

Australian Election Study Top-up Survey Online Questionnaire

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Section A: The Election Campaign

H.2. In what year were you born?

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Year 19

S1 Were you enrolled to vote in the most recent Federal election?

1. Yes
2. No

COMPUTE AGE = 2010 - (1900 + H2)

DUM1 AGECAT

1. 18-24 years
2. 25-34 years
3. 35+years

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TERM Thanks for your interest in this study, but we have already completed our quota of interviews with people in your age group. Thanks for being prepared to help out.

First, some questions about the Federal election campaign, the period between when the election was announced on 17 July and Election Day on Saturday 21 August.

- A.1. Generally speaking, how much interest do you **usually have** in what's going on in politics?
1. A good deal
 2. Some
 3. Not much
 4. None
- A.2. How much attention did you pay to reports about the election campaign **in the newspapers** – a good deal, some, not much or none at all?
1. A good deal
 2. Some
 3. Not much
 4. None at all
- A.3. Did you follow the election campaign news **on television**—a good deal, some, not much or none at all? And did you follow the election campaign news **on the radio**?

And how about the internet—did you follow the election campaign news **on the internet**?

	Television	Radio	Internet
A good deal			
Some			
Not much			
None at all			

A.4. And how much interest would you say you took **in the election campaign** overall?

1. A good deal
2. Some
3. Not much
4. None at all

A.5. Here is a list of things some people do during elections. How often did you do any of these things during the recent election?

	Frequently	Occasionally	Rarely	Not at all
Discuss politics with others in person (i.e. face to face or over the phone)				
Discuss politics with others online (i.e. through email or in a discussion group)				
Talk to other people to persuade them to vote for a particular party or candidate				
Show your support for a particular party or candidate by, for example, attending a meeting, putting up a poster, or in some other way				
Go to any political meetings or rallies				
Contribute money to a political party or election candidate by mail or phone				
Contribute money to a political party or election candidate using the internet				

A.6. Did you watch the televised debate between Julia Gillard and Tony Abbott on Sunday 25 July?

1. Yes
2. No

A.7. From what you saw or what you heard or read about it, who do you think performed better in the debate—Gillard or Abbott?

1. Gillard did much better
2. Gillard did somewhat better
3. About equal
4. Abbott did somewhat better
5. Abbott did much better

A.8. During the election campaign, did a candidate or anyone from a political party contact you to persuade you to vote for them?

Please check all that apply

Programmer note: Option 1 single code only

1. No
2. Yes, by telephone
3. Yes, by mail
4. Yes, by face-to-face
5. Yes, by email or through the web

A.9. Do you think that voting at Federal elections should be compulsory, or do you think that people should only have to vote if they want to?

1. Strongly favour compulsory voting
2. Favour compulsory voting
3. Favour people voting only if they want to
4. Strongly favour people voting only if they want to

A.10. Would you have voted in the election if voting had not been compulsory?

1. Definitely would have voted
2. Probably would have voted
3. Might, might not
4. Probably not
5. Definitely not

A.11. Do you think that the voting age in elections should be lowered to 16, or should it stay at 18?

1. Definitely lowered to 16
2. Probably lowered to 16
3. Probably stay at 18
4. Definitely stay at 18

A.12. Currently, most people vote on one single day—on a Saturday. Would you find it easier or more difficult to vote if you could cast your vote on the following days instead of Saturday?

	Much easier	Somewhat easier	No difference	More difficult	Much more difficult
On a weekday (Monday-Friday)					
On a Sunday					
Over a weekend					
Over a one week period					

A.13. Currently, most voters complete paper ballots at polling booths on election day. Again, would you find it easier or more difficult to vote if you could cast your vote in the following ways?

	Much easier	Somewhat easier	No difference	More difficult	Much more difficult
Electronic voting machines available in polling booths					
Early voting on paper ballots at pre-poll centres					
Voting online via the internet					
Other forms of electronic voting (e.g. via smart phones, SMS texts)					
Postal voting					

A.14. Did you make use of the internet at all to get news or information about the 2010 Federal election?

