
Date: Wed, 28 Aug 2002 11:20:27 -0700
Sender: AAPORnet American Association for Public Opinion Research
<AAPORNET@ASU.EDU>
From: Shapard Wolf <shap.wolf@ASU.EDU>
Subject: October 2001 archive - one BIG message

This is the USC listproc archive of aapornet messages for this entire month. It is one big message, just the way the USC archive stored it. You can search within this month with your browser's search function.

Turning this into individual messages that Listserv can index and sort means a lot of reformatting. We will do this as time permits. Meanwhile, the search function works, so we have as much functionality as before. New messages are of course automatically formatted correctly--See August & September 2002.

Some of the early months have been completed. Take a look at them for an idea of how AAPORNET got started. (Thanks, Jim!)

Shap Wolf
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Begin archive:

Archive aapornet, file log0110.
Part 1/1, total size 2180881 bytes:

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>From rusciano@rider.edu Mon Oct 1 07:13:53 2001
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by listproc.usc.edu (8.10.1/8.10.1/usc) with ESMTP
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by enigma.rider.edu (PMDF V5.2-31 #37528)
with ESMTP id <01K8ZELSYD4C000HT7@enigma.rider.edu> for aapornet@usc.edu;
Mon, 01
Oct 2001 10:15:27 -0400 (EDT)
Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 10:12:06 -0400
From: Frank Rusciano <rusciano@rider.edu>
Subject: Data set for teaching methods of political analysis
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Message-id: <3BB879B6.F42E4692@rider.edu>
MIME-version: 1.0
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Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit
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References: <sba4be6d.046@mori.com>

Dear friends,

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Please reply to me personally, as I don't think most members of AAPOR would have an interest in the answers.

Thanks.

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rusciano@rider.edu

>From pmeyer@email.unc.edu Mon Oct 1 07:32:13 2001
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for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:32:01 -0400 (EDT)
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by login9.isis.unc.edu (8.9.3/8.9.3) id KAA42978;

Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:32:01 -0400
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:32:01 -0400 (EDT)
From: Philip Meyer <pmeyer@email.unc.edu>
X-Sender: pmeyer@login9.isis.unc.edu
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: Data set for teaching methods of political analysis
In-Reply-To: <3BB879B6.F42E4692@rider.edu>
Message-ID: <Pine.A41.4.21L1.0110011027070.29554-100000@login9.isis.unc.edu>
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SPSS has a new product that solves this problem. It is a \$37 edition that is just like the full version except that it locks itself up when the semester is over.
I think it is called SPSS for Students.

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Philip Meyer, Knight Chair in Journalism   Voice: 919 962-4085
CB 3365 Carroll Hall                     Fax: 919 962-1549
University of North Carolina             Cell: 919 906-3425
Chapel Hill NC 27599-3365               http://www.unc.edu/~pmeyer
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Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 21:12:44 -0700 (PDT)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Britons most depressed in Europe (Reuters)
Message-ID: <Pine.GSO.4.21.0110012100160.3280-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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BRITONS MOST DEPRESSED IN EUROPE

LONDON (Reuters) - Britons are the most depressed people in Europe, according to a new study.

Depression affects more women than men and is more common in urban areas, according to findings published on Monday in the British Journal of Psychiatry.

Scientists compared patients in Britain, Spain, Finland, Norway and Ireland, looking at groups in busy cities and rural villages.

"Depressive disorder is a highly prevalent condition among working age adults in Europe," the report's authors, including Professor Greg Wilkinson, of the University of Liverpool, said in the report. "Rural communities show a lower prevalence

of
depressive episodes."

More than 14,000 people aged from 18 to 65 were randomly selected to take part in the study, the first of its kind to cover Europe.

Researchers chose Liverpool and Dublin as their UK and Ireland urban research centres. The Vale of Clywd in Wales and the Irish county of Laois were the rural test centres.

Researchers found that across Europe, 7.9 percent of women and 5.2 percent of men suffered from depression.

The figures were much higher across the UK and Ireland, particularly in towns and cities.

Some 21 percent of urban UK women were prone to depression, compared to only 4.7 percent in rural areas.

One in 10 men in UK cities suffered depression -- the figure was halved among men in the country.

The study found Spain had the lowest levels of depression with barely figures of barely two percent.

In Finland and Norway there was not much difference between rates of depression in town and country, with the figure hovering between four percent and ten percent.

The report concluded that fair treatment should be brought in across Europe to tackle depression.

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>From SKIPCAMP@aol.com Tue Oct 2 04:57:33 2001
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04:57:32 -0700

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From: SKIPCAMP@aol.com
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for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Tue, 2 Oct 2001 07:56:49 -0400 (EDT)
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by
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2001
07:56:49 -0400
Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 07:56:49 EDT
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To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
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Message-ID: <c1.14b9556f.28eb0581@aol.com>

Hi Ed,

Try Price Club, they can place the order. I find the Sprint card has the
best
per
minute price for orders like these. You may try calling Sprint directly at
1-888-203-2821 but I have never order directly from the vendor. Good luck,
Skip

>From richclark32@netscape.net Tue Oct 2 06:26:24 2001
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by listproc.usc.edu (8.10.1/8.10.1/usc) with ESMTTP
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for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Tue, 2 Oct 2001 09:25:34 -0400 (EDT)
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2001
09:25:33 -0400
Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 09:25:33 -0400
From: richclark32@netscape.net (Rich Clark)
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Dropped from the list
Message-ID: <44C9B8D2.60C63A8B.517C9290@netscape.net>
X-Mailer: Atlas Mailer 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1

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Does
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--Rich Clark
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>From Neumand@umkc.edu Tue Oct 2 07:41:56 2001
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[134.193.143.48])
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with
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Tue, 2 Oct 2001 09:41:43 -0500
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X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 5.1
Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 09:51:11 -0500
To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: Dale Neuman <Neumand@umkc.edu>
Subject: Re: Dropped from the list
In-Reply-To: <44C9B8D2.60C63A8B.517C9290@netscape.net>
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>From simonetta@artsci.com Tue Oct 2 08:19:33 2001

Received: from usc.edu (root@usc.edu [128.125.253.136])

by listproc.usc.edu (8.10.1/8.10.1/usc) with ESMTMP

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08:19:32 -0700

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id <TZT2TFTH>; Tue, 2 Oct 2001 11:17:54 -0400

Message-ID: <91E2D5E92CF5D311A81900A0248FC2F33225B3@AS_SERVER>

From: Leo Simonetta <simonetta@artsci.com>

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

Subject: RE: Dropped from the list

Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 11:17:53 -0400

MIME-Version: 1.0

X-Mailer: Internet Mail Service (5.5.2650.21)

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"

Did you have a temporary Internet or email outage?

Our DNS got messed up bouncing all our mail (as a permanent fatal error) in late August and early September and I got dropped from the list so that my bounce messages didn't drive the group, posters or our peerless leaders crazier.

I thought AAPORnet was being awfully quiet until I decided to try a post myself.

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Leo G. Simonetta
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simonetta@artsci.com

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

> From: Dale Neuman [mailto:Neumand@umkc.edu]

> Sent: Tuesday, October 02, 2001 10:51 AM

> To: aapornet@usc.edu

> Subject: Re: Dropped from the list

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>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Tue Oct 2 08:29:21 2001
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(PDT)
Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 08:29:21 -0700 (PDT)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Re: Dropped from the list
In-Reply-To: <44C9B8D2.60C63A8B.517C9290@netscape.net>
Message-ID: <Pine.GSO.4.21.0110020723060.24913-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I reply to Rich Clark on our list, for whatever value this might have for each of you:

If you are dropped from AAPORNET without requesting to be, you should first check with the computer people who run the local system (university, government agency, commercial firm, etc.) you are using, or else those at your own commercial service. The most common reason to be bounced from AAPORNET is that one's own computing account has exceeded its storage limit for accumulated messages, your system thereafter bounces new messages back to their senders, and the listproc software that runs AAPORNET eventually concludes that your subscription is no longer operational (as indeed it is not) and drops it. In short, you have been snubbed by the software (I have myself been thusly snubbed, more than once, so I know the feeling). Your local computer people are really the only source of information for problems such as this--all you yourself look like to the software is a string of bounced messages.

Only two people can drop you from AAPORNET without your permission: Marlene Bednarz <mbednarz@umich.edu>, in the AAPOR central office in Ann Arbor, and me, Jim Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>, on the USC computing system, which provides all of its support and services for AAPORNET without any charge (as almost any American university would certainly do, for an association like AAPOR, but of course). Although I can't say for certain, I'm pretty sure that Marlene's assistants in the AAPOR office do occasionally take over the

responsibilities of her own computing account, including adding and removing AAPOR members to and from our list, when she is not online--certainly an excellent policy for serving us all. And all of these various strategies, combined, make the modest work of running our list even much less work than most of you will probably imagine (translation: Marlene does most of the work).

I don't believe that either Marlene or I would ever drop anyone from our list, intentionally, without first informing you personally of our intention, and explaining our reason for our action. I know that I have never dropped anyone at all, except at the personal request of the member. Such requests are especially common from people about to leave their accounts for extended vacations. Requesting suspensions from AAPORNET for a long vacation might well save you from the overflowing mail problem mentioned above. If so, please simply contact Marlene or me, at the email addresses above, shortly before you leave (and, don't forget, a second time, upon your return).

-- Jim

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>From Lydia_Saad@gallup.com Tue Oct 2 08:31:05 2001
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Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 10:30:24 -0500
MIME-Version: 1.0
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To follow up on my note to aapornet last week about the AP headline,
'Consumer
Confidence Plunges Following Terrorist Attacks,' here's another AP story
misreporting
the Conference Board data. In particular, see paragraph 4.

Remember, most of the Conference Board surveys (some 88%) were returned
before
September 11. The decline in confidence they show only mirrors what several
consumer
surveys found in early September, prior to the attack.
>From all these surveys (Conference Board, ABC/Money, Gallup, etc.) it
>seems
clear that consumer confidence took a hit in late August/early September,
possibly
due to the worsening unemployment figures. But the Conference Board
September
data
offers no insights about the consumer post-September 11 (they don't claim to
in their
own release). Nevertheless these AP (and
other) misleading stories continue. Misleading because they suggest cause
and
effect
between the attack and the drop in confidence in September. Lumnaries as
distinguished
as Robert Rubin seem to have accepted this association as a fact.

There is also a reference to Michigan's consumer sentiment index for
September
in
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Public ready for war but patient

By Ralph Z. Hallow

THE WASHINGTON TIMES <http://www.washtimes.com/national/20011002-30712039.htm>

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The Washington Times

EDITORIAL . October 2, 2001

The protests of disgust

They had to come, the anti-International Monetary Fund/World Bank protesters who gathered in Washington over the weekend. A little thing like 6,000-plus dead Americans wasn't about to change their minds-besides, it had taken them minutes and minutes to redo their cardboard placards to announce that violence isn't the answer and that America is the problem.

Perhaps those sentiments, more than any other, explain why they gathered on Saturday at Freedom Plaza. One protester wore a t-shirt that read, "I'm afraid of Americans." Another shirt proclaimed, "Columbus was the original terrorist." Others denounced "America's racist war" and "American imperialism." A few speakers actually expressed regret for the terrorist attack, but most seemed to think that the United States had it coming. They were denouncing America at such an aggrieved pitch that all dogs within earshot were barking and small furry rodents were scurrying away at top speed.

Perhaps the critters couldn't bear the sight of the crowd, where dirty yellow signs screamed that revenge is bad, youths in burnt umber costumes decried the famine in Afghanistan, and anarchists in black sweatsuits suspiciously lingered in the background.

There was also a heavy pink patina: Passing out pamphlets were what seemed to be every communist not tenured at Berkeley, attired in suits whose manufacture (and last laundering) probably occurred during the October Revolution. Not that anyone was reading the pamphlets. Perhaps they simply couldn't.

The organizers of the protest certainly couldn't count, which, coupled with their probable room temperature IQs, might help explain why they estimated the crowd

at 25,000. After all, a sixth-grade level of math does little good when you run out of fingers and toes and body piercings ("Seventeen, eighteen . . . 25,000"). Arresting the lot of them would have rocketed up the test scores at campuses around the country. Police estimated the crowd marching up Pennsylvania at 4,500, far fewer than were brutally murdered during the Sept 11 terrorist attacks.

There were no commemorations for the people who perished at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon or the crash in Pennsylvania. No one seemed to care about the widows and the orphans. The large-denomination donations requested were not even set aside for disaster relief. In fact, aside from journalists and a few courageous and patriotic counter-protesters, not a single person seemed to be thankful for their hard-won freedom, that which enables protesters to spit in Uncle Sam's face. Nor did it seem to matter that such behavior would have gotten them bloodied in Beijing and killed in Kabul.

America is too good for these people - the major-league practitioners of the protests of disgust.

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Area codes:
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North American Numbering Plan:
<http://www.nanpa.com/>

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and some training books & videos from same site:
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From: Voigt, Lynda [<mailto:lvoigt@fhcrc.org>]
Sent: 02 October 2001 10:54 AM
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In response to an increasingly asked question...

HOW TO ACCESS THE AAPORNET ARCHIVES

(Yes, every word ever posted to AAPORNET is available to all members of the
list, any
time, day nor night, even on major holidays.)

*** To: listproc@usc.edu , with *NO* subject header, send the one-line
command: get aapornet logYYMM
where YY is the two-digit year (1999 is 99, etc.) and

where MM is the two-digit month (03 is March, etc.)

NOTE: The archives are available in one-month chunks only; they are *NOT* available by days, weeks, years, decades, or centuries

*** FOR EXAMPLE, to get the January 1999 archive,
send to: listproc@usc.edu
the one-line command: get aapornet log9901
and *ABSOLUTELY NOTHING ELSE*

Within a minute or two after sending this, you will receive, from listproc@usc.edu, and with your own one-line command in the subject header, a massive file with every message received during January 1999, in the order posted.

To find then the topic of interest to you, you will do best to search the archive by keywords using your own internet mail software.

Because of the size of most monthly archives, I cannot personally recommend that you order more than one in a single message--the server can handle more, but I'm not sure you wish to have more than one sitting in your mail files at any one time.

-- Jim

Here's the beginning of the January 1999 archive, as mailed to me...

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AAPOR might have gained an important supporter of its position on Census sampling estimation. The latest estimates reported in the Washington Post today are that Illinois will just barely miss losing a seat in the 2000 reapportionment. Thus, Illinois might be one of the states that would

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There's a Wiley Series in Telecommunications that's pretty technical & costly. Telecommunications System Engineering, by Freeman & Digital Telephony by Bellamy are about \$100 each.

Bill McCready

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At 01:53 PM 10/2/01, you wrote:

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You might contact your local phone company and ask for an explanation.....there are lots of local technicians who do understand and would be flattered to "teach" you how they work.

Another possibility is to contact a science teacher at a local high school and ask for references.

Dick Halpern

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So how does "groupthink" relate to "spiral of silence"? Is the sociology professor an example of a "stubbornly vocal deviant" in spiral of silence terminology?

We've had sessions on this at AAPOR in recent years, but for those who aren't familiar with the work of Elisabeth Noelle-Neumann, the Spiral of Silence is a model of why people are unwilling to publicly express their opinions when they believe they are in the minority. If I remember correctly from grad school, she believes that people have a "sixth sense" to know what the majority thinks, and are generally quiet when their own beliefs are not popular.

That's why the polling tactic that Allen suggested earlier is so important--of not just asking folks what THEY think, but also asking what they think most Americans think. That approach should provide some interesting data for analysis along these lines.

I've never been a big fan of this theory, but there have been some interesting data on dissent during the Gulf War and Bosnia conflict that does tend to support the spiral of silence. It would be interesting to see how this compares. But my guess is that an attack on American soil makes it a very different ball game, something new we haven't had to deal with before.

(And I feel a bit ashamed to find anything about this whole ghastly situation to be "interesting.")

Colleen

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Thanks Allen Barton for clarifying that Rev. Moon owns The Washington Times, sorry

for that omission. He is apparently distant from the editorial page and reporting of

the newspaper (?!). Although The Times has a conservative readership in Washington,

I expect and hope the editorial staff of the Times is far more contemptuous than most

towards the protest, I don't know. Here is a related op-ed by Michael Kelly ("Phony

Pacifists") published in The Washington Post today:

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A61527-2001Oct3.html> Mark Richards

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Folks,

Here's a timely and important topic, I think, in search of
of few good probability samples.

The unscientific results are nevertheless somewhat
frightening, at least for us Jeffersonians. I wouldn't
mind at all if a major national scientific survey would
find that most Americans are far more wary of surveillance
by big government and big business than are the visitors
to the Business Week website.

Perhaps the results are best understood from the five
tables of results at the very bottom of the Business Week
report below.

-- Jim

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NEWS ANALYSIS

Scan Faces, Not E-Mail

That's the message we got from readers in our online poll about
freedom vs. security, taken after the Sept. 11 attacks

More extensive background checks when applying for a job or renting a home
aren't
so troubling, but more surveillance by law-enforcement agencies of e-mail
and
phone
calls isn't such a good idea. Those are just some of the results of
BusinessWeek

Online's recent interactive poll, "Personal Freedom vs. National Security." Over the course of three weeks, 1,344 of our readers responded to this poll -- which, having used a self-selected sample, isn't a scientific survey by any means.

Still, your responses are intriguing. While they failed to show strong support for a wholesale rollback of personal freedoms, the results indicate that a sizable portion of those who took the survey would be willing to agree to significant changes to fight terrorism. For example, 45.6% of respondents said they'd be "very willing," and 22.5% said they'd be "somewhat willing" to submit to more exhaustive vetting as part of a job-application process. An additional 7.6% said the practice "doesn't matter" to them. In sum, 75.7% of all respondents aren't concerned about more invasive background checks.

As for the controversial practice of installing facial-recognition scanners in public places and transportation hubs, some 43.1% said they'd be "very willing" to accept this step, and 17.4% said they were "somewhat willing." An additional 7.5% said it "doesn't matter." So nearly 73% of respondents would have no real problems with facial-recognition systems that could be used to spot terrorists, among other things.

JIMMY, GERRY, AND RON. While most respondents probably don't want Larry Ellison running a national ID card system (the outspoken Oracle chief offered his company's software for free to power such an effort), 47.3% said they'd be "very willing" to submit to such a system, 16% said they'd be "somewhat willing," and 5.8% said it "doesn't matter" to them. In total, just over 69% of respondents said they could accept national IDs, a concept that has been rejected by such politically disparate Presidents as Jimmy Carter, Gerald Ford, and Ronald Reagan.

We recorded far less support for more scanning of e-mail and more listening-in on phone calls. Only 22% of respondents said they'd be "very willing" to have more surveillance on these communications, while 21% said they'd be "somewhat willing," and 6% said it "doesn't matter." In contrast, 33.4% said they'd be "very

unwilling"

to submit to these steps, and 16.2% said they'd be "somewhat unwilling."

So on the question of additional wiretapping and e-mail surveillance, respondents were split nearly 50-50. Likewise, on the question of installing government-mandated surveillance devices -- a.k.a. Carnivore boxes -- respondents were evenly split pro and con, with 10% saying they "don't know" how to answer.

The upshot? To help thwart terrorism, our survey takers seem willing to accede to some reductions in personal freedom or to some extensions of existing surveillance systems. After all, national ID cards merely take Social Security numbers and driver's license numbers one step further. And facial recognition automates the type of surveillance that now takes place with video cameras everywhere. But more access to private communications systems, where we share our thoughts and feelings, remains a tough sell.

How willing would you be to see:

1) More extensive background checks when applying for a job or buying/renting a home?

Option	Total	%
Very Willing	612	45.60 %
Somewhat Willing	302	22.50 %
Doesn't Matter to Me	102	7.60 %
Somewhat Unwilling	114	8.49 %
Very Unwilling	206	15.35 %
Don't Know	6	0.45 %

2) Facial-recognition scans in public places and transit hubs?

Option	Total	%
Very Willing	577	43.12 %
Somewhat Willing	233	17.41 %
Doesn't Matter to Me	101	7.55 %
Somewhat Unwilling	139	10.39 %
Very Unwilling	274	20.48 %
Don't Know	14	1.05 %

3) National identification cards?

Option	Total	%
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Very Willing	632	47.31 %
Somewhat Willing	214	16.02 %
Doesn't Matter to Me	78	5.84 %
Somewhat Unwilling	92	6.89 %
Very Unwilling	292	21.86 %
Don't Know	28	2.10 %

4) More surveillance by law-enforcement agencies of e-mail and phone calls?

Option Total %

Very Willing	294	21.99 %
Somewhat Willing	282	21.09 %
Doesn't Matter to Me	81	6.06 %
Somewhat Unwilling	217	16.23 %
Very Unwilling	446	33.36 %
Don't Know	17	1.27 %

5) Are you now more willing to accept the installation and use of sophisticated, government-mandated surveillance devices to track e-mail at your ISP than you were before the Sept. 11 attacks?

Option Total %

Yes	603	45.07 %
No	594	44.39 %
Don't Know	141	10.54 %

By Alex Salkever in New York

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For lucid descriptions of the history of telecommunications and the technology behind it, explained for non-engineers, try <http://www.TelecomWriting.com>. You will also find some book recommendations and excerpts posted there.

Jan Werner
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> I don't have a comprehensive text to refer to, but here are some links
> with bits & pieces:
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> General phone history:
> <http://phworld.netfirms.com/>
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> Area codes:
> <http://www.lincmad.com/index.html>
>
> North American Numbering Plan:
> <http://www.nanpa.com/>
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> and some training books & videos from same site:>
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> -----Original Message-----
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Lynda,

Here are some references from folks in IT who belong to a telecom user
list....

The Irwin Handbook of Telecommunications by James Harry Green.

For campus administrators the recommended book has been "Campus
Telecommunications
Systems Managing Change" 131-page book published in 1995 *Written by campus
telecommunications professionals and consultants *Provides a broad
understanding of
the campus telecom environment * Intended
audience: the non-technical university administrator who may not have direct
responsibility for telecommunications, but who needs to understand the
environment in
which the telecommunications manager functions as well as basic technological
concepts. Order from the ACUTA e-Store at
<http://www.acuta.org/dynamic/store/store.cfm?CategoryID=9&do=list>.

The best reference book is Newton's Telecom Dictionary, not a reading book,

but
explains technology and acronyms in terms you can understand.

I found "The Essential Guide to Telecommunications" (second edition) by Annabel Z. Dodd to be informative, thorough, and written in plain English with good definitions and information not just on telecom but on the entire spectrum of electronic communications. While it's subject matter is general it is a good overview of telecommunications technology and convergence. I recommend it as a good starting place.

LAN Times Guide To Telephony by David Bezar published by McGraw Hill

Hope these prove helpful.

Bill McCready

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For the fun of it sent this report off to some friends in England -- and they were appalled. Why? Because the results were based on respondents living in Liverpool which they, as Londoners, describe as one of the most depressed cities in England. As one friend said who lives in Southern England, he too would be depressed if he lived in Liverpool. It is pretty dark and dismal.

How the researchers could talk about UK women when the only ones they talked to live in Liverpool is beyond me. And for Reuters to headline its article with "BRITONS MOST DEPRESSED IN EUROPE" is amazing all by itself. Be interesting to know what other cities in Europe were chosen to be "representative".

This kind of research and journalism taints the reputation of both. I'd be curious to know what Bob Worcester thinks -- but I think I can guess.

Dick Halpern

I At 12:12 AM 10/2/01, you wrote:

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> LONDON (Reuters) - Britons are the most depressed people in Europe,
> according to a new study.
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> Depression affects more women than men and is more common in urban
> areas, according to findings published on Monday in the British
> Journal of Psychiatry.
>
> Scientists compared patients in Britain, Spain, Finland, Norway and
> Ireland, looking at groups in busy cities and rural villages.
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> "Depressive disorder is a highly prevalent condition among working
> age adults in Europe," the report's authors, including Professor Greg
> Wilkinson, of the University of Liverpool, said in the report. "Rural
> communities show a lower prevalence of depressive episodes."
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> More than 14,000 people aged from 18 to 65 were randomly selected to
> take part in the study, the first of its kind to cover Europe.
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> Researchers chose Liverpool and Dublin as their UK and Ireland urban
> research centres. The Vale of Clywd in Wales and the Irish county of
> Laois were the rural test centres.
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> Researchers found that across Europe, 7.9 percent of women and 5.2
> percent of men suffered from depression.
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> The figures were much higher across the UK and Ireland, particularly
> in towns and cities.
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> Some 21 percent of urban UK women were prone to depression, compared
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> to only 4.7 percent in rural areas.
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> One in 10 men in UK cities suffered depression -- the figure was
> halved among men in the country.
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> The study found Spain had the lowest levels of depression with barely
> figures of barely two percent.
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> In Finland and Norway there was not much difference between rates of
> depression in town and country, with the figure hovering between four
> percent and ten percent.
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> The report concluded that fair treatment should be brought in across
> Europe to tackle depression.
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A colleague of mine, Jon Gould, sent me this question. Since he's not an AAPOR member, I offered to forward it to the list. Reply to me privately and I'll forward responses to him -- or reply to the list since the topic is relevant to some discussions we've been having online lately. Thanks,
Scott

Keeter

Query:

Do you know of any polls or studies that specifically asked respondents to define "what it means to be American"? I know that researchers often try to answer this question, but if I'm correct don't most pollsters use a battery of questions to estimate various aspects of the American experience (e.g., tolerance, respect for diversity, etc.)? Can you think of either quantitative or qualitative studies that directly ask respondents to define what "America" is, or what it means to be an American?

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

Cc: "'skeeter@gmu.edu'" <skeeter@gmu.edu>

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This is in response to Scott Keeter's posting in search of surveys asking what

it

means to be an American.

The "Looking for America" survey, conducted in August 1997 for Wisconsin Public

Television asks a number of questions about "What it means to be American."

This was

a national survey of 800 adults, conducted by Princeton Survey Research Associates

between 7/31/97 and 8/17/97. The dataset is archived at the Roper Center for Public

Opinion Research at the University of Connecticut.

(www.ropercenter.uconn.edu)

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I summarize the results of two key batteries below:

(1): Things that make America different from all other countries (% saying makes different):

Freedom of Speech (87%)

Freedom of Religion (85%)

Blending of many cultures into one culture (79%)

Opportunity for poor to get ahead (77%)

Motivation for exploration (74%)

Opportunity for generations to live better (72%)

Belief in self-reliance (72%)

Emphasis on money as measure of success (58%)

Children don't get guidance from parents (55%)

High rates of crime and violence (54%)

Problems with race relations (49%)

(2) Things that make AMERICANS different from people in other countries (% saying Americans are more...than people in other countries)

Materialistic (82%)
Individualistic (78%)
Self-Indulgent (77%)
Optimistic (74%)
Generous (69%)
Patriotic (63%)
Job-Oriented (60%)
Friendly (56%)
Creative (54%)
Rude (42%)
Hard-Working (41%)
Violent (41%)
Family-Oriented (35%)
Religious (32%)
Honest (31%)

Notes:

For analysis 1, percent responding "Don't know" ranges from 2% to 7%.
Repercentaging
excluding Don't know, or ranking by percent saying "No" does not change rank order.
For analysis 2, percent responding "Don't know" ranges from 3% to 8%.
Ranking
by
percent saying "No" changes order of Religious (63% say NO) and Honest (61% say NO).

Respondents selected using "youngest male/oldest female" method.

Data weighted by undocumented "Weight" in Roper Center file.

Full question text:

(1) "We'd like to know in what ways, if any, you think the United States is different from ALL other countries. As I read you a list of possible ways the U.S. is unique, tell me which ones you think make the country different?"

"(First,) what about (INSERT ITEM - READ AND ROTATE) Does this make the U.S. different from all other countries, or not?"

"Freedom of Speech"

"Freedom of Religion"

"The blending of many cultures into one culture"

"The opportunity for a poor person to get ahead by working hard"

"The opportunity for each generation to live better than their parents"

"A belief in self-reliance, that people should be responsible for their own well-being"

"An emphasis on money and material possessions as the main measure of success"

"A motivation to explore new frontiers, on land, in space, and science"

"Children and teenagers not getting proper guidance from parents"

"High rates of crime and violence"

"Major Problems with race relations"

(2)

"Now we'd like to know in what ways, if any, you think the AMERICAN PEOPLE are different from people living in other countries. As I read you a list of possible ways the American people are unique, tell me which ones you think make Americans different."

"(First), do you think Americans are more...(INSERT ITEM-READ AND ROTATE) than people in other countries, or not?"

"Materialistic"

"Individualistic"

"Self-Indulgent"

"Optimistic"

"Generous"

"Patriotic"

"Job-Oriented"

"Friendly"

"Creative"

"Rude"

"Hard-Working"

"Violent"

"Family-Oriented"

"Religious"

"Honest"

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> -----Original Message-----
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> Sent: Thursday, October 04, 2001 2:01 PM
> To: aapornet@usc.edu
> Subject: Query: What is an American?
>
>
> A colleague of mine, Jon Gould, sent me this question. Since
> he's not an
> AAPOR member, I offered to forward it to the list. Reply to
> me privately
> and I'll forward responses to him -- or reply to the list since the
> topic is relevant to some discussions we've been having online lately.
> Thanks,
> Scott Keeter
>
> Query:
>
> Do you know of any polls or studies that specifically asked
> respondents
> to define "what it means to be American"? I know that
> researchers often
> try to answer this question, but if I'm correct don't most
> pollsters use a battery of questions to estimate various
> aspects of the American experience (e.g., tolerance, respect for
> diversity, etc.)? Can you think of either quantitative or
> qualitative
> studies that directly ask respondents to define what "America" is, or
> what it means to be an American?
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> --
>
> Scott Keeter
> Dept. of Public and International Affairs
> George Mason University MSN 3F4
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Chase,

Thank you for taking the time and trouble to post this to our list.

I forwarded just the rankings to a friend in Canada who is an editor on one of that country's major daily urban newspapers.

He says the rankings are almost the same as the relative frequencies for the comparable pejorative terms which Canadians most often use to *criticize* Americans generally--something I think we ought to take as high praise for the methodology used in the study you report.

To quote directly from my friend's message to me:

"Fascinating. The Canadian media appear to portray Americans as they, in fact, see themselves. Because the media are so often accused of misrepresenting groups, this is noteworthy.

"I should add that qualities which Americans may see as positive (e.g. Individualistic, Optimistic, Patriotic) are often portrayed as negative (e.g. selfish, naive, militaristic) by SOME Canadian media."

So--congratulations to all responsible for this study!

And, that said, I must ask: Are there surveys--like the one you report here--which attempt to do what my friend, in effect, does immediately above: Compare and contrast the ways a people see themselves with the ways they are perceived by other peoples, outside their own country?

-- Jim

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Dear colleagues:

Has anyone done any studies of how children of various ages reacted to the events of September 11, or of how parents dealt with their children's exposure to the news images of the events. I'd appreciate any reports of research done or under way.

Leo Bogart

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Cary,

This is my area. I would love to see what you folks have a VCU,
questionnaires,
reports, whatever.

Is this going to become a Public Use dataset?

Thanks very much,

Susan

At 05:34 PM 10/5/01 -0400, you wrote:

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<excerpt><bigger><bigger>Dear Colleagues in Survey Research,

Virginia Commonwealth University has just released a national survey
on new
developments in science. The VCU Life Sciences Survey looks at public views
about
scientific progress, stem cell research, genetic testing and discrimination.
The
survey also touches on which groups providing information are most trusted in
these
areas (the media come out
poorly!) and finds stark differences in opinion between those who are more
and
less
religious.

A copy of the survey report is available on the web site at
<<<http://www.vcu.edu/lifesciencessurvey>>>www.vcu.edu/lifesciencessurvey I
would
be
happy to send you a copy via mail or email. Let me know if I can answer any
questions.

Cary Funk

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Sorry, list. Didn't even mean to send this to everyone once, let alone
apparently
twice.

Susan
Susan Carol Losh, Ph.D.
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It's in the mail to you. I'll check about the public use dataset issue and the timeline for that.

Cary

At 11:34 PM 10/6/01 -0400, you wrote:

>Cary,

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>This is my area. I would love to see what you folks have a VCU,
>questionnaires, reports, whatever.

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>Is this going to become a Public Use dataset?

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>Thanks very much,

>Susan

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>At 05:34 PM 10/5/01 -0400, you wrote:

> >>>>

>>Dear Colleagues in Survey Research,

>> Virginia Commonwealth University has just released a national
>> survey on new developments in science. The VCU Life Sciences Survey
>> looks at public views about scientific progress, stem cell research,
>> genetic testing and discrimination. The survey also touches on which
>> groups providing information are most trusted in these areas (the media
>> come out poorly!) and finds stark differences in opinion between those
>> who are more and less religious.

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>>A copy of the survey report is available on the web site at

>><<<http://www.vcu.edu/lifesciencessurvey>><http://www.vcu.edu/lifesciencessurvey>

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>>[www.vcu](http://www.vcu.edu/lifesciencessurvey)

[u.edu/lifesciencessurvey](http://www.vcu.edu/lifesciencessurvey)

>>I would be happy to send you a copy via mail or email. Let me know if I
>>can answer any questions.

>>

>>Cary Funk

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>>Dr. Carolyn L. Funk Associate Professor of Political Science and

>>Public

>>Administration Director, The Commonwealth Poll Center for Public Policy

>>919 W. Franklin Street, PO Box 843061 Virginia Commonwealth University

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Thanks in advance.

Chris Garcia

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To: "'aapornet@usc.edu'" <aapornet@usc.edu>
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Susan Pinkus
Director, LA Times Poll

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

From: F. Chris Garcia [SMTP:cgarci@unm.edu]

Sent: Monday, October 08, 2001 12:37 PM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Cc: F. Chris Garcia
Subject: Latino/Hispanic Oversamples?

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To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: "Andrew E. Smith" <andrew.smith@unh.edu>
Subject: UNH Survey Center Position Opening
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The University of New Hampshire Survey Center has an opening for an experienced survey researcher in Durham NH. Minimum qualifications are an MA and 5 years survey research experience. Applicants should have strong analytic skills, proficiency in SPSS, and excellent written and oral communication skills. CATI experience is desirable.

For more information, see the UNH Human Services web site
<http://www.unh.edu/hr/employ/pat/01-pat.htm>

Interested parties should send a cover letter and resume to: Andrew Smith UNH Survey Center Thompson Hall G16 University of New Hampshire Durham, NH 03824

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Would appreciate any insight y'all may have on this....

My team has been hired to evaluate a pilot project in South Florida designed to offer health coverage for those who are currently without health insurance.

At the initial appointment when the outreach worker interviews the family to see which coverage they qualify for and will best meet their needs, our research team also has the opportunity to collect some data via a short questionnaire that clients fill out themselves, with pencil and paper. We're thinking one page, repeated in Spanish on the other side of the sheet.

I would love to hear from anyone who has tried this before. I am wondering if you felt y'all got good data, and how much a problem it was for clients to read and understand the instrument? (Can outreach workers help those with literacy issues?)

Thanks bunches,

Colleen

Colleen K. Porter
Project Coordinator
cporter@hp.ufl.edu
phone: 352/392-6919, fax: 352/392-7109
University of Florida,
Department of Health Services Administration
Location: 1600 SW SW Archer Road, Rm. G1-015
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NYAAPOR presents its first evening meeting of the season...

WAR, TERRORISM, AND THE MIDDLE EAST: PUBLIC OPINION AT HOME AND ABROAD

Gary Langer, ABC News
Tom Miller, RoperASW
David Moore, The Gallup Poll
Moderated by Murray Edelman, Editorial Director, Voter News Service

Date: Wednesday, October 17, 2001
Refreshments: 5:30-6:00 p.m.
Presentation: 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Place: The Lighthouse, Benay Venuta Hall, 111 E. 59th Street (between Park
and
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and peace
- * Middle-Eastern values and feelings toward the U.S.
- * Methodological considerations when conducting research in times of crisis
- * And other topics

Attendance is by advance reservation only. If you are planning to attend,
RSVP
by
Monday, October 15th.

To reserve your place, please E-mail MGMTOFFICE@aol.com or call (212) 684-
0542.

This meeting is free for current members, student members and HLMs. Non-member students: \$5; All other non-members: \$15.

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Does anybody has information or links to sites with public opinion research outside USA after the bombings? More specifically about local responses to the call to participate in the Alliance against terrorism?

Ulises Beltran
BGC, S. C.
Mexico.

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From: "Feinberg, Geoff" <GFeinberg@roper.com>
To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2001 11:15 AM
Subject: NYAAPOR meeting on October 17

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> This meeting is free for current members, student members and HLMs.
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To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
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I commend LA Times Poll for being a leader in recognizing distinct Latino-American thought as part of CA's thinking, and where it matters most-at the voting booth. I'd love to see more ethnic-and other group-over-sampling reported on a regular basis. This might increase knowledge and understanding, and I love that. Also, LA Times Poll shows the N, so you can decide your comfort level (I like 100 for demos). Thanks
Susan Pinkus. All the best from the East, where I'm wishing for wisdom and peace,
Mark Richards

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

From: owner-aapornet@usc.edu [mailto:owner-aapornet@usc.edu] On Behalf Of Pinkus, Susan
Sent: Monday, October 08, 2001 4:50 PM
To: 'aapornet@usc.edu'
Subject: RE: Latino/Hispanic Oversamples?

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Director, LA Times Poll

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All the more reason to say:

"May the forced choice be with you."

Jim Caplan

Arlington

Reply to:

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We are in the field with a national multi-mode survey that includes a data
collection
instrument that is mailed to households.

Last night we started to pick up reluctance among a very small proportion of
RDD
households (linked directly to news recently about bio-terrorism
possibilities) to receiving a mailing from a survey company.

In the spirit of AAPOR, I am sharing this information and hoping others will
be
willing to share any experiences they are having with mail surveys response
rates in
the coming weeks.

Thanks, PJL

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This is consistent with the Census Bureau's experience. Experimental research conducted during Census 2000 shows that on self-administered mail questionnaires, about 21% of Hispanics left the race item blank. Missing data are edited and imputed in the census.

(If you would like a copy of the paper describing the research, please email me offline.)

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Please respond

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We recently completed a mail membership survey in Puerto Rico in which we asked ethnicity and race. We first asked if the individual was Hispanic or Latino. We then asked race. We got about a 7% no answer on race. The survey was available to our members in both Spanish and English - so it was a population that was often primarily Spanish speaking.

Gretchen Straw
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AARP

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The full survey is available at <<http://www.vcu.edu/lifesciencessurvey/>>

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Americans Welcome Scientific Advancements with Caution
Life Sciences Survey Conducted by the VCU Center for Public Policy

RICHMOND, Va. i;½?" Americans are extremely supportive of the giant strides being made in science and technology but also are very concerned about the moral implications inherent in areas such as stem-cell research and genetic testing, according to a new nationwide survey conducted by Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond.

The VCU Life Sciences Survey was conducted with 1,122 adults nationwide. The margin of error for the poll is +/- 3 percent. Highlights of the survey found that:

Scientific Progress and Moral Values

An overwhelming majority of Americans (85 percent) believe that science and technology have made society better, but at the same time a majority (72 percent) also believe that science doesn't pay enough attention to moral values. More religious Americans are especially likely to think that science doesn't pay enough attention to moral values.

Americans are more confident about the capacity of science and medicine to solve problems associated with disease than they are about society's capacity to address

many other problems. 83 percent are confident that genetic research will lead to major advances in the treatment of diseases during the next 15 years. 73 percent believe it is likely that mortality rates from cancer will be reduced by half in the next 15 years compared to only 20 percent who think the crime rate will be reduced by half and 31 percent who said the number of deaths from truck and automobile accidents will be reduced by half.

Stem Cell Research

Medical research that uses stem cells from human embryos is favored by a 48 to 43 percent plurality. There are clear divisions in viewpoint over stem cells depending on the importance of religious beliefs. 71 percent of those who say religion is not important to them favor stem cell research compared to 38 percent who say religion provides a great deal of guidance in their life. At the same time, the vast majority of Americans (78 percent) believe that ethical concerns over stem cell research are serious.

The public is more likely to trust information on stem cell research from scientific researchers and medical ethicists than information that comes from other groups. 86 percent say they would trust information on stem cell research that comes from scientific and medical researchers and 81 percent would trust information from specialists in medical ethics. This compares with 58 percent who would trust information from family and friends on this issue, 54 percent from religious leaders, and 46 percent from the media.

Genetic Testing and Discrimination

A clear majority (77 percent) believe that genetic testing should be made easily available. Six in ten report they would get tested if it was easily available and even more (67 percent) would get their children tested if it was easily available.

Large majorities believe that genetic testing results will lead to discrimination by health insurance companies and employers. 84 percent believe that health insurance companies will deny coverage and 69 percent believe that employers will deny people jobs because of genetic testing results. Americans are almost evenly

split (by 46 to 43 percent) over whether it is even possible to prevent discrimination from genetic testing results.

On the issue of which groups or individuals can protect people from the misuse of genetic information, large majorities express confidence in physicians, genetic counselors, and scientists. Just under half, 47 percent, have confidence that the federal or state government can protect people from misuse of this information. Confidence in the media is strikingly lower than any other group asked about. Only 21 percent of Americans have confidence in the media to protect people from the misuse of this information.

Trust and the News Media

While a 45 percent plurality say they would turn first to the news media to learn more about stem cell research, few appear to trust the information provided by the media. Trust for the media on this issue was lower than that for all but one group in the U.S. Congress. Similarly, fewer people expressed confidence in the media to protect people from the misuse of genetic information than did so for any of ten other groups.

Religion, Catholics, and Science

While the Roman Catholic leadership has been active in the debate against stem cell research, Catholics in America hold views quite similar to the public at large on stem cells. The same holds for opinion on abortion. More religious Americans depart sharply from other Americans on new developments in science and medicine. Those who are more religious are more likely to oppose stem cell research, are less likely to think the benefits of genetic research outweigh the risks and are more likely to believe that "science doesn't pay enough attention to moral values."

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Hi,

Has anyone heard of a polling firm called Dresner, Wickers & Associates, Inc.
or
DW&A, Inc.?

They are cited in an ad in local newspapers as having conducted a survey on a
local
political issue. The question wording was highly leading (and often
misleading), and
they are quoted as giving a "careful review" to the results of these highly
biased
questions, which leads to the conclusion the sponsors wanted published. DW&A
also
claims a margin of error of plus or minus 4, when the standard formula gives
a
confidence interval or 4.87 at 95%.

Clearly, the only reason for conducting this "poll" was to use its
predetermined
results as the contents of an ad designed to mislead the public as to the
state of
public opinion on a contentious issue. It seems to me to be clearly
unethical/unprofessional. Is there any AAPOR (or CASRO) position on such
surveys?

Also does anyone have any comments on this firm? Reply on- or off-list
(hank@surveysystem.com), as seems appropriate.

Thank you all very much,

Hank

Hank Zucker, Ph.D.
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It is my impression that some individuals who consider themselves to be
Hispanic see
the race question as asking for the same information a second time. I base
this
observation on a lot of cognitive interviews I did during the 1990's with
individuals
primarily of Mexican descent, who after answering the question on the U.S.
Census
form, "Is this person Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?" thought the next question,
"What is
this person's race?" was redundant, and would state something like, "I've
already
answered this question, I'm Mexican. That's my race." I do understand that
the
first
question concerns an ethnicity, and the second question is about race, and
thus the
reasons for asking people who are Hispanic to answer both questions.

I have wondered, again based upon cognitive interviews, if the presentation
of
many
"country" categories in the race question, including, e.g. Asian Indian,
Chinese,
Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, conveys to some respondents the idea

that
these race categories aren't really different than the ethnicity
categories (e.g.
Mexican, Puerto Rican or Cuban) in the preceding question. And, it has been
my
impression that people who feel they have already answered a question are
likely NOT
to answer a question the second time it is asked. I don't know an easy
solution to
this problem, but would be interested in knowing of any solutions found by
others.

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

From: owner-aapornet@usc.edu [mailto:owner-aapornet@usc.edu] On Behalf Of
Margaret
Roller
Sent: Wednesday, October 10, 2001 10:58 AM
To: INTERNET:aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Hispanics by Race

I am seeing many survey respondents who identify themselves as Hispanic skip
the race
question. I am trying to get a feeling for how typical or atypical this is.
In
consulting the Census data and chatting with someone in the race branch, I
see
that
all Hispanics are accounted for under one of the race categories, i.e., every
Hispanic included in the Census identified with a race. When asked about no
answers,
I was told that every attempt was made to place a Hispanic person in a race
slot
regardless of whether a race was specified.

My question is: What levels of no answer or "don't know" have you folks
received
from Hispanics in answer to the race question? [This may be another question
for
Susan Pinkus...Susan?]

Thanks.

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Hi Chris,

I am virtually positive that both GSS and NES do NOT oversample
Latinos. They just do not have the \$\$ to do so.

The people who could absolutely confirm this are:

Tom Smith (PI of GSS, at U of Chicago)
Mike Traugott (Heads Center for Polit. Studies at IRS Michigan)

both are in the AAPOR directory (Tele # & Email address)

let me know if you want the ir contact data.

Rob

Date sent: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 13:37:18 -0600
Send reply to: aapornet@usc.edu
From: "F. Chris Garcia" <cgarcia@unm.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Copies to: "F. Chris Garcia" <cgarcia@unm.edu>
Subject: Latino/Hispanic Oversamples?

Dear AAPORnet Colleagues,

Does anyone among you know whether or not the NES or the GSS oversamples for
Latinos/Hispanics on a regular basis? (Or even if
they
do so occasionally?...or if any other major, ongoing surveys balloon their
Hispanic

samples regularly?)

Thanks in advance.

Chris Garcia

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We look forward to seeing you on October 26.

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My own experience with this matter in RDD telephone surveys from my university-based days is that when you first ask for someone's ethnicity and then ask for their race, with an open-end wording of the race question (e.g., What race or races do you consider yourself?) , a significant minority of those who gave a "Hispanic" answer to their ethnicity will say that are the same for their race and when you probe them for another answer (e.g., Native American, White, Black, Other) many will still insist that their race is Hispanic or Latino/Latina or Chicano/Chicana.

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Colleagues: I have a former student working in market research who has asked me something I can't answer. I am hoping someone on the list can give some citations for data. He is faced with a client who insists things such as a regional or even "professional" accent causes bad data. As he writes "a client who refuses to use our phone center because some of the interviewers have mid-west and southern accents. Pronunciation is fine, it's the accents he doesn't like."

Has anyone any data on this impact or a good citation.

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Field experiments as well as qualitative research conducted at the Census Bureau suggest that the perceived redundancy of the race and Hispanic origin questions is reduced when Hispanic origin precedes race in the questionnaire. The item nonresponse for Hispanic origin is much lower, and Hispanics are less likely to report their race as "Some other race" and write in Hispanic--though many still do this even in the reversed order. Item sequencing does not fully solve the problem, but it helps.

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I apologize if this is going to the whole list, but I wasn't sure where to send this.
Apparently I was dropped from the list on September 20th. What do I need to do?

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One solution to this issue is the use of a single question format where
"Hispanic" is
included as one of several alternatives with the five other categories of
race.
Hispanic becomes a mutually exclusive classification for what can be termed
"race or
ethnicity" and leave ambiguous whether one is referring to "race" or
"ethnicity."

This is the way data collection in higher education has generally been done -
and is
currently being done - for years. The September 1997 Federal guidelines and
the
January 2001 guidelines for government collection and reporting of race and
ethnicity
leave ambiguous whether race and ethnicity should be collected as two
independent
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(they
must use two questions) nor for Federally funded research (they must use two
questions). But at least one sector of the economy (higher education) is
likely to
continue to collect race/ethnicity data as a single question and to report it
to the
National Center for Education Statistics as a single formatted variable

(although someone may be more up-to-date on collection forms than my last involvement with this issue).

Of course the problem with the single question format is that Census is typically not releasing the data in mutually exclusive categories even though older nomenclature such as "black, non-Hispanic" and "white, non-Hispanic) implies that this is a necessary calculation -- especially for anyone dealing with longitudinal data.

Thus survey researchers wishing to calculate representativeness or weighting factors according to "known" race/ethnicity in the population at large would be at a loss with a single question format in their questionnaire.

But the pre-2000 census experiments suggested that the two question format currently being used resulted in very little reduction in the calculations of those identifying as either black or white. The greatest reduction was among American Indians and, to a lesser extent, Asians. My description is not exactly what the experiment was designed to do (which was to compare the order of the race and ethnic question), but logically the research implies that a single question format would not produce different results in the population for Hispanic, black, and white populations than would the procedures that were actually adopted for Census 2000. ETS and the College Board -- again for a higher education population -- have also done research on the comparison between the two formats.

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At the Center for Health Studies (in Seattle) we've fielded (via CATI) a few
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that combine the race and ethnicity questions. We used the following
response
categories:

- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Black or African American (not Hispanic)
- Native American
- Spanish or Hispanic
- White or Caucasian (not Hispanic)
- Other

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- Asian
- Pacific Islander
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- Other (SPECIFY)

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As many of the studies we field are NIH funded, I am expecting most of our
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with NIH guidelines.

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All these problems with the "race" self-designation of "Hispanics" certainly show that "race" is a social construct with varying correlations with skin color, language, national origin of self and ancestors, and other indicators. It is particularly interesting that so few "Hispanics" mention native-American (American Indian) ancestry, which is historically an important part of the ancestry of Mexicans and many other Latin American populations. What did the new census "multiple choice" on race produce for these groups? Is being a mestizo considered such a bad thing, or have the questions used by survey researchers failed to offer "Caucasian (European) and Native-American (Indian)" as an option? There is now some pride attached to being "African-American." How about pride in Native-American ancestry among people of Latin American origin?

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Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2001 10:37 AM
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> issue to my attention. The results: 1/3 of respondents with Hispanic
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In our state of California, also with a high proportion of Hispanics, we routinely use only one question about ethnicity. What we have found when forced to use the two-question formulation is that many Hispanics are insulted when we ask them if, in essence, they are anything else. I personally don't see any merit in insulting our respondents for the sake of what to them is, at best, a technicality.

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AAPORnetters interested in more readings on this issue might check:

American Anthropological Association, Response to OMB Directive 15: Race and
Ethnic
Standards for Federal Statistics and Administrative Reporting.
(<http://www.aaanet.org/gvt/ombdraft.htm>).

Joshua R. Goldstein* and Ann J. Morning. "The multiple-race population of
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States: Issues and estimates." Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, Vol. 97, Issue 11,
6230-6235, May 23, 2000. <http://www.pnas.org/cgi/reprint/97/11/6230.pdf>

I also recommend the book shown below for an excellent discussion on the
politics of
measuring race in the census:

Skerry, Peter. 2000. Counting on the Census?: Race, Group Identity, and the
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of Politics. Washington DC: Brookings Institution Press.

Ed

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I can see the merit in combining the race and hispanic ethnicity question. However, I have found that it is usually sampling statisticians (in addition to OMB) who discourage survey researchers from deviating from the standard 2-question format resulting from Directive 15. Because the statisticians use census data to calculate post-survey weights, they want all race and ethnicity data collected in a way that's consistent with the census bureau format. Otherwise, they cannot use race and ethnicity as criteria for calculating the weights.

Ed

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Folks,

I find the epistemology of this ongoing discussion of "Hispanics by Race" absolutely fascinating.

The item construction seems to me analogous to what one might expect, for example, at ETS, in designing its SAT questions to maximize the chances that those who actually know the answers will be able to find one--and only one--appropriate response category.

Of course this general idea does have many good applications in survey research. When it comes to a respondent's own perceived national origin and race, however, a number of you who have posted on AAPORNET in the past two days seem to be assuming that you know the correct answers already (ETS model) and want to design your items to maximize the chances that your respondents will give you back the answers you expect.

But such assumptions as these raise the questions of race and national origin to a political question: Who is to decide our own origins and race? Are these existential and objective facts, or are we free to decide them for ourselves, or are we forced to have them decided by others, including others whom we do not know, and have not given the authority to do this?

I myself have an open mind on this set of questions. I write here only because, although I find that the science behind all of the postings has been correct (as I would expect from AAPORNETters), I also think that there are much more important questions and issues also at stake here. Because I would like to see these other questions discussed in this same context, I hope to begin that discussion here, with this message.

It's much easier to design a question about integral calculus which has one and only one answer, after all, than it is to give anything nearly as certain an answer about the race or origins of our fellow human beings--people whom we in fact cherish so much precisely for this very diversity (AAPOR serving as an extreme example, I am pleased to say).

I welcome your comments, as always.

