Codebook for BES05\_short.dta and BES10\_short.dta

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BES05\_short.dta

besid --- unique numeric respondent identifier

pre\_q1 --- region

1 east anglia

2 east midlands

3 greater london

4 north

5 north west

6 scotland

7 south east

8 south west

9 wales

10 west midlands

11 yorkshire & humberside

pre\_q13 --- Labour gov handle Iraq (labor\_iraq)

1 very well

2 fairly well

3 neither well nor badly

4 fairly badly

5 very badly

6 don’t know

pre\_q23 --- Conservative gov handle Iraq (conserve\_iraq)

1 very well

2 fairly well

3 neither well nor badly

4 fairly badly

5 very badly

6 don’t know

pre\_q29 --- Party identification (partyid)

1 labour

2 conservative

3 liberal democrat

4 scottish national party (snp)

5 plaid cymru

6 green party

7 united kingdom independence party (ukip)

8 british national party (bnp)

9 other

10 no - none

11 don’t know

pre\_q33 --- Strength of party identification (party\_strength)

1 very strongly

2 fairly strongly

3 not very strongly

4 don’t know

pre\_q34 --- Likelihood voting general election (likelyvote)

0 very unlikely

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10 very likely

12 don’t know

pre\_q50 --- blair-competent (blair\_competent)

0 very incompetent

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10 very competent

12 don’t know

pre\_q68 --- blair feeling thermometer (executive\_approval)

0 strongly dislike

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10 strongly like

12 don’t know

pre\_q84 --- labour feeling thermometer (gov\_party\_approve)

0 strongly dislike

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10 strongly like

12 don’t know

pre\_q92 --- national economic eval-retrospective (perception\_economy)

1 got a lot worse

2 got a little worse

3 stayed the same

4 got a little better

5 got a lot better

6 don’t know

pre\_q128 --- approve britain’s involvement in Iraq (british\_iraq)

1 strongly approve

2 approve

3 disapprove

4 strongly disapprove

5 don’t know

pre\_q141 --- attention to politics (attention)

0 no attention

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10 great deal attention

12 don’t know

pre\_q148 --- year of birth (birthyr)

1 1900 or earlier

2 1901

3 1902

4 1903

5 1904

6 1905

7 1906

8 1907

9 1908

10 1909

11 1910

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81 1980

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83 1982

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85 1984

86 1985

87 1986

88 1987

89 abstain

pre\_q156 --- highest ed, work qualification (education)

1 postgraduate degree

2 university or cnaa first degree, e.g, ba, bsc

3 university or cnaa diploma

4 teaching qualification (not degree)

5 nursing qualification (e.g., sen, src, scm, rgc)

6 higher national certificate (hnc) or higher national diploma

7 gce a level, s level, a2 level, as level, international bacc

8 scottish higher/higher still grades, scottish slc/supe at hi

9 ordinary national certificate (onc) or diploma (ond), city &

10 gcse a\*-c, cse grade 1, gce o level grade a-c, school certi

11 scottish ordinary bands a-c or pass, scottish standard grade

12 gcse grades d-g, cse grades 2-5, gce o level grade d �e, sho

13 city & guilds level 2 (craft/intermediate/ordinary) or scotv

14 city & guilds level 1, scotvec national certificate modules,

15 clerical and commercial qualification (e.g., typing, shortha

16 recognised trade apprenticeship completed

17 youth training certificate, skill seekers

18 other technical, professional or higher qualification

99 not app

pre\_q158 --- marital status (marital\_status)

1 married

2 living with a partner

3 separated (after being married)

4 divorced

5 widowed

6 single (never married)

pre\_q163 --- family income before taxes (income)

1 less than 5,000

2 5,000 - 10,000

3 10,001 - 15,000

4 15,001 - 20,000

5 20,001 - 25,000

6 25,001 - 30,000

7 30,001 - 35,000

8 35,001 - 40,000

9 40,001 - 45,000

1045,001 - 50,000

11 50,001 - 60,000

12 60,001 -70,000

13 70,001 or more

14 don’t know

pre\_q174 --- ethnicity 1 (race)

1 white

2 mixed background

3 asian or asian british

4 black or black british

5 other ethnic background

pre\_q180 --- gender (gender)

1 male

2 female

pre\_w8 --- standard weighting (weights)

BES10\_short.dta

besid --- unique numeric respondent identifier

aaq1 --- region

aaq13 --- labor\_afghan

aaq22 --- conserve\_afghan

aaq28 --- partyid

aaq32 --- party\_strength

aaq33 --- likelyvote

aaq81 --- brown\_competent

aaq52 --- executive\_approval

aaq63 --- gov\_party\_approve

aaq87 --- perception\_economy

aaq131 --- attention

aaq151 --- birthyr

aaq159 --- education

aaq166 --- income

aaq177 --- race

aaq186 --- gender

aaq161 --- marital\_status

aaq116 --- british\_afghan

w8\_f --- weights