### User's Guide and Codebook National Surveys on Energy and Environment (NSEE)

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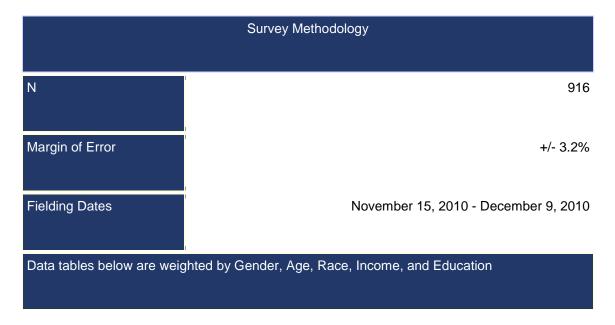
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#### **Summary**

The National Surveys on Energy and Environment (NSEE), a core activity in CLOSUP's Energy and Environmental Policy Initiative, reflects a formal partnership between the Muhlenberg Institute of Public Opinion at Muhlenberg College and the Center for Local, State, and Urban Policy at the University of Michigan's Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy. NSEE surveys include twice per year national opinion surveys on issues directly related to climate change and energy policy, as well as other surveys conducted on a range of topics such as hydraulic fracturing ("fracking"), the Great Lakes, and wider issues of energy and environment. NSEE is codirected by professor Barry Rabe at the University of Michigan, and professor Christopher Borick at Muhlenberg College. For more information on the collaboration between the University of Michigan and Muhlenberg College, please see the recent article from Muhlenberg Magazine. For more information about the NSEE, contact CLOSUP staff at 734-647-4091 or closup@umich.edu. From 2008-2012 the survey was called the "National Survey of American Public Opinion on Climate Change" (NSAPOCC); starting in 2013 the survey was renamed to the "National Surveys on Energy and Environment" (NSEE).

This dataset includes data from the fourth wave, conducted in Fall 2010. The survey included longitudinal questions about belief in climate change, plus additional content related to support for state and/or federal policies to address climate change, willingness to pay for emissions reductions, and more. Results are based on responses from 916 adult residents of the United States collected between November 15, 2010 – December 18, 2010. The margin of error for the survey is ±3.2% at a 95% level of confidence.

#### Methodology



The results are based on a telephone survey of 916 adult (age 18 or older) residents of the United States between November 15 and December 18, 2010. Respondents were interviewed in English on both landlines and cell phones by the staff of the Muhlenberg College Institute of Public Opinion (MCIPO) in Allentown, Pennsylvania on the Institute's Computer Aided Telephone Interviewing (CATI) system.

With a randomly selected sample of 916 respondents the margin of error for the surveys is ±3.2% at a 95% level of confidence. Margins of error for questions with smaller sample sizes will be larger. In addition to sampling error, one should consider that question wording and other fielding issues can introduce error or bias into survey results. The sample data has been weighted by age, race, educational attainment, income and gender to reflect population parameters for these factors provided by the United States Census Bureau. The calculation of sampling error takes into account design effects due to the weighting identified above. In order to reach a representative sample of adult Americans phones are called up to 10 times. Due to rounding, the totals provided in tables may not equal 100.

The instrument was designed by Christopher Borick of Muhlenberg College and Barry Rabe of the University of Michigan. For more detailed information on the methods employed please contact the MCIPO at 484-664-3444 or email Dr. Borick at cborick@muhlenberg.edu.

#### **Funding and Financial Disclosure**

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#### **Variable Naming**

Rather than using variables names based on question number, the NSEE datasets use a longitudinal variable naming scheme, to facilitate longitudinal analysis. Many questions have been asked in multiple waves of the NSEE, making it a valuable source of longitudinal public-opinion data on climate change and energy policy. Consult the NSEE Crosswalk to see which questions have been asked in prior and subsequent waves of the NSEE. Variable names include two parts, a subject category for the question, and a description of the contents of the question. When a question has been asked with the same text and response options over multiple waves, the same variable name will be used in each dataset. Where there have been slight changes in question wording, the variable name will include a version number (v1, v2, etc., appended to the variable name). In the single wave NSEE datasets, variables are listed in the order that they were asked.

#### **Missing Data**

Within a wave, missing data can result from respondents who refuse to answer a question, or respondents who are not asked a particular question. Sometimes respondents are not asked a question due to skip logic, these are coded -9 "Not asked – not applicable". Other times, the NSEE survey will include split sample questions. Missing values for split-sample questions are coded -9 "Not asked – split sample".

#### Version(s)

Original openICPSR Release: 6/22/2016

8/18/2017: A few values of demog\_state\_region were recoded. The weight factor variables GenWeight and RaceWeight were dropped from the dataset.

#### LIST OF VARIABLES

state\_neighborsact

Variable Label

Survey\_Iteration
Orig\_ID
Respondent Number
Month
Month of Interview
Day
Day of Interview
Year
Vear of Interview
demog\_age\_list
Age: by category
demog\_state
State of residence

demog\_state\_region What state do you currently reside in? CODED

gw\_belief Is there solid evidence avg temp on earth has been warming in past 4 decades believer\_confidence How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing

believer\_cause Is the earth warming because of human activity or natural patterns

gw\_concern How concerned are you about the issue of global warming

believer\_factor\_open

believer\_factor\_open\_coded

believer\_factor\_open\_coded

believer\_factor\_glaciers

believer\_factor warmer

Belief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED coded

Belief factor: Declining glaciers & polar ice

Belief factor: warmer temps in your area

believer factor models Belief factor: computer models that indicate the earth is getting warmer

believer\_factor\_hurricane Belief factor: Strength of US hurricanes

believer factor ipcc Impact of following factor: Reports from the Intergovernmental Panel on

Climate Change on belief that the earth is getting warmer

believer\_factor\_mildwint

believer\_factor\_polarbrs

believer\_factor\_droughts

Belief factor: milder winters in your area

Belief factor: declining polar bears & penguins

Belief factor: Severe droughts across US

nonbeliever confidence How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is NOT increasing

nonbeliever\_factor\_open
nonbeliever\_factor\_open\_coded
nonbeliever\_factor\_weath
nonbeliever\_factor\_scievid
nonbeliever\_factor\_distort
Nonbelief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED coded
Nonbelief factor: Personal observations of weather in area
Nonbelief factor: Scientific evidence disproves existence of GW
Nonbelief Factor: Reports that scientists distort data about GW

gw noevidence Not enough scientific evidence to support claims that the earth is warming

gw scioverstate Scientists overstating evidence about GW for their own interests

gw\_nattrend Recent warming on earth is the result of natural trends, not the human activity

gw mediaoverstate The media is overstating the evidence about global warming.

gw\_adapt Instead of trying to stop GW from occurring we should focus on adapting govt\_fed How much responsibility federal govt has for taking actions to reduce GW govt\_state How much responsibility state govts have for taking actions to reduce GW govt\_local How much responsibility local govts have for taking actions to reduce GW govt\_fedvsstate Federal govt should allow state govts to adopt stricter GHG standards than fed

My state should not adopt anti-global warming policies unless its neighboring

states also adopt similar policies.

govt\_nostateaction If federal govt fails to address GW, it's my state's responsibility to act state\_rps\_economy State governments will boost their economies by requiring greater use of

renewable energy.

state\_impactsfelt My state has already felt negative effects from global warming.

state\_rps\_neighbr My state's economy will be damaged if it requires greater use of renewable

energy while neighboring states don't have such requirements.

state\_rps\_mystate\_v1 My state should require increased use of renewable energy.