-- Jim

> Field experiments as well as qualitative research conducted at the

> Census Bureau suggest that the perceived redundancy of the race and
> Hispanic origin questions is reduced when Hispanic origin precedes
> race in the questionnaire. The item nonresponse for Hispanic origin
> is much lower, and Hispanics are less likely to report their race as
> "Some other race" and write in Hispanic--though many still do this
> even in the reversed order. Item sequencing does not fully solve the
> problem, but it helps.

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Hi,

A number of people responded off-list with information about the polling firm
in
question. Their help is much appreciated, and I thanked them all.

I was also hoping for some discussion on-list about the ethics of designing
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conducting a poll to achieve predetermined results for the purpose of
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client to cite the results in a newspaper ad. I realize that no one else on
this
list has seen the poll or ad in question; so we can keep the discussion at an
"if
this were the case" level.

I have read the AAPOR Code of Ethics and cannot find any specific reference to this type of poll, though it could be considered a violation of:

"We pledge ourselves to maintain high standards of scientific competence and integrity in conducting, analyzing, and reporting our work ... [to] the general public."

The Statement on Push Polls is close, but I believe gathering ammunition for the ad was more the goal of the survey than changing the views of the people contacted (though that would be a secondary effect).

Do others of you know of polls being conducted for this purpose?

Does AAPOR have an official position on this type of poll, and what do AAPOR members think of a poll conducted for this purpose?

Thanks again,

Hank Zucker

> Has anyone heard of a polling firm called Dresner, Wickers &
> Associates, Inc. or DW&A, Inc.?
>
> They are cited in an ad in local newspapers as having conducted a
> survey
> on
> a local political issue. The question wording was highly leading (and
> often
> misleading), and they
> are quoted as giving a "careful review" to the results of these highly
> biased questions, which leads to the conclusion the sponsors wanted
> published. DW&A also claims a margin of error of plus or minus 4,
> when
> the
> standard formula gives a confidence interval or 4.87 at 95%.
>
> Clearly, the only reason for conducting this "poll" was to use its
> predetermined results as the contents of an ad designed to mislead the
> public as to the state of public opinion on a contentious issue. It
> seems to me to be clearly unethical/unprofessional. Is there any
> AAPOR (or
> CASRO)
> position on such surveys?
>
> Also does anyone have any comments on this firm? Reply on- or
> off-list (hank@surveysystem.com), as seems appropriate.
>
> Thank you all very much,

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> Hank
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> Hank Zucker, Ph.D.
> Creative Research Systems
> makers of The Survey System: Survey software that makes you look
> good. www.surveysystem.com 707-765-1001
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Looking at the Census Bureau's "Profile of General Population
Characteristics"
online, I find it interesting that there are more than twice as people in the
"Other
race" category (15,359,073 or 5.5% of the
population) than are in the "2 or more races" category (6,826,228 or 2.4%).
Also
about 46% of the "2 or more races" group used "Other race" as one of the
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In looking at 10000 interviews from the BRFSS survey over the past three years, my numbers are reasonably close to these although there is a lot of variability.

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

From: tmglp@cms.mail.virginia.edu [mailto:tmglp@cms.mail.virginia.edu]
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2001 10:38 AM
To: AAPORnet List server
Subject: RE: Hispanics by Race

Just to add some specific data to Paul's observation, which matches our experience directly at UVA CSR:

We have completed telephone surveys in a large, urban county in Northern Virginia for nine successive years. Each of these includes a yes/no question on whether respondent considers him/herself to be of Hispanic or Spanish origin, and a separate, forced-choice race question. Hispanics are relatively rare in the area (4.1% of our complete interviews), and presumably underrepresented in this English-only survey. The surveys have varied in whether the Hispanic ID question is asked before or after the race question. But over the nine years (1993-2001) we have responses on the race question from 331 self-identified Hispanics. They report their race to be:

- 67.5% white
- 12.5% black
- 0.0% Asian
- 0.7% American Indian
- 0.7% Pacific Islander
- 18.6% other

We know from looking at the 'other/specify' responses that most of the 'others' for Hispanics are the respondents' restatement, in one phrase or another, that they are Hispanic.

I am sure that the tendency of Hispanics to think of Hispanic origin as a racial identification would vary regionally and perhaps by country of origin (which we do not record), as well as English-language proficiency, but thought these recent telephone results from one county in the East (Prince William County, VA) might be of interest nonetheless.

Susan Pinkus

-Original Message-----

From: Jennifer Franz [SMTP:jdfranz@earthlink.net]
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2001 9:11 AM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: Hispanics by Race

In our state of California, also with a high proportion of Hispanics,
we routinely use only one question about ethnicity. What we have found
when forced to use the two-question formulation is that many Hispanics
are insulted when we ask them if, in essence, they are anything else.

I personally don't see any merit in insulting our respondents for the
sake of what to them is, at best, a technicality.

Jennifer D. Franz
JD Franz Research, Inc.

Colleen Porter wrote:

> I am so glad y'all brought this up--I've been struggling with
> this issue all day yesterday.
>
> I had not looked at the number of "don't know" responses to our
> race items, although I will be running that directly:) But I also
> can add my voice to those who have noticed a lot of Hispanics
> choosing "other--specify" and giving "Hispanic" as the race.
>
> This is a phone survey where we first ask about whether they are
> Hispanic, then what kind of Hispanic, then race. So if they say
> "Hispanic" at that point, the interviewer is supposed to probe
> something along the lines of, "Thank you, we've recorded that
> you are of Hispanic descent. But what is your race. Would
> you say....?"
>
> The first time this happened was in Florida, and we had 1,400
> of "others" who specified "Hispanic" for race. I blamed the
> subcontractor who did the fieldwork, and insisted we needed
> better training on race issues. And indeed, I think the new
> training I developed was worthwhile...but when we repeated
> the survey in other states I was still getting a fair number of
> "other--Hispanic." And in reading the interviewer's notes,
> there were comments like, "I know I'm not supposed to
> accept this, but he really insisted." These showed that the
> interviewer had indeed paid attention to the training, but
> still.
>
> I conclude that a lot of Hispanics genuinely see that as their
> race and either cannot or will not choose one or more of the
> "official" categories we offer. Whether that translates into
> item nonresponse or an "Other--specify" answer depends in part
> on whether the latter option is even available. One could do
> a nice experiment to test that theory, but it wouldn't be all

> that useful in helping us how to deal with this phenomenon.
>
> I also wonder how much variation there is by the exact
> Hispanic group and region of the country. I don't remember
> this being a factor in my work in Texas.
>
> I also wonder about mode--wouldn't a mail survey have
> higher rates of skipped questions and "Other--Hispanic"
> than a telephone survey where an interviewer can
> probe to get a race?
>
> Well, fast forward to the present, and I'm developing a
> self-administered survey for use in South Florida, which has
> a high concentration of Hispanics. As it turns out, since this
> is a program evaluation, we can probably get race/ethnicity
> from administrative data. But if I have to ask it in a survey,
> I am seriously thinking of just asking one item that combines
> race and ethnicity, offering four all-that-apply choices--
>
> Hispanic
> Non-Hispanic White
> Black or African American
> Other (specify)
>
> Has anyone else done that kind of thing?
>
> I just can't see trying to force a respondent into a
> peg hole that they don't think fits them at all.
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> Colleen
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> Colleen K. Porter
> Project Coordinator
> cporter@hp.ufl.edu
> phone: 352/392-6919, fax: 352/392-7109
> University of Florida,
> Department of Health Services Administration
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A recent RDD CATI survey (December 2000, N=2500) in Santa Clara county, California, found 18.5% reporting they were Hispanic; 69% of the Hispanics then selected Other (specify) to the follow-up race questions and specified Hispanic for race.

-Vicky

At 09:45 AM 10/11/01, you wrote:

>My own experience with this matter in RDD telephone surveys from my
>university-based days is that when you first ask for someone's
>ethnicity and then ask for their race, with an open-end wording of the
>race question (e.g., What race or races do you consider yourself?) , a
>significant minority of those who gave a "Hispanic" answer to their
>ethnicity will say that are the same for their race and when you probe
>them for another answer (e.g., Native American, White, Black, Other)
>many will still will insist that their race is Hispanic or
>Latino/Latina or Chicano/Chicana.

>

>PJL

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>From simonetta@artsci.com Thu Oct 11 12:20:31 2001

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I am of multiple minds about this kind of thing. Perhaps because there are multiple dependent conditions.

On one hand a lot depends on how the results were reported and whether the actual language of the question was reported. If the ad said 80% favor Proposition Y and the question (which was not contained in the ad) was worded in such a way as to definitively mis-state Proposition Y then I would have strong ethical concerns.

The problem for me comes in what constitutes mis-statements. Much of what is characterized by one side as blatant falsehood is seen by the other side as fully laying out the ramifications of a policy. I think a perfect example of this that was discussed recently on the list was the conflicting wording of questions about the use of fetal stem cell cultures in studies commissioned by opposing groups with axes to grind.

Then there is the question of whether the wording of the question is actually contained in the advertisement. If (to conjure a silly example) a question worded "Would you prefer that the United States to immediately attack Afghanistan militarily or to act like a coward and do nothing" were contained in an advertisement headlined "99% of American Favor Attacking Afghanistan" I would have much less a problem than I would if the question wording were not included.

And on the fourth hand there is the legitimate kind of research which is done to find out how best to present an issue to make it resonate with voters - the "death tax" as opposed to an "inheritance tax."

Of course, others will disagree.

Am I the only one who see a small but real similarity between the Jedi Knight problem and the Hispanic by race problem?

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Leo G. Simonetta
Art & Science Group, LLC
simonetta@artsci.com

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

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> To: aapornet@usc.edu
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Sender: mitofsky@mindspring.com
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X-Originating-IP: 66.95.128.90

What kind of discussion of ethics do you expect from the former partner of Dick Morris? You know, THAT Dick Morris, of twinkle toe fame. warren

Hank Zucker <hank@surveysystem.com> wrote:
> Hi,

A number of people responded off-list with information about the polling firm in question. Their help is much appreciated, and I thanked them all.

I was also hoping for some discussion on-list about the ethics of designing and conducting a poll to achieve predetermined results for the purpose of enabling a client to cite the results in a newspaper ad. I realize that no one else on this list has seen the poll or ad in question; so we can keep the discussion at an "if this were the case" level.

I have read the AAPOR Code of Ethics and cannot find any specific reference to this type of poll, though it could be considered a violation of:

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Would it help if we broadened the discussion to include any use of a poll for advocacy? For example:

--Polls to assess the effect of pretrial publicity to support a change of venue motion in a criminal case.

--Polls to support a lobbying effort by an interest group.

--Polls to convince a prospective buyer of a business that its product has untapped demand.

As one whose livelihood as long depended on advertising, I sort of hate to see it singled out for special treatment.

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10/11/01 - Warning of Possible Future Terrorist Attacks

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U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation

For Immediate Release
October 11, 2001

Washington D.C.
FBI National Press Office

Certain information, while not specific as to target, gives the government reason to believe that there may be additional terrorist attacks within the United States and against U.S. interests overseas over the next several days. The FBI has again alerted all local law enforcement to be on the highest alert and we call on all people to immediately notify the FBI and local law enforcement of any unusual or suspicious activity.

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From: Ulises Beltran <ulisesb@internet.com.mx>

Subject: Re: Hispanics by Race

To: aapornet@usc.edu

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Since many of the Hispanics are Mexicans or of Mexican origin, a Mexican perspective could probably help.

1. I am sure every Mexican would have problems defining his/her race. In the Mexican census there is no question about race.

2. There is a question about ethnicity with two categories: Indian No-Indian, and the Census tries to measure it as a "true" variable by clasifying as Indian those who live in a household where an Indian language is spoken.

3. Dillman is right, many of the definitions used mix country or regional origin, ethnicity and race.

I asked the following question in Mexico with the following results.

Do you thing of yourself as Indian (Indio), Mestizo or White?

Indian 18%

Mestizo 65%

White 13%

Indian and whites were in the extremes of the income scale.

So, I am sure many Hispanics of Mexican origin would have problems answering those questions.

If you think you have to use ethnicity and race I would follow Susan advice. In any case I would not use those categories to wheight my data, because they are not "true" variables as gender, age, etc. I think I would be introducing another random error.

Ulises Beltran
BGC, S.C.

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

From: "Pinkus, Susan" <Susan.Pinkus@latimes.com>
To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2001 12:55 PM
Subject: RE: Hispanics by Race

> We don't find that at all when in our polling. We ask two questions -
> first, are you of latino or hispanic descent, then ask the second question,
> are you
> white, black, Asian or do you consider yourself some other race. We have had
> virtually no refusals from Latinos answering the race question and very few
> Latinos
> mentioning an other race. We have also put in a question similar to the one
> asked by
> the census (as a 3rd question) to get as many responses as the respondents
> want to
> check for race. We have not had a problem with the 2 stage question.

>
> Susan Pinkus

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> -Original Message-----

> From: Jennifer Franz [SMTP:jdfranz@earthlink.net]
> Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2001 9:11 AM
> To: aapornet@usc.edu
> Subject: Re: Hispanics by Race

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> In our state of California, also with a high proportion of Hispanics,
> we routinely use only one question about ethnicity. What we have
> found when forced to use the two-question formulation is that many
> Hispanics are insulted when we ask them if, in essence, they are
> anything else. I personally don't see any merit in insulting our
> respondents for the sake of what to them is, at best, a technicality.

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> Jennifer D. Franz
> JD Franz Research, Inc.

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> Colleen Porter wrote:

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> > I am so glad y'all brought this up--I've been struggling with this
> > issue all day yesterday.

> >

> > I had not looked at the number of "don't know" responses to our race
> > items, although I will be running that directly:) But I also can
> > add my voice to those who have noticed a lot of Hispanics choosing
> > "other--specify" and giving "Hispanic" as the race.

> >

> > This is a phone survey where we first ask about whether they are
> > Hispanic, then what kind of Hispanic, then race. So if they say
> > "Hispanic" at that point, the interviewer is supposed to probe

> > something along the lines of, "Thank you, we've recorded that you
> > are of Hispanic descent. But what is your race. Would you
> > say....?"
> >
> > The first time this happened was in Florida, and we had 1,400 of
> > "others" who specified "Hispanic" for race. I blamed the
> > subcontractor who did the fieldwork, and insisted we needed better
> > training on race issues. And indeed, I think the new training I
> > developed was worthwhile...but when we repeated the survey in other
> > states I was still getting a fair number of "other--Hispanic." And
> > in reading the interviewer's notes, there were comments like, "I
> > know I'm not supposed to accept this, but he really insisted."
> > These showed that the interviewer had indeed paid attention to the
> > training, but still.
> >
> > I conclude that a lot of Hispanics genuinely see that as their race
> > and either cannot or will not choose one or more of the "official"
> > categories we offer. Whether that translates into item nonresponse
> > or an "Other--specify" answer depends in part on whether the latter
> > option is even available. One could do a nice experiment to test
> > that theory, but it wouldn't be all that useful in helping us how to
> > deal with this phenomenon.
> >
> > I also wonder how much variation there is by the exact Hispanic
> > group and region of the country. I don't remember this being a
> > factor in my work in Texas.
> >
> > I also wonder about mode--wouldn't a mail survey have higher rates
> > of skipped questions and "Other--Hispanic" than a telephone survey
> > where an interviewer can probe to get a race?
> >
> > Well, fast forward to the present, and I'm developing a
> > self-administered survey for use in South Florida, which has a high
> > concentration of Hispanics. As it turns out, since this is a
> > program evaluation, we can probably get race/ethnicity from
> > administrative data. But if I have to ask it in a survey, I am
> > seriously thinking of just asking one item that combines race and
> > ethnicity, offering four all-that-apply choices--
> >
> > Hispanic
> > Non-Hispanic White
> > Black or African American
> > Other (specify)
> >
> > Has anyone else done that kind of thing?
> >
> > I just can't see trying to force a respondent into a
> > peg hole that they don't think fits them at all.
> >
> > Colleen
> >
> > Colleen K. Porter
> > Project Coordinator
> > cporter@hp.ufl.edu
> > phone: 352/392-6919, fax: 352/392-7109
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> > Department of Health Services Administration

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What theory explains why the Arab masses and intellectuals continually buy in to the lies they are fed. And what theory explains why they continue to believe in the lies even when the story line changes -- i.e., that it was not the Zionists who did the bombing, but bin Ladin's organization?

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Because I believe that AAPORNET ought not
to have anonymous postings, I wish to say
that the address gso-gso@att.net belongs
to Gary Siegel.

-- Jim

----- Forwarded message -----

Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 02:47:29 +0000
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A few words from Canada and from sociology about that question. When I gave my first

course in survey methods, I wanted to raise the question of how to measure racism and race with my students. I was reminded by my colleagues in ethnic studies that "race" does not exist, period. "There is only one human race, biologically speaking". I was quite stunned at first.

But then, think about it : There are more and more families where parents are from different "races" and so are kids. I remember a haitian "black" friend of mine telling me : "But my kid is white!". In a report on CBC, kids from bi-racial origins were asked how they see the future. One kid said : "In the future, everybody will be metis of some kind". You may also ask what is the ethnic identity (origin?) of a Chinese girl adopted by French-Canadian white parents?

In Quebec, language has played the same role as race in the US for a long time and is still used for weighting purposes. The same question arises : more and more, people say that they have more than one mother tongue or language spoken at home. It seems that more than half of English-speaking Montrealers marry with French-speaking people...The Canadian census now permits to declare more than one "mother tongue", defined as the first language learned and still understood. And then, in this frame, Spanish is a language, one indicator of ethnic origin, others being country of birth, "membership in a visible minority", parents' country of birth,... As for race, to my knowledge, there is a tendency here to ask a question like : "Are you a member of a visible minority?".. for what it is worth.

All this to raise the question : In societies where there people "mix" more and more, we will most probably have to change not only the measures we use but the concepts themselves. What do we want to measure? (it may vary according to the survey topic). How many indicators do we need to do so?

Claire Durand

At 09:45 2001-10-11 -0700, you wrote:

> Folks,
>
> I find the epistemology of this ongoing discussion of "Hispanics
> by Race" absolutely fascinating.
>
> The item construction seems to me analogous to what one might
> expect, for example, at ETS, in designing its SAT questions
> to maximize the chances that those who actually know the answers
> will be able to find one--and only one--appropriate response
> category.
>
> Of course this general idea does have many good applications in
> survey research. When it comes to a respondent's own perceived
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As the story below from today's Boston Globe suggests, measurement of any
single
variable will require some consideration of relationship to other variables
to
establish the validity of our effort.

Race, class divide New York voters
Democrat Green wins in primary

By Fred Kaplan, Globe Staff, 10/12/2001

NEW YORK - Public advocate Mark Green won the Democratic nomination for New York City mayor last night, beating the Bronx borough president, Fernando Ferrer, 52 percent to 48 percent.

And while this city may seem remarkably unified after last month's attack on the World Trade Center, the vote in this primary runoff showed it to be sharply divided across race and class lines.

Ferrer, who hoped to be the city's first Puerto Rican mayor, ran on a slogan of "'two cities'" and pledged to be the mayor for "'the other New York,'" meaning those who did not share in the economic boom of the '90s.

Green, who is Jewish, ran a broader campaign and, toward the end, blasted Ferrer for being "'divisive'" in a time of crisis.

Green may have won the primary, but Ferrer may have been right about the nature of the city.

For example, according to exit polls, Green won among white voters by 84-16. Ferrer won among Hispanics by the same margin, 84-16, and, among blacks, 71-29.

Among those who earn more than \$100,000 a year, Green won, 78-22. Among those who earn less than \$15,000 a year, Ferrer won, 64-36.

The exit poll, by Edison Media Research, surveyed 1,380 Democratic voters at 40 precincts, and had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percent. The poll had projected Green to be the winner, 53-47, just one point off the actual results.

The divisions indicated in the poll reflect positions the candidates took on key issues. Before Sept. 11, both platforms emphasized similar stances on education, housing, and health care.

After the attack, Green shifted ground, saying that the next mayor's top priority

must be to rebuild Manhattan's financial district and that the fiscal crisis meant certain social goals must be deferred.

Ferrer's position changed little. "The towers have crumbled, but our priorities have not," he said.

The exit polls showed that among voters who still consider education to be the most important issue, Ferrer won, 63-37. Among those who see the economy as most important, Green won, 65-35.

Yesterday's contest was a second-round runoff between the top two candidates of a four-way primary that took place Sept. 25.

Back then, only 1 percent of Democrats surveyed in exit polls said strong leadership was an important quality for a mayor. Yesterday, 10 percent said this quality was important, and among this group, Green won, 62-38.

In the past two weeks, opinion polls had indicated the runoff would be extremely close.

Then, over the weekend, Green finally went on the attack against Ferrer from the right and the left. He lambasted his economic ideas as "borderline irresponsible," accused him of not understanding how markets work, criticized his "two cities" slogan as divisive, and questioned his alliance with the Rev. Al Sharpton.

He also charged Ferrer with "flip-flopping" on such heartbeat liberal issues as abortion rights and the death penalty.

Ferrer fought back, mainly by criticizing Green for "negative campaigning."

Tensions between the two camps remained high last night, even after the contest was over.

In his concession speech, Ferrer was pointedly unenthusiastic when he called on his disappointed backers to rally behind the Democratic nominee in the general election on Nov. 6, against the Republican candidate, billionaire Mike Bloomberg.

Dennis Rivera, head of the hospital-workers' union, which endorsed Ferrer, expressed anger at Green for his campaign attacks. "All is not well inside the Democratic Party right now," he told one TV reporter.

Bloomberg is financing his own campaign, and has spent \$30 million so far. Democrats outnumber Republicans by 5-1, making Green's victory next month likely nonetheless. But he may have some problems if a lot of Ferrer's supporters stay home.

In his acceptance speech, Green made a more explicit overture, congratulating Ferrer for his skillful campaign and saying he "'can't wait'" for the two camps to unite.

Last week, before going on the offensive, Green was losing momentum - possibly the result of his accepting a proposal by Mayor Rudolph Giuliani to remain in office until April rather than step down on Jan. 1, as the City Charter requires.

Ferrer rejected the proposal, citing the rule of law. Many liberals applauded Ferrer for standing up to the mayor, and slammed Green for caving in to him. The deal has since died in the state legislature.

However, the exit polls show Green may have picked up nearly as much support as he lost from that decision. While 29 percent said it made them less likely to vote for Green, 22 percent said it made them more likely. Half said it had no effect.

Green also picked up more than three-quarters of those who voted in the first-round primary for the two other candidates, City Council speaker Peter Vallone and the comptroller, Alan Hevesi. Those voters together composed 20 percent of those surveyed yesterday, most of them outer-borough Catholics and Jews.

Over 800,000 - one-third of the city's Democrats - voted, a high turnout for a runoff, even a little more than the turnout in the primary's first round.

Green's 4-point margin translated to a difference of about 30,000 votes.

He won the support of all three major newspapers, as well as the police and firefighters unions. Ferrer won the support of the city's largest unions: the municipal workers, teachers, and hospital workers.

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Sent: Friday, October 12, 2001 5:42 AM

Subject: ??? Race

> A few words from Canada and from sociology about that question. When I
> gave my first course in survey methods, I wanted to raise the question
> of how to measure racism and race with my students. I was reminded by
> my colleagues in ethnic studies that "race" does not exist,
> period. "There is only one human race, biologically speaking". I was
> quite stunned at first.

> But then, think about it : There are more and more families where
> parents are from different "races" and so are kids. I remember a
> haitian "black" friend of mine telling me : "But my kid is white!".
> In a report on CBC, kids from bi-racial origins were asked how they
> see the future. One kid said : "In the future, everybody will be
> metis of some kind". You may

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> ask what is the ethnic identity (origin?) of a Chinese girl adopted by
> French-Canadian white parents? In Quebec, language has played the same
> role as race in the US for a long time and is still used for weighting
> purposes. The same question arises : more and more, people say that
> they have more than one mother tongue or language spoken at home. It
> seems that more than half of English-speaking Montrealers marry with
> French-speaking people...The Canadian census now permits to declare
> more than one "mother tongue", defined as the first language learned
> and still understood. And then, in this frame, Spanish

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> All this to raise the question : In societies where there people "mix"
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> At 09:45 2001-10-11 -0700, you wrote:

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> > Folks,

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> > I find the epistemology of this ongoing discussion of "Hispanics
> > by Race" absolutely fascinating.

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> > The item construction seems to me analogous to what one might

> > expect, for example, at ETS, in designing its SAT questions
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All have information dealing with the Mid East situation, particularly the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians. The New York Time is also a pretty good source, especially columnists like Tom Friedman and William Safire.

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Arab Americans are strong advocates of war against terrorism; Overwhelmingly endorse President Bush's actions; Significant numbers have experienced discrimination since Sept. 11

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Arab Americans are in strong support of an all-out war against countries which harbor or aid terrorists, and are overwhelmingly supportive of President's George W. Bush's handling of the response to the September 11 terrorist attacks, a new poll of Arab Americans reveals.

At the same time, one in three Arab Americans say they have experienced discrimination in the past as a result of their heritage. Nearly half say they know someone of Arab ethnicity or with an Arabic-speaking background who has experienced discrimination since the September 11 attacks. A significant number of say they have personally experienced discrimination since the attacks.

The poll, commissioned by the Arab American Institute, was conducted by Zogby International of 508 Arab American likely voters nationwide. Margin of sampling error is +/- 4.5%. Arab Americans give President Bush an 83% positive, 15% negative, job performance rating, and a 88% positive, 11% negative rating, for his handling of the U.S. response to the terrorist attacks. An overwhelming 90%, also say Bush's comments

and conduct toward Arab Americans since the attacks has been reassuring.

Results show Arab Americans strongly endorse an all-out war (69% support, 22% oppose) against countries which harbor or aid the terrorists who attacked the United States.

A majority also supports (56% agree, 34% disagree) such a war even if it involved substantial American casualties.

At the same time, one-in-three Arab Americans (32% yes, 67% no) say they have experienced discrimination in the past because of their ethnicity. Nearly half

(45%

yes, 54% no) say they know of someone of Arabic ethnicity or with an Arabic-speaking

background who has experienced discrimination since the terrorist attacks.

One-in-five (20% yes, 79% no) say they have personally experienced discrimination

since the attacks.

Pollster John Zogby: "Arab Americans are in the mainstream in their support for

President Bush and the war against terrorism. This support, with some variations by

age, religion and birthplace, includes typically the Muslim grocer in South Chicago,

and the third generation software engineer in southern California."

AAI President James Zogby: "This poll shines much needed light on Arab American

Attitudes at this critical time. Our results show Arab Americans to be proud and

committed Americans, who are never the less fearful of prejudice and backlash resulting from the terror attacks."

In other results, 83% of Arab Americans say securing the rights of Palestinians is

important, compared to 13% who say securing the rights is not important.

Three

in

four (78%) agree that a U.S. commitment to settle the Israel-Palestinian dispute

would help the President's efforts in the war against terrorism. In contrast, 15%

disagree and another 7% are not sure. Seven in ten (69%) say there has been more

profiling of Arab Americans since the terrorist attacks, compared to 3% who say less

profiling and 16% who are not sure.

A majority of Arab Americans (54%), also say it is justified for law enforcement

officials to engage in extra questioning and inspections of people with Middle

Eastern accents or features. In contrast, 36% say such extra scrutiny is not

justified. Another 10% are not sure. Nearly three-five (57%) say they disagree with profiling of Arab Americans or Arab-speaking citizens by investigators due to the September 11 attacks. Another 35% agree with such profiling, and 7% are not sure. Three in five (61%) also say they are worried about the long-term effects of discrimination against Arab Americans. In contrast, 38% say they are not worried.

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Arab Americans stand behind Bush
<http://www.washtimes.com/national/20011012-9748628.htm>
By Ralph Z. Hallow
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

Arab Americans strongly support an all-out war against countries that harbor terrorists as well as President Bush's handling of the Sept. 11 atrocities against the United States, a new Zogby poll shows. The poll, commissioned for the Arab American Institute, found that 63 percent of Arab-American Protestants and Orthodox Christians consider Mr. Bush's performance as commander in chief to be excellent, and another 34 percent say he is doing a good job.

"Arab Americans sense they are on the defensive - 65 percent say they are embarrassed because the terrorists are Arab," pollster John Zogby said in an interview. "So there is a desire to show a strong sense of patriotism."

Millionaire Saudi exile Osama bin Laden, suspected of being the mastermind behind the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, has called on all Muslims everywhere to wage a holy war against the United States. The U.S. government has identified the perpetrators of the attacks as Muslim extremists from the Middle East - apparently causing many Arab Americans to demonstrate their patriotism by supporting the war on terrorism to an even greater extent than other U.S. citizens.

"I suspect that feeling of embarrassment was reflected in the 69 percent Arab Americans who said they support an all-out war on terrorists, compared to 61 percent of Americans overall who support such a war," Mr. Zogby said.

"You see that sentiment reflected in other things," he said. "A substantial minority of Arab Americans said they favor profiling Arab Americans, and I think that's their way of saying, 'Yeah, I'll bear up under closer scrutiny.' It's a desire

to demonstrate they are good Americans."

The support for both Mr. Bush and the war on terrorism is stronger among Arab Christians than among Muslims, as well as among Americans with family ties to Lebanon or Syria than to other Arabic-speaking countries in the Middle East, according to Mr. Zogby's Oct. 6-8 poll, which has a margin of error of plus or minus 4.5 percentage points.

Among Arab Americans whose families came from Lebanon and Syria, 88 percent rated Mr. Bush's performance as excellent or good.

While most Muslims who were surveyed had a positive view of Mr. Bush's handling of the crisis, fully a quarter of them responded by giving the president a fair or poor rating.

The poll also showed that 31 percent of those "whose family originated in Palestine" oppose an all-out war on terrorism, compared with 23 percent of Arab Americans overall.

"But I think the poll shows that religion is not as important as national origin and generation," said Arab American Institute (AAI) President James Zogby, the pollster's brother. "Americans of Lebanese or Syrian extraction who have been in this country for several generations obviously have much stronger feelings of attachment to the United States."

Even among the more recent immigrants, "the degree of support for the president and the outrage toward the terrorists are very high," he said. "And the support for what President Bush has done for Arab Americans is very high across the board."

He added: "And outrage against what the terrorists did on September 11 is equally high among those born here and overseas."

Mr. Zogby, the AAI president, said the polling data show that among Arab Americans living in the United States, "75 percent to 80 percent were born here and more than 75 percent are Christian."

Asked if they would support an all-out war against countries that harbor or aid terrorists who have attacked the United States, 70 percent of Arab Americans born here said yes, compared with 65 percent of those not born here.

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Israel braces for U.S. political offensive
<http://www.washtimes.com/world/20011012-37765252.htm>

By Abraham Rabinovich
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

JERUSALEM - Israel expects to be targeted by Washington for a political offensive as soon as the United States has wound down its military attack on Afghanistan. Israeli political sources said they believed the Bush administration was intending to revive and aggressively pursue a diplomatic initiative it had formulated before the Sept. 11 terrorist attack in New York and Washington.

That attack caused Secretary of State Colin L. Powell to postpone a speech he intended to deliver at the United Nations last month outlining Washington's proposal for resolving the Israel-Palestinian question.

Israeli sources said this proposal echoed that made by President Clinton in his last weeks in the White House, albeit in far less detail. It included the following central points:

- . Two states for two peoples. Both Israel and the Palestinian Authority accept this formula, although Palestinian Islamists demand destruction of Israel.
- . Jerusalem as the capital of both Israel and a Palestinian state. This is demanded by the Palestinians but has been rejected in the past by Israel.
- . Recognition of the national character of each state. This is important to Israel since it appears to support its rejection of the return of millions of Palestinian refugees to Israel, which would negate the Jewish character of the state.

The Bush administration had intended at its outset to avoid the deep involvement in the Middle East that marked the Clinton administration.

Within a few months, however, it became clear that stability in the region would not be restored without American intervention.

America's current anti-terror campaign, whose targets are entirely Muslim, makes it even more imperative for Washington to placate the Muslim world by seeking to resolve the Palestinian issue.

Just yesterday, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said at a joint press conference with British Prime Minister Tony Blair that there would be "no safety on our planet" without a comprehensive solution to the conflict.

German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, hosting Jordan's King Abdullah II in Berlin, said the peace process "needs new momentum."

"The United States, the European Union, the United Nations and other forces active in the region must bring pressure to bear on the two parties," he said.

Fear that Washington might pursue Arab support at Israel's expense led

Prime
Minister Ariel Sharon last week to publicly declare that Israel would not
permit
itself to become another Czechoslovakia, a reference to the concessions made
to Nazi
Germany by Great Britain in 1938, leading to the division of Czechoslovakia.
Mr. Sharon had to apologize after an angry reaction in Washington. Mr.
Powell
reiterated this week that the United States was a firm friend of Israel and
never
would endanger its interests.

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Arab Americans are in strong support of an all-out war against countries which harbor or aid terrorists, and are overwhelmingly supportive of President's George W. Bush's handling of the response to the September 11 terrorist attacks, a new poll of Arab Americans reveals. At the same time, one in three Arab Americans say they have experienced discrimination in the past as a result of their heritage. Nearly half say they know someone of Arab ethnicity or with an Arabic-speaking background who has experienced discrimination since the September 11 attacks. A significant number of say they have personally experienced discrimination since the attacks. The poll, commissioned by the Arab American Institute, was conducted by Zogby International of 508 Arab American likely voters nationwide. Margin of sampling error is +/- 4.5%. Arab Americans give President Bush an 83% positive, 15% negative, job performance rating, and a 88% positive, 11% negative rating, for his handling of the U.S. response to the terrorist attacks. An overwhelming 90%, also say Bush's comments and conduct toward Arab Americans since the attacks has been reassuring. Results show Arab Americans strongly endorse an all-out war (69% support, 22% oppose) against countries which harbor or aid the terrorists who attacked the

United States. A majority also supports (56% agree, 34% disagree) such a war even if it involved substantial American casualties. At the same time, one-in-three Arab Americans (32% yes, 67% no) say they have experienced discrimination in the past because of their ethnicity. Nearly half (45% yes, 54% no) say they know of someone of Arabic ethnicity or with an Arabic-speaking background who has experienced discrimination since the terrorist attacks. One-in-five (20% yes, 79% no) say they have personally experienced discrimination since the attacks.

Pollster John Zogby: "Arab Americans are in the mainstream in their support for President Bush and the war against terrorism. This support, with some variations by age, religion and birthplace, includes typically the Muslim grocer in South Chicago, and the third generation software engineer in southern California."

AAI President James Zogby: "This poll shines much needed light on Arab American Attitudes at this critical time. Our results show Arab Americans to be proud and committed Americans, who are never the less fearful of prejudice and backlash resulting from the terror attacks."

In other results, 83% of Arab Americans say securing the rights of Palestinians is important, compared to 13% who say securing the rights is not important. Three in four (78%) agree that a U.S. commitment to settle the Israel-Palestinian dispute would help the President's efforts in the war against terrorism. In contrast, 15% disagree and another 7% are not sure. Seven in ten (69%) say there has been more profiling of Arab Americans since the terrorist attacks, compared to 3% who say less profiling and 16% who are not sure.

A majority of Arab Americans (54%), also say it is justified for law enforcement officials to engage in extra questioning and inspections of people with Middle Eastern accents or features. In contrast, 36% say such extra scrutiny is not justified. Another 10% are not sure. Nearly three-five (57%) say they disagree with profiling of Arab Americans or Arab-speaking citizens by investigators due to the September 11 attacks. Another 35% agree with such profiling, and 7% are not sure. Three in five (61%) also say they are worried about the long-term effects of discrimination against Arab Americans. In contrast, 38% say

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The results of most surveys are ultimately used by someone to advocate something, even if the sponsor of the survey has a purely academic interest in wanting to know the "truth" of public opinion.

The ethical issue is what a research sponsor does with research findings of legitimate research (balanced questions, responsible sampling, multiple questions per topic) where the findings are not to its liking.

In doing work for a public relations firm, we often design research with the intention of public release and at times for use in litigation. We counsel our clients of the ethical need for all results be released, and not just the findings they like. In these situations we may avoid asking questions that carry too much risk of an "undesired" outcome.

At the same time, we counsel them that most newsworthy topics involve uncertainty, and therefore risk. They have the right to not publicize survey findings they consider unfavorable, but in truly tense situations, these findings can find their way into the courts. (Examination of pre-test results can help reduce risk, but this

is a slippery slope.)

So while the truth will set you free, at times, ignorance is bliss. Our clients are not obliged to hand their adversaries or competition the rope for a public hanging.

The key is to have the client think through these issues at the proposal stage, not the analysis stage of the research.

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

From: Philip Meyer [mailto:pmeyer@email.unc.edu]
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2001 6:10 PM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: A poll designed for an ad, Part II

Would it help if we broadened the discussion to include any use of a poll for advocacy? For example:

--Polls to assess the effect of pretrial publicity to support a change of venue motion in a criminal case.

--Polls to support a lobbying effort by an interest group.

--Polls to convince a prospective buyer of a business that its product has untapped demand.

As one whose livelihood as long depended on advertising, I sort of hate to see it singled out for special treatment.

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As with any type of survey, the average varies widely depending upon a variety of factors such as the characteristics of the population under study; the sampling procedure, if any, employed; the quality of the sampling frame; and topic of the survey.

It seems that most web surveys focus on a specialized subpopulation, such as students at a university or employees within a company. Student surveys traditionally receive higher response rates because students at most universities have unlimited access to computing facilities with Web browsers and e-mail. With these types of Web surveys, the well designed Web survey has an "average" response rate of about 35-40%.

Sincerely yours,

Mark J. Lamias

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

From: Teresa Hottle [mailto:teresa.hottle@wright.edu]
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Can anyone tell me what the "average" response rate for website surveys is?

Thanks,
Terrie

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Folks,

I am considerably heartened that so many of you have taken the time and trouble to point out difficulties in the definitions, classification, and study of race. Many of us on our list seem to conclude that--in real life, as we live it--the question of race is tentative, subtle, unclear, very personal, and far from determinate, not even to mention not universally determined.

Unfortunately, all of these facts do not diminish the crucial importance of race in our everyday lives. I wish it were otherwise, but alas, it is not.

Many of us who gather on our list wish to study the real world, as we find it, and to do so objectively--subject to the criticisms of other list members, of other researchers, and of the public at large.

This means--unfortunately for our efforts to conduct real science--that we must study race as we find it, in all of its various aspects, in the real world. To accomplish this, we must not aspire to tidy up the topic via the instruments by which we measure it. Tidying it up this certainly would accomplish, but the results we collect will not then reflect the external world so much as the elegance and neatness of our own internal reasoning. To ask a respondent personally to report a race is nothing like asking a high school senior which of six listed words is the best synonym for, say, "insouciance." It would certainly save many of us a lot of time if this were true, but alack, it is not (Hark--why do I suddenly feel that I have been reading--out loud--too many fairy tales?).

One of the many, many ways to look at race might be from the perspective of individual rights and freedoms (it's hardly an accident, after all, that race is often associated with "civil rights"). I think the essential idea here is best captured by this perhaps familiar saying:

"On the day they come to take away the Xs, on that day
we are--all of us--Xs."

I use X here merely to emphasize that it can stand, not only for any particular race, but for a much wider range of quite different

things with similar--in essence, if not in the severity of their ramifications--social and cultural categorizations, most with at least some political implications:

- race
- gender
- religion
- national origin
- native language
- sexual orientation
- physical health and abilities
- physical appearance

(I'm sure you all can add several others)

I bother to point this out at all only because I suspect--with no real proof--that good clues about how to improve survey items involving race might well lie in the methods and strategies for studying such other quite different existential facts of human life which at least share with race the fact that each and every one of them might easily stand in for X in my synthetic quotation above--and unfortunately have, around the world and throughout human history, and also in much very good science fiction, as I'm sure more than a few of you know.

I welcome your comments, of course--why else would I bother to post this to you all?

-- Jim

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Clara E. Rodriguez
CHANGING RACE: Latinos, the Census, and the History of Ethnicity in
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"Much of the current dialogue on race does not sufficiently interrogate its meaning. In marked contrast Clara E. Rodriguez offers a stunning example of racial formation by illustrating how Latino identities are formed and transformed in dynamic engagement with state definitions. She reveals the gap between state imposed categories and group self-definition; the dramatic distinctions between U.S. and Latin American concepts of race: and the political claims advanced through the Census. Best of all, she provides a rich sense of how individuals constantly negotiate the prevailing terrain of racial meanings."

-- Michael Omi, University of California, Berkeley

Clara Rodriguez is Professor of Sociology at Fordham University

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To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
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Message-ID: <sb573e3.003@fuji.hp.ufl.edu>

I am so glad y'all brought this up--I've been struggling with this issue all day yesterday.

I had not looked at the number of "don't know" responses to our race items, although I will be running that directly:) But I also can add my voice to those who have noticed a lot of Hispanics choosing "other--specify" and giving "Hispanic" as the race.

This is a phone survey where we first ask about whether they are Hispanic, then what kind of Hispanic, then race. So if they say "Hispanic" at that point, the interviewer is supposed to probe something along the lines of, "Thank you, we've recorded that you are of Hispanic descent. But what is your race. Would you say....?"

The first time this happened was in Florida, and we had 1,400 of "others" who specified "Hispanic" for race. I blamed the subcontractor who did the fieldwork, and insisted we needed better training on race issues. And indeed, I think the new training I developed was worthwhile...but when we repeated

the survey in other states I was still getting a fair number of "other--Hispanic." And in reading the interviewer's notes, there were comments like, "I know I'm not supposed to accept this, but he really insisted." These showed that the interviewer had indeed paid attention to the training, but still.

I conclude that a lot of Hispanics genuinely see that as their race and either cannot or will not choose one or more of the "official" categories we offer. Whether that translates into item nonresponse or an "Other--specify" answer depends in part on whether the latter option is even available. One could do a nice experiment to test that theory, but it wouldn't be all that useful in helping us how to deal with this phenomenon.

I also wonder how much variation there is by the exact Hispanic group and region of the country. I don't remember this being a factor in my work in Texas.

I also wonder about mode--wouldn't a mail survey have higher rates of skipped questions and "Other--Hispanic" than a telephone survey where an interviewer can probe to get a race?

Well, fast forward to the present, and I'm developing a self-administered survey for use in South Florida, which has a high concentration of Hispanics. As it turns out, since this is a program evaluation, we can probably get race/ethnicity from administrative data. But if I have to ask it in a survey, I am seriously thinking of just asking one item that combines race and ethnicity, offering four all-that-apply choices--

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Non-Hispanic White
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Other (specify)

Has anyone else done that kind of thing?

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For those interested in the attitudes of Palestinians this might be of interest. I can't vouch for its accuracy or validity but perhaps someone else can. The poll was conducted in June -- and unfortunately there is no later poll to reflect probable changes in attitude since the tragedy of Sept 11.

Dick

<http://www.jmcc.org/polls/2001/no41.htm>

JMCC Public Opinion Poll No. 41
On Palestinian Attitudes Towards Politics including the Current Intifada June 2001

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The average age of the respondents was 34 years.

Occupation respondents

Students 11.7% laborers 10.8% Farmers/fishermen 1.9% Craftsmen 1.7%
Businessmen/private business 8.2% Employees e.g. secretaries/municipal

employees/teachers/nurses 18.7% Professionals - e.g. doctors/lawyers/
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To Our Readers

In answer to inquiries from readers, The Times wishes to point out that no copies of the newspaper are printed in its Manhattan headquarters, where a letter and an unidentified substance were handed over to health authorities yesterday for testing. All copies for the New York region and elsewhere, and all supplies of paper, come from plants outside Manhattan.

Said driveway is somewhere between 2.5 and 3 thousand miles from the Manhattan headquarters of The New York Times, depending on whether one measures from the garage door or from the street.

And so that's the way it is, in America, on this beautiful Saturday morning, October 13, 2001, apparently, because much the same tone prevails throughout the newspaper, and also throughout its companion in the driveway, The Los Angeles Times.

In fact, I did not even see the front page notice until after I had read much of the New York Times, at which point the notice seemed to me perfectly natural, or at least upon first reading it.

So if you should ever need a short primer on how terrorism actually works on its victims, I'd like to believe that you have just now finished reading one.

-- Jim

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-- Jim

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October 13, 2001

From the Chicago Tribune

It made us cry and united us

TAKING THE PULSE OF THE CHICAGO AREA AFTER SEPT. 11,
A STUDY FINDS PRAYER, PATRIOTISM, PRIDE, SUPPORT.

By Charles M. Madigan
Tribune staff reporter

If the goal of the terrorists who planned and carried out the Sept. 11
attacks on
the World Trade Center and the Pentagon was to slash away at the nation's
sense of
itself and its confidence in government, those were two targets the suicide
hijackers clearly missed.

From an unprecedented planting of death and havoc, the nation is reaping an
unexpected harvest of patriotism, compassion and unity unseen in the United
States
in decades, even though the attacks shook the country to its foundation and
left the
much of its population confused, in shock and weeping.

A new nationwide study, the National Disaster Survey, conducted by the

National

Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago, questioned 502 people in Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall and Will Counties, as part of a larger national project that will be released later.

The report was obtained exclusively by the Tribune. The survey uncovered profound physiological responses, an outpouring of patriotism and national pride across the political spectrum, and rocketing support for government institutions, particularly the military.

President Bush, in his news conference Thursday, was not exaggerating when he said good character and strong citizenship had blossomed in the ruins.

"We have shown great love for our country and great tolerance and respect for all our countrymen," ..." the president said.

The results on one question alone seem to reflect the president's assessment. In the first moments after the attack, when the images of the burning World Trade Center were spreading across the nation, the first response from 84 percent of the people questioned in the Chicago area was prayer.

People told the university surveyors that they prayed for peace, for the victims and their families, and for help in finding out who was responsible for the attack. As that strong spiritual response played out, it was soon replaced by anger, particularly anger attached to concerns about personal safety.

If more than 8 in 10 Chicago-area residents turned to a higher spiritual power, many of them, 72 percent, also said they felt a "deep anger" about the event. About one-third of those questioned said they were "deeply concerned" about their personal safety, while 52 35 percent said they were worried about how terrorism might affect their own lives.

Many people felt a need to talk to others about the attack. More than 74 percent phoned, e-mailed or talked to someone just after they heard the news. Sixty percent said they contacted up to six other people. Thirty-one percent said they contacted as many as 20 other people.

About 15 percent of the respondents in the Chicago part of the survey said

they avoided government buildings after the attack. Of the 55 percent who said they were not able to carry on their daily duties as usual, most said they watched television or listened to the radio instead. How people cope

The responses in the survey, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the Russell Sage Foundation and the Chicago Tribune, reached beyond the standard measurements in common polling data.

They present a picture not only of how people felt immediately after the attack, but also what they did to cope with waves of anxiety, fear and depression sparked by the unavoidable media focus on the disaster.

Almost 10 percent of the people questioned in the Chicago area said they felt like getting drunk after the attack. In the rest of the United States, feeling like getting drunk was a response of just 6.4 percent.

The Chicago-area results will be followed by the release of complete national responses, based on questions asked of 2,100 people, and survey responses from New York and Washington in about a week, according to the university center, one of the nation's most respected social science institutions and the source of a landmark national survey that followed the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The data show a powerful, patriotic reaction in the days after the attack, reflected in Chicago and its suburbs as well as across the nation. Given

Giving the historical adage that nations tend to unite when attacked by external enemies, that reaction might have been anticipated.

Asked whether they would rather be citizens of any other country in the world, 97 percent of the residents of the Chicago area agreed with the statement that they would rather be citizens of the United States than of anyplace else.

Confidence in the military, the survey showed, registered a striking increase.

Last year, In the year 2000, the General Social Survey estimated only 40 percent of the people in the nation and 34 percent in the 12 largest metropolitan areas expressed a great deal of confidence in the military.

After the attack, 72 percent of the people in the Chicago area and 77.9 percent of the nation as a whole expressed a great deal of confidence in the nation's military.

Emotional response

The part of the survey that focuses on emotional reactions is particularly revealing and somewhat surprising.

A full third of the respondents in the Chicago area reported they were so "dazed and confused" when they heard about the attack that they did not know how to feel, a reaction that apparently swept the nation.

Only the people of New York were more profoundly affected. Almost half of them said they did not know how to feel.

As elsewhere in the nation, Chicago and its suburbs reacted with compassion once the shock had dissipated.

While 13 percent of the respondents in the Chicago area began to stockpile food, gasoline or other necessities after the attack, the charitable response was much stronger.

Almost 55 percent of Chicagoans reported giving to charity after the attack, about 10 percent more than the national number. Chicagoans, in fact, contributed as heavily as people who lived in New York, the survey shows.

Some 24 percent of Chicago-area residents reported giving blood, about the same as the national number, but much lower than the 35.5 percent who said they donated blood in New York.

Asked to compare their feelings after the attack with feelings about other experiences in their lives, almost half of Chicago-area residents said they remembered other times when they had the same feelings. Some examples included the death of family members, the Oklahoma City bombing, the Persian Gulf war, the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

Physical response

The reactions reached far beyond emotion. Ninety-five percent of the people questioned in the Chicago region said they experienced strong physical

reactions when they heard of the terrorist attack, responses that make it clear that the assault felt close to home, even though it happened hundreds of miles away in lower Manhattan or at the Pentagon in Arlington, Va.

Almost three of every four people reported weeping, the most common physiological response. After crying, the second most common response was a feeling of nervousness or tension.

Almost half had trouble sleeping, just ahead of the 45.4 percent who said they felt "dazed and numb."

About a third said they felt more tired than usual. One in three said they had upset stomachs. Almost a third reported loss of appetite.

One in five said they had headaches, while about the same number said they had trouble controlling their temper. Seventeen percent said they smoked more. increased their amount of smoking. About the same number had trouble with forgetfulness. Some 16.8 percent said they experienced rapid heartbeat. About 1 in 20 said they felt dizzy. About the same number reported sweaty hands.

All of these reports of clear signs of emotional response to the terrorist attack ranked Chicago alongside the rest of the nation, excluding New York and Washington.

The average number of symptoms experienced by Chicago-area residents was 4.3. In New York, the average number of symptoms was 5.2. However, when the survey specialists looked closely at the results, they found that many more Chicagoans reported crying in response to the attack than people in the rest of the country. Just under 60 percent of the respondents in the national survey reported crying, while 72.2 percent reported that, in Chicago, the catastrophe drew tears.

The reactions were about the same for everyone regardless of their health, which allowed the researchers to rule out bad health as the cause of the symptoms, which can be common to many psychological conditions and diseases.

Some differences were noticed in the responses of men and women in the Chicago-area results. Women reported suffering more symptoms than men, with men saying

they had
3.2 symptoms and women reporting they had 5.1 symptoms. Higher percentages
of
women
reported loss of appetite, feeling nervous or tense, feeling more tired,
feeling
dizzy, feeling dazed or numb, or forgetting things.

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possible cause of the reactions.

There were concerns here, and across the nation, that the attack would have
a
deleterious effect on American politics. About a third of the people here,
and
roughly the same number across the nation, said they "worried deeply" about
the
effect of the attack on politics in the U.S.

Thirteen percent of those questioned around the country, but 15 percent of
those
questioned in the Chicago area, reported they were "deeply concerned" that
the
United States was in some way responsible for the attack.

The survey was conducted between Sept. 13 and Sept. 27. The surveyors noted
there
was some decline in emotion as time passed. The margin of error for the
Chicago part
of the survey is plus or minus 4.5 percentage points. percent.

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- All survey research professionals concerned about telephone and online privacy issues

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Kudos to all those involved in this New York Times and
CBS News Poll, for generating this important and heartening
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reporters Dan Berry and Marjorie Connelly, for their
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-- Jim

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October 13, 2001

NEW YORKERS ARE SHAKEN, BUT RESOLUTE, AFTER ATTACK

By DAN BARRY and MARJORIE CONNELLY

A month after the terrorist attack that killed 5,000 people, destroyed the
World
Trade Center and shook New York to its core, many city residents say that
they feel
great pride and faith in their wounded metropolis. But they also say that
their
civic allegiance is tempered -- though far from crushed -- by haunting
memories and
by concerns about future attacks, according to a new poll conducted by The
New York
Times and CBS News.

The city's already jittery residents could only have been further rattled
by

events that occurred since the poll's completion on Tuesday. Reports of a case of anthrax at NBC News in Rockefeller Center surfaced yesterday, just a day after the F.B.I. issued a warning about the possibility of more terrorist attacks.

