
Date: Wed, 28 Aug 2002 11:20:27 -0700
Sender: AAPORNET@ASU.EDU
From: Shapard Wolf <shap.wolf@ASU.EDU>
Subject: July 2000 archive - one BIG message

This is the USC Listproc archive of AAPORNET messages for this entire month. It is one big message, in chronological order, just the way the USC archive stored it. You can search within this month with your browser's search function (usually Ctrl-F).

Turning this into individual messages that ASU's Listserv software can index and sort means a lot of reformatting. We will do this as time permits.

New messages are of course automatically formatted correctly, and I have converted November 1994 through January 1995 and June 2002 to the present.

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Begin archive:

Archive aapornet, file log0007.
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by usc.edu (8.9.3.1/8.9.3/usc) with ESMTTP
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I am considering several websurvey packages (SPSS, Ronin, etc.) I would appreciate any comments from current users on your experiences and suggestions. (ease of programming, stability, technical support, etc.)

Francis Fullam

>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Sun Jul 2 19:25:03 2000
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To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
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3 July 2000

Numbers in the News

Women Rule Online Shopping

According to a study of 2,198 internet users released today by internet customer service provider PeopleSupport, 63% of those who shop online more than once a week are women.

There is an obvious logic to these findings, since, as PeopleSupport CEO Lance Rosenzweig notes: "women have traditionally been responsible for 80% of household purchases. As more purchases take place online, women will continue to take charge in that world as well."

Online shoppers who shop more than once a week

However, women's dominance as web shoppers is occurring faster than expected. In 1995, women made up just 15% of internet users, currently it is about 50%. "Over nine million women have logged onto the internet for the first time in the past year, and 58% of all new internet users are now women," says Rosenzweig. PeopleSupport expects women will outnumber men on the internet by a 3-to-2 margin by the year 2003.

Overall, the study indicates that 19% of internet users are already shopping at least once a week, with 5.1% shopping online several times a week. But the study also shows that almost one out of eight internet users (15.9%) still have never used the internet for shopping. Of the remainder, 22% say that they shop online once a month, and 43% shop online only a few times a year.

Online shopping frequency

The survey reveals considerable information about those consumers whom PeopleSupport labels "Supershoppers," defined in the study as those who shop online several times a week. According to the survey:

* Almost one-third (31%) of these online shoppers are in the 45-54 age group

- * 31.9% of them have incomes over \$75,000 per year
- * 57% are married, and 44% have kids under the age of 18 living at home
- * Although 61% have been using the Web for over five years, 20% have been online for less than 3 months

The survey also found that age, inexperience on the internet and lack of customer support were important factors turning users away from shopping online.

For more on the demographic factors of internet shopping, along with a lot of data on e-consumer behavior, see eMarketer's eCommerce: B2C Report.

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>From dhenwood@panix.com Tue Jul 4 12:24:43 2000
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To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: Doug Henwood <dhenwood@panix.com>
Subject: p.r. specialists
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Someone recently posted a query about the number of PR specialists in the U.S. The Bureau of Labor Statistics Highlights of Women's Earnings in 1999 <<http://www.bls.gov/pdf/cpswom99.pdf>> reports that last year there were 155,000 public relations specialists, 63% of them women. Men earned a median of \$881 a week; women, \$684 (78% of what men make); the profession's median wage, \$735, is 34% above the national median.

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 web: <http://www.panix.com/~dhenwood/LBO_home.html>
 >From weiyen@ucla.edu Wed Jul 5 10:38:36 2000

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by usc.edu (8.9.3.1/8.9.3/usc) with ESMTTP
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Date: Wed, 05 Jul 2000 10:40:23 -0700

To: aapornet@usc.edu

From: Wei Yen <weiyen@ucla.edu>

Subject: Fwd: AAPOR net

Mime-Version: 1.0

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>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Wed Jul 5 11:32:44 2000

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From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: Wei Yen <weiyen@ucla.edu>
cc: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Re: Fwd: AAPOR net
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On Wed, 5 Jul 2000, Can Du (via Wei Yen) wrote:

> 2) How likely are the parents forwarding children mails (e.g. %) after they
> leave home (any literature out there)?

I would worry less about what percentage of parents might forward the questionnaire to their child and much more about what this design does to your sampling frame, and to the universe of young people it represents.

You begin with a national sample of college students, drop outs and graduates, but the design you propose immediately divides this into three distinct groups:

- (1) parents forward/child responds to survey
- (2) parents forward/child does not respond to survey
- (3) parents do not forward/child cannot respond to survey

In short, your initial sample of college students is destroyed, and you are left with a 100 percent survey of group (1) and 0 percent surveys of groups (2) and (3), and absolutely no useful information on how to get from group (1) back to a representative sample of American college students, drop outs and graduates.

Please tell me what I am overlooking.

-- Jim

>From simonetta@artsci.com Wed Jul 5 12:35:07 2000
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From: Leo Simonetta <simonetta@artsci.com>

To: "'aapornet@usc.edu'" <aapornet@usc.edu>
Cc: "'candu@rand.org'" <candu@rand.org>
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Date: Wed, 5 Jul 2000 15:31:58 -0400
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From: "Bill Thompson" <bthompson@directionsrsch.com>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
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Leo (and AAPORnetters),

The only company (if it still exists) that I have ever heard of that keeps somewhat reliable lists on H.S. students is American Student List Company in Mineola, NY. It has been a while since I have dealt with them personally, so I can only assume they are still in business, but this might be a resource for any who are interested.

>From rhickson@monmouth.com Thu Jul 6 06:40:44 2000
Received: from mail.monmouth.com (mail.monmouth.com [209.191.58.1])
by usc.edu (8.9.3.1/8.9.3/usc) with ESMTTP
id GAA21882 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Thu, 6 Jul 2000 06:40:43 -0700
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From: rhickson@monmouth.com
Received: from 205.148.63.217 (www.monmouth.com [209.191.58.2])
by mail.monmouth.com (8.9.3/8.9.3) with SMTP id JAA10948
for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Thu, 6 Jul 2000 09:40:42 -0400 (EDT)
Message-Id: <200007061340.JAA10948@mail.monmouth.com>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Are telephone response rates dropping again?
Date: Thu, 6 Jul 2000 09:40:42 EDT
X-Mailer: MI-Webmail - Monmouth Internet

I am looking for any recently published papers that indicate that telephone response rates for household surveys have dropped significantly in very recent years (say, 1998-2000). Papers or reports indicating differences in response rate by state would also be helpful, though not critical.

Any advice aapornetters can give on where to look would be most helpful.

Many thanks,

Rachel
Hickson

This message was sent using MI-Webmail.
No matter where you are, never lose touch.
Get your Email using MI-Webmail.
<http://www.monmouth.com/>

>From jpmurphy@jpmurphy.com Thu Jul 6 07:09:23 2000
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by usc.edu (8.9.3.1/8.9.3/usc) with ESMTTP
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From: "James P. Murphy" <jpmurphy@jpmurphy.com>

To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
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In its 1999 Respondent Cooperation study, CMOR (www.cmor.org) reports that the refusal rate for this RDD household survey -- previously administered in 1995 -- "continues to show a slow but steady upward climb." You have to pay \$150 to get the actual numbers unless you are a member of CMOR.

Otherwise, don't hold your breath.

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-----Original Message-----

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>From jwerner@jwdp.com Thu Jul 6 09:19:01 2000

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[199.45.39.156])

by usc.edu (8.9.3.1/8.9.3/usc) with ESMTTP

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Thu, 6 Jul 2000 12:18:52 -0400 (EDT)
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Reply-To: jwerner@jwdp.com
X-Mailer: Mozilla 4.73 [en] (Win98; U)
X-Accept-Language: en
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: What does this all signify?
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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In recent years, marketing research survey analysts have increasingly tended to insist that banner tabulations show "significance tests" between many pairs of banner points. It has been my observation that, with few exceptions, this mostly indicates that the originator of the request does not understand much about statistical significance.

The current issue of PC Magazine contains an excellent example of how statistical significance is all too often misused. For many years, the July issue of that magazine, which is distributed at the PC Expo in New York, has published the results of a "Service and Reliability" survey conducted by mail among a sample selected from the magazine's subscriber list.

In this year's report, certain items display ratings in the form of symbols: a green up-arrow denotes "significantly above average," a gray horizontal bar denotes "average" and a red down-arrow indicates "significantly worse than average." Other items are shown as averages or percents. With one exception, there is no way to match rating symbols and numeric data for any vendor.

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Colleagues,

This will be a big story.

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Last year our team had the opportunity to conduct over 14,000 telephone interviews with Floridians about their health

insurance coverage, resulting in the best estimates of the uninsured in our diverse state, as well as providing a bunch of other data of interest to those in the health care field.

At the very end of the survey, we asked an open-ended question:

"Is there something that I haven't asked you about your family's health care that you think is important for us to know?"

This question served several functions. First, it was a warm-and-fuzzy chance for respondents to get a sense of satisfaction out of the survey by being able to voice what was on their mind.

Second, it helped direct future research by directing us to issues we may have missed in the first year.

Third, we had thought to do some kind of content analysis.

But I confess I am a bit intimidated by the sheer magnitude of the project. More than 12,000 respondents did take the opportunity to tell us something about their health care.

Also, I am concerned about misunderstanding on the part of a casual reader. This is not qualitative data where 12,000 Floridians simply spoke their minds about health care. This was what 12,000 had left to say about health care after answering a 14-minute telephone survey.

For example, the comments do not include a lot about delays in seeking health care. This may be due to the fact that our survey questions devoted a lot of time to delays--we specifically asked about delays due to cost, and then asked about other barriers, recording the answers as open-ended. This may have satisfied the respondents' need to talk about such issues, so they mentioned other things at the end.

Anyway, I'd appreciate any advice on where to start, and any journal or book references on how-to for content analysis of such responses.

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There has been a meta-analysis by S. Weisband & S. Kiesler (1996)
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it is somewhat harder to have people answer in mail surveys (slightly
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Using CASI (computer-assisted forms) will reduce the number of item
nonresponse considerably while retaining the more private and open answers
(see also Van Hattum & de Leeuw in Journal of official Statistics, 1992:
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Good luck

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Excellent issue to bring up, Jan.

Consulting statisticians often note to clients that with a sufficiently large sample size, virtually any nonzero difference can be deemed "statistically significant" (regardless of how small that difference is). That is because the power of the test (i.e., the probability of rejecting the good ol' null hypothesis) increases with sample size... in other words, as sample size increases, the stat. test becomes more "sensitive" to smaller and smaller differences. So -- fundamentally -- the issue of the *substantive meaning*

of a difference (i.e., how big of a difference is meaningful) is a necessary "precursor" to the interpretation of a "significance" test.

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On occasion, we see "unadjusted" presentation of multiple significance tests in POQ articles as well as in many other professional journals... as I said, it is a common misuse of significance testing. Anyway, the issue of "simultaneous statistical inference" should be kept in mind when reviewing such analyses.

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We are interested in digital recording technology used in telephone centers. We would appreciate hearing from anyone who is currently using such technology to learn about types, capabilities, vendors, advantages and disadvantages.

Please send comments to jeffrey_dreyfus@abtassoc.com

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Ruy Teixeira writes in a piece on the folly of Democrats hoping to improve their electoral performance by boosting turnout in the Summer 2000 issue of Dissent: "After the 1996 presidential election, for example, some argued that black male turnout had taken a huge jump, underscoring the possibilities of a mobilization strategy. But these data, based on exit polls, were contradicted by the more reliable Census data showing that the black male turnout actually declined...."

Is it true that the Census data is more accurate than exit poll data? Census figures over-report turnout in general rather dramatically. Aren't exit polls rigorously enough designed not to provoke this kind of skepticism?

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For any of you who may have missed the initial notification on the revised Standard Definitions--attached is a copy for your review.

Please send any comments or suggestions directly to me: Janice Ballou, Standards Chair jballou@rci.rutgers.edu.

If you need/prefer a "paper" copy--let me know and I'll forward one. Comments are due by August 1, 2000. APPOR's goal is to finalize and publish this revision this fall.

Also, to anyone who has been using the Standard Definitions, please send me any information on your experiences.

Thanks for your assistance! Looking forward to your comments!!

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Doug Henwood just referred to a comment by Ruy Teixeira that exit polls had shown a large jump in black turnout in '96, but that this is not confirmed by the Census data.

This specific case is not really about the Census data vs. the exit poll, it is really about how advocacy analysis leads to bad journalism which leads to "truths" or "myths" which eventually get blamed on the pollster years later.

BTW, you can find a comparison of Census and exit poll data in my chapter with Dan Merkle in P.J. Lavrakas & M. Traugott (Eds.), *Election Polls, the News Media and Democracy*. New York: Chatham House, 2000 .

THE LARGE JUMP IN BLACK TURNOUT IN '96

I presented this analysis at the '97 AAPOR conference as a great example of the misuse of the '96 exit poll. If this continues it might be a good class example of how bad analysis and reporting can have a life of its own.

A February, 1997 article in the Wall Street Journal, entitled "Both Parties Take Stock of Jump in Black Male Turnout" reported a jump of "1.7 million in the number of black men who voted in November over four years before. By making phone calls, we found out that the source of this claim about the jump in turnout among black males was our national exit poll.

This conclusion is based on the 1992 exit poll which shows that black men were 3% of the vote and the 1996 exit poll which show it at 5% of the vote. Both percentages were multiplied by the total vote in each year and then the difference was formed.

This example displays the power of reporting numbers instead of percents and in using rounded numbers incorrectly.

Note that both numbers are rounded. It turns out that each of the numbers are close to .5; '92 was rounded down and '96 was rounded up. Half of this big jump is from rounding. (We urge our users to report rounded percentages so as not to imply more accuracy than is there.)

The rest of this "jump" difference appears to be from sampling error along with the ncrease in the Black voting age population from '92 to '96.

The numbers in our National poll are based on a sample of 300 precincts. However, for certain demographic items we have access to properly weighted data from all 1500 sample points. We can use those demographics in relationship to the voting age population to display a very different story of turnout.

Adjusting for voting age population, we found a totally different story than what was reported. There was actually a decline in Black turnout from '92 to '96 and it was about the same for both black men and black women.

