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For which candidate do you intend to vote?

Trump

Biden

Other

Is this your first time voting in a presidential election?

Yes/no

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**Item’s I’m making Up:**

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Who is responsible for violence that has recently occurred?

1 (note at all) to 100 (Very much)

Police

protestors

**Gough's California Psychological Inventory (CPI)**

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From Weisburd et al., 2000

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It is sometimes acceptable for police to use more force than is legally allowable

Always following the rules is not compatible with a police officer getting the job done

Police offers use more force than necessary

**Item’s I’m making Up:**

Police are justified in using tear-gas against protestors

Police should use rubber bullets and non-lethal projectiles against protestors

It is acceptable for police to use flash-bang grenades against protestors

Police should be fully equipped with military vehicles and weaponry when confronting protestors

I support police actions against protestors, regardless of the level of force they use

The use of police violence is necessary to keep protestors in check

I support federal police in Portland, who have been detaining protestors in unmarked vehicles

I can understand why some people would engage in rioting and looting

Looting is a justifiable response to injustice

Aggression can only be expected as a reaction to oppressive systems

Who is responsible for violence that has recently occurred?

1 (note at all) to 100 (Very much)

Police

protestors

**Gough's****California Psychological Inventory (CPI)**

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| **LIBERALISM (Creative Temperament [CT]) [.85]**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | + keyed | I believe in the importance of art. | |  | I tend to vote for liberal political candidates. | |  |  | | – keyed | I believe laws should be strictly enforced. | |  | I tend to vote for conservative political candidates. | |  | I believe that we should be tough on crime. | |  | I do not like art. | |  | I believe that we coddle criminals too much. | |  | I believe that too much tax money goes to support artists. | |  | I like to stand during the national anthem. | |

**Latané 1998 Three dimensional measure of conservatism**

(1 = *very liberal*, 7 = *very conservative*):

Overall, how would you describe your political ideology?

How would you describe your views on social issues?

How would you describe your views on economic issues?

Qanon

Donald Trump is waging a secret war against elites who abuse children

I follow Q’s internet clues to keep track of Trump’s ongoing war against child abuse

**Demographics**

**Gender**

\_\_\_Cis gender man

\_\_\_Cis gender woman

\_\_\_Transgender man

\_\_\_Transgender woman

Non-binary

\_\_\_Other (please specify): \_\_

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Please enter your worker id in the space below.

**Age:\_\_\_\_**

**Ethnicity**

\_\_\_White/Caucasian

\_\_\_Black/African American

\_\_\_Asian

\_\_\_Hispanic/Latino(a)

\_\_\_Native American

\_\_\_Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently religious? Choose the category that BEST describes your religion or tradition. (CHOOSE ONE)

* Catholic or Greek Orthodox
* Christian (non-Catholic)
* Protestant
* Jewish
* Buddhist
* Hindu
* Muslim
* Mormon or LDS
* American Indian or Native American Religion
* Atheist (non-believing)
* Agnostic (uncertain about the existence of God)
* Other (please specify)

Where do you fall on the political spectrum?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Very Liberal |  |  | Moderate |  |  | Very Conservative |

What political affiliation do you classify yourself as?

·         Democrat

·         Republican

·         Green

·         Libertarian

·         Tea Party

·         Independent

·         Other (please specify)

What is the highest level of education you completed?

·         Some high school/G.E.D.

·         High school

·         Some college

·         Bachelors Degree

·         Masters Degree

·         Doctorate Degree