-1.526	0.127	0.901 [0.574, 1.416]	-0.451	0.652	
\$100,000 - \$200,000	1.529 [0.976, 2.396]	1.855	0.064	1.502 [0.962, 2.344]	1.793	0.073	
> \$200,000	0.872 [0.400, 1.898]	-0.346	0.729	1.823 [0.895, 3.710]	1.657	0.098	
Primary tap water supply							
Public supply - municipal	-			-			
Public supply - rural water district	1.070 [0.768, 1.490]	0.400	0.689	0.808 [0.582, 1.124]	-1.268	0.205	
Private supply - well, river, pond, rainwater	0.763 [0.547, 1.064]	-1.597	0.111	1.544 [1.098, 2.173]	2.498	0.013	
I don't know	0.882 [0.568, 1.368]	-0.563	0.574	0.992 [0.617, 1.594]	-0.034	0.973	
Taste, odor, color issues	. , 1			. , 1			
No	-			-			
Yes	0.728 [0.568, 0.932]	-2.516	0.012	0.321 [0.248, 0.415]	-8.695	< 0.001	