I sent a letter to the editor when the article appeared but the Journal never printed it.

-----Original Message-----

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Subject: exit polls vs. Census data

Ruy Teixeira writes in a piece on the folly of Democrats hoping to improve their electoral performance by boosting turnout in the Summer 2000 issue of Dissent: "After the 1996 presidential election, for example, some argued that black male turnout had taken a huge jump, underscoring the possibilities of a mobilization strategy. But these data, based on exit polls, were contradicted by the more reliable Census data showing that the black male turnout actually declined...."

Is it true that the Census data is more accurate than exit poll data? Census figures over-report turnout in general rather dramatically. Aren't exit polls rigorously enough designed not to provoke this kind of skepticism?

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>supported by population. The referendum results (see tab. 1) have
>surprised first of all by very high percent of population, who take part
>in it, and also that the obscure question about bicameral parliament has
>supported not
>60%, but 80 % voting.

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>referendum	a difference		
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> * the			
> Parliament		77	
> 85	- 8		
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>2.Cancellation of deputies			
>immunity	88	89	
> - 1			
>3. Reduction of number of the			
>deputies	97	90	
> 7			
>4. Bicameral			
>parliament		63	82
>	- 19		
>Take part in			
>referendum		61	81
>	- 20		
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>choices
>did not exceed 3-4 % (see, our report among the materials of a conference
>WAPOR-AAPOR in Portland), therefore it was difficult to explain difference
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>was
>conducted from May 15 till May 26 in all areas of Ukraine and in Crimea,
>the sample multistage random at each stage, 2101 respondents were

>interviewed). We asked the respondents to tell, whether they took part in
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by Bill Bishop

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Does the 1990 census data truly show unmarried "partners" of the same sex or just unmarried people of the same sex? I think the answer is "no," but I am not an expert on census data. If it is "no," then I am not sure the analysis is valid. There may be an alternative explanation of the data.

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On Tue, 11 Jul 2000, Hank Zucker wrote:

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> same sex living together are gay. The cities high on the "gay index"
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Hank,

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So, that aside, what do we conclude from the analysis? If you headed a high-tech start-up or a new content-creating company, where would you prefer to relocate your firm, based on these data--in the gay index Top 10 cities or in the cities ranked 41-50? And why?

And what about these 50 cities makes them correlate so strongly on the two variables--call them what you will--on which we now know that they correlate so strongly?

-- Jim

P.S. I doubt that anyone in AAPOR needs to be reminded of the ecological fallacies arising when correlations of aggregate units are used to make inferences about proper subsets of those units. For example, the fact that precinct crime rates correlate positively with the percentage of the precinct population that is Belgian does not imply that Belgians are committing more than their share of the crimes--nor that they are not. The national origin of the actual criminals can only be determined by individual level data, but of course.

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I have yet to read this article in demography. But everyone should know that there are two relationship questions on the 1990 Census form that were put in as a proxy for the old census POSSLQ (Persons of Opposite Sex Sharing Living Quarters). One category for relation to householder is "Roommate, Roomer, Boarder" the other is "Partner." The hope was that the partner question would pick-up the unmarried partner. The frequency is very low, but higher, even in areas that are well known as having such people (e.g. Greenwich Village). To apply this by metro area, or whatever, does not seem that unreasonable, though the point about college students is well taken.

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During the 1990 census, the "partner" category was publicized within the D.C. gay press as a way for gay/lesbian couples to be counted (long form only?).

Are people living in areas with a vocal opposition to a "homosexual lifestyle" (areas with strong religious right) less likely to check the "partner" slot, for fear of being identified? I would expect a higher percentage of gays/lesbians living in "unfriendly" areas to be closeted, and less likely to have formed strong geographically identified communities (gay-friendly neighborhoods, as in SF, NY, and DC) that could be targeted. (The fact that NYC isn't in "top 10" seems curious-maybe it's 11th, but

still surprising.)

Metro regions are composed of many very different areas, political jurisdictions, so that presents complications. The suburbs that surround D.C. (in VA and MD) have about 130 (?) separate towns, some of which host the high tech component of the regional economy. Some are very liberal and diverse, others not. D.C. proper, which scores high on diversity, has little of the high tech economy (D.C. is eyeing it with envy and talks of developing a NOMA-north of Mass. Ave.-high tech district; articles have appeared showing some in that well-paid workforce coming to D.C., staying in hotels on weekends for urban cultural life). I think the main reasons high tech companies located where they did: very aggressive local economic developers/plans, economic incentives, low cost land for tech parks, available and educated workforce, affordable housing and good schools. D.C. proper has not been able to offer the same incentives to the companies thus far-D.C.'s "diversity" comes with poverty, inner city issues, and high taxes that the high tech companies aren't attracted to.... D.C. has a very tolerant and liberal community, formed of many minority groups (elsewhere, that is... here they're majority!), with a strong gay and lesbian component (2 of 13 Council members are openly gay-one Republican, one Democrat). D.C. passed a domestic partnership law (straight and gay) in early '90s (Congress won't allow implementation). I believe there are one or two suburban jurisdictions with such a law, but not many-that says something about gay/lesbian political power in those areas. Looking at the bottom of the "50" list... Greensboro and Winston-Salem are lumped together... two different Bible Belt cities about 30 miles apart that are growing into one another, in a region that is mainly suburban and rural, with very little urban core. I can't imagine an openly gay or lesbian running for office in that region without that factor becoming THE issue, but Greensboro has a substantial gay and lesbian population (as does Charlotte). I guess even making the top 50 is something... there must be a lot of places with lower ranks? I can imagine high tech business doing well in these areas-a good labor pool with strong work ethic and lower cost of living, salaries (than top urban areas, etc.) (I think Raleigh, Research Triangle area is attractive to high tech). Might be telling to look at key gay/lesbian -associated company employment policies, existence of company gay/lesbian associations, as well as laws in areas where these companies are located and pay taxes.

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I'd like to know if you have any recommendations on a user-friendly web
survey design software and its cost to purchase it.

Please send response directly to me.

Thanks.

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Jim,

----- Original Message -----

From: "James Beniger" <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: "Hank Zucker" <surveys@wco.com>
Cc: <aapornet@usc.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2000 9:24 PM
Subject: Re: Data link cultural diversity to individual creativity?

> Hank,

> Does anything about the analysis really depend on whether anyone is
> gay or not? Suppose we simply stick close to the data and call them
> all "unmarried people of the same sex living together"--would this
> really undermine anything about the analysis itself, quite apart from
> any additional claims people might wish to make about the results (as,
> for example, in the term "gay index," which at best is only partly
> justified).

Of course the term "gay index" very much depends on whether the "unmarried people of the same sex living together" are gay or not. The Bishop piece does not make clear what data was used, though James Murphy said there was a specific "partner" category in the census. Gates could have used that. Not knowing for sure makes it harder to analyse Bishop's analysis.

> So, that aside, what do we conclude from the analysis? If you headed
> a high-tech start-up or a new content-creating company, where would
> you prefer to relocate your firm, based on these data--in the gay
> index Top 10 cities or in the cities ranked 41-50? And why?

Well, just looking at the list, I would pick the top 10 over the 41-50, but not because of the "gay index," because of the Milken rankings. Why not use the latter directly? High tech business thrive better when they are near other high tech businesses. Such concentrations have better talent pools, more support businesses and synergy in numbers.

> And what about these 50 cities makes them correlate so strongly on the
> two variables--call them what you will--on which we now know that they
> correlate so strongly?

Perhaps some of the things Gates suggests - Cultural vibrancy? Tolerance of/appreciation for new ideas? Tolerance/celebration of diversity?

In the Bishop piece, these were just ideas tossed out without any supporting data, but they seem plausible. The point of the Bishop piece seems political - be tolerant and you will prosper in the new economy. Well, tolerance is a good thing in any case...

> -- Jim

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> P.S. I doubt that anyone in AAPOR needs to be reminded of the
> ecological fallacies arising when correlations of aggregate units are
> used to make inferences about proper subsets of those units. For

> example, the fact that precinct crime rates correlate positively with
> the percentage of the precinct population that is Belgian does not
> imply that Belgians are committing more than their share of the
> crimes--nor that they are not. The national origin of the actual
> criminals can only be determined by individual level data, but of
> course.

At least the Bishop piece does not claim "a direct, literal connection between the presence of gay couples and the growth of high-technology firms." While we in AAPOR know that correlation does not apply causality, too many other people do not.

Hank

> On Tue, 11 Jul 2000, Hank Zucker wrote:
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> > One cannot make the automatic assumption that unmarried people of
> > the
same
> > sex living together are gay. The cities high on the "gay index" are
cities
> > with high costs of living and cities that attract young people,
regardless
> > of their sexual orientation.
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To: "AAPOR Network" <aapornet@usc.edu>
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Dear colleagues,

During May conference in Portland we discussed possibility of our surveys to control elections. I would like to add some information to our discussion and to ask your advice.

April 16, 2000 in Ukraine took place referendum with 4 questions, reflecting the struggle of the President and Parliament (have the president right to dismiss the Parliament, is it necessary to cancel immunity of the deputies, to reduce the number of the deputies and to establish bicameral parliament). The results of the survey (see below), which have been conducted by my institute - Kiev International Institute of Sociology - show, that the referendum data, most likely, were forged.

Shall I try to publish the survey data, if it may results in problems for my institute and other unpredictable consequences?

RESULTS OF THE SURVEY

The survey which has been conducted by our institute (KIIS) a few weeks up to referendum (from March 17 till March 27, 2013 respondents, random sample) has allowed to make the forecast that in referendum will take part about 60 % of voters and that all questions on referendum will be supported by population. The referendum results (see tab. 1) have surprised first of all by very high percent of population, who take part in it, and also that the obscure question about bicameral parliament has supported not=20 60%, but 80 % voting. The table 1.

The answers to questions referendum	a difference	the forecast	the	=
1.. The President right to dismiss the Parliament			77	=
85	- 8			
2.Cancellation of deputies immunity		88	89	=
	- 1			
3. Reduction of number of the deputies		97	90	=
	7			
4. Bicameral parliament			63	=
82	- 19			
Take part in referendum			61	=
81	- 20			
=20				

As a rule, the maximal difference of our forecasts from results of = choices did not exceed 3-4 % (see, our report among the materials of a = conference WAPOR-AAPOR in Portland), therefore it was difficult to = explain difference in 20 % by mistakes of research.=20

For check of hypotheses the special survey was conducted (the survey was = conducted from May 15 till May 26 in all areas of Ukraine and in Crimea, = the sample multistage random at each stage, 2101 respondents were = interviewed). We asked the respondents to tell, whether they took part = in referendum, if yes - what was their response on a question about = bicameral parliament. In the table 2 the results of comparison of = research data with referendum results are given.

The table 2

		Forecast	=
Referendum	the survey after referendum		
% Expressed FOR in the answer=20			
to 4-th question (about bicameral parliament)	63%	81,7 %	=
61.3 %			
% Took part in referendum		61%	=
81,2 %	67.4 %		

For some areas of Ukraine the distinction of the referendum results and = survey results exceeds 30%. It is difficult for me to suggest other = explanation to these distinctions, than that the referendum results in = these regions of Ukraine were forged. Can you suggest other = explanation?

My best regards

=20

Vladimir

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Dear Edith,

two issues today:

a. the editors of the cross-cultural book would like to add a section on Meta-Analysis in comparative research. Do you know someone who could write about this topic?

b. Joop asked me a couple of days ago about the possibility of a conference on the international interviewer project. I was in a meeting at this point and perhaps rather short to Joop. Actually I am quite enthusiastic about the idea and would like to encourage Joop to send me a page or so indicating what he intends to do (ZUMA finalises its conference planning for 2001 in August).

warm regards
Peter Mohler

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Can anyone direct me to recent research on the potential effects of exit polls on voter turnout. There appears to be a flurry of studies in the early 80s and then little since. Am I overlooking important work?

Mark Joslyn
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Kansas University

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Dear Peter,

At 01:13 PM 7/13/00 +0200, you wrote:

>a. the editors of the cross-cultural book would like to add a section
>on Meta-Analysis in comparative research. Do you know someone who could
>write about this topic?

Some questions in reply:

- 1) Should it be a basic introductory chapter, or a statistical chapter?
- 2) How many pages available?
- 3) It depends a bit on the time path. If I remember correctly from Janet's last communication, the draft chapters should be ready around september. Is there an adapted new time-path for the new chapter?

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>conference on the international interviewer project. I was in a meeting
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>a page or so indicating what he intends to do (ZUMA finalises its
>conference planning for 2001 in August).
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Sorry about out late reaction. We were rather busy with the preparations for the CD-ROM-proceedings for Cologne.

Next week we leave for Ann Arbor to teach.

I am not sure we manage to send you something before we leave. But we will immediately when we return (August 5).

From a rainy Amsterdam,
warm regards, Edith

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Does anyone have syllabi, or recommendations for sites that post syllabi,
for courses on Survey Research Methods and Data Analysis? Thank you for
your help.

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Melissa

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OK....I'm going to venture out on this limb here and ask how it is STILL possible that people continue to send personal messages to the ENTIRE AAPORNet list. Are there email programs out there that don't display the To: field in the composition window? I realize all it takes is one click of the delete key and the misdirected message is gone. But as frequently as it happens, it becomes a bit tiresome.

Anyway, I'm truly not lashing out at anyone in particular. I realize that mistakes happen. And of course the odds of MY making this particular mistake are now increased exponentially by this post. So I guess I offer this only as a reminder to everyone (including myself), please....PLEASE....check the address fields before you hit [SEND].

Have a great weekend!

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Hey Melissa: It took me a minute to figure out I did that. I get strangely nervous when I write to appornet. You know what I mean? I got the bid and need to talk to the potential clients. I'll get back to you when I know more. Have a great weekend. Best, Anna

mherrmann@mail.icrsurvey.com@usc.edu on 07/14/2000 09:32:49 AM

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Killing the messenger is one of the oldest and most effective methods of putting bad news to rest. On the other hand, I think Mr. Bergman should get a grip. People who work in the kitchen can expect things to get a little hot from time to time. If, as he maintains, there is nothing untoward about the CSRA's dealings with its clients, the investigation will reveal it and the issue will die a natural death. Maybe the best approach would be to advocate that the parties who are disputing the results do their own poll and show how an unbiased version would change the outcome.