captrade\_govt\_v1 Which level of government should use cap & trade

fftax\_govt Which level of govt should increase taxes on fossil fuels

nuclear\_govt Which level of govt should increase use of nuclear power

gastax\_govt Which level of govt should increase gas tax

rps\_govt Which level of govt should require renewable energy/portfolio standard

ethanol\_govt Which level of govt should require ethanol standard

vehicle\_govt Require auto makers to increase the fuel efficiency of their vehicles even if it

increases the cost of the vehicle

captrade\_support\_v1 Support for cap & trade

captrade\_govt\_v2 Which level of government should use cap & trade, includes regional option

captrade\_cost15dol Support for cap & trade if it raised costs by \$15/month captrade\_cost50 Support for cap & trade if it raised costs by \$50/month carbontax\_support Support for reducing GHG by taxing carbon based fuels carbontax\_cost15dol Support for carbon fuels tax if it raised costs by \$15/month carbontax\_cost50dol Support for carbon fuels tax if it raised costs by \$50/month

busnesspay\_revuse Revenue use if govt enacted a policy requiring businesses to pay to release GHGs busnesspay govtlevel Which level of govt should collect/use revenue if businesses pay to release GHG

willing2pay\_list How much would you be willing to pay/year for more renewable energy

demog race Race

demog relig Religious affiliation

demog\_relig\_evang Religious affiliation: evangelical Christian

demog edu Highest level of education

demog news Primary source for national & world news

demog\_polparty Political party affiliation

demog teaparty Do you consider yourself to be a member of the Tea Party?

demog polviews Political beliefs: conservative to liberal

demog\_income Family income

demog gender Gender: not asked; assessed by interviewer

TOTWEIGHT Overall Weight

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Alternate Title: NSEE Fall 2010

Creator: CLOSUP

### Survey\_Iteration - Survey Iteration

Survey Iteration

Type

Text

Role

input

### Orig\_ID - Respondent Number

Respondent Number

**Type** 

Numeric

**Numeric Type** 

Integer

Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

ORIG\_ID is a sequential, anonymous ID, assigned across waves of the NSEE. In Fall 2010, the values of ORIG\_ID range from 2304-3219.

### **Month - Month of Interview**

Month of Interview

Type

Numeric

**Numeric Type** 

Integer

Role

input

### Day - Day of Interview

Day of Interview

Type

Numeric

**Numeric Type** 

Integer

Role

input

### Year - Year of Interview

Year of Interview

Type

Numeric

**Numeric Type** 

Integer

Role

input

### demog\_age\_list - Age: by category

Age: by category

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: In which category does your current age fall?

1	18-29
2	30-44
3	45-64
4	65 and older
5	Refused but 18 or over
98	Not sure
99	Refused (terminate)

#### Role

input

### demog\_state - State of residence

State of residence

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What state do you currently reside in?

**Type** Text

Role

input

### demog\_state\_region - States coded to regions

#### States coded to regions

1	Northeast
2	Southwest
3	Midwest
4	West

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

States were coded into regions as follows:

Northeast (1)

ME,NH,VT,MA,RI,CT,NY,PA,NJ

South (2)

MD,DE,VA,NC,SC,GA,FL,WV,KY,TN,AL,MS,LA,AR,OK,TX,DC

Midwest (3)

OH,IN,IL,IA,WI,MN,MI,MO,NE,ND,SD,KS

West (4)

HI,AK,CA,OR,WA,MT,WY,CO,NM,AZ,UT,NV,ID

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

Version 2 (8/18/2017): a few values of demog\_state\_region were recoded for accuracy. Revised frequencies for demog\_state\_region are shown in the appendix to this codebook.

# gw\_belief - Is there solid evidence avg temp on earth has been warming in past 4 decades

Is there solid evidence avg temp on earth has been warming in past 4 decades

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now I would like to ask you a few questions on the issue of global warming. From what you've read and heard. Is there solid evidence that the average temperature on earth has been getting warmer over the past four decades?

1	Yes
2	No
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

### believer\_confidence - How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing

How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is increasing?

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very confident
2	Fairly confident
3	Not too confident
4	Not confident at all
98	Not sure
99	Refused

### Role input

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

Not asked unless gw\_belief=1

# believer\_cause - Is the earth warming because of human activity or natural patterns

Is the earth warming because of human activity or natural patterns

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is the earth getting warmer because of human activity such as burning fossil fuels, or mostly because of natural patterns in the earth's environment?

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Human activity
2	Natural patterns
3	A combination (volunteered)
98	Not sure

99 Refused	

input

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

Not asked unless gw\_belief=1

### believer\_problem - Is global warming a serious problem

Is global warming a serious problem

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: In your view is global warming a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem?

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very serious
2	Somewhat serious
3	Not too serious
4	Not a problem
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

Not asked unless gw\_belief=1

# gw\_concern - How concerned are you about the issue of global warming

How concerned are you about the issue of global warming

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: How concerned are you about the issue of global warming?

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very concerned
2	Somewhat concerned
3	Not too concerned
4	Not concerned at all
98	Not sure
99	Refused

input

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

Not asked unless gw\_belief=1

### believer\_factor\_open - Belief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED

Belief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What is the primary factor that has caused you to believe that temperatures on earth are increasing?

#### Type

Text

#### Role

input

#### **SKIP PATTERN**

Not asked unless gw\_belief=1

### believer\_factor\_open\_coded - Belief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED coded

Belief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED coded

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Melting Glaciers
2	Warmer Temps Observed
3	Weather Change
4	Scientific Research
6	Media Coverage
7	Declining Species
8	Human Activity
9	Natural Patterns
10	Not Sure/Other
11	Ocean/sea-level rise
12	Religious factors
13	Population growth
14	Growing season/plants

#### Role

input

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

believer\_factor\_open was not asked unless gw\_belief=1

# believer\_factor\_glaciers - Belief factor: Declining glaciers & polar ice

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer: Declining glaciers and polar ice throughout the globe

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the believer\_factor variables (excluding believer\_factor\_open) were asked was rotated.

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

Not asked unless gw\_belief=1

# believer\_factor\_warmer - Belief factor: warmer temps in your area

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer: Warmer temperatures in your area during recent years

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect

98	Not sure
99	Refused

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the believer\_factor variables (excluding believer\_factor\_open) were asked was rotated.

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=1

### believer\_factor\_models - Belief factor: computer models that indicate the earth is getting warmer

Belief factor: computer models that indicate the earth is getting warmer

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer: Computer models that indicate the earth is getting warmer.

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

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#### **SKIP PATTERN**

not asked unless gw\_belief=1

### believer\_factor\_hurricane - Belief factor: Strength of US hurricanes

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has

had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer: The strength of Hurricanes hitting the United States

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the believer\_factor variables (excluding believer\_factor\_open) were asked was rotated.

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=1

believer\_factor\_ipcc - Impact of following factor: Reports from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change on belief that the earth is getting warmer

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer: Reports from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the believer\_factor variables (excluding believer\_factor\_open) were asked was rotated.

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=1

# believer\_factor\_mildwint - Belief factor: milder winters in your area

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer: Milder winters in your area

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the believer factor variables (excluding believer factor open) were asked was rotated.

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=1

# believer\_factor\_polarbrs - Belief factor: declining polar bears & penguins

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer: Declining numbers of polar bears and penguins

-9 Not asked - not applicable	
ı Very large	

2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect
98	Not sure
99	Refused

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

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#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=1

### believer\_factor\_droughts - Belief factor: Severe droughts across US

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer: Severe droughts in areas across the United States.

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the believer\_factor variables (excluding believer\_factor\_open) were asked was rotated.

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=1

# nonbeliever\_confidence - How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is NOT increasing

How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is NOT increasing

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: How confident are you that the average temperatures on earth are NOT increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is NOT increasing?