Even before these incidents, three of four residents participating in the poll said they were very concerned about another terrorist attack in New York. Despite those fears, most residents said they have no intention of hiding in their homes or moving away. Instead, nearly all of the poll's respondents -- 93 percent -- said that they harbor a good image of the city, and two-thirds said that they plan to be living in the city four years from now.

Over all, the poll seems to indicate that residents have adopted a reflexive, almost defiant position on their city's resilience. In a New York Times poll conducted a few weeks before the Sept. 11 attack, 59 percent said that life in the city had improved in the last four years. Now, after the disaster, those who saw an improvement in city life jumped to 69 percent -- the highest percentage in at least 10 years.

But these results do not suggest a cavalier approach to the dangers of the day; far from it. A month later, the attack's reverberations continue to be felt by nearly half of those polled in a telephone survey that was conducted Oct. 6 to Oct. 9, in which 983 adult residents were interviewed and for which the margin of sampling error is plus or minus three percentage points.

Some of those questioned cited aftereffects that range from the mundane to the profound, from the loss of television service to the loss of peace of mind. Thirteen percent cited problems with transportation and traffic; an equal number cited depression and other forms of anxiety.

The poll also demonstrates how the collapse of the twin towers created a dust that covered not just Lower Manhattan but an entire city in a blanket of grief. One in every five residents contacted in the poll said that a relative or close friend is missing or was hurt or killed in the attack. And three in five said that

someone in their circle of friends and relatives knew someone who was missing, hurt or killed.

Many of these jumbled emotions -- of resolve and despair, of civic pride and wrenching grief -- are harbored by the likes of Norman Steinmetz, of Staten Island.

A retired New York police officer, he expressed great affection for his native city and deep pride in how New Yorkers shook off the paralysis of shock to begin rebuilding. He is resisting his daughter's pleas that he move to Florida because, he said, "I was born and raised here."

But in the same conversation, the enormity of the loss overcame the former officer, and he began to sob. "Look at what happened to my beautiful city!" whispered Mr. Steinmetz, who is 70. "I can't take it."

The attack has subtly changed some of his habits, he said. For example, he said that when he takes the bus over the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, which provides a majestic view of Lower Manhattan, he now sits on the side facing the ocean, away from the city.

"I sit so I don't have to see the emptiness," he said.

A security guard named Shirley White used to work in one of the buildings that once stood in that emptiness. She too said that she admired how New Yorkers rallied around one another -- "We have finally come together," she said -- and she too said that she had no intention of moving from her home in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn.

But as she carries on with her life, Ms. White said, the attack continues to disrupt her days and nights. The building she now guards is much shorter than the twin towers, which is fine by her. ("I'm trying not to get into any skyscraping buildings," she said.) But that building is in Midtown, which means that her round-trip commute by a slowed subway system is at least two hours longer.

More important, she said, are the memories of all those people she used to see, passing by her as she stood sentry in the south tower of the World Trade Center. "Every day I think about them," she said. "And every night I think about them."

"I'm afraid, but I can't let that stop me from doing my work," she continued. "I might as well lie down and say, 'Get me too.' I have to do what I have to do."

That last statement by Ms. White, who is 55 years old and the mother of six, might as well be inscribed on the city seal. At a time when there are security checkpoints at various tunnels and bridges, 9 of 10 city residents said they endorsed having more checkpoints and metal detectors at public events and public buildings - even if it meant waiting on line for an hour or more.

In addition, three-quarters of the respondents said that they would be willing to arrive at the airport three hours early for any domestic flight. And two-thirds said that they would support a requirement that people in the United States carry a national electronic identification card, or "smart card."

The poll also seems to suggest a growing tolerance for racial profiling -- for law officers' stopping people of a specific race or ethnicity because they believe these groups are more likely to commit certain types of crimes.

In a poll conducted in April 2000, after the acquittal of four New York police officers charged with the shooting death of an unarmed African immigrant, Amadou Diallo, in the Bronx, 84 percent of the city's residents said that profiling was never justified.

But in the recent poll, only half the respondents said there was never justification, with 24 percent of the black respondents and 31 percent of the Hispanic respondents finding the practice acceptable. At the same time, 85 percent of all city residents who were questioned said that Arab-Americans, Muslims and immigrants from the Middle East were at least somewhat likely to be singled out unfairly as a result of last month's terrorist attack.

"During these times of heightened security, when you never know when they're going to strike or what's going to happen in the city," said Richard Collado, 36, "you more or less say, 'Fine, you can stop me; I'm Hispanic, but you can stop me

if you
need to.' But two years down the road, with the war over, and nothing going
on
anymore, then I don't approve."

Mr. Collado, a stockbroker who lives in Bay Ridge, added: "If Hispanics or
any
group are all of a sudden creating havoc like this, then I don't mind being
stopped.
If it's for the greater good of everyone else that I have to be stopped,
then
that's
fine."

There were other indications that the city is trying to find its footing on
unsettled ground, as personified by Sharifah Taylor, 24, an unemployed sales
representative from Crown Heights. "I always had trouble with crime here,
but
just
seeing everyone pull together after what's happened makes me feel real good
about
the city," she said. But she also said that she avoids the subways and has
not been
to Manhattan since the attack.

"If I had a choice, I would probably leave the city, but terrorism can
happen
anywhere," Ms. Taylor said. "I'm just watching what's going on, and staying
where I
am."

One in five city residents said that they are less likely to frequent
restaurants.
Two in five residents who described themselves as occasional or frequent air
travelers said that they were now less likely to fly. Nearly 30 percent said
that
they are more likely to attend religious services. And more than half --
including
John Ferruzzi of Forest Hills, Queens -- say that they find themselves
spending more
time with their family and close friends.

In the last month, Mr. Ferruzzi has gone through the experiences of a
lifetime, and
he is only 20 years old. He said he has seen a city of millions set aside
cultural
differences to come together in true "New York spirit." But a good friend of
his
lost a friend in the World Trade Center collapse, while the neighbor of
another good
friend lost a son.

"Everywhere I went there was another story," he said, his voice shaking.
"Just
talking about it -- forget about it."

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I don't know where the 90% number comes from. Here are the most recent results (including methodological details) published by Gallup Pakistan on their web site at http://www.gallup.com.pk/g_poll.html

Jan Werner

Islamabad, October 15, 2001

51% support Musharaf on his policy on current crisis.
But 83% side with Taliban against America.

Only 16% favour to let America use Pakistani air bases: Gallup Survey According to the findings of a recent poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan the Pakistani public is undergoing a set of complex emotions. Around half of them, 51%, say they favour General Musharaf's policy on the current crisis, which is substantially higher compared to three weeks ago when the level of support was only 32%. Furthermore, 37% think that he has handled his job on this issue in a very good or good way. But having said that 83% of Pakistanis say that in the conflict between America and Taliban, their sympathies are with the Taliban. 82% of them believe Osama Bin Laden is a "Mjuahid" and not a terrorist and only 12% believe that he was responsible for the attacks on USA. Quite importantly only 16% favour that Americans should be allowed to use air bases in Pakistan, 75% are opposed.

The findings have emerged from a survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan on October 11-12 in the urban areas of all the four provinces of the country. The respondents were chosen statistically and they represented a cross section of people belonging to various age, education, income and language backgrounds.

The findings of this survey will also be published under a special arrangement by the international weekly Magazine "Newsweek" in its forthcoming issue.

The survey revealed an apprehension on the part of a sizable number of Pakistanis that after its action gets underway in Afghanistan, America may start similar action in Kashmir. Nearly 6 out of 10 Pakistanis believed that the chances of this happening were either very high, a view held by 17% or some chances, a view held by 42%. Only 41% ruled out such a possibility.

Pakistani public opinion is divided on whether the aid promised by

America would help solve the nation's economic problems. While 59% believe it would be useful, 38% think it would be harmful; 3% did not give a view. But most people are pessimistic about the unfolding economic scenario and believe that the national economy will be worse off in the aftermath of the crisis, a view held by 54%. Only 22% believed it would improve, while 24% think it would remain the same.

According to the survey 64% of Pakistanis believed that the attack on USA on September 11 was a terrorist attack and not Jihad. It is also notable that one third, or 34% of the respondents were of the view that Osama Bin Laden should present himself before a court of law for trial, while 57% disfavoured this idea.

The survey was conducted by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International.

Sample Composition

The sample comprised 978 men and women age 18+. They were statistically selected from the urban areas of all the four provinces of Pakistan including Karachi, Lahore, Rawalpindi/Islamabad, Peshawar and Quetta. The sample comprised a cross section of various ages and socio-economic groups in the urban areas of the country. The error margin for a sample of this kind is + 3-4% at 95% confidence level.

Gallup Pakistan is the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. It is Pakistan's most reputable polling organization.

Technical Details

Field Work: All field work was done through face to face interviews. The respondents were chosen through a random process. The sampling blocks were chosen randomly. The starting point was randomly identified, and a random process was followed to proceed from there. Within the household the first adult who responded and became available was interviewed.

Date: The field work was carried out on October 11-12, 2001

All four provinces are represented in the survey. The sample was re-weighted to correspond with the share of each province in the national urban population

	Unweighted sample	Weighted sample
Punjab	47%	54%
Sindh	31%	35%
NWFP	10%	7%
Balochistan	12%	4%

Field work was carried out in Karachi, Hyderabad and Sukkur (Sindh), Multan, Lahore, Faisalabad, Rawalpindi/Islamabad* (Punjab), Peshawar (NWFP), Quetta (Balochistan).

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Kudos to all those involved in this New York Times and CBS News Poll, for generating this important and heartening report in yesterday's New York Times. Kudos also to Times reporters Dan Berry and Marjorie Connelly, for their unusually good writeup of these new poll results.

-- Jim

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NEW YORKERS ARE SHAKEN, BUT RESOLUTE, AFTER ATTACK

By DAN BARRY and MARJORIE CONNELLY

A month after the terrorist attack that killed 5,000 people, destroyed the World Trade Center and shook New York to its core, many city residents say that they feel great pride and faith in their wounded metropolis. But they also say that their civic allegiance is tempered -

- though far from crushed -- by haunting memories and by concerns about future attacks, according to a new poll conducted by The New York Times and CBS News.

The city's already jittery residents could only have been further rattled by events that occurred since the poll's completion on Tuesday. Reports of a case

of anthrax at NBC News in Rockefeller Center surfaced yesterday, just a day after the F.B.I. issued a warning about the possibility of more terrorist attacks.

Even before these incidents, three of four residents participating in the poll said they were very concerned about another terrorist attack in New York. Despite those fears, most residents said they have no intention of hiding in their homes or moving away. Instead, nearly all of the poll's respondents -- 93 percent -- said that they harbor a good image of the city, and two-thirds said that they plan to be living in the city four years from now.

Over all, the poll seems to indicate that residents have adopted a reflexive, almost defiant position on their city's resilience. In a New York Times poll conducted a few weeks before the Sept. 11 attack, 59 percent said that life in the city had improved in the last four years. Now, after the disaster, those who saw an improvement in city life jumped to 69 percent -- the highest percentage in at least 10 years.

But these results do not suggest a cavalier approach to the dangers of the day; far from it. A month later, the attack's reverberations continue to be felt by nearly half of those polled in a telephone survey that was conducted Oct. 6 to Oct. 9, in which 983 adult residents were interviewed and for which the margin of sampling error is plus or minus three percentage points.

Some of those questioned cited aftereffects that range from the mundane to the profound, from the loss of television service to the loss of peace of mind. Thirteen percent cited problems with transportation and traffic; an equal number cited depression and other forms of anxiety.

The poll also demonstrates how the collapse of the twin towers created a dust that covered not just Lower Manhattan but an entire city in a blanket of grief. One in every five residents contacted in the poll said that a relative or close friend is missing or was hurt or killed in the attack. And three in five said that someone in their circle of friends and relatives knew

someone who was missing, hurt or killed.

Many of these jumbled emotions -- of resolve and despair, of civic pride and wrenching grief -- are harbored by the likes of Norman Steinmetz, of Staten Island. A retired New York police officer, he expressed great affection for his native city and deep pride in how New Yorkers shook off the paralysis of shock to begin rebuilding. He is resisting his daughter's pleas that he move to Florida because, he said, "I was born and raised here."

But in the same conversation, the enormity of the loss overcame the former officer, and he began to sob. "Look at what happened to my beautiful city!" whispered Mr. Steinmetz, who is 70. "I can't take it."

The attack has subtly changed some of his habits, he said. For example, he said that when he takes the bus over the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, which provides a majestic view of Lower Manhattan, he now sits on the side facing the ocean, away from the city.

"I sit so I don't have to see the emptiness," he said.

A security guard named Shirley White used to work in one of the buildings that once stood in that emptiness. She too said that she admired how New Yorkers rallied around one another -- "We have finally come together," she said -- and she too said that she had no intention of moving from her home in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn.

But as she carries on with her life, Ms. White said, the attack continues to disrupt her days and nights. The building she now guards is much shorter than the twin towers, which is fine by her. ("I'm trying not to get into any skyscraping buildings," she said.) But that building is in Midtown, which means that her round-trip commute by a slowed subway system is at least two hours longer.

More important, she said, are the memories of all those people she used to see, passing by her as she stood sentry in the south tower of the World Trade Center. "Every day I think about them," she said. "And every night I think about them."

"I'm afraid, but I can't let that stop me from doing my work," she continued. "I might as well lie down and say, 'Get me too.' I have to do what I have to do."

That last statement by Ms. White, who is 55 years old and the mother of six, might as well be inscribed on the city seal. At a time when there are security checkpoints at various tunnels and bridges, 9 of 10 city residents said they endorsed having more checkpoints and metal detectors at public events and public buildings -- even if it meant waiting on line for an hour or more.

In addition, three-quarters of the respondents said that they would be willing to arrive at the airport three hours early for any domestic flight. And two-thirds said that they would support a requirement that people in the United States carry a national electronic identification card, or "smart card."

The poll also seems to suggest a growing tolerance for racial profiling -- for law officers' stopping people of a specific race or ethnicity because they believe these groups are more likely to commit certain types of crimes.

In a poll conducted in April 2000, after the acquittal of four New York police officers charged with the shooting death of an unarmed African immigrant, Amadou Diallo, in the Bronx, 84 percent of the city's residents said that profiling was never justified.

But in the recent poll, only half the respondents said there was never justification, with 24 percent of the black respondents and 31 percent of the Hispanic respondents finding the practice acceptable. At the same time, 85 percent of all city residents who were questioned said that Arab-Americans, Muslims and immigrants from the Middle East were at least somewhat likely to be singled out unfairly as a result of last month's terrorist attack.

"During these times of heightened security, when you never know when they're going to strike or what's going to happen in the city," said Richard Collado, 36, "you

more or less say, 'Fine, you can stop me; I'm Hispanic, but you can stop me if you need to.' But two years down the road, with the war over, and nothing going on anymore, then I don't approve."

Mr. Collado, a stockbroker who lives in Bay Ridge, added: "If Hispanics or any group are all of a sudden creating havoc like this, then I don't mind being stopped. If it's for the greater good of everyone else that I have to be stopped, then that's fine."

There were other indications that the city is trying to find its footing on unsettled ground, as personified by Sharifah Taylor, 24, an unemployed sales representative from Crown Heights. "I always had trouble with crime here, but just seeing everyone pull together after what's happened makes me feel real good about the city," she said. But she also said that she avoids the subways and has not been to Manhattan since the attack.

"If I had a choice, I would probably leave the city, but terrorism can happen anywhere," Ms. Taylor said. "I'm just watching what's going on, and staying where I am."

One in five city residents said that they are less likely to frequent restaurants. Two in five residents who described themselves as occasional or frequent air travelers said that they were now less likely to fly. Nearly 30 percent said that they are more likely to attend religious services. And more than half -- including John Ferruzzi of Forest Hills, Queens -- say that they find themselves spending more time with their family and close friends.

In the last month, Mr. Ferruzzi has gone through the experiences of a lifetime, and he is only 20 years old. He said he has seen a city of millions set aside cultural differences to come together in true "New York spirit." But a good friend of his lost a friend in the World Trade Center collapse, while the neighbor of another good

friend lost a son.

"Everywhere I went there was another story," he said, his voice shaking.

"Just talking about it -- forget about it."

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I want to publicly thank everyone who responded to my question regarding Hispanics and the race question. My desk is piled with your replies and papers on the issue.

My only problem now is finding sufficient time to read and weigh your brilliant thoughts.

I can say at this juncture, however, that your responses confirm a feeling I've had for some time. The feeling that, in designing ethnicity and race questions, we are often talking to ourselves. That the respondent reality is something very

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question on our list.

-- Jim

On Mon, 15 Oct 2001, Margaret Roller wrote:

> I want to publicly thank everyone who responded to my question
> regarding Hispanics and the race question. My desk is piled with your
> replies and papers on the issue. My only problem now is finding
> sufficient time to read and weigh your brilliant thoughts.

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> I can say at this juncture, however, that your responses confirm a
> feeling I've had for some time. The feeling that, in designing
> ethnicity and race questions, we are often talking to ourselves. That
> the respondent reality is something very different than our clever
> response categories.

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> Margaret R. Roller
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Patty,

Speaking only for myself, a U of Oregon envelope and a U of Oregon
postage meter imprint would satisfy me. Any type of would-be-
amusing rubber stamping about Osama bin Laden would only detract
from the authenticity and authority of the envelope and the
meter imprint.

-- Jim

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To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Cognitive screen for in-person interviews
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This interesting request is being forwarded from a colleague.
Thanks for any input.

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Do you know of any standard cognitive screening instrument for
interview
subjects selected from the general public? We are doing interviews of
the
general public to describe their preferences about post-stroke health
states. The Mini-Mental Health Status questionnaire is far too long
and
intricate for use in the general public. It's really designed for
patients
who have a serious probability of cognitive impairment. We want a
quick,
dirty, and widely defensible screen to check if our subjects are "with
it"?
Any ideas?

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Suggestion:

Why not put a code number (randomized) on each envelope along with a phone number to call if there are any questions or doubts as to the survey's authenticity. This should provide an easy way to check along with reassurance. To see if that works -- try it out on a small sample. If they do call, the person answering could ask a few questions about respondent's fears/concerns.

Dick Halpern

At 12:26 PM 10/15/01, you wrote:

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>If we mail out this week, whatever the study's ultimate response rate, we
>will not know if it is lower due to the anthrax scare. Before this aspect
>of the terrorists' campaign, we were actually see *higher than usual*

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Greetings,
In wake of the Daschle letter containing anthrax
(see below the AP news filed at 1:51 pm),
using post-card would be more effective both for advance
notification,
and thank-you/reminder.

I didn't seriously think about how Laden's terror would affect the
ways
we administer surveys. Now we may all would ... including issues of
mode effects, response rates, and compliance model.

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October 15, 2001
Letter Sent to Senate Majority Leader Has Anthrax
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Filed at 1:51 p.m. ET

WASHINGTON (AP) -- A letter opened Monday in the office of Senate Majority
Leader Tom Daschle ``had anthrax in it,' ' President Bush said.

The letter was field-tested twice and in both cases came up positive for
anthrax, said Capitol Police Lt. Dan Nichols. He said the letter was sent to
an Army medical research facility at Fort Detrick, Md., for further tests.

``There was an exposure when the letter was opened,' ' Nichols said.

People who were exposed were being treated with Cipro, an antibiotic, said a

Capitol physician.

The letter to Daschle was postmarked Sept. 18 from Trenton, N.J., said postal inspector Tony Esposito.

Daschle said his office in the Hart building a block from the Capitol had been quarantined and is closed now. Emergency medical vehicles were parked outside the building.

He said there were 40 people in the building at the time, but that he doesn't know how many of them may have come in contact with the letter. He said he also was gratified that the response was so quick.

``We have to be alert, we have to recognize that the risk is higher than it was a couple of weeks ago but we have to live our lives,'' he said.

Speaking to reporters at the White House, Bush said ``there may be some possible link'' between Osama bin Laden and a recent flurry of anthrax-related developments.

``I wouldn't put it past him but we don't have any hard evidence,'' he said of the man suspected as the leader behind Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in New York and Washington that killed thousands.

Within a few hours of the delivery of the letter to Daschle's office, officials in the House and Senate issued orders to all congressional offices to refrain from opening mail.

A memo from the House sergeant-at-arms said the mail would be ``picked up ... for additional screening and returned to you as soon as possible.''

Doug Hattaway, a spokesman for Daschle, said the majority leader had informed his staff of the developments in a conference call.

The suspicious package was received at the majority leader's office in a Senate office building across the street from the Capitol.

Separately, one source said that when it was opened, a powdery white substance fell out. Capitol Police were summoned, the office sealed, and the workers immediately given a text for anthrax exposure. There was no immediate word on the results of those tests.

But Bush, in responding to a reporter's question, said he had just talked with Daschle. ``His office received a letter and it had anthrax in it. The letter was field-tested. And the staffers that have been exposed are being treated.''

The president made his comments after a meeting with Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi, the latest in a steady stream of foreign leaders to visit Washington in the wake of the terrorist attacks.

The president said additional tests are being conducted on the letter. It ``had been wrapped a lot,'' he said, and there was ``powder within the confines of the envelope.''

He said the powder itself had been sent to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for additional testing.

The disclosure came after days of unsettling reports of anthrax scares in three states, including the death of one man in Florida last week.

``The key thing for the American people is to be cautious,`` said Bush.

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

From: Jim Ellis [mailto:jellis@saturn.vcu.edu]
Sent: Monday, October 15, 2001 1:56 PM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: RE: delay a mail-out survey due to anthrax scare?

It may be too late for this suggestion at Oregon, but a pre-notification post card might work better these days because it cannot contain any substances in noticeable quantities, though it is not as nice as a letter. Maybe a small graphic of the outgoing survey envelope could be shown as well, so they know what it will look like when it arrives. (Also, it might note that bin Laden or whoever is doing this anthrax insanity needs to know your home address before they mail you some free anthrax -- not to disparage any potential survey respondents, but most of the tainted letters seem to be going to more prominent addresses than we might find in a mail survey list.)

Jim Ellis
Virginia Commonwealth University

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

From: owner-aapornet@usc.edu [mailto:owner-aapornet@usc.edu] On Behalf Of Patricia Gwartney
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These two articles are for those with an interest in the impact of terrorist attacks on DC govt. and the tourism industry. Has anyone asked about willingness to visit different locations, including NY and DC, nationally? I have been seeing TV ads here encouraging people to visit NY. I have not yet seen any opinion research conducted within DC itself or the metro region (in Virginia-home to the Pentagon-and Maryland. together, nearly 70% of DC local and federal workers live and commute to the District from those states).

This may sound farfetched and it may be too early to talk about it, but don't be surprised if at some time the Capitol building is closed off like the White House; and if, at some point, the whole National Mall area from the Capital to the White House is closed to private traffic. Everyone wants to be secure, and it will be interesting to see where that leads.

One issue the DC govt./police is currently struggling with is how to stay "in the loop" on security issues, including which streets the federal government closes, etc., so they can coordinate to reroute traffic, as well as reassure residents that they too will be informed about what to do if there is an emergency. A new local emergency response center that was underway before the attack is operational in the case of future attacks, hopefully that will help. The Post has also reported that due to the increased need for DC's police force to stop and examine trucks, etc. around the National Mall, some residents are reporting long delays in getting emergency help, and there are some fears that crime could rise as the police spend less time in the 120 residential neighborhoods. I don't know if these issues are arising in NY and elsewhere.

Mark

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Analysis

Home Rule Is Losing Battle for D.C. Streets

City Administration Struggles for a Say as Federal Agencies Decide Security

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A59332-2001Oct14.html>

By Serge F. Kovaleski

Washington Post Staff Writer

Monday, October 15, 2001; Page B01

The federal government's aggressive and often unilateral efforts to shore up security in Washington have frustrated and demoralized the Williams administration, which since Sept. 11 has fought largely in vain for a central role in decisions affecting the nation's capital. One immediate casualty is the notion that city leaders have carefully cultivated since Congress granted the District limited home rule 27 years ago -- that they are the proud and elected hosts of the federal government. In the wake of the attacks, a city of 572,000 residents has been reminded of the limitations that come with the distinction of

being the seat of power of a nation now at war.

Security measures implemented by the White House and federal law enforcement agencies in and around the District -- from the extended shutdown of Reagan National Airport to the closings of numerous streets in the city -- have hindered efforts by Mayor Anthony A. Williams to lure visitors back to Washington and revive its suddenly suffering economy.

At stake, among other things, is the city's fragile fiscal recovery, which has been years in the making and could suffer a setback if the local economy continues to decline and tax revenue dwindles. Tourists, who last year accounted for \$4.8 billion in revenue for the District, are pivotal to the area's economic vitality, but they have been shying away from the city since hijacked jetliners slammed into the Pentagon and the World Trade Center.

For their part, proponents of District statehood and full voting rights in Congress said the newly expanded role of the federal government in the capital will make what has long been a difficult and frustrating lobbying campaign even tougher -- at least for the foreseeable future.

In the meantime, they say, Williams (D) and other top D.C. officials should be more assertive in demanding a greater role in security planning for the District.

"It is completely inappropriate to not have the mayor at the center of discussions about how we are going to change our lives in the District of Columbia," said Amy Whitcomb Slemmer, executive director of the advocacy group DC Vote. She added, "The mayor must be unapologetic about inserting himself into the national dialogue on how to combat terrorism in Washington and elsewhere."

In the latest episode in which District officials were caught off guard by federal security initiatives, the U.S. Capitol Police announced late Wednesday that it was barring commercial trucks and buses along sections of Constitution and Independence avenues that it controls.

Mayoral aides said the decision by Capitol Police, though less restrictive than an earlier proposal, still peeved the Williams administration, which views street closings as an impediment to restoring a sense of normalcy to the District.

"The mayor is unalterably opposed to the closing of any streets. It creates problems, it does not solve problems and it worsens security for others," said Tony Bullock, acting communications director for Williams.

"If you give them an inch, they take a mile kind of thing," Bullock said. "I think it is very narrow-minded on the part of federal agencies who have a proclivity to close streets as part of an ongoing situation."

City Administrator John A. Koskinen has been negotiating with the federal government about impromptu street closures that various agencies have made without warning around the White House, the State Department, the Justice Department, the U.S. attorney's office, the Department of Energy and other locations.

Bullock said the city administrator "has been out there with the giant saber . . . fighting with great vigor any attempt by the federal government to usurp a street."

Koskinen said he has not sensed that federal officials have tried to exclude the District from security discussions. The federal government, he said, has been making more of an effort to reach out to the Williams administration on security and related issues.

At the White House, spokesman Scott McClellan said the Bush administration has been working with the District government on needed security precautions throughout the city.

"The White House has a very positive and constructive working relationship with the District, and White House officials are regularly in contact with D.C. officials about security measures and local issues," McClellan said. "The president values his friendship with the mayor and is committed to maintaining a positive working relationship with him."

But Koskinen, even while noting the improved communication, acknowledged the new reality. "The bottom line," he said, "is that they [federal agencies] are going to do what they think is appropriate in the end."

That was evident with other street closings. For example, the Justice Department -- without consulting city officials -- issued an order banning parking around the agency's headquarters.

Federal agencies have sought to ensure that they foresee every potential threat and are not blamed for a security lapse. When Koskinen repeatedly urged federal law enforcement officials to open specific downtown streets, they asked him to put it in writing, apparently to place responsibility at the feet of District officials. The closings along Constitution and Independence avenues in the area around the U.S. Capitol carried their own irony. Williams learned of the decision just after 6 p.m. Wednesday, moments after he finished an all-afternoon planning session with business leaders about how to convince tourists and residents that Washington was getting back to normal.

At the meeting, Washington, DC Convention and Tourism Corp. unveiled an advertising campaign to bring visitors back to the District that prominently feature images of the Capitol dome. Called "The City That Inspires," the campaign began Friday with newspaper ads.

The slogan, set against the dome's backdrop, reads: "People everywhere are looking to be inspired. Here's one place you're sure to find it." But in a city where security is now paramount, that campaign was largely rendered moot the day it was launched, when plans to greatly restrict access to the Capitol were announced.

Williams, reacting to the security measures, has encouraged President Bush to be more visible in the city and to reassure the public that Washington has not become an uninviting garrison. Bush had dinner with Williams at a Washington restaurant Oct. 2, when the reopening of Reagan National Airport was announced.

But that remains a small victory in a relationship now being redefined by war.

"We have always been supplicants, and now we are supposed to be obedient supplicants," said Mark Plotkin, political commentator for WAMU-FM radio and staunch promoter of District autonomy. "This mayor acts as a ceremonial figure. There is no advice and consent here. We are invisible. We just happen to live here."

Staff writers Spencer S. Hsu and Carol D. Leonnig and staff researcher Bobbye Pratt contributed to this report.

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Crowds Return to Some D.C. Areas, Skip Others

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By Valerie Strauss and Patricia Davis

Washington Post Staff Writers
Monday, October 15, 2001; Page B07

Bright red trolleys usually filled with eager tourists rumbled along D.C. streets virtually empty yesterday, but crowds still sought out patriotic exhibits at the National Museum of American History on the Mall. Cabdrivers complained of solitude, but many District restaurants were packed with diners.

There were mixed results for the District, which has struggled to regain its footing after tourism and other key industries were hit hard by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. The city spent \$200,000 on a campaign to lure more people downtown during the weekend with free Metro rides and discounts at restaurants and hotels.

Metro had estimated that it could lose \$600,000 as a result of fare waivers, but it was unclear how much it ultimately gave away because ridership figures were not available for yesterday. Metro officials reported a 7 percent increase in ridership on Saturday from an average Saturday in October.

Still, it appeared that attractions highly dependent on tourists fared much worse than those that also cater to Washington area residents.

"The core of downtown, the federal enclave, seemed like it was undernourished," said Tony Bullock, spokesman for Mayor Anthony A. Williams (D). "I think a lot of that . . . has to do with a heavy volume of missing tourists. They are not here because, by and large, there is still around the country nervousness about flying."

"But I don't see any signs that people in the Washington region are staying at home."

Indeed, on Saturday night, Bullock found Dupont Circle so busy that he could not get a seat at three restaurants without long waits. Other areas of the city, such as Georgetown and Glover Park, also seemed busy over the weekend, with restaurants reporting normal business. Even some downtown restaurants, such as the Palm, said they were fully booked Saturday night, and yesterday's business looked healthy, too. The Capitol City Brewing Co. downtown also reported no dip in business, and ESPN Zone said the weekend was packed with customers. Some hotels, while facing high vacancy rates, said they see some signs of revival.

But a worker for Martz Gray Line who sells tickets at Union Station for the tourist trolleys said he had fewer than 10 customers yesterday, leaving the trolleys running nearly empty. On a usual weekend October day, nine trolleys run all day, mostly filled.

"You offer incentives, and people still don't come," said the worker, who spoke on condition of anonymity. "How are you going to woo them back?"

Cabdriver Phillip Gordon doesn't usually work Sundays, but business has been so bad since Sept. 11 that he spent yesterday behind the wheel of his District taxi. He said Thursday's warning from the FBI to be alert may have confused Americans, who are also hearing that they should resume normal life.

"They're sending mixed signals," Gordon, 65, said of the government. "What are you supposed to do?"

Many of those who did visit the nation's capital yesterday said a short, unspecific FBI warning issued last week of the possibility of more terrorist attacks was too vague to worry about.

"The warnings they gave were so generic," said Brooke Larsen, 51, of Virginia Beach, who was visiting with her husband, Bart O'Hara, 53. "I can be just as alert here as anywhere else."

There was a question of how well the promotion was publicized. Some

visitors -- both tourists and area residents -- said they weren't aware of the free rides.

But others, including Howard Beck, 47, and his mother, Marie Beck, 71, took Metro up on its offer.

"We're kind of tired of hanging around the house," said Howard Beck, of Arlington. "I thought I'd come down and spend a little money 'cause they're hurting. These people are dying for business."

Outside the National Museum of American History along Constitution Avenue, business was slow at the concession trucks that line the street -- and where FBI, CIA and USA sweat shirts are getting prominent display. Tuan Do said that on a day he would normally sell about 100 hot dogs, he would be lucky to hawk 30.

But inside, the museum was bustling yesterday, and Lt. Andrea Robinson, in charge of security, said she has seen a marked improvement in recent days.

"We felt a pinch after the 11th with the school groups not coming," Robinson said. But there have been encouraging signs since then, she said.

The exhibit on the presidents, "The American Presidency -- A Glorious Burden," has attracted a growing number of visitors, Robinson said, because U.S. history suddenly seems more relevant.

And the Star-Spangled Banner, which inspired the national anthem, has been a steady draw since Sept. 11. Gloria Day, a special police officer and permanent fixture at the exhibit, said many people have been compelled to come see the 150-pound flag, which is undergoing conservation treatment.

One young child began crying when she saw a hole in the flag, saying she knew someone with needle and thread who could fix it, Day said. And when Reagan National Airport was closed, a steady stream of flight attendants stopped by to see the 185-year-old flag on display on the second floor.

"It was real sentimental in here," said Day, 42. "They said they wanted to see the flag because they didn't know if they would make the trip back."

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Capital to the White House is closed to private traffic.<span
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reassure residents that they too will be informed about what to do if =

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**Home Rule =
Is
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City Administration Struggles for a Say as
Federal Agencies
Decide Security

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A59332-2001Oct14.html>

*By Serge F. =
Kovaleski*

Washington Post Staff Writer
Monday, October 15, 2001; Page =
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The federal
government's aggressive and often unilateral efforts to shore up =
security in
Washington have frustrated and demoralized the Williams administration, =
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since Sept. 11 has fought largely in vain for a central role in =
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the nation's capital.

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One immediate =
casualty

is the notion that city leaders have carefully cultivated since Congress granted the District limited home rule 27 years ago -- that they are the proud and elected hosts of the federal government. In the wake of the attacks, a city of 572,000 residents has been reminded of the limitations that come with the distinction of being the seat of power of a nation now at war.

Security measures implemented by the White House and federal law enforcement agencies in and around the District -- from the extended shutdown of Reagan National Airport to the closings of numerous streets in the city -- have hindered efforts by Mayor Anthony A. Williams to lure visitors back to Washington and revive its suddenly suffering economy.

At stake, among other things, is the city's fragile fiscal recovery, which has been years in the making and could suffer a setback if the local economy continues to decline and tax revenue dwindles. Tourists, who last year accounted for \$4.8 billion in revenue for the District, are pivotal to the area's economic vitality, but they have been shying away from the city since hijacked jetliners slammed into the Pentagon and the World Trade Center.

For their part, proponents of District statehood and full voting rights in Congress said =

the newly expanded role of the federal government in the capital will make = what has long been a difficult and frustrating lobbying campaign even tougher -- = at least for the foreseeable future.<o:p></o:p></p>=

<p>In the = meantime, they say, Williams (D) and other top D.C. officials should be more assertive = in demanding a greater role in security planning for the = District.<o:p></o:p= ></p>

<p>"It is = completely inappropriate to not have the mayor at the center of discussions about = how we are going to change our lives in the District of Columbia," said = Amy Whitcomb Slemmer, executive director of the advocacy group DC Vote. She = added, "The mayor must be unapologetic about inserting himself into the = national dialogue on how to combat terrorism in Washington and = elsewhere."<o:p></o:p= ></p>

<p>In the latest = episode in which District officials were caught off guard by federal security initiatives, the U.S. Capitol Police announced late Wednesday that it = was barring commercial trucks and buses along sections of Constitution and Independence avenues that it controls.<o:p></o:p></p>=

<p>Mayoral aides = said the decision by Capitol Police, though less restrictive than an earlier = proposal, still peeved the Williams administration, which views street closings as = an impediment to restoring a sense of normalcy to the District. = <o:p></o:p= ></p>

<p>"The mayor = is unalterably opposed to the closing of any streets. It creates problems, = it does not solve problems and it worsens security for others," said Tony = Bullock, acting communications director for Williams. <o:p></o:p></span= ></p>

<p>"If you = give them an inch, they take a mile kind of thing," Bullock said. "I = think it is very narrow-minded on the part of federal agencies who have a = proclivity to close streets as part of an ongoing situation."<o:p></o:p></span= ></p>

<p>City = Administrator John A. Koskinen has been negotiating with the federal government about impromptu street closures that various agencies have made without = warning around the White House, the State Department, the Justice Department, = the U.S. attorney's office, the Department of Energy and other =

locations.<o:p></o:p=></p>

<p>Bullock said = the city administrator "has been out there with the giant saber . . . = fighting with great vigor any attempt by the federal government to usurp a = street."<o:p></o:p=></p>

<p>Koskinen said = he has not sensed that federal officials have tried to exclude the District = from security discussions. The federal government, he said, has been making = more of an effort to reach out to the Williams administration on security and = related issues. <o:p></o:p></p>

<p>At the White = House, spokesman Scott McClellan said the Bush administration has been working = with the District government on needed security precautions throughout the = city. <o:p></o:p=></p>

<p>"The White = House has a very positive and constructive working relationship with the = District, and White House officials are regularly in contact with D.C. officials = about security measures and local issues," McClellan said. "The = president

values his friendship with the mayor and is committed to maintaining a positive working relationship with him."

But Koskinen, even while noting the improved communication, acknowledged the new reality. "The bottom line," he said, "is that they [federal agencies] are going to do what they think is appropriate in the end."

That was evident with other street closings. For example, the Justice Department -- without consulting city officials -- issued an order banning parking around the agency's headquarters.

Federal agencies have sought to ensure that they foresee every potential threat and are not blamed for a security lapse. When Koskinen repeatedly urged federal law enforcement officials to open specific downtown streets, they asked him to put it in writing, apparently to place responsibility at the feet of District officials.

The closings along Constitution and Independence avenues in the area around the U.S. Capitol

carried their own irony. Williams learned of the decision just after 6 =
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Here's one place you're sure to find it." But in a city where =
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<p>But that remains a small victory in a relationship now being redefined by war.<o:p></o:p>></p>

<p>"We have always been supplicants, and now we are supposed to be obedient supplicants," said Mark Plotkin, political commentator for WAMU-FM radio and staunch promoter of District autonomy. "This mayor acts as a ceremonial figure. There is no advice and consent here. We are invisible. We just happen to live here."<o:p></o:p>></p>

<p><i>Staff writers Spencer S. Hsu</i>and<i> Carol D. Leonnig and staff researcher Bobbye Pratt contributed to this report.</i> <o:p></o:p>></p>

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<p><i>By Valerie Strauss and Patricia Davis</i>
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<p><!--plsfield:description--><NITF>Bright red trolleys usually filled with eager tourists rumbled along D.C. = streets virtually empty yesterday, but crowds still sought out patriotic =

exhibits at the National Museum of American History on the Mall. Cabdrivers complained of solitude, but many District restaurants were packed with diners.

There were mixed results for the District, which has struggled to regain its footing after tourism and other key industries were hit hard by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. The city spent \$200,000 on a campaign to lure more people downtown during the weekend with free Metro rides and discounts at restaurants and hotels.

Metro had estimated that it could lose \$600,000 as a result of fare waivers, but it was unclear how much it ultimately gave away because ridership figures were not available for yesterday. Metro officials reported a 7 percent increase in ridership on Saturday from an average Saturday in October.

Still, it appeared that attractions highly dependent on tourists fared much worse than those that also cater to Washington area residents.

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downtown, the federal enclave, seemed like it was undernourished," =
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Tony Bullock, spokesman for Mayor Anthony A. Williams (D). "I think =
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yesterday's business looked healthy, too. The Capitol City Brewing Co. =
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also reported no dip in business, and ESPN Zone said the weekend was =
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Gordon doesn't usually work Sundays, but business has been so bad since =
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11 that he spent yesterday behind the wheel of his District taxi. He =
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are also hearing that they should resume normal life.<font
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<p>Many of those = who did visit the nation's capital yesterday said a short, unspecific FBI = warning issued last week of the possibility of more terrorist attacks was too = vague to worry about.<o:p></o:p></p>

<p>"The = warnings they gave were so generic," said Brooke Larsen, 51, of Virginia = Beach, who was visiting with her husband, Bart O'Hara, 53. "I can be just as = alert here as anywhere else."<o:p></o:p></p>

<p>There was a = question of how well the promotion was publicized. Some visitors -- both tourists = and area residents -- said they weren't aware of the free = rides.<o:p></o:p= ></p>

<p>But others, = including Howard Beck, 47, and his mother, Marie Beck, 71, took Metro up on its = offer.<o:p></o:p= ></p>

<p>"We're = kind of tired of hanging around the house," said Howard Beck, of Arlington.

"I thought I'd come down and spend a little money 'cause they're hurting. These people are dying for business."

Outside the National Museum of American History along Constitution Avenue, business was slow at the concession trucks that line the street -- and where FBI, CIA and USA sweat shirts are getting prominent display. Tuan Do said that on a day he would normally sell about 100 hot dogs, he would be lucky to hawk 30.

But inside, the museum was bustling yesterday, and Lt. Andrea Robinson, in charge of security, said she has seen a marked improvement in recent days.

"We felt a pinch after the 11th with the school groups not coming," Robinson said. But there have been encouraging signs since then, she said.

The exhibit on the presidents, "The American Presidency -- A Glorious Burden," has

attracted a growing number of visitors, Robinson said, because U.S. =
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suddenly seems more relevant.<font size=3D2 color=3Dblack =
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To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: "Claudia Deane" <deanec@washpost.com>
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Topic: America's War on Terrorism: The Hawks and the Hesitants

Speaker: Richard Morin
Director of Polling/Staff Writer
The Washington Post

Date & Time: Friday, October 26, 2001, 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Location: BLS Conference and Training Center (basement level)
Room #9, Postal Square Building,
2 Massachusetts Ave., NE, Washington, DC
(Enter on First St., NE, and bring a photo ID)

Metro: Union Station, Red Line

RSVP: To be placed on the visitors list, send an email to
dc-aapor.admin@erols.com or theresa.j.demaio@census.gov or call Terry
DeMaio at 301-457-4894 by Monday, October 22.

Abstract: By reporting on the public's reactions to the attacks on the World
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and the ongoing war in Afghanistan and elsewhere, the Post's
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Message-ID:

<C7D496BDFDBEE745BB21226605670F510B2C8E@nehor.office.humanvoice.net>

From: Karl Feld <KFeld@humanvoice.com>

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

Subject: RE: response rate for website surveys

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>From jpmurphy@jpmurphy.com Mon Oct 15 18:03:24 2001

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(PDT)

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by smtp.jpmurphy.com (209.228.32.114) with SMTP; 15 Oct 2001 18:02:31 -0700

X-Sent: 16 Oct 2001 01:02:31 GMT

Message-ID: <005a01c155de\$602c4820\$8dc5c3d1@default>

From: "James P. Murphy" <jpmurphy@jpmurphy.com>

To: <jwerner@jwdp.com>, <aapornet@usc.edu>

Subject: Re: delay a mail-out survey due to anthrax scare?
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But I guess that wouldn't be true if it was the Weathermen, Black Panthers or SLA.

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Voice (610) 408-8800
Fax (610) 408-8802
jpmurphy@jpmurphy.com

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From: Jan Werner <jwerner@jwdp.com>
To: aapornet@usc.edu <aapornet@usc.edu>
Date: Monday, October 15, 2001 4:34 PM
Subject: Re: delay a mail-out survey due to anthrax scare?

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From: Reg_Baker@marketstrategies.com
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by sharpie.marketstrategies.com (Switch-2.0.1/Switch-2.0.1) with ESMTTP
id
f9GC2tt26619
for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Tue, 16 Oct 2001 08:02:55 -0400 (EDT)
Subject: RE: response rate for website surveys
To: aapornet@usc.edu
X-Mailer: Lotus Notes Release 5.0.8 June 18, 2001
Message-ID: <OF53DC15F1.0FADE249-ON85256AE7.0041F7E1@marketstrategies.com>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 08:02:52 -0400
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2000) at
10/16/2001 08:02:55 AM
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In truth, it's often worse than this. While many panels can get you 30% or

so (SSI being an example), there is a lot of web work pulling down 5% response rates. This tends to be true of the list aggregators (Netcreations being an example).

Reg Baker
www.ms-interactive.com

Karl Feld
<aapornet@usc.edu> <KFeld@humanvo
ice.com> To: "'aapornet@usc.edu'"
cc:
Sent by: Subject: RE: response rate for
website
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X-Mailer: Novell GroupWise 5.2
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 09:38:01 -0600
From: "Rob Daves" <daves@startribune.com>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Fwd: Mail Security Issues

Colleague...

After Patty Gwartney's note yesterday and the subsequent good suggestions, I thought I'd pass this along to you. It's a list of suggestions and guidelines from a friend of mine at the USPS dealing with mail security.

All best wishes...

Rob

Robert P. Daves, director
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From: ROBERT EIDE <REIDE@email.usps.gov>
To: daves <daves@startribune.com>
Subject: Mail Security Issues
Message-ID: <0033000038467401000002L012*@MHS>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 10:06:30 -0400

SUGGESTIONS TO ADDRESS
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Preserving the integrity of the \$528 billion direct mail sector
of
the U.S. economy is one way we can respond to the President's
call
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In response to inquiries from member companies, consumers and the press regarding direct mail as a possible vehicle for distributing anthrax or other agents of bioterrorism, The DMA suggests the following guidelines to promote security and integrity in the direct mail business, and to ensure consumers of the safety of professional direct mail campaigns.

1. Avoid using plain envelopes. Printed envelopes, especially those using color are less likely to appear like the hand-prepared envelopes involved in the incidents so far.
2. Use a clear and identifiable return address. Consider including your company logo in the address.
3. Consider including a toll-free phone number and/or URL address on envelopes.
4. Utilize an e-mail and/or telemarketing campaign in conjunction with a letter drop to notify consumers that mail will be coming.
5. Consider temporarily delaying Business-to-Business mailings because of potential logjams in receiving mailrooms.
6. Utilize The DMA Member logo to demonstrate your company's credibility.
7. Contact your lettershop and other production services to stress the importance of security.
8. Consider performing a security audit throughout your operation.
9. Evaluate your campaign approach and consider that personalization is temporarily less likely to increase response rates.
10. If you are involved in production services, know who your customers are.
11. Reinforce your existing internal guidelines about forwarding press and consumer calls to appropriate internal channels.
12. Educate mailroom employees about identifying and dealing with possible threats.
13. Utilize The DMA as press resource. Feel free to forward press

calls to 212-768-7277.

* * * * * TALKING TO AUTHORITIES * * * * *

In addition to issuing these suggestions, The DMA will continue to talk with government officials - including those at the U.S. Postal Service - as well as experts in bioterrorism, in order to keep you informed and prepared to respond appropriately as new developments arise.

At present, we know that the USPS has confirmed that the mail was used to transport anthrax bacteria in no more than two instances.

However, it is imperative to point out that those mailpieces were sent from individuals and were not related to any direct mail campaign.

* * * * * OTHER RESOURCES * * * * *

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Other information sources regarding the U.S. mail and anthrax include:

** U.S. Postal Service at <http://www.usps.com/news/2001/press/serviceupdates.htm>

** Postal Inspection Service at <http://www.usps.gov/websites/depart/inspect>

** Center for Disease Control (CDC) at <http://www.cdc.gov>

** Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) at <http://www.fbi.gov>.

The FBI has issued a consumer advisory regarding suspicious packages and letters, which can be accessed at <http://www.fbi.gov/pressrel/pressrel01/poster101201.pdf>

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From: ELENA M NEELY at PACA002L
Date: 10/15/01 2:44PM
To: ROBERT E EIDE at EAMN001L
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*To: Robert J Ellis at DEMI001L
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*To: ELENA M NEELY at PACA002L
*To: VICKY E CONSTANTINIDIS at COOH001L
*To: VITO FORTUNA at NYNY002L
*To: DAVID J MASTERVICH at STVA001L
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I started doing research on the web and about the web in 1994 and discovered that, lo, the internet is just like physical space, only different. The difference is the technology, but ultimately the same rules regarding social behavior still apply. Web survey response rates are affected by the same things that affect telephone and mail response rates: quality of the sample list, interest in the subject of the survey, quality of the questionnaire design (phrasing, length, aesthetics), incentives. A technology variable is whether the survey is deployed via an email (opt-in list is a bit different than, say, an RDD sample) and whether it is a 'pop-up' survey off of a website (also know as 'intercept' or 'interstitial' method). Length of a pop-up survey must be very short and concise. We get about 15-30% for the intercepts, and anywhere from 5% for an email invite using a purchased list, to about 70% using a customer list with an engaged customer base (we tell our clients to expect about 20-25%).

I predict that the response rate will fall in the future, as the novelty wears off and as the marketing/sales efforts bombard people with their advertising pop-ups, causing people to automatically close the windows, delete emails, and install blocking software.

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Director of Research

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

From: Karl Feld [mailto:KFeld@humanvoice.com]
Sent: Monday, October 15, 2001 4:30 PM
To: 'aapornet@usc.edu'
Subject: RE: response rate for website surveys

Terrie,

Response rates for web surveys are heavily dependent on the population and sample source, so it is hard to answer this question. We are a web survey company. That is all we do. For what it is worth, we experience RR from 30% to 70%. The higher rates are generally obtained on customer/employee type research using client-supplied internal sample. Lower rates are obtained from commercially supplied sample from the larger panels and are generally from consumer/general population work.

Karl

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

From: Teresa Hottle [mailto:teresa.hottle@wright.edu]
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2001 9:15 AM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: response rate for website surveys

Can anyone tell me what the "average" response rate for website surveys is?

Thanks,
Terrie

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Latina

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> Senior Staff Scientist,
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> Seattle, WA
> lvoigt@fhcrc.org
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Thanks,
Monica Wolford

Center on Policy Attitudes

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Frank Newport

Editor in Chief

The Gallup Poll

Princeton

-- NEWS ADVISORY -- TO NATIONAL EDITOR:

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Gallup analysts have a number of concerns regarding the Pakistan poll which include -- but are not limited to -- technical issues. Our understanding is that its findings do not apply to Pakistan as such -- but rather, to nine urban areas which collectively account for just 16.7% of that country's population. Furthermore, none of the country's predominantly rural population receives any representation whatsoever in the poll's sampling frame.

In short, the poll leaves out the views of at least 83% of the country's citizenry. The Gallup Organization regrets that the survey's use of the Gallup name may imply a level of credibility which would not otherwise be merited. Upon our review, we have grave concerns about its reliability.

If you have any questions about the origins or methodology of a poll purporting to be a "Gallup Poll," please feel free to contact any of the executives of The Gallup Organization listed below. A complete global list of The Gallup Organization's offices and authorized subsidiaries is

available at www.gallup.com.

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

From: Nick Panagakis [mailto:mail@marketsharescorp.com]
Sent: Monday, October 15, 2001 10:42 AM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: Pakistan Poll?

The sample was "selected from the urban areas". Just imagine what the rural
folks believe?

These findings are from Newsweek's PRNewswire release:

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"And almost half of those polled (48%) believe Israel was responsible for
the attack on the U.S. Only 12 percent view Osama bin Laden as responsible,
and 25 percent said a U.S. group was behind the Sept. 11 attacks."

"Osama bin Laden is viewed by the majority (82%) of Pakistanis to be a
mujahid (freedom fighter) as opposed to a terrorist (6%). And a smaller
majority (57%) also opposes bin Laden presenting himself before a court of
law, while 34 percent are in favor."

Nick

Howard Schuman wrote:

Thanks Jan & Nick. The content is not quite as bad as the news report,
but nevertheless ominous. Pakistan's population is over 150 million, it
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> Islamabad, October 15, 2001
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> Gallup Pakistan the Pakistani public is undergoing a set of complex
> emotions. Around half of them, 51%, say they favour General
> Musharaf's policy on the current crisis, which is substantially
> higher compared to three weeks ago when the level of support was
> only 32%. Furthermore, 37% think that he has handled his job on
> this issue in a very good or good way. But having said that 83% of
> Pakistanis say that in the conflict between America and Taliban,
> their sympathies are with the Taliban. 82% of them believe Osama Bin
> Laden is a "Mjuahid" and not a terrorist and only 12% believe that
> he was responsible for the attacks on USA. Quite importantly only
> 16% favour that Americans should be allowed to use air bases in
> Pakistan, 75% are opposed.
>
> The findings have emerged from a survey carried out by Gallup
> Pakistan on October 11-12 in the urban areas of all the four
> provinces of the country. The respondents were chosen statistically
> and they represented a cross section of people belonging to various
> age, education, income and language backgrounds.
>
> The findings of this survey will also be published under a special
> arrangement by the international weekly Magazine "Newsweek" in its
> forthcoming issue.
>
> The survey revealed an apprehension on the part of a sizable number
> of Pakistanis that after its action gets underway in Afghanistan,
> America may start similar action in Kashmir. Nearly 6 out of 10
> Pakistanis believed that the chances of this happening were either
> very high, a view held by 17% or some chances, a view held by 42%.
> Only 41% ruled out such a possibility.
>
> Pakistani public opinion is divided on whether the aid promised by
> America would help solve the nation's economic problems. While 59%
> believe it would be useful, 38% think it would be harmful; 3% did

> not give a view. But most people are pessimistic about the
> unfolding economic scenario and believe that the national economy
> will be worse off in the aftermath of the crisis, a view held by
> 54%. Only 22% believed it would improve, while 24% think it would
> remain the same.