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My company needs to do a dial based survey for a project in the Washington D.C. area sometime between mid-August and early September. We would need access to a facility or the dial equipment for a few nights.

Any referrals or other information would be greatly appreciated.

Rob Farbman
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I'm looking for published or unpublished research on the minimum number of call attempts needed to designate an RDD sample telephone number as non-household if no contact has ever been made with that number. I know anecdotally that people use cutoffs of 14 to 18 attempts and I know the cost involved in dialing through all those numbers in the right calling pattern. Has anyone the probability of misassigning a non-HH disposition code after X or Y attempts? Please email me privately and I will send a summary to the whole list. Thanks in advance.

Kathy

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Dear fellow netters,

Apologies for having a private conversation through your channels.

Late at night I simply used the reply-button.

Well it teaches me to be humble! I was getting in the stage that I thought only rookies make these errors.

Warm regards, Edith

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The moral to the following modest little tale: Never underestimate the persuasive power of a simple, obvious and unforgettable visual symbol-- especially not when it is posted to the World Wide Web.

Can you imagine what it must feel like, as an elected representative in a democracy, to be publicly accused of violating the sacred act of voting because you "delegated that responsibility to a piece of office supply"?

No, me neither.

-- Jim

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POLITICS

TALE OF A PAPER CLIP HAUNTS A CANDIDATE

B.Drummond Ayres Jr.

Back in 1980, when he was one of the newer members of the Illinois House, State Representative Timothy V. Johnson, a Republican from the Champaign-Urbana area, rigged a paper

clip so that it held the "Yes" voting button on his desk in the down position. When a picture of the clip hit the newspapers, he first denied installing it but later backtracked, saying such rigs were "accepted practice" in the legislature and enabled members to vote on legislation even when absent from the House chamber, especially at times when votes were called while members were meeting with constituents or working on other pressing matters.

That explanation apparently satisfied voters in Mr. Johnson's district. He still represents it 20 years later.

But now he has his eye on a larger district, the 15th Congressional, which has an open seat this year, and the photo of the paper clip has come back to haunt him.

His Democratic rival, Mike Kelleher, has dredged up the shot and contends it says much about Mr. Johnson's worthiness to serve. He has posted newspaper articles about it on the Web -- timpaperclip.com -- and is running ads about it.

"It shows a pattern of behavior by Tim Johnson to avoid his responsibilities and violate the trust his constituents placed in him," Mr. Kelleher said last week. "Voting is the reason you are elected, and he delegated that responsibility to a piece of office supply. This goes to character."

Mr. Johnson says he is guilty of no wrongdoing and calls the resurrected picture and stories "a silly little red herring" raised by "a desperate candidate who is far behind."

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I had expected to see posted here earlier the news of our loss of Naomi "Donny" Rothwell, a great light source for the survey profession for many years in the sense of both enlightening and lighting up the place. I append the text of the Washington Post's obit published Saturday:

> Naomi D. 'Donny' Rothwell
> Census Official
>
> Naomi Doniger "Donny" Rothwell, 82, who spent 31 years at the U.S.
> Census Bureau doing survey research and retired as chief of what was
> the human factors research center, died July 12 at Glenn Dale Elderly
> Care after a stroke.
>
> She was a recipient of the Commerce Department's Silver and Gold Medal
> awards.
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> She was a New York native and a 1939 agriculture graduate of Cornell
> University.
>
> She moved to the Washington area in the early 1940s and was at the
> State and Army departments but predominantly at the Department of
> Agriculture, where she had been a study director at the Bureau of
> Agriculture Economics.
>
> She was a past fellow of the American Statistical Association and a
> past president of the American Association for Public Opinion
> Research's Washington chapter.
>
> She was the past director of the Woodley House in Washington, a
> halfway facility for psychiatric patients that her sister Joan M.
> Doniger founded. The sisters co-wrote "The Psychiatric Halfway House,
> A Case Study," published in 1966 by Charles C. Thomas.
>
> After retiring, Mrs. Rothwell did volunteer tutoring in Prince
> George's County jails.
>
> She was a former Washington resident and had lived at Glenn Dale
> Elderly Care since the late 1990s.
>
> Mrs. Rothwell was the guardian of Teresa Doniger and Kiyo Doniger
> Tukman, whom she had raised from an early age. She took them into her
> home 28 years ago.
>
> Mrs. Rothwell's husband, George James Rothwell, whom she married in

> 1940, died in 1995.

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> Survivors include two sons, David Rothwell of Garrett Park and Jed
> Rothwell of Atlanta; two daughters, Nan Rothwell of Faber, Va., and
> Kate Rothwell of West Hartford, Conn.; two sisters; and 11
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Charles W. Holmes - Staff
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Washington --- Voters are more disengaged from the presidential race this=20 year than at any time in recent history, according to an extensive survey=20 of American attitudes toward politics.

Good economic times and a sense that there is little difference between=20 Democrat Al Gore and Republican George W. Bush have lulled voters into 'a'=20 rather pleasant sleep,' pollster Andrew Kohut, director of the nonpartisan=20 Pew Research Center for the People and the Press, said Friday.

The flagging voter interest could be an indication that turnout this fall=20 may sink to a new low, Kohut said. In 1996, only 49 percent of eligible=20 citizens cast ballots, the first time in more than 70 years that less than=20 half of voters went to the polls to elect a president.

The Pew poll found that fewer than half of registered voters --- 46 percent=20 --- said they have thought a lot about the election, a decline from 55=20 percent in the same period in 1996 and 63 percent in 1992. The drop-off in=20 voter interest and familiarity with the candidates is especially pronounced=20 in young and middle-age adults.

'It seems virtually certain' that turnout will be lower than the 55=20 percent of voters who went to the polls in 1992, when Bill Clinton defeated=20 incumbent George Bush, the pollster said.

At the same time, Americans say they are more satisfied with their choice=20 of presidential candidates this year, and they are less critical of the way=20 the campaigns are being conducted.

Among Republicans, 73 percent expressed satisfaction with the candidates=20 compared to 49 percent in 1996, when former Sen. Bob Dole won the GOP=20 nomination. Sixty-six percent of Democrats said they were satisfied this=20 year, compared to 56 percent in 1996.

The poll concluded that the race between Bush and Gore remains wide open as=20 the candidates head to the nominating conventions next month.

The survey found that likely voters are evenly split between Gore and Bush=20 --- 47 percent each, with 6 percent undecided. Third-party candidates Ralph=20 Nader and Pat Buchanan will not have much impact on the race, Kohut=20 predicted.

Americans increasingly believe election of the president is not as=20 important as it was a decade or two ago, the poll found. Nearly half of=20 Americans --- 49 percent --- believe things will stay pretty much the same=20 no matter who is elected.

The Pew survey, conducted among 2,174 adults June 14-28 with a margin of=20 error of plus or minus 2.5 percentage points, complements other recent=20 polls that indicate voters see little differences in the two major= candidates.

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 Good economic times and a sense that there is little difference between Democrat Al Gore and Republican George W. Bush have lulled voters into 'a rather pleasant sleep,' pollster Andrew Kohut, director of the nonpartisan Pew Research Center for the People and the Press, said Friday.

 The flagging voter interest could be an indication that turnout this fall may sink to a new low, Kohut said. In 1996, only 49 percent of eligible citizens cast ballots, the first time in more than 70 years that less than half of voters went to the polls to elect a president.

 The Pew poll found that fewer than half of registered voters --- 46 percent --- said they have thought a lot about the election, a decline from 55 percent in the same period in 1996 and 63 percent in 1992. The drop-off in voter interest and familiarity with the candidates is especially pronounced in young and middle-age adults.

 'It seems virtually certain' that turnout will be lower than the 55 percent of voters who went to the polls in 1992, when Bill Clinton defeated incumbent George Bush, the pollster said.

 At the same time, Americans say they are more satisfied with their choice of presidential candidates this year, and they are less critical of the way the campaigns are being conducted.

 Among Republicans, 73 percent expressed satisfaction with the candidates compared to 49 percent in 1996, when former Sen. Bob Dole won the GOP nomination. Sixty-six percent of Democrats said they were satisfied this year, compared to 56 percent in

1996.

 The poll concluded that the race between Bush and Gore remains wide open as the candidates head to the nominating conventions next month.

 The survey found that likely voters are evenly split between Gore and Bush --- 47 percent each, with 6 percent undecided. Third-party candidates Ralph Nader and Pat Buchanan will not have much impact on the race, Kohut predicted.

 Americans increasingly believe election of the president is not as important as it was a decade or two ago, the poll found. Nearly half of Americans --- 49 percent --- believe things will stay pretty much the same no matter who is elected.

 The Pew survey, conducted among 2,174 adults June 14-28 with a margin of error of plus or minus 2.5 percentage points, complements other recent polls that indicate voters see little differences in the two major candidates.

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AAPORnet - I would appreciate leads regarding organizations doing surveys among high school students, and omnibuses that include or specialize in youth. Thank you for any ideas.

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To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
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To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: Richard Rands <rrands@cfmc.com>
Subject: Re: DATA ENTRY SOFTWARE
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Hi Chris,

CfMC sells a program called MicroPunch that runs on a PC and emulates an old Keypunch machine. Our data entry people use it daily and really like it. We sell it for \$500 per copy.

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X-Mailer: Novell GroupWise 4.1
Date: Tue, 18 Jul 2000 08:41:37 -0500
From: Linda Owens <lindao@SRL.UIC.EDU>
To: jcf3c@erols.com, aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: The To: field.....-Reply

It happened to me once. I forwarded an AAPOR message to someone. He then used the reply feature to reply to me, and it went to the whole list. When I received his return message, it looked like it came from him rather than the AAPOR list, so I replied to him, again broadcasting to the whole list. I think it's better to copy an AAPOR message, then paste the message in a new email, rather than using the forward feature. That's how I inadvertently replied to the whole list, but I'm sure there are other ways than people can embarrass themselves with list servers. Linda

>>> John C. Fries <jcf3c@erols.com> 07/14/00 08:42am >>>

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Date: Tue, 18 Jul 2000 09:49:05 -0500

From: Kathy Frankovic <KAF@cbsnews.com>

To: aapornet@usc.edu

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In light of AAPORNET discussions of pollster "pummeling" and the recent questions about pre-election polls in Mexico raised in yesterday's NY Times article, I thought I'd post an article published in The Sunday Post, Hong Kong, on July 16. It written by David Bottomley, of Hong Kong, and was posted on wapornet. He agreed to let me pass it on to you.

The dangerous art of accurate polling

David. I didn't like the headline in this morning's Post. We're in discussions with the Chinese and it didn't help. The Chief Secretary, David Ford, now Sir David, had called me to his office. It was about the first or second year of the ten years for which I conducted the South China Morning Post's polls, probably 1987.

Still fresh from Australia I found this first contact with British colonialism intriguing. I suggested he should talk to the editor. I was not responsible for headlines based on my surveys. He did seem genuinely upset by the *80% support* for whatever it was that the Post had featured.

This incident came to mind with the last few days* discussion about whether or not the administration tried to influence a Hong Kong pollster. Was the Chief Secretary then ever so nicely giving me a message that he expected me to be prudent with my polls? I don*t know.

In 1988 the Administration issued a Green Paper about the future of democracy in Hong Kong. It commissioned a public opinion survey. It was the worst survey I*d ever seen. Hong Kong market researchers condemned it. The European Society of Opinion and Marketing Research (ESOMAR) investigated it and found it sadly wanting.

This time the Chief Secretary invited me to lunch. He seemed genuinely puzzled by the survey criticism. If, indeed, these were messages from the Administration they were too subtle for this Australian.

Politicians and administrators are human. They like polls that support them or their policies; they are not so happy when they don*t. Then they may accuse the pollster of personal bias or declare his methods suspect. Defensively, they trot the old cliché:½ *The only poll that counts is the one on election day!*

Messages to pollsters are not always subtle. Humphrey Taylor, chairman of Louis Harris & Associates, wrote two years ago: *Attempts to manipulate and corrupt the polls are now a serious worldwide phenomenon.* He described how a Nixon aide in 1972 attempted to influence the Harris Poll to give Nixon good results. Marta Lagos, former president of the Chilean Association for Public Opinion Research described the pressure on herself following the recent election in Chile as *brutal*.

Telephone lines to her office were cut. Senators attacked her in the press and her colleagues warned her she was up against a very powerful man who could harm her.

Why? Because she warned publicly that telephone polls might not yield correct results in a country where only half the homes had telephones. The opposition party in the hope of influencing the result was using only telephone polls, which predicted its victory. It lost.

Today, in an East European country a pollster suspects the government falsified results of a recent poll. He fears that to follow his conscience and publish his results will cause his company to be closed.

Many western countries which have democratic elections nevertheless fear the polls. They restrict publication of results near election times. France does so for two weeks before the final election and Spain for five days.

The effect of such restrictions, which deprive the population of polling information from established and reliable pollsters, is to invite reams of bad information and disinformation.

In France surveys are commissioned by major broking houses and political parties. They may then leak those results to clients or to the public. Information then reaches the public during the period of the ban but not from known and reliable polling companies.

The Government of Canada attempted a three-day ban on publication of results before Federal elections. The ban was defeated because one established pollster put its results on the website of MORI, the major independent market research and polling institute in UK. The Canadian media referred the public to the Web site.

Subsequently, the Canadian High Court declared the ban was unconstitutional. Bob Worcester, MORI's Chairman said: *Any country that believes in freedom of information cannot introduce illiberal legislation without it being found unconstitutional*

There is much to be done in Hong Kong to improve the quality of poll information that reaches the public. The Marketing Research Society and the Statistical Society could set up a council to answer questions about opinion polls. Editors could be encouraged to follow international guidelines for publishing poll results and journalists could be provided with critical questions to put to people who report polls, such as those which appear in the Sunday news releases of political parties.