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very confident
2	Fairly confident
3	Not too confident
4	Not confident at all
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=2

### nonbeliever\_factor\_open - Nonbelief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED

Nonbelief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What is the primary factor that makes you believe that temperatures on earth are not increasing?

Type

Text

Role

input

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=2

### nonbeliever\_factor\_open\_coded - Nonbelief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED coded

Nonbelief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED coded

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Personal Observations
2	Natural Patterns
3	Lack of Evidence
5	Evidence Disproves
7	Political Factors
8	No Particular Reason
9	Not Sure/Other
98	Not sure
99	Refused

input

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

nonbeliever\_factor\_open not asked unless gw\_belief=2

## nonbeliever\_factor\_weath - Nonbelief factor: Personal observations of weather in area

Nonbelief factor: Personal observations of weather in area

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that global warming is NOT occurring. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that global warming is not occurring: Your personal observations of weather in your area

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which nonbeliever\_factor variables (excluding nonbeliever\_factor\_open) were asked was rotated.

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=2

# nonbeliever\_factor\_scievid - Nonbelief factor: Scientific evidence disproves existence of GW

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that global warming is NOT occurring. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that global warming is not occurring: Scientific evidence that disproves the existence of global warming.

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which nonbeliever\_factor variables (excluding nonbeliever\_factor\_open) were asked was rotated.

#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=2

### nonbeliever\_factor\_distort - Nonbelief Factor: Reports that scientists distort data about GW

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that global warming is NOT occurring. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that global warming is not occurring: Reports that climate scientists have distorted data to demonstrate that global warming is occurring.

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Very large
2	Somewhat large
3	Not too large
4	No effect

98	Not sure
99	Refused

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

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#### **SKIP PATTERN:**

not asked unless gw\_belief=2

# gw\_noevidence - Not enough scientific evidence to support claims that the earth is warming

Not enough scientific evidence to support claims that the earth is warming

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: There is not enough scientific evidence to support claims that the earth is getting warmer.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

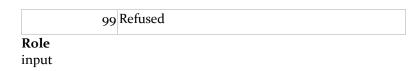
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### gw\_scioverstate - Scientists overstating evidence about GW for their own interests

Scientists overstating evidence about GW for their own interests

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: Scientists are overstating evidence about global warming for their own interests.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure



# gw\_nattrend - Recent warming on earth is the result of natural trends, not the human activity

Recent warming on earth is the result of natural trends, not the human activity

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: Any recent warming on earth is the result of natural trends and not the activities of man.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

### **Role** input

### gw\_mediaoverstate - The media is overstating the evidence about global warming.

The media is overstating the evidence about global warming.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: The media is overstating the evidence about global warming.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

### Role input

# gw\_adapt - Instead of trying to stop GW from occurring we should focus on adapting

Instead of trying to stop GW from occurring we should focus on adapting

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: Instead of trying to stop global warming from occurring we should focus on adapting to a warmer climate.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

### govt\_fed - How much responsibility federal govt has for taking actions to reduce GW

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: For each level of government that I mention please tell me if it has a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility or no responsibility for taking actions to reduce global warming: The Federal Government

1	A great deal of responsibility
2	Some responsibility
3	No responsibility
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

# govt\_state - How much responsibility state govts have for taking actions to reduce GW

How much responsibility state govts have for taking actions to reduce GW

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: For each level of government that I mention please tell me if it has a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility or no responsibility for taking actions to reduce global warming: State Governments

1	A great deal of responsibility
2	Some responsibility
3	No responsibility
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

### govt\_local - How much responsibility local govts have for taking actions to reduce GW

How much responsibility local govts have for taking actions to reduce GW

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: For each level of government that I mention please tell me if it has a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility or no responsibility for taking actions to reduce global warming: Local Governments

1	A great deal of responsibility
2	Some responsibility
3	No responsibility
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

### govt\_fedvsstate - Federal govt should allow state govts to adopt stricter GHG standards than fed

Federal govt should allow state govts to adopt stricter GHG standards than fed

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: The federal government should allow state governments to adopt stricter standards for the emission of greenhouse gases than any federal standards.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree

4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the 7 variables from govt\_fedvsstate through state\_rps\_mystate\_vi were asked was rotated.

state\_neighborsact - My state should not adopt anti-global warming policies unless its neighboring states also adopt similar policies.

My state should not adopt anti-global warming policies unless its neighboring states also adopt similar policies.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: My state should not adopt anti-global warming policies unless its neighboring states also adopt similar policies.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the 7 variables from govt\_fedvsstate through state\_rps\_mystate\_vi were asked was rotated.

# govt\_nostateaction - If federal govt fails to address GW, it's my state's responsibility to act

If federal govt fails to address GW, it's my state's responsibility to act

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: If the federal government fails to address the issue of global warming it is my state's responsibility to address the problem.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the 7 variables from govt\_fedvsstate through rotated.

were asked was

### state\_rps\_economy - State governments will boost their economies by requiring greater use of renewable energy.

State governments will boost their economies by requiring greater use of renewable energy.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: State governments will boost their economies by requiring greater use of renewable energy.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the 7 variables from govt\_fedvsstate through state\_rps\_mystate\_vi were asked was rotated.

## state\_impactsfelt - My state has already felt negative effects from global warming.

My state has already felt negative effects from global warming.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: My state has already felt negative effects from global warming.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the 7 variables from govt\_fedvsstate through state\_rps\_mystate\_vi were asked was rotated.

state\_rps\_neighbr - My state's economy will be damaged if it requires greater use of renewable energy while neighboring states don't have such requirements.

My state's economy will be damaged if it requires greater use of renewable energy while neighboring states don't' have such requirements.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: My state's economy will be damaged if it requires greater use of renewable energy while neighboring states don't have such requirements.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the 7 variables from govt\_fedvsstate through state\_rps\_mystate\_vi were asked was rotated.

state\_rps\_mystate\_v1- My state should require increased use of renewable energy.

My state should require increased use of renewable energy.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree: My state should require increased use of renewable energy.

1	Strongly agree
2	Somewhat agree
3	Somewhat disagree
4	Strongly disagree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

The order in which the 7 variables from govt\_fedvsstate through state\_rps\_mystate\_vi were asked was rotated.

### captrade\_govt\_v1- Which level of government should use cap & trade

Which level of government should use cap & trade

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I'm going to provide you with a list of policies that can be used to limit the emission of greenhouse gases. For each option that I mention please tell if the policy should be adopted ONLY by the federal government, ONLY by your state government, by BOTH the federal and state governments or should NOT be adopted by any government: Allow businesses to buy and sell permits to release greenhouse gases if it results in an overall decrease in emissions

1	Federal
2	State
3	Both
4	Neither
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

### Role input

# fftax\_govt- Which level of govt should increase taxes on fossil fuels

Which level of govt should increase taxes on fossil fuels

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I'm going to provide you with a list of policies that can be used to limit the emission of greenhouse gases. For each option that I mention please tell if the policy should be adopted ONLY by the federal government, ONLY by your state government, by BOTH the federal and state governments or should NOT be adopted by any government: Increasing taxes on all fossil fuels to reduce consumption and greenhouse gas emission.

1	Federal
2	State
3	Both
4	Neither
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

**Role** input

### nuclear\_govt - Which level of govt should increase use of nuclear power

Which level of govt should increase use of nuclear power

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I'm going to provide you with a list of policies that can be used to limit the emission of greenhouse gases. For each option that I mention please tell if the policy should be adopted ONLY by the federal government, ONLY by your state government, by BOTH the federal and state governments or should NOT be adopted by any government: Increased use of nuclear power to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

1	Federal
2	State
3	Both
4	Neither
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

Role input

### gastax\_govt - Which level of govt should increase gas tax

Which level of govt should increase gas tax

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I'm going to provide you with a list of policies that can be used to limit the emission of greenhouse gases. For each option that I mention please tell if the policy should be adopted ONLY by the federal government, ONLY by your state government, by BOTH the federal and state

governments or should NOT be adopted by any government: Increasing taxes on gasoline to reduce consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.