1. Yes, many times
2. Yes, on several occasions
3. Yes, once or twice
4. Have internet access but didn't use it for election information (Skip to B1)
5. Do not use/have access to internet (Skip to B1)

A.14=1 TO 4 (~~Made use of Internet to get news or information about the election~~)

A.15. During the 2010 election campaign did you read or access any of the following websites?

Please check all that apply

1. Party or candidate campaign sites (e.g. home pages, official Facebook profiles, official YouTube channels)
2. Mainstream news media (e.g. ABC Online, SMH site etc)
3. Unofficial online videos (i.e. non-party produced) with campaign or political content (e.g. YouTube)
4. Federal Parliament site
5. Australian Electoral Commission site
6. Political blog

A.14=1 TO 4 (~~Made use of Internet to get news or information about the election~~)

A.16. During the 2010 election campaign did you do any of the following activities online?

Please check all that apply

1. Signed up to receive information from a party or candidate and/or registered as a follower/friend/supporter
2. Used online tools to help parties and candidates (e.g. forwarded / shared / reposted campaign information)
3. Posted comments on a blog, twitter feed or wall of a social network site (either yours or someone else's)
4. Shared unofficial campaign content (e.g. links to videos, news stories) with others via email, Facebook, twitter or sms
5. Reposted unofficial campaign content (e.g. blog posts, links to videos) on your own pages (Facebook or twitter profile, blog)

Section B: Party Preference and Voting

- B.1. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as Liberal, Labor, National or what?
1. Liberal
 2. Labor
 3. National (Country) Party
 4. Greens
 5. Other party (please specify)
 6. No party (**Skip to B3**)

B.1=1 TO 5 (Association with a political party)

- B.2. Would you call yourself a very strong, fairly strong, or not very strong supporter of that party?
1. Very strong supporter
 2. Fairly strong supporter
 3. Not very strong supporter
- B.3. Would you say you cared a good deal which party won the Federal election or that you did not care very much which party won?
1. Cared a good deal
 2. Did not care very much
 3. Did not care at all
- B.4. When did you decide how you would **definitely** vote in this election?
1. A long time ago
 2. A few months ago, before election day was announced
 3. About the time the election was announced, on 17 July
 4. In the first few weeks of the campaign
 5. A few days before election day
 6. On election day
- B.5. In deciding how you would vote in the election, which was **most** important to you?

Programmer note: Single response

1. The party leaders
2. The policy issues
3. The candidates in your electorate
4. The parties taken as a whole

B.9. In the Federal election for the House of Representatives on Saturday 21 August, which party did you vote for **first** in the House of Representatives? And in the Senate election?

	House of Representatives	Senate
Liberal Party		
Labor Party (ALP)		
National (Country) Party		
Greens		
Other (please specify party)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Voted informal/Did not vote		

B.10. **If your first preference was for the Greens or other minor party:** In the end, which of the two major parties, the Liberal-National Coalition or the Labor Party, did you give your preference to in the House of Representatives? And in the Senate election?

	House of Representatives	Senate
Liberal-National Coalition		
Labor Party (ALP)		
Not sure/Don't know		

B.11. In voting for the House of Representatives, did you follow a party 'How to Vote' card or did you decide your own preferences?

1. Followed a 'How to Vote' card
2. Decided my own preferences

B.12. And in voting for the Senate, did you vote by placing a "1" in a party box above the line or did you decide your own preferences by voting below the line?

1. Ticked a party box above the line
2. Decided my own preferences below the line

B.13. Was there any time during the election campaign when you **seriously** thought you might give your **first** preference to another party in the House of Representatives?

Please check one box only

1. No
2. Yes, Liberal Party
3. Yes, Labor Party (ALP)
4. Yes, National (Country) Party
5. Yes, Greens
6. Yes, another party/independent

B.14. In the last Federal election in November 2007, when Labor was led by Kevin Rudd and the Liberals by John Howard, which party got your first preference then in the House of Representatives election?

1. Liberal Party
2. Labor Party (ALP)
3. National (Country) Party
4. Greens
5. Another party/independent
6. Did not vote (**Skip to B16**)

B.14 = 1 TO 5 (Voted in the last election)

B.15. How well did the party you voted for then perform over the past three years? Has it done ...