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My understanding is the listserv software can be configured to make the default "reply to sender only" unless you deliberately choose "reply to all" (or whatever that command may be called) in your email reader. AAPORnet is configured so that the default is "reply to the list" whether you choose "reply" (single) or "reply to all."

It also appears, at least from Lotus Notes, that the only way I can reply privately to a sender is by manually typing in the sender's address. UGH.

If the listserv were configured so that the default action for "reply" (single) is to reply only to the sender and "reply to all" would send it to the list as well as to the sender, the potential downside would be some people might intend to post to the list but inadvertently reply only to the sender. I run a list where this is the default, and yes, I've gotten a few private replies that I subsequently determined were intended for the list -- but I've also found that when the discussion really gets going, users have no problem making sure the full list sees their opinions.

I have raised this issue with the AAPORnet powers that be and was told that Council wanted "reply-to-list" as the default, believing there is greater harm in debate grounding to a halt inadvertently than from private messages going to the list. I have to disagree.

Detailed background on this issue -- including how default "reply to list" violates the principles of least surprise and least damage -- is at <http://www.unicom.com/pw/reply-to-harmful.html>

Mike Mokrzycki
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Dan McDonald <mcdonald.221@osu.edu> on 07/18/2000 01:03:49 PM

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Dear friends,

As you probably know, a most important election took place in Mexico last July the 2nd. After 71 years, the ruling party (PRI) lost the Presidency. There is every sign of what could be described as one of the smoothest transitions ever. Democracy worked. Unfortunately, the polls did not deliver. This was another case where polls failed. The consensus portrayed by the final polls was of a close election with better odds for Labastida, the PRI candidate. All that was wrong. The election ended up as an election with a seven points lead for Fox, the PAN candidate.

Who should be blamed? Respondents, of course. Who else? Next morning some pollsters gave the typical, and I think completely wrong explanation. Polls failed because of the so called Nicaraguan effect: respondents lied to pollsters because after so many years of authoritarian rule they feared repression.

The fact is that the PRI lost its majority since 1995 after one of the most devastating financial crisis in Mexico's history. Since then it lost many state governor races and in the 1997 mid-term election it lost control of the Chamber of deputies, the lower house of our Congress. In all these cases polls could forecast very accurately the outcome and exit polls have always produced good estimates.

I am preparing an article on this as a continuation of a previous one published in IJPOR. I think it can be very useful to include some information on the general accuracy of polls in the world. I am beginning to think that outcomes like this one are more common than what one would expect. First, errors are in general large, but not enough to mislead the public about the expected outcome, USA 1996 and 1980, for instance. Second, there are many cases where they fail on the winner. The important thing is that these things happen independently of the political system or the degree of economic development of the countries involved.

I am sure that a good review of this topic can help us all to do a better work, either as practitioners or as users of poll results.

Does any one know of a good data base where I can review poll results and vote counts of a good number of countries? Can anybody refer to me his or her personal experience in his or her country's more recent election focusing on the last polls (one or two weeks before the election)?

Please answer directly to me and I will give the list the results of this query.

Thanks

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Anyone know of any polling on the gender and racial makeup of Ralph
Nader's support?

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From: Jo Holz <joholz@mindspring.com>
Subject: Re: teen surveys
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ORC does a regular kids/teens omnibus called Caravan. Call Judy Loescher at ORC.

At 02:33 PM 7/17/00 -0400, you wrote:

>AAPORnet - I would appreciate leads regarding organizations doing

>surveys among high school students, and omnibuses that include or
>specialize in youth. Thank you for any ideas.

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>Nancy Belden, Belden Russonello & Stewart, Washington, DC

>202 822 6090

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African Americans Defy Trend of Plunging
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- Women (46 percent) were slightly more likely than men (45 percent) to vote in 1998, continuing a trend that started in 1986.
- About 5 in 10 homeowners said they voted, compared with 3 out of 10 renters. About one-half of those living in families who voted had family incomes of more than \$50,000.

- In 1998, voting-age citizens who had bachelor's degrees were nearly twice as likely (6 in 10) to have voted as those who had not completed high school (3 in 10).

Voter Registration

- Voter registration between 1994 and 1998 increased for African Americans (from 59 percent to 61 percent) and Hispanics (from 31 percent to 34 percent).

The rates for Whites (68 percent) and Asians and Pacific Islanders (29 percent) were the same in both elections.

- Of the 198 million people of voting age in 1998, 62 percent said they were registered to vote. This is not significantly different from the percentage registered in the 1994 and 1990 congressional elections.

- More than two-thirds of citizens in the Midwest were registered to vote. North Dakota (91 percent) and Minnesota (83 percent) had the highest registration rates, while many of the states with lower rates were in the West (Nevada had 52 percent).

- The percentage of 18- to 24-year-olds who were registered to vote declined from 42 percent in 1994 to 39 percent in 1998. There was no significant change for people ages 25 to 44 years.

The data were collected in the November 1998 Current Population Survey (CPS) two weeks after the election. As in all surveys, data are subject to sampling variability and other sources of error. The CPS routinely overestimates voter turnout. Possible reasons include understatement of the votes cast; overreporting by survey respondents who want to demonstrate their civic responsibility; misreporting of voting because of refusals or lack of knowledge on the part of proxy respondents; and survey undercoverage.

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<http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/voting.html>.
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I think the bigger issue is who the message comes from. Most of the time the issue is that the message appears to be from someone a person knows, and they simply reply to the message. If the sender was AAPORNET instead of an individual, I imagine 90% of the problem would go away. I almost never see the problem on lists where the list name is listed as the sender. If you want to reply to an individual who sent a message on a list, it's easy to compose a special message, and you almost never make the mistake of replying because you think it's a personal note. It should be easy to configure the AAPORNET list so that it shows AAPORNET as the sender rather than the original person.

At 10:38 AM 7/18/00 -0400, you wrote:
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>whatever that command may be called) in your email reader. AAPORnet is
>configured
>so that the default is "reply to the list" whether you choose "reply"
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>or "reply to all."

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The Census Voter and Registration survey reports routinely include this disclaimer in their reports, a disclaimer which is based on FEC reports. For 1998, the FEC counted 73,117,000 votes cast based on state reports (I believe) while the Census survey below reports 83,098,000 persons voting. This has been the pattern for many years.

Source: "Historical Statistics" at <http://www.fec.gov/elections.html>

Has anyone ever examined the data to see which groups over-report voting; e.g., gender, age, race?

Has anyone ever examined official state records to find which states over-report.

Years ago, Gallup examined local election board records to confirm the efficacy of their likely voter calculation. Has the Census Bureau ever compared respondents who said they voted with voter history compiled by local election authorities?

Or, are there any issues with the FEC reported voter counts? (Issues with registered voter data are well-known.)

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Is anyone aware of recent data on confidence in the American justice system,
by ethnicity and gender?

Following are abbreviated remarks made by Eleanor Holmes Norton (Chair of
the Congressional Black Caucus's Judicial Task Force and D.C.'s non-voting
Delegate to the House of Representatives) at a press conference today on the
need to process African-American nominees to the Federal Judiciary:

"There is a severe and growing crisis of confidence in the American justice
system-from the conduct of police on the streets to the diversity and
composition of those selected and elected to make judicial decisions."

"The criminal justice system in particular is burdened with the perception
of serious and pervasive unfairness. The documentation has been legion from
the state and federal justice systems-racial profiling by the INS and state
and city policy; wholesale police brutality; sentencing rules for small-time
drug offenses with a disproportionate racial impact so severe that in the
federal system, sentencing guidelines have been repudiated by the federal
judiciary; and use of the death penalty whose racial consequences have
shaken the American public and led to moratoriums and a call for national
action."

Norton called attention to the slowest processing of the President's
judicial nominees by the Senate in 20 years, stating, "Our [CBC] analysis
demonstrated that perhaps the major reason for the slow processing of
Clinton judges in recent years was that in 1998, for example, three-quarters
of those delayed for a year or more and two-thirds of those pending for six
months or more were minorities or women. ...As of last November... The

Senate had confirmed 42% of Clinton's white but less than half as many, or 18%, of his African-American nominees."

"The Citizens for Independent Courts' Task Force on Federal Judicial Selection has issued a non-partisan, blue-ribbon study that found that during the 105th Congress, minorities and women nominees took significantly longer to gain Senate consideration than white male nominees: 60 days longer for non-whites, and 65 days longer for women than men."

"Our [CBC] point remains that the federal judiciary does not fairly include black judges. ...If we are unable to get fairness for African-American nominees in the Congress, it will be up to them [our communities] to do it at the polls."

Full text available from Eleanor Holmes Norton's office (202) 225-8050

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The National Center for State Courts, Res. Dir. David Rottman, is working on such data right now. I know because my lab collected it. They also did one last year from the Hearts Foundation. His e-mail is <drottman@ncsc.dni.us>
Brian Vargus
Indiana University Public Opinion Laboratory

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> system-from the conduct of police on the streets to the diversity and
> composition of those selected and elected to make judicial decisions."
>
> "The criminal justice system in particular is burdened with the perception
> of serious and pervasive unfairness. The documentation has been legion
from
> the state and federal justice systems-racial profiling by the INS and
state
> and city policy; wholesale police brutality; sentencing rules for
small-time
> drug offenses with a disproportionate racial impact so severe that in the
> federal system, sentencing guidelines have been repudiated by the federal
> judiciary; and use of the death penalty whose racial consequences have
> shaken the American public and led to moratoriums and a call for national
> action."
>
> Norton called attention to the slowest processing of the President's
> judicial nominees by the Senate in 20 years, stating, "Our [CBC] analysis
> demonstrated that perhaps the major reason for the slow processing of
> Clinton judges in recent years was that in 1998, for example,
three-quarters
> of those delayed for a year or more and two-thirds of those pending for
six
> months or more were minorities or women. ...As of last November... The
> Senate had confirmed 42% of Clinton's white but less than half as many, or
> 18%, of his African-American nominees."
>
> "The Citizens for Independent Courts' Task Force on Federal Judicial
> Selection has issued a non-partisan, blue-ribbon study that found that
> during the 105th Congress, minorities and women nominees took
significantly
> longer to gain Senate consideration than white male nominees: 60 days
longer
> for non-whites, and 65 days longer for women than men."
>
> "Our [CBC] point remains that the federal judiciary does not fairly
include
> black judges. ...If we are unable to get fairness for African-American
> nominees in the Congress, it will be up to them [our communities] to do it
> at the polls."
>
> Full text available from Eleanor Holmes Norton's office (202) 225-8050

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Several people wrote me offlist to share the fruits of my Nader polling research. Gallup sent me the breakdown from their most recent poll. Highlights follow (since I'm too lazy to type all of it up):

CNN/USA Today/Gallup poll, July 2000

	Gore	Bush	Buchanan	Nader	no opinion
total	43	45	3	5	4
sex					
male	38	50	3	5	4
female	48	39	3	6	3
race					
white	39	49	3	5	4
nonwhite	75	13	1	6	5
black	85	1	2	5	7
education					
postgrad	44	39	3	11	2
college grad	39	48	4	7	4
some college	41	49	3	4	3
HS or less	46	42	3	3	6
total college	41	46	2	7	3
income					
\$75k+	39	55	0	5	1
\$50k+	41	50	1	5	3
\$30-50k	44	44	1	5	4
\$20-30k	42	38	9	6	5
<\$20k	50	35	5	6	4
ideology					
conservative	20	73	3	2	2
moderate	53	33	2	7	4
liberal	69	13	4	20	4

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To: "'aapornet@usc.edu'" <aapornet@usc.edu>

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Nancy: Maryellen Colten [Maryellen.colten@umb.edu] and Sue Gore [Susan.gore@umb.edu] at the Center for Survey Research, UMASS Boston, have two ongoing studies involving samples of high school students. One is a 5-wave longitudinal survey of adolescents. I have also surveyed adolescents, but the samples were provided by health plans and Massachusetts Medicaid.

AAPORNET: I hope this doesn't seem too much like a private message. Just being a passive observer to exchanges between researchers requesting info and those who respond has certainly been enlightening for me. I'd hate to see it reduced to just half of the exchange.

Trish

-----Original Message-----
From: Nancy Belden [mailto:nancybelden@brspoll.com]
Sent: Monday, July 17, 2000 2:34 PM
To: aapornet
Subject: teen surveys

AAPORnet - I would appreciate leads regarding organizations doing surveys among high school students, and omnibuses that include or specialize in youth. Thank you for any ideas.

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<\$20k	50	35	5	6	4
ideology					
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moderate	53	33	2	7	4
liberal	69	13	4	10	4

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Some of those on this discussion list may not know of the 1996-published, 95-page, hardcover or softcover book that I consider an excellent source for

tips on how to develop charts. It's "Graphing Statistics & Data: Creating Better Charts," written by several members of Statistics Sweden (which I

believe is like our Census Bureau). The authors are (as listed on the red/white/blue cover): Anders Wallgren, Britt Wallgren, Rolf Persson, Ulf Jorner, and Jan-Aage Haaland.

The book's chapters and numerous illustrations and examples go into the value of charts, specific instructions on how to develop bar/frequency/development over time/relationship/ variation/ flow/geographical variation-type charts, charts and layout issues, charts in practice discussions, and even contains a two-page checklist on how to evaluate a developed chart for whether or not it meets your needs in depicting data patterns and conveying a message.

The book is sold by Sage Publications in Thousand Oaks, California; their web address is sagepub.com

I'm not related to the authors or even work for Statistics Sweden, I just consider the book a very useful addition to one's professional reference text library.

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From: Nancy Clusen <NClusen@Mathematica-Mpr.com>

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Jeff,

I thought you might find this table interesting.

Nancy

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Doug Henwood [SMTP:dhenwood@panix.com]

> Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2000 7:07 PM

> To: aapornet@usc.edu

> Subject: Nader, etc.

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> breakdown table I just sent. Liberals for Nader should be 10%, not

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figures.

In my last message I said: "FEC counted 73,117,000 votes cast based on state reports while the Census survey below reports 83,098,000 persons voting."

But FEC turnout is defined on their web site as: "In this instance turnout refers to the total vote cast for the highest office contested on the ballot in each of the 50 States and the District of Columbia. In most cases this figure represents total votes cast for either U.S. Senator or Governor."