1	Federal
2	State
3	Both
4	Neither
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

**Role** input

### rps\_govt - Which level of govt should require renewable energy/portfolio standard

Which level of govt should require renewable energy/portfolio standard

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I'm going to provide you with a list of policies that can be used to limit the emission of greenhouse gases. For each option that I mention please tell if the policy should be adopted ONLY by the federal government, ONLY by your state government, by BOTH the federal and state governments or should NOT be adopted by any government: Require a set portion of all electricity to come from renewable energy sources such as wind and solar power in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

1	Federal
2	State
3	Both
4	Neither
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

Role input

### ethanol\_govt - Which level of govt should require ethanol standard

Which level of govt should require ethanol standard

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I'm going to provide you with a list of policies that can be used to limit the emission of greenhouse gases. For each option that I mention please tell if the policy should be adopted ONLY by the federal government, ONLY by your state government, by BOTH the federal and state

governments or should NOT be adopted by any government: Require a set portion of all transportation fuels to come from renewable energy sources such as ethanol and other biofuels in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

1	Federal
2	State
3	Both
4	Neither
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

Role input

vehicle\_govt - Require auto makers to increase the fuel efficiency of their vehicles even if it increases the cost of the vehicle

Require auto makers to increase the fuel efficiency of their vehicles even if it increases the cost of the vehicle

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Next I'm going to provide you with a list of policies that can be used to limit the emission of greenhouse gases. For each option that I mention please tell if the policy should be adopted ONLY by the federal government, ONLY by your state government, by BOTH the federal and state governments or should NOT be adopted by any government: Require auto makers to increase the fuel efficiency of their vehicles to reduce greenhouse gas emissions even if it increases the cost of the vehicle

1	Federal
2	State
3	Both
4	Neither
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

Role input

### captrade\_support\_v1 - Support for cap & trade

Support for cap & trade

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: There is a proposed system called cap and trade where the government would issue permits limiting the amount of greenhouse gases companies can put out. Companies that did not use

all their permits could sell them to other companies. The idea is that many companies would find ways to put out less greenhouse gases because that would be cheaper than buying permits. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

1	Strongly Support
2	Somewhat Support
3	Somewhat Oppose
4	Strongly Oppose
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

### **Role** input

# captrade\_govt\_v2 - Which level of government should use cap & trade, includes regional option

Which level of government should use cap & trade, includes regional option

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: If a cap and trade system was to be used to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, would you prefer that it be done at the national level, within a region of the country or only within an individual state?

-9	Not asked – not applicable
1	National
2	Regional
3	State Only
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### SKIP PATTERN:

not asked unless captrade\_support\_v1=1 or captrade\_support\_v1=2

# captrade\_cost15dol - Support for cap & trade if it raised costs by \$15/month

Support for cap & trade if it raised costs by \$15/month

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What if the cap and trade program significantly lowered greenhouse gases but raised your monthly electrical bill by 15 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

1 Strongly Support	
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2	Somewhat Support
3	Somewhat Oppose
4	Strongly Oppose
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

Role input

# captrade\_cost50 - Support for cap & trade if it raised costs by \$50/month

Support for cap & trade if it raised costs by \$50/month

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What if the cap and trade program significantly lowered greenhouse gases but increased your energy costs by 50 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

1	Strongly Support
2	Somewhat Support
3	Somewhat Oppose
4	Strongly Oppose
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

Role input

### carbontax\_support - Support for reducing GHG by taxing carbon based fuels

Support for reducing GHG by taxing carbon based fuels

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Another way to lower greenhouse gas emissions would be to increase taxes on carbon based fuels such as coal, oil, gasoline and natural gas. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

1	Strongly Support
2	Somewhat Support
3	Somewhat Oppose
4	Strongly Oppose
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

**Role** input

# carbontax\_cost15dol - Support for carbon fuels tax if it raised costs by \$15/month

Support for carbon fuels tax if it raised costs by \$15/month

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What if the carbon fuels taxes significantly lowered greenhouse gases but increased your energy costs by 15 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

1	Strongly Support
2	Somewhat Support
3	Somewhat Oppose
4	Strongly Oppose
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

**Role** input

# carbontax\_cost50dol - Support for carbon fuels tax if it raised costs by \$50/month

Support for carbon fuels tax if it raised costs by \$50/month

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What if the carbon fuels taxes significantly lowered greenhouse gases but increased your energy costs by 50 Dollars a month in added expenses? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

1	Strongly Support
2	Somewhat Support
3	Somewhat Oppose
4	Strongly Oppose
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

Role input

# busnesspay\_revuse - Revenue use if govt enacted a policy requiring businesses to pay to release GHGs

Revenue use if govt enacted a policy requiring businesses to pay to release GHGs

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: If the government enacted a policy that required businesses to pay for the release greenhouse gases, where do you prefer the money generated from the purchase of the permits be spent? Do you prefer that it be...

1	Used to fund alternative energy research
2	Used to reduce the federal deficit
3	Returned to citizens through payroll tax deductions
4	Returned to citizens through tax rebates
5	To sustain existing government programs
6	Governments shouldn't require businesses to buy permits (volunteered)
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

**Role** input

# busnesspay\_govtlevel- Which level of govt should collect/use revenue if businesses pay to release GHG

Which level of govt should collect/use revenue if businesses pay to release GHG

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: And which level of government should collect and use the revenue?

1	Federal
2	State
98	Not Sure
99	Refused

Role input

# willing2pay\_list - How much would you be willing to pay/year for more renewable energy

How much would you be willing to pay/year for more renewable energy

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: If it required you to pay extra money each year in order for more renewable energy to be produced, how much would you be willing to pay? Would you be willing to pay...

-9	Not asked - split sample
1	Nothing
2	\$1-\$50 per year
3	\$50-\$100 per year
4	\$100-\$250 per year
5	\$250-\$500 per year
6	Over \$500 per year
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

### demog\_race - Race

#### Race

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Finally a few questions about yourself. Which of the following categories best describes your racial identity? Are you...

1	White/Caucasian
2	African-American
3	Hispanic
4	Latino
5	Asian
6	Native American
7	Mixed race
8	Other
9	Hispanic/Latino
10	Mixed race and other
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

In order to protect respondent confidentiality, CLOSUP recoded demog\_race as follows:

- 3 "Hispanic" and 4 "Latino" were combined into 9 "Hispanic/Latino"
- 6 "Native American", 7 "Mixed race", and 8 "Other" were combined into 10 "Mixed race and other".

The original values of demog\_race are not available to secondary data users.

### demog\_relig - Religious affiliation

Religious affiliation

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Which of the following categories best describes your religious affiliation? Are you...

1	Protestant
2	Catholic
3	Jewish
4	Muslim
5	Hindu
6	Other
7	Atheist
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role

input

### demog\_relig\_evang - Religious affiliation: evangelical Christian

Religious affiliation: evangelical Christian

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Would you describe yourself as an evangelical Christian?

-9	Not asked - not applicable
1	Yes
2	No
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role

input

#### **CODEBOOK NOTE:**

not asked unless demog\_relig=1

### demog\_edu - Highest level of education

Highest level of education

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What is your highest level of education?