> According to the survey 64% of Pakistanis believed that the attack
> on USA on September 11 was a terrorist attack and not Jihad. It is
> also notable that one third, or 34% of the respondents were of the
> view that Osama Bin Laden should present himself before a court of
> law for trial, while 57% disfavoured this idea.

> The survey was conducted by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani
> affiliate of Gallup International.

> Sample Composition

> The sample comprised 978 men and women age 18+. They were
> statistically selected from the urban areas of all the four
> provinces of Pakistan including Karachi, Lahore,
> Rawalpindi/Islamabad, Peshawar and Quetta. The sample comprised a
> cross section of various ages and socio-economic groups in the urban
> areas of the country. The error margin for a sample of this kind is
> + 3-4% at 95% confidence level.

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> It is Pakistan's most reputable polling organization.

> Technical Details

> Field Work: All field work was done through face to face
> interviews. The respondents were chosen through a random process.
> The sampling blocks were chosen randomly. The starting point was
> randomly identified, and a random process was followed to proceed
> from there. Within the household the first adult who responded and
> became available was interviewed.

> Date: The field work was carried out on October 11-12, 2001

> All four provinces are represented in the survey. The sample was
> re-weighted to correspond with the share of each province in the
> national urban population

	Unweighted sample	Weighted sample
> Punjab	47%	54%
> Sindh	31%	35%
> NWFP	10%	7%
> Balochistan	12%	4%

> Field work was carried out in Karachi, Hyderabad and Sukkur (Sindh),
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The Government Accounting Office released yesterday a substantial report on voting problems in the 2000 election, including results from surveys of jurisdictions and statistical analysis of voting problems.

In general, the conclusion is that about half of all jurisdictions had some problems in counting results, that about 2.3% of ballots were not counted, and that the problems skew heavily toward low income and minority districts. The authors point out that these results generally agree with those obtained by others.

One statistic that has interesting implications for pre-election polls and election campaigns is that 14% of all ballots were cast before election day.

There are 4 separate documents in the report which can be obtained in .pdf format from <http://www.gao.gov/daybook/011015.htm>. The main report (GAO-02-3) is a 22 megabyte file, so you should probably download it rather than trying to read it online.

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Thanks Frank,
Your timely corrections and clarifications
have well prevented me from citing in media commentaries
my reference to "Gallup" in Newsweek findings!
Thanks a bunch again.

Young Chun, Senior Research Scientist
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-----Original Message-----

From: Frank_Newport@gallup.com [mailto:Frank_Newport@gallup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2001 3:06 PM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: RE: Pakistan Poll?

Aapornet Colleagues:

You may see or hear news reports quoting a "Gallup Pakistan" poll showing strong opposition to the US and Allied air strikes on Afghanistan. Please be advised that this is the work of one of the "Gallup International" polling companies, and that company has chosen to release it with the Gallup name instead of its own. We are sending a news release to media outlets worldwide (translated into eight regional languages) alerting them to this fact, along with our concerns about the reliability of this poll. A copy of the release is included below.

Frank Newport

Editor in Chief

The Gallup Poll

Princeton

-- NEWS ADVISORY -- TO NATIONAL EDITOR:

The Gallup Organization Urges Caution in Reporting of Pakistan Poll

In scanning the news wires during this time of conflict, you may see stories from various countries reporting the results of "Gallup Polls." While The Gallup Organization (based in Princeton, New Jersey) has a direct presence

in more than two dozen countries around the world, there are some polling companies that use the Gallup name in an unauthorized manner, and which have no connection whatsoever to The Gallup Organization. Similarly, the attribution that polls have been conducted by "members" of Gallup International should not be taken to connote any connection to The Gallup Organization or the Gallup Poll. "Gallup International" is in no way connected with The Gallup Organization.

More specifically, Gallup has been receiving numerous inquiries regarding a poll conducted by an entity which calls itself "Gallup Pakistan." While trademark and trade name issues are a matter for local authorities to adjudicate, The Gallup Organization wants to inform news organizations worldwide that this company is in no way connected with us, and has

absolutely no authorization from us to use the Gallup name.

Gallup analysts have a number of concerns regarding the Pakistan poll which include -- but are not limited to -- technical issues. Our understanding is that its findings do not apply to Pakistan as such -- but rather, to nine urban areas which collectively account for just 16.7% of that country's population. Furthermore, none of the country's predominantly rural population receives any representation whatsoever in the poll's sampling frame.

In short, the poll leaves out the views of at least 83% of the country's citizenry. The Gallup Organization regrets that the survey's use of the Gallup name may imply a level of credibility which would not otherwise be merited. Upon our review, we have grave concerns about its reliability.

If you have any questions about the origins or methodology of a poll purporting to be a "Gallup Poll," please feel free to contact any of the executives of The Gallup Organization listed below. A complete global list of The Gallup Organization's offices and authorized subsidiaries is available at www.gallup.com.

CONTACT: Richard Burkholder, +1-609-924-9600, Steve O'Brien,

+1-202-715-3030, or Frank Newport, +1-609-924-9600, all of The Gallup Organization.

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

From: Nick Panagakis [mailto:mail@marketsharescorp.com]

Sent: Monday, October 15, 2001 10:42 AM

To: aapornet@usc.edu

Subject: Re: Pakistan Poll?

The sample was "selected from the urban areas". Just imagine what the rural folks believe?

These findings are from Newsweek's PRNewswire release:

<http://www.prnewswire.com/cgi-bin/stories.pl?ACCT=104>
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"And almost half of those polled (48%) believe Israel was responsible for the attack on the U.S. Only 12 percent view Osama bin Laden as responsible, and 25 percent said a U.S. group was behind the Sept. 11 attacks."

"Osama bin Laden is viewed by the majority (82%) of Pakistanis to be a mujahid (freedom fighter) as opposed to a terrorist (6%). And a smaller majority (57%) also opposes bin Laden presenting himself before a court of law, while 34 percent are in favor."

Nick

Howard Schuman wrote:

Thanks Jan & Nick. The content is not quite as bad as the news report, but nevertheless ominous. Pakistan's population is over 150 million, it has nuclear weapons, and is important to the entire Islamic world. It would be helpful to have an urban/rural break, since the visible opposition to the U.S. has been largely in important cities.

Howard

On Mon, 15 Oct 2001, Jan Werner wrote:

> Howard Schuman wrote:
> >
> > A brief news report yesterday mentioned a recent poll in Pakistan
> > reportedly showing some 90% of the population to be highly critical of
> > U.S. attacks on Afghanistan. Does anyone know where details on the
method
> > and content of this poll can be found? Howard
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> I don't know where the 90% number comes from. Here are the most recent
> results (including methodological details) published by Gallup Pakistan
> on their web site at http://www.gallup.com.pk/g_poll.html
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> Islamabad, October 15, 2001
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 > It is Pakistan's most reputable polling organization.
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 > Technical Details
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 > Field Work: All field work was done through face to face
 > interviews. The respondents were chosen through a random process.
 > The sampling blocks were chosen randomly. The starting point was
 > randomly identified, and a random process was followed to proceed
 > from there. Within the household the first adult who responded and
 > became available was interviewed.
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 > Date: The field work was carried out on October 11-12, 2001
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 > All four provinces are represented in the survey. The sample was
 > re-weighted to correspond with the share of each province in the
 > national urban population
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 > Unweighted sample Weighted sample
 > Punjab 47% 54%
 > Sindh 31% 35%
 > NWFP 10% 7%`
 > Balochistan 12% 4%
 >
 >
 > Field work was carried out in Karachi, Hyderabad and Sukkur (Sindh),
 > Multan, Lahore, Faisalabad, Rawalpindi/Islamabad* (Punjab), Peshawar
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Thanks,
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From: Karl Feld [mailto:KFeld@humanvoice.com]
Sent: Monday, October 15, 2001 6:30 PM
To: 'aapornet@usc.edu'
Subject: RE: response rate for website surveys

Terrie,

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Karl

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Sent: Friday, October 12, 2001 9:15 AM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: response rate for website surveys

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Thanks,
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Latina

At 11:20 AM 10/16/01 -0700, you wrote:

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correct for women? We are modifying our interview

forms based on the new OMB guidelines, and we are only interviewing
women.

thanks!

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It is good that Frank has clarified the non-relation of the "Pakistan Poll," to Gallup, but we still need information on the nature and sponsors of the poll. If anyone has such, please provide.

However, the results are not out of keeping with news reports from Pakistan, nor comments by knowledgeable Pakistanis (e.g., a Pakistani journalist speaking on public radio today). The results themselves were not particularly strange, showing (bare) majority support for the government position, though even more for the Taliban. It would be helpful if the cities could be disaggregated, since the Punjab region is usually considered the heartland from a political standpoint (and so far the protests against the U.S. have been less strong there). The paucity of reasonably good survey data from Islamic countries is unfortunate, and it would be good if Gallup itself could do more. -Howard

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Martha,

I recently read a paper by the U.S. Census on mixed mode data collection used for the 2000 Short Form. The method used was very much like what you are considering here. I recommend you contact Sid Schneider at Westat and ask for a copy of the paper "An Experiment Comparing Computer-Assisted and Paper Modes of Data Collection for the Short Form in Census 2000". The conclusions were essentially that giving respondents a choice of mixed modes to respond (web, inbound CATI, IVR and paper) increased response rates. He can be reached at schneisl@westat.com.

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If I recall correctly, I think the University of Michigan's Detroit Area Study conducted a mixed mode survey a few years ago, where one mode was a Web based survey. You can probably contact the project's contacts for more information. Further information about the DAS can be found at <http://www.tcaup.umich.edu/workfolio/DAS2001/index.html>.

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Atlanta, GA 30303

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

From: Kropf, Martha E. [mailto:KropfM@umkc.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2001 3:35 PM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: RE: response rate for website surveys

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Thanks,
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Sent: Monday, October 15, 2001 6:30 PM

To: 'aapornet@usc.edu'
Subject: RE: response rate for website surveys

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Karl

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

From: Teresa Hottle [mailto:teresa.hottle@wright.edu]
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2001 9:15 AM
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: response rate for website surveys

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Thanks,
Terrie

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To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: Linda Bourque <lbourque@ucla.edu>
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Latina

At 11:20 AM 10/16/01 -0700, you wrote:

>Is "Latino" or "Latina" correct for women? We are modifying our interview
>forms based on the new OMB guidelines, and we are only interviewing women.

>

>thanks!

>

>Lynda F. Voigt, Ph.D.

>Senior Staff Scientist,

>Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center

>Seattle, WA

>lvoigt@fhcrc.org

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From: Jan Werner <jwerner@jwdp.com>

Reply-To: jwerner@jwdp.com

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To: David_Moore@gallup.com, AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>

Subject: Florida recount redux

References: <BFC17A2EB27CD411A9E30000D1ECEFE407214F13@Exchng7.gallup.com>

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The following article appeared in the Toronto Globe & Mail last Friday, stating that the media consortium had agreed to kill the NORC study of the Florida election results:

News they won't share

Friday, October 12, 2001 - Print Edition, Page A18

Executives of the five major U.S. television networks have met and decided, on the advice of the U.S. government, that there are some things it would be best for the American people not to know. This is a startling act of collective self-censorship.

The networks paint it more benignly. After talking with White House National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice, they agreed

from now on to edit any videotaped statements by Osama bin Laden and his followers so as not to give their more inflammatory statements airtime. A secondary consideration, voiced by Ms. Rice, was that the terrorists might sneak coded messages into their tapes. (Wouldn't they be more likely to use the Internet, a source less vulnerable to editorial interception?)

All news organizations edit. There is much material they don't print or broadcast, including hate-mongering, be it on grounds of taste, libel or news judgment. What is astounding here is the collective prejudgment by the major players that the hatred spewed by a dangerous enemy of the country cannot be newsworthy, and does not provide a useful glimpse of the enemy that Americans should have the chance to assess. That the executives arrived at this view after consulting with the government adds an uncomfortable overlay, suggesting too close a relationship with the main institution they report on. Solidarity under attack does not stretch to surrendering credibility.

In a parallel development, a group of major U.S. print and electronic media, including such respected sources as The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal, have agreed among themselves to give up on an investigation they funded into the conduct of last November's U.S. election. They had spent more than \$1-million to have an independent body analyze the ballots that were cast but not officially counted in Florida, in the seesaw battle that saw George W. Bush squeak past Al Gore and win the presidency.

The participants say that, given the dramatic shift in priorities since Sept. 11, they have neither the staff nor the space to pursue a stale-dated story. Come again? The issue is who would have won the U.S. election if the choices of 180,000 voters had been respected; the story has major implications for American democracy and the U.S. Supreme Court's intervention in the vote. Even with a war to cover, that's a tale that needs to be told.

It is hard not to see this as further subordination of news judgment to the desire not to rock the government's boat at a perilous time. Once again, journalistic independence is the loser.

In yesterday's Washington Post (10/15/2001), Howard Kurtz had the following to say on the subject:

There are conspiracy theories bouncing around the Internet that the news organizations studying last November's Florida vote are suppressing the results for fear of tarnishing President Bush in time of war.

Not true. In fact, participants say, the results have not been tabulated or analyzed. No journalist has a clue whether they favor Bush or Al Gore.

The eight news organizations -- including the New York Times,

The Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, Chicago Tribune and CNN -- have delayed the project, which was slated to be published shortly after Sept. 11. They say they don't have the resources to finish the Florida effort -- in which 175,000 questionable ballots must be compared to county-by-county standards -- while crashing on war coverage. The findings are now expected by year's end.

Finally, Mickey Kaus reports the following on his kausfiles.com web site:

Contrary to the impression left in this Globe and Mail story (but in keeping with Howie Kurtz's report), the big media consortium recount of Florida has not been "spiked." The raw data compiled by the National Opinion Research Center was scheduled to be released to the consortium members in mid-September, but the 9/11 attacks resulted in a postponement. Will the results be published? "Oh, yeah," says Alan Murray of the WSJ. ... What about the earlier kf report that the raw data from NORC was beset with methodological problems and therefore inconclusive? I'll get back to you on that one. ... (10/15)

Any comments from NORC on this?

Jan Werner
jwerner@jwdp.com

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From: "Caplan, James R , ,DMDCEAST" <Caplanjr@osd.pentagon.mil>
To: "'aapornet@usc.edu'" <aapornet@usc.edu>
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We've got some data coming in on a similar project. There are three conditions: web-only, web with paper option, and paper with web option. Anyone interested can drop me an email.

Jim Caplan
Arlington

Reply to:
James R. Caplan, Ph.D.
Survey Technology Branch
Defense Manpower Data Center
703.696.5848
caplanjr@osd.pentagon.mil <mailto:caplanjr@osd.pentagon.mil>

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From: Karl Feld [SMTP:KFeld@humanvoice.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2001 6:59 PM
To: 'aapornet@usc.edu'
Subject: RE: response rate for website surveys

Martha,

I recently read a paper by the U.S. Census on mixed mode data collection used for the 2000 Short Form. The method used was very much like what you are considering here. I recommend you contact Sid Schneider at Westat and ask for a copy of the paper "An Experiment Comparing Computer-Assisted and Paper Modes of Data Collection for the Short Form in Census 2000". The conclusions were essentially that giving respondents a choice of mixed modes to respond (web, inbound CATI, IVR and paper) increased response rates. He can be reached at schneis1@westat.com.

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Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2001 1:35 PM
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From: Jan Werner <jwerner@jwdp.com>
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This is the survey for which I posted the summary to AAPORNET on Monday,
but with the full results of each question added.

Whatever their qualifications and whatever the legitimacy of their using
the Gallup name, I was impressed with the level of technical detail
provided about the survey, which included weighting information. I wish
many polling firms in this country would be as openly informative about
their published surveys.

Jan Werner
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>From mail@marketsharescorp.com Wed Oct 17 07:47:40 2001

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This is from the Newsweek release I sent earlier. The poll was apparently intended for Newsweek International.

"Commissioned by Newsweek, Gallup Pakistan, an affiliate of Gallup International, surveyed 978 adults across the country on October 11-12. The results have a margin of error of plus or minus 3-4 percentage points."
<http://www.prnewswire.com/cgi-bin/stories.pl?ACCT=104&STORY=/www/story/10-14-2001/0001>
591361&EDATE=

Given Frank's comments below, shouldn't Newsweek inform or caution readers that Gallup International is not affiliated with the Gallup Organization (this, of course, assumes that Newsweek *is* affiliated with Newsweek International).

Moreover, why is Newsweek even doing business with a company which, according to Frank, "use[s] the Gallup name in an unauthorized manner"? And why should they be given any credibility if, for starters, they deceive us about who they are?

Nick

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Frank_Newport@gallup.com [mailto:Frank_Newport@gallup.com]
> Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2001 3:06 PM
> To: aapornet@usc.edu
> Subject: RE: Pakistan Poll?
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> Aapornet Colleagues:
>
> You may see or hear news reports quoting a "Gallup Pakistan" poll showing
> strong opposition to the US and Allied air strikes on Afghanistan. Please
be

> advised that this is the work of one of the "Gallup International" polling
> companies, and that company has chosen to release it with the Gallup name
> instead of its own. We are sending a news release to media outlets
worldwide
> (translated into eight regional languages) alerting them to this fact,
along
> with our concerns about the reliability of this poll. A copy of the release
> is included below.
>
> Frank Newport
>
> Editor in Chief
>
> The Gallup Poll
>
> Princeton
>
> -- NEWS ADVISORY -- TO NATIONAL EDITOR:
>
> The Gallup Organization Urges Caution in Reporting of Pakistan Poll
>
> In scanning the news wires during this time of conflict, you may see
stories
> from various countries reporting the results of "Gallup Polls." While The
> Gallup Organization (based in Princeton, New Jersey) has a direct presence
> in more than two dozen countries around the world, there are some polling
> companies that use the Gallup name in an unauthorized manner, and which
have
> no connection whatsoever to The Gallup Organization. Similarly, the
> attribution that polls have been conducted by "members" of Gallup
> International should not be taken to connote any connection to The Gallup
> Organization or the Gallup Poll. "Gallup International" is in no way
> connected with The Gallup Organization.
>
> More specifically, Gallup has been receiving numerous inquiries regarding a
> poll conducted by an entity which calls itself "Gallup Pakistan." While
> trademark and trade name issues are a matter for local authorities to
> adjudicate, The Gallup Organization wants to inform news organizations
> worldwide that this company is in no way connected with us, and has
>
> absolutely no authorization from us to use the Gallup name.
>
> Gallup analysts have a number of concerns regarding the Pakistan poll which
> include -- but are not limited to -- technical issues. Our understanding is
> that its findings do not apply to Pakistan as such -- but rather, to nine
> urban areas which collectively account for just 16.7% of that country's
> population. Furthermore, none of the country's predominantly rural
> population receives any representation whatsoever in the poll's sampling
> frame.
>
> In short, the poll leaves out the views of at least 83% of the country's
> citizenry. The Gallup Organization regrets that the survey's use of the
> Gallup name may imply a level of credibility which would not otherwise be
> merited. Upon our review, we have grave concerns about its reliability.
>
> If you have any questions about the origins or methodology of a poll
> purporting to be a "Gallup Poll," please feel free to contact any of the

> executives of The Gallup Organization listed below. A complete global list
> of The Gallup Organization's offices and authorized subsidiaries is
> available at www.gallup.com.
>
> CONTACT: Richard Burkholder, +1-609-924-9600, Steve O'Brien,
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> +1-202-715-3030, or Frank Newport, +1-609-924-9600, all of The Gallup
> Organization.
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> SOURCE The Gallup Organization
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> -/Web site: [http://www.gallup.com /](http://www.gallup.com/)
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Dear AAPORnetters,

Thank you for your swift and thoughtful replies to my inquiry about delaying OSRL's long-planned n=2,500 mail-out this week, due to the current anthrax mail scares. I received 14 replies within one hour. AAPOR's professional collegiality is incredible.

The consensus in the replies supported my hunch - that official UO stationary should suffice in allaying fears. (Jim B. - UO does not have its own postage meter imprint; we are using pretty stamps, affixed by hand.)

Our mail-out is delayed a few days by a last-minute human subjects snafu, and we are using this time to consider implementing a couple of experiments: 1) mailing a random subgroup an pre-notification postcard (thank you Jim Ellis), and 2) conducting short follow-up telephone calls to both compliant and non-compliant respondents about their anthrax concerns, to ascertain whether the nonrespondents' concerns exceeded respondents'.

An unexpected twist may interest some of you. OSRL is enclosing an

 You'd need to reformat for the reply, as well. We've gone this route with an upcoming survey. JAS

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From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: Follow-up on delaying a mail-out survey due to anthrax scare
In-Reply-To: <01K9LNQ25SR48WXCAO@OREGON.UOREGON.EDU>
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On Wed, 17 Oct 2001, Patricia Gwartney wrote (in small part):

> The consensus in the replies supported my hunch - that official UO stationary should suffice in allaying fears. (Jim B. - UO does not have its own postage meter imprint; we are using pretty stamps, affixed by hand.)

As we leave the years AD for the years AA (after anthrax), it might be worth remembering that even terrorists can buy pretty postage stamps. I think personal postage meters might soon become a necessity of life, as the only way to get others to open the mail we send. And if that should happen, I can see legislation passed to make it a serious crime to postage-meter (new verb) under the guise of another's name or trademark (what AAPOR members might call "PMUGAIing," for "postage-metering under the guise of another's identity.") Remember that you heard it first here on AAPORNET...

-- Jim

>From ToniGenalo@asu.edu Wed Oct 17 09:30:36 2001
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From: Toni Genalo <ToniGenalo@asu.edu>
Subject: RE: Follow-up on delaying a mail-out survey due to anthrax scare
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Patty have you seen the paper presented in 98 at AAPOR entitled " The Effect
of Prepaid Monetary Incentives on Mail Survey Response Rates and Response
Quality." ? They suggest that sending two \$1 bills rather than a \$2 bill
(wad effect) resulted in a higher response rate with no statistical
significance differences for the "wad" effect.

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

From: Patricia Gwartney [mailto:PATTYGG@OREGON.UOREGON.EDU]

Just a footnote on stapling...

I would not recommend stapling the survey shut. As a procedure for returning survey booklets via the mail, we use business reply postage on the back of survey booklets and ask respondents to TAPE the booklet shut. We have given respondents the option to TAPE or STAPLE shut in the past, and our university post office let us know quickly that the Postal Service does not appreciate the sharp edges of a staple.

The tape seems to work well.

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> does not appreciate the sharp edges of a staple.
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14:31:00 -0400
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In urban cities this is a serious issue, and has been dealt with years ago by Juarez Associates, in their comparisons of resident availability in various urban cities.

I suggest that it also be useful to report any additional information in the methodology section of the report about the multiple housing unit buildings that could not be reached, such as the likelihood of their having small children, relevant if the survey content related to residents having children living with them. (For example, if senior citizen residences comprised all or part of these restricted dwellings.) In the case I'm offering, such families--even if contacted---might have been screened out by some filter questions beginning particular questionnaire sections. Thus, they still could be considered in the sampling frame.

This is not a refusal, as some have suggested; some might not have refused if given the chance to respond. This is an inaccessible, almost like a permanent "not at home" in a sense

Also, is there some knowledge of how individual housing units are there in each multiple unit building, which could provide some input into nonresponse/inaccessible weighting factors? Finally, as I responded privately, no one seems to have mentioned something our Latino consulting firm did some years ago: refusal conversion techniques with such units' overall board of directors, owners, managers, superintendants or other gatekeepers. We made presentations with handouts to those that could permit our interviewers access to residents. We even offered them feedback at an individual census tract level to those gatekeepers for community block grant and other urban planning purposes. However, basically we reassured them that our purposes were valid and we would not disturb the residents' life style more than we had to. To some extent we succeeded in winning over these gatekeepers, and with the signed letters of ID our interviewers had, we were allowed to directly contact residents, but not always. Is this too costly or too late an approach to try and preserve the original sample, or in other ways "qualify" the findings? Does the "value" or put another!

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er way, the bias introduced, justify this approach?

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We have been asked by a client to provide evidence of our having errors and omissions insurance. Any suggestions or help will be appreciated.

Jan Kiley, President, Research Survey Service, Inc., Tel. 217-239-7880, Fax 217-239-7875, researchsurveyservice.com

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Reply-To: Linda L Hawkins <lhawkins@csd.uwm.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Laptop Data Protection
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Dear AAPORNET Members,

Our research center is involved in several projects that necessitate the use of CAPI instruments on laptop computers. The data are highly confidential (e.g., respondent names, addresses, social security numbers, possible child abuse, etc.).

I'd appreciate any advice you could share about possible methods of protecting data, in the event a laptop is lost or stolen. The data cannot be scrambled in conjunction with our CAPI software, and although we plan to use passwords, we're concerned that they could be circumvented by someone who's knowledgeable.

Thank you very much for any assistance.

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>From jcf3c@erols.com Wed Oct 17 13:37:46 2001
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AAPORNetters,

I'm in the process of evaluating / stocking my modest survey library and was looking for input on the must have textbooks, handbooks, or otherwise just good books on survey research. I seem to recall a similar discussion taking place on AAPORNet awhile ago, but my initial searches of the archives did not result in a coherent thread.

And for those more in the marketing research arena, I would be especially interested to hear your recommendations regarding the must-have books. My library is even more modest in this area and so I would appreciate some direction about where to look for discussions of the foundational concepts and measures as well as the latest techniques.

I realize this is a busy time for many of us, so share if you can, and if not, continue on guilt free. As Patty has already pointed out, in a pinch AAPORNetters always come through.

It's probably best to reply off-list, but I will be happy to summarize at a later date so as to add officially to the archive.

Best Wishes,

John

>From Mark.Lamias@grizzard.com Wed Oct 17 13:40:10 2001
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Message-ID: <16484F90DE05BB478A0CA3336AE307B13C317F@atl_mail.griz-main.com>

From: Mark Lamias <Mark.Lamias@grizzard.com>

To: "'Linda L Hawkins'" <lhawkins@csd.uwm.edu>, aapornet@usc.edu

Subject: RE: Laptop Data Protection

Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 16:35:37 -0400

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First of all, I would require that all information be uploaded to a secure desktop computer or secure server every night after field work is completed. Furthermore, any files uploaded should be wiped, rather than deleted, from each laptop nightly. Next, I would look into purchasing a relatively inexpensive product called PC Access or PC Immobilizer, which requires an authorized chip card to be inserted into a computer and a corresponding PIN must be entered into a combination lock before the laptop can even be started.

Hope this helps.

Sincerely yours,

Mark J. Lamias

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

From: Linda L Hawkins [mailto:lhawkins@csd.uwm.edu]

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To: aapornet@usc.edu

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Here is something to start with... mark

INTRODUCTORY SURVEY RESEARCH TEXTS

The following texts were recommended by nine members of AAPORNET, the on-line Internet discussion group of the American Association for Public Opinion Research (AAPOR). Results compiled by Mark Richards, August 17-19, 1999.

Question: Dear Professors: Thinking of available (text) books on survey research, which one or two would you recommend to someone (a client) who would like to understand the survey research process and methods without becoming an expert in any one aspect? Key features sought: Accurate information, excellent for self study, very good information on telephone survey research, concise, easy to read, limited technical jargon, includes

some simple standard tables with info on how to read (sampling error) and bibliography for follow-up in specific areas.

* Priscilla Salant & Don A. Dillman (Contributor), *How to Conduct Your Own Survey*, John Wiley & Sons.

* Paul J. Lavrakas. *Telephone Survey Methods : Sampling, Selection, and Supervision (Applied Social Research Methods, Vol 7) 2nd edition Vol 007*, Sage Publications, July 1993.

* Don A. Dillman, *Mail and Telephone Surveys: The Total Design Method*, John Wiley & Sons, April 1978.

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

From: owner-aapornet@usc.edu [mailto:owner-aapornet@usc.edu] On Behalf Of John Fries

Sent: Wednesday, October 17, 2001 4:37 PM

To: aapornet@usc.edu

Subject: Survey Research Staples....

AAPORNetters,

I'm in the process of evaluating / stocking my modest survey library and was looking for input on the must have textbooks, handbooks, or otherwise just good books on survey research. I seem to recall a similar discussion taking place on AAPORNet awhile ago, but my initial searches of the archives did not result in a coherent thread.

And for those more in the marketing research arena, I would be especially interested to hear your recommendations regarding the must-have books. My library is even more modest in this area and so I would appreciate some direction about where to look for discussions of the foundational concepts and measures as well as the latest techniques.

I realize this is a busy time for many of us, so share if you can, and if not, continue on guilt free. As Patty has already pointed out, in a pinch AAPORNetters always come through.

It's probably best to reply off-list, but I will be happy to summarize at a later date so as to add officially to the archive.

Best Wishes,

John

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First (if you have not already) check that they did not intend to ask you about business liability insurance, which many government agencies and NGOs

are required to require of their vendors. Your insurer may then have to produce a letter to that effect, possibly stating that you have \$X amount of coverage.

Whenever I have asked insurance brokers about E&O insurance for the commercial market research industry they said that no industry-specific underwriting had been done so the best they could do was place you in some NEC category where the rates were extremely high. The best places to check would probably be groups like the American Marketing Assn. or maybe CASRO.

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

From: Jan Kiley <jankiley@soltec.net>
To: aapornet@usc.edu <aapornet@usc.edu>
Date: Wednesday, October 17, 2001 4:09 PM
Subject: Errors and omissions insurance

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>We have been asked by a client to provide evidence of our having errors and
>omissions insurance. Any suggestions or help will be appreciated.

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>Jan Kiley, President, Research Survey Service, Inc., Tel. 217-239-7880, Fax
>217-239-7875, researchsurveyservice.com

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We just completed a municipal services survey for a city government. We
have conducted an identical survey for this city for the past six or seven
years. The field dates were roughly the first two weeks in October.

For this entire period, the evaluations have been remarkably stable. This
year, a first pass examination of the data reveal moderate but consistent
(and significant) increases in performance ratings on nearly all measures.
While I am sure our clients would love to believe that they are suddenly
doing a much better job, I am skeptical.

We have seen, I think I recall, an increase in public confidence measures for major governmental institutions since Sept 11th. I wonder if this has trickled down to state and local government evaluations as well?

My theory is that in the wake of Sept 11th, government-bashing at all levels has fallen out of favor. No "let the private sector do it" rhetoric, as we watched a largely governmental (state, federal and local) response to tragedy. And, we have been reminded of the bonds that unite us.

There may be a global generosity of spirit that would color evaluations of local government services (and perhaps of other organizations as well).

But, this is just speculation. If others have observed similar results, it would support the "generosity of spirit" hypotheses, at least generalized to government agencies. Have other aaporneters conducted governmental service evaluation studies after Sept 11 for which you have several years of comparable tracking data? If so, has there been a conspicuous increase in evaluations this year?

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Mike O'Neil

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From: owner-aapornet@usc.edu [mailto:owner-aapornet@usc.edu] On Behalf Of JAnnSelzer@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, October 17, 2001 11:06 AM

To: aapornet@usc.edu

Subject: Re: delay a mail-out survey due to anthrax scare?

In a message dated 10/17/01 12:12:43 PM Central Daylight Time, bzolling@fhsu.edu writes:

the Postal Service
does not appreciate the sharp edges of a staple.

Actually, we're using stickers to fasten the survey shut. The problem is there is no verb form of the word "sticker," as there is "staple," so you can see I was in a rush to help a colleague and should have reworded. JAS

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ANTHRAX MAY CHANGE US MAIL DELIVERY

By RON KAMPEAS, Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Greeting cards may lose their envelopes and become glorified - and powder-proof - postcards. Your e-mail file may grow. Hackers once made online billing a hard sell; terrorists are making it popular.

It's too early to say for sure how the anthrax scare will affect how we get stuff from one person or business to another, but delivery professionals predict that alternatives to enveloped mail will benefit.

The post office is clearly worried about anthrax-infected letters that have been discovered in New York and Washington. Also, an anthrax-tainted letter is suspected of fatally infecting a Florida man; and envelopes containing suspicious powders - mostly hoaxes - have been reported by nervous citizens nationwide.

``If people just use prudent judgment, use common sense, there is nothing to fear,' ' Postmaster General Jack Potter said Wednesday on NBC's ``Today.' ' ``The mail is safe.' '

In Washington, all mail delivery has been suspended in the Capitol complex while authorities install new security procedures, and lawmakers have warned constituents not to expect answers to mailed requests anytime soon.

With Christmas around the corner, Hallmark was not counting out reintroducing the staple that got founder Joyce Hall started in 1910 - postcards.

``If one of the terrorists' major aims is to scare a population, they've done that,' ' spokeswoman Rachel Bolton said. ``It may be like never before.' '

One-third of card sales are for the hand-delivered variety, Bolton said, so enveloped greeting cards will survive. In fact, sales of sympathy and

care cards have spiked 10 percent to 14 percent since the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

In the wake of the anthrax scare, Bolton said Hallmark would be ``more vocal'' about reminding people of existing U.S. Postal Service guidelines: use complete return addresses with name, address, city, state and zip.

``Use your own handwriting, and include your name and return address,'' she said.

Post office sales figures are steady for now, probably because the terrorists' apparent focus on media, big business and government has left many Americans unconcerned.

``It doesn't seem like the kind of thing that'll end up in my mailbox,'' said Tiffani Belk, a Washington meeting planner. ``I'm just an everyday person.''

Still, analysts predicted that would change if the letters keep arriving.

David Farber, a former Federal Communications Commission chief technologist, said he predicted a spike in online billing, which is already biting into the U.S. Postal Service's revenues.

``It's likely people are going to bias away from using paper, especially envelopes, at least for a while,'' he said.

Judy Wicks, a vice president at Atlanta-based CheckFree, the online biller for Macy's and AT&T, said the anthrax scare prompted a rush of anxious inquiries in recent days - a marked change from the earlier skepticism about Internet security.

``Before, the questions were about encryption and security,'' she said. ``Now, folks are asking what bills they can pay online.''

A broader shift to e-mail has yet to result, America Online spokesman Nicholas Graham said. Numbers were up, but ``this has always been a very strong time of year for us'' because of back-to-school traffic.

The Arizona Daily Star said Tuesday that from now on, it will only accept e-mailed or faxed letters to the editor, but most other newspapers are not going that far, instead introducing plastic gloves in the mailroom.

If trends do change, the post office would launch appeals to Americans' ``emotional commitment to mail,'' said Anita Bizzotto, the top post office marketing executive.

In any case, she said, 75 percent of the post office's dealings are with large businesses that have shown no interest in going elsewhere.

That could change, Farber predicted.

``E-mail advertising will go way up, because of people's reluctance to open envelopes not addressed to them,'' he said. ``That kills mail advertising.''

Not quite, said John Schulte, the chairman of Minneapolis-based National Mail Order Association. There's no substitute for a pitch in the hand.

``Direct mailers will start using clear, identifiable return addresses ... backing it up with telemarketing campaigns or infomercials saying `Watch for this in the mail.'''

There are already signs that another direct marketing staple - the unsolicited product sample - could be rolled back.

On Tuesday, authorities in Minnesota and Louisiana reported nervous calls prompted by mailed white powder - a 11/2 pound package of detergent - sent as a bonus to customers who placed an order with Publishers Clearinghouse.

In Knoxville, Tenn., postal inspector Larry Dodson expressed concern about a nationwide LifeSavers contest asking participants to mail in a piece of candy.

``If it gets crushed, guess what it becomes,''' he said.

Associated Press writers John Curran in Atlantic City, N.J., and Danny Freedman in Washington contributed to this report.

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Dear AAPORnet members --

Public Perspective, the only magazine dedicated to public opinion and polling, invites the submission of articles on topics relating to public opinion, the polling community, and the theory and practice of public opinion research.

Our article submission guidelines have just been posted on the Roper Center's website. You can see them by going to

http://www.ropercenter.uconn.edu/pp_curr.html

and clicking on "Submit an Article" at the bottom of the page.

We are presently looking not only for articles relating to public opinion and polling in the wake of September 11, but also pieces on any of the many other topics of interest to the polling community and our general readers.

If you have article that fits our specifications already on hand or would like to propose one, please contact me directly at my email address or by way of the link to our editorial offices that appears in the guidelines.

I look forward to hearing from you!

-- Lisa Parmelee

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Hi Kiyomi:

I will be there on Monday, I do need your phone number at work so that if I do get lost, I can call and find out where you are.

I hope that you might be able to work on a health care related study in the future.

Thanks for your interest.

I need to talk with you about the survey you want to conduct among the head start people. I do have a tentative set of questions, but I feel it is better if we talk about what you need as responses from the participants and the non participants.

jon

JAnnSelzer@aol.com wrote:

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Hi Kiyomi:

<p>I will be there on Monday, I do need your phone number at work so that if I do get lost, I can call and find out where you are.

<p>I hope that you might be able to work on a health care related study in the future.

<p>Thanks for your interest.

<p>I need to talk with you about the survey you want to conduct among the head start people. I do have a tentative set of questions, but I feel it is better if we talk about what you need as responses from the participants and the non participants.

<p>jon

<p>JAnnSelzer@aol.com wrote:

<blockquote TYPE=CITE>This is the kind of thing that is common in government contracts, along with absurdly high liability limits. I've asked several lawyers to concoct a scenario where my client would be liable for any sort of liability damages associated with a public opinion research project and they've failed to come up with anything approaching plausibility. In terms of errors and omissions, again, it's so remotely implausible that anyone could ever file a claim on this sort of insurance that it's galling when a client's contract requires it. We typically doublecheck that this requirement applies to the research we will be conducting and if there is a process for having the requirement waived. If we can't get it waived, we mention in the RFP that we will show evidence of this insurance upon notification that we have been granted the contract. This year, we actually had to go get the insurance! . ! ! Everyone admits it's ridiculous (even my insurance agent), but some contracts are immutable on this point. Good luck.

<p>JAS

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OOOPs

My apologies for the accidental note I sent out to you all. I guess I was
thinking of other things.

Sorry about that.

Jon Ebeling

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Can anyone tell me if there is a standard survey introduction that asks for the female head of household? We wanted to stay away from this phrase and thought about asking for the female that makes or shares in the decisions of the household. The client is concerned that we will exclude women who feel they are not the head of household or do not make the decisions.

Thanks in advance,
Terrie

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I meant to comment earlier on Jim's lament.

It is important to note that attempts to improve survey measurements of race do not necessarily rely upon an understanding of race as an

"objective" construct. Indeed, the government standards for collecting race explicitly define race in terms of self-identification, not "objective" characteristics. If you recall your Census 2000 questionnaire (and who can forget it??) it asked, "What is this person's race? Mark one or more races to indicate what this person considers himself/herself to be." Thus, in the census, your race is what you (or a household proxy reporting for you) report it to be. There is no "right" answer. The Office of Management and Budget standards for collecting data on race explicitly state that "The racial and ethnic categories set forth in the standards should not be interpreted as being primarily biological or genetic in reference. Race and ethnicity may be thought of in terms of social and cultural characteristics..."

Race is a social construct. I don't know anybody who has conducted research in this area who does not come to appreciate that measurement of race and related constructs is very complex and presents profound difficulties at many levels.

Betsy Martin
U. S. Census Bureau

James Beniger

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Folks,

I find the epistemology of this ongoing discussion of "Hispanics by Race" absolutely fascinating.

The item construction seems to me analogous to what one might expect, for example, at ETS, in designing its SAT questions to maximize the chances that those who actually know the answers will be able to find one--and only one--appropriate response category.

Of course this general idea does have many good applications in survey research. When it comes to a respondent's own perceived national origin and race, however, a number of you who have posted on AAPORNET in the past two days seem to be assuming that you know the correct answers already (ETS model) and want to design your items to maximize the chances that your respondents will give you back the answers you expect.

But such assumptions as these raise the questions of race and national origin to a political question: Who is to decide our own origins and race? Are these existential and objective facts, or are we free to decide them for ourselves, or are we forced to have them decided by others, including others whom we do not know, and have not given the authority to do this?

I myself have an open mind on this set of questions. I write here only because, although I find that the science behind all of the postings has been correct (as I would expect from AAPORNETters), I also think that there are much more important questions and issues also at stake here. Because I would like to see these other questions discussed in this same context, I hope to begin that discussion here, with this message.

It's much easier to design a question about integral calculus which has one and only one answer, after all, than it is to give anything nearly as certain an answer about the race or origins of our fellow human beings--people whom we in fact cherish so much precisely for this very diversity (AAPOR serving as an extreme example, I am pleased to say).

I welcome your comments, as always.

-- Jim

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Maybe AAPOR should offer E&O insurance to the industry, probably saving =
firms a lot through bulk buying. I've been asked for it, too, and there =
are few suppliers -- so it's pricey. Just a thought.

- Marc Zwelling -=20
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Betsy,

I'm on your side, believe me.

My comments were not on all items concerning race, perhaps 99.9 percent of which I have never seen, let alone read. My comments were rather directed to the messages--posted to our list--which seemed to me (and to several others who followed me with postings) to be proposing more objectified measures of race, in the name of scientific rigor (or positivistic rigor, as it might be seen).

That said, I'm obviously pleased you took the time and trouble to post your message here, which puts no less a cachet than that of the U.S. Census Bureau on what seems to me an unusually enlightened approach to the measurement and study of race via scientific survey research. We can do no more than to hope that such approaches will be widely emulated.

So what took you so long to help me out, here, Betsy?

In any event--seriously--thank you!

-- Jim

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Census Head Count to Stand
Adjustments Rejected; U.S. Funds at Stake
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A12479-2001Oct18.html>

By D'Vera Cohn

Washington Post Staff Writer

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Census Bureau officials said yesterday that they will not statistically adjust the 2000 Census numbers and instead will go ahead with plans to use the door-to-door head count as the basis for distributing billions of dollars in federal program funds.

They said they could not improve on that basic count by adjusting the numbers, as they had hoped, because a quality-check survey they conducted was seriously flawed.

The decision disappointed Democrats, civil rights groups and big-city mayors, who had hoped the adjusted numbers would raise the population total for minorities, who were disproportionately missed in the head count. Republicans, who have questioned whether the adjusted numbers would be more accurate, praised it.

The contentious debate over which set of census numbers is the most reliable has been raging for years because of the high stakes: Democrats believe they benefit from adjusted figures, while Republicans say the figures add "virtual" people to the Democrats' advantage. The issue was fought in a lawsuit that went to the Supreme Court, which ruled that adjusted numbers could not be used to apportion House seats among the states.

Then, in a surprise decision in March, the Census Bureau said that a statistically adjusted count could not be used to redraw other political boundaries within states, from congressional to local school districts. Commerce Secretary Donald L. Evans had the final say in that decision, but he left yesterday's ruling in the hands of the career officials at the bureau.

The latest decision means adjusted figures will not be used to parcel out funds for Medicaid and other social service programs. In addition, government measures of poverty and unemployment, which are now based on adjusted counts, likely will use the basic count in the future. Acting Census Director William G. Barron Jr. said he and other bureau officials made the decision because, over the summer, they discovered problems with the household survey that they had conducted to double-check the raw census count. That survey, he said, failed to detect that a significant number of people had been counted twice by the census.

Many of them, census officials said, could have been college students, children in joint custody and people with second homes -- all of whom have more than one address during the year.

Because of that shortcoming, Barron told a news conference, the post-census survey results "simply cannot be used in their current form" to adjust the census. The new information, he said, makes it even more clear that it "would have been a terrible mistake" to release adjusted figures for political redistricting.

Furthermore, Barron said it is "unlikely" that it will be practical for the bureau to release adjusted redistricting numbers in the future because the tight deadline set by law does not allow enough time for a proper determination of whether an adjustment would improve data quality. Redistricting counts are due by April 1 after a census year. "A census is tough enough without the political maelstrom" that surrounds the adjustment issue, he said. "I wish it would just stop." Political agreement on this issue appears unlikely, however. Shortly after the decision was announced, Rep. Dan Miller (R-Fla.), chairman of the House Government Reform Committee's census panel, issued a statement saying that "it is time to put adjustment, for political

purposes, to rest."

Rep. Carolyn B. Maloney (D-N.Y.), a former ranking member of that subcommittee, put out a statement saying that the announcement "gave us more questions than answers" and challenging the bureau's reasoning. The U.S. Conference of Mayors, some of whose members are threatening to sue over the decision, said the decision is "unfair and unwise" and means that "America's cities will get the short end of the stick."

However, Barron said the discovery that the census erred in counting more people twice than was previously thought is not entirely bad news. It means that, at the national level, the double-counts compensate for those who were missed, yielding a more accurate net total. Census officials said, however, that this may not be true at the local level.

The Census Bureau has acknowledged that it missed 1.6 percent of the population in 1990. According to the new research, it missed less than 1 percent in 2000.

The net undercount of Hispanics and African Americans has been reduced, Barron said. On the other hand, he said, "there may actually have been an over-count of the white population."

Barron said he hopes the quality-check survey results can be improved enough so they can be used in the future for distributing federal funds.

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Census Bureau rejects using sampling to distribute funds
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The Census Bureau, citing errors in statistically adjusted data, said yesterday it would not permit use of sampled population numbers to help distribute more than \$185 billion in federal aid to state and local governments.

Acting Census Bureau Director William Barron said at a news conference yesterday his agency would have to conduct additional research before determining if there would be any public release of the adjusted data.

But he did not give a time frame for such a decision.

The announcement means the federal government now will use the numbers from the actual 2000 count to disburse the U.S. dollars, which support a host of social programs including Medicaid and foster care.

Bureau officials had weighed whether adjusting population figures with statistical sampling would improve the already completed head count.

Most Democrats and activist groups said sampling would be better, by offering a better tally of minorities, the poor and children.

Republicans said sampling would insert more errors into a 2000 census that already was better than the one in 1990, because of a lower national net undercount. They also have said that while adjustment may count people originally missed, it may not place them in the correct neighborhoods.

The bureau had said there was a net national undercount of 1.2 percent of the country's 281 million people in 2000, or about 3.2 million. The 1990 undercount was 1.6 percent, or about 4 million then.

But Mr. Barron said yesterday that current estimates showed the

net undercount in 2000 was reduced to less than 1 percent.

The decision was made by career Census Bureau professionals, officials said, and came as Commerce Secretary Donald L. Evans was in Russia for his first foreign trade mission.

The Census Bureau is a part of the Commerce Department.

The bureau faced a similar decision in March, and recommended against adjusted data as the basis for redrawing congressional, state and local political districts.

There were too many discrepancies between adjusted data, the actual count and a third survey used to measure accuracy, and not enough time for further analysis, Mr. Barron said then. Mr. Evans agreed.

House Republicans praised the earlier decision, which angered Democrats and civil rights groups.

Groups such as the U.S. Conference of Mayors also supported sampling, which could boost population figures for cities with larger minority populations and, likewise, federal dollars into those cities.

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double-check the raw census count. That survey, he said, failed to =
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issued a statement saying that "it is time to put adjustment, for
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<p>Rep. Carolyn B. Maloney (D-N.Y.), a former ranking member of that subcommittee, put out a statement saying that the announcement "gave us more questions than answers" and = challenging the bureau's reasoning. The U.S. Conference of Mayors, some of whose = members are threatening to sue over the decision, said the decision is "unfair = and unwise" and means that "America's cities will get the short = end of the stick."<o:p></o=:p></p>

<p>However, Barron said the discovery that = the census erred in counting more people twice than was previously thought = is not entirely bad news. It means that, at the national level, the = double-counts compensate for those who were missed, yielding a more accurate net = total. Census officials said, however, that this may not be true at the local = level.<o:p></o:p></p>

<p>The Census Bureau has acknowledged that = it missed 1.6 percent of the population in 1990. According to the new = research, it missed less than 1 percent in 2000.<o:p></o=:p></p>

<p>The net undercount of Hispanics and = African Americans has been reduced, Barron said. On the other hand, he said, "there may actually have been an over-count of the white = population."<span style=3D'font-family:Arial;color:black;mso-color-alt:

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<p>Barron said he hopes the quality-check = survey results can be improved enough so they can be used in the future for distributing federal funds.<o:p></o= :p></p>

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Dear Lisa,

I'm not sure if this fits the bill about articles regarding public opinion on the September 11 tragedy, but I have a project in progress that involves studying references to world opinion on the attacks and their aftermath in ten international newspapers, from the U.S., Britain, Argentina, Nigeria, Russia, India, China, and a few others.

Would you be interested in this type of quantitative analysis? What time frame are you thinking about?

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Frank L. Rusciano

Lisa Ferraro Parmelee wrote:

> Dear AAPORnet members --
>
> Public Perspective, the only magazine dedicated to public opinion and

> polling, invites the submission of articles on topics relating to public
> opinion, the polling community, and the theory and practice of public
> opinion research.
>
> Our article submission guidelines have just been posted on the Roper
> Center's website. You can see them by going to
>
> http://www.ropercenter.uconn.edu/pp_curr.html
>
> and clicking on "Submit an Article" at the bottom of the page.
>
> We are presently looking not only for articles relating to public opinion
> and polling in the wake of September 11, but also pieces on any of the many
> other topics of interest to the polling community and our general readers.
>
> If you have article that fits our specifications already on hand or would
> like to propose one, please contact me directly at my email address or by
> way of the link to our editorial offices that appears in the guidelines.
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> I look forward to hearing from you!
>
>
> -- Lisa Parmelee
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There was a session at AAPOR on Internet Data Collection by Government Agencies. The papers covered a variety of surveys including an establishment survey, an organizational climate survey, and a demographic survey. Some offered the Web in addition to other modes while others tested Web response rates in split-panel experiments. The response rates were extremely variable depending upon the design, population, etc. and ranged from 2% to 67%. These papers will be documented in the 2001 ASA Proceedings volume of the Survey Methods Section.

For more information contact Nancy Bates (nancy.a.bates@census.gov)

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Folks,

Syndicated columnist Arianna Huffington seems to have become a one-person crusader bent on the discrediting of all public opinion polls--it seems increasingly to be just about the only topic she talks about (on talk radio) or writes on these days.

If you wish to email her on the subject, she presents her address just below her byline on her column below.

If you wish to send a letter to the editor of the Los Angeles Times about this column, the email address is

Letters to the Editor
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-- Jim

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COMMENTARY

Politics by Polls Led Us Astray

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The world has changed forever. That's what everyone has been saying since Sept. 11. In many ways, it's obviously true: Who would have thought that opening your mail without a hazmat crew standing by would qualify as risky behavior?

But some things, apparently, remain impervious to suicide hijackings, bioterrorism or even patriotism. Like, for instance, the media's indestructible infatuation with meaningless opinion polls--and, far more ominously, our political leaders' continued reliance on polls as their primary means of making policy decisions.

Take the latest numbers, which show President Bush enjoying a 92% approval rating. Or, as Cokie Roberts gushed on "This Week": "Franklin Roosevelt didn't hit this level." But even the pollsters admit that, as the fine print in this week's ABCNews/Washington Post poll put it, "results of overnight polls that attempt to measure opinions about fast-changing news events should be interpreted with extra caution." In other words, the results are meaningless.

Or worse. Take this week's startling--and widely reported--finding that 83% of Pakistanis side with the Taliban in the current conflict. It was, we were told by Newsweek, CNN and assorted pundits, the result of a Gallup poll.

Trouble is, it was "Gallup Pakistan," a dubious organization with no ties to the well-known U.S. polling company.

But even if media outlets had not been warned by the real Gallup Poll's reliability, shouldn't they have been skeptical of such an outrageous number and asked how the pollsters had gotten it? Had they stopped by an

anti-U.S. demonstration? Or had they randomly called any Pakistani who had recently purchased an American flag and some lighter fluid?

Instead, the media turned a blind eye to Gallup's "grave concerns" about the poll's reliability and reported it as fact.

This willingness to just tout the numbers is standard operating procedure for both pundits and politicians; it's a habit with often disastrous consequences.

Back in May 2000, a Zogby International poll asked Americans to name the most important issue facing the next president of the United States. Terrorism didn't even crack the top 10. And so our always eager to please politicians led by following and allowed the safety and protection of the American people to slide.