The reason for this is that many states do not report total ballots cast or the *total number of people* who voted. So the FEC must use total votes cast for highest office when reporting turnout state by state..

But *some states do report* total ballots and Illinois is one of them. In 1998, our State Election Board shows that 3,541,000 total ballots were cast while the FEC shows 3,395,000 "turnout" for Illinois, total votes cast for U.S. Senate (matching both IL State Election Board and Clerk of the House figures).

So in Illinois, 4.3% more voters voted than were reported at the FEC site, or
3,541 divided by 3,395.

Others who have access to 1998 turnout data in states which count total ballots cast could compare their states with turnout as reported by the FEC at:

<http://www.fec.gov/pages/reg&to98.htm>

In the meantime, assuming Illinois represents the national average, the FEC figure could be revised upward to 76,261,000 (1.043 X 73,117). So the figure closer to actual national turnout should be 76,261,000 - still considerably below the Census's 83,098,000 turnout.

Not to lose sight of the original question - is there any research showing which groups over-report voting in the CPS?

Nick Panagakis wrote:

- > The final graph below says: "The CPS routinely overestimates voter turnout.
- > Possible reasons include understatement of the votes cast; overreporting by
- > survey respondents who want to demonstrate their civic responsibility;
- > misreporting of voting because of refusals or lack of knowledge on the part
- > of proxy respondents; and survey undercoverage."
- >
- > The Census Voter and Registration survey reports routinely include this
- > disclaimer in their reports, a disclaimer which is based on FEC reports.
- > For 1998, the FEC counted 73,117,000 votes cast based on state reports (I
- > believe) while the Census survey below reports 83,098,000 persons voting.
- > This has been the pattern for many years.
- >
- > Source: "Historical Statistics" at <http://www.fec.gov/elections.html>
- >
- > Has anyone ever examined the data to see which groups over-report voting;

> e.g., gender, age, race?
>
> Has anyone ever examined official state records to find which states
> over-report.
>
> Years ago, Gallup examined local election board records to confirm the
> efficacy of their likely voter calculation. Has the Census Bureau ever
> compared respondents who said they voted with voter history compiled by
> local election authorities?
>
> Or, are there any issues with the FEC reported voter counts? (Issues with
> registered voter data are well-known.)
>
> "Andrew A. Beveridge" wrote:
>
> > This was emgargoed, but is now released.
> >
> >
> > Public Information Office
> > CB00-114
> > 301-457-3030/301-457-3670 (fax)
> > 301-457-1037 (TDD)
> > e-mail: pio@census.gov
> >
> > Avalaura Gaither
> > 301-457-2464
> >
> > African Americans Defy Trend of Plunging
> > Voter Turnout, Census Bureau Reports
> >
> > African Americans were the only race or ethnic group to defy the trend
> > of declining voter participation in congressional elections, increasing
> > their presence at the polls from 37 percent in 1994 to 40 percent in
> > 1998,
> > according to a report released today by the Commerce Department's Census
> > Bureau.
> >
> > Nationwide, overall turnout by the voting-age population was down from
> > 45 percent in 1994 to 42 percent in 1998 -- about 3 million fewer voters
> > in 1998 than in 1994.
> >
> > "The increase in voter participation by African Americans was most
> > notable
> > in the South, where the rate grew by 4 percentage points to 39 percent,"
> > said Avalaura Gaither, co-author of Voting and Registration in the
> > Election
> > of November 1998, P20-523. "About 40 percent of the 9 million African
> > American voters lived in the South."
> >
> > Turnout by Whites declined from 50 percent to 47 percent from 1994 to
> > 1998, while Asian and Pacific Islander turnout fell from 22 percent to
> > 19 percent and Hispanic turnout remained at 20 percent. (The turnout
> > rates
> > for each of the latter two groups would increase by nearly 13 percentage
> > points if estimated noncitizens were subtracted from the voting-age
> > universe. Data by race in this release exclude people of Hispanic
> > origin,

> > who may be of any race.)
> >
> > Turnout also declined across all age groups and for men and women. For
> > example, 35 percent of 25- to 44-year-olds cast ballots in 1998, down
> > from
> > 39 percent in 1994.
> >
> > Other highlights of the report:
> >
> > Reasons for Not Voting
> >
> > - Of the 40 million people who said they registered but did not vote
> > in
> > the 1998 election, about one-third reported they were "too busy" or
> > had conflicting work or school schedules. Another 13 percent were
> > not
> > interested or felt their vote would not make a difference.
> >
> > Voter Turnout
> >
> > - The West and Midwest states recorded the highest voting rates in
> > 1998,
> > led by Minnesota (66 percent), while the South had the lowest
> > (Virginia
> > was at 31 percent).
> >
> > - Among voting-age citizens, the lowest voting rates by age were for
> > 18- to
> > 24-year-olds, where a ratio of slightly less than 1 in 5 voted. The
> > age
> > group with the highest voting participation was 55- to 74-year-olds;
> > more
> > than 3 in 5 in this age group cast ballots.
> >
> > - Women (46 percent) were slightly more likely than men (45 percent)
> > to vote
> > in 1998, continuing a trend that started in 1986.
> >
> > - About 5 in 10 homeowners said they voted, compared with 3 out of 10
> > renters.
> > About one-half of those living in families who voted had family
> > incomes of
> > more than \$50,000.
> >
> > - In 1998, voting-age citizens who had bachelor's degrees were nearly
> > twice
> > as likely (6 in 10) to have voted as those who had not completed
> > high
> > school (3 in 10).
> >
> > Voter Registration
> >
> > - Voter registration between 1994 and 1998 increased for African
> > Americans
> > (from 59 percent to 61 percent) and Hispanics (from 31 percent to 34
> > percent).
> > The rates for Whites (68 percent) and Asians and Pacific Islanders

> > (29 percent) were the same in both elections.
> >
> > - Of the 198 million people of voting age in 1998, 62 percent said
> > they were
> > registered to vote. This is not significantly different from the
> > percentage
> > registered in the 1994 and 1990 congressional elections.
> >
> > - More than two-thirds of citizens in the Midwest were registered to
> > vote.
> > North Dakota (91 percent) and Minnesota (83 percent) had the highest
> > registration rates, while many of the states with lower rates were
> > in
> > the West (Nevada had 52 percent).
> >
> > - The percentage of 18- to 24-year-olds who were registered to vote
> > declined
> > from 42 percent in 1994 to 39 percent in 1998. There was no
> > significant
> > change for people ages 25 to 44 years.
> >
> > The data were collected in the November 1998 Current Population Survey
> > (CPS) two weeks after the election. As in all surveys, data are subject
> > to
> > sampling variability and other sources of error. The CPS routinely
> > overestimates voter turnout. Possible reasons include understatement of
> > the votes cast; overreporting by survey respondents who want to
> > demonstrate their civic responsibility; misreporting of voting because
> > of
> > refusals or lack of knowledge on the part of proxy respondents; and
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> > undercoverage.
> >
> > -X-
> >
> >
> > Editor's Note: The data can be accessed at
> > <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/voting.html>.

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I have had a copy of this text for about two years now, and I find it to be an excellent reference work for presenting data. I fully agree with Dr. Goldsamt on this. Some of you might want to get a copy; it is relatively cheap too. Oh yes I don't own stock in Sage, but I do use a lot of their work in my classes and in my research.

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> The book is sold by Sage Publications in Thousand Oaks, California; their
> web
> address is sagepub.com
>
> I'm not related to the authors or even work for Statistics Sweden, I just
> consider the book a very useful addition to one's professional reference
> text
> library.
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From: Eric Zeidman <eric.zeidman@vnsusa.org>

Reply-To: exitpoll@vnsusa.org

To: "'aapornet@usc.edu'" <aapornet@usc.edu>

Subject: available positions at Voter News Service

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This e-mail is probably more suited to recent students of people on this list than to the actual subscribers. I appreciate your passing it on to anyone who is interested.

Voter News Service is looking for several Exit Poll Recruiters for the Fall 2000 election season. These are full-time positions based in New York City lasting from August, 2000 to November, 2000, paying \$575 a week.

Ideal first job for recent college graduate. Recruiters build and manage nationwide exit poll operation: locating, screening and hiring interviewers; overseeing training and rehearsal exercises; managing Election Day operations. Good project management experience while learning some of the basics of exit polling and election surveys.

Excellent communication and organizational skills are required. Strong computer skills and an interest in politics is a plus. Please forward resume and cover letter by e-mail to exitpoll@vnsusa.org or via fax 917-344-3022.

Eric Zeidman

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Hi - I'm posting this for a friend of mine, if anyone is interested.

Susan

Hello,

I'm looking for candidates for a new position here in our department. Due to recent new business wins we're expanding the strategic planning function by adding a brand analyst.

The ideal candidate has a minimum of 1 year analyst or project manager experience from an agency or research firm and a solid understanding of a variety of qualitative and quantitative methods. They should possess both a curiosity about consumer trends as well as resourcefulness in researching them. The candidate would serve as the chief contact for subcontracted projects and would be very involved in the development of proposals, guides, summaries, and other deliverables such as consumer interviews for new business projects.

Though in the planning department, this position is not intended as an entry into planning, but rather as an important but stand alone position.

Clients include Mattel (Hot Wheels, Nickelodeon, Disney, etc.), Sunkist, a handful of 'new economy' clients and others. This position spans across all projects and brands and would be working very closely with the planners in our department.

If you know of anyone who might be interested, please have them email me their resume (or fax to number below) as soon as possible. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thanks so much!

Sean

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Sean Miller
Account Planning

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Howard,
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Howard Schuman <hschuman@umich.edu> on 07/21/2000 09:52:39 AM

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Contact William Heard directly if you are interested. -- Jim

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Jim...Can you suggest an intern who is knowledgeable about communications surveys? I want someone who would be capable of developing, distributing and evaluating an employee survey pertaining to Intranet readership, useage, etc. I look forward to hearing from you.

Bill Heard...
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(213) 922-7479
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Oops, I need to correct the last email.

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Before this magic moment passes, a note to Council: Why not save Howard and many others the trouble of asking, and Dawn the trouble of helping them, by posting the book list on our Website? The list was intended for researchers and students not necessarily members of AAPOR, even more than it was for our membership. Our Website is one place where it properly belongs.

Note to the Conference Committee for 2001: The book list will be six years old when we next meet--might it not be time to consider more recent additions?

-- Jim

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-----Original Message-----

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I guess I should have waited to buy my copy since the prices have dropped so
much. Wow!.

jon ebeling
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Kathryn Cirksena wrote:

> Or from Borders Online for \$14.80 plus shipping.

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We are probably bordering on being "off-topic" with this thread, but so long as we are talking about it, I wanted to recommend a website to everyone. For those who haven't found it yet, MySimon.Com is designed to do a lot of the "leg work" when you want to shop for the best on-line price for books, CDs, videos, etc. I generally order from Buy.Com, but use MySimon to get the lowest price since Buy.Com offers a "guaranteed lowest price" deal. I have generally saved between \$1 - \$4 on each item I purchase. It really is a great resource.

A free and unsolicited recommendation, although kickbacks would be welcome.

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"In much wisdom is much grief; and he that increaseth
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Has anyone done any research on what value/values citizens feel the WWII
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Phil,

Here is the text of a news story Gallup released on this subject in 1996 through the Los Angeles Times Syndicate:

Best,

Lydia

GALLUP NEWS SERVICE
August 8, 1996 -- For immediate release

AVERAGE CONVENTION "BOUNCE" SINCE 1964 IS FIVE POINTS

PRINCETON, N.J. -- The Republican National Convention coming up next week may energize the Dole for President campaign, but it is not likely to boost his ratings in the polls enough to turn the election around. Gallup polls going back to 1964 show that most presidential candidates enjoy an increase in the percentage of voters supporting them right after their national conventions -- but this "bounce" averages only five percentage points. According to Gallup records, most convention bounces have been moderate in size, ranging from four to eight percentage points. In a few cases the bounce was substantially higher, while in a few others the candidates failed to gain any new support coming off their conventions.

The latest Gallup Poll shows Bob Dole trailing Bill Clinton by 23-points, 58% to 35%. Dole would need to increase his level of support to 42% -- a seven point bounce -- in order to be within single digits of

Clinton. He would need a thirteen-point bounce to pull into first place. Achieving a thirteen-point bounce or better is not impossible, but it has only been recorded once before by the Gallup Poll, and that was under very unusual circumstances.

Clinton's Record Bounce

The highest post-convention bounce in Gallup's records is 16-points, recorded for Bill Clinton in 1992. Support for Clinton grew from 40% just before the Democratic convention, to 56% just after it. This turned Clinton's 8-point deficit against George Bush into a 22-point lead -- yielding a dramatic 30-point swing in the race. The 1992 situation was unusual, however, in that third party challenger Ross Perot dropped out of the race for President during the Democratic convention, creating a political vacuum which Bill Clinton was able to fill.

The next highest bounces in the Gallup records were both recorded for Jimmy Carter. In 1980 Carter entered the Democratic convention with only 29% support from registered voters and left with 39% -- a ten-point bounce. This lifted Carter from second place behind Ronald Reagan, to a tie for first place. Carter had a bounce of nearly the same magnitude in 1976, when he picked up nine points.

The Gallup Poll has recorded moderately high bounces of seven or eight points for three candidates since 1964: Michael Dukakis in 1988, Ronald Reagan in 1980, and Richard Nixon in 1968. Presidential candidates with average bounces of four to six points include Bush in 1992 and 1988, Reagan in 1984, Ford in 1976, Nixon in 1968 and Goldwater in 1964.

Bob Dole would hope not to follow the paths of Walter Mondale in 1984 or George McGovern in 1972. Both of these candidates ran against popular incumbent presidents, entered their conventions trailing substantially, and failed to show any increase in support as a result of their conventions.

Historical Bounce Statistics

The timing of a party's convention -- as either first or second on the calendar -- does not appear to significantly affect a candidate's bounce. The average bounce for the candidates whose conventions came first each election was just over six percentage points, compared to five points for those whose conventions came second. But if one excludes 1992 with Clinton's extraordinarily high bounce figures, that difference disappears. Between 1964 and 1988, the average bounce was about five points for all first conventions and four-and-a-half points for second conventions.