1	Less than HS graduate
2	HS Graduate
3	Some college or technical school
4	College graduate
5	Grad or professional degree
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

### demog\_news - Primary source for national & world news

Primary source for national & world news

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Which of the following is your primary source for national and world news?

1	Television
2	Newspapers
3	Talk radio programs
4	Radio news programs
5	The internet
6	Other
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

### demog\_polparty - Political party affiliation

Political party affiliation

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Which of the following best describes your political party affiliation

1	Democrat
2	Republican
3	Other party
4	Independent
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

# demog\_teaparty- Do you consider yourself to be a member of the Tea Party?

Do you consider yourself to be a member of the Tea Party?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Do you consider yourself to be a member of the Tea Party?

1	Yes
2	No
98	Not sure
99	Refused

#### Role

input

### demog\_polviews - Political beliefs: conservative to liberal

Political beliefs: conservative to liberal

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Which of the following best describes your political beliefs?

1	Very conservative
2	Somewhat conservative
3	Moderate
4	Somewhat liberal
5	Very liberal
98	Not sure
99	Refused

### Role input

### demog\_income - Family income

Family income

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Which of the following categories best describes your family income? Is it...

	1 Less than 20,000
2	2 20,000-40,000
-	3 40,000-60,000
	4 60,000 - 80,000

5	80,000-100,000
6	Over 100,000
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

### demog\_gender - Gender: not asked; assessed by interviewer

Gender: not asked; assessed by interviewer

1	Male
2	Female
98	Not sure
99	Refused

Role input

### TOTWEIGHT - Overall Weight

Overall Weight

Type

Numeric

**Numeric Type** 

Double

**Decimal Positions** 

2

Role

input

#### **Codebook Note**

Version 2 (8/18/17): The weight factor variables, GenWeight and RaceWeight were dropped from the dataset to avoid any confusion and for consistency across NSEE datasets.

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researcl	n project regarding environmental issues in the United States. Would you be able to help us by an a few questions?
	Yes1
	No2 (Thank and terminate)
	Not sure98 (Thank and terminate)
	Refused99 (Thank and terminate)
Q1. Tha	ank you. In which category does your current age fall? (READ LIST)
	18-291
	30-442
	45-643
	or 65 and older4
	Not sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q3. Nea	(OPEN)
	Yes1
	No
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98 (SKIP TO Q22)
	Refused (Volunteered)99 (SKIP TO Q22)
	w confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing? Are you very confident, fairly infident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is increasing?
	Very confident1
	Fairly confident2
	Not too confident3
	Not confident at all4
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99

Q5.	Is the earth getting warmer because of human activity such as burning fossil fuels, or mostly because of natural patterns in the earth's environment?
	Human activity1
	Natural patterns2
	A combination (Volunteered)3
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q6.	In your view is global warming a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem?
	Very serious1
	Somewhat serious 2
	Not too serious3
	Not a problem4
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q7.	How concerned are you about the issue of global warming?
	Very concerned1
	Somewhat concerned 2
	Not too concerned3
	Not concerned at all4
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q8.	What is the primary factor that has caused you to believe that temperatures on earth are increasing?
	(OPEN)

Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. First, [ROTATED LIST]

	Very	Somewhat	Not Too	No	Not Sure	Refused
	Large	Large	Large	Effect	(Volunteered)	(Volunteered)
Q9. Declining glaciers and polar ice	1	2	3	4	98	99
throughout the globe						
Q10. Warmer temperatures in your	1	2	3	4	98	99
area during recent years						
Q11. Computer models that indicate	1	2	3	4	98	99
the earth is getting warmer						
Q12. The strength of hurricanes	1	2	3	4	98	99
hitting the United States						
Q13. Reports from the	1	2	3	4	98	99
Intergovernmental Panel on Climate						
Change						
Q14. Milder winters in your area	1	2	3	4	98	99
Q15. Declining numbers of polar	1	2	3	4	98	99
bears and penguins						
Q13. Severe droughts in areas across	1	2	3	4	98	99
the United States						

#### ONLY THOSE WHO ANSWERED "NO" IN Q3 (i.e., do not believe temperatures are increasing)

Q17. How confident are you that the average temperature on earth are NOT increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is NOT increasing?

Very confident	1
Fairly confident	2
Not too confident	
Not confident at all	
Not Sure (Volunteered)	98
Refused (Volunteered)	

Q18. What is the primary factor that makes you believe that temperatures on earth are not	increasing'

(OPEN)		

Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that global warming is NOT occurring. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that global warming is not occurring. First, [ROTATED LIST]

	Very	Somewhat	Not Too	No	Not Sure	Refused
	Large	Large	Large	Effect	(Volunteered)	(Volunteered)
Q19. Your personal observations of	1	2	3	4	98	99
weather in your area						
Q20. Scientific evidence that	1	2	3	4	98	99
disproves the existence of global						
warming.						
Q21. Reports that climate scientists	1	2	3	4	98	99
have distorted data to demonstrate						
that global warming is occurring.						

#### \*\*ALL RESPONDENTS\*\*

Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree. First,

	Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	Strongly	Not Sure	Refused
	Agree	Agree	Disagree	Disagree	(Volunteered)	(Volunteered)
Q22. There is not enough	1	2	3	4	98	99
scientific evidence to support						
claims that the earth is						
getting warmer.						
Q23. Scientists are	1	2	3	4	98	99
overstating evidence about						
global warming for their own						
interests.						
Q24. Any recent warming on	1	2	3	4	98	99
earth is the result of natural						
trends and not the activities						
of man.						
Q25. The media is	1	2	3	4	98	99
overstating the evidence						
about global warming.						
Q26. Instead of trying to	1	2	3	4	98	99
stop global warming from						
occurring we should focus on						
adapting to a warmer climate.						

For each level of government that I mention please tell me if it has a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility or no responsibility for taking actions to reduce global warming. First:

	A Great Deal of	Some	No	Not Sure	Refused
	Responsibility	Responsibility	Responsibility	(Volunteered)	(Volunteered)
Q27. The Federal	1	2	3	98	99
Government					
Q28. State	1	2	3	98	99
Governments					
Q29. Local	1	2	3	98	99
Governments					

Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree. First, [ROTATED LIST]

	Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	Strongly	Not Sure	Refused
	Agree	Agree	Disagree	Disagree	(Volunteered)	(Volunteered)
Q30. The federal government	1	2	3	4	98	99
should allow state						
governments to adopt stricter						
standards for the emission of						
greenhouse gases than any						
federal standards.						
Q31. My state should not	1	2	3	4	98	99
adopt anti-global warming						
policies unless its						
neighboring states also adopt						
similar policies.						
Q32. If the federal	1	2	3	4	98	99
government fails to address						
the issue of global warming it						
is my state's responsibility to						
address the problem.						
Q33. State governments will	1	2	3	4	98	99
boost their economies by						
requiring greater use of						
renewable energy.						
Q34. My state has already	1	2	3	4	98	99
felt negative effects from						
global warming.						
Q35. My state's economy	1	2	3	4	98	99
will be damaged if it requires						
greater use of renewable						
energy while neighboring						
states don't have such						
requirements.						
Q36. My state should require	1	2	3	4	98	99
increased use of renewable						
energy.						

Next I'm going to provide you with a list of policies that can be used to limit the emission of greenhouse gases. For each option that I mention please tell if the policy should be adopted ONLY by the federal government, ONLY by your state government, by BOTH the federal and state governments or should NOT be adopted by any government. First...