1. A very good job
2. A good job
3. A bad job
4. A very bad job

B.16. Before this current Federal election for the House of Representatives, had you always voted for the same party, or had you sometimes voted for different parties?

Please check all that apply

Programmer note: Code 1 and Code 7 single codes

1. Always voted for the same party
2. Sometimes voted Liberal
3. Sometimes voted Labor (ALP)
4. Sometimes voted National (Country)
5. Sometimes voted Green
6. Sometimes voted for other party/independent
7. Did not vote before this election

C.4. Here is a list of words and phrases people use to describe party leaders. Thinking first about **Julia Gillard**, in your opinion how well does each of these describe her – extremely well, quite well, not too well or not well at all?

	Extremely well	Quite well	Not too well	Not well at all
Intelligent				
Compassionate				
Competent				
Sensible				
Provides strong leadership				
Honest				
Knowledgeable				
Inspiring				
Trustworthy				

C.5. Now thinking about **Tony Abbott**, in your opinion how well does each of these describe him—extremely well, quite well, not too well or not well at all?

	Extremely well	Quite well	Not too well	Not well at all
Intelligent				
Compassionate				
Competent				
Sensible				
Provides strong leadership				
Honest				
Knowledgeable				
Inspiring				
Trustworthy				

C.6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Labor Party handled the leadership change in June of this year, when Julia Gillard replaced Kevin Rudd?

1. Strongly approve
2. Approve
3. Disapprove
4. Strongly disapprove

C.7. On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Australia?

1. Very satisfied
2. Fairly satisfied
3. Not very satisfied
4. Not at all satisfied

C.8. Which of the following statements do you most agree with?

1. The less government the better
2. There are more things the government should be doing

C.9. In general, do you feel that the people in government are too often interested in looking after themselves, or do you feel that they can be trusted to do the right thing nearly all the time?

1. Usually look after themselves
2. Sometimes look after themselves
3. Sometimes can be trusted to do the right thing
4. Usually can be trusted to do the right thing

C.10. Would you say the government is run by a few big interests looking out for themselves, or that it is run for the benefit of all the people?

1. Entirely run for the big interests
2. Mostly run for the big interests
3. About half and half
4. Mostly run for the benefit of all
5. Entirely run for the benefit of all

C.11. Over the past five years or so, have you done any of the following things to express your views about something the government should or should not be doing?

	Yes	No
Contacted a politician or government official by email		
Contacted a politician or government official either in person, or in writing		
Taken part in a protest, march or demonstration		
Worked together with people who shared the same concern		
Signed a written petition		
Signed an online or e-petition		

C.12. Some people say that Federal politicians know what ordinary people think. Others say that Federal politicians don't know much about what ordinary people think. Where would you place your view on this scale from 1 to 5?

Federal politicians know what ordinary people think				Federal politicians don't know what ordinary people think
1	2	3	4	5

C.13. Some people say it makes a big difference who is in power. Others say it doesn't make any difference who is in power. Using the scale below, where would you place yourself?

It makes a big difference who is in power				It doesn't make any difference who is in power
1	2	3	4	5

C.14. Some people say that no matter who people vote for, it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the scale below, where would you place yourself?

Who people vote for can make a big difference				Who people vote for won't make any difference
1	2	3	4	5

Section D: Election Issues

D.1. Here is a list of important issues that were discussed during the election campaign. **When you were deciding about how to vote**, how important was each of these issues to you personally?

	Issues	Extremely important	Quite important	Not very important
1.	Global warming			
2.	Taxation			
3.	Education			
4.	Unemployment			
5.	The environment			
6.	Interest rates			
7.	Industrial relations			
8.	Health and Medicare			
9.	Refugees and asylum seekers			
10.	The resources tax			
11.	Population policy			
12.	Management of the economy			

D.2. Still thinking about these same issues, whose policies—the Labor Party’s or the Liberal–National Coalition’s—would you say **come closer** to your own views on each of these issues?