History also suggests that incumbent presidents are just as likely to benefit from a bounce as are challenger candidates. Again excluding 1992, the average convention bounce for incumbent presidential candidates is exactly six points, and for challengers just under six points.

Neither party seems to have an advantage when it comes to convention bounces, with the average being roughly the same for both. Across all eight presidential elections since 1964, the average convention bounce for both Republican and Democratic candidates was about five-and-a-half percentage points. Excluding 1992, the Republicans appear to have done slightly better historically, with an average bounce of five-and-a-half point compared to

the Democrats' four points.

SURVEY METHODOLOGY

The latest election results are based on telephone interviews with a randomly selected national sample of 1,003 registered voters, 18 years and older, conducted August 5-7, 1996. For results based on samples of this size, one can say with 95 percent confidence that the error attributable to sampling and other random effects could be plus or minus 3 percentage points. In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

Table 1.

POST-CONVENTION INCREASES IN SUPPORT.
1964-1992.....'

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1992..Bush.....	5 points.....'
1988..Bush.....	6 points.....'
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1984..Reagan.....	4 points.....'
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1980..Carter.....	10 points.....'
1976..Carter.....	9 points.....'
1976..Ford.....	4 points.....'
1972..Nixon.....	7 points.....'
1972..McGovren.....	0 points.....'
1968..Nixon.....	5 points.....'
1968..Humphrey.....	2 points.....'
1964..Johnson.....	0 points.....'
1964..Goldwater.....	5 points.....'

Table 2.

CONVENTION BOUNCE STATISTICS, 1964-1992....'
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Phil,

Considerable attention to the post-convention bump is given in Thomas Holbrook's Do Elections Matter. I believe it appears in chapter 4.

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Hi Phil,

Thomas Holbrook has a relevant chapter in his book "Do Campaigns Matter?"
(Sage, 1996).

Patricia

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That would be "Do Campaigns Matter," I think. Looks good. Many thanks
for the tip. Cheers, P.

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A Washington Post TV critic is aghast at the political incorrectness of

the CBS drama, "The District," which features a Great White Hope embarked upon rescuing D.C.'s police from various inept, clownish and nefarious black characters. The drama goes even farther in flouting conventions--the path to city's redemption is crime statistics and a heroine is, of all things, a statistician.

Albert Biderman

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Greetings, AAPORnetters!

The following is a report from the Washington-Baltimore Chapter to its membership regarding initiatives for 2000-2001. By posting this message to AAPORNET we seek to reach as many current and potential chapter members as possible, given that our current chapter membership list contains some but not all email addresses of its cherished members.

Of course, all AAPORnetters are welcomed to review & comment on the contents of this message... Moreover, you are encouraged to join us!

Please contact our Online Administrator, Jennifer Reed, if you wish to become a member of our chapter. Her email address is:

dc-aapor.admin@erols.com

And please send Jennifer your email address if you wish to be added to our chapter EMail list.

onward!

Rob Santos

DC-Baltimore Chapter President

***** BEGIN REPORT TO THE WASHINGTON-BALTIMORE CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP *****

July 12, 2000

Greetings, fellow Chapter members! Welcome to a new year of exciting Chapter activities!

To begin, I report on the outcome of our June 22 Annual Dinner. The

dinner appears to be successful on two fronts. First, fun was had by all! The food was tasty, and the door prizes (ranging from "edible bubbles" and a "bowl of fresh cherries," to a computer goddess/icon that "protects" against viruses) were appropriately unconventional for the crazy crowd that gathered that evening. (On a sad note, we bid a fond farewell and a "thanks for the memories & wonderful view" to the USA Today building because the organization will soon be moving. And we will need to change the location of our next annual dinner.)

Secondly, and of equal if not more importance, we completed a fair amount of planning work at our meeting! The 2000-2001 Chapter agenda was reviewed. The two initiatives (call for elections, and review of by-laws) were adopted with minor modifications. We decided to form an ad hoc program committee to plan and implement activities for the winter and spring of 2001. And we conducted a brainstorming session to identify needs of our chapter members and ideas for providing service to members and to the greater community. Details follow.

1. Call for Elections

This initiative calls for formal Chapter officer elections to be held in the fall of 2000 for the following offices:

Vice President (President-Elect)
Associate Chapter Secretary (Secretary-Elect)
Associate Treasurer (Treasurer-Elect)
Associate On-Line Administrator (Administrator-Elect)

The elected members would hold two-year offices, the first year as "associate" members, and the second year as the "officer." This is similar to the national AAPOR Council terms of office. Current Chapter officers would remain as interim officers to facilitate the transition process through March 2001.

This initiative was approved with the following amendments:

The Nominating Committee will amend the initiative as necessary to take into account the need for new "associate" officers in March 2001, when the terms of the current interim officers expire.

Tentative Schedule:

July 2000 President establishes Nominating Committee and announces a Call for Election Nominees
August Nominating Committee submits a list of nominees to the Chapter President; the President establishes an Election Committee
September Election ballots are issued to members
October Election Committee tallies ballots and announces results
November Elected officers begin terms as "Associates"
March 2001 Associates take office as "Full" officers

The Nominating Committee would be composed of five Chapter members appointed by the President, including the Past President (chair); one officer in the current Chapter Council; a member of the national AAPOR Council; and two Chapter members.

2. Call for Revision of By-Laws

This initiative was also approved. The AAPOR DC Chapter By-Laws are outdated and require revision in a number of areas, including but not limited to the organizational structure of the Chapter (e.g., officers and associated portfolios), membership categories, dues and services, and even the mission of the Chapter (i.e., Why does it exist? What are the principal objectives?)

An explicit issue to consider in reviewing infrastructure is the utility of establishing a Program Committee that would be responsible for soliciting presentations and developing other activities for the benefit of our membership.

The Chapter President will appoint a By-Law Review Committee, charged with reviewing our current by-laws and developing recommendations for amendment that would subsequently be considered by our Chapter members in one or more referenda. The Committee would be constructed similarly to the Nominating Committee: a former chapter president (or former officer if a past president is not available) would chair; one officer from the present chapter council; one member of the national AAPOR Council; and two members of the chapter.

Tentative Schedule:

July 2000	President appoints By-Laws Committee
November	Committee provides recommendations on by-law revision
January 2001	Referendum on revised by-laws
March	New by-laws take effect

3. Summary of the 2000-2001 Chapter Agenda

This year there are four principal agenda items in our Chapter agenda:

1) A call for formal elections, marked by the formation of a nominating committee, the nomination of candidates, and the implementation of an election by members.

2) The formation of a committee to review our chapter by-laws. The committee's work would culminate in one or more referenda to consider amendments to our current by-laws.

3) The establishment of a committee on member feedback to develop a low cost method to gather member input for use in Chapter service and event planning.

4) Continuation of our monthly seminar series on a diverse range of topics.

4. Brainstorming

We also conducted a brainstorming session at our Annual Dinner to gather members' thoughts, concerns, suggestions, ideas about the Chapter and how it might better serve our members and our community. Jennifer Reed

graciously accepted the job of compiling the notes from that session, and they appear later in this email message.

5. A Call for Greater Participation

The AAPOR Washington-Baltimore Chapter is your chapter. Make it work for you! We invigorate our chapter and develop ourselves professionally whenever we:

- * attend a Chapter session or activity
- * talk with fellow members about our jobs, our profession, or about Chapter business
- * volunteer our help in organizing and/or conducting Chapter activities
- * communicate needs, concerns, ideas, suggestions to the Chapter officers
- * invite a colleague to join national AAPOR and our local chapter.

The AAPOR Washington-Baltimore Chapter is committed to your professional growth. Help us to help you by participating!

INTERESTED?

If you are interested in participating on any of the proposed committees, would like to provide input to the committees, or would like to participate in the Chapter operations/activity, please contact Rob Santos at 202-261-5291 or email him at rsantos@ui.urban.org. The opportunity for participation at some level is assured.

***** BEGIN BRAINSTORMING REPORT *****

The following is our first cut on answering the questions: What makes our chapter distinctive? What do our members find valuable about belonging to DC-AAPOR? What would make chapter membership even more appealing and valuable?

Over the summer and fall these ideas will be explored and refined as we re-write our chapter by-laws and formulate the officer slates and programs for 2000-2001. Your suggestions and comments are welcomed and invited.

Contact chapter President Rob Santos at rsantos@ui.urban.org or dc-aapor.admin@erols.com. Rob Santos may also be reached by phone at 202-261-5291 or by mail at: Urban Institute, 2100 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037.

CONNECTING

- * Provide access to other professionals willing to assist with technical questions.
- * Schedule events that enable seeing old friends and making new friends.
- * Schedule more events that are primarily social - with wine!
- * Screen and broadcast individual members' email messages that could be of general interest to the chapter (career opportunities, resources, other events).

LEARNING/DEVELOPING

- * Offer short courses on technical topics similar to those offered at the national level.
- * Offer downloadable knowledge summaries of short courses and seminars so members who can't attend can still benefit. Offer printed versions to those not online.
- * Program events that share not only technical but personal perspectives of individuals and groups in the chapter, including government, academia, and business.
- * Program panels that debate different views of timely issues.
- * Publicize job postings as well as professionals who are available for new positions.
- * Provide transition counseling and a re-entry service for people leaving government for industry.
- * Provide opportunities for business development by commercial members.

ACCESSIBILITY

- * Hold events at locations easily reached by a variety of means, including Metro.
- * Maximize use of email by obtaining the address of all members willing to receive it.
- * Update the chapter directory; include not only contact information but notes on ways individuals are willing to be a resource for other members.
- * Provide the chapter directory as a printed booklet and as a downloadable file.
- * Build a chapter Web site using the national AAPOR site as a starting point.
- * As the "DC/Baltimore" chapter, explore ways to better serve Baltimore.

CONTRIBUTING TO THE PROFESSION

- * Explore ways to get young people interested in a career in survey research.
- * Make contact with university students and encourage them to do graduate studies in survey research: by speaking to survey classes about real-world opportunities, by holding career-promoting events on campus, by arranging internships.
- * Organize a mentoring program that links up survey professionals with upcoming graduate students.

CONTRIBUTING TO THE COMMUNITY

- * Create a speakers bureau and publicize it to local civic, education, and business groups.
- * Do outreach to the community by creating projects for younger students that use survey research concepts to challenge and educate them.

LISTENING TO THE MEMBERSHIP

- * Conduct qualitative research to learn what other members find valuable and distinctive about chapter membership, and what the barriers are to their joining and/or participating.
- * Conduct a member survey to identify which benefits are most desirable.
- * Provide channels that encourage and respond to member feedback on an ongoing basis.

These ideas were generated in the brainstorming session and in individual discussions at the DC-AAPOR June 22, 2000 annual dinner.

They were compiled and edited by Jennifer Reed, Online Administrator, on June 26, 2000. She can be reached via email at dc-aapor.admin@erols.com and by phone at 410-269-7813.

***** END BRAINSTORMING REPORT *****

**** END OF EMAIL MESSAGE ****

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annexations, tax incentives, land use, etc...)?

Thank you,

Charissa Brannon
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We have done many surveys on land use and tax incentives. What are you looking for?

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You can get a few ideas from here.

<http://www.cadsr.udel.edu/demography/presentations.htm>

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AAPORNETERS,

I'm looking for information on the e-term in response rate calculations (for example, as used in the AAPOR-4 formula) -- the percentage of phone numbers attempted in a telephone survey where eligibility is undetermined because no contact was made. What is the general range of this proportion in RDD national surveys? Are there any general guidelines or "rules of thumb" for calculating e -- beyond what is described in AAPOR's Standard Definitions? Also, was there a recent posting on this topic that can be accessed?

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Hi Sid:

So I see you left Market Facts - how are you doing and how are u happy?
Congratulations.

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Sid Groeneman [SMTP:sidg@his.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2000 10:03 AM
To: aapornet@usc.edu; sidg@dellnet.com
Subject: Help w/ e-term in response rate calculations

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From: Michael Butterworth <MXB@cbsnews.com>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Help w/ e-term in response rate calculations -Reply
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It is sometimes possible to estimate the number of eligibles in your sample from Census data and your sampling rate. The number will be Poisson distributed, so you have a known confidence interval. You can calculate a range of e values from that.

For short-term surveys with a large non-contact rate, this range of e values will be narrower than the range of 0 to 1 that you would use otherwise. I advocate this method of estimating e for that kind of survey, but I don't think this opinion is widely shared.

>>> Sid Groeneman <sidg@his.com> 07/26/00 12:02pm >>>

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To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: 80% of Republicans Unaware of When Party Convention Will Begin
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The good news? Few registered Republicans are likely to be caught by surprise by the major tv network coverage of their national convention.

-- Jim

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Wednesday, 26 July 2000 14:11 (ET)

MOST UNAWARE OF UPCOMING OF GOP CONVENTION

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., July 26 (UPI) -- Most Americans are unaware Republicans will hold their national convention next week, according to a new Harvard University poll.

The poll, released Wednesday, also found that most registered Republicans are not aware their party's convention is just days away.

The national poll, conducted by the Shorenstein Center at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, found that nearly 74 percent of those questioned didn't know when the convention would be held and another 6 percent said it was a month or so away. Only 19 percent said accurately that it would be held within a week or two.

Tami Buhr, a research coordinator for the center, said that while comparable data on awareness of past conventions was lacking, "it's clear that today's public -- in an era of fragmented audiences and declining news consumption and political interest--does not have this information."

The center noted that over-the-air broadcast networks recently announced a sharp cutback in the planned convention coverage. ABC and CBS will carry live coverage all four nights but for a total of only five hours each. NBC will televise the last two nights only, for a total of just two and a half hours.

Professor Thomas Patterson said that both those who intend to watch the convention and those who just happen to tune in will be fewer in number this year.

"Fewer people know enough to tune in," he said, "and fewer will just happen to see it because the networks have cut back on their broadcast hours."

The center said the poll indicated that those most aware of the timing of the convention were registered Republicans, but even among this group only 35 percent said the convention was just a week or two away.