	Federal	State	Both	Neither	Not Sure (Volunteered)	Refused (Volunteered)
Q37. Allow businesses to buy and sell permits to release greenhouse gases if	1	2	3	4	98	99
it results in an overall decrease in						
emissions						
Q38. Increasing taxes on all fossil	1	2	3	4	98	99
fuels to reduce consumption and	1	2	3	_	76	
greenhouse gas emission.						
Q39. Increased use of nuclear power	1	2	3	4	98	99
to reduce greenhouse gas emissions	1				70	
Q40. Increasing taxes on gasoline to	1	2	3	4	98	99
reduce consumption and greenhouse		_		-		
gas emissions.						
Q41. Require a set portion of all	1	2	3	4	98	99
electricity to come from renewable						
energy sources such as wind and solar						
power in order to reduce greenhouse						
gas emissions.						
Q42. Require a set portion of all	1	2	3	4	98	99
transportation fuels to come from						
renewable energy sources such as						
ethanol and other biofuels in order to						
reduce greenhouse gas emissions.						
Q43. Require auto makers to increase	1	2	3	4	98	99
the fuel efficiency of their vehicles to						
reduce greenhouse gas emissions even						
if it increases the cost of the vehicle						

Q44. There is a proposed system called cap and trade where the government would issue permits limiting the amount of greenhouse gases companies can put out. Companies that did not use all their permits could sell them to other companies. The idea is that many companies would find ways to put out less greenhouse gases because that would be cheaper than buying permits. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

Strongly support	l	
Somewhat support	2	
Somewhat oppose	3 <b>[SKIP TO</b>	Q46]
Strongly oppose	4 [SKIP TO	Q46]
Not sure (Volunteered)	98 <b>[SKIP TO</b>	Q46]
Refused (Volunteered)	99 [ <b>SKIP TO</b>	046

Q45.	If a cap and trade system was to be used to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, would you prefer that it be done at the national level, within a region of the country or only within an individual state?
	National1
	Regional,2
	State only3
	Not sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q46.	What if the cap and trade program significantly lowered greenhouse gases but raised your monthly electrical bill by 15 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose
	or strongly oppose this type of system?
	Strongly support
	Somewhat support2
	Somewhat oppose3
	Strongly oppose4
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q47.	What if the cap and trade program significantly lowered greenhouse gases but increased your energy costs by 50 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly
	oppose this type of system?
	Strongly support 1
	Somewhat support2
	Somewhat oppose3
	Strongly oppose4
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q48.	Another way to lower greenhouse gas emissions would be to increase taxes on carbon based fuels such as
	coal, oil, gasoline and natural gas. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or
	strongly oppose this type of system?
	Strongly support 1
	Somewhat support2
	Somewhat oppose3
	Strongly oppose4
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99

Q49.	What if the carbon fuels taxes significantly lowered greenhouse gases but increased your energy costs by 15 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?
	Strongly support 1
	Somewhat support2
	Somewhat oppose3
	Strongly oppose4
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q50.	What if the carbon fuels taxes significantly lowered greenhouse gases but increased your energy costs by
	50 dollars a month in added expenses? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat
	oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?
	Strongly support
	Somewhat support2
	Somewhat oppose3
	Strongly oppose4
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q51.	If the government enacted a policy that required businesses to pay for the release greenhouse gases, where do you prefer the money generated from the purchase of the permits be spent? Do you prefer that it be[READ LIST]
	Used to fund alternative energy research
	Used to reduce the federal deficit
	Returned to citizens through payroll tax deductions
	Returned to citizens through tax rebate
	or to Sustain existing government program5
	Government shouldn't require businesses to buy permits (Volunteered)6
	Not Sure (Volunteered )98
	Refused (Volunteered )99
Q52.	And which level of government should collect and use the revenue?
	Federal government
	State government2
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99

Q53.	If it required you to pay extra money each year in order for more renewable energy to be produced, how much would you be willing to pay? Would you be willing to pay [READ LIST]
	Nothing each year1
	1 to 50 dollars per year2
	50 to 100 dollars a year3
	100 to 250 dollars a year4
	250 to 500 dollars a year5
	Over 500 dollars a year6
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q54.	Finally a few questions about yourself. Which of the following categories best describes your racial identity? Are you [READ LIST]
	White/Caucasian1
	African-American2
	Hispanic3
	Latino4
	Asian5
	Native American6
	Mixed race7
	Other8
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q55.	Which of the following categories best describes your religious affiliation? Are you [READ LIST]
	Protestant1
	Catholic
	Jewish3 (SKIP Q57)
	Muslim4 (SKIP Q57)
	Hindu5 (SKIP Q57)
	Other religion (including agnostic)
	Atheist
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98 (SKIP Q57)
	Refused (Volunteered)99 (SKIP Q57)
Q56.	Would you describe yourself as an evangelical Christian?
	Yes1
	No2
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered) 99

Q57.	What is your highest level of education? [READ LIST]
	Less than High School Graduate1
	High School Graduate2
	Some college or technical school3
	College graduate4
	Graduate or professional degree5
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q58.	Which of the following is your primary source for national and world news? [READ LIST]
	Television1
	Newspapers2
	Talk radio programs3
	Radio news programs4
	The internet5
	Other (Volunteered)6
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q59.	Which of the following best describes your political party affiliation? [READ LIST]
	Democrat
	Republican2
	Other party3
	Independent4
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q60.	Do you consider yourself to be a member of the Tea Party?
	Yes1
	No2
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered) 99
Q61.	Which of the following best describes your political beliefs? [READ LIST]
	Very Conservative1
	Somewhat Conservative2
	Moderate3
	Somewhat Liberal4
	Very Liberal5
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99

Q62.	Which of the following categories best describes your family income? Is it [READ LIST]
	Less than 20,0001
	20,000-40,0002
	40,000-60,0003
	60,000-80,0004
	80,000-100,0005
	Over 100,0006
	Not Sure (Volunteered)98
	Refused (Volunteered)99
Q63.	Thank you for your help with the survey. We appreciate your time.
	[DO NOT ASK!]
	Male 1
	Female2
	Not Sure98



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- o If federal government does not act, it's state responsibility to act
- State governments will boost economy by requiring renewable energy
- My state has felt effects of global warming
- My state's economy will be damaged if neighbors don't have same policies
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Hello. My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm a student at Muhlenberg College. We are conducting a research project regarding environmental issues in the United States. Would you be able to help us by answering a few questions?

#### Q1. Thank you. In which category does your current age fall? [READ LIST]

		Total
Thank you. In which category does your current age fall? [READ LIST]	18-29	7%
	30-44	17%
	45-64	45%
	65 and older	31%
	Refused, but stated they are 18 or over	<1%
	N	916

#### Q2. What state do you currently reside in? [CODED INTO REGIONS]

		Total
What state do you currently reside in? [CODED INTO REGIONS]	Northeast	18%
	South	35%
	Midwest	25%
	West	22%
	N	915

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## Q3. Next, I would like to ask you a few questions on the issue of global warming. From what you've read and heard. Is there solid evidence that the average temperature on earth has been getting warmer over the past four decades?

		Total
warming. From what you've read and heard. Is there solid evidence that the average temperature on earth has been getting warmer over the past	Yes	58%
	No	26%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	16%
	N	916

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### Q4. How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is increasing?

		Total
increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is increasing? (Among those who said there is solid evidence of global warming)	Very Confident	55%
	Fairly Confident	37%
	Not Too Confident	6%
	Not Confident At All	1%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	1%
	N	530

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### Q5. Is the earth getting warmer because of human activity such as burning fossil fuels, or mostly because of natural patterns in the earth's environment?

		Total
J	Human Activity	37%
fossil fuels, or mostly because of natural patterns in the earth's		

environment? (Among those who said there is solid evidence of global warming)		Total
	Natural Patterns	18%
 	A Combination (Volunteered)	41%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	5%
	N	530

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### Q6. In your view is global warming a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem?

