

Table 1: Logit Estimates of Whether R Believes Their Favorite Team Will Win a Close Game

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>
	Top Team Will Win Close: 1 = Yes, 0 = No
likelytowatch	1.398*** (0.175)
NFLattn	0.702*** (0.162)
sportstalk	−0.167 (0.185)
age	0.006 (0.009)
edu	−0.066 (0.086)
female	−0.565** (0.265)
whitenonhisp	0.209 (0.416)
Constant	−4.555*** (0.692)
Observations	620
Log Likelihood	−209.300
Akaike Inf. Crit.	434.600
<i>Note:</i>	*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Table 2: Logit Estimates of Whether R Thinks Their Favored Pres. Candidate Will Win a Close Election

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>			
	Obama Wins Close:	Romney Wins Close:	Obama Wins Close:	Romney Wins Close:
	0 = No, 1 = Yes			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
informed	0.127 (0.223)	0.603** (0.255)	0.022 (0.186)	0.489** (0.211)
othersinformed	0.277** (0.124)	0.143 (0.133)	0.239** (0.107)	0.022 (0.114)
libideo	0.425*** (0.138)	−0.005 (0.155)	0.418*** (0.123)	−0.053 (0.131)
dem	1.069*** (0.295)	−1.340*** (0.407)	1.144*** (0.257)	−1.190*** (0.347)
rep	−0.017 (0.367)	0.877*** (0.323)	0.018 (0.310)	0.696*** (0.269)
age	0.023*** (0.009)	0.020** (0.010)	0.020*** (0.007)	0.006 (0.008)
edu	0.094 (0.089)	0.020 (0.097)	0.072 (0.078)	−0.032 (0.084)
female	−0.559** (0.268)	0.453 (0.289)	−0.593*** (0.225)	0.283 (0.239)
whitenonhisp	−0.665 (0.438)	−0.513 (0.407)	−0.510 (0.358)	−0.496 (0.336)
favewinsclosegame (Y from Table 1)	0.489 (0.309)	0.146 (0.311)		
Constant	−3.169*** (0.758)	−2.973*** (0.820)	−2.685*** (0.638)	−1.503** (0.645)
Observations	355	348	466	452
Log Likelihood	−195.288	−180.467	−259.709	−247.543
Akaike Inf. Crit.	412.576	382.934	539.419	515.086

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Table 3: Logit Estimates of Whether R Thinks Favored House Candidate Will Win a Close Election

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>			
	Dem Wins Close:	Rep Wins Close:	Dem Wins Close:	Rep Wins Close:
	0 = No, 1 = Yes			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
informed	-0.195 (0.268)	0.533* (0.319)	-0.205 (0.229)	0.434 (0.269)
othersinformed	-0.196 (0.165)	0.218 (0.163)	-0.102 (0.141)	0.211 (0.138)
libideo	0.290* (0.166)	-0.822*** (0.208)	0.209 (0.147)	-0.663*** (0.172)
dem	1.042*** (0.378)	-0.526 (0.482)	0.893*** (0.327)	-0.484 (0.425)
rep	-0.742 (0.524)	0.146 (0.403)	-0.564 (0.433)	0.559* (0.330)
age	0.027** (0.011)	0.011 (0.012)	0.021** (0.010)	0.007 (0.010)
edu	0.034 (0.111)	-0.073 (0.118)	-0.033 (0.098)	-0.063 (0.102)
female	-0.300 (0.327)	-0.129 (0.355)	-0.281 (0.276)	0.021 (0.300)
whitenonhisp	0.502 (0.542)	0.272 (0.595)	0.383 (0.453)	0.588 (0.521)
favewinsclosegame (Y from Table 1)	0.977*** (0.352)	0.124 (0.394)		
Constant	-4.248*** (0.970)	-2.190** (1.071)	-3.328*** (0.788)	-2.590*** (0.902)
Observations	402	367	522	488
Log Likelihood	-142.732	-122.746	-191.755	-168.453
Akaike Inf. Crit.	307.465	267.491	403.510	356.906

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01