Real leadership--one driven by vision, not polls--would have seen the iceberg lurking beneath the placid surface of our prosperity.

But tell that to our "leaders" in Congress, where Bush's chart-topping approval has given him almost complete protection against criticism of his domestic agenda. The Democratic leadership has been cowed into silence, even as the president rides a Trojan horse filled with his highly partisan political agenda--drilling in the Arctic, building a missile shield, more corporate tax cuts--through the gate of this tragedy.

So the off-the-cuff reactions of a small sampling of randomly selected adults who didn't have the good sense to hang up when the pollsters called have silenced a less-than-brave opposition. This despite the fact that history shows that even soaring approval ratings are, at best, highly ephemeral. All the president has to do is put in a call to his father, whose post-Gulf War 89% approval rating had an even shorter shelf life than the new Daniel Stern sitcom.

The terrorist attacks have laid bare, once again, the danger of having leaders who can't even get dressed in the morning without consulting the latest poll numbers. And while the tragic events have clearly provided our 92% president with an aura of heroic leadership, they have also cast in high relief the deficiencies inherent in the system from which he sprang.

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Unfortunately she has been on this kick for a long time now. It is quite tedious.

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Subject: Arianna Huffington: Politics by Polls Led Us Astray (LATimes)

Folks,

Syndicated columnist Arianna Huffington seems to have become a one-person crusader bent on the discrediting of all public opinion polls--it seems increasingly to be just about the only topic she talks about (on talk radio) or writes on these days.

If you wish to email her on the subject, she presents her address just below her byline on her column below.

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COMMENTARY

Politics by Polls Led Us Astray

By ARIANNA HUFFINGTON

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The world has changed forever. That's what everyone has been saying since Sept. 11. In many ways, it's obviously true: Who would have thought that opening your mail without a hazmat crew standing by would qualify as risky behavior?

But some things, apparently, remain impervious to suicide hijackings, bioterrorism or even patriotism. Like, for instance, the media's indestructible infatuation with meaningless opinion polls--and, far more ominously, our political leaders' continued reliance on polls as their primary means of making policy decisions.

Take the latest numbers, which show President Bush enjoying a 92% approval rating. Or, as Cokie Roberts gushed on "This Week": "Franklin Roosevelt didn't hit this level." But even the pollsters admit that, as the fine print in this week's ABCNews/Washington Post poll put it, "results of overnight polls that attempt to measure opinions about fast-changing news events should be interpreted with extra caution." In other words, the results are meaningless.

Or worse. Take this week's startling--and widely reported--finding that 83% of Pakistanis side with the Taliban in the current conflict. It was, we were told by Newsweek, CNN and assorted pundits, the result of a Gallup poll.

Trouble is, it was "Gallup Pakistan," a dubious organization with no ties to the well-known U.S. polling company.

But even if media outlets had not been warned by the real Gallup Poll's reliability, shouldn't they have been skeptical of such an outrageous number and asked how the pollsters had gotten it? Had they stopped by an anti-U.S. demonstration? Or had they randomly called any Pakistani who had recently purchased an American flag and some lighter fluid?

Instead, the media turned a blind eye to Gallup's "grave concerns" about the poll's reliability and reported it as fact.

This willingness to just tout the numbers is standard operating procedure for both pundits and politicians; it's a habit with often disastrous consequences.

Back in May 2000, a Zogby International poll asked Americans to name the most important issue facing the next president of the United States.

Terrorism didn't even crack the top 10. And so our always eager to please politicians led by following and allowed the safety and protection of the American people to slide.

Real leadership--one driven by vision, not polls--would have seen the iceberg lurking beneath the placid surface of our prosperity.

But tell that to our "leaders" in Congress, where Bush's chart-topping approval has given him almost complete protection against criticism of his domestic agenda. The Democratic leadership has been cowed into silence, even as the president rides a Trojan horse filled with his highly partisan political agenda--drilling in the Arctic, building a missile shield, more corporate tax cuts--through the gate of this tragedy.

So the off-the-cuff reactions of a small sampling of randomly selected adults who didn't have the good sense to hang up when the pollsters called have silenced a less-than-brave opposition. This despite the fact that history shows that even soaring approval ratings are, at best, highly ephemeral. All the president has to do is put in a call to his father, whose post-Gulf War 89% approval rating had an even shorter shelf life than the new Daniel Stern sitcom.

The terrorist attacks have laid bare, once again, the danger of having leaders who can't even get dressed in the morning without consulting the latest poll numbers. And while the tragic events have clearly provided our 92% president with an aura of heroic leadership, they have also cast in high relief the deficiencies inherent in the system from which he sprang.

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Following are some quotes that give a description of European interactions on the "frontier" of George Washington's youth from Pamphlet Number One, Frontier Background of Washington's Career, by David M. Matteson (published in the History of the George Washington Bicentennial Celebration, Vol. 1 Literature series, U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Commission, 1932).

I share these quotes because I found the language interesting. The social construct of "white" versus "black" appeared later in American history. The black/white construct is obviously being rethought and evolving as our newest citizens arrive.

Mark

"I had always hoped that this land might become a safe and agreeable asylum to the virtuous and persecuted part of mankind, to whatever nation they might belong."

--George Washington to Francis Adrian Van der Kemp, May 28, 1788

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"Non-English settlers came to Pennsylvania from the beginning; they were encouraged by the proprietary, and were soon found in the region west of the Susquehanna. Thence through York, Cumberland, and Adams counties to the Maryland line following an Indian trail, later developed into the Monocacy Road, the pioneers came into Maryland about 1729. The route crossed the Ridge by Crampton's Gap in the region later made famous by the Antietam campaign, and then across the Potomac by a ford above present Harper's Ferry. Though there may have been earlier attempts, the first permanent settlement of the [Shenandoah] Valley begin in 1727.

The portion of the Valley drained by the Shenandoah, the part with which Washington was first acquainted and where his own lands were, was settled mostly by Germans. Benjamin Rush in 1789 noted the special characteristic of these "Pennsylvania Dutch," and it is interesting to trace in them possible influences upon Washington's own traits as a scientific farmer... Mixed with these Germans were some Scotch-Irish, but for the most part the

latter continued on to the upper part of the Shenandoah and over the watershed to the southern slope of the Valley. For this there is a probably reason in the character of the people. Logan, Penn's agent, in 1724 wrote of the Scotch-Irish as "bold and indigent strangers, saying as their excuse, when challenged for titles, that we had solicited for colonists and they had come accordingly."

Again, in 1727: "They say the Proprietor invited people to come and settle his country; they came for that end, and must live. Both they and the Palatines pretend that they will buy, but not one in twenty has anything to pay with. The Irish settle generally toward the Maryland line, where no lands can honestly be sold till the dispute with Lord Baltimore is decided." In 1730 Logan wrote that the Irish alleged that "it was against the laws of God and nature, that so much land should be idle while so many Christians wanted it to labor on and raise their bread." The Germans, while many of them were originally squatters in the Valley, would pay for the land if the alternative was to move on. They were, in other words, permanent settlers by instinct. With the Scotch-Irish the reverse was true: they were in the van of the pioneers not only because of their adventurous spirit, but because of their unwillingness to acknowledge the rights of the holders of great grants. ... These Scotch-Irish were not the only border settlers; there was a mingling of Germans, English, Scots, some Huguenots, and even a few Catholic-Irish, Hollanders, and Swedes. Of this mixture, Roosevelt has written: "A single operation, passed under the hard conditions of life in the wilderness, was enough to weld together into one people the representatives of these numerous and widely different races; and the children of the next generation became indistinguishable from one another."
...

"One of the largest landgrants in Virginia was the Northern Neck grant owned by Lord Fairfax, one of the few titled English-men to make his home in Virginia. Lord Fairfax was Washington's patron, and selected the youth in 1748 for his first experiences on the frontier. This was more than twenty years after the first movement into the Valley."

More:

Here are two entries of Washington's own description of his frontier surveying experience as a young man:

"Monday 4th [April 1748] ...we did two Lots and was attended by a great Company of People Men and Women and Children that attended us through ye Woods as we went showing there Antick tricks I really think they seemed to be as Ignorant a Set of People as the Indians they would never speak English but when spoken to they speak all Dutch..."

"Tuesday 15th [March 1748] We ...return'd to Penningtons we got our Supper and was lighted into a Room and I not being so good a Woodsman as ye rest of my Company striped myself very orderly and went in to ye Bed as they called it when to my Surprize I found it to be nothing but a Little Straw-Matted together without Sheets or anything else but only one thread Bear blanket with double its Weight of Vermin such as Lice Fleas &c I was glad to get up (as soon as y. Light was carried from us) I put on my Cloths and Lay as my Companions."

And here is more that is a bit fun:

In the early 1700s, the coast colonies were pushing westward. Governor Alexander Spotswood of Virginia launched an expedition into the Blue Ridge in 1716, setting up new border settlements. He wanted to settle the Shenandoah Valley and open up a western route to trade with the Indians and check the French advance in the Mississippi Valley. John Fontaine, part of the Spotswood expedition, described the good cheer they shared as they crossed the rich forest, full of black and white Oak, Walnut, Cherry, Poplar, and Spice Bushes so dense it was difficult to move through on horseback:

"We crossed the river, which we called Euphrates... We drank some healths on the other side, and returned; ... We had a good dinner, and after it we got the men together, and loaded all their arms, and we drank the King's health in Champagne, and fired a volley--the Princess's health, in Burgundy, and fired a volley, and the rest of the Royal Family in claret, and a volley. We drank the Governor's health and fired another volley. We had several sorts of liquors, viz., Virginia red wine and white wine, Irish usquebaugh, brandy, shrub, two sorts of rum, champagne, canary, cherry, punch, water, cider, &c..." (Matteson, 1932)

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Jim and others,

I have been, and still am, of the school of thought that considers self-identification to be the most important aspect of race or ethnicity.

However, in my graduate survey research methods class yesterday, an African American student argued forcefully against that position, and I found her argument interesting. According to her, what really matters is how others categorize a person, because that influences how one is treated more than does self-identification.

Norval Glenn

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Looking in the Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary (1996), there are many definitions for "race."

Most relevant are:

- 2a: a family, tribe, or nation belonging to the same stock.
- 2b: a class or kind of people unified by community of interests, habits, or characteristic [the English race]
- 3c: a division of mankind possessing traits that are transmissible by descent and sufficient to characterize it as a distinct human type.

I have typically assumed definition 3c when asked to indicate race on the Census form or on my application for a driver's license (which I note is no longer on the Missouri license--the color picture replaces this designation).

Is definition 2b closer to the federal government's intention? In this

context, is "American race" a valid category?

I also checked the definitions for the words used for the race categories. Their definitions do not consistently include "race."

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I meant to comment earlier on Jim's lament.

It is important to note that attempts to improve survey measurements of race do not necessarily rely upon an understanding of race as an "objective" construct. Indeed, the government standards for collecting race explicitly define race in terms of self-identification, not "objective" characteristics. If you recall your Census 2000 questionnaire (and who can forget it??) it asked, "What is this person's race? Mark one or more races to indicate what this person considers himself/herself to be." Thus, in the census, your race is what you (or a household proxy reporting for you) report it to be. There is no "right" answer. The Office of Management and Budget standards for collecting data on race explicitly state that "The racial and ethnic categories set forth in the standards should not be interpreted as being primarily biological or genetic in reference. Race and ethnicity may be thought of in terms of social and cultural characteristics..."

Race is a social construct. I don't know anybody who has conducted research in this area who does not come to appreciate that measurement of race and related constructs is very complex and presents profound difficulties at many levels.

Betsy Martin
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Folks,

I find the epistemology of this ongoing discussion of "Hispanics by Race" absolutely fascinating.

The item construction seems to me analogous to what one might expect, for example, at ETS, in designing its SAT questions to maximize the chances that those who actually know the answers will be able to find one--and only one--appropriate response category.

Of course this general idea does have many good applications in survey research. When it comes to a respondent's own perceived national origin and race, however, a number of you who have posted on AAPORNET in the past two days seem to be assuming that you know the correct answers already (ETS model) and want to design your items to maximize the chances that your respondents will give you back the answers you expect.

But such assumptions as these raise the questions of race and national origin to a political question: Who is to decide our own origins and race? Are these existential and objective facts, or are we free to decide them for ourselves, or are we forced to have them decided by others, including others whom we do not know, and have not given the authority to do this?

I myself have an open mind on this set of questions. I write here only because, although I find that the science behind all of the postings has been correct (as I would expect from AAPORNETters), I also think that there are much more important questions and issues also at stake here. Because I would like to see these other questions discussed in this same context, I hope to begin that discussion here, with this message.

It's much easier to design a question about integral calculus which has one and only one answer, after all, than it is to give anything nearly as certain an answer about the race or origins of our fellow human beings--people whom we in fact cherish so much precisely for this very diversity (AAPOR serving as an extreme example, I am pleased to say).

I welcome your comments, as always.

-- Jim

> Field experiments as well as qualitative research conducted at the Census
> Bureau suggest that the perceived redundancy of the race and Hispanic
> origin questions is reduced when Hispanic origin precedes race in the
> questionnaire. The item nonresponse for Hispanic origin is much lower,
> and
> Hispanics are less likely to report their race as "Some other race" and
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> Item sequencing does not fully solve the problem, but it helps.

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To be frank, the first ten paragraphs are relatively sound. It is her further conclusions that are the problem -- particularly, claiming that random sample surveys are garbage.

Howard Fienberg

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COMMENTARY

Politics by Polls Led Us Astray

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The world has changed forever. That's what everyone has been saying since Sept. 11. In many ways, it's obviously true: Who would have thought that opening your mail without a hazmat crew standing by would qualify as risky behavior?

But some things, apparently, remain impervious to suicide hijackings, bioterrorism or even patriotism. Like, for instance, the media's indestructible infatuation with meaningless opinion polls--and, far more ominously, our political leaders' continued reliance on polls as their

primary means of making policy decisions.

Take the latest numbers, which show President Bush enjoying a 92% approval rating. Or, as Cokie Roberts gushed on "This Week": "Franklin Roosevelt didn't hit this level." But even the pollsters admit that, as the fine print in this week's ABCNews/Washington Post poll put it, "results of overnight polls that attempt to measure opinions about fast-changing news events should be interpreted with extra caution." In other words, the results are meaningless.

Or worse. Take this week's startling--and widely reported--finding that 83% of Pakistanis side with the Taliban in the current conflict. It was, we were told by Newsweek, CNN and assorted pundits, the result of a Gallup poll.

Trouble is, it was "Gallup Pakistan," a dubious organization with no ties to the well-known U.S. polling company.

But even if media outlets had not been warned by the real Gallup Poll's reliability, shouldn't they have been skeptical of such an outrageous number and asked how the pollsters had gotten it? Had they stopped by an anti-U.S. demonstration? Or had they randomly called any Pakistani who had recently purchased an American flag and some lighter fluid?

Instead, the media turned a blind eye to Gallup's "grave concerns" about the poll's reliability and reported it as fact.

This willingness to just tout the numbers is standard operating procedure for both pundits and politicians; it's a habit with often disastrous consequences.

Back in May 2000, a Zogby International poll asked Americans to name the most important issue facing the next president of the United States. Terrorism didn't even crack the top 10. And so our always eager to please politicians led by following and allowed the safety and protection of the American people to slide.

Real leadership--one driven by vision, not polls--would have seen the iceberg lurking beneath the placid surface of our prosperity.

But tell that to our "leaders" in Congress, where Bush's chart-topping approval has given him almost complete protection against criticism of his domestic agenda. The Democratic leadership has been cowed into silence, even as the president rides a Trojan horse filled with his highly partisan political agenda--drilling in the Arctic, building a missile shield, more corporate tax cuts--through the gate of this tragedy.

So the off-the-cuff reactions of a small sampling of randomly selected adults who didn't have the good sense to hang up when the pollsters called have silenced a less-than-brave opposition. This despite the fact that history shows that even soaring approval ratings are, at best, highly ephemeral. All the president has to do is put in a call to his father, whose post-Gulf War 89% approval rating had an even shorter shelf life than the new Daniel Stern sitcom.

The terrorist attacks have laid bare, once again, the danger of having

leaders who can't even get dressed in the morning without consulting the latest poll numbers. And while the tragic events have clearly provided our 92% president with an aura of heroic leadership, they have also cast in high relief the deficiencies inherent in the system from which he sprang.

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Please forgive redundancy in this posting, which was previously posted for the AAPORExecCouncil [AAPORExecCouncil@umich.edu]. I have also attached both Word and WordPerfect versions of the announcement. <<2002 final call for papers (WP).wpd>> <<2002 final call for papers (wrđ).doc>>
To submit a proposal for the conference, go to the AAPOR website and click on Conference 2002 (in the pop-up box that appears when you direct your mouse to Conferences). Or, you can follow the direct link to the proposal submission page in the section on "Proposal Submission Process" below. Here is the entire Call for Participation, in case you did not get it (or if you deleted it). Look forward to hearing from you. RAK

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AAPOR May 16-19, 2002 > The TradeWinds Resort > St. Pete Beach, FL
American Association for Public Opinion Research a joint WAPOR & AAPOR Year
CALL FOR CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITY

The American Association for Public Opinion Research (AAPOR) will hold its 57th Annual Conference at the TradeWinds Beach Resorts and Conference Centers in St. Pete Beach, Florida on May 16-19, 2002. AAPOR's Conference Committee seeks proposals for papers, poster presentations, panels and round tables that will illuminate important research questions, increase the knowledge and skills of AAPOR's membership, and promote the development of our profession.

Papers, posters, panels and round table ideas on any topic in public opinion and survey research are welcomed for consideration for next May's conference. We strongly encourage participants to organize panel proposals with common themes and submit their papers together.

CONFERENCE THEME

In his presidential address to conference attendees last year, Murray Edelman aptly described AAPOR as a community, a community of survey and public opinion professionals and researchers who influence, support and define each other and our profession in a multitude of different ways. From the beginning, AAPOR's founding members and their successors understood the importance of this special community and the need to nurture the Association as a unique and vital source of affirmation, support, and fellowship for those in the profession, independent of our employers, institutions and clients.

And, especially in the wake of September 11, 2001, never has this community been more important, or our need to value, nurture and strengthen it been greater. That 2002 is also a joint AAPOR/WAPOR conference year--where we will meet jointly with colleagues from nations throughout the world to share experiences, research innovations and data--provides an important additional rationale for a thematic focus on papers, presentations, panels, and other events which serve to recognize, celebrate, and strengthen our community. It is our goal to implement this theme quite broadly, and we seek innovative ideas from a diverse range of potential participants on how to both promote and reflect this focus. The attack on America on September 11 has had a significant impact on all of our lives and will be a major focus of many papers at the conference. These will include not only manifest issues such as (1) public opinion and responses to the Attack on America and its aftermath; (2) evolving attitudes and opinions in America and abroad toward Arabs, Arab-Americans, and Muslims; and (3) attitudes and beliefs toward the U.S. in Arab nations and the Islamic world, but also such topics as (4) evolving opinions on terrorism, war, and peace; (5) patriotism; (6) stereotyping, prejudice, and racial profiling; (7) emergency preparedness and management; (8) airport safety; (9) fear of bioterrorism; (10) law enforcement; (11) defense and the military; (12) national security, privacy and civil liberties; and (12) historical perspectives on public opinion and survey research in times of war. Other paper topics likely to emerge from these events include: assessments of consumer confidence; religion and spirituality; and charity and volunteerism. Papers and panels that offer data and insights on public opinion in these and other areas will be part of the conference agenda.

More generally, the conference will continue to explore several major legacy and emergent methodological issues and challenges that confront the survey research community today, including: (1) Internet- and web-based data

collection; (2) survey participation and nonresponse; (3) interviewer selection, training and attrition/retention; (4) use of respondent and interviewer incentives; (5) response and nonresponse error stemming from questionnaires, interviewers and survey modes; (6) sampling design; (7) statistical data management, analysis and presentation.; and (8) cognitive interviewing, focus groups and qualitative research. Methodological papers emerging from unintended experiments created by the events of September 11 and its aftermath will also be of significant interest, including effects on response rates and data from surveys in the field at the time of the attacks, and decisions on whether or not to suspend interviewing. We also welcome papers on: legislative and regulatory (e.g., IRB) threats to survey and public opinion research; privacy and confidentiality of survey data; use of polls to enlist support for/justify political decisions; methods for determining presidential approval ratings; and the use of surveys and polls for juror selection, legal strategy and other legal research.

It is important to emphasize that, while broad and wide-ranging, these topics are only a small sample of those which could be mentioned in support of the overall theme, and are not intended to be restrictive. Potential participants are encouraged to submit for consideration their ideas on any topic in public opinion and survey research, and we anticipate broad-based participation in this conference.

AAPOR/WAPOR CONFERENCE

As noted earlier, this conference is a joint AAPOR/WAPOR conference year. We encourage especially submissions on topics of interest to WAPOR's world-wide membership.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION PROCESS

Proposals for the conference should be submitted electronically to www.aapor.org/conference/submission.html

<www.aapor.org/conference/submission> by December 13, 2002. A special form has been created on the website to gather information about each proposal. Please fill in all information requested on the form. You will receive confirmation of your submission automatically by email.

The proposal submission form asks for author contact information, the type of presentation (paper, poster, paper or poster, panel/round table), title, keywords describing the content of the presentation, an abstract of no more than 300 words and any special audio-visual equipment requests.

Papers are formal presentations of original research that are grouped with other similar papers to constitute a panel. In presenting papers, authors are provided 10-15 minutes during the panel to address an assembled audience. A discussant is assigned to each panel to comment on the papers individually and as a group.

Poster presentations are less formal (but not less rigorous or substantive) presentations of original research. Rather than delivering an address before an assembled audience, poster authors present their work interactively to groups of interested people with the aid of a visual display that summarizes research findings. Posters are displayed in a central location at specially designated times during the conference so that attendees can peruse the visual displays and converse with the authors.

Round Tables are organized discussions of issues that are important to the public opinion research community. The discussion may be led by an individual, or by a group of interested persons. Formal papers are not presented. Round table discussions on ethical aspects of survey research (e.g., human subjects protection, reporting of response rates) have been a prominent part of AAPOR conferences in recent years.

Proposals will be accepted for all of these forms of conference

participation. The proposal submission form on the AAPOR website asks submitters to designate the type of presentation as part of the proposal. Authors who only wish to have their proposal considered for a formal paper presentation should select the Paper option. Those who only wish to be considered for a poster presentation should select the Poster option. Those who wish to be considered for either a paper or poster presentation should select the Paper or Poster option.

Space on the program is limited. Some excellent proposals for formal paper presentations that cannot be integrated into panels will not be accepted. Authors have a greater chance of participating on the program if they are willing to be considered for either a paper or poster presentation or are included as part of an organized panel proposal.

Panel proposals involve recruiting 3-4 paper presentation proposals with a common theme. The panel proposal should contain a short statement discussing the issues to be addressed in the panel and their importance, and an abstract for each of the papers proposed. The panel organizer should provide all of this material in a single submission.

Round Table proposals should detail the topic to be discussed and its importance to the field of public opinion research. The proposal should also provide the names and affiliations of discussion leader(s).

Each proposal will be evaluated by at least two reviewers and final decisions about the program will be made by the end of January, 2002. You will be notified about the status of your proposal shortly thereafter.

PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

We will evaluate the presentation proposals for the quality, originality and completeness of the work represented in them. The AAPOR program should include cutting-edge research and presentations that further the development of the profession. Proposals should evidence careful preparation and should represent work that is well underway, rather than research that may not reach an acceptable stage of completion by the time full conference papers are due at the beginning of May, 2002.

Multiple proposals may be submitted, but it is unlikely that more than one proposal will be accepted from any given researcher or research team. Also, please do not submit multiple abstracts that are similar in content or abstracts dealing with results previously reported at an AAPOR meeting unless the new paper reports findings that are clearly differentiated from the previous paper.

SPECIAL AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT REQUESTS

All meeting rooms will have overhead projectors, screens and microphones as appropriate. Authors of poster presentations will be provided with poster board and an easel. Special equipment requests - for 35mm slide projectors, data projectors (e.g. for PowerPoint or on-line presentations), audiotape recorders or VCRs - should be indicated on the proposal submission form.

While we cannot guarantee access to these types of equipment, we will endeavor to meet special requests within budgetary constraints.

SUBMISSIONS FROM COMMERCIAL RESEARCHERS

We particularly encourage the submission of proposals by professionals working in the commercial sector. Please feel free to contact the conference chair with ideas that may depart from the normal conference paper format.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

At recent conferences a number groups with special, common interests have met informally to share methods, research and other information with one another. Consistent with this year's conference theme, we would like to formally encourage such gatherings throughout the meetings and include these gatherings on the official program. If you would like to organize such a group, please contact the conference chair.

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The American Association for Public Opinion Research (AAPOR) will award its 36th Annual Student Paper Prize this year. Beginning last year, this award was designated as "In Memory of Seymour Sudman" to recognize his many important contributions to AAPOR and in teaching and mentoring students in our profession.

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Unfortunately she has been on this kick for a long time now. It is quite tedious.

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Sent: Thursday, October 18, 2001 1:25 PM
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Folks,

Syndicated columnist Arianna Huffington seems to have become a one-person crusader bent on the discrediting of all public opinion polls--it seems increasingly to be just about the only topic she talks about (on talk radio) or writes on these days.

If you wish to email her on the subject, she presents her address just below her byline on her column below.

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Politics by Polls Led Us Astray

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The world has changed forever. That's what everyone has been saying
Sept. 11. In many ways, it's obviously true: Who would have thought
opening your mail without a hazmat crew standing by would qualify as
risky behavior?

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This is why "third-person" identification continues to be "in force" by affirmative action and civil-rights monitoring authorities (e.g., Civil Rights Commission). They have traditionally opposed self-identification for precisely the reason that your student gave in class.

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Her gripe is not with "all public opinion polls." It's with what she or the headline writer calls "politics by polls," which is different.

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In Swedish there is a term "husmor," (literally, house mother) which is understood to mean what I think you mean. Of course that wouldn't do here. How about "woman of the house?"

Jeanne Anderson

Teresa Hottle wrote:

> Can anyone tell me if there is a standard survey
> introduction that asks for the female head of household? We
> wanted to stay away from this phrase and thought about
> asking for the female that makes or shares in the decisions
> of the household. The client is concerned that we will
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> Thanks in advance,
> Terrie

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Norval,

I, too, have students. Here's the distribution of USC's new Freshman Class, for which the number who identify as white has dropped more than 5 percent in the past 5 years:

White	46.4 %
Asian/Pacific Islander	21.5
Latino	13.0
International	7.8
African American	6.8
Native American	1.1
Native Hawaiian	.8
Declined To State	2.5

	100.0 %

I asked a group of Pacific Islanders how many students who were not themselves Pacific Islanders they thought would be able to identify them as such. They seemed quite surprised by the question. They said that those not in their group, including faculty, administrators and staff, routinely confuse them with Asians from many other countries, and also with Hawaiians. "Only we can say who is a Pacific Islander," was the common response.

When I told them that a black student in Texas believed that what matters is not one's own self-identification with any particular group, but rather how others categorize them, because that most influences how they are treated, they laughed. When they saw that I was indeed serious, however, they simply repeated their original position: "Only we can say who is a Pacific Islander."

I'd be willing to meet you half way, Glenn, and say that the truth of race, entirely a social and cultural construct, lies somewhere between self and others. But this only reinforces what I have been attempting to say all along--that to attempt to legislate objective categories of race into survey response categories (as if one were constructing SAT questions) is simply to engineer the very results that we wish to be objectively studying. The objective truth is that race, as we use that term, is subjective, contingent, and continuously under social and cultural negotiation and renegotiation.

Because race is such an important topic for us to study, I'd give

a lot to make it more tractable to large-scale survey research efforts, but I'm afraid it is not. We can make it so only by defining away many aspects of race which a number of quite savvy Pacific Islanders on my campus know race to possess, both in the histories of their own families, and also in day-to-day life, as they live it.

I think that the US Census work which Betsy Martin reports to us today is about as good as we can do, and I've found that Census staffers themselves are quite cautious and restrained in the uses they make of such data--a strategy both intelligent and wise, in my opinion.

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Clearly Arianna Huffington stood outside the circle of the visionaries she extolls, or she would have dutifully warned us about the forthcoming terrorist attacks.

Perhaps we can govern by crystal ball.

The one area where she is right, of course, is that many aspects of opinions are ephermeral. But think about it: would we prefer the public to be rigid? Unchanging in the face of new information or events of the day? I point out to both my social psychology and to my methods students the difficulties of "trying to hit a moving target," which is inherent in much of public opinion (and attitudes, more generally) research. But consider the opposite.

Susan

At 03:29 PM 10/18/01 -0700, you wrote:

>I know - she's obsessed. I told her that if she hated polling so much, why does she quote one when it suits her or defends what she says in her article. All she did was laugh.

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>Susan Pinkus

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> To: 'aapornet@usc.edu'

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> we were told by Newsweek, CNN and assorted pundits, the result of a
> Gallup poll.
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> Trouble is, it was "Gallup Pakistan," a dubious organization with no
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> But even if media outlets had not been warned by the real Gallup
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> number and asked how the pollsters had gotten it? Had they stopped by
an
> anti-U.S. demonstration? Or had they randomly called any Pakistani who
> had recently purchased an American flag and some lighter fluid?
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> Instead, the media turned a blind eye to Gallup's "grave concerns"
about
> the poll's reliability and reported it as fact.
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> This willingness to just tout the numbers is standard operating
procedure
> for both pundits and politicians; it's a habit with often disastrous
> consequences.
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> Back in May 2000, a Zogby International poll asked Americans to name
the
> most important issue facing the next president of the United States.
> Terrorism didn't even crack the top 10. And so our always eager to
please
> politicians led by following and allowed the safety and protection of
the
> American people to slide.
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> Real leadership--one driven by vision, not polls--would have seen the
> iceberg lurking beneath the placid surface of our prosperity.
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> But tell that to our "leaders" in Congress, where Bush's chart-topping
> approval has given him almost complete protection against criticism of
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> silence, even as the president rides a Trojan horse filled with his
> highly partisan political agenda--drilling in the Arctic, building a
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> called have silenced a less-than-brave opposition. This despite the
fact
> that history shows that even soaring approval ratings are, at best,
> highly ephemeral. All the president has to do is put in a call to his
> father, whose post-Gulf War 89% approval rating had an even shorter
shelf
> life than the new Daniel Stern sitcom.
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> leaders who can't even get dressed in the morning without consulting
the
> latest poll numbers. And while the tragic events have clearly provided
> our 92% president with an aura of heroic leadership, they have also
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> in high relief the deficiencies inherent in the system from which he
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Norval,

First of all, I didn't intend to be rude in calling you "Glenn" in the middle of my message--it's way past my bedtime, but unfortunately it was not past that of my two daughters, at the time of my error. I apologize.

Like you, I do find that--between the two of us--we have a few interestingly similar and I think compatible ideas here. I'm hoping that others on our list--perhaps Betsy, once again--might jump in now with additional ideas, perhaps about developing the concept of race as emergent from reciprocal impressions of viewer and viewed. This is hardly a major breakthrough, obviously, but it might be one step in a fruitful new direction.

I do like thinking about the resulting question: Does one's race depend as much on that of the person judging as it does on one's own self? Those who study race most often think of themselves as social scientists or cultural scientists (ethnographers), after all, and rarely think of themselves as physiologists or objective classifiers. Perhaps survey research has grown too content with finding correlations among

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In the context where race is asked as a measure of self-identity, cultural identity, etc., what does it add to other measures that are used like ethnic identity i.e. African American, hispanic, etc.? Would another set of questions, leaving aside race, be as valid and informative i.e Ethnic identity, mother tongue, country of birth,... In short, do we need "race" as such or is self-identity well covered and better covered by other measures?

following Jim Beniger :

"An objective science of subjective phenomena is certainly better than a subjective science of objective phenomena..." The same goes for measurement... : An objective measurement...

Claire Durand

At 11:31 2001-10-18 -0400, you wrote:

>I meant to comment earlier on Jim's lament.

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>It is important to note that attempts to improve survey measurements of
>race do not necessarily rely upon an understanding of race as an
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>race explicitly define race in terms of self-identification, not
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>(and who can forget it??) it asked, "What is this person's race? Mark one
>or more races to indicate what this person considers himself/herself to
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>reporting for you) report it to be. There is no "right" answer. The
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>explicitly state that "The racial and ethnic categories set forth in the
>standards should not be interpreted as being primarily biological or
>genetic in reference. Race and ethnicity may be thought of in terms of
>social and cultural characteristics..."

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>research in this area who does not come to appreciate that measurement of
>race and related constructs is very complex and presents profound
>difficulties at many levels.

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>Betsy Martin

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> origins of our fellow human beings--people whom we in fact
> cherish so much precisely for this very diversity (AAPOR
> serving as an extreme example, I am pleased to say).
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> I welcome your comments, as always.
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> > Field experiments as well as qualitative research conducted at the Census
> > Bureau suggest that the perceived redundancy of the race and Hispanic
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> > questionnaire. The item nonresponse for Hispanic origin is much lower,
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> > write in Hispanic--though many still do this even in the reversed order.
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"Il y a 50% de chances, i.e. 3,1%, qu'il fasse beau demain".
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Simply ask for the "female head of house".

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> Teresa Hottle wrote:
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> > Can anyone tell me if their is a standard survey
> > introduction that asks for the female head of household? We
> > wanted to stay away from this phrase and thought about
> > asking for the female that makes or shares in the decisions
> > of the household. The client is concerned that we will
> > exclude women who feel they are not the head of household or
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> > Thanks in advance,
> > Terrie

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The following article appears in today's Washington Post.

I must admit that I find some irony in the notion that the very leaders
who were criticized for relying too much on polls are now being taken to
task for not properly gauging public opinion on major issues.

Jan Werner

Military Plans Informed by Polls

Carefully Chosen Words Prepare Americans for Potential Toll in Ground War

By Karen DeYoung and Dana Milbank
Washington Post Staff Writers
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The Bush administration has sent U.S. ground forces into Afghanistan secure in the knowledge that the American public overwhelmingly backs the action and is prepared, if necessary, to accept significant casualties.

That confidence is due, in part, to widespread and consistent nationwide polls. In virtually every survey since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, strong majorities have backed both air and ground action by the military, even when the prospect of large numbers of casualties is mentioned.

But according to White House aides, political strategists and well-informed diplomats, moving the public mind-set toward acceptance of American troops in Afghanistan has also been a key component of administration strategy since initial military plans were drawn up after the attacks.

Fearing that the public's image of war was the 100-hour Persian Gulf conflict and that Americans would tire of the Afghan campaign before ground operations could begin, Bush has repeatedly spoken of the need for patience, invoking the memory of World War II as a way of conditioning Americans to expect a higher level of sacrifice.

"As Americans did 60 years ago, we have entered a struggle of uncertain duration," Bush said at a memorial last week for victims of the attack on the Pentagon. "But now, as then . . . we have the patience to fight and win on many fronts."

When pressed to explain what kind of sacrifice he has in mind, Bush has retreated to relatively benign examples such as longer lines at airports. But several aides, who did not want to be named or quoted directly, said the language of sacrifice has also been intended to prepare the public to accept the loss of American lives in combat.

Although Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld has avoided saying when and exactly how the ground phase of the military campaign would take place, he has said publicly from the start that aerial bombardment was "creating conditions that we believe will be necessary for sustained anti-terrorist operations throughout the country."

The planning premise, said one source knowledgeable about the strategy, has been that "at the right stage, you're going to need ground forces. . . . The principle of having called up reservists, of being ready to put troops in, albeit special forces . . . no one has argued about that. The president has made a judgment about American public opinion, including the awareness that this could lead to casualties."

The deaths of more than 5,000 Americans in New York, Virginia and Pennsylvania in terrorist events witnessed for the most part on live television seem to have abruptly changed the American psyche on questions of war and its costs.

Since Vietnam, the long-standing political assumption has been that Americans were unwilling to die in long wars in faraway lands where there were uncertain U.S. interests. Casualties in conflicts since then have been either nonexistent, as in Kosovo, or relatively small -- 19 in Grenada, 23 in Panama, 148 in the Gulf War and 43 in Somalia. Fighting on the ground has been brief.

But in the current conflict, "the interest at stake is so clear . . . the risks you're willing to take to achieve the objective are much, much larger," said Ivo H. Daalder of the Brookings Institution. "I think the administration understands this, and that's why they don't hem and haw about ground troops. Nobody is, not on the Hill, not anywhere."

"It makes little sense to say, 'Let's not invade, we might get stuck like we did in Vietnam and the Soviets did in Afghanistan,' " he said. "Casualty tolerance is extremely high, I would argue, as long as we are engaged in military operations to get the bastards."

Daalder, who coordinated Clinton administration policy in the Balkans on the National Security Council in 1995-96, argues along with many others that the so-called Vietnam syndrome ended long before the last overseas U.S. military engagement, in Kosovo, and that the Clinton administration badly misjudged public opinion.

When NATO decided to go to war in the Balkans in March 1999, after a year of negotiations failed to stop Serbian attacks on the Kosovar Albanian population, it did so with the understanding that the war would be fought only from the air. European allies did not want to use ground troops without U.S. participation, and President Clinton was convinced the American public would not support ground action.

"I do not intend to put our troops in Kosovo to fight a war," Clinton said on March 24, 1999, as aerial bombing of Serbia began. By April, British Prime Minister Tony Blair and some others in NATO had become convinced that it would be prudent to at least start contingency planning for the introduction of ground troops, but he was unable to convince the U.S. president and his advisers.

"They believed that the public was zero casualty-tolerant," Daalder said.

That belief was perhaps understandable given that the first foreign policy crisis faced by Clinton, in 1993, was the death of 18 U.S. soldiers in Somalia. For the Clinton administration, Daalder said, "Somalia demonstrated that when you have 18 casualties, the world blows up in public opinion. Therefore, you could never risk casualties, certainly not on the ground."

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In the event of casualties, they wrote, the public is not likely to demand withdrawal but "if anything . . . is more likely to want to respond assertively."

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After Pearl Harbor, said Ohio State University political scientist John Mueller, who wrote a book on public opinion and war casualties, there was near limitless acceptance of whatever sacrifice it took to defeat the enemy.

But during Cold War battles, when the enemy was an abstract notion of international communism, support dropped precipitously if an action did not go well.

Mueller said public opinion during the current conflict is likely to be fickle. Americans start with a sense of fury and desire for revenge similar to the reaction to Pearl Harbor. But because of the nebulous aim of the war against terrorism, they will judge the sacrifice on the perceived value of each individual battle.

"I have trouble treating this as a war," Mueller said. "Terrorism is not like taking a hill. It's like fighting crime. It can never go to zero."

Ramsay noted that "given the additional factor of self-defense, which has never played before in any of the conflicts of the '90s," public opinion in favor of strong military action started out "at a far higher baseline."

But the same polls that indicate public support for both air and ground action in the fight against terrorism also show that Americans would much rather engage in conflict as part of an international alliance than unilaterally.

"The short answer is that Americans don't want to be the world's policeman, but they do want a more orderly and livable world and are ready to participate in creating that," Ramsay said.

Americans, he added, are pleased the administration has formed an international coalition to fight terrorism, both because it makes them more comfortable than going it alone and because they think it is necessary for the war to succeed.

The administration has emphasized that the anti-terrorism war is being waged by an international coalition of forces, although most are not participating militarily. Canada has offered military assistance, as has Germany, where Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder was reported yesterday as saying his government was ready to provide anti-chemical and anti-biological warfare forces and medical teams to support the U.S.-led campaign.

French Defense Minister Alain Richard also said yesterday that French soldiers could take part in a U.S. ground operation.

But according to current military plans, only U.S. and British special forces components are expected to be involved in ground operations that will include coordinating with Afghan forces fighting against the Taliban militia and searching for Osama bin Laden and his associates.

It remains unclear who will keep the peace once the U.S. offensive is over in Afghanistan, where opposition groups are far from united. Intensive negotiations are underway with the United Nations, which the administration hopes will play a central role in rebuilding the country.

"It is unlikely the United States would end up active in a troop role as peacekeepers in Afghanistan," Rumsfeld said yesterday.

Although the United States expects to help financially and with humanitarian aid, the "peacetime" ground mission will be left to others while the United States moves on to other targets in the anti-terrorism war.

The administration has pledged to take the battle to all nations that harbor international terrorists, an ongoing campaign that coalition partners in Europe and the Middle East have shown little interest thus far in supporting.

If public opinion surveys are right, the American public might begin to balk at a unilateral U.S. military effort beyond Afghanistan.

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I noted earlier having written the Pakistan Poll for further information. I received a lengthy reply (in excellent English) from Ijaz Gilani, Chairman of "Gallup Pakistan." In it he details training from earlier important figures in the U.S., such as Ithiel Pool and Hayward Alker Jr. It sounds as though they know what they are doing. He also mentions unfortunate "acrimonious" relations with Gallup USA, but doesn't detail them. As Jan Werner notes, the Pakistan Poll report available on the web is as informative (or more so) as many U.S. poll reports, and it is a mistake to dismiss it because it wasn't carried out by Gallup USA or done by Americans! Having had a long interest in Pakistan myself, I plan to try to learn more and will relay anything that seems of importance.
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In earlier surveys I obtained race as both self-identification and interviewer identification where the main focus was on black/white

differences. Correlations between the two were almost perfect, and I doubt that they would be much lower today, unless one allows more categories. New issues have arisen especially with Hispanics and some other increasing ethnic groups in the U.S. where both social and self definitions are much more ambiguous.

Both self and other definitions are obviously important, as are the correspondences and differences between them, including causal (it is hard to think of yourself as X if everyone else treats you as Y.)

Race is clearly a construct, as are just about all other social science classifications including class. Also gender as we have learned in recent years. It's also worth noting that the term "race" has been used in the past in various ways, so that at points the English were referred to as a race (maybe even by Churchill?). And there are other oddities, e.g., Jews usually don't like to be referred to as a race (pointing out that there are black Jews), but as a "people" is often ok. Etc. Howard

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I have a client who has been told by her client (a government agency) that myriad surveys have been done of parents relative to what motivates them to seek out parenting information or resources as well as what barriers there are to seeking such resources. She, however, has found almost nothing on these topics. Can any of you kind aapornet-ers help?

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Has anyone done a survey or detailed study of poll respondents' attitudes toward the questions of race and ethnicity, by, of course, race and ethnicity, as well as other relevant variables? It sounds as though there could be some interesting variations among groups.

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Yes, but they make it clear that their sample is from major cities, which are indeed of greatest importance in a country like Pakistan, though of course one would like national results as well.

I have asked them about gender, probably a difficult issue there. It may well be unsafe to send female interviewers alone to many parts of the country, while at the same time many potential female respondents (or their husbands) would probably not accept a male interviewer. Having myself worked once in what was then East Pakistan (now Bangladesh), there are many issues not encountered in the U.S., though some like response rates are often easier. -Howard

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Is the Pentagon conducting opinion studies among our military men and women?
Would be interesting to compare American to British, and other participants.
Mark Richards

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The American Soldiers Studies at The Roper Center:
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Black Men
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White Men
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Miscellaneous

On the day after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, the Research Branch of the Information and Education Division of the War Department conducted the first in a series of large-scale surveys of personnel in the United States armed forces. In the words of project staff director Samuel A. Stouffer, the purpose of the project was "to provide the army command quickly and accurately with facts about the attitudes of soldiers which...might be helpful in policy formation."

By the end of World War II, more than half a million soldiers had been interviewed on such subjects as their feelings toward the army, their living conditions and entertainment, their attitudes toward the enemy and the war, their mental health, their actual combat experiences, and many others. The data gathered in the course of this massive project today represent a trove of research material whose historical, sociological, and methodological value extends well beyond the original intent of the investigators. These data are now available in their entirety from the Roper Center in the form of over 100 studies with complete documentation.

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The following article appears in today's Washington Post.

I must admit that I find some irony in the notion that the very leaders who were criticized for relying too much on polls are now being taken to task for not properly gauging public opinion on major issues.

Jan Werner

Military Plans Informed by Polls

Carefully Chosen Words Prepare Americans for Potential Toll in Ground War

By Karen DeYoung and Dana Milbank
Washington Post Staff Writers
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The Bush administration has sent U.S. ground forces into Afghanistan secure in the knowledge that the American public overwhelmingly backs the action and is prepared, if necessary, to accept significant casualties.

That confidence is due, in part, to widespread and consistent nationwide polls. In virtually every survey since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, strong majorities have backed both air and ground action by the military, even when the prospect of large numbers of casualties is mentioned.

But according to White House aides, political strategists and well-informed diplomats, moving the public mind-set toward acceptance of American troops in Afghanistan has also been a key component of administration strategy since initial military plans were drawn up after the attacks.

Fearing that the public's image of war was the 100-hour Persian Gulf conflict and that Americans would tire of the Afghan campaign before ground operations could begin, Bush has repeatedly spoken of the need for patience, invoking the memory of World War II as a way of conditioning Americans to expect a higher level of sacrifice.

"As Americans did 60 years ago, we have entered a struggle of uncertain duration," Bush said at a memorial last week for victims of the attack on the Pentagon. "But now, as then . . . we have the patience to fight and win on many fronts."

When pressed to explain what kind of sacrifice he has in mind, Bush has retreated to relatively benign examples such as longer lines at airports. But several aides, who did not want to be named or quoted directly, said the language of sacrifice has also been intended to prepare the public to accept the loss of American lives in combat.

Although Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld has avoided saying

when and exactly how the ground phase of the military campaign would take place, he has said publicly from the start that aerial bombardment was "creating conditions that we believe will be necessary for sustained anti-terrorist operations throughout the country."

The planning premise, said one source knowledgeable about the strategy, has been that "at the right stage, you're going to need ground forces. . . . The principle of having called up reservists, of being ready to put troops in, albeit special forces . . . no one has argued about that. The president has made a judgment about American public opinion, including the awareness that this could lead to casualties."

The deaths of more than 5,000 Americans in New York, Virginia and Pennsylvania in terrorist events witnessed for the most part on live television seem to have abruptly changed the American psyche on questions of war and its costs.

Since Vietnam, the long-standing political assumption has been that Americans were unwilling to die in long wars in faraway lands where there were uncertain U.S. interests. Casualties in conflicts since then have been either nonexistent, as in Kosovo, or relatively small -- 19 in Grenada, 23 in Panama, 148 in the Gulf War and 43 in Somalia. Fighting on the ground has been brief.

But in the current conflict, "the interest at stake is so clear . . . the risks you're willing to take to achieve the objective are much, much larger," said Ivo H. Daalder of the Brookings Institution. "I think the administration understands this, and that's why they don't hem and haw about ground troops. Nobody is, not on the Hill, not anywhere."

"It makes little sense to say, 'Let's not invade, we might get stuck like we did in Vietnam and the Soviets did in Afghanistan,' " he said. "Casualty tolerance is extremely high, I would argue, as long as we are engaged in military operations to get the bastards."

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Mueller said public opinion during the current conflict is likely to be fickle. Americans start with a sense of fury and desire for revenge similar to the reaction to Pearl Harbor. But because of the nebulous aim of the war against terrorism, they will judge the sacrifice on the perceived value of each individual battle.

"I have trouble treating this as a war," Mueller said. "Terrorism is not like taking a hill. It's like fighting crime. It can never go to zero."

Ramsay noted that "given the additional factor of self-defense, which has never played before in any of the conflicts of the '90s," public opinion in favor of strong military action started out "at a far higher baseline."

But the same polls that indicate public support for both air and ground action in the fight against terrorism also show that Americans would much rather engage in conflict as part of an international alliance than unilaterally.

"The short answer is that Americans don't want to be the world's policeman, but they do want a more orderly and livable world and are ready to participate in creating that," Ramsay said.

Americans, he added, are pleased the administration has formed an international coalition to fight terrorism, both because it makes them more comfortable than going it alone and because they think it is necessary for the war to succeed.

The administration has emphasized that the anti-terrorism war is being waged by an international coalition of forces, although most are not participating militarily. Canada has offered military assistance, as has Germany, where Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder was reported yesterday as saying his government was ready to provide anti-chemical and anti-biological warfare forces and medical teams to support the U.S.-led campaign.

French Defense Minister Alain Richard also said yesterday that French soldiers could take part in a U.S. ground operation.

But according to current military plans, only U.S. and British special forces components are expected to be involved in ground operations that will include coordinating with Afghan forces fighting against the Taliban militia and searching for Osama bin Laden and his associates.

It remains unclear who will keep the peace once the U.S. offensive is over in Afghanistan, where opposition groups are far from united. Intensive negotiations are underway with the United Nations, which the administration hopes will play a central role in rebuilding the country.

"It is unlikely the United States would end up active in a troop role as peacekeepers in Afghanistan," Rumsfeld said yesterday.

Although the United States expects to help financially and with humanitarian aid, the "peacetime" ground mission will be left to others while the United States moves on to other targets in the anti-terrorism war.

The administration has pledged to take the battle to all nations that harbor international terrorists, an ongoing campaign that coalition partners in Europe and the Middle East have shown little interest thus far in supporting.

If public opinion surveys are right, the American public might begin to balk at a unilateral U.S. military effort beyond Afghanistan.

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To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
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Why not have the USPS iron first class mail? They already have equipment
that automates weighing, reading of addresses, sorting, and canceling.
Maybe for a few extra cents postage we could send a letter "with."

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Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 11:19:00 -0500
To: aapornet@usc.edu

From: Don Ferree <gferree@ssc.wisc.edu>
Subject: RE: Mail Surveys Rescued
In-Reply-To: <JAEPJNNBGDEENLLCIIIBOEMMDKAA.mark@bisconti.com>
References: <Pine.GSO.4.21.0110190843050.19826-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
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How about "burn before reading"?

(Just kidding, in case anyone took it seriously!)

Don Ferree

At 12:09 PM 10/19/2001 -0400, you wrote:

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This method is highly desirable. Tends to produce glowing results.

Jim Caplan
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Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 12:42:04 EDT
Subject: presidential approval ratings ?
To: aapornet@usc.edu

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Message-ID: <3BD05B09.70D1BB51@marketsharescorp.com>
Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 11:55:49 -0500
From: Nick Panagakis <mail@marketsharescorp.com>
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X-Accept-Language: en,pdf
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: presidential approval ratings ?
References: <46.1c57bc3b.2901b1dc@aol.com>
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I don't see any change in frequency based on Polling Report data (see link below). If anything, frequency has increased in some cases.

Poll stories may be getting less attention given the crush of other news in recent weeks.

Nick

<http://www.pollingreport.com/BushJob.htm>

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by smtp.mail.Virginia.EDU (8.9.3/8.9.3) with SMTP id NAA15906
for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Fri, 19 Oct 2001 13:22:16 -0400
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To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: RE: Mail Surveys Rescued
Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 10:22:16 -0700
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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X-MSMail-Priority: Normal
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X-MimeOLE: Produced By Microsoft MimeOLE V5.50.4133.2400
In-Reply-To: <Pine.GSO.4.21.0110190843050.19826-100000@almaak.usc.edu>

How might ironing affect contents? Gumming on envelope flaps and stamps
inside would be lost. Some checks and other documents which have
heat-sensitive security features might be rendered worthless. That seems to
let the terrorists win - but perhaps every security measure does, as well.

Regards,
Ellis

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id KAA12565 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Fri, 19 Oct 2001 10:53:23 -0700
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by rocky.oswego.edu (8.10.2+Sun/8.8.8) with ESMTTP id f9JHr1j28931
for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Fri, 19 Oct 2001 13:53:01 -0400 (EDT)
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Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 13:53:01 -0400 (EDT)
From: Bruce Altschuler <altschul@Oswego.EDU>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: presidential approval ratings ?
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Message-ID: <Pine.SOL.4.21.0110191350130.27175-100000@rocky.oswego.edu>
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I regularly chart the Gallup approval polls to show to my classes and they have been coming out at the usual interval. I suspect that these polls are simply getting less news coverage. As long as Bush's ratings remain at such high levels there is no newsworthy element to them. If they begin dropping, we'll see a surge of media attention (and probably calls to many of us on the list) attempting to explain the loss of support.
Bruce Altschuler
SUNY Oswego

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However, there seems to be less political news lately, and perhaps as a consequence, fewer stories where Bush's job approval ratings would be relevant.

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It would be good for us all if a few AAPORNETters from the DC area could attend this meeting on Monday, and report back to our list on the highlights for survey research and government, and all of our other passions. Some of our clients will be there, after all, and also a few of our respondents, perhaps. If you do attend, please take a few notes to share with us all.