		Total
serious, not too serious, or not a problem? (Among those who said there is solid evidence of global warming)	Very Serious	61%
	Somewhat Serious	30%
	Not Too Serious	5%
	Not A Problem	3%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	1%
	N	530

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#### Q7. How concerned are you about the issue of global warming?

		Total
those who said there is solid evidence of global warming)	Very Concerned	47%
	Somewhat Concerned	41%
	Not Too Concerned	8%
	Not Concerned At All	3%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	<1%
	N	530

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### Q8. What is the primary factor that has caused you to believe that temperatures on earth are increasing? [Coded open-end response]

		Total
temperatures on earth are increasing? (Among those who said there is solid evidence of global warming) [Coded open-end response]	Declining Glaciers and Polar Ice	16%
	Warmer Temperatures Observed	22%
	Weather Changes	17%

	Total
Scientific Research/Data	10%
Al Gore's Documentary	1%
Media Coverage	14%
Declining Species	1%
Human Activity	7%
Natural Patterns	2%
Ocean/Sea-Level rise	<1%
Religious Factors	1%
Population Growth	<1%
Not Sure/Other	10%
N	530

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Q9-16. Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. [ROTATED LIST]

		Declining glaciers and polar ice throughout the globe	Warmer temperatures in your area during recent years	Computer models that indicate the earth is getting warmer	The strength of hurricanes hitting the United States	Reports from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change	Milder winters in your area	Declining numbers of polar bears and penguins	Severe droughts in areas across the United States
Next I would like	Very Large	63%	48%	22%	40%	15%	32%	44%	41%
to read you a list	Somewhat Large	24%	32%	37%	37%	34%	28%	32%	35%
of factors that may or may not	Not Too Large	6%	12%	17%	13%	20%	17%	9%	13%
have had	No Effect	5%	7%	15%	9%	20%	22%	9%	10%
an effect on your view that	Not Sure (Volunteered)	2%	<1%	9%	3%	12%	1%	7%	2%
the earth is getting warmer. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that the									

earth is getting warmer." (Among those who said there is solid evidence		ice	Warmer temperatures in your area during recent years	Computer models that indicate the earth is getting warmer	strength of hurricanes hitting the	Reports from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change			
of global warming) [ROTATED LIST]	N	530	530	530	527	529	530	530	530

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### Q17. How confident are you that the average temperatures on earth are not increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident, or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is not increasing?

	Total	
increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is not increasing? (Among those who said there is not solid evidence of global warming)	Very Confident	34%
	Fairly Confident	55%
	Not Too Confident	8%
	Not Confident At All	3%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	1%
	N	241

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### Q18. What is the primary factor that makes you believe that temperatures on earth are not increasing? [Coded open-end response]

		Total
earth are not increasing? (Among those who said there is not solid evidence of global warming) [Coded open-end response]	Personal Observations	29%
	Natural Patterns	32%
	Not Enough Evidence	7%
	Media has Misled	1%
	Evidence Disproves	5%
	Religious Factors	6%
	Political Factors	3%
	No Particular Reason	5%
	Not Sure/Other	12%
	N	242

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#### somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that global warming is not occurring. [ROTATED LIST]

		Your personal observations of weather in your area	Scientific evidence that disproves the existence of global warming	Reports that climate scientists have distorted data to demonstrate that global warming is occurring
Next I would like to read you a list of	Very Large	40%	17%	27%
factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that global warming is	Somewhat Large	28%	31%	28%
not occurring. For each factor that I mention please indicate if it has had a very	Not Too Large	13%	20%	15%
large, somewhat large, not too large, or no effect on your view that global warming is not occurring. (Among those who said there is not solid evidence of global		18%	32%	28%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	1%	1%	1%
warming) [ROTATED LIST]	N	239	239	242

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Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree. First,

#### Q22. There is not enough scientific evidence to support claims that the earth is getting warmer.

		Total
	Strongly Agree	19%
	Somewhat Agree	28%
	Somewhat Disagree	18%
	Strongly Disagree	32%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	3%
	N	916

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#### Q23. Scientists are overstating evidence about global warming for their own interests.

		Total
interests.	Strongly Agree	18%
	Somewhat Agree	29%
	Somewhat Disagree	18%
	Strongly Disagree	31%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	4%
	N	915

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		Total
activities of man.	Strongly Agree	26%
	Somewhat Agree	23%
	Somewhat Disagree	22%
	Strongly Disagree	23%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	6%
	N	916

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#### Q25. The media is overstating the evidence about global warming.

		Total
The media is overstating the evidence about global warming.	Strongly Agree	27%
	Somewhat Agree	30%
	Somewhat Disagree	18%
	Strongly Disagree	23%
Not Sure (Volunteere	2%	
	N	916

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#### Q26. Instead of trying to stop global warming from occurring we should focus on adapting to a warmer climate.

	Total	
on adapting to a warmer climate.	Strongly Agree	9%
	Somewhat Agree	20%
	Somewhat Disagree	28%
	Strongly Disagree	35%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	8%
	N	911

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### Q27-29. For each level of government that I mention please tell me if it has a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility or no responsibility for taking actions to reduce global warming.

		The Federal Government	State Governments	Local Governments
mention please tell me if it has a great	A Great Deal of Responsibility	43%	35%	29%
TOF TO TESPOTISIDITIVE FOR LANGING ACTIONS TO	Some Responsibility	30%	37%	37%

	The Federal Government	State Governments	Local Governments
No Responsibility	22%	23%	30%
Not Sure (Volunteered)	5%	5%	5%
N	914	914	914

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Q30-36. Please identify your level of agreement with the following statements. For each statement please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree. [ROTATED LIST]

		The federal government should allow state governments to adopt stricter standards for the emission of greenhouse gases than any federal standards.	My state should not adopt anti- global warming policies unless its neighboring states also adopt similar policies.	If the federal government fails to address the issue of global warming it is my state's responsibility to address the problem.	State governments will boost their economies by requiring greater use of renewable energy.	My state has already felt negative effects from global warming.	My state's economy will be damaged if it requires greater use of renewable energy while neighboring states don't have such requirements.	My state should require increased use of renewable energy.
Please identify your level of agreement	Strongly Agree	31%	13%	27%	33%	16%	13%	42%
with the following statements.	Somewhat Agree	33%	22%	37%	38%	28%	24%	35%
statement please indicate if	Somewhat Disagree	13%	27%	13%	12%	18%	31%	11%
you strongly agree, somewhat agree,	Strongly Disagree	17%	32%	21%	9%	20%	22%	9%
somewhat disagree or strongly disagree. [ROTATED	Not Sure (Volunteered)	6%	7%	3%	8%	18%	11%	3%
LIST]	N	914	914	915	916	915	913	915

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Next I'm going to provide you with a list of policies that can be used to limit the emission of greenhouse gases. For each option that I mention please tell if the policy should be adopted ONLY by the federal government, ONLY by your state government, by BOTH the federal and state governments or should NOT be adopted by any government. First...

Q37. Allow businesses to buy and sell permits to release greenhouse gases if it results in an overall decrease in emissions.

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		Total
	Federal	15%
it results in an overall decrease in emissions.	State	9%
	Both	41%
	Neither	29%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	7%
	N	916

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#### Q38. Increasing taxes on all fossil fuels to reduce consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.

		Total
Increasing taxes on all fossil fuels to reduce consumption and	Federal	12%
greenhouse gas emission.	State	7%
	Both	34%
	Neither	42%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	5%
	N	916

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#### Q39. Increased use of nuclear power to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

		Total
Increased use of nuclear power to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Federal	18%
	State	5%
	Both	37%
	Neither	35%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	6%
	N	916

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#### Q40. Increasing taxes on gasoline to reduce consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.