The most poorly informed were young adults. Only 9 percent knew it was one

or two weeks away, and 85 percent did not know or guessed incorrectly that it was more than a month away.

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I would say this isn't surprising given how long its been since there was anything resembling a real race on both sides of the aisle. No one pays attention until after Labor Day anyway.

Also, as someone who pays attention to this sort of thing, unless it's on the 6PM news, no one is going to think about it, and at least around here, it's not been a headline news story at all.

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References: <85256928.007192C4.00@drione.directionsrsch.com>

However, if these figures stay the same (which is unlikely) how will it affect the traditional post-convention "bounce?"

Frank Rusciano

Bill Thompson wrote:

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Is anyone aware of where to find phone penetration rates and/or sample vendors (SSI does not RDD in the region) for the following Caribbean territories:

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Antigua and Barbuda
Barbados
Bermuda
British Virgin Islands
Cayman Islands
Dominica
Grenada

Montserrat
St. Kitts
St. Vincent
Grenadines

Thanks for any info you can provide.
Please email responses directly to me at: bzolling@fhsu.edu

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To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: "Paul J. Lavrakas, Ph.D." <lavrakas.1@osu.edu>
Subject: Help w/ e-term in response rate calculations

Sid,

I've been one of the people working on the revision of these AAPOR
guidelines, but am answering here based on my own knowledge and preferences:

The issue of how to deal with noncontacts in phone surveys is always
troubling, but some clear distinctions can be made. First not all
noncontacts are "equal," from an eligibility standpoint. That is many
noncontacts with a human being or with the selected respondent still ample
yield information that properly categorize the number as a household and
probably an eligible household in many, if not most, phone surveys. An
example of this is a number that constantly is a answering machine that is
clearly NOT a business number.

The problem is most challenging when numbers *always* end as "ring, no
answer." That is, the number never ends as any other outcome/disposition
when dialed. The proportion of these that are households will depend on how
many times the number has been dialed. At the Northwestern and Ohio State

survey centers I have directed, we've always treated numbers that were dialed at least 10 times, on different days of the week and times of day, and always ended as "ring, no answer," as highly unlikely to be residential. Response rates can then be reported eliminating these from the denominator and also by including some proportion of these to reflect a "range." When we use the latter capitulation, I typically add 5%-10% of the "ring, no answer" numbers dialed at least 10 time into the denominator; (this fraction comes from what I recall Groves and Kahn, 1979, reported about such numbers likley to be households). Regardless, we always report the rationale used in the response rate calculation. As can be seen, surveys that stop processing a "ring, no answer" with fewer callbacks should use a greater proportion of these in the denominator; ones that uses even more callbacks on these numbers would be even more confident that they are not hosueholds.

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>To: aapornet@usc.edu, sidg@dellnet.com
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With the upcoming political conventions, George magazine provided info to readers on the cast of characters that may be involved in commentary in their August edition. The following was reported about Frank Luntz:

"Frank Luntz

Luntz is the favored pollster of GOP leadership: He's done work for Senate majority leader Trent Lott and former Speaker Newt Gingrich (Luntz was later criticized by an industry group for dishonest work on Gingrich's Contract with America). Luntz may be identified as an independent pollster. Don't buy it. He comes from the right."

For AAPOR members who don't remember--there was an AAPOR Standards Case against Luntz which resulted in his censure.

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>From rday@rdresearch.com Thu Jul 27 13:06:49 2000
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by usc.edu (8.9.3.1/8.9.3/usc) with ESMTTP
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From: "Richard Day" <rday@rdresearch.com>
To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: calls back question
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calls back in a survey? For example, after the third call back (4 attempts)
who will I get, and how different are they from those I have already
interviewed?

What is the benefit of 20 calls back in terms of improving the
representativeness of the survey?

thank you

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Floor;Evanston;Il;60201
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Floor=3D0D=3D0AEvanston, Il 60201
URL:
URL:http://www.rdresearch.com
EMAIL;PREF;INTERNET:rday@rdresearch.com
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(PDT)
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Thu, 27 Jul 2000 17:04:32 -0400 (EDT)
Date: Thu, 27 Jul 2000 17:04:32 -0400 (EDT)
From: Scott Keeter <skeeter@osf1.gmu.edu>
To: Richard Day <rday@rdresearch.com>
cc: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: calls back question
In-Reply-To: <001601bff805\$951e9e80\$ab94e5cf@enteract.com>
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.4.21.0007271657510.23871-100000@osf1.gmu.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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The Pew Research Center for the People and the Press conducted a study that tested the impact of additional calls (plus other features of a rigorous protocol such as refusal conversions, prenotification letters, and incentives) on response rates and the distribution of responses to survey questions. The results are reported on the Pew Center's web site at

<http://www.people-press.org/resprpt.htm>

A forthcoming article in POQ is based on the study. A slightly older version of the manuscript for that article is available for downloading on my website at

<http://mason.gmu.edu/~skeeter/downloads.html>

The paper is entitled "Consequences of Reducing Nonresponse in a National Telephone Survey."

On Thu, 27 Jul 2000, Richard Day wrote:

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George Mason University MSN 3F4
Fairfax, VA 22030-4444
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Department fax 703 993 1399
Personal fax 703 832 0209
E-mail skeeter@gmu.edu
Web site <http://mason.gmu.edu/~skeeter>

>From brianr@marketdecisions.com Thu Jul 27 14:57:15 2000
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From: "Brian Robertson" <brianr@marketdecisions.com>
To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Sampling Error Calculations
Date: Thu, 27 Jul 2000 16:59:46 -0400
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A quick question about sampling error.

I was reading a study where the authors quoted the margin of error as plus or minus 2%. The study involved contacting households, but gathering data from the respondent about all household members. A total of just over 1000 households were contacted from which information was obtained on roughly 2300 individuals.

In such cases, is it appropriate to calculate margin of error based on the number of "people" on whom data was gathered (of which most weren't actually interviewed)? It seems a little strange since you've not actually spoken with the person.

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brianr@marketdecisions.com

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<DIV><A=20
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by is9.nyu.edu (8.9.3/8.9.3) with SMTP id SAA21121
for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Thu, 27 Jul 2000 18:31:36 -0400 (EDT)
Message-ID: <008501bfff81b\$2ea47b00\$8a897a80@nyu.edu>
Reply-To: "Adria Gallup-Black" <ag74@is9.nyu.edu>
From: "Adria Gallup-Black" <ag74@is9.nyu.edu>
To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Surveys of children and youth
Date: Thu, 27 Jul 2000 18:36:57 -0400
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Would anyone know of a national data set (or even published numbers) of =
the opinions of children and youth that can be aggregated at the =
municipal or county level? I know that there are several out there but =
none I've seen to date can be aggregated at anything lower than state =
level. I'm working on a longitudinal study that measures the well-being =
of children and youth in several selected cities around the country. =20

I'm looking specifically for a survey (or surveys) that captures how =
kids feel about school, feeling safe in school and in their =
neighborhoods, about relationships with adults (parents, teachers, =
etc.), and after school activities. I already know about the Youth Risk =
Behavior Survey, which covers a little of what I need, but unfortunately =
it doesn't isolate most of the cities in my study (which, by the way, =
are: Baltimore, Detroit, Oakland, Philadelphia, Richmond, Baton Rouge, =
Birmingham, Boston, Cleveland, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Newark, =
Pittsburgh, St. Louis, and Washington, DC).

Thanks in advance for any help you can provide,=20

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Research =
Scientist
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Date: Thu, 27 Jul 2000 15:55:01 -0700 (PDT)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
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>From IBM's own Web site
<http://www.av.ibm.com/HoaxFrame/TV/tv.html>
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Let's Watch TV,
but let's not forward hoaxes

by Dave Chess

The latest (May 2000) variant of the standard "just announced by IBM" virus hoax claims that IBM is warning the universe not to open mail with the subject line "Lets watch TV", because it contains a terrible new virus called "KALI" which, it says, "is a very dangerous virus, much worse than Melissa", and of course "there is NO remedy for it at this time".

IBM has not, of course, made any such announcement. This is just the usual hoax with the supposed deadly subject line and virus name changed. As usual, if this had been a real virus alert it would have included URLs or other contact information, and instructions on how to find more details. See our page on How to spot a virus hoax for more

hints; in general anything that asks you to "forward this warning to everyone that might access the Internet" is almost certainly something you should ignore.

[See original hoax message below]

Hi !

If you receive an email titled "Lets watch TV"
- DO NOT OPEN IT.

It will erase everything on your hard drive. This information was announced yesterday morning from IBM; AOL states that "KALI" is a very dangerous virus, much worse than "Melissa," and that there is NO remedy for it at this time.

Some very sick individual has succeeded in using the reformat function from Norton Utilities causing it to completely erase all documents on the hard drive. It has been designed to work with Netscape Navigator and Microsoft Internet Explorer.

It destroys Macintosh and IBM compatible computers. This is a new, very malicious virus and not many people know about it.

Pass this warning along to EVERYONE in your address book and please share it with all your online friends ASAP so that this threat may be stopped.

Forward this warning to everyone that might access the Internet.
Vincent Sim - Director, Sales & Mktg
DID(65)3666-138 PAGER:9406-1106

>From lfstephen@prodigy.net Thu Jul 27 18:49:27 2000
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by pimout4-int.prodigy.net (8.10.1/8.10.1) with SMTP id e6S1nOZ127764
for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Thu, 27 Jul 2000 21:49:24 -0400
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From: "Lowndes F. Stephens" <lfstephen@prodigy.net>
To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Query on Qualitative Analysis Software
Date: Thu, 27 Jul 2000 21:53:02 -0400
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Fax: (803)-777-4103
email: stephens-lowndes@sc.edu or lfstephens@prodigy.net

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Stephens<BR>Professor<BR>College of Journalism and Mass=20
Communications<BR>University of South Carolina<BR>Columbia, SC =
29208<BR>Phone:=20
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NICKNAME:Rick
ORG:University of South Carolina;College of Journalism and Mass =
Communications
TITLE:Professor
NOTE:Prodigy Password 6 Aug 99 is J802USC. user id is =
lfstephen@prodigy.net. Use primarily lfstephens@prodigy.net. Sally's =
password is "goofy." Her account is SallyStephens@prodigy.net
TEL;WORK;VOICE:(803) 777-2974
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 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Fri, 28 Jul 2000 00:06:21 -0400 (EDT)

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To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
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Rick: In case you are thinking about using SPSS' Textsmart, be careful. I have not tried their second version, but 1.0 was a disaster. It was a rather brilliant program idea with serious graphics, GUI, and slowness and crashing problems. I don't know about the others.

-- Josh

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-aapornet@usc.edu [mailto:owner-aapornet@usc.edu] On Behalf Of Lowndes F. Stephens
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2000 9:53 PM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Query on Qualitative Analysis Software

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<DIV>There are a number of qualitative =
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CDC EZ-Text; Ethnograph v.5.0 or HyperResearch 2.0?</DIV>

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O'Neil Associates Inc. is expanding a highly successful summer =
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ideal for an undergraduate or graduate student who wishes to take a year =
off to explore career opportunities and grow professionally.=20

The internship program. Past interns have been among the most capable =
and dedicated of students (two have been Rhodes Scholarship finalists). =
This position is ideal for a highly committed individual with an =
interest in learning how social science and opinion/marketing research =
is actually conducted in industry. Interns will gain firsthand =
knowledge, practical experience and insight into the entire research =
process, as well as highly marketable research skills. The training =
acquired in this program will be extraordinarily useful for someone =
intending to pursue research as a profession after graduation. Past =
interns have also found the experience highly useful in obtaining =
high-level employment in allied fields.=20

The Company. Our firm, established in 1981, is a full service public =
opinion/ market research firm serving a highly diverse clientele ranging =
from Fortune 100 companies, to government agencies, and nonprofits. We =
are small enough to provide real "hands on" experience, and are =
entrepreneurial, nonbureaucratic and growing. Applications will be =
accepted from both undergraduate and graduate students interested in the =

field of public opinion research. Paid internships are available for a full year appointment, one academic semester, and the summer of 2001. (A shorter, unpaid internship is available for the winter recess.)

Duties. The individual selected for this position will be exposed to all phases of the research process in a professional atmosphere. The intern will participate in study design, field operations, focus group research, a wide array of computer tabulation and data processing assignments, and, for someone with exceptional abilities, writing analytical reports. Most of our previous interns have undertaken analytical writing responsibilities, a tribute to their exceptional abilities.

Computer skills. The ideal candidate will possess a high degree of microcomputer literacy. At a minimum, to function in our work environment, one should be competent with Microsoft Word (or Windows-based word processing programs). Other relevant competencies would include proficiency with SPSS, Access or dBase, PowerPoint or Harvard Graphics, Web page design, PC networks, and BASIC or FORTRAN programming, but training and guidance will be provided to quick learners with a high degree of enthusiasm and dedication. Obviously, the more skill an individual has in this area, the faster he or she will progress and take on a wider array of tasks. A candidate who has a basic familiarity with the logic of social science data processing including such programs as SPSS or one of its many equivalents would be especially well qualified and would be in a position to become involved more quickly in our operations.

Candidate preferences. Candidates who have interest in the field of survey research or an allied field such as marketing, advertising, public relations, or applied social science as a career will be given preference. Computer skills, understanding of social science research methods and strong writing skills are pluses that will expedite progress.

Time commitment. In order to maximize the mutual value of the program, we will give first consideration to those willing to commit to work a full year, an entire semester or an entire summer. Interns working an entire semester or entire summer will be paid \$400 per week. (We also offer a shorter, unpaid, internship over the winter recess).

Housing. Housing in the Tempe area in the summer is plentiful and reasonably priced. We are located less than two miles from a large student community (Arizona State University, student population 45,000) with the concomitant massive summer vacancy. We can provide assistance with the logistics of locating housing.