-- Jim

ANNOUNCEMENT
National Press Club
Panel Discussion
October 22

Security or Surveillance?
Technology's Impact After September 11

On October 22, the Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC) and the Privacy Foundation will sponsor a policy briefing at the National Press Club in Washington to explore the implications of new systems for identification and tracking on personal privacy.

Questions to be considered include the reliability of face recognition technology, the limitations of national ID cards, and the role of authentication and identification in computer networks and communication

services.

The speakers will include Privacy Foundation CTO Richard Smith, Privacy Journal Editor Robert Ellis Smith, New Republic Legal Affairs Editor Jeffrey Rosen, RAND Senior Policy Analyst John Woodward, and Sun Distinguished Engineer Whitfield Diffie. The discussion will be moderated by EPIC Executive Director Marc Rotenberg.

Registration 12:30 - 12:50. Panel begins 1 pm - 2:30 pm.

The event is open to the press and the public. Please contact EPIC Research Director Sarah Andrews for further information.

EPIC is a public interest research center in Washington, D.C. It was established in 1994 to focus public attention on emerging civil liberties issues and to protect privacy, the First Amendment, and constitutional values.

The Privacy Foundation exists to educate the public, in part by conducting research into communications technologies and services that may pose a threat to personal privacy. The foundation will attempt to be fair and objective in its research projects and public reports.

Both organizations provide extensive resources on emerging privacy issues at their web sites -- www.epic.org and www.privacyfoundation.org.

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New Reports on the Elections

Elections: Perspectives on Activities and Challenges Across the Nation
<http://www.gao.gov/cgi-bin/getrpt?gao-02-3>

"Elections: Statistical Analysis of Factors That Affected Uncounted
Votes in the 2000 Presidential Election"
<http://www.gao.gov/cgi-bin/getrpt?gao-02-122>

"Elections: Status and Use of Federal Voting Equipment Standards"
<http://www.gao.gov/cgi-bin/getrpt?gao-02-52>

Elections: A Framework for Evaluating Reform Proposal
<http://www.gao.gov/cgi-bin/getrpt?gao-02-90>

Even as many in the United States are focused on the threat of biological terrorism, some are turning their attention to last year's national crisis -- election difficulties and reform. These four reports, released this week by the Government Accounting Office (GAO), give a wealth of information on how elections are currently conducted in the United States, what contributed toward votes going uncounted in the last presidential elections, and how various reform proposals should be evaluated. The first report, weighing in at 436 pages, covers the various stages of elections -- registration, absentee voting, election day administration, vote counts, and recounts. The report also addresses the potential to use the Internet in voting and the technologies employed in the November 2000 elections. The second report, at 25 pages, correlates Census data with data on voting equipment, turnout, and presidential vote data. The report finds that the state in which counties were located, the counties' demographic characteristics, and their voting equipment all correlated with the percentage of uncounted votes. The third report, which is 33 pages, recommends a more explicit assignment of federal responsibility for maintaining and implementing voting equipment standards. The last report, at 80 pages, is the "capping report" from the GAO and addresses the challenges of undertaking any reform proposal. GAO emphasizes that the federal election system is fundamentally "51 individual systems that in turn are administered and principally funded by more than 10,000 counties, cities, townships, and villages."

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Even less attention was given to the equally or more remarkable surge in Congressional approval ratings except as submerged in general stories on vanishing anti-government sentiment.

Seemingly, the surge in Congressional approval did not escape Administration strategist attention, however. I attribute the triple-barrelled "security leak" PR campaign as aimed at the Congress and at the media, some of which was beginning to chafe about censorship. That, together with the amazingly dim-bulb approval by Dems of skedaddling by the House should help cement the Administration's Gleichschaltung efforts neatly, particularly with the remarkably contrapuntal surfacing of Dick Cheney.

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Many days ago, I heard on a radio news program a one sentence

statement about results of a poll in Pakistan on low support for the U.S. (32%) in the current crisis. I didn't write down information about the source because I thought surely I would be immediately hearing far more about a very frightening result it reported. After all, there was a prospect that we would be sending a thin American force into a region where one would be hard put to find a reliably friendly power and where the safety of our force might not be independent of the safety of the current Pakistani government. Despite hours upon hours of media exposure day after day, I heard nothing further at all about this or any other polling in Pakistan. Finally, a later Gallup/BRB Pakistan poll <<http://www.gallup.com.pk/>> got attention three [a few] days ago..

The day [Quickly] after The NYTimes wrote on the PK poll, a post on AAPORNET, by Frank Newport of The Gallup Organization derogated it. Principal among its objections was this:

>The Gallup Organization wants to inform news organizations
>worldwide that this company is in no way connected with
us, >and has absolutely no authorization from us to use the
Gallup >name.

I believe that I understand well The Gallup Organization's desire to protect its proprietary interest in its invaluable name—a name threatened in the strange world of trademarks by such success as to threaten the exclusivity of TM's that get used as generically. I know also that the profitability lent by the caché½ [accented "e" many not show on your font] of the name provides the basis for the organization's adherence to standards that are not necessarily transparent to clients. Generic is not the basis of the claim to the name Gallup International (or its Pakistan affiliate) represents on its web site (that the PK Gallup's URL duplicates the Princeton one except for the added <.pk> must be particularly galling in Princeton.). The Gallup Organization claims presence in 25 countries but Pakistan is not among them. Gallup International claims "55+." (I can well understand TGO not venturing into Pakistan, even were there not a well established affiliate of George Gallup-founded international network there already. I doubt that conditions there make it much easier for polling than when I was in Pakistan in 1960 to evaluate available survey capabilities for a joint US-PK project that Al Gollin was coordinating.) I find in Newport's comment no reference to any professional or legal authority conferring on The Gallup Organization an exclusive world-wide right to use the name "Gallup." I see no valid attempt in it at rebuttal of the historical bases of the claim to legitimacy on the web-sites of Gallup International and Gallup/BRB Pakistan.

Frank Newport's post also states unspecified doubts about the polls reliability and deplores that it was done only in major cities [Schuman has already dealt here with that criticism and with the above par disclosures of methodology by Gallup/BRB.] Gallup in Princeton points us to no better source of recent data on Pakistani political opinion.]

Even if the polls in question have even worse faults than The Gallup Organization alleges, on their face they remain the best source I've seen. Unless a far better case can be made than Newport's post, I hate to see the press intimidated out of using them and find the attempt to do so deplorable. Public opinion in Pakistan's key cities is too important to the American public and to opinion leaders (and military lives) for reliance on the only other indicator I have heard used regularly: the Bush-Rice-Rumsfeld Index.: This is the tiny ratio to total population of demonstrators, i.e., presumably, people able and willing to risk life, limb and jail by taking to the streets in anti-government demonstrations. I hope our leaders have a secret source superior to that one.

[This reply was composed early this week and I have left it largely intact except for bracketed changes. The onset of pneumonia kept me from finishing and posting it until now. No, no. I owe my lung disease not to Anthrax but to a sneaky toxic chemical campaign centered in Raleigh-Durham (but as a long-time Virginian, I must add 'pace friends at RTI').--Al Biderman]

Howard Schuman wrote:

> The fullest account of the October 11-12 Pakistan Poll seems to be at:
> http://www.gallup.com.pk/archives/oct15_2001.html
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> The site clearly states that the poll covered only urban areas, though
> these were in all major areas of the country. The account, though lacking
> information it would certainly be useful to have, is not inferior to many
> reports of commercial polls in the U.S. The organization seems to be
> primarily a marketing group, with training claimed at U.S. universities.
> I have emailed the organization for more details. Howard
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We are preparing to field a telephone survey that is rather lengthy and involved. Our client wants to provide incentives to respondents who have refused to participate in earlier contacts. Would anyone be willing share their procedures on how they have done this and any sample "telephone scripts" for wording the refusal conversion/incentive offering? Any suggestions for keeping respondents on the phone for long surveys?

Also, we are using a pre-notification postcard (instead of a letter due to the anthrax scare). Has anyone had any experience with using a photo of the interviewing staff in pre-notifications for telephone surveys?

Thanks!

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My memory (which could be false) is that when The Gallup Organization was sold to the folks in Nebraska, it retained Gallup International. The people in Lincoln then started Gallup Worldwide. Thus there are two legitimate holders of the Gallup name operating internationally. Would someone who knows the situation better than I confirm, clarify, or deny?

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Don't ask me--I don't know, either. It's timely, however,  
and in the news, as it were. At least its encouraging to  
see how many different countries have media organizations  
that aspire to conduct polls, whether legitimate or not,  
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Stranger things have happened.....

-- Jim

P.S. I've already word-searched this entire posting, and  
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<http://www.afghan-web.com/aop/poll.html>

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AOP/Azadi Radio Poll

PREVIOUS POLL RESULTS

July 1, 2001 -- July 7, 2001

[151 votes total]

A poll, termed "relatively scientific," and "an exercise to see current trends," released by the U.S. Department of State last week, suggests that out of 4995 Afghans in 27 provinces, 50% of the women polled and 46% of the men named former King Zahir Shah as the leader "who can most successfully address the problems facing Afghanistan today." Taliban leader Mullah Omar received the backing of 11% of males and 6% of women. Veteran resistance leader, Ahmad Shah Massoud is said to have received 2%. Twenty percent said they "don't know," but there is no available data on the remaining 20% or so. The State Department said it could not reveal who conducted the recent poll or give other operational and methodological details.

Given current conditions in Afghanistan, where at least a third of the population lives outside the country, millions are displaced internally, scores of villages and towns are depopulated or destroyed, fear and hopelessness are rampant, which opinion do you identify with more closely concerning the poll:

1) It seems like a fairly accurate reading of Afghan opinion, and seems fairly conducted. It is appropriate for such a poll to be released by the State Department even if operational details are not provided. (62) -- 41%.

2) It does not seem to reflect a fairly accurate reading of Afghan opinion. It does not seem to have been conducted fairly. It is not appropriate for such a poll to be released by the US government under current conditions. Operational details about methodology and data collection should be provided. (77) -- 51%.

3) Does not matter either way. (12) -- 8%.

4) No opinion. (0) -- 0%

May 1, 2001 -- May 7, 2001

[196 votes total]

According to news reports, General Pervez Musharraf has declared that 99 per cent of Pakistan is being "held hostage" by Taliban-like religious extremists who constitute just one per cent of the population. Reacting to this statement, which opinion do you agree with the most:

1. The military leader of Pakistan is reflecting a real fear and sentiment, is opposed to the Talibanization of Pakistan, but faces challenges coping with the extremist threat. (35) -- 18%

2. Gen. Musharraf does not really believe in the extremist threat, is part of the establishment supporting it, and he is manipulating world public opinion by publicly denouncing Talibanism while promoting it. (130) -- 66%

3. I am not convinced either way, and think that it is too early to make any judgments about the statement. (14) -- 7%

4. None of the above. (17) -- 9%

March 2, 2001 -- March 10, 2001

[393 votes total]

In light of the new "edict" by Taliban militia leader Mullah M. Omar that all pre-Islamic artifacts and statues in Afghanistan should be destroyed, which reaction do you relate to and agree with the most:

1. I am happy and agree with the Taliban decision. It is wrong to preserve non-Islamic artifacts, thus all pre-Islamic artifacts and statues should be destroyed in Afghanistan. (34) -- 9%

2. I am distressed and do not agree. These artifacts and statues are not idolized and are part of the country's pre-Islamic history. They belong to all humanity as Muslim leaders past and present have not attempted to destroy them. (353) -- 89%

3. No opinion either way. (11) -- 3%

December 20, 2000 -- December 25, 2000

[100 votes total]

The United Nations Security Council adopted a resolution by majority vote Tuesday against the Taliban movement calling for a second set of sanctions, including an arms embargo, closure of terrorist camps, Taliban travel restrictions and freezing of Usama Bin Laden's assets among others. Which statement do you agree with the most:

1. As explained by most UN member states - the US and Russia in particular - the new set of sanctions approved Tuesday is specifically aimed at the Taliban leadership and allied terrorist networks, their sources of funding, will have minimal impact on the existing economic/humanitarian situation, and may be understood by most Afghans. (66) -- 66%

2. As advocated by Pakistani propaganda and pro-Taliban circles, the sanctions are targetting the Afghan people and Taliban's "Islamic Emirate", will prolong the war, deepen the human tragedy, and cause resentment among Afghans. (29) -- 29%

3. no opinion either way. (5) -- 5%

November 2, 2000 -- November 7, 2000

Do you believe that the United States will launch another attack on Osama bin Laden's bases in Afghanistan?

[142 votes total]

YES (49) -- 35%

NO (52) -- 37%

MAYBE (41) -- 29%

June 3, 2000 -- June 10, 2000

[196 votes total]

Although Russia has been very vocal in its threats to carry out air strikes on Afghanistan, there has been relatively little condemnation from The United States. Do you believe that this is because:

1. The United States supports the idea of Russian strikes on the alleged Terrorist Training Camps. (116)--59%

2. The United States knows that Russia will never carry out such threats. (24)--12%

3. The United States is not involved in the Russian threats, and therefore they do not want to become entangled in this political web. (24)--12%

4. None of the above. (32)--16%

January 20, 2000 --- January 26, 2000

[210 votes total]

As new evidence emerges about the roles of all parties involved in the hijacking of the Indian Airlines plane last month, India is insisting that the incident was planned by Pakistan, while Islamabad denies the charge. The Taliban, who did not allow a commando operation and let the hijackers get away, are now viewed with a certain amount of suspicion. Which of these scenarios is most believable:

1. The hijacking was staged by Pakistan, with no involvement of the Taliban. (45) -- 21%
2. The hijacking was staged by India. (26) -- 12%
3. The hijacking was planned by Pakistan with the involvement of some elements within the Taliban leadership. (59) -- 28%
4. The hijacking was staged by Kashmiri militants with the tacit support of Pakistani and Taliban circles. (57) -- 27%
5. Other scenario. (23) -- (10%)

December 19, 1999 --- December 26, 1999

[253 votes total]

According to an NNI report, and several other news agencies, the United States has made it clear that if any Americans are attacked by supporters of Osama bin Laden, the Taliban would be held responsible. Do you agree with this?

- 1) Yes, since the Taliban have chosen to protect and defend Osama bin Laden. (147) -- 58%
- 2) No, the Taliban are not responsible for other people's actions. (91) -- 35%
- 3) No comment. (15) -- 5%

December 1, 1999 -- December 8, 1999

[258 votes total]

- 1) The biggest obstacle are the Taliban (minus Pakistan) themselves who would not agree to this plan for fear of losing power. (56)--22%
- 2) The biggest obstacle is the United Front , even though they have not opposed the plan. (30)--12%

- 3) The biggest obstacle is Pakistan, who may consider this move as against its strategic interests. (65)--25%
- 4) The biggest obstacle is Iran, who may consider the former King's role as a symbol as unacceptable. (6)--2%
- 5) The biggest obstacle is a lack of enough international support and attention to Afghanistan. (12)--5%
- 6) All of the above, more or less equally. (62)--24%
- 7) None of the above. (27)--10%

November 4, 1999 -- November 11, 1999

[181 votes total]

As of this date, the case of Osama Bin Laden has not reached a conclusive ending. UN sanctions on the Taliban is to take effect on Nov. 14. Meanwhile, the pro-Taliban/Osama lobby in Pakistan is spreading reports that Afghans oppose Bin Laden's extradition. Which of these assessments do you agree with the most:

- 1) As claimed by a Pakistani lobby, Osama is a symbol of pride for Afghans who consider him as a guest and hero. He should not be extradited under any condition. (37)--20%
- 2) As claimed by the United States and the UN, Bin Laden is accused of masterminding anti-American terrorist activities and should be brought to justice for that reason under any condition. (19)--10%
- 3) As claimed by other Afghans, Bin Laden - allied with the Taliban - is no longer a mujahed. His network is responsible for the massacre of Afghan citizens, the destruction of Afghanistan and for using Afghan soil for illegal activities. He should leave Afghanistan or be held responsible according to Afghan penal laws. (110)--61%
- 4) None of the above. (15)--8%

October 14, 1999 --October 24, 1999

Given Pakistan's interventionist policy toward Afghanistan in past years, what is your initial impression of the Pakistani military coup d'etat in relation to the on-going Afghan crisis:

[194 votes total]

- A) Will lead to a change in policy, less interventionist, to exert pressure on the Taliban and pursue a more constructive approach. (25)--13%
- B) More or less the same policy will be pursued in support of the Taliban with no change in the balance of power in sight. (70)--36%
- C) Will result in an escalation in Pakistan's intervention in Afghan affairs to assist the Taliban gain total control as soon as possible. (82)--42%

D) Other possibilities. (17)--9%

September 27, 1999 -- October 4, 1999

In advance of the U.N. General Assembly, pro-Taliban Pakistani propaganda is unsubstantially claiming that most Afghans would like to see the UN Afghan seat be vacated. Since this has been a top Pakistani goal for the past few years. Which option do you favor:

[214 votes total]

A) The Pakistani option for the UN to vacate the Afghan seat and suspend Afghanistan's representation at the UN for an undetermined period of time. (10)--5%

B) The Taliban option, to give the Afghanistan seat to the Islamic Emirate representative. (59)--28%

C) The existing option, to keep the seat in the hands of the nominal Islamic State of Afghanistan representative until the will of the people is expressed in the future. (127)--59%

D) None of the above. (18)--8%

September 21, 1999 -- September 26, 1999

The Pakistani government has once again undertaken a so-called "peace initiative" to facilitate a distant dialogue between the two warring Afghan factions. Which statement best describes the current Pakistani effort:

[143 votes total]

A) This is not a ploy. As described by the Taliban and Islamabad itself, Pakistan is an impartial and "honest broker" who can and should help resolve the Afghan crisis according to its own views and interests. (15) --10%

B) This is another ploy. As described by the United Front opposition and many countries, Pakistan cannot be counted on because of its support for the Taliban. Instead, the UN should play a mediating role. (100)--70%

C) Neither statement is correct. (28)--20%

September 11, 1999 -- September 19, 1999

A US State Department report recently gave evidence of widespread religious persecution in Afghanistan under the Taliban rule. It also stated that atheism is considered "apostasy" and is punishable by death. However, the Taliban continue to state that they respect the rights of all people, regardless of their religious affiliations. What do you believe?

[260 votes total]

A) The Taliban are lying. They are oppressing people not adhering to



their views on Islam. They are openly terrorizing the Shi'a minority as well as Hindus, Sikhs, etc. (179) -- 69%

B) The Taliban are protecting the rights of everyone, regardless of religion. (57) -- 22%

C) I don't care, those people should not have rights in Afghanistan. (7) -- 3%

D) No Comment. (17) -- 7%

August 11, 1999 -- August 16, 1999

Taliban leaders and several Pakistani religious institutions, have asked the NWFP Pakistani religious madrassas to close down so that thousands of trained Talibs could join the war against the Afghan resistance and anti-Taliban forces. Do you consider this call and action to fight against Moslem Afghans in their own country as:

[187 votes total]

A) A religious and Jehadi duty, in which any Pakistani, Arab, or muslim can and should take part of. (39) --21%

B) A Foreign, ie. Pakistani conspiracy to extend its proxy rule over Afghanistan, in the name of Islam, but in reality for geo-strategic goals. (122) --65%

C) None of the above. (26) --14%

August 2, 1999 -- August 8, 1999

In light of the recent Taliban offensive against the Afghan opposition forces, what do you think the outcome will be?

[230 votes total]

A) The Taliban, and their foreign recruits will be able to take the remaining portion of Afghanistan. (72) -- 31%

B) The opposition will continue to survive. (139) -- 60%

C) I don't know. (19) -- 8%

July 26, 1999 -- August 1, 1999

Several press and eyewitness reports indicate that several thousand armed Pakistani and Arab extremist fighters have crossed into Afghanistan to join the Taliban's imminent offensive against the Afghan resistance, and Anti-Taliban forces. How would you consider and deal with such a development?

[168 votes total]

A) Regardless of their nationality, I consider them as legitimate Taliban allies whose involvement in the Afghan conflict is legitimate. (33) -- 20%

B) I consider the Taliban's foreign fighters as illegitimate invaders who should be dealt with as spies and criminals according to Afghan penal and national security laws. (109) -- 65%

C) It does not matter either way. Pakistani and Arab extremists involvement is not a major issue in the conflict. (21) --12%

D) None of the above (5) -- 3%

July 18, 1999 -- July 25, 1999

The Taliban have announced that Osama bin Laden can be tried in a third country (excluding Saudi Arabia and the United States) on the condition that the suspected terrorist agrees to it. Do you agree with this?

[101 votes total]

A) I disagree. Osama bin Laden should be sent to the United States for trial, whether he agrees or not. He is a terrorist! (45) -- 45%

B) I agree. Osama bin Laden should be sent to a third country ( excluding Saudi Arabia and USA), this is the only way he will receive a fair trial. (35) --35%

C) I disagree completely. Osama bin Laden is not a terrorist. He should not be forced to leave Afghanistan or anywhere else. (21) -- 21%

July 13, 1999 -- July 18, 1999

United States policy and attitude toward the Taliban movement has fluctuated over the past four years. Taking into consideration the main bilateral policy contentions dealing with terrorism, human/women rights, narcotics production and Taliban unwillingness to reach a political settlement, which of these courses do you consider the best for policy-makers to adopt:

[108 votes total]

A) The "carrot approach," by offering the Taliban positive incentives, dialogue and cooperation. (22) -- 20%

B) The "stick approach," by exerting further political, economic and other pressures on the Taliban and Pakistan to force some changes. (16) -- 15%

C) Multilateral efforts to undermine and ultimately help replace the Taliban with a more acceptable alternative. (55) -- 51%

D) Maintain the status-quo and follow a policy of irregular-engagement  
3) -- 3%

E) None of the above. (12) -- 11%

July 4, 1999 -- July 11, 1999

Jason Burke, in an article for the Observer, (UK) reported that Osama bin Laden is currently believed to be in the village of Farmihadda . He also reported that the Taliban are aware of bin Laden's location, and that they had even deployed guards to protect his new base. What do you believe?

[140 votes total]

1. Jason Burke is correct. Osama bin Laden is in Farmhidda and the Taliban are aware of it. They are even helping him. (60) -- 43%
- 2) The report is false. Osama bin Laden is not in Farmhidda, and the Taliban have no idea where he is hiding. (22) --16%
- 3) The Taliban are hiding him in Kandahar or somewhere else. (40) -- 29%
- 4) Osama bin Laden is not in Afghanistan. (8) -- 6%
- 5) None of the above. (10) -- 7%

June 28, 1999 -- July 4, 1999

The first step in former Afghan King M. Zahir Shah's peace/Loya Jirga initiative has just been launched with the gathering of a consultative/work group in Rome. Other steps are to follow in the next few months. In your opinion, of the events and causes listed below, which one is the most serious and dangerous factor that could derail and/or damage the Loya Jirga peace process:

[105 votes total]

1. The Taliban's total military victory on the battlefield against the Afghan opposition resistance forces. (25) -- 24%
2. Pakistan and the Taliban's invisible undermining and/or overt opposition to the King's initiative. (28) -- 27%
3. The international community's lukewarm reaction and/or lack of commitment to support and promote the initiative. (8) -- 8%
4. Iran's opposition to a role being played by the former King. (7) -- 7%
5. Favoritism and organizational mismanagement within the former King's work circle (28) -- 27%
6. None of the above. (9) -- 9%

June 20, 1999 -- June 27, 1999

The North West Frontier Province of Pakistan is former Afghan land. Most of the inhabitants want to have the province renamed Pakhtunkhwa. Do you believe that:

[138 votes total]

The Pashtuns have a right to be recognized as Pakhtunkhwa (52) -- 38%

The Frontier Province is a part of Pakistan now (28)-- 20%  
Only the first step to reuniting with Afghanistan (38)--28%  
None of these (20)--14%

May 30, 1999 -- June 6, 1999

Recently, the Indian government has charged that Afghan nationals are involved in the Kashmiri war. Do you believe this to be true, or just a false accusation made by Indian officials?

[226 votes total]

It is true. Afghans are involved. (129) -- 57%  
It is not true. Afghans are not involved. (55) -- 24%  
Maybe, or it is possible. (42) -- 19%

May 23, 1999 -- May 30, 1999

Recent reports indicate again that Afghans, specifically Shiaa Afghans in the provinces of Bamyan and now Herat, have been the target of mass murder and persecution by the Taliban. From all accounts, which one of the following statements is closer to reality to describe the ongoing situation:

[369 votes total]

1. The Taliban and their foreign supporter are waging a "reign of terror" specifically aimed at disrupting Afghan ethnic unity, to consolidate their rule through fear and intimidation. These popular uprisings are not foreign-inspired. (179) -- 49%
2. The Taliban care and believe in "peace and security," and will try to maintain them for the people's sake, and not their own power-driven agenda. These popular riots are foreign-inspired. (177) -- 48%
3. None of the above. (13) -- 4%

May 16, 1999 -- May 23, 1999

Recently the Taleban Governor of Kandahar, Mohammad Hassan Rehmani told the BBC that the recent destruction of some opium poppy fields, was a signal to the world, showing that the Taleban is serious in its intentions to rid Afghanistan of the crop. Do you feel that the Taleban's intentions are genuine or a ploy to keep the UN and other Western critics quiet?

[259 votes total]

It is a ploy, the Taleban are not serious. (149) -- 58%  
The Taleban's intentions are genuine. (110) -- 42%

May 9, 1999 -- May 16, 1999

The former King of Afghanistan recently announced an initiative to send delegations to meet with both Afghan warring factions, extend an invitation to them to attend an emergency Loya Jirga and convene a 30-member Jirga organizing team in the near future. Which of the

following best describes the former King's latest decisions and initiatives ?

[224 votes total]

1. He is now more serious than before and believes that conditions are ripe for such activities to convene an emergency Jirga. (51) --23%
2. He is out of touch with the realities on the ground, and as the Taliban claim, he has lost the trust of the people and his initiative is as a result of foreign pressure. (76) -- 34%
3. As an afghan, his role in convening a Jirga is acceptable, but as the United Front (Talib opposition) claims, he should demonstrate more sincerity, realism and activism. (73) -- 33%
4. None of the above. (24) --11%

May 1, 1999 -- May 9, 1999

The Taliban have recently told the citizens of Kabul to paint their walls white in order to "beautify" the city. Do you feel that:

[264 votes total]

- A) It is a bad idea. Many people cannot even afford to buy food. How can they be expected to pay for paint. (141) -- 53%
- B) I think it is a good idea. Kabul needs to be touched up. (59) -- 22%
- C) It is a good idea, but a bad time to do it. (58) -- 22%
- D) No comment. (6) -- 2%

April 24, 1999 -- May 1, 1999

The latest fall of Bamiyan city into opposition hands and subsequent Taliban retreat from the area is an indication that:

[275 votes total]

1. The Taliban hold on central and northern Afghanistan is weak and not supported by the local inhabitants. (161) -- 59%
2. The opposition Front is comparatively better organized and militarily unified. (24) -- 9%
3. The Taliban retreat is tactical or temporary and they will regain control of the area. (72) -- 26%
4. None of the above. (18) -- 7%

April 17, 1999 -- April 24, 1999

The Pakistanis have made it clear that they favor recent moves to seal the borders between Pakistan and Afghanistan, as well as supporting

efforts to expel Afghan refugees in Pakistan. Do you think that Pakistan has the right to repatriate the Afghan refugees against their will, knowing that many of the refugees would return to great hardships and/or peril?

[369 votes total]

Yes, the Pakistanis should force them to go back to Afghanistan. (53)  
-- 14%  
No, the Pakistanis should not force them. (311) -- 84%  
Maybe (5) -- 1%

April 10, 1999 -- April 17, 1999

Many believe that the Afghan problem requires a durable political solution. In case a settlement is reached to end the war and pursue a political solution, which mechanism and/or type of gathering do you favor to decide on the form of government, constitution and leadership that may be acceptable to most Afghans and the international community:

[247 votes total]

A referendum under UN supervision (48) -- 19%  
Elections under international supervision (51) -- 21%  
A representative Loya Jirga (93) -- 38%  
A council of Mollahs and religious figures (24) -- 10%  
none of the above (31) -- 13%

April 4, 1999 -- April 10, 1999

Recently Jehanzeb Khan Shinwari, a prominent Afghan commander and close confidant of ex-governor of Ningarhar, Haji Qadeer was gunned down in Pakistan. Shinwari is just one of many well known Afghans to be killed in this fashion. Some theorize that the Pakistani government is secretly behind these killings. Do you believe that the Pakistani Government is somehow behind the assassinations of prominent Afghan Commanders and other Afghan Personalities?

[299 votes total]

YES, Pakistan is involved. (227) -- 76%  
NO, the Pakistani government is not involved. (45) -- 15%  
MAYBE (27) -- 9%

March 27, 1999 - April 3, 1999

Many international organizations, governments, humanitarian, human rights, women and children's rights groups, experts, journalists, individuals and now the entertainment industry celebrities are accusing the Taliban of grave women's rights abuses and "gender apartheid" in Afghanistan. Do you approve of this growing worldwide condemnation of the Taliban, and think it is valid and should continue?

[616 votes total]

YES, the Taliban should be condemned. (370) -- 60%  
NO, the Taliban should not be condemned. (234) -- 38%

MAYBE (12) -- 2%

March 21, 1999 -- March 27, 1999

Since the people of Afghanistan have so little, do you think it is right for the Taliban to prevent them from enjoying Nowruz?

[584 votes total]

NO. It is wrong. The Taliban should not ban Nowruz. (429) -- 73%  
YES. The Taliban should prevent them from enjoying Nowruz. (155) -- 27%

March 14, 1999 -- March 20, 1999

Do you think that the return of former king Amanullah Khan's son could help bring about peace in Afghanistan?

[465 votes total]

YES (123) -- 26%  
NO (232) -- 50%  
POSSIBLY (110) -- 24%

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<http://www.afghan-web.com/aop/poll.html>

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Colleagues...

This list is very helpful and timely for me, as I have been commissioned to update the entry in the Encyclopaedia Britannica's standing article on 'Public Opinion', by 31 December 2001. It was last done some years ago by the esteemed Philips Davison, and I'm honoured to follow on from him.

This gives me a good and helpful start, but is rather parochial, and I would appreciate it if there are those who can broaden it somewhat to more philosophical works on the role of public opinion in policy formation and practical politics, and also take it outside the borders of the US?

Thanks for your thoughts on this.

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Here is something to start with... mark

#### INTRODUCTORY SURVEY RESEARCH TEXTS

The following texts were recommended by nine members of AAPORNET, the on-line Internet discussion group of the American Association for Public Opinion Research (AAPOR). Results compiled by Mark Richards, August 17-19, 1999.

Question: Dear Professors: Thinking of available (text) books on survey research, which one or two would you recommend to someone (a client) who would like to understand the survey research process and methods without becoming an expert in any one aspect? Key features sought: Accurate information, excellent for self study, very good information on telephone survey research, concise, easy to read, limited technical jargon, includes some simple standard tables with info on how to read (sampling error) and bibliography for follow-up in specific areas.



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- \* Floyd J. Fowler. Survey Research Methods (Applied Social Research Methods Series, Vol 1) 2nd edition, Sage Publications, January 1993.
- \* James H. Frey, Survey Research by Telephone (Sage Library of Social Research 150), Sage Publishers. 2nd edition, Sage Publications, August 1989.
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- \* Ronald Czaja, Johnny Blair: Designing Surveys: A Guide to Decisions and Procedures (The Pine Forge Press Series in Research Methods and Statistics), Pine Forge Press, April 1995.
- \* Introduction to Survey Sampling, Sage Publications; October 1983.

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 Subject: Survey Research Staples....

AAPORNetters,

I'm in the process of evaluating / stocking my modest survey library and was looking for input on the must have textbooks, handbooks, or otherwise just good books on survey research. I seem to recall a similar discussion taking place on AAPORNet awhile ago, but my initial searches of the archives did not result in a coherent thread.

And for those more in the marketing research arena, I would be especially interested to hear your recommendations regarding the must-have books. My

library  
is even more modest in this area and so I would appreciate some direction  
about  
where to look for discussions of the foundational concepts and measures as  
well as  
the latest techniques.

I realize this is a busy time for many of us, so share if you can, and if  
not,  
continue on guilt free. As Patty has already pointed out, in a pinch  
AAPORNetters  
always come through.

It's probably best to reply off-list, but I will be happy to summarize at a  
later  
date so as to add officially to the archive.

Best Wishes,

John

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Yesterday, on a DC Metrobus, there was graffiti in front of my seat:  
"Kill all Arabs." Over dinner last night, my brother and  
sister-in-law (both Caucasians, not Arab Americans) in Silver Spring,  
MD, said that after they started attending an Interfaith service at  
the Islamic Mosque near their home (they are on a calling list and are  
notified of Interfaith services to show support for Arab residents),  
their home has been singled out twice in two weeks . mailbox destroyed  
with baseball bat, a dead rabbit-throat slit and bleeding-left at the  
front door. Nobody took credit. They reported it to local police; I  
think it is classified as a "hate crime." There is no proof that  
these attacks were related to attending the Interfaith service at the  
Mosque, but they seem convinced of the relationship. How frequently  
is this kind of thing happening?

Has anyone seen data on what proportion of Americans know or are  
friends with an Arab American, what proportion feel more uncomfortable  
around Arab Americans in general, and the ones they know, post-Sept.  
11th? And what proportion of Americans feel they have experienced a  
"personal" attack or act of discrimination post-Sept. 11 because of  
(1) their personal opinions, (2) their associations, (3) their race,  
color, ethnicity, or "look"? Mark Richards

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Zogby International poll of Arab Americans:  
<http://www.aaiusa.org/polls/101001poll.html>  
<<http://www.aaiusa.org/polls/101001poll.html>> Question: "Since the  
terrorist attacks on the U.S. on September 11, have you personally  
experienced discrimination because of your ethnicity; do you know  
anyone of Arabic ethnicity or with an Arabic-speaking background who  
has experienced discrimination; have any of your children or any  
member of your household experienced discrimination?"  
Percent saying Yes

Know anyone of Arabic ethnicity or with an Arabic-speaking background experienced discrimination 45%  
Personally experienced discrimination 20%  
Children or any member of household experienced discrimination 17%

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Should civil rights protests cease until after the war?  
Total Comments: 30

NAACP Poll Readership "poll" and verbatim comments by participants  
\*The opinions expressed here are not necessarily a reflection of the positions of NAACP.

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The Oct. 20-26, 2001 issue of The Washington AFRO American has an article on the front page featuring a photo and interview with James J. Zogby, president and founder of the Arab-American Institute <http://www.aaiusa.org/> [I don't know if there is any relationship between he and John Zogby, President/CEO of Zogby International] The article says Zogby has been racially profiled while flying since the Sept. 11 attacks on America. The AFRO also reports that Dr. Zogby's daughter has received threatening phone calls, his brother has been threatened, and he has received bomb threats as well. I could not find the article, titled "Flying while Arab": Arab Americans feel targeted" in the online version of the AFRO. The article discusses Congressional anti-terrorism legislation, the Senate bill USA Act of 2001 (S. 1510), which it reports passed 96-1 on 10/11. It says Senator Russ Feingold (D-Wisc.) was the only Senator to oppose the legislation. The House approved similar legislation 337-79 "that would increase government's powers to spy on, detain and punish suspected terrorists, according to the ACLU." <http://www.aclu.org/> The House apparently put a five-year expiration deadline on the most intrusive of the new measures, including roving wiretaps, because of misgivings about civil liberties. <http://www.aclu.org/news/2001/n101201c.html>  
ACLU's "Letter to Congress": <http://www.aclu.org/congress/l101201a.html>

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Detroit Free Press: <http://www.freep.com/index/terror.htm>

100 Questions and Answers About Arab Americans: A Journalist's Guide  
<http://www.freep.com/jobspage/arabs.htm>

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Portrait of a Suspected Terrorist

Saturday, October 20, 2001; Page A26

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A24105-2001Oct19.html>

The Post's assessment of suspected hijacker Hani Hanjour [front page, Oct. 15] was the same I had when I sat next to him on a flight last summer. He was demure. He was placid.

When the names of the terrorists started to surface last month, the name Hani Hanjour sounded familiar. Slowly, in the wee hours of one night, it came back to me.

I had been on a flight between Washington and California and was in an aisle seat with two young men next to me. The man directly next to me was holding papers that had "Federal Aviation" something or other at the top.

I had been an official with the U.S. Department of Transportation during the Clinton administration, and I am also an outgoing woman and a mom.

So when I noticed that one of the men appeared about the same age as my son, I said, "Are you in transportation?"

He told me that he was studying to be a pilot. I remarked how wonderful that was and then I told him I had been with the Transportation Department. Mr. Hanjour leaned over and told his friend. They both seemed to express mild disdain. I shrugged it off. In my much-too-friendly posture, I then suggested to Mr. Hanjour that he should talk to the flight crew about visiting the cockpit. I was sure they would be willing to show it to a young man who was studying to be a pilot, I said. He did not seem to respond. I just thought he was shy, so I backed off. But somehow I saw his name on the papers. I didn't ask him what kind of name that was, because something told me that my curiosity would not be well received -- but the name registered.

I don't remember much more except something that will forever haunt me. As we stood to leave I entered the crowded aisle and moved forward slightly. I turned back to Mr. Hanjour and smiled. "Good luck to you," I said. He looked puzzled.

"You know, being a student pilot. Good luck." No response, only blank stares from both men. I just figured they were socially inept.

The episode came back to me slowly, but once I was certain, I contacted the FBI.

I fly a lot. I'm not sure I'll ever be as friendly again, but I am sure I'll be more observant and cautious.

EVELYN FIERRO

Alexandria

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Interesting discussion of "White" vs. "black," versus "gray" propaganda

Jerusalem Post: <http://www.jpost.com/>

Gray patriotism

<http://www.jpost.com/Editions/2001/10/14/Features/Features.36163.html>

"As always, Israel has limited itself to "white" propaganda, in which an official source provides authoritative information in an open manner. But this has gone awry, with more than a dozen government spokespeople sending out often conflicting messages, while the IDF operate with apparent autonomy. Military action is followed by formal reaction, frequently diplomatic damage control over unsightly Palestinian suffering caused by Israeli soldiers.

"We know how to fight, that's all," is the usual refrain of army top brass, when asked to help the propaganda effort, apparently in ignorance of Sun Tzu's axiom that "to subdue the enemy without fighting is the acme of skill." Israel's leadership is also burdened by the misperception that all propaganda is perforce "black" (disinformation), outright untrue and morally untenable."

"The PA has, thus, specialized in gray propaganda - relaying questionable or partial messages through formal channels, strengthened by public iteration."

"But changes are under way in Jerusalem, and Meir is upbeat. Not only does a new hasbara team meet daily at the Foreign Ministry to coordinate policy, but the ministry "is now involved at the highest level of political and intelligence decision-making.

"For once," says Meir, "the status of the Defense Ministry has diminished because the army finally understands that there are limits to wielding brute military force in the face of a war against terror. In this war, shaping public opinion and exercising military power go hand in hand."

This site have a readership "poll":

Current Poll

Do you think there should be a Palestinian State in the near future?

<http://cgis.jpost.com/cgi-bin/Poll/poller.cgi>

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/* Style Definitions */
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p.MsoNormal, li.MsoNormal, div.MsoNormal
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Arial'>Yesterday, on a DC Metrobus, there was graffiti in front of my =  
seat:  
&#8220;Kill all Arabs.&#8221;<span style=3D"mso-spacerun: yes">&nbsp; =  
</span>Over dinner last  
night, my brother and sister-in-law (both Caucasians, not Arab =  
Americans) in  
Silver Spring, MD, said that after they started attending an Interfaith =  
service  
at the Islamic Mosque near their home (they are on a calling list and =  
are  
notified of Interfaith services to show support for Arab residents), =  
their home  
has been singled out twice in two weeks &#8230; mailbox destroyed with =  
baseball bat,  
a dead rabbit&#8212;throat slit and bleeding&#8212;left at the front =  
door. Nobody took  
credit.<span style=3D"mso-spacerun: yes">&nbsp; </span>They reported it =  
to local  
police; I think it is classified as a &#8220;hate crime.&#8221;<span =  
style=3D"mso-spacerun:  
yes">&nbsp; </span>There is no proof that these attacks were related to  
attending the Interfaith service at the Mosque, but they seem convinced =  
of the  
relationship.<span style=3D"mso-spacerun: yes">&nbsp; </span>How =  
frequently is  
this kind of thing happening?<o:p></o:p></span></font></span></p>

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friends  
with an Arab American, what proportion feel more uncomfortable around =  
Arab  
Americans in general, and the ones they know, post-Sept. 11th?<span  
style=3D"mso-spacerun: yes">&nbsp; </span>And what proportion of =

Americans feel they have experienced a personal attack or act of discrimination post-Sept. 11 because of (1) their personal opinions, (2) their associations, (3) their race, color, ethnicity, or look?<span style="mso-spacerun: yes">nbsp; </span>Mark Richards</p></font></span></p>

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mp;poll\_id=3D25">http://www.naacp.org/polls/comment\_results.php?action=3D=results&poll\_id=3D25</a><o:p></o:p></span></font></span></p>

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&#8220;Flying while Arab&#8221;: Arab Americans feel targeted&#8221; in =  
the online version of the  
AFRO.<span style=3D"mso-spacerun: yes">&nbsp; </span>The article =  
discusses  
Congressional anti-terrorism legislation, the Senate bill USA Act of =  
2001 (S.  
1510), which it reports passed 96-1 on 10/11.<span =  
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Senator  
to oppose the legislation.<span style=3D"mso-spacerun: yes">&nbsp; =  
</span>The  
House approved similar legislation 337-79 &#8220;that would increase =  
government&#8217;s  
powers to spy on, detain and punish suspected terrorists, according to =  
the  
ACLU.&#8221;<span style=3D"mso-spacerun: yes">&nbsp; </span><a  
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deadline on  
the most intrusive of the new measures, including roving wiretaps, =  
because of  
misgivings about civil liberties.<span style=3D"mso-spacerun: =  
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<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>The Post's assessment of = suspected hijacker Hani Hanjour [front page, Oct. 15] was the same I had when I = sat next to him on a flight last summer. He was demure. He was = placid.<o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>When the names of the = terrorists started to surface last month, the name Hani Hanjour sounded familiar. = Slowly, in the wee hours of one night, it came back to me. = <o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>I had been on a flight = between Washington and California and was in an aisle seat with two young men next to me. = The man directly next to me was holding papers that had &quot;Federal = Aviation&quot; something or other at the top. <o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>I had been an official with = the U.S. Department of Transportation during the Clinton administration, and = I am also an outgoing woman and a mom.<o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>So when I noticed that one = of the men appeared about the same age as my son, I said, &quot;Are you in transportation?&quot;<o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>He told me that he was = studying to be a pilot. I remarked how wonderful that was and then I told him I had = been with the Transportation Department. Mr. Hanjour leaned over and told his friend. They both seemed to express mild disdain. I shrugged it off. = <o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

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mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>In my much-too-friendly = posture, I then suggested to Mr. Hanjour that he should talk to the flight crew = about visiting the cockpit. I was sure they would be willing to show it to a = young man who was studying to be a pilot, I said. He did not seem to respond. = I just thought he was shy, so I backed off. But somehow I saw his name on the = papers. I didn't ask him what kind of name that was, because something told me = that my curiosity would not be well received -- but the name = registered.<o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>I don't remember much more = except something that will forever haunt me. As we stood to leave I entered the crowded aisle and moved forward slightly. I turned back to Mr. Hanjour = and smiled. &quot;Good luck to you,&quot; I said. He looked puzzled. = <o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>&quot;You know, being a = student pilot. Good luck.&quot; No response, only blank stares from both men. I = just figured they were socially inept. <o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>The episode came back to me slowly, but once I was certain, I contacted the FBI. = <o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>I fly a lot. I'm not sure = I'll ever be as friendly again, but I am sure I'll be more observant and = cautious. <o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

<p><font size=3D2 color=3Dblack face=3DArial><span = style=3D'font-size:10.0pt; mso-bidi-font-size:12.0pt;font-family:Arial'>EVELYN = FIERRO<o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

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I am forwarding this message to our list on the request of its original poster, Jeanne Anderson, who has good reason to believe that not all of



us received it when first she posted it, late on Thursday.

-- Jim

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Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 20:58:43 -0700  
From: Jeanne Anderson Research <ande271@attglobal.net>  
To: aapornet@usc.edu  
Subject: Re: Hispanics by Race

The problem is that many Latinos and Latinas, at least in New York City, believe firmly that there *should* be no distinctions by whatever is called "race." They believe that there are only gradations in skin color, in the same way that there are differences in eye color, etc.

Thus, to ask what race such a person considers himself or herself to be means to pose a question that the person does not *want* to answer. Which category the person then checks off or writes in is not a good indicator of "self-identification."

That over time the proportions of survey respondents/census respondents placing themselves in a given racial category changes may be interesting, but it is not a good indicator of the social experience of people "of color," regardless of race, and it doesn't help in administering affirmative action programs. These programs were devised to compensate for the effects of social experience, and it is the Federal government that mainly sponsored them.

elizabeth.ann.martin@census.gov wrote:

> If you recall your Census 2000 questionnaire  
> (and who can forget it??) it asked, "What is this person's race? Mark one  
> or more races to indicate what this person considers himself/herself to  
> be." Thus, in the census, your race is what you (or a household proxy  
> reporting for you) report it to be. There is no "right" answer.

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Newsweek's web edition makes a distinction between the two Gallups in the second graph below.

A NEWSWEEK poll shows that public sympathy in Pakistan is firmly on the side of

the Taliban NEWSWEEK WEB EXCLUSIVE

Oct. 18 - Is the West winning the battle for Muslim hearts and minds? Not according to a poll commissioned by NEWSWEEK and conducted in Pakistan less than a week after the United States began bombing Afghanistan.

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PAKISTAN is one of the few Muslim countries that allows scientific opinion polling. Polls are banned, for instance, in Saudi Arabia and Egypt. This survey's methodology has been criticized by some U.S. polling groups, but the poll, \*conducted by Gallup International (not a division of The Gallup Organization, based in Princeton, N.J.),\* provides some sobering insights into the dangerous volatility of the country.

The above is from their web edition. I couldn't find this poll in the print edition.

As background, in Newsweek's 10/14 release, the lead sentence described the poll as "...according to a recent Gallup Poll in Pakistan commissioned by Newsweek...". which led to the news stories that Schuman brought to our attention last Monday. And in Newsweek's International edition, the poll was described as "... a Gallup poll commissioned in Pakistan by NEWSWEEK".

The issue here may be more journalistic than legalistic or methodological. For example here in Illinois, we have a Governor George Ryan who has decided not to run for reelection which most observers call a wise decision. We now have Jim Ryan, also a Republican who is running to succeed him. Most news stories about Jim point out that he is "no relation to George" on the chance that some small percentage of readers may confuse Jim with George.

The issue is one of clarity - anticipation of reader confusion. In stories about Gallup polls when (in this case) only a small percentage can be expected to know there are two Gallups, some distinction should be made.

Nick

"H.H. Kassarjian" wrote:

> Let me add my two cents worth. It is my understanding that there  
> is or was a lawsuit as to the legitimate holder of the name Gallup in  
> the British courts. Can anyone tell us what happened and in fact who  
> can or cannot legally use the name Gallup? I have seen some of the  
> work produced by Gallup, Denmark (not the US Gallup Organization).  
> What I have seen is high quality stuff.

> Hal Kassarjian  
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> At 12:28 AM 10/20/01 -0400, you wrote:

>> My memory (which could be false) is that when The Gallup  
>> Organization  
>> was sold to the folks in Nebraska, it retained Gallup International.  
>> The  
>> people in Lincoln then started Gallup Worldwide. Thus there are two  
>> legitimate holders of the Gallup name operating internationally.  
>> Would  
>> someone who knows the situation better than I confirm, clarify, or  
>> deny?

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>> Philip Meyer, Knight Chair in Journalism Voice: 919 962-4085  
>> CB 3365 Carroll Hall Fax: 919 962-1549  
>> University of North Carolina Cell: 919 906-3425  
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features that might be rendered worthless. Perhaps every security measure is a bit of success for the terrorists, just as it is a bit larger restriction on our lives.

Regards,  
Ellis

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

> From: owner-aapornet@usc.edu [mailto:owner-aapornet@usc.edu] On Behalf Of  
> James Beniger  
> Sent: Friday, October 19, 2001 8:53 AM  
> To: AAPORNET  
> Subject: Mail Surveys Rescued

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> Here, thanks to the Associated Press, is an idea likely to  
> save mail surveys in 2001 AA (After Anthrax): Stamp each  
> envelope with "Iron Before Opening!"

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> Now all we need is some donated advertising time and space  
> to introduce American males to the concept of "ironing"...

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-- Jim

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> [http://latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/wire/  
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> Expert: Ironing Mail Kills Spores

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> By Associated Press WASHINGTON --

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> An expert on germ warfare is telling Americans to use a steam iron on the  
> mail if they're afraid to open it.

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> Ken Alibek said the combination of heat and moisture would kill any  
> anthrax lurking in an envelope.

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> "If you are scared, just iron this letter," he said. "After that, they  
> (the spores) become harmless." Microwaves are somewhat less effective  
> than steam ironing because they don't emit moist heat, he said.

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> Alibek defected to the United States in 1992 after serving as deputy head  
> of the huge Biopreparat venture linked to germ warfare in the former  
> Soviet Union. The Soviet Union produced hundreds of tons of anthrax at  
> its sprawling biological weapons facilities.

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> Alibek spoke Tuesday at a Capitol Hill briefing organized by Reps. Edward

> Markey, D-Mass., and Christopher Shays, R-Conn.

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For what it's worth, a recent Iowa Poll asked about changes Iowans expect to  
make in coming months as a consequence of the attacks (poll taken mid to late  
September). One item in the list was: Be less trusting of people from  
Middle Eastern countries: 17% very likely, 24% somewhat likely, 56% not  
likely, 3% not sure. JAS

J. Ann Selzer, Ph.D.

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Politics of Large Numbers. A History of Statistical Reasoning ,  
Cambridge, Harvard University Press, (transl. by Camille Naish).<br>  
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At 19:23 2001-10-20 +0100, you wrote:<br>

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This list is very helpful and timely for me, as I have been commissioned  
to update the entry in the Encyclopaedia Britannica's standing article on  
'Public Opinion', by 31 December 2001.&nbsp; It was last done some years  
ago by the esteemed Philips Davison, and I'm honoured to follow on from  
him.<br><br>

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This gives me a good and helpful start, but is rather parochial, and I  
would appreciate it if there are those who can broaden it somewhat to  
more philosophical works on the role of public opinion in policy  
formation and practical politics, and also take it outside the borders of  
the US?<br><br>

Thanks for your thoughts on this.<br><br>

Bob Worcester, MORI/LSE<br><br>

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Here is something to start with... mark<br><br>

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INTRODUCTORY SURVEY RESEARCH TEXTS<br><br>

The following texts were recommended by nine members of AAPORNET,  
the<br>

on-line Internet discussion group of the American Association for  
Public<br>

Opinion Research (AAPOR).&nbsp; Results compiled by Mark Richards, August  
17-19,<br>

1999.<br><br>

Question:&nbsp; Dear Professors:&nbsp; Thinking of available (text) books  
on survey<br>

research, which one or two would you recommend to someone (a client)  
who<br>

would like to understand the survey research process and methods  
without<br>



becoming an expert in any one aspect?&nbsp; Key features sought:&nbsp;  
Accurate<br>  
information, excellent for self study, very good information on  
telephone<br>  
survey research, concise, easy to read, limited technical jargon,  
includes<br>  
some simple standard tables with info on how to read (sampling error)  
and<br>  
bibliography for follow-up in specific areas.<br><br>  
\* Priscilla Salant & Don A. Dillman&nbsp; (Contributor), How to  
Conduct Your Own<br>  
Survey, John Wiley & Sons.<br><br>  
\* Paul J. Lavrakas.&nbsp; Telephone Survey Methods : Sampling, Selection,  
and<br>  
Supervision (Applied Social Research Methods, Vol 7) 2nd edition Vol  
007,<br>  
Sage Publications, July 1993.<br><br>  
\* Don A. Dillman, Mail and Telephone Surveys: The Total Design Method,  
John<br>  
Wiley & Sons, April 1978.<br><br>  
\* Floyd J. Fowler.&nbsp; Survey Research Methods (Applied Social Research  
Methods<br>  
Series, Vol 1) 2nd edition, Sage Publications, January 1993.<br><br>  
\* James H. Frey, Survey Research by Telephone (Sage Library of  
Social<br>  
Research 150), Sage Publishers. 2nd edition, Sage Publications, August  
1989.<br><br>  
\* Herbert Asher. Polling and the Public : What Every Citizen Should Know  
4th<br>  
edition, Congressional Quarterly Books (Sd), February 1998.<br><br>  
\* Herbert F. Weisberg, Jon A. Krosnick and Bruce D. Bowen, An  
Introduction<br>  
to Survey Research, Polling, and Data Analysis 3rd edition, Sage<br>  
Publications, July 1996.<br><br>  
\* Celinda Lake, Pat Harper:&nbsp; Public Opinion Polling: A Handbook for  
Public<br>  
Interest and Citizen Advocacy Groups; Island Press, April 1987.<br><br>  
\* Thomas E. Mann (Editor), Gary R. Orren (Editor), Media Polls in  
American<br>  
Politics Brookings Institute, October 1992.<br><br>  
\* Ronald Czaja, Johnny Blair: Designing Surveys: A Guide to Decisions  
and<br>  
Procedures (The Pine Forge Press Series in Research Methods and  
Statistics),<br>  
Pine Forge Press, April 1995.<br>  
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\* Introduction to Survey Sampling, Sage Publications; October  
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> refused to participate in earlier contacts. Would anyone be willing share  
> their procedures on how they have done this and any sample "telephone  
> scripts" for wording the refusal conversion/incentive offering? Any  
> suggestions for keeping respondents on the phone for long surveys?  
>  
> Also, we are using a pre-notification postcard (instead of a letter due to  
> the anthrax scare). Has anyone had any experience with using a photo of  
> the interviewing staff in pre-notifications for telephone surveys?  
> Thanks!

