**TESS Proposal**

1. Anchoring and adjusting should happen only among people who don’t know. So test how anchoring and adjusting influence people’s estimates of unemployment, inflation etc.
   1. I’m not exactly sure what the format of this should look like? Do we just want to ask a question and mess with the scale of the response options ? Do we also want to alter the potential partisan nature of those questions, or do we want neutral questions?
2. Neutral Question (with and without partisan cue)
3. Partisan Question (Unemployment when Obama was president in 2010 versus when Republicans came to power in Congress, When Clinton was president versus when Republicans controlled congress etc., planned parenthood abortion funding as a percentage of overall spending)
4. Number of Response Options
5. DK versus No DK
6. Question Wording Experiment: Opinion vs. Fact
7. You may have heard about the idea that the world’s temperature may have been going up slowly over the past 100 years. What is your personal opinion on this? Do you think this has probably been happening, or do you think it probably hasn't been happening?

\_\_ Has probably been happening [1]

\_\_ Probably hasn’t been happening [2]

1. Do you think the world’s temperature has been going up or has remained roughly the same?

If R picks 2 on A then –

Do you think a rise in the world’s temperatures is being caused mostly by things people do, mostly by natural causes, or about equally by things people do and by natural causes?

\_\_ Mostly by things people do [1]

\_\_ Mostly by natural causes [2]

\_\_ About equally by things people do and by natural causes [3]

If R picks 1 on A then –

Assuming it’s happening, do you think a rise in the world’s temperatures would be caused mostly by things people do, mostly by natural causes, or about equally by things people do and by natural causes?

\_\_ Mostly by things people do [1]

\_\_ Mostly by natural causes [2]

\_\_ About equally by things people do and by natural causes [3]

Question Format Differences: questions of opinion versus questions of fact, DK and non-DK response option, number of response options.

Q1A. Has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q1B. Has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q1C. Has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q1D. Has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q1E. To the best of your knowledge, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q1F. To the best of your knowledge, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q1G. To the best of your knowledge, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q1H. To the best of your knowledge, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q1I. As far as you know, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q1J. As far as you know, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q1K. As far as you know, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q1L. As far as you know, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q1M. Based on what you have heard, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q1N. Based on what you have heard, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q1O. Based on what you have heard, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q1P. Based on what you have heard, has the total number of government jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

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Q2A. Have federal taxes increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q2B. Have federal taxes increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q2C. Have federal taxes increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q2D. Have federal taxes jobs increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q2E. To the best of your knowledge, have federal taxes increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q2F. To the best of your knowledge, have federal taxes increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

Q2G. To the best of your knowledge, have federal taxes increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q2H. To the best of your knowledge, have federal taxes increased, decreased, or remained the same since January 2009?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

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1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same

Q2J. As far as you know, have federal taxes increased, decreased, or remained the same since Barack Obama took office?

1. Increased
2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know

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2. Decreased
3. Remained the same
4. Don’t know