To apply. Interested candidates should e-mail a letter outlining their interests with some specificity along with a resume to oneil@oneilresearch.com or mail the information to: Internship Program, O'Neil Associates Inc., 412 East Southern Avenue, Tempe, Arizona 85282. We also recommend that interested candidates see our web page, www.oneilresearch.com to find out more about our firm and the internship program (including essays from former interns). In light of the approaching fall semester, applications for that term will be accepted on a first-come first served basis and will be acted on promptly.=20

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I like SPSS. For the SAS aficionados (I wish I were bright enough and had enough money to count myself among them), DBMS Copy has much of the underlying SAS tools built in for a tiny percentage of the price.

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Si vous avez besoin d'une réponse immédiate, veuillez s'il vous plaît contacter Marc McCarthy au (613) 759-7392 (Ottawa) ou Claude Perreault au (514) 283-3815 poste 485 (Montréal).

I will be outside of the office until Monday August 14, 2000, at which date I will read your message.

If you need immediate assistance, please contact Marc McCarthy at (613) 759-7392 (Ottawa) or Claude Perreault at (514) 283-3815 ext. 485 (Montreal).

Merci ! / Thanks !

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John Tukey, 85, Statistician Who Coined 2 Crucial Words

By DAVID LEONHARDT

John Wilder Tukey, one of the most influential statisticians of the last 50 years and a wide-ranging thinker credited with inventing the word "software," died on July 26 in New Brunswick, N.J. He was 85.

The cause was a heart attack after a short illness, said Phyllis Anscombe, his sister-in-law.

Tukey developed important theories about how to analyze data and compute series of numbers quickly. He spent decades as both a professor at Princeton University and a researcher at AT&T's Bell Laboratories, and his ideas continue to be a part of both doctoral statistics courses and high school math classes. In 1973, President Richard M. Nixon awarded him the National Medal of Science.

But Tukey frequently ventured outside of the academy as well, working as a consultant to the government and corporations and taking part in social debates.

In the 1950s, he criticized Alfred C. Kinsey's research on sexual behavior. In the 1970s, he was chairman of a research committee that warned that aerosol spray cans damaged the ozone layer. More recently, he recommended that the 1990 Census be adjusted by using statistical formulas in order to count poor urban residents whom he believed it had missed.

"The best thing about being a statistician," Tukey once told a colleague, "is that you get to play in everyone's backyard."

An intense man who liked to argue and was fond of helping other researchers, Tukey was also an amateur linguist who made significant contributions to the language of modern times. In a 1958 article in American Mathematical Monthly, he became the first person to define the programs on which electronic calculators ran, said Fred R. Shapiro, a librarian at Yale Law School who is editing a book on the origin of terms. Three decades before the founding of Microsoft, Tukey saw that "software," as he called it, was gaining prominence. "Today," he wrote at the time, it is "at least as important" as the " 'hardware' of tubes, transistors, wires, tapes and the like."

Twelve years earlier, while working at Bell Laboratories, he had coined the term "bit," an abbreviation of "binary digit" that described the 1's and 0's that are the basis of computer programs.

Both words caught on, to the chagrin of some computer scientists who saw Tukey as an outsider. "Not everyone was happy that he was naming things in their field," said Steven M. Schultz, a spokesman for Princeton.

Tukey had no immediate survivors. His wife of 48 years, Elizabeth Rapp Tukey, an antiques appraiser and preservation activist, died in 1998. Tukey was born in 1915 in New Bedford, a fishing town on the southern coast of Massachusetts, and was the only child of Ralph H. Tukey and Adah Tasker Tukey. His mother was the valedictorian of the class of 1898 at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, and her closest competition was her eventual husband, who became the salutatorian. Classmates referred to them as the couple most likely to give birth to a genius, said Marc G. Glass, a Bates spokesman.

The elder Tukey became a Latin teacher at New Bedford's high school, but, because of a rule barring spouses from teaching at the school, Tukey worked as a private tutor, Anscombe said. Tukey's main pupil became her son, who attended regular classes only for special subjects like French. "They were afraid that if he went to school, he'd get lazy," said Howard Wainer, a friend and former student of John Tukey's.

In 1936, Tukey graduated from nearby Brown University with a bachelor's degree in chemistry, and in the next three years earned three graduate degrees, one in chemistry at Brown and two in mathematics at Princeton, where he would spend the rest of his career. At the age of 35, he became a full professor, and in 1965 he became the founding chairman of Princeton's statistics department.

Tukey worked for the U.S. government during World War II. Friends said he did not discuss the details of his projects, but Anscombe said he helped design the U-2 spy plane.

In later years, much of his important work came in a field that statisticians call robust analysis, which allows researchers to devise credible conclusions even when the data with which they are working are flawed. In 1970, Tukey published "Exploratory Data Analysis," which gave mathematicians new ways to analyze and present data clearly.

One of those tools, the stem-and-leaf display, continues to be part of many high school curriculums. Using it, students arrange a series of data points in a series of simple rows and columns and can then make judgments about what techniques, like calculating the average or median, would allow them to analyze the information intelligently.

That display was typical of Tukey's belief that mathematicians, professional or amateur, should often start with their data and then look for a theorem, rather than vice versa, said Wainer, who is now the principal research scientist at the Educational Testing Service.

"He legitimized that, because he wasn't doing it because he wasn't good at math," Wainer said. "He was doing it because it was the right thing to do."

Along with another scientist, James Cooley, Tukey also developed the Fast Fourier Transform, an algorithm with wide application to the physical sciences. It helps astronomers, for example, determine the spectrum of light coming from a star more quickly than previously possible.

As his career progressed, he also became a hub for other scientists. He was part of a group of Princeton professors that gathered regularly and included Lyman Spitzer Jr., who inspired the Hubble Space Telescope. Tukey also persuaded a group of the nation's top statisticians to spend a year at Princeton in the early 1970s working together on robust analysis problems, said David C. Hoaglin, a former student of Tukey.

Tukey worked as a consultant to the Educational Testing Service, Xerox Corp. and Merck & Co. From 1960 to 1980, he helped design the polls that the NBC television network used to predict and analyze elections.

His first brush with publicity came in 1950, when the National Research Council appointed him to a committee to evaluate the Kinsey Report, which shocked many Americans by describing the country's sexual habits as far more diverse than had been thought. From their first meeting, when Kinsey told Tukey to stop singing a Gilbert and Sullivan tune aloud while working, the two men clashed, according to "Alfred C. Kinsey," a biography by James H. Jones.

In a series of meetings over two years, Kinsey vigorously defended his work, which Tukey believed was seriously flawed, relying on a sample of people who knew each other. Tukey said a random selection of three people would have been better than a group of 300 chosen by Kinsey.

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FOCUS GROUP RAISES CONCERNS ABOUT CHENEY

By PAUL SINGER and SHAUN WATERMAN

PHILADELPHIA, July 30 (UPI) -- A group of undecided voters convened by Republican pollster Frank Luntz said Sunday that the more they learn about Republican vice presidential candidate-to-be Dick Cheney, the less they like him.

The group, an unscientifically chosen focus group assembled here by Luntz to track reactions to the Republican convention throughout the week, also played a game of "political survivor," in which they chose which well-known politicians to eject from national politics. Beginning with 10 top personalities - including presumptive Republican presidential nominee George W. Bush, Al Gore and Jesse Ventura -- the last "survivor" left standing was Hillary Clinton.

The Luntz focus group was sponsored by YROCK.com, a Web site and Internet service run by the National Young Republicans.

The 36 uncommitted voters were split evenly in thirds among registered Democrats, Republicans and independents, and all said they had not firmly settled on whom to vote for this year. Twenty-four members of the group said they voted for President Bill Clinton in 1996, while nine voted for GOP candidate Robert Dole, two voted for Reform Party founder Ross Perot and one voted for Green Party candidate Ralph Nader. Luntz said the heavy Clinton vote makes the group less representative than other focus groups.

Nevertheless, pushed by Luntz to make a choice at the end of the event, 16 said they would vote for presumptive Democratic Party presidential nominee Gore, 19 said they would vote for Bush and one said he planned to vote for Green Party candidate and consumer advocate Nader.

Luntz's staff said the focus group was the first it knows of to test the impact of Cheney's selection on independent voters. Several in the group said they had favorable views of Cheney when he was first named, but as they have heard more about his record, they have come to view him as a detriment to the GOP ticket.

One Republican woman in the group said she had an initially positive view of Cheney, "but I saw him interviewed on the morning talk shows today -- little scary now." A male participant said Cheney "was in his father's Cabinet. ... I think [George W. Bush] should do something on his own."

Of the 36 voters in the group, only one said the selection of Cheney made him more likely to vote for Bush. Four said they were less likely to vote for Bush because of Cheney.

Several people in the group said they are concerned about Cheney's record of consistently voting against gun control. One man said "being against banning plastic handguns -- that's ridiculous. I believe in the Second Amendment [which protects the right to bear arms], but not that much."

Several participants said they dislike Cheney because he was secretary of defense in 1991 when the Pentagon decided to shut down the Philadelphia Navy Yard, which cost the region 10,000 jobs. Luntz pointed out that this local concern could skew the views of the Philadelphia focus group, making it hard to generalize to a broader, national population. But the Navy yard was only one of dozens of military bases that were closed under Cheney's watch through the Base Realignment and Closure process.

"It's not just in Philadelphia, they remember in Fort Worth, Texas, too, and all over the country," said Molly-Beth Malcolm, chair of the Texas State Democratic Party.

Luntz also led the group thorough the survivor game, beginning with 10 photos on a bulletin board: Bush; Gore; Nader; Bill Clinton; Hillary Clinton; Rev. Jesse Jackson; Minnesota Gov. Ventura; U.S. Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.; Reform Party presidential candidate Pat Buchanan; and Attorney General Janet Reno. After several elimination rounds -- "How many of you would vote to throw ----- out of politics forever?" --- only Hillary Clinton and Gore were left standing. And after a final vote, Gore was gone.

Luntz told UPI afterward that the survivor game is a good gauge of the

depth of negative feeling generated by the various political figures, though to be more scientific, it would require more time than the half-hour allotted during the Sunday session.

Bush campaign spokesman Dan Bartlett said Sunday that Cheney's role in base closures is unlikely to have a broad negative impact on the campaign, in part because the closure decisions were made by a non-partisan expert panel.

"The tenure of Secretary Cheney at the Pentagon had a high water mark when he oversaw the Persian Gulf War. Most people appreciate his leadership," Bartlett said. As far as base closure goes, "that could cut both ways" because the Clinton administration tinkered with the commission process in 1996, changing the decisions of the expert panel in order to favor key political regions, Bartlett alleged.

To the degree people have a negative view of Cheney, it is because the Gore campaign is "focused on negative attack politics" and is attempting " a very improbable bank-shot" to damage Bush by attacking Cheney, Bartlett said.

"The American people are going to vote in November based on who the president is [going to be]." The voters will decide based on "Gov. Bush and his ideas and his agenda," he concluded.

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RICK BLOWS PAST HILL

By ROBERT HARDT Jr.

Turning from a political unknown into a front-runner in two months, Long Island Rep. Rick Lazio has pulled ahead of Hillary Rodham Clinton by 7 points in the Senate race, a stunning new Post poll shows.

Lazio's advantage - 49.6 percent to Clinton's 42 percent - is technically slightly within the poll's margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points, meaning Lazio could be up by as many as 15 points or as low as a tie with the first lady.

But it shows a significant voter shift to the Suffolk County legislator.

The survey of 605 likely voters, conducted by Zogby International on Thursday and Friday, found Lazio doing better than in any other poll conducted since he entered the campaign on May 20 after Mayor Giuliani suddenly dropped out.

"The race has really become all about her," said pollster John Zogby.

"When Giuliani was running, the vote was a little bit about him, but now that he's gone, it's more or less a statewide vote on Hillary," he said.

Lazio, a Republican, now has commanding leads upstate (56.4 percent to 35.9 percent) and in New York City's suburbs (58.6 percent to 32.9 percent) while Clinton's stronghold remains the heavily Democratic five boroughs (60.6 percent to 30.1 percent).

"She's clearly been spending a lot of time upstate and is doing well in the upstate cities but the anti-Hillary vote is very, very powerful in the rest of the region," Zogby said.

"In addition, we are now seeing Lazio's numbers in the suburbs pick up where Giuliani's left off, which is a real hurdle for Hillary," he said.

Zogby said that Clinton's biggest problem is that a bedrock 38.2 percent of those polled have a "very unfavorable" opinion of her.

"Those are people who really aren't going to change their minds about a candidate," he said.

But 32.2 percent have a "very favorable" opinion of the first lady.

Factoring in people who have "somewhat favorable" and "somewhat unfavorable" opinions, Clinton's favorables lead slightly, 49.6 percent to 47.8 percent.

Lazio's "very unfavorable" rating is just 12.7 percent while his "very favorable" rating is 27.4 percent.

Factoring in the "somewhats," more people have a favorable opinion of the six-term congressman, 56.3 percent, to 29.6 percent unfavorable.

About 13 percent of those polled said they aren't yet familiar enough with Lazio to have an opinion about him - voters who will undoubtedly be targeted by the Clinton campaign.

Factoring in Green Party candidate Al Lewis and Independence Party candidate Jeff Graham, Lazio's lead over Clinton shrinks, 45.9 percent to 41.1 percent.

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How about a letter to UPI and major newspapers from AAPOR leadership
explaining
why FG's are not representative and why Frank should be ignored?

This just goes to show Luntz really is just a "media-whore". He'll do
anything
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Since Frank Luntz is again a subject for AAPORNET, I thought I might add a
personal touch. I taught with Luntz about 10 years ago in a summer program
held at Georgetown for outstanding high school students. He had just
returned from England and was a real ball of energy, quite excited about
being in the classroom. He related quite well with his students, but not so
well with his colleagues, with whom he shared very little. For example,
when I found out that he had done some polling in New York, I tried on
several occasions to talk with him about it, but I couldn't get any answers
from him--he wouldn't even tell me the supplier of his telephone numbers.
But my favorite Frank Luntz story had to do with a bet he made with his
students. It seems the class was talking about drugs and their
availability. Frank said he could score within 15 minutes of leaving the

Georgetown campus and his students took him up on the bet. So Frank cruised the neighborhood with a carload of students from his class--and he won! Needless to say, the program administrators were horrified when they found out about it.

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Now we know why his numbers are so far off the mark!