	Issues	Labor (ALP)	Liberal–National Coalition	No difference	Don’t know
1.	Global warming				
2.	Taxation				
3.	Education				
4.	Unemployment				
5.	The environment				
6.	Interest rates				
7.	Industrial relations				
8.	Health and Medicare				
9.	Refugees and asylum seekers				
10.	The resources tax				
11.	Population policy				
12.	Management of the economy				

D.3. Still thinking about the same 12 issues, which of these issues was **most** important to you and your family during the election campaign? And which next?

	Issues	Issue of most concern	Second issue of concern
1.	Global warming		
2.	Taxation		
3.	Education		
4.	Unemployment		
5.	The environment		
6.	Interest rates		
7.	Industrial relations		
8.	Health and Medicare		
9.	Refugees and asylum seekers		
10.	The resources tax		
11.	Population policy		
12.	Management of the economy		

- D.4. How does the **financial situation of your household** now compare with what it was 12 months ago? And how do you think the **general economic situation in Australia** now compares with what it was 12 months ago?

	A lot better	A little better	About the same	A little worse	A lot worse
Financial Situation of your household					
Economic situation in Australia					

- D.5. Compared with 12 months ago, would you say that the Federal government's policies have had a good effect, a bad effect, or that they really have not made much difference to the financial situation of your household?

And what effect do you think they have had on the general economic situation in Australia as a whole?

	A good effect	Not much difference	A bad effect
Financial Situation of your household			
Economic situation in Australia			

- D.6. Compared to now, what do you think the financial situation of your household will be **in 12 months time**?

And what do you think the general economic situation in Australia as a whole will be in 12 months time?

	A lot better	A little better	About the same	A little worse	A lot worse
Financial Situation of your household					
Economic situation in Australia					

D.7. Do you think that, **12 months from now**, the Federal government's policies will have had a good effect, a bad effect, or that they really will have not made much difference to the financial situation of your household?

And what effect do you think they will have had on general economic situation in Australia as a whole?

	A good effect	Not much difference	A bad effect
Financial Situation of your household			
Economic situation in Australia			

D.8. Thinking back to the Federal election in 2007, when Kevin Rudd won against John Howard, would you say that since then the following have increased or fallen?

	Increased a lot	Increased a little	Stayed the same	Fallen a little	Fallen a lot
Unemployment					
Prices					
Taxes					
The standard of health services					
The quality of education					
The quality of industrial relations					
Your own standard of living					
The general standard of living					

D.9. Please say whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of these statements.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
High income tax makes people less willing to work hard					
The trade unions in this country have too much power					
Big business in this country has too much power					
Income and wealth should be redistributed towards ordinary working people					
There should be stricter laws to regulate the activities of trade unions					

Section E: Social Policy

E.1. If the government had a choice between reducing taxes or spending more on social services, which do you think it should do?

1. Strongly favour reducing taxes
2. Mildly favour reducing taxes
3. Depends
4. Mildly favour spending more on social services
5. Strongly favour spending more on social services

E.2. The statements below indicate some of the changes that have been happening in Australia over the years. For each one, please say whether you think the change has gone too far, not gone far enough, or is it about right?

	Gone much too far	Gone too far	About right	Not gone far enough	Not gone nearly far enough
Equal opportunities for migrants					
The right to show nudity and sex in films and magazines					
Aboriginal land rights					
Equal opportunities for women					
The number of migrants allowed into Australia at the present time					
Government help for Aborigines					
Building closer relations with Asia					
Australia's support for the fight against terrorism					

E.3. Which one of these statements comes closest to how you feel about abortion in Australia?

1. Women should be able to obtain an abortion readily when they want one
2. Abortion should be allowed only in special circumstances
3. Abortion should not be allowed under any circumstances
4. Don't know

E.4. Here are some statements about general social concerns. Please say whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of these statements.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
The death penalty should be reintroduced for murder					
The smoking of marijuana should NOT be a criminal offence					
People who break the law should be given stiffer sentences					
Women should be given preferential treatment when applying for jobs and promotions					
All boats carrying asylum seekers should be turned back					
The government should increase opportunities for women in business and industry					

E.5. Next, a question about what you think the aims of Australia should be for the next ten years. Here is a list of four aims that different people would give priority.