		Total
Increasing taxes on gasoline to reduce consumption and greenhouse	e Federal State	8%
gas emissions.	State	9%
	State  Both  Neither	26%
	Neither	54%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	3%

	Total
N	916

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### Q41. Require a set portion of all electricity to come from renewable energy sources such as wind and solar power in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

		Total
	Federal	8%
sources such as wind and solar power in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	State	11%
E	Both	58%
	Neither	21%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	2%
	N	916

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### Q42. Require a set portion of all transportation fuels to come from renewable energy sources such as ethanol and other biofuels in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

		Total
	Federal	11%
energy sources such as ethanol and other biofuels in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	State	9%
	Both	52%
	Neither	24%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	4%
	N	915

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### Q43. Require auto makers to increase the fuel efficiency of their vehicles to reduce greenhouse gas emissions even if it increases the cost of the vehicle.

		Total
	Federal	25%
reduce greenhouse gas emissions even if it increases the cost of the vehicle.	State	5%
vehicle. State Both Neither	Both	48%
	Neither	20%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	3%
	N	916

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Q44. There is a proposed system called cap and trade where the government would issue permits limiting the amount of greenhouse gases companies can put out. Companies that did not use all their permits could sell them to other companies. The idea is that many companies would find ways to put out less greenhouse gases because that would be cheaper than buying permits. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

		Total
There is a proposed system called cap and trade where the government	Strongly Support	14%
	Somewhat Support	25%
to other companies. The idea is that many companies would find ways to put out less greenhouse gases because that would be cheaper than buying permits. Would you strongly support, somewhat support,	Somewhat Oppose	13%
	Strongly Oppose	35%
somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?	Not Sure (Volunteered)	13%
	N	916

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Q45. If a cap and trade system was to be used to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, would you prefer that it be done at the national level, within a region of the country or only within an individual state?

		Total
emissions, would you prefer that it be done at the national level, within a region of the country or only within an individual state? (Among those who support a cap and trade system)	National	77%
	Regional	10%
	State Only	11%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	2%
	N	357

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Q46. What if the cap and trade program significantly lowered greenhouse gases but raised your monthly electrical bill by 15 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

		Total
gases but raised your monthly electrical bill by 15 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?	Strongly Support	12%
	Somewhat Support	24%
	Somewhat Oppose	18%
	Strongly Oppose	41%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	5%
	N	915

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Q47. What if the cap and trade program significantly lowered greenhouse gases but increased your energy costs by 50 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

		Total
gases but increased your energy costs by 50 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?	Strongly Support	5%
	Somewhat Support	13%
	Somewhat Oppose	22%
	Strongly Oppose	52%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	7%
	N	916

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Q48. Another way to lower greenhouse gas emissions would be to increase taxes on carbon based fuels such as coal, oil, gasoline and natural gas. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

		Total
taxes on carbon based fuels such as coal, oil, gasoline and natural gas. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?  St	Strongly Support	10%
	Somewhat Support	22%
	Somewhat Oppose	18%
	Strongly Oppose	44%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	7%
	N	916

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Q49. What if the carbon fuels taxes significantly lowered greenhouse gases but increased your energy costs by 15 dollars a month? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

		Total
	Strongly Support	10%
	Somewhat Support	22%
	Somewhat Oppose	21%
	Strongly Oppose	42%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	5%
	N	915

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Q50. What if the carbon fuels taxes significantly lowered greenhouse gases but increased your energy costs by 50 dollars a month in added expenses? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?

		Total
but increased your energy costs by 50 dollars a month in added expenses? Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this type of system?	Strongly Support	5%
	Somewhat Support	10%
	Somewhat Oppose	22%
	Strongly Oppose	58%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	5%
	N	915

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## Q51. If the government enacted a policy that required businesses to pay for the release greenhouse gases, where do you prefer the money generated from the purchase of the permits be spent? Do you prefer that it be... [READ LIST]

		Total
If the government enacted a policy that required businesses to pay for the release greenhouse gases, where do you prefer the money generated from the purchase of the permits be spent? Do you prefer that it be[READ LIST]	Used to fund alternative energy research	43%
	Used to reduce the federal deficit	9%
	Returned to citizens through payroll tax deductions	8%
	Returned to citizens through tax rebate	15%
	or to Sustain existing government program	4%
	Government shouldn't require businesses to buy permits (Volunteered)	14%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	7%
	N	912

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#### Q52. And which level of government should collect and use the revenue?

		Total
And which level of government should collect and use the revenue?	Federal Government	36%
	State Government	40%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	24%
	N	890

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### Q53. If it required you to pay extra money each year in order for more renewable energy to be produced, how much would you be willing to pay? Would you be willing to pay... [READ LIST]

		Total
	Nothing each year	41%
renewable energy to be produced, how much would you be willing to pay? Would you be willing to pay [READ LIST]	1 to 50 dollars per year	26%
	50 to 100 dollars a year	17%
	100 to 250 dollars a year	7%
	250 to 500 dollars a year	4%
	Over 500 dollars a year	2%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	4%
	N	910

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#### Finally a few questions about yourself.

#### Q54. Which of the following categories best describes your racial identity? Are you [READ LIST]

		Total
best describes your racial identity? Are you [READ LIST]	White/Caucasian	70%
	African-American	12%
	Hispanic	10%
	Latino	2%
	Asian	2%
	Native American	1%
	Mixed Race	1%
	Other	2%
	N	900

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#### Q55. Which of the following categories best describes your religious affiliation? Are you [READ LIST]

		Total
	Protestant	42%
	Catholic	32%
	Jewish	1%
	Muslim	<1%
	Hindu	1%

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	Total
Other Religion (Including Agnostic)	21%
Atheist	2%
Not Sure (Volunteered)	3%
N	877

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#### Q56. Would you describe yourself as an evangelical Christian?

		Total
who identified as Protestant)	Yes	34%
	No	61%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	6%
	N	362

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#### Q57. What is your highest level of education? [READ LIST]

	Total
Less Than High School Graduate	9%
High School Graduate	34%
Some College or Technical School	25%
College Graduate	21%
Graduate or Professional Degree	11%
Not Sure (Volunteered)	<1%
N	911

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#### Q58. Which of the following is your primary source for national and world news? [READ LIST]

		Total
news? [READ LIST]	Television	61%
	Newspapers	18%
	Talk Radio Programs	2%
	Radio News Programs	2%
	The Internet	16%

	Total
Other (Volunteered)	1%
Not Sure (Volunteered)	<1%
N	914

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#### Q59. Which of the following best describes your political party affiliation? [READ LIST]

		Total
[READ LIST]	Democrat	44%
	Republican	25%
	Other Party	6%
	Independent	24%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	1%
	N	855

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#### Q60. Do you consider yourself to be a member of the Tea Party?

		Total
	Yes	12%
	No	84%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	4%
	N	891

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#### Q61. Which of the following best describes your political beliefs? [READ LIST]

		Total
Which of the following best describes your political beliefs? [READ LIST]	Very Conservative	18%
	Somewhat Conservative	28%
	Moderate	30%
	Somewhat Liberal	13%
	Very Liberal	5%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	7%
	N	886

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#### Q62. Which of the following categories best describes your family income? Is it [READ LIST]

		Total
	Less than 20,000	20%
	20,000 - 40,000	27%
	40,000 - 60,000	18%
	60,000 - 80,000	13%
	80,000 - 100,000	7%
	Over 100,000	14%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	3%
	N	743

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#### **Respondent Gender**

		Total
	Male	48%
	Female	52%
	N	916

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Thank you for your help with the survey. We appreciate your time.