> ~~~~~  
> Kristi Kay Hagen, MA, MA  
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> methodological. For example here in Illinois, we have a  
> Governor George Ryan who has decided not to run for  
> reelection which most observers call a wise decision. We now  
> have Jim Ryan, also a Republican who is running to succeed  
> him. Most news stories about Jim point out that he is "no  
> relation to George" on the chance that some small percentage  
> of readers may confuse Jim with George.

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> confusion. In stories about Gallup polls when (in this case)  
> only a small percentage can be expected to know there are  
> two Gallups, some distinction should be made.

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> Nick

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> "H.H. Kassarian" wrote:

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> > Let me add my two cents worth. It is my understanding  
> > that there is or was a lawsuit as to the legitimate  
> > holder of the name Gallup in the British courts. Can  
> > anyone tell us what happened and in fact who can or cannot  
> > legally use the name Gallup? I have seen some of the work  
> > produced by Gallup, Denmark (not the US Gallup  
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> > Hal Kassarian  
> > \*\*\*\*\*

> > At 12:28 AM 10/20/01 -0400, you wrote:

> > > My memory (which could be false) is that when The  
> > > Gallup Organization  
> > > was sold to the folks in Nebraska, it retained Gallup  
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> > > someone who knows the situation better than I confirm,  
> > > clarify, or deny?  
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> > > Philip Meyer, Knight Chair in Journalism Voice: 919  
> > > 962-4085  
> > > CB 3365 Carroll Hall Fax: 919  
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> > > University of North Carolina Cell: 919  
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The issue here may be more journalistic than legalistic or methodological. For example here in Illinois, we have a Governor George Ryan who has decided not to run for reelection which most observers call a wise decision. We now have Jim Ryan, also a Republican who is running to succeed him. Most news stories about Jim point out that he is "no relation to George" on the chance that some small percentage of readers may confuse Jim with George. The issue is one of clarity - anticipation of reader confusion. In stories about Gallup polls when (in this case) only a small percentage can be expected

to know there are two Gallups, some distinction should be made.

Nick

"H.H. Kassarian" wrote:

Let me add my two cents worth. It is my understanding that there is or was a lawsuit as to the legitimate

holder of the name Gallup in the British courts. Can anyone tell us what happened and in fact who can or cannot legally use the name Gallup?

I have seen some of the work produced by Gallup, Denmark (not the US Gallup Organization). What I have seen is high quality stuff.

Hal Kassarian

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At 12:28 AM 10/20/01 -0400, you wrote:

My memory (which could be false) is that when The Gallup Organization

was sold to the folks in Nebraska, it retained Gallup International. The

people in Lincoln then started Gallup Worldwide. Thus there are two

legitimate holders of the Gallup name operating internationally.

Would

someone who knows the situation better than I confirm, clarify, or deny?

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Sent: Monday, October 22, 2001 1:10 PM  
To: INTERNET:aapornet@usc.edu

Subject: "Race"

The evolution of the "Hispanics by Race" thread has been most rewarding. I am left, however, with the underlying question I had at the beginning of this conversation --- namely, how do we construct a race question that respondents can knowledgeably answer?

This thread has suggested (to me) that research designers are not clear what is being asked in the race question. Unlike sex, age, or income, we are not sure what we are asking when we ask about "race." And if we don't know what we are asking, how can we possibly expect respondents to figure it out?

Our race questions may be as good an example as any of a research truism --- Ask someone a question (even a poorly conceived or constructed question) and you will get an answer, any answer. After all, as Betsy Martin stated, "measurement of race and related constructs is very complex and presents profound difficulties at many levels." It makes one wonder what we are getting back to our race questions that throw "race" out to the respondents with the hope that THEY can interpret our meaning.

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Has anyone tried having outreach workers give homeless clients phone cards as a reward for calling into an '800' number to complete a phone survey?

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Vicky,

I've listed several California youth surveys below, however, not all focus on the age group of interest to you. Hope this is of some use.

Joel

CA Healthy Kids Survey (CA Dept of Education)  
<http://www.wested.org/cs/wew/view/pj/245>  
<http://www.wested.org/hks/>

CA Tobacco Surveys (UC San Diego) - adolescent surveys  
<http://ssdc.ucsd.edu/ssdc/cpc00001.html>  
[http://www.dhs.ca.gov/tobacco/html/Evaluation\\_Resources.htm](http://www.dhs.ca.gov/tobacco/html/Evaluation_Resources.htm)

CA Youth Tobacco Survey (Public Health Institute)  
<http://www.surveymethods.com/clients.asp?ID=12>  
<http://www.dhs.ca.gov/tobacco/documents/CTCUpdate.pdf>

National Household Survey on Drug Abuse - CA sample  
<http://www.samhsa.gov/oas/nhsda/nhsda97/nhsda987.htm#E10E39>

In-School Youth Survey <http://www.health.org/dbases/factoids/CA1.html>

Youth Voices (Children Now)  
<http://www.youthvoices.org/pr-00-3-1-youth-voices.html>

CA Youth and Law Survey (CA State Bar)  
<http://www.calbar.org/2rel/3nr6/3rel0430.htm>

California Teen Eating, Exercise and Nutrition Survey (CalTEENS - Public Health Institute) <http://www.phi.org/news/news.htm>

California Children's Healthy Eating & Exercise Practices Survey, 1999 (CalCHEEPS) [http://www.cnr.berkeley.edu/cwh/surveys\\_ca.html#chks](http://www.cnr.berkeley.edu/cwh/surveys_ca.html#chks)  
[http://www.ca5aday.com/research/rsch\\_state.htm](http://www.ca5aday.com/research/rsch_state.htm)

California Research Bureau (CRB) Children's Healthy Lifestyle project  
<http://www.library.ca.gov/crb/00/08/00-008.pdf>

Youth Media Network Survey Form  
<http://www.ymn.org/survey/survey.shtml>

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Just to avoid confusion: The following is the contact given by the link below:

> Gallup International Association - 25 Coborn Road - London E3 2DA - UK  
> Phone: + 44 20 8983 4509 - Fax: + 44 20 8983 4105  
  
<info@gallup-international.com>

Sorry I misled, but my previous message gave Sunday as the date of a Washington Post article which appeared on Saturday's front page.

Now, please pardon this personal note and flag wave : Although George Gallup was a member of BSSR's small Board of trustees for about 25 of my years there, we were not an affiliate of anything and, until last week, I never would have thought I'd have a dog in a fight over organizations' use of his name. My dander rose because I care about the quality of the information considered when putting our armed forces. and much else, in harm's way. I cannot think of a time when opinion research was more critical. I hope my first intervention in this thread made that clear. Blessed be seekers of peace in the polling profession and business, but a real war is a real war and that's where the Pakistan poll and its attempted thrashing are at.

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But Paul,

\*any\* variable could have high "predictive utility... in a multivariate mix," as you term it, if that variable's value is decided by a researcher with prior knowledge of the direction of that \*already known\* "predictive utility"--a prior knowledge we most often call "prejudice" (as in "to prejudge").

This is precisely why, for example, people conclude that blacks are "lazy," say, based on the high likelihood that blacks will not have employment, or at least will be under-employed. It will take much more than a regression equation to expose such correlations as SDTPPAOO--spurious due to prior prejudice (in this case simple discrimination in hiring practices) against other outcomes.

"Predictive utility in a multivariate mix" certainly has its benefits in research and analysis (in scale construction, for example). My own complaints with those who would attempt to "diddle" race items to "improve" the overall measurement of the "races" of individuals is precisely the same as my complaint with the researcher/coder above: Prior knowledge of what existential and objective features and factors of one's life best correlate with "race" is knowledge which cannot help but give race's multivariate mix the best "predictive utility"--but in the

direction of preconceptions and not findings (findings like the inability to hold jobs, for example--which results from nothing if not prejudice, and a prejudice not only of employers, but also of all those who believe that this second-order result is somehow a causal relationship, what is so often associated with "predictive utility in a multivariate mix."

Carried to this extreme, "predictive utility" is plain-'ol race prejudice, as in "all blacks are X." Here I use X only to show that the statement "all blacks are X" is equally prejudiced, regardless of what X might be, whether positive or negative--makes no difference, 'tis prejudice either way.

Prejudice resides entirely in the finding of all members of a particular class of people to be the same--whether they are all something good or all something bad is entirely beside the point, so far as the finding of prejudice is concerned. And science itself understands this point better than any other realm of culture, it seems to me. Which is why science does not allow its practitioners to "diddle" measures to yield the measurements expected, a priori, as are the expectations resulting from lusting after "predictive utility in a multivariate mix."

And so, in short, to "diddle" race items in order to "improve" their "predictive utility" is nothing more than to build the already known prejudices--good or bad, makes no difference--into the measure itself. This is hardly science, I'm afraid, and though it might fool others, we ought not to be so unscientific as to let it fool ourselves.

I'm obviously not directing any of this at you, personally, Paul--I'm merely using your message to make clearer (I hope) what I've already said on our list several times over the past few weeks. It seems especially useful to me to see the similarity of problems between prejudices (however innocent or ignorant they might be in intent), on the one hand, and faulty data analysis ("finding" what one has in fact built into both one's data and one's analysis of it), on the other.

And the essential point at stake here has little to do with racial prejudice, in its essence, and much more to do with our conceptions of what qualifies as a "good measure" or even an "adequate measure."

-- Jim

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IMHO,

The problem with race is not one of predictive utility but of comprehensive utility. When there is a relationship between a variable and another set of variables, we want to know why and how this relationship operates. Saying "the colour of your skin" predicts your political opinions and behaviour" is not that useful for that purpose. Is this true, whatever the social class, education, place of residence, country of origin? Whether this is true or not, more information would be needed to explain such a situation.

Second, though race may have had a clear "usefulness" in the US as it permitted to "categorize" "genuine" Americans for a long time, right now and more so in the future, when you use race, you try to fit all new immigrants into the US categories. How is a Pakistani supposed to answer the race question? Black? or Asian? Are North Africans white or black? Do you want to distribute Venezuelan, Mexican or Cuban immigrants into the two White - Black categories? In short, indicators that are closer to measuring "culture" would achieve a better job (ethnic origin, country of birth, language, religion, etc).

"Race" lacks a universal meaning : In most countries in the world, the colour of the skin is not the main "differentiator" between people and race has a different meaning (see Bob Steen's posting) . In the sixties in Quebec, some people used "our race" as meaning the French Canadians; besides, if you spoke French in Toronto, you could be told to "Speak White".

Finally, some respondents may react negatively to the request that they identify themselves as being of one "race". A precedent posting stated that race was not used in the Mexican Census. To my knowledge, it is not used in Canada or in France either. It would be interesting to see which countries, besides US, ask a question about "race" in their Census.

Claire Durand

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>This thread has suggested (to me) that research designers are not clear what is being asked in the race question. Unlike sex, age, or income, we are not sure what we are asking when we ask about "race." And if we don't know what we are asking, how can we possibly expect respondents to figure it out?

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>Our race questions may be as good an example as any of a research truism --- Ask someone a question (even a poorly conceived or constructed question) and you will get an answer, any answer. After all, as Betsy Martin stated, "measurement of race and related constructs is very complex and presents profound difficulties at many levels." It makes one wonder what we are getting back to our race questions that throw "race" out to the respondents with the hope that THEY can interpret our meaning.

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>While I appreciate the political implications of the thought, I will repeat Claire's question to the group --- "Do we need 'race'?"

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"Il y a 50% de chances, i.e. 3,1%, qu'il fasse beau demain".  
"There is a 50% chance, i.e. 3,1%, that tomorrow will be sunny".

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Vicky: The University of California San Diego under contract to RWJ and the State Health Agency has conducted several surveys of youth 12 to 15 years of age. There are a few questions on the media, youth preferences, etc. You may want to contact them.

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

From: victoria albright [mailto:[albright@field.com](mailto:albright@field.com)]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2001 6:37 PM  
To: aapornet@usc.edu  
Cc: larryb@field.com  
Subject: Looking for Youth Databases

Hi!

We are looking for databases containing information on youth (target group ages 11-13) in California or Western US with a focus on youth styles and preferences that would be useful in targeting a health communication campaign. We understand that some youth databases may be commercial and available only through subscription, but we are interested in all possible sources.

Many thanks! -Vicky

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There are a variety of resources available through the CDC's Division of Adolescent and School Health:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dash/index.htm>

Click on the "Research and Evaluation" link. Many of the datasets are

limited to 9th grade and over, but there may be enough overlap to help. You will want to explore the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System.

At 03:36 PM 10/22/01 -0700, victoria albright wrote:

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Dept. of Education surveys may be useful.

<http://nces.ed.gov/>

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For anyone using Robert Erikson and Kent Tedin, American Public Opinion, 6th edition as a textbook, my research assistant and I have updated most of the tables and figures reporting 1996 NES, GSS and VNS data with the equivalent data for the year 2000. The updates can be found at:  
<http://crystal.polsci.uh.edu/apo> (the web address can also be found on page 15 of the textbook).

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If I may be so bold as to interpret Claire:

I think the issue is that we need to know what the demographics we use "stand for." Before I moved back into a psychology program, I used to explain to some of my psych friends that the issues weren't typically "race" or "gender" or "age" but each term as a shorthand for a set of experiences that people might have because they are female or Hispanic or born in 1950. For example, age could reflect maturation factors, life-cycle factors, or, on in a one-shot cross-sectional survey, generational or cohort factors. Ideally, we would measure directly the experiences that we think reflect the particular demographic (e.g., life-cycle information), but this isn't always possible, especially with secondary analysis. However, I have always felt uncomfortable trying to interpolate whatever I believe the set of factors or experiences are when I only have a demographic variable. Most are multidimensional (I consider education one of the worse, but as you can see, age is pretty bad too), and that is partly what I think our entire discussion on "race" reflects.

When we ask "what race do you consider yourself," clearly we get a strong dose of subjective self-identification with an unknown tad of other-identification mixed in (I have never seen a question along the likes of "what race do most people consider you to be," although it might be interesting to try that one out.) When we ask "what is your race?" we appear to treat color/ethnicity as "an objective fact." When we ask "which of the following groups do you belong to?" there is strong overtones of ethnic identification and solidarity (which I see as missing from the first version of the question.)

I am reminded of a chapter that James Davis wrote about 25 years ago in a

lovely text that quickly went out of print. He pointed out that the wordings of survey questions are really scapels not cudgels (forgive my paraphrasing) and that members of the general public often see strong differences across questions that survey researchers may see as conceptually similar.

Susan

At 06:33 AM 10/23/2001 -0400, you wrote:

>IMHO,

>The problem with race is not one of predictive utility but of comprehensive  
>utility. When there is a relationship between a variable and another set  
>of variables, we want to know why and how this relationship  
>operates. Saying "the colour of your skin" predicts your political  
>opinions and behaviour" is not that useful for that purpose. Is this true,  
>whatever the social class, education, place of residence, country of  
>origin? Whether this is true or not, more information would be needed to  
>explain such a situation.

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>Second, though race may have had a clear "usefulness" in the US as it  
>permitted to "categorize" "genuine" Americans for a long time, right now  
>and more so in the future, when you use race, you try to fit all new  
>immigrants into the US categories. How is a Pakistani supposed to answer  
>the race question? Black? or Asian? Are North Africans white or black? Do  
>you want to distribute Venezuelan, Mexican or Cuban immigrants into the  
>two White - Black categories? In short, indicators that are closer to  
>measuring "culture" would achieve a better job (ethnic origin, country of  
>birth, language, religion, etc).

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>"Race" lacks a universal meaning : In most countries in the world, the  
>colour of the skin is not the main "differentiator" between people and race  
>has a different meaning (see Bob Steen's posting) . In the sixties in  
>Quebec, some people used "our race" as meaning the French Canadians;  
>besides, if you spoke French in Toronto, you could be told to "Speak White".

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>Finally, some respondents may react negatively to the request that they  
>identify themselves as being of one "race". A precedent posting stated that  
>race was not used in the Mexican Census. To my knowledge, it is not used in  
>Canada or in France either. It would be interesting to see which  
>countries, besides US, ask a question about "race" in their Census.

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>Claire Durand

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>At 13:53 2001-10-22 -0400, you wrote:

>>Margaret,

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>>I am coming into this conversation late, but have a quick comment:

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>>Any variable that has the predictive utility (i.e., it's not explained away  
>>when it's in a multivariate mix) that the "race" variable has had in social  
>>science research has "value" to social science.

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>>PJJL

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

>>From: Margaret Roller [mailto:71501.716@compuserve.com]

>>Sent: Monday, October 22, 2001 1:10 PM

>>To: INTERNET:aapornet@usc.edu

>>Subject: "Race"

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>>this conversation --- namely, how do we construct a race question that

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>>it out?

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>>and presents profound difficulties at many levels." It makes one wonder

>>what we are getting back to our race questions that throw "race" out to the

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>>While I appreciate the political implications of the thought, I will repeat

>>Claire's question to the group --- "Do we need 'race'?"

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>"There is a 50% chance, i.e., 3,1%, that tomorrow will be sunny".

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Phil--what a terrific post! I laughed right out loud when I suddenly found myself reading "accompanied by print and broadcast crews..." Rarely has so much politics been accomplished by so slight an expenditure of perspiration. Please pass my admiration along to Melissa.

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Wow, an inspiration no less.

Actually I would be thinking more along these lines. And stick with the  
variable "race" for starters:

Do I see the world as more difficult or easier to navigate in terms of  
freedom of movement, being watched or stopped by authorities?

What is the difference between my self-efficacy (what I feel that I  
personally can accomplish) and any social barriers I see to my performance?

How much do I feel that my contributions are valued at work?

How much do I get irritated or amused by "flesh-colored bandaids" (one of my  
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Etc.

For age or life cycle, I might be interested in measures of retirement or other labor force status, the presence of young children at home, my estimates of spare time, engagement in church, synagogue, or mosque. (Rob Boatright & I did a poster session on this one at Montreal looking at what age means for jury duty attitudes and former juror summonses behavior).

I think we move further ahead if we give some preliminary thought to what our demographics "really mean" and how we might want to use them later in analysis. I got very impressed a while back at the idea of using "proxy variables" in the age-period-cohort morass (thanks, Duane Alwin!) and it got me thinking of what these "proxy variables" can mean in a wide variety of contexts.

Always inspiring,  
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This is an interesting book about race/ethnicity in United States: "A Different Mirror: A History of Multicultural America," by Ronald Takaki.

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Wow, an inspiration no less.

Actually I would be thinking more along these lines. And stick with the variable "race" for starters:

Do I see the world as more difficult or easier to navigate in terms of freedom of movement, being watched or stopped by authorities?

What is the difference between my self-efficacy (what I feel that I personally can accomplish) and any social barriers I see to my performance?

How much do I feel that my contributions are valued at work?

How much do I get irritated or amused by "flesh-colored bandaids" (one of my long-term favorites), "boo-boo" flesh-colored concealers, or particular hair products that do or do not reflect my needs?

Etc.

For age or life cycle, I might be interested in measures of retirement or other labor force status, the presence of young children at home, my estimates of spare time, engagement in church, synagogue, or mosque. (Rob Boatright & I did a poster session on this one at Montreal looking at what age means for jury duty attitudes and former juror summonses behavior).

I think we move further ahead if we give some preliminary thought to what our demographics "really mean" and how we might want to use them later in analysis. I got very impressed a while back at the idea of using "proxy variables" in the age-period-cohort morass (thanks, Duane Alwin!) and it got me thinking of what these "proxy variables" can mean in a wide variety of contexts.

Always inspiring,  
Susan

At 02:31 PM 10/23/2001 -0700, you wrote:

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> Susan Losh's posting of earlier today inspires me to try out yet another  
> argument on the question of 'race' and its measurement:

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> If I were the American male child of, say, a blonde-haired Swedish mother  
> and a black Nigerian father, both naturalized citizens, I believe that I  
> would--placing my own current self into the body of that child--grow up  
> thinking of myself as something like a Nigerian-Swedish American. When  
> I became old enough to vote, I would add the terms 'citizen' and 'voter'  
> to that description, soon to be followed by 'taxpayer.' After I married  
> I would add 'husband' and 'homeowner' and probably 'mortgage holder.'  
> When my wife and I had our first child, I would add 'father' and--to  
> emphasize the teamwork necessary in child rearing--'parent.' And I would  
> want eventually to attain 'grandparent.' If my family lived near Lake  
> Wobegone, and we were active in the local church, I might also consider  
> myself 'Lutheran.' If I had voted for both Bushes, both father and son,  
> I might well think of myself as 'Republican.' Were I to join a labor  
> union, I might think of myself as 'pro-union.' And this list of self-

> labels and identifications goes on and on, throughout my life, as you all  
> well know.

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> That said, I think that any behavioral or social scientist who wished to  
> understand my thinking, opinion formation, purchasing decisions, use of  
> leisure time, voting behavior, or television viewing habits--as an adult  
> American male--would need to consider me as I saw myself:

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> a Nigerian-Swedish American citizen and voter, taxpayer, homeowner  
> and mortgage-holder, husband and father, parent and likely  
> grandparent, church-going Lutheran, and pro-union Republican

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> [End of example--I'm now Jim B. once again]

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> The problem confronting survey researchers and public opinion pollsters,  
> however, is that this adult respondent would be routinely given the  
> 'race' of African American, a category with "predictive utility in a  
> multivariate mix" (a fact which I can only thank Paul Lavrakas again for  
> usefully bringing to all of our attention, in this particular context).

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> But I myself, while the adult Nigerian-Swedish American, did not think  
> that I belonged to any of the researcher's categories of race, because I  
> had thought of myself, for as long as I could remember, as a 50-50  
> combination of what might be called the "races" of both my father \*and\*  
> my mother. The convenient convention of considering anyone not entirely  
> "white" (whatever that could possibly mean) as "black" is simply not how  
> real people actually experience the situation.

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> That 'race' can be used to account for a considerable amount of behavior  
> I do not question. That the correlations of race and behavior are often  
> presented without any mention of intervening and possibility explanatory  
> variables ought to be cause for feelings of great shame, not among those  
> who merely collect the data, certainly, but among those who report them  
> in the mass media, flaunt them in political debates, or use to them to  
> bolster personal prejudices they would hold no less strongly even without  
> scientific support.

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> The real question for behavioral and social science, it seems to me, is  
> why survey research and public opinion polling methods do not make much  
> greater attempts to understand what respondents see their \*own\* races  
> to be--often a much more complex and difficult question than I think most  
> of us quite removed from it can really appreciate. Simplifying it merely  
> to make coding cheaper and easier, however, is hardly acting to advance  
> the science of the subject.

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> I conclude that it's time to stop letting multivariate analysis and  
> unlimited computing power do all our work for us. It's time to apply  
> all such resources to the task of unpacking the question of 'race'  
> in explanations of human behavior. Survey research is one good way  
> to do this, it seems to me, if we greatly elaborate what we mean by  
> "race"--by simply listening to what our respondents mean by it. Those  
> who find 'race' an especially powerful explanatory variable ought to  
> be among the first to welcome such a proposal.

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-- Jim

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> NOTE: I do not wish to end this message without disclosing that many of  
> the examples I have drawn upon above come from one real life experience  
> I have had over the past several years. A girl of early-mid grade school  
> age, and not quite twice the age of my two daughters, struck up a  
> friendship with them--out of loneliness, I would now guess--and indeed  
> wound up giving them several toys which she had outgrown. She was the  
> child of a white Californian mother, with whom she lived, and who was  
> quite diligent in watching after her, and a black father from a  
> Caribbean country I prefer not to disclose, who was only rarely seen.  
> She also had a brother--older by a year or two--who was Asian by  
> simplest classification, and shared time between his Asian father, who  
> lived in another city perhaps an hour's drive away, and the mother he  
> shared with his one sister, the young girl that I and my family came  
> to know quite well.  
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> Although I knew nothing about any of this when I first met the child,  
> she was quite forthcoming in telling me what it was like to be seen at  
> school and by strangers, wherever she went, as the 'race' of her father,  
> whom she rarely saw, and which was not the same 'race' as that of either  
> her mother or her brother, with whom she did live. And all five of  
> these people seemed to me to be healthy, well-adjusted members of  
> society, with the three adults all holding down quite good jobs. Other  
> judgments I leave for you to make.  
>  
> Based on this experience, not atypical of much of America today, as I  
> understand it, I can certainly see why the U.S. Census Bureau has led  
> the way in innovating the field of coding for 'race"--what else could  
> Census do, after all, under the real-world circumstances? What I don't  
> understand is why so much of behavioral and social science--at least  
> in the United States--has been so slow even to appreciate the problems  
> with such variables and such measures. Perhaps one one good impetus  
> for change would be simply to get more researchers simply to read the  
> Census reports on race.  
>  
> I welcome your responses, as always.

-- Jim

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There's a new book out that I've just bought on the subject of "historical connections between the development of the idea of race and the birth of social statistcs":

Tukufu Zuberi. Thicker than Blood: How Racial Statistics Lie.  
Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2001.

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Do not forget Paul Sniderman and Thomas Piazza, The Scar of Race. One of the best works based on public opinion research I have seen on a most difficult issue to deal with. Racism and prejudice.

I do not think anybody would dispute the importance of race as a meaningful variable. It would be impossible to understand contemporary American politics, and probably the contemporary American Ethos without it. The problem is how to define it to capture its real and complete variance.

Ulises Beltran  
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> Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2001.  
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> On Tue, 23 Oct 2001, Philip Meyer wrote:

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> > Another political/historical footnote: A PBS videotape, "The First  
> > Measured Century" traces the roots of quantitative social science to  
> > efforts in the late 19th century to define race for the purpose of  
> > imposing various legal forms of discrimination. Not a happy beginning.  
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> > I haven't viewed the full 3 hours and 20 minutes, but the story of  
how  
> > the various forms of our field evolved is well told, and some of our  
good  
> > friends have speaking parts. It is distributed by PBS Home Video.

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I am listening to a local National Public Radio station as I prepare for my courses today. There are frequent advisories from Atlanta and the Center for Disease Control (CDC) telling us Americans to wear gloves while handling our mail, and to wash our hands carefully immediately afterward, to avoid any possible prolonged contact with anthrax.

After an hour or so, these advisories have begun to make me think of my mother--when I was a little boy--reminding me to put on my mittens before going out on an especially cold day.

As a little boy, I distinctly remember thinking that my then long-distant adulthood would look very much like the world of Captain Video, an early TV version of what would eventually be done much better by Paramount as Star Trek.

Just now, listening to two acronyms--CDC and NPR--repeatedly reminding me, in effect, to put on my mittens, I conclude that the little boy hardly needed to look as far as outer space to see his future. This morning, at least, the future of Western civilization looks much more like Orwell's '1984' (which the boy first read long before he understood any of the implied-sex passages)--with its dictatorial ministries--and also like kindergarten, where his daughters tell him children are still reminded to put on their mittens, on cold days here, near the beach.

The little boy would have been extremely disappointed and disheartened, had he known that the world would turn out this way. I'm afraid his current edition isn't taking it very well, just now, either.

Which is why he decided to turn this into a public opinion.

-- Jim

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The NYC Department of Health had outreach workers distribute phone cards each of which contained two survey questions. These questions had to be answered in order to activate the cards. The 800 number was involved.

The community organizations thought they were tremendously helpful in reaching people they otherwise would not have been able to. I am not sure how useful the "survey" results were -- I did not do the analysis. Everything depends on the quality of the survey questions and the manner in which they are introduced. This is always true, of course, but people can feel somewhat intimidated when they try to use a phone card and find, suddenly, that they have to supply some information in order to get what to them is the only value of the phone card. It is like SUGging, only the other way around.

Viginia Harris Bartot wrote:

> Has anyone tried having outreach workers give homeless clients phone cards  
> as a reward for calling into an '800' number to complete a phone survey?

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Public bounces back after Sept. 11 attacks, national study shows  
Americans responded with resilience to the events of Sept. 11, registering large increases in their feelings of national pride, confidence in many institutions, and faith in people, according to the National Tragedy Study by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. The study, publicly funded by the National Science Foundation, and privately by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Russell Sage Foundation, also contrasted public response to Sept. 11 with response to the 1963 assassination of President John F. Kennedy (also studied by NORC). People reported a large drop in their normally positive feelings toward life after the Kennedy assassination, but reported few similar responses after Sept. 11, Smith found.

"Emotionally, Kennedy's assassination seems to have had a larger impact on psychological well being than the terrorist attacks," said Tom W. Smith, Director of the General Social Survey (GSS) at NORC and co-author of a report on the findings, "America Rebounds: A National Study of Public Responses to the September 11 Terrorist Attacks."

Researchers found a much stronger feeling of anger after the Sept. 11 attacks than after the 1963 assassination. In 1963, people reported feeling ashamed as well as angry; however, feeling ashamed was not a strong response to the terrorist attacks.

The study, which measured a wide range of attitudes and included an over sample (special survey) for New York, was based on random telephone calls to more than 2,100 U.S. residents in the two weeks following Sept. 11. The results were compared with similar questions asked recently on the GSS, a continuing study of American values, attitudes and behaviors on a wide variety of subjects. The GSS provides a baseline for American opinions and is used extensively by social scientists to chart and study changes in public perceptions.

"We found, with the exceptions of New Yorkers, that Americans appear to have had weaker physical reactions to the recent national tragedy than to the Kennedy assassination," said Kenneth Rasinski, a co-author of the report and senior research scientist at NORC.

For instance, 68 percent of people felt very nervous and upset as a result the 1963 tragedy, compared with 51 percent in 2001. While 57 percent of the people reported feeling dazed and numb in 1963, 46 percent had a similar response in 2001. In contrast, 60 percent of the people in 2001 reported crying, compared to 53 percent in 1963.

Researchers asked about 15 physical and emotional symptoms and found 11 of these symptoms were reported by a significantly higher proportion of New York City residents than by the rest of the nation. According to Rasinski, New Yorkers were more likely to have felt very nervous and tense, cried, had trouble getting to sleep, not felt like eating, felt more tired than usual, had rapid heartbeats or headaches, lost their temper more than usual, had sweaty and clammy hands, felt dizzy at times, and felt like getting drunk. Among the findings contrasting post-Sept. 11 attitudes with earlier General Social Surveys:

\* Increased faith in fellow citizens. 67 percent (up 21 percentage points) said that most people are helpful, and 63 percent (up 12 percentage points) said that they felt people in general are fair.

\* Increased confidence in selected institutions. 77 percent (up 27 percentage points) had a great deal of confidence in the military, compared with 61 percent in 1991 during the Gulf War. Confidence in the executive branch tripled to 52 percent. People also expressed more confidence in organized religion, corporations and Congress. This was the highest confidence level in these areas in nearly three decades.

\* Increased feelings of national pride. 97 percent (up 7 percentage points) felt they would rather be citizens of the U.S. than of any other country.

Other findings of the National Tragedy Study:

\* Stronger reactions in New York. Residents of New York were more likely than the nation as a whole to report feeling very nervous and tense. They also reported crying more often.

\* Positive action. 49 percent made contributions to charities, and 24 percent donated or tried to donate blood.

Other findings comparing the Sept. 11 attacks to the 1963 assassination:

\* More prayer. 84 percent reporting saying "special prayers," compared with 75 percent in 1963.

\* Television as a key source. 37 percent first learned of the Sept. 11 events from television, while 24 percent learned of the 1963 tragedy that way. In 1963, 36 percent learned of the assassination by personal contact; in 2001, 15 percent learned it that way.

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Attachment: For the explanatory charts see:

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Numerous polls on presidential approval ratings have been conducted since 9/11/01. They are available at the Roper Center Web site. Click Online Access to Data and then click Presidential Approval Rating. This list is current to 10/12/01.

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My kudos to NORC's Tom Smith--simply for being Tom Smith.

-- Jim

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## Study Rebuts Claims Of Huge U.S. Muslim Population

By Michael J. Jordan

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK, Oct. 23 (JTA) -- In the run-up to the 2000 presidential elections, Jewish leaders fretted about the perceived surge in influence of American Muslims -- both politically and numerically -- and how it might affect U.S. support for Israel.

Now Jewish leaders have statistics contradicting earlier claims that said Muslims make up more than 2 percent of the American population.

The American Jewish Committee this week released a new survey, commissioned soon after the Sept. 11 terror attacks, that its author describes as "the most credible estimate" to date of the size of America's Muslim community.

While the media routinely cites a population of 6 million to 7 million U.S. Muslims -- in the wake of the Sept. 11 terror attacks, estimates have been as high as 10 million -- University of Chicago researcher Tom Smith says the real number is anywhere from 1.9 million to 2.8 million.

"The Muslim community is an important part of the American mosaic, but they are not as large a part as the figures cited in the media and by others would lead some to believe," said Smith, who directs the General Social Survey at the university's National Opinion Research Center.

"It's quite common that groups overestimate the size of their community since they are very involved with the community, and tend to see themselves as larger than an objective standard can verify," he said.

An American Muslim leader immediately denounced the survey as inaccurate and the AJCommittee as politically motivated.

The report is a "desperate attempt to discount the role of American Muslims," Ibrahim Hooper of the Council on American-Islamic Relations told the Associated Press.

"Very often the representatives of the extremist wing of the pro-Israel lobby, such as the American Jewish Committee, seek to block Muslim political participation," Hooper reportedly said.

The AJCommittee denied the charge. Spokesman Kenneth Bandler said his organization instead is "working to advance Muslim-Jewish relations." "We're not seeking to diminish their influence in this country, but it's important to know accurately what their population is," Bandler said. "We're anxious to develop ties with Muslim groups with whom we can seriously have a relationship, meaning groups that don't endorse terrorism." The AJCommittee also was eager to give guidance to media that it believes unwittingly publish dramatically inflated population figures.

When the report was completed late last week, the AJCommittee passed it

along to both The New York Times and The Associated Press.

The 6-7 million figure appears as "an established fact, even in the pages of The New York Times," Bandler said. "We wanted to set the record straight on these numbers, and that's it. People in the newsrooms, in political offices and the general reader can draw their own conclusions." Smith, for his part, said he is not concerned about rising Muslim political influence.

"I'm only interested in scientifically bad numbers," said Smith, who is not Jewish. "If one is given wrong information, one will be guided inappropriately." For the past decade, Smith said, he has read publications that printed Muslim population estimates that didn't jive with his research.

He said he wrote to the editors of USA Today and American Demographer, a trade journal, contesting their population estimates, but neither letter was published.

The U.S. census tabulates national origin and language use, but not religious affiliation. Without it, a range of faulty methods have been used to calculate the Muslim population, Smith said.

For example, one researcher figured that an immigrant group from a given country would accurately mirror the ethnic and religious composition of the home country, discounting persecution as a motivation for emigration, Smith said.

Smith poked holes in that method with two examples: Lebanon is a Muslim-majority state, but most Lebanese emigres over the years have been Christians. And immigrants from Russia a century ago overwhelmingly were Jewish -- though the vast majority of Russians belonged to the Russian Orthodox Church.

In other cases, Smith said researchers have overestimated several numbers:

- \* Muslims with limited English who would have been deterred from participating in surveys;
- \* Muslims reluctant to identify their religion;
- \* Muslim African-Americans;
- \* Islamic sects not immediately recognizable as Muslim;
- \* Islamic centers, schools and mosques;
- \* Muslims affiliated per mosque; and
- \* Muslims not affiliated with mosques.

In contrast, Smith states in his report that he took several population surveys and found that 0.2 to 0.6 percent of households had at least one Muslim adult.

He then considered estimates of Muslim immigrants with limited English skills -- who would be less likely to participate in surveys -- since figures indicate that a sizeable majority of Muslims in America are foreign-born.

Taking this into account, Smith estimated that Muslims make up 0.7 percent of the adult population. Extrapolating that out to the general

population produced a range of 1.9 million to 2.8 million.

As the quote variously attributed to British politician Benjamin Disraeli and novelist Mark Twain goes, there are "lies, damned lies and statistics." When reading population studies, Smith says it always critical to consider the source. "When there aren't scientifically credible numbers, someone supplies those numbers and they usually represent an advocacy group," he said. "Many counts are not actually counts. It's based on someone saying, 'Oh, there's that many.' And those numbers could be wildly inaccurate."

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Jim,

The letter writer misses the big picture while viewing her own circumstances. Data is the collection of all the individual "stories" in order to see trends, the analysis of the data will, of course, not be truth for every individual story. And as we know from the r-square, will only be true for a small proportion, while still being a reason for the change observed.

The letter writer does not see her staying home as an indicator of good financial times because it is a financial hardship to give up the income. But is able to do it, in part because of the economic climate. If the economic climate was worse, she would be working regardless of her desire to be with her children. I say this as a parent of two toddlers in daycare. My wife and I work --not because of economic conditions ,we could afford to live on one income, and did while I was in graduate school. We could interpret the increase in stay-at-home mothers as a trend toward the old traditional family and that we are deficient as parents because we choose to work (we don't feel that way.)

Many of the "stories" about race will be at odds with the overall data. It doesn't mean that the data is wrong. Race continues to be a significant predictor variable in study and study, even when controlling for all economic, geography, urbanicity, and other demographics. Sociologists know that the differences are due to the culture and not the color of the skin, but the way to get at the concept is through race -- and self-identified race gets at the cultural issue better. To ignore race because the construct is fuzzy is bad science.

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following Ward and Beniger...

First of all, the explanation that mothers stay home when the economic situation is better is quite awkward. It means that when there is plenty of jobs, women stay home; and when unemployment is high, they go look for a job!!!! Perhaps the reverse is more likely...

Second, race again,...

In yesterday's Le Monde, a French newspaper, there is a paper about the reaction of Harlem people to the Sept. 11 events.

The following quote is interesting : " A black nurse says "Of course, I have always been an American, like the descendants of the Irish of Wall Street, the Italians of Little Italy, the Jewish of Upper Manhattan. But in this country with such a painful history, my color used to define me more than anything else. I felt I was a member of the Black community, period. Today, I feel terribly American."

Can the plain "race" question trace such a trend, if it exists at the community level. Of course not. If self-identity is what we want to

measure, other variables will do a better job and permit to trace changes in identification. However, if race is used as a proxy for membership in a community, perhaps a switch toward broad categories of ethnic origin would do a better job and permit to get rid of a "fuzzy" variable without "throwing the baby with the bathwater".

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We are doing a study of men < 45 years of age, and are finding a much higher refusal rate than our past studies of women in this same age group. Have others found the same thing? I took a look at the papers that I have on response rates, but could not find anything by both gender and age.

Thanks!

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Does anyone have the name or phone number for a firm that might sell the  
phone  
numbers of registered voters in California? I have a friend that needs the  
information really quite quickly.

I've tried to figure it out myself but am unable to do so.

Thanks for all your ideas on this matter.

jon ebeling

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Hi list --

We have just completed a poll on reactions of Florida residents to the events of Sept. 11 and anthrax. The results pretty much mirror what we have seen reported on the list from national polls. A focus in the poll is on what people think government should be doing, and it indicates there might be another side to the surge in confidence in government (a flip side for Florida's government given its current financial problems) along with increased confidence are increased expectations for what government has to do, and some concerns over its ability to do so.

Poll results are at <http://www.fiu.edu/orgs/ipor/911/>

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Terrorism Tops List Of Priorities

Although administration officials have repeatedly warned that the fight against terrorism will be long and difficult, a new Council on Foreign Relations poll conducted by the Pew Research Center shows terrorism to be the top foreign policy priority for Americans.

Pollsters asked respondents whether various long-range foreign policy goals should be considered a top priority, given some priority or left off the priority list entirely. "Taking measures to protect the United States from terrorist attacks" was named as a top priority more often than any other issue -- 93 percent of respondents gave it that designation.

Other issues that respondents saw as top priorities were preventing the spread of weapons of mass destruction (81 percent), protecting the jobs of American workers (74 percent), insuring adequate energy supplies for the United States (69 percent) and reducing the spread of AIDS and other infectious diseases (59 percent). The two issues seen as top priorities by the fewest number of respondents were promoting democracy in other nations (24 percent) and helping to improve the living standards in developing nations (20 percent).

#### Poll: Government Responds Satisfactorily

While criticisms of the Bush administration's handling of the anthrax cases pile up, more than three out of four adults surveyed for ABC News Wednesday night said they were either "somewhat" or "very" satisfied with the way government authorities have handled the situation.

Fifty-nine percent said the government "should have done more" to prepare for biological attacks before they happened, while 39 percent said the feds did all that they could. The poll also suggested confidence in the federal government's ability to respond effectively to a wide-spread biological or chemical attack: 75 percent said they were "very" or "somewhat" confident, and 23 percent said they were not.

#### GOP Trusted On Terrorism

Americans trust Republican congressional candidates more than they trust Democrats on the issues of fighting terrorism and strengthening and supporting the military, a Fabrizio McLaughlin (R) poll suggests.

Fifty-six percent of respondents said they trusted Republicans running for Congress more on the issue of fighting terrorism, and 17 percent said they trusted Democrats more. On the issue of strengthening and supporting the military, Republicans were trusted more by a margin of 66 percent to 18 percent.

Democrats got the nod when it came to education, the environment, "saving Social Security and Medicare" and "allowing Americans to sue their HMOs."

#### The Public Pulse -- Latest Opinions At A Glance

The table below offers the latest key national numbers. Click on the number in question for poll details, or the archive links for previous polling on the topic. (Last updated Oct. 24)

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| Congressional Job Approval   | 84 %      |
| Bush Job Approval Rating     | 88 %      |
| Economy Positive Rating      | 39 %      |
| Generic Congressional Ballot | + 4 % Dem |
| State Of The Nation          | 71 %      |

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About a year ago I a list sample matched against voters records for address  
and phone updates. A firm called Aristotle did it for us. They can be  
reached at [www.Aristotle.com](http://www.Aristotle.com)

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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: owner-aapornet@usc.edu  
> [mailto:owner-aapornet@usc.edu] On Behalf Of  
> jon ebeling  
> Sent: Thursday, October 25, 2001 7:46 PM  
> To: aapornet@usc.edu  
> Subject: Phone numbers for Registered voters  
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There was an AAPOR paper from the early 1990s I did with Sandy Bauman and Dan Merkle that showed that in general RRD studies of the public, women are more likely to initially refuse than are men, but that men are more difficult to contact than women. The paper also showed that women were more likely to be converted from their refusals than were men who had previously refused.

PJL

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

From: Voigt, Lynda [mailto:lvoigt@fhcrc.org]  
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To: 'AAPORNET'  
Subject: Do young men refuse more often than young women?

We are doing a study of men < 45 years of age, and are finding a much higher refusal rate than our past studies of women in this same age group. Have others found the same thing? I took a look at the papers that I have on response rates, but could not find anything by both gender and age.

Thanks!

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Jim, I understand your point about micro- versus macro analysis, but this is a horrible analogy to employ. While race cannot be chosen and can be observed by others, workforce status is both a choice and something that no one can guess from the outside.

I know this because I readily lied about being a mom at home for many years. I HAD to, in order to be taken seriously for things like getting decent medical care. When a specialist at the Mayo Clinic refused to order needed tests and told me that I would suddenly get better once I returned to paid work, I started calling myself a freelance writer (click!). I did sell a few articles in those years; it wasn't a total lie. And unfortunately I didn't get better when I returned to the workforce; it was just his prejudice.

Claire writes:

>First of all, the explanation that mothers stay home when the  
>economic situation is better is quite awkward. It means that  
>when there is plenty of jobs, women stay home; and when

>unemployment is high, they go look for a job!!!! Perhaps the  
>reverse is more likely...

Good point. Not to mention that many families choose to have one parent at home BECAUSE it is better financially for the family. This will certainly change when the "marriage penalty" in the U.S. tax code is removed, but when I totalled my contribution to the family in terms of reduced daycare costs, not needing a second car, raising and canning food, etc. we were much better off with me at home.

As far as "race," I think everyone agrees that it has had predictive value in the past. I only question whether it will continue to be useful in the future, because the face of America is, literally, changing.

The other day I took a little old black lady from church to the hospital for tests, and the nurse asked, "So is she your aunt?" We're in the South, and 10 years ago that would never have been considered.

My son married a lovely young woman whose last name was Chiu. Her dad was born in mainland China. My grandchildren will be of mixed race.

My neighbors have a Hispanic surname; both of them could pass for white but their son seems clearly African American.

Not to mention the impact of immigration. Did y'all know that in Kansas, there are more Hispanics than Blacks? I didn't know that last February when we designed the sample for a big statewide survey; we oversampled to humor the client, and by the time we were ready to do post-stratification weighting the new Census 2000 figures were available.

And of course, I have a different take on all this from having lived in Brazil, where mixed-race families are the norm. There was a piece on NPR the other night about struggles to establish a "black pride" movement. Only 6% of Brazilians self-identify as "black" even though walking down the street, one would think it much higher. It's just that most folks consider themselves to be polyglot Brazilians and leave it at that. The archetypical gorgeous Brazilian woman has full lips and curly hair from the African heritage, high cheekbones and coppery skin from the Indian influence, and (in the south, anyway) Japanese eyes.

I would expect that the rates of "refusals" and "don't knows" to the race question would have gone up over time, as American society shifts in that direction and more and more people want to write in answers like "American" and "human being."

Colleen

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Try Aristotle Industries (or some such). They have enhanced voter lists for the whole country. Whether they added phone number is not obvious, but they will tell you PDQ, and sell you the stuff.

Andy

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Jon,

If you can't find anyone with this type of list, you might want to contact the California Secretary of State's office of Voter Registration [(916) 657-2166] for a list of registered voters. You could then hire a data provider such as Axciom to match phone numbers to the addresses of those listed.

Sincerely yours,

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

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jon ebeling

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Poll shows Americans not overwrought over anthrax  
WASHINGTON, Oct 25 (Reuters) - Most Americans are not gripped by anxiety over the anthrax attacks that have killed three people this month in the United States, according to an ABC News poll released on Thursday. Seventy-two percent of those polled expressed concern but not fear about the danger of exposure to the potentially deadly bacteria that has turned up in letters mailed through the United States postal system. Eleven percent said they were not concerned at all. An overwhelming 92% of respondents also said they think their own mail is safe, despite the discovery of anthrax at Postal Service facilities. However, about half said they were handling their mail with more caution. Just under half of those polled by ABC expressed some concern that they or a relative or close friend might become an anthrax victim. That is compared to 54% in a survey conducted last week. Anthrax-tainted letters sent through the mail killed two Washington postal workers and a Florida photo editor this month. At least nine others have been infected from letters mailed since the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. While authorities have taken some criticism for not seeing the threat to postal facilities sooner, the ABC News survey suggested that most Americans do not seem to be in the mood for finger-pointing. Seventy-eight percent said they were satisfied with the government's response to the anthrax scare and three-fourths also said they had confidence in the government's ability to respond effectively to a large-scale chemical or biological attack. The response was about the same as a week ago. The telephone poll of 508 adults, conducted on Wednesday, had a margin of

error of 4.5 percentage points.

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The philosophical yet all-too-real discussion and debate concerning race has been fascinating. So fascinating that I hesitate to try (once again) to bring this down to a more practical level. But here is my problem...

The predictive and otherwise utility value of the race question has been pretty much substantiated. But I just can't seem to shake this picture I have in my head of a respondent slumped over his/her self-administered questionnaire reading the race question. The picture I see is a respondent who sailed through the other demographic questions but is now staring at the race question saying, "Huh?"

Talking to ourselves about all aspects of the race issue is good. But could we just shift for a moment to this respondent. Particularly after reading our lengthy thread, I am less confident than ever that we know what we are getting back to the race question. I am left wondering how I pose a question that reduces the "Huh?" response. Personally, I think the answer



lies in the definition of terms. But what specific questions have you folks used that (you felt) were explicit enough for a well-reasoned response?

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The flow of mail to the Washington Post hardly qualifies as a scientific survey, but the following, from Howard Kurtz's column this Wednesday would seem to indicate that there is dissatisfaction, at least in the nation's capital:

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Feds Fiddled While Anthrax Spread  
By Howard Kurtz  
Washington Post Staff Writer  
Wednesday, October 24, 2001; 9:06 AM

We have a new Ground Zero.

It's called the White House.

"Good evening. President Bush said tonight he does not have anthrax," Tom Brokaw intoned.

There was little chance of that, of course. A tiny amount of the potentially deadly bacteria was found in a White House mail-handling facility several miles from 1600 Penn - too small to infect someone, at least according to experts. Still, you could sense the quickening pulses among the presidential press corps when Ari Fleischer made the announcement at 4 p.m.

A reporter popped the question when the president allowed the press into a Cabinet meeting, no doubt to send a reassuring message amid all the government fumbling of the past several days.

If anthrax is in Tom Daschle's office and Dan Rather's office and at the supermarket tabloids and the New York Post, why should the White House be immune?

And yet the red-alert status at the White House - all mail stopped, for the moment - is a reminder of how aggressively authorities can move when politicians are in danger. The same thing happened when an anthrax-tainted letter reached the Senate last week.

But when the potential victims are not white-collar leaders but working-stiff postal employees, the response seems to be very different. There was no rush to shut down the Washington post office that handles mail for the Hill, although that Daschle letter obviously didn't arrive by carrier pigeon. No rush to test the men and women who worked there. No special sensitivity when two of them went to the hospital with flu-like symptoms, with one sent home. They are now dead.

Now comes word that Capitol Hill police dogs were tested before anyone got around to checking the postal workers for anthrax.

This is the first time since Sept. 11 that widespread support for the administration has started to crack. People are outraged about this, if our e-mail is any indication (and it's the best way to reach us, now that The Washington Post has adopted restrictive new procedures for handling snail mail in a special, inconvenient room).

And how can you blame them? To watch CDC officials - who originally advised that workers at the Brentwood post office need not take antibiotics but changed that after workers became sick - say their crisis management is "evolving" is to see bureaucratic denial in the purest form.

Some White House officials, it turns out, were given Cipro six weeks ago - just in case.

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I suspect it will be a few days before anyone starts asking specific questions about the handling of the anthrax scare, but if anyone has any such results, please post it.

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Hello All -

I'm sure that there is an appropriate person that I should be addressing these questions to - I just don't know who that person is, so I'm asking all of you:

-Does anyone know anything about the World Bank and the type of survey work that they do?

-A public opinion question: Do Americans distinguish between people who are Indian as opposed to Arab, or are they both just lumped together as "foreigners?"

-And finally a foreign affairs question (since I live under a rock): How has the current war changed our relationship with India?

Please forgive me for showing my ignorance with these questions. Any replies can be directed to me below. Thanks in advance!

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(1) Was the person(s) responsible for the Tylenol poisonings ever caught and brought to justice? (My building is debating this one and no one can produce hard evidence.)

(2) What was public opinion around that time? Did people believe foreign terrorists were involved? A conspiracy? How nervous was the general American public about this? Did this lead to drops in Tylenol sales (my memory is that it did, temporarily)--and analgesics more generally? Were there even any measures of public opinion about this at that time? Would these data be

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In other words, I am curious about parallels between what my memory tells me was one of the first documentable instances of biochemical terrorism in the United States and the current situation.

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The Tylenol murderer was never caught, or at least charged with the crimes, although one man went to prison for trying to extort money from Johnson & Johnson as a result of them. That affair is widely cited as a benchmark in corporate crisis handling and public relations management. I don't believe there was ever any real concern about foreign terrorists or chemical warfare being involved in the matter.

When I was young, I read a short story in the old "Alfred Hitchcock's Mystery Magazine" probably dating back to the 50's, about a serial murderer who puts poison in milk bottles, and who is done in when one of his poisoned bottles randomly shows up on his own door step. I remember wondering whether the Tylenol murderer had been inspired by that story.

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This poll is very useful.

The US Postal Service, in addition to the obvious serious health concerns, is also concerned about what the effect of the anthrax attacks will be on mail volume. Does anyone know of data on:

1. Whether people's behavior has changed in terms of opening their mail.
2. Whether there has been a drop in response to direct marketing mail.
3. Whether there is any evidence that businesses are encouraging alternatives to use of the mail, such as electronic bill payment, fax, e-mail, etc. and whether the public is turning to such alternatives, more than they had before the anthrax attacks.

The Direct Marketing Association web site at [www.the-dma.org](http://www.the-dma.org) had suggestions on how to make it more likely that mail will be opened.

My company does forecasting of the volume of mail for the Postal Service so we are wondering about how our forecasts will be affected.

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--- Howard Fienberg <HFienberg@stats.org> wrote:  
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> WASHINGTON, Oct 25 (Reuters) - Most Americans are  
> not gripped by anxiety  
> over the anthrax attacks that have killed three  
> people this month in the  
> United States, according to an ABC News poll  
> released on Thursday.  
> Seventy-two percent of those polled expressed  
> concern but not fear about the  
> danger of exposure to the potentially deadly  
> bacteria that has turned up in  
> letters mailed through the United States postal  
> system. Eleven percent said  
> they were not concerned at all.  
> An overwhelming 92% of respondents also said they  
> think their own mail is  
> safe, despite the discovery of anthrax at Postal  
> Service facilities.  
> However, about half said they were handling their  
> mail with more caution.  
> Just under half of those polled by ABC expressed  
> some concern that they or a  
> relative or close friend might become an anthrax  
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> 54% in a survey conducted last week.  
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> two Washington postal  
> workers and a Florida photo editor this month.  
> At least nine others have been infected from letters  
> mailed since the  
> September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and  
> the Pentagon.  
> While authorities have taken some criticism for not  
> seeing the threat to  
> postal facilities sooner, the ABC News survey  
> suggested that most Americans  
> do not seem to be in the mood for finger-pointing.  
> Seventy-eight percent said they were satisfied with  
> the government's  
> response to the anthrax scare and three-fourths also  
> said they had  
> confidence in the government's ability to respond  
> effectively to a

> large-scale chemical or biological attack. The  
> response was about the same  
> as a week ago.  
> The telephone poll of 508 adults, conducted on  
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>From today's (Sunday, 10/28/01) Washington Post:

Zogby Joins Sununu in Race Against Smith

Rep. John E. Sununu (R-N.H.), who is challenging Sen. Robert H.

Smith (R-N.H.) in next year's GOP Senate primary in New Hampshire, signed up some big-name help last week, announcing that pollster John Zogby would conduct surveys for the campaign.

Zogby, who has gained something of a national reputation for accuracy, quickly released results of a survey showing Sununu trouncing Smith in the GOP primary, 45 percent to 22 percent. Of course, those numbers directly contradict another recent New Hampshire poll, conducted by the American Research Group, showing Smith slightly ahead, and perhaps proving only that polls conducted this early are to be taken with a grain of salt.

Whatever the case, the conventional wisdom continues to hold that Smith, who angered many Republicans by lashing out at the party and running for president (albeit briefly) as an independent last year, will have a hard time holding off Sununu.

Perhaps, but Mr. Zogby's work for the NY State Republican Party and the New York Post have earned him a reputation for designing polls that show what his sponsor wants, and that seems to be precisely why Sununu hired him.

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## Polls Find People Calm, Apprehensive

ANTHRAX: AMERICANS SAY THEY ARE TAKING SCARE IN STRIDE.

WHILE CONCERNED, MOST ARE CONFIDENT THEY WON'T BECOME VICTIMS.

By RICHARD T. COOPER  
Times Staff Writer

Americans across the country insist they are taking the anthrax scare in stride, voicing concern but remaining confident that they won't become victims too. Mental health specialists, however, predict greater anxiety lies ahead.

"We haven't seen any great increase in worrying about being a victim of terrorist attacks generally in our polls," said Andrew Kohut, a public opinion specialist who directs the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press. "There's not panic in the streets, and there has not been a general upsurge in concern in the country."

ABC-TV polls earlier this month showed a decline in the number of people who considered themselves worried "a great deal" or "somewhat" about being bioterrorism victims. The worriers slipped from 55% on Oct. 15 to 47% on Wednesday.

A Newsweek poll released over the weekend found that 43% of respondents said the government had given the public reliable information about the anthrax threat. Of the rest, 23% said the government had not told people enough to stave off panic; and 30% thought officials didn't have the necessary information themselves.

The appearance of reasoned calm is born out by the comments of people in many parts of the country. But the comments are laced with apprehension.

In Elburn, Ill., a farm village in the heart of the homeland, "people are talking about anthrax. They are concerned, because they're not sure what will happen next," said Judith Miller, who writes the Love of Community column for the local paper.

"But I guess we feel pretty safe out here in the cornfields."

Sarah Conley, a firefighter and emergency medical technician, said the Fire Department has had several calls about possible anthrax, including one that closed the high school for a day.

"When that happens, people get kind of crazy," she said. For the most part, though, "people feel like we're a little community. There's no reason for the terrorists to come out here."

At a post office in Houston, a U.S. flag flapped at half staff Friday and a postal clerk wore latex gloves to set out fresh mailing supplies. But customers seemed unconcerned.

"So few people have been infected or exposed that you really have to look at the odds," Jennifer Dial said.

In suburban Atlanta, Susan Domingo, who works at a medical facility, said she now wears gloves and a mask to open her office mail. "I probably will get gloves for home," she said. "And I've decided that anything that looks like junk mail will go into the trash."

Some mental health specialists, predict that the slow, uncertain pace of the investigation will heighten public apprehension significantly in the next several weeks, especially if anthrax is found in other parts of the country.

Signs of pressure--anxiety, mild depression, sleeplessness, free-floating emotions, feeling on edge--are increasing, said Jay Segal, a specialist in emotional trauma at Temple University's Center for Public Health in Pennsylvania.

"This threat is one where it's very difficult to predict exactly when it's going to materialize and where," said Richard Zinbarg, director of the Anxiety Treatment Program at Northwestern University's Family Institute in Chicago.

Psychological studies have repeatedly shown that when people are faced with two equally serious threats, "if one is predictable and the other is not predictable, the unpredictable one will arouse significantly more anxiety," Zinbarg said.

"So you would predict that this situation would lead to fairly widespread anxiety."

Indeed, Zinbarg said, the anthrax letters in Florida, Washington and New York don't seem designed to kill large numbers of people. "It's more aimed at planting the seeds of fear for any of us that, next time you go to the mailbox, it could be waiting for you."

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Times researchers Lianne Hart in Houston, Lynn Marshall in Seattle and Edith Stanley in Atlanta contributed to this report.

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Can anyone direct me to state level surveys on dental/periodontal care?

For example, does the SLAITS survey for ihe National Center for Health  
Statistics cover dental care?

Please contact me directly.

Thanks.

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> during that time. What has your experience been with interviewing during  
> the holidays?

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> Any guidance you could give would be extremely helpful.

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> Thanks! Patricia

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> Patricia Commiskey, MA  
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We are working on formulating a survey of alumni students in Wright State University's School of Business. Some schools that have gone through the accreditation process may have done an alumni survey. I was wondering if anyone has conducted a survey of business alumni, and if so, may I have a copy of the survey? If you can not provide a copy, could you please give examples of some questions that were asked, including questions regarding core competencies such as leadership, problem solving, analytical thinking, and computer skills? Also, if an alumni survey was not conducted, a needs assessment survey that helps develop course curriculums would also be useful. If you can provide assistance, please respond asap.

Thanks,  
Terrie

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I would be interested in this same information.

Jan Kiley  
rss@soltec.net

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We recently conducted a male only study on fatherhood and found the response rate horrible! But here's the interesting thing...the men weren't the ones refusing, the women of the house were the ones who were "gatekeeping". They wouldn't let us speak to their husbands/boyfriends.

Terrie

"Voigt, Lynda" wrote:

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> We are doing a study of men < 45 years of age, and are finding a much higher  
> refusal rate than our past studies of women in this same age group. Have  
> others found the same thing? I took a look at the papers that I have on  
> response rates, but could not find anything by both gender and age.

>  
> Thanks!

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> Lynda F. Voigt, Ph.D.  
> Senior Staff Scientist,  
> Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center  
> Seattle, WA  
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From: Jerold Pearson <jpearson@stanford.edu>

Subject: Re: Do young men refuse more often than young women?

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>thing...the men weren't the ones refusing, the women of the  
>house were the ones who were "gatekeeping". They wouldn't  
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Am I the only man on this list who doesn't find this surprising? Women

have been saying "no" for time immemorial.

Jerold Pearson  
Director of Market Research  
Stanford Alumni Association

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Our experience has been so bad in the month of December that  
we do not call from Dec 1 to Jan 1.

Terrie

"Commiskey, Patricia" wrote:

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> > -----Original Message-----  
> > From: Commiskey, Patricia  
> > Sent: Monday, October 29, 2001 11:51 AM  
> > To: 'AAPORnet (E-mail)'  
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Our experience with December RDD studies of the public at Northwestern (prior to 1996) and at Ohio State (1996-2000), was very different from what Terrie has shared.

We even did well enough between Xmas (12/27-12/30) and New Year's Eve to have a smaller-than-normal staff continue to do interviewing those days. Granted productivity per hour was a bit lower than usual, but not so bad as to make it a waste of the client's resources.

PJL

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

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Sent: Monday, October 29, 2001 3:48 PM

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We've generally had good success interviewing between Christmas and New Year's. People tend to be less stressed and friendlier, and they aren't receiving a lot of other solicitations. We always make a point of not doing all of our call attempts within that one week, in case people are out of town the entire time.

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> The Public Policy Institute of California is looking for a Survey Research  
> Manager. Details of the position are described below. If you are aware  
> of qualified candidates, please feel free to forward this to their  
> attention.

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> JOB ANNOUNCEMENT: SURVEY RESEARCH MANAGER  
> PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE OF CALIFORNIA  
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> The Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) is a private operating  
> foundation established in 1994 with an endowment from William R. Hewlett.  
> PPIC is dedicated to independent, nonpartisan research on political,  
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> Summary of Position: This is a new, regular, full-time position to  
> support the ongoing and expanding PPIC Statewide Survey series on  
> Californians' public policy preferences, ballot choices, and attitudes  
> towards political, social, and economic issues. The position will report  
> to the Survey Director of the PPIC Statewide Survey. PPIC offers a salary  
> and benefits package that is competitive with similar positions in  
> comparable research organizations.

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> Responsibilities: The Survey Research Manager will oversee both the  
> planning and day-to-day operations of a frequently-conducted public  
> opinion survey series. The Survey Research Manager will be directly  
> involved in all aspects of the public opinion research process, including  
> questionnaire design, data management, statistical analysis, and writing  
> the reports. Other responsibilities include the supervision of the  
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> relations with the telephone interviewing firm and other service  
> providers, consulting with PPIC research fellows about survey research  
> projects, and coordinating the planning and release of surveys with PPIC's  
> communications and administrative staff. The Survey Research Manager will  
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> Qualifications: Professional experience in public opinion research  
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> research methods. Knowledge of focus group methods, in-depth interviews,  
> survey samples, questionnaire design, telephone interviewing techniques,  
> sample weighting, and multivariate statistics is required. Solid computer  
> skills such as the use of SPSS, Excel, Word, and PowerPoint are needed.  
> Strong written and verbal communications skills are essential for  
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> interest, resume, a list of three references, and any examples of  
> published work to:

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> Human Resources Manager- MB  
> Public Policy Institute of California  
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> San Francisco, CA 94111  
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From: Susan Losh <slosh@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>  
Subject: Re: Do young men refuse more often than young women?

Try having a male interviewer call back. Been there, done that.

Susan

At 01:14 PM 10/29/2001 -0500, you wrote:

>We recently conducted a male only study on fatherhood and  
>found the response rate horrible! But here's the interesting  
>thing...the men weren't the ones refusing, the women of the  
>house were the ones who were "gatekeeping". They wouldn't  
>let us speak to their husbands/boyfriends.

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>"Voigt, Lynda" wrote:  
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>> We are doing a study of men < 45 years of age, and are finding a much  
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I think I hear two separate sets of observations:

1. Staffing is difficult during Holiday periods. And not just for student employees. Most employees want time off, often considerable time off. Years ago, there was a phenomena known as "Christmas season employment" wherein people sought seasonal work to pay for holiday expenses. I am convinced this is a thing of the past, a product of affluence and increasing demands on peoples time.

2. For those who do stay and work, except of a couple of days that are obviously off-limits, there is no appreciable difference in productivity. My guess is that even that is mostly a result of interveiwer expectations.

Both of these observations are consistent with our own experiences.

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> > > > Hello! I was wondering about the success (or lack of success) of  
> > > > telephone interviewing during the various December holidays,  
> > > > particularly  
> > > > between Christmas and New Year's Day. I realize the

> > holiday itself is  
> > > > out, but wasn't sure how other call centers handle telephone  
> > interviewing  
> > > > during that time. What has your experience been with interviewing  
> > during  
> > > > the holidays?  
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> > > > Any guidance you could give would be extremely helpful.  
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> > > > Thanks! Patricia  
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Compare this article to the article on the same poll on the CBS News site.  
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CBS: Support For War Effort Is Strong

CBS article is attached.

--Stephen Salmore

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NEW YORK, Oct. 29, 2001=20

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to capture the terrorists and protect=20  
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And in the wake of the recent deaths of several postal workers from =  
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attack. =20  
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While Americans in many parts of the country say they are not very =  
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drug Cipro as a precaution, and not wait for public health officials to =  
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There is also a behavioral impact. One in four Americans say they have =  
become more cautious when=20  
opening their mail - and another 22 percent are seriously considering =  
doing that. Even more of those under=20  
30 say their behavior has changed.=20

#### WINNING THE WAR: A MATTER OF CONFIDENCE=20

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war continues, some of the initial optimism Americans expressed seems to =  
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even there confidence is shrinking. Confidence in the government's =  
ability to protect its citizens from a=20

terrorist attack involving anthrax is slightly lower, with less than one =  
in five expressing a great deal of=20

confidence in government being able to do either.=20  
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But this lowered confidence level hasn't made people more concerned =  
about terrorism in their community.=20

In fact, if anything, most people's concerns about terrorism in their =  
own backyards has lessened. Twenty-

six percent now are very concerned about a terrorist attack where they =  
live. Three weeks ago 30 percent felt=20

that way. On September 11, that figure was 43 percent. There are =  
differences by gender, and differences=20

based on where people live. =20  
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About the same number - 28 percent - are very concerned about a =  
biological or chemical attack such as=20

anthrax in their area.=20  
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SUPPORTING THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN=20  
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Support for the U.S.-led military attacks in Afghanistan, despite the =  
increased worries, remains extremely=20

high. Now, 88 percent approve of the attacks, and 8 percent disapprove, =  
unchanged since the attacks began=20

three weeks ago.=20  
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Fewer Americans - although still a sizable majority - support the U.S. =  
providing humanitarian aid to the=20

people of Afghanistan. Seventy-eight percent approve of the U.S. doing =  
so, and 18 percent disapprove. =20  
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As has been the case since just after the September 11th attacks, =  
Americans expect this to be a drawn out=20

conflict; 64 percent think the military attacks will take longer than =  
several months. Twenty-three percent=20

expect it to take several months, and 7 percent think the conflict will =  
last several more weeks.=20  
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But the much larger war on terrorism is expected to take longer than the =  
military action in Afghanistan.=20

Eighty-eight percent now think the war on terrorism will last a year or =  
longer, up from 65 percent three=20

weeks ago. Only 6 percent think that war will last several months.=20  
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Many also expect the conflict to spread to other parts of the Middle =

East. Thirty-two percent think it is very likely that the military action in Afghanistan will become a more widespread military action in neighboring countries and other parts of the world, and 51 percent think this is somewhat likely.

But this lengthy and potentially broader war is viewed as worthwhile, even in the face of significant American military casualties. Sixty-one percent think the war in Afghanistan would be worth it even if it meant several thousand American troops would lose their lives; 27 percent say the war there would not be worth that cost.

At the start of the Gulf War, 45 percent thought a ground war would be worth fighting even if it meant several thousand American military casualties, and 42 percent thought it would not be worthwhile.

Many Americans see the goal of the military action in Afghanistan as much broader than just getting rid of Osama bin Laden. Forty-eight percent think the main goal is to eliminate all terrorists from the country; 18 percent think the goal is to topple the Taliban government, and 16 percent think the goal is to eliminate bin Laden. Those goals are in accordance with what Americans believe the U.S. ought to be doing in Afghanistan. Fifty-seven percent of the public thinks the goal there should be to eliminate all terrorists.

When it comes to dissent in the U.S., 53 percent believe Americans who oppose U.S. military action in Afghanistan should be free to hold protest marches and rallies, while 38 percent think that hurts the war effort.

#### THE NATIONAL IMPACT: PERSONAL REACTIONS

The September 11th terrorist attacks affected more than just the people in New York City and Washington. More than a third of all Americans say they have felt nervous or edgy since the attacks (one in five say they still do), and 17 percent have had trouble sleeping.

Not surprisingly, people living in big cities and the Northeast are more likely than others to report suffering from these adverse effects. The national level of edginess and sleeplessness is significantly lower than that recorded among New Yorkers in a CBS News/New York Times poll conducted earlier this month. In that poll, 42 percent of New Yorkers said they still felt nervous, and 22 percent said they were still having trouble sleeping at night.

Women are much more likely than men to have experienced - and to be still experiencing - these effects of the terrorist attacks. More than a quarter of women nationwide say they

still feel nervous nowadays, and 20 percent of women and one in ten are still having trouble sleeping, compared with 14 percent of women and 3 percent of men respectively.

The terrorist attacks have had an economic impact nationally as well. Nearly one in ten people in the U.S. labor force say they have lost their job or a significant amount of income since the attack. The economic aftermath of the attack has been felt in all regions, though less so in the South. The national impact is about half the size of the impact in New York City.

The improvement in perceptions of the economy that happened after the September 11th attacks has all but disappeared. Now, 56 percent think the economy is in good shape, and 42 percent think it is in bad shape. Three weeks ago, 66 percent thought the economy was good, and 29 percent thought it was bad. Just before the September attacks, the outlook was about what it is now, marking some of the lowest levels in positive assessment of the economy in years.

Thirty-seven percent now think the economy is getting worse, 14 percent think it is getting better and 46 percent think it is staying the same.

The terrorist attacks made Americans spend more time with their families and friends. More than one-third of Americans say they have been spending more time with their family and close friends in the weeks after the terrorist attacks.

Women are more likely than men to have spent more time with families and friends since the September 11th attacks, 40 percent to 29 percent. Those in the Northeast are also more likely to have spent more time together with their family and close friends than the rest of Americans.

Just under one in ten Americans has canceled trips because of the terrorist attacks, and travel over the upcoming holidays may also be lower than usual. Seventeen percent of Americans say they plan to travel by plane during the Thanksgiving or Christmas holidays this year; that number is lower than the percentage who traveled by air for last year's holidays.

Half of those who traveled last year won't this year - but one in ten Americans who didn't travel by plane during the 2000 holiday season will in 2001.

Fear of flying is a factor in the expected drop in air travel for the holidays. Among those who say they are not at all afraid of flying, just about the same percentage - one in four - report plans to fly this Thanksgiving or Christmas as say they flew last year.

But far fewer of those afraid or bothered by flying plan to travel by plane this year than did so for the 2000 holidays. Just 8 percent of fearful fliers say they plan to travel by plane this year, while twice as many, 15 percent, say they flew last year. Twelve percent of those bothered slightly by flying say they'll fly this year; 18 percent of that group say they flew last year.

AIRPORT SECURITY

The public clearly believes the government should take an increased role in airport security - and take responsibility for hiring and supervising airport security employees. And while more think the government has done enough to improve airport security since September 11 than think the airlines have, it's clear that many think both the government and the airlines need to be doing more.

Half of Americans say the federal government has done enough to improve airport security, but 42 percent feel the government hasn't done enough. When asked about the airlines, just 42 percent say the airlines have done enough to improve airport security, while 50 percent think they have not.

The federal government has a major role in providing airport security, according to nearly all Americans. When asked who should be responsible for airport security personnel, 91 percent say the federal government should have some responsibility. But the president and the U.S. Senate currently are at odds on what kind of government responsibility.

The airport security bill passed by the Senate places the full responsibility for airport security on the federal government, making those workers government employees. President Bush favors government supervision of private contractors. The public clearly takes the Senate's side, 52 percent to 39 percent. Forty-six percent of Republicans agree with the Democratic-controlled Senate on this issue.

Despite Americans' focus on airport security and the significant decline in air travel, 46 percent the public say they are not at all afraid to fly, up just slightly from September, immediately after the attacks. Thirty-one percent say flying bothers them slightly and 21 percent admit they are afraid of flying. But fears do influence behavior. Among those who have actually flown since September 11, only 3 percent say they're afraid of flying.

THE PRESIDENT

The president continues to enjoy exceptionally high approval ratings for his handling of the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, but they have gone down slightly



from earlier this month. As was=20  
the case at the start of the U.S. military attacks on Afghanistan, =  
Americans overwhelmingly approve of the=20  
job President Bush is doing. Large majorities approve of his handling of =  
the war on terrorism, foreign=20  
policy and the economy. =20

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Eighty-seven percent of Americans now approve of Mr. Bush's job as =  
president while only 8 percent=20  
disapprove. A few weeks ago, Mr. Bush received an overall job approval =  
of 90 percent, his highest to date. =20

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When it comes to his handling of foreign policy, Mr. Bush's rating has =  
gone up significantly since before=20  
the terrorist attacks in September. Currently, 74 percent of Americans =  
approve of the way the president his=20  
handling foreign policy, up from 49 percent two months ago. =20

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Now, 88 percent approve of his handling of the attacks and 8 percent =  
disapprove. Earlier this month, 92=20  
percent approved and 4 percent disapproved. When asked specifically how =  
Mr. Bush is handling the war on=20  
terrorism, 79 percent approve of the job he doing, while 16 percent =  
disapprove.=20

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Despite the impact of the terrorist attacks on the U.S. economy, a =  
majority of Americans also approve of=20  
the job Mr. Bush is doing handling it. Almost two-thirds now approve of =  
his handling of this issue.=20  
However, this is down somewhat from a few weeks ago when 71 percent of =  
the public approved of the job=20  
he was doing - the highest economic approval rating Bush had received =  
since assuming office. Only 25=20  
percent disapprove of his handling of the economy.=20

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Congressional approval has also risen since September. Now, 67 percent =  
approve of the job Congress is=20  
doing, up from 43 percent in August.=20

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TRUSTING GOVERNMENT MORE - UP TO A POINT=20

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The increase in government support that has been noted since September =  
11th as the nation rallied itself=20  
after the attack may, even now, have limits. While trust in government =  
is higher than before the attacks, it is=20  
lower than that recorded in some polls just a few weeks ago. And there =  
is no indication that the public is=20  
significantly more supportive of a larger government supplying more =  
services than it was before the=20  
attacks.=20

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In this poll, 61 percent say that things in this country are generally =  
headed in the right direction, a level not=20  
reached or neared since two other rally points - the end of the Persian =  
Gulf War and the revelations about=20  
President Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinsky in early 1998. Just 29 =  
percent say things are on the wrong=20

track. But in the week following September 11, as many as 72 percent of =  
Americans in an NBC News/Wall=20  
Street Journal poll said things were headed in the right direction.=20  
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More than half - 55 percent - say they trust the government in =  
Washington to do what is right all or most of=20  
the time - more than ever recorded in a CBS News/New York Times poll. =  
But that figure, too, is down=20  
from one recorded in a Washington Post poll conducted in late September. =  
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There is a partisan cast to those figures, with Republicans more =  
trusting of government than Democrats - at=20  
least for now. Independents look more like Democrats than like =  
Republicans on this question.=20  
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However, while more Americans trust government, more also say they do =  
not want government to get=20  
bigger. Only four in ten say they want to have a bigger government, =  
providing more services. Nearly half=20  
want a smaller government providing fewer services. The percentages are =  
not all that much different from=20  
those seen earlier this year. =20  
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In addition, a majority still believes that people in government waste a =  
lot of money paid in taxes. =20  
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THE MIDDLE EAST=20  
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The terrorist attacks appear to have changed little in American overall =  
attitudes towards Israel, nor have=20  
they lessened public support for Israel in the Middle East conflict. =  
Forty-eight percent now say they are=20  
more in sympathy with Israel with regard to the situation in the Middle =  
East, 19 percent say they=20  
sympathize more with the Arab nations and 13 percent sympathize with =  
neither. These views are largely=20  
unchanged compared with those ten years ago.=20  
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Six in ten Americans have a favorable opinion about Israel. Just under a =  
quarter have an unfavorable=20  
opinion of Israel - views that are virtually unchanged since April 1998. =  
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In contrast, 22 percent say they have a favorable opinion about the =  
Palestine Liberation Organization, while=20  
57 percent say their opinion is unfavorable. Favorable views of the =  
P.L.O. have doubled, however, from=20  
three and a half years ago; then, only 11 percent said their opinion of =  
the P.L.O. was favorable.=20  
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Most Americans reject charges that that the U.S. has failed to =  
adequately promote itself in the Middle East.=20  
Sixty-two percent think the government is currently doing enough to help =  
people in the Arab world=20  
understand what the U.S. is trying to do there, and 28 percent think it =  
is not.=20

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Many also reject the statement that a major cause of the problems for the U.S. in the Middle East is that we have paid too much attention to Israel, and not enough attention to the Arab nations. Thirty-nine percent agree with that, but 46 percent disagree.

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Men are more critical of the U.S. Middle East policy than women. Forty-nine percent of men think U.S. policy in the Middle East is a major cause of the problems in the region, compared with 29 percent of women who think so.

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There has been a slight increase in support for one Arab goal - the establishment of a Palestinian state. Thirty-eight percent favor the establishment of a Palestinian homeland in the occupied territories of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Twenty-nine percent oppose that, and another one-third have no opinion one way or the other.

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But opinions of Saudi Arabia are not as positive as they have been in the past. Most Americans do view Saudi Arabia as friendly towards the United States, but fewer see it as an ally than did so one year ago. Only one in ten consider Saudi Arabia an ally of the United States, and about half now view Saudi Arabia as friendly but not an ally. In a Gallup poll in May 2000, 19 percent thought of Saudi Arabia as an ally of the United States, and 37 percent said it was friendly but not an ally. Nearly a third now consider Saudi Arabia as unfriendly or an enemy.

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This poll was conducted among a nationwide random sample of 1,024 adults, interviewed by telephone October 25-28, 2001. The error due to sampling could be plus or minus three percentage points for results based on the entire sample.

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There are many elements to this crisis and the NYT/CBS poll has covered them very well. The writers emphasis seems to be on any changes in measures observed since prior waves which is not unusual.

The Polling Report has a good summary of this and other national polls at: <http://www.pollingreport.com/terror.htm>

For a Tribune Poll in Illinois that ran last Sunday, I tried more of a "global" question which could be used over time to measure the progress the nation is making regardless of the form of terrorist activity now or in the future. "Thinking about the progress the nation is making in its campaign against terrorism, how satisfied are you with the progress we are making...?"

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|-----------------------|----|
| Satisfied (Net)       | 80 |
| Very satisfied        | 36 |
| Somewhat satisfied    | 45 |
| Dissatisfied (Net)    | 14 |
| Very dissatisfied     | 5  |
| Somewhat dissatisfied | 9  |
| No opinion            | 5  |

Stephen Salmore wrote:

> Compare this article to the article on the same poll on the CBS News site.  
> Are they looking at the same numbers?  
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> > THE POLL  
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> > SURVEY SHOWS DOUBTS STIRRING ON TERROR WAR  
> >  
> > By RICHARD L. BERKE and JANET ELDER

> >  
> > Americans for the first time are raising doubts about whether the nation  
> > can accomplish its objectives in fighting terrorism at home and abroad,  
> > including capturing or killing Osama bin Laden, saving the international  
> > alliance from unraveling and protecting people from future attacks, the  
> > latest New York Times/CBS News poll shows.

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> > Despite threats about anthrax unfolding virtually every day and little  
> > discernible progress in the air campaign against the Taliban, Americans  
> > are still offering President Bush their overwhelming approval.

> >  
> > Mr. Bush's job approval rating, which soared after Sept. 11, stands firm  
> > at 87 percent. And Congress has an approval rating of 67 percent, the  
> > highest since the Times/CBS News Poll began asking about it in the  
> > 1970's.

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> > Even so, after six weeks in which people were not inclined to critique

> > aspects of the government's response, there are stirrings of discontent  
> > that extend both to how the nation is responding to domestic terrorism  
> > and to how it is handling the war.  
> >  
> > The public is questioning whether the government is doing enough to  
> > forestall what it increasingly expects to be another terrorist attack in  
> > this country within months. Fifty-three percent say another attack is  
> > very likely, up from 46 percent two weeks ago and 36 percent two weeks  
> > before that. Most people say they expect the attack to be in the form of  
> > bioterrorism. These responses came before Attorney General John Ashcroft  
> > announced yesterday that new terrorist attacks were expected as soon as  
> > this week.  
> >  
> > Yet more than half the public says the government in Washington has not  
> > done enough to prepare for a biological attack, and nor have state and  
> > local governments.  
> >  
> > Nearly half of Americans say the government is withholding information  
> > they need to know about the recent anthrax cases. More than a quarter  
say  
> > public health officials are wrong in advising people not to ask their  
own  
> > doctors for Cipro, an antibiotic used in treating anthrax.  
> >  
> > While security has been tightened at airports, leading to the now-common  
> > sight of long lines, Americans are still jumpy about flying. They want  
> > the federal government to take complete control of hiring and  
supervising  
> > all airport security personnel.  
> >  
> > The nationwide telephone poll of 1,024 adults was conducted Thursday  
> > through Sunday. It has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus three  
> > percentage points.  
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> > Tom Cale, a poll respondent who sells cars in Fairmont, W.Va., is among  
> > those who support the nation's leaders but have nagging concerns.  
> >  
> > "It's not that we don't have competent people in positions of  
authority,"  
> > Mr. Cale, 50, said in a follow-up interview. "They just haven't written  
> > the book yet about the potential dangers that are out there."  
> >  
> > Bracing for more terror, Mr. Cale said: "The next attack would be what  
> > you least suspect. It's going to be something that few people would see  
> > that would affect the most people, like sabotaging gas supply lines, or  
> > taking out two or three main power stations."  
> >  
> > Joan Kautz, 49, a clerk for a rental car agency in Linden, N.J., said:  
> > "With the added security at the airport, bioterrorism is the only way to  
> > get in here. That's why they've used the mail, and even now the  
> > government is not protecting our postal workers."  
> >  
> > In one of the most striking shifts, only 18 percent of Americans said  
> > they had a great deal of confidence that the government could protect  
> > them from terrorism; a month ago, 35 percent had such confidence. A  
> > majority, 58 percent, said they had a fair amount of confidence. The  
rest

> > had little or no confidence.  
> >  
> > Similarly, people feel that the government can protect them from anthrax  
> > and smallpox, but the degree of confidence is another matter. Only 15  
> > percent have a great deal of confidence that the government can protect  
> > them from anthrax; 19 percent say the same about smallpox.  
> >  
> > Beyond the efforts at home, Americans are not entirely satisfied with  
the  
> > military action in Afghanistan and seem less hopeful than they were  
> > before the bombing began. Although most respondents said the war was  
> > going well for the United States, the largest proportion--58 percent--  
> > said it was going only somewhat well. Twenty-five percent said it was  
> > going very well, and 13 percent said the war was going badly.  
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> > Only 28 percent are very confident that the United States will capture  
or  
> > kill Mr. bin Laden, who is believed to be the mastermind behind the  
Sept.  
> > 11 attacks. In a CBS News poll two weeks earlier, 38 percent said they  
> > were very confident.  
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> > "Osama bin Laden is like a ghost," said Eleanor Roth, 67, a retired  
> > receptionist from Dayton, Ohio. "I would rather him be captured than  
> > killed to avoid him being labeled a martyr. Maybe they will find him,  
but  
> > then again, many of these terrorists have been on the loose for years.  
> > And with all of our technology, it doesn't seem to make a difference."  
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> > James Oleszczuk, 57, a longshoreman from Baltimore, was even less  
> > optimistic.  
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> > "It won't be easy getting bin Laden," Mr. Oleszczuk said. "First it was  
> > weeks, then months, now years to get this guy. It makes me wonder what  
> > kind of intelligence reports the government is getting. You hear so many  
> > things, you don't know what to believe. The political implications of  
> > capturing him would be problematic with many of the Middle Eastern  
> > countries. I don't think it's going to happen."  
> >  
> > In another sign of mounting uneasiness about the war, only 29 percent  
> > said they were very confident in the ability of the United States  
> > government to maintain the international alliance of countries that  
> > support the military campaign; two weeks ago, 46 percent were very  
> > confident.  
> >  
> > The public is prepared for a long and bloody conflict in Afghanistan; a  
> > majority of Americans say they are willing to accept the deaths of  
> > several thousand American troops there. Eight out of 10 respondents said  
> > they thought the conflict would extend beyond Afghanistan into  
> > neighboring countries and other parts of the world.  
> >  
> > "I wouldn't be surprised if this war took three to five years," said  
Judy  
> > Adams, 48, a homemaker from Jonesville, La. "We have fought for our  
> > country for over 200 years to keep our land and our families safe. If we  
> > don't stand behind our president and pull together as a nation, we're  
not



> > going to see our land stand."  
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> > Americans continue to view Israel favorably while they back the  
> > establishment of a Palestinian homeland in the occupied territories of  
> > the West Bank and Gaza Strip. About half the public views Saudi Arabia  
as  
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>> >> While security has been tightened at airports, leading to the  
now-common  
>> >> sight of long lines, Americans are still jumpy about flying. They  
want  
>> >> the federal government to take complete control of hiring and  
>supervising  
>> >> all airport security personnel.  
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>> >> The nationwide telephone poll of 1,024 adults was conducted Thursday  
>> >> through Sunday. It has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus  
three  
>> >> percentage points.  
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>> >> Tom Cale, a poll respondent who sells cars in Fairmont, W.Va., is  
among  
>> >> those who support the nation's leaders but have nagging concerns.  
>> >>  
>> >> "It's not that we don't have competent people in positions of

>authority,"  
>> > > Mr. Cale, 50, said in a follow-up interview. "They just haven't  
written  
>> > > the book yet about the potential dangers that are out there."  
>> > >  
>> > > Bracing for more terror, Mr. Cale said: "The next attack would be  
what  
>> > > you least suspect. It's going to be something that few people would  
see  
>> > > that would affect the most people, like sabotaging gas supply lines,  
or  
>> > > taking out two or three main power stations."  
>> > >  
>> > > Joan Kautz, 49, a clerk for a rental car agency in Linden, N.J.,  
said:  
>> > > "With the added security at the airport, bioterrorism is the only  
way to  
>> > > get in here. That's why they've used the mail, and even now the  
>> > > government is not protecting our postal workers."  
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>> > > In one of the most striking shifts, only 18 percent of Americans said  
>> > > they had a great deal of confidence that the government could protect  
>> > > them from terrorism; a month ago, 35 percent had such confidence. A  
>> > > majority, 58 percent, said they had a fair amount of confidence. The  
>rest  
>> > > had little or no confidence.  
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>> > > Similarly, people feel that the government can protect them from  
anthrax  
>> > > and smallpox, but the degree of confidence is another matter. Only 15  
>> > > percent have a great deal of confidence that the government can  
protect  
>> > > them from anthrax; 19 percent say the same about smallpox.  
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>> > > Beyond the efforts at home, Americans are not entirely satisfied with  
>the  
>> > > military action in Afghanistan and seem less hopeful than they were  
>> > > before the bombing began. Although most respondents said the war was  
>> > > going well for the United States, the largest proportion--58 percent--  
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>> > > said it was going only somewhat well. Twenty-five percent said it was  
>> > > going very well, and 13 percent said the war was going badly.  
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>> > > Only 28 percent are very confident that the United States will  
>capture or  
>> > > kill Mr. bin Laden, who is believed to be the mastermind behind the  
>Sept.  
>> > > 11 attacks. In a CBS News poll two weeks earlier, 38 percent said  
they  
>> > > were very confident.  
>> > >  
>> > > "Osama bin Laden is like a ghost," said Eleanor Roth, 67, a retired  
>> > > receptionist from Dayton, Ohio. "I would rather him be captured than  
>> > > killed to avoid him being labeled a martyr. Maybe they will find him,  
>but  
>> > > then again, many of these terrorists have been on the loose for  
years.

>> > > And with all of our technology, it doesn't seem to make a difference."

>> > >  
>> > > James Oleszczuk, 57, a longshoreman from Baltimore, was even less  
>> > > optimistic.  
>> > >  
>> > > "It won't be easy getting bin Laden," Mr. Oleszczuk said. "First it was  
>> > > weeks, then months, now years to get this guy. It makes me wonder what  
>> > > kind of intelligence reports the government is getting. You hear so many  
>> > > things, you don't know what to believe. The political implications of  
>> > > capturing him would be problematic with many of the Middle Eastern  
>> > > countries. I don't think it's going to happen."  
>> > >  
>> > > In another sign of mounting uneasiness about the war, only 29 percent  
>> > > said they were very confident in the ability of the United States  
>> > > government to maintain the international alliance of countries that  
>> > > support the military campaign; two weeks ago, 46 percent were very  
>> > > confident.  
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>> > > The public is prepared for a long and bloody conflict in Afghanistan;  
>> > > a  
>> > > majority of Americans say they are willing to accept the deaths of  
>> > > several thousand American troops there. Eight out of 10 respondents  
>> > > said  
>> > > they thought the conflict would extend beyond Afghanistan into  
>> > > neighboring countries and other parts of the world.  
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>> > > "I wouldn't be surprised if this war took three to five years," said  
>> > > Judy  
>> > > Adams, 48, a homemaker from Jonesville, La. "We have fought for our  
>> > > country for over 200 years to keep our land and our families safe.  
>> > > If we  
>> > > don't stand behind our president and pull together as a nation, we're  
>> > > not  
>> > > going to see our land stand."  
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>> > > Americans continue to view Israel favorably while they back the  
>> > > establishment of a Palestinian homeland in the occupied territories  
>> > > of  
>> > > the West Bank and Gaza Strip. About half the public views Saudi  
>> > > Arabia as  
>> > > a friend of the United States but not an ally.  
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>> > > There were signs of anxiety in the poll, perhaps because it was  
>> > > conducted  
>> > > at a time when developments have made people feel more vulnerable. In  
>> > > recent days, the Bush administration and leaders on Capitol Hill  
>> > > appeared  
>> > > to lack a coordinated message in responding to the anthrax threat.  
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>> > > Most Americans say they have been closely following the news about  
>> > > anthrax sent through the mail, and many have begun handling their own  
>> > > mail more cautiously.  
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>> > > The poll turned up mixed messages about the extent to which people are  
>> > > panicky. While they are concerned about whether the government can  
>> > > protect them, Americans are calm at home. Only a quarter say they are  
>> > > worried about terrorism in their own communities. While 20 percent of  
>> > > Americans say they are more on edge now than they were before the  
>attacks  
>> > > on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, few say they are having  
>> > > trouble sleeping or are experiencing a loss of income.  
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>> > > For all their misgivings about the government's capacity to protect  
>them,  
>> > > the public remains steadfast behind its leaders. Most people say that  
>Mr.  
>> > > Bush has clearly explained the goals of both the military action in  
>> > > Afghanistan and the war against terrorism in general.  
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>> > > Nearly 8 in 10 respondents approve of the way Mr. Bush is handling  
>the  
>> > > war on terrorism; more than 6 in 10 approve his handling of the  
>economy.  
>> > > Six in 10 Americans now say the country is moving in the right  
>direction.  
>> > > Last June, well before the attacks, only 4 in 10 said the same thing.  
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>> > > The public's support for its leaders and government extends far  
>beyond  
>> > > the White House. Over almost the last three decades, the job approval  
>> > > rating for Congress has never approached 67 percent, where it stands  
>> > > today.  
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>> > > The Watergate scandals first eroded the public's trust in government.  
>For  
>> > > more than 27 years, people said they were more distrustful of  
>government  
>> > > than trusting.  
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>> > > But in the aftermath of Sept. 11, people hold a different view. Now,  
>more  
>> > > than half of Americans said they trusted the government to do what  
>was  
>> > > right just about always or most of the time. In 1998, when the  
>Times/CBS  
>> > > News Poll last asked the question, only 26 percent said they  
>trusted the  
>> > > government.  
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>> > > Still, the poll found that the public was not prepared for a more  
>> > > activist government. Despite the high profile of many government  
>agencies  
>> > > since Sept. 11, people still favored a smaller government with fewer  
>> > > services over a bigger government with more services, 52 percent to  
>43  
>> > > percent.  
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>> > > Julie Hartfield, 22, a nursing assistant in Rochester, N.Y., said she  
>did

>> > > not know what to expect now.  
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>> > > "I feel like America was a little too sure of itself, thinking that  
no  
>> > > one could touch us," Ms. Hartfield said. "After the first anthrax  
>> > > outbreak, they should have made sure security was tight. Now there  
are  
>> > > outbreaks all over the place, and you wonder, 'What's next?' "  
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The top box "very satisfied" is the score to watch - now 36%. In light of the very tragic events, "somewhat satisfied" falls far short. Note that this is the plurality of opinion - 45%.

Nonetheless, there is room for improvement.

RE: Don's comments below. The question could read: "Thinking about the nation's campaign against terrorism, how much HEADWAY, IF ANY, do you think we are making...a lot, some, etc." Or "Thinking about the nation's campaign against terrorism, how

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There was an article in POQ by Garth Taylor about 1975 testing several  
different closed-ended occupational questions.

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Reply Separator

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I have a keen interest in any references dealing with recall effects in surveys. I am particularly interested in recall errors related to frequency questions (such as, how many gizmos did you purchase over the past so many weeks?). Does anyone have suggested readings?

I have found Norman Bradburn's chapter ("Response Effects") in "Handbook of Survey Research" (1983) very illuminating. Sudman, Finn and Lannom's article in Public Opinion Quarterly ("The use of bounded recall procedures in single interviews", 1984) is the last reference I have on the issue.

Thanks for your help. I am looking forward to discussing the issue of recall effects off-list or on-list, at your convenience.

Benoît Gauthier, <mailto:gauthier@circum.com>  
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There's a draft paper on web vs. mail modes of administration of the  
National Survey of Student Engagement at:  
[http://www.indiana.edu/~csr/AAPOR\\_NSSE.pdf](http://www.indiana.edu/~csr/AAPOR_NSSE.pdf)

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On Wed, 31 Oct 2001, Holly Hart wrote:

> I'm looking for research comparing response bias between paper and web  
> surveys. Particularly I'm interested in whether responses by web are  
> more/less positive, contradictory, shorter/longer, more complete than the  
> same surveys done on paper. Can anyone recommend some of this  
> literature? (I'm interested particularly in a population that has web  
> access like professionals not general population.) Thanks!

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The discussion raises for me the question of whether polls should define =  
issues independently or as they have been defined by those who have (or =  
had) strong enough voices in public political life as to be "the issue =  
definers, even when those definitions seem to make no earthly sense =  
whatsoever. As a social scientist, I am inclined to the former =  
position; as a citizen to the latter. The premise that this " war =  
against terrorism" is or can be a war against terrorism seems absurd. =  
We're supposed to be eliminating the bases of support of terrorism in =  
Afghanistan when, clearly, the major bases for financing, training and =  
support of the 09/17 attacks were in Saudi Arabia, Germany, Florida, =  
New Jersey, etc. Look where Theodore Kaczynski was based. An [The?] =  
anthrax terrorist seems based near (at?) that seat of opinion research, =  
Princeton. (I can speak with some credentialled authority on the =  
subject of terrorism because, during my years of active service in the =  
Cold Wa, planning and support of "unarmed resistance" was for a time my =  
"major. field." That should not, however, restrict me, as is my wont, =  
from claiming expertise at everything else.) =20  
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Definitions of public issues often rest on absurd premises. Economic issues often are presented with meanings clueless with regard to the logic of NIPA or the rationales of money and banking. Few "opinion leaders" who bandy about issues involving "inflation" (and what issue involving money doesn't?) know what many of our colleagues know about the CPS and its successors, or consumer expenditure surveys, establishment surveys, etc. Think of surveying our own profession on its problems when cards had been stacked for us by dividing all of them into two, exhaustive heaps: "sampling error" and "non-sampling" error (or "measurement error," in the less-stacked, AAPOR-favored construction). The questions I am raising here are apart from any dealt with by the proposed definition of "Scientific Survey" (Summer 2001 AAPOR Newsletter). How surveys deal with a war we're waging raises tougher issues than do any other. The allegiances, duties and habits of mind we have as citizens are owed special due. So is our duty to do our job right. Particularly so because we can be especially aware of how crowded the last refuge of scoundrels can become when a nation is at war =20

My hope is that there will be a bit of balance in opinion survey construction; favoring keeping the objects of our questions phrased in keeping with how they are framed by identifiably legitimate political contenders, but also, where we think something vital out there is being missed, by following our own lights as independent, objective and skeptical experts, trained and equipped for objective, theoretically sound understanding of social phenomena. That's how I see the citizenship role as researcher or pollster. That's above and beyond my duty as citizen to respect the actions of legitimate authority, salute the flag, preserve protect and defend. . . . Oh, yes, and to cheer for my team in the World Series.

Albert D. Biderman  
abider@american.edu  
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----- Original Message -----=20

From: Nick Panagakis=20

To: aapornet@usc.edu=20

Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2001 10:43 AM

Subject: Re: NYT/CBS NEWS POLL: Survey Shows Doubts Stirring on Terror War (NYTimes)

I didn't think of the word "progress" as a bias because the answer choices do include very/somewhat dissatisfied. Isn't "Not making progress" a common term? I think it appears on grade school report cards. I believe progress in this context means status as in "in progress". Could be wrong about that. As for the more commonly used "U.S." (I think Jim was implying that) the war against terrorism is being waged by state and local governments and by the private sector so I used nation..=20

The top box "very satisfied" is the score to watch - now 36%. In light of the very tragic events, "somewhat satisfied" falls far short. Note that this is the plurality of opinion - 45%.=20

Nonetheless, there is room for improvement.=20

RE: Don's comments below. The question could read: "Thinking about the =

nation's campaign against terrorism, how much HEADWAY, IF ANY, do you = think we are making...a lot, some, etc." Or "Thinking about the nation's = campaign against terrorism, how satisfied are you with the HEADWAY we = are making...very satisfied, etc.?"=20

Thanks for the comments. But I do believe you agree that some "global" = measure would be useful.=20

Nick=20

rom: Don Ferree <gferree@ssc.wisc.edu>=20

"I am personally less troubled by the second "progress" which seems to = me to be close to asking about "how well we are doing" than the first, which COULD imply there is progress, in contrast to "Thinking about the = campaign against terrorism, how satisfied". Still, I would tend to avoid the = word "progress", or add "if any", to increase the "face neutrality" of the = question.

James Beniger wrote:=20

Nick,

Doesn't using the word "progress"--two times, in a single, two-line sentence--bias the responses? Isn't it rather difficult for any one = of us to be "dissatisfied" with anything we are told is "progress," as = made by anyone (not to mention our own "nation"--and against "terrorism" = yet)?

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Jim

On Wed, 31 Oct 2001, Nick Panagakis wrote:=20

> For a Tribune Poll in Illinois that ran last Sunday, I tried more = of a "global"=20

> question which could be used over time to measure the progress the = nation is=20

> making regardless of the form of terrorist activity now or in the = future.=20

> Thinking about the progress the nation is making in its campaign = against=20

> terrorism, how satisfied are you with the progress we are = making...?=20

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> > > war on terrorism; more than 6 in 10 approve his handling of =  
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"the issue definers, even when those definitions seem to make no earthly sense whatsoever. As a social scientist, I am inclined to the former position as a citizen to the latter. The premise that this "war against terrorism" is or can be a war against terrorism seems absurd. We're supposed to be eliminating the bases of support of terrorism in Afghanistan when, clearly, the major bases for financing, training and support of the 09/17 attacks were in Saudi Arabia, Germany, Florida, New Jersey, etc. Look where Theodore Kaczynski was based. An anthrax terrorist seems based near (at?) that seat of opinion research, Princeton. (I can speak with some credentialled authority on the subject of terrorism because, during my years of active service in the Cold War, planning and support of "unarmed resistance" was for a time my major field. That should not, however, restrict me, as is my wont, from claiming expertise at everything else.)

Definitions of public issues often rest on absurd premises. Economic issues often are presented with meanings clueless with regard to the logic of NIPA or the rationales of money and banking. Few "opinion leaders" who bandy about issues involving "inflation" (and what issue involving money doesn't?) know what many of our colleagues know about the CPS and its successors, or consumer expenditure surveys, establishment surveys, etc. Think of surveying our own profession on its problems when cards had been stacked for us by dividing all of them into two, exhaustive heaps: "sampling error" and "non-sampling" error (or "measurement error," less-stacked, AAPOR-favored construction). The questions I am raising here are apart from any dealt with by the proposed definition of "Scientific Survey" (Summer 2001 AAPOR Newsletter). How do we deal with a war we're waging? It raises tougher issues than do any other. The allegiances, duties and habits of mind we have as citizens are owed special due. So is our duty to do our job right.

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they are <BR>> > > &nbsp; worried about terrorism in their =  
own=20  
communities. While 20 percent of <BR>> > > &nbsp; Americans =  
say they=20  
are more on edge now than they were before the attacks <BR>> > > =  
&nbsp; on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, few say they =  
are=20  
having <BR>> > > &nbsp; trouble sleeping or are experiencing =  
a loss=20  
of income. <BR>> > > &nbsp; <BR>> > > &nbsp; For all their =  
misgivings about the government's capacity to protect them, <BR>> > =  
&nbsp;=20  
&nbsp; the public remains steadfast behind its leaders. Most =  
people say=20  
that Mr. <BR>> > > &nbsp; Bush has clearly explained the =  
goals of=20  
both the military action in <BR>> > > &nbsp; Afghanistan and =  
the war=20  
against terrorism in general. <BR>> > > &nbsp; <BR>> > > =  
&nbsp;=20  
Nearly 8 in 10 respondents approve of the way Mr. Bush is handling =  
the=20  
<BR>> > > &nbsp; war on terrorism; more than 6 in 10 approve =  
his=20  
handling of the economy. <BR>> > > &nbsp; Six in 10 =  
Americans now=20  
say the country is moving in the right direction. <BR>> > > =  
&nbsp;=20  
Last June, well before the attacks, only 4 in 10 said the same =  
thing.=20  
<BR>> > > &nbsp; <BR>> > > &nbsp; The public's support for =  
its=20  
leaders and government extends far beyond <BR>> > > &nbsp; =  
the White=20  
House. Over almost the last three decades, the job approval <BR>> > > =  
&nbsp;=20  
&nbsp; rating for Congress has never approached 67 percent, =  
where it=20  
stands <BR>> > > &nbsp; today. <BR>> > > &nbsp; <BR>> > > =  
&nbsp;=20  
&nbsp; The Watergate scandals first eroded the public's trust in =  
government. For <BR>> > > &nbsp; more than 27 years, people =  
said=20  
they were more distrustful of government <BR>> > > &nbsp; =  
than=20  
trusting. <BR>> > > &nbsp; <BR>> > > &nbsp; But in the =  
aftermath=20  
of Sept. 11, people hold a different view. Now, more <BR>> > >=20  
&nbsp;=20  
&nbsp; than half of Americans said they trusted the government =  
to do=20  
what was <BR>> > > &nbsp; right just about always or most of =  
the=20