If you had to choose among these four aims, which would be your first choice? And which would be your second choice?

	First choice	Second choice
Maintain order in the nation		
Give people more say in important government decisions		
Fight rising prices		
Protect freedom of speech		

E.6. Here is another list of four aims.

If you had to choose among these four aims, which would be your first choice? And which would be your second choice?

	First choice	Second choice
Maintain a high level of economic growth		
Make sure this country has strong defence forces		
See that people have more say about how things are done at their job and in their communities		
Try to make our cities and countryside more beautiful		

E.7. And here is a further list.

If you had to choose among these four aims, which would be your first choice? And which would be your second choice?

	First choice	Second choice
A stable economy		
Progress toward a less impersonal and more humane society		
Progress toward a society in which ideas count more than money		
The fight against crime		

E.8. How much confidence do you have in the following organisations?

	A great deal of confidence	Quite a lot of confidence	Not very much confidence	None at all
The armed forces				
The legal system				
The press				
Television				
Trade unions				
The police				
The Federal government in Canberra				
Australian political parties				
The Federal parliament				
The public service				
Major Australian companies				
Banks and financial institutions				
Universities				
The Australian political system				

Section F: General Political Views

- F.1. How important do you feel the Queen and the Royal Family are to Australia?
1. Very important
 2. Fairly important
 3. Not very important
- F.2. Do you think that Australia should become a republic with an Australian head of state, or should the Queen be retained as head of state?
1. Strongly favour becoming republic
 2. Favour becoming republic
 3. Favour retaining the Queen as head of state
 4. Strongly favour retaining the Queen as head of state
- F.3. How important do you think the Australian alliance with the United States under the ANZUS treaty is for protecting Australia's security?
1. Very important
 2. Fairly important
 3. Not very important
 4. Not at all important
- F.4. If Australia's security were threatened by some other country, how much trust do you feel Australia can have in the United States to come to Australia's defence?
1. A great deal
 2. A fair amount
 3. Not very much
 4. None at all

F.5. In your opinion, are any of the following countries likely to pose a threat to Australia's security?

	Countries	Very likely	Fairly likely	Not very likely
1.	Japan			
2.	United States			
3.	China			
4.	Vietnam			
5.	Malaysia			
6.	Indonesia			

F.6. Do you think that the government should spend more or spend less on defence?

1. Spend much more on defence
2. Spend some more on defence
3. About right at present
4. Spend less on defence
5. Spend a lot less on defence

F.7. Do you approve or disapprove of Australia's involvement in the war in Afghanistan?

1. Strongly approve
2. Approve
3. Disapprove
4. Strongly disapprove

F.8. Please say whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of the following statements.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Australia's defence is stronger now than it was 10 years ago					
Australia would be able to defend itself successfully if it were ever attacked					
Australia's trading future lies in Asia					
Australia should provide military assistance for the war on terrorism					

F.9. Do you think the number of immigrants allowed into Australia nowadays should be reduced or increased?

1. Increased a lot
2. Increased a little
3. Remain about the same as it is
4. Reduced a little
5. Reduced a lot

F.10. There are different opinions about the effects that immigrants have on Australia. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Immigrants increase the crime rate					
Immigrants are generally good for Australia's economy					
Immigrants take jobs away from people who are born in Australia					
Immigrants make Australia more open to new ideas and cultures					

F.11. How serious a threat do you think global warming will pose to you or your way of life in your lifetime?

1. Very serious
2. Fairly serious
3. Not very serious
4. Not at all serious

F.12. Do you own shares in any company listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (shares registered in your name or that of your family company)?

1. No, don't own any shares
2. Yes, in one company
3. Yes, in two to five companies
4. Yes, in six to 10 companies
5. Yes, in more than 10 companies

F.13. And finally, a quick quiz on Australian government. For each of the following statements, please say whether it is true or false. If you don't know the answer, select the "don't know" box and try the next one.

		True	False	Don't know
1.	Australia became a federation in 1901			
2.	There are 75 members of the House of Representatives			
3.	The Constitution can only be changed by the High Court			
4.	The Senate election is based on proportional representation			
5.	No-one may stand for Federal parliament unless they pay a deposit			
6.	The longest time allowed between Federal elections for the House of Representatives is four years			

Section G: Education and Work

G.1. How old were you when you left secondary school?

1. Age
2. No formal schooling
3. Went to primary school only
4. Still at school

G.2. In all, how many years of **tertiary** study have you completed since you left secondary school?

If your tertiary study was part-time, give the number of years of equivalent full-time study.

[Non Mandatory]

Years of full-time tertiary study

G.3. Have you obtained a trade qualification, a degree or a diploma, or any other qualification since leaving school? What is your highest qualification?

1. **No qualification** since leaving school

Qualified—check one box for highest qualification only

2. Postgraduate Degree or Postgraduate Diploma

3. Bachelor Degree (including Honours)

4. Undergraduate Diploma

5. Associate Diploma

6. Trade qualification

7. Non-trade qualification

G.4. Now some questions about the work you are doing now. Last week, what were you mainly doing?

1. Working full-time for pay

2. Working part-time for pay

3. Unemployed—looking for full-time work

4. Unemployed—looking for part-time work

5. Retired from paid work

6. A full-time school or university student

7. Keeping house

8. Other (please specify)

G.5. What kind of work do you do? Please give your full job title, and as much detail as you can. For public servants, state official designation and occupation. For armed services personnel, state rank and occupation.

Note: If you are unemployed or retired, please describe your last regular paid job.

Programmer note: Option “Never worked for pay” required to skip to Section H.

a) Full Job title

b) What are (or were) the main tasks that you usually perform? Please give full details.

Main tasks

c) What kind of business or industry is (or was) that in? What do they do or make at the place where you work (or used to work)?

Kind of industry

d) Which of the following best describes the position that you hold (or held)?

1. Upper managerial
2. Middle managerial
3. Lower managerial
4. Supervisory
5. Non-supervisory

e) Whom do (or did) you work for?

1. Self-employed
2. Employee in private company or business
3. Employee of Federal/State/Local Government
4. Employee in family business or farm

f) As an official part of your job, do (or did) you directly supervise the work of other employees or tell other employees what work to do?

1. Yes
2. No

G.6. Do you belong to a trade union?

[Non Mandatory]

1. Yes
2. No

G.7. Are you an active member of any of the following organisations, an inactive member or not a member?

	Active member	Inactive member	Don't belong
Business or employers' association			
Farmers' association			
Professional association			
Charitable organisation			
Sport or recreation organisation			

G.8. In the last 12 months, have you done any of the following activities as part of your involvement with your job, community or other organizations you belong to?

Please select all that apply

- 1. Written a letter
- 2. Gone to a meeting where you took part in making decisions
- 3. Planned or chaired a meeting
- 4. Given a presentation or speech

Section H: Personal Background

This final section includes questions about yourself and your family background. These characteristics are very important to our research on how people in different circumstances feel about the issues covered earlier. **The information you provide is totally confidential and will be used only for this research.**

H.1. Are you male or female?

- 1. Male
- 2. Female

~~H.2. In what year were you born?~~

~~Programmer note: Validation with question G1~~

~~[Non Mandatory]~~

~~Year 19~~

H.3. In which country were you born? And your mother? And your father?

[Non Mandatory]

Country of birth	Yourself	Mother	Father
Australia			
New Zealand			
United Kingdom			
Republic of Ireland			
Italy			
Germany			
Greece			
China			
Netherlands			
Vietnam			
Yugoslavia (former)			
Other (please specify)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

H.4. Did your father have any particular preference for one of the political parties when you were young, say about 14 years old? And how about your mother?

[Non Mandatory]

	Father	Mother
Liberal (includes UAP)		
Labor		
National/Country (includes Progressive Party)		
Democratic Labor (DLP)		
Australian Democrats		
Other parties		
Don't know		

H.5. What is your religion or faith?

1. Roman Catholic
2. Anglican/Church of England
3. Uniting Church/Methodist
4. Orthodox Church
5. Presbyterian
6. Other *(Please*

7.....No religion

H.6. Apart from weddings, funerals and baptisms, about how often do you attend religious services?

- 1.....At least once a week
- 2.....At least once a month
- 3.....Several times a year
- 4.....At least once a year
- 5.....Less than once a year
- 6.....Never

H.7. What is your current marital status?

[Non Mandatory]

- 1.....Never married
- 2.....Now married
(including de facto relationships)
- 3.....Widowed
- 4.....Divorced or separated

H.8. On an average weekday, how many hours per day do you have to yourself (that is, time awake without having to work, spend time at college or other educational programs, do housework, look after children or deal with other people's needs)? Please give your answer to the nearest hour.

Hours (from 0 to 24)

H.9. Do you own outright, are you buying or renting the dwelling in which you now live?

- 1.....Own outright
- 2.....Own, paying off mortgage
- 3.....Rent from private landlord
- 4.....Rent from public housing authority
- 5.....Other (boarding, living at home, etc)

H.10. In general, how often do you use the internet?

- 1.....Several times a day
- 2.....About once a day

- 3..... Three to five days a week
- 4..... One to two days a week
- 5..... Every few weeks
- 6..... Less often
- 7..... Do not use the internet (Skip to H13)

H.10 = 1 TO 6 (Use Internet)

H.11. When did you first start using the internet?

- 1..... Within the last six months
- 2..... About a year ago
- 3..... Two or three years ago
- 4..... More than three years ago

H.12. Have you done any of the following tasks on the Internet?

Please check all that apply

- 1..... Sent an attachment with an email
- 2..... Posted audio, video or image files
- 3..... Personally designed a webpage or blog
- 4..... Downloaded a software program to your computer

H.13. Which social class would you say you belong to?

[Non Mandatory]

- 1..... Upper class
- 2..... Middle class
- 3..... Working class
- 4..... None

H.14. Would you say you now live in ...

- 1..... A rural area or village
- 2..... A small country town (under 10,000 people)
- 3..... A larger country town (over 10,000 people)
- 4..... A large town (over 25,000 people)
- 5..... A major city (over 100,000 people)

H.15. What is the gross annual income, before tax or other deductions, for you and your family living with you from all sources? Please include any pensions and allowances, and income from interest or dividends.

[Non Mandatory]

Less than \$10,000 per year			\$70,001 to \$80,000 per year	
\$10,001 to \$15,000 per year			\$80,001 to \$90,000 per year	
\$15,001 to \$20,000 per year			\$90,001 to \$100,000 per year	
\$20,001 to \$25,000 per year			\$100,001 to \$110,000 per year	
\$25,001 to \$30,000 per year			\$110,001 to \$120,000 per year	
\$30,001 to \$35,000 per year			\$120,001 to \$130,000 per year	
\$35,001 to \$40,000 per year			\$130,001 to \$140,000 per year	
\$40,001 to \$45,000 per year			\$140,001 to \$150,000 per year	
\$45,001 to \$50,000 per year			\$150,001 to \$160,000 per year	
\$50,001 to \$60,000 per year			\$160,001 to \$180,000 per year	
\$60,001 to \$70,000 per year			More than \$180,000 per year	

Your partner

IF H7 = 2 (Now married or in a de-facto relationship) continue ELSE go to CLOSE

H.16. What was your partner's main activity last week?

1. Working full-time for pay
2. Working part-time for pay
3. Unemployed—looking for full-time work
4. Unemployed—looking for part-time work
5. Retired from paid work
6. A full-time school or university student
7. Keeping house
8. (please specify)

H.17. What kind of work does (or did) your partner do? Please give their full job title, and as much detail as you can. For public servants, state official designation and occupation. For armed services personnel, state rank and occupation.

Note: If not working for pay now, please describe your partner's last regular paid job.

Programmer note: Option "Partner has never worked for pay" required to skip to H21.

a) Job title

b) What are (or were) the main tasks that your partner usually performs? Please give full details.

Main tasks

H.18. Whom does (or did) your partner work for?

- 1.....Self-employed
- 2.....Employee in private company or business
- 3.....Employee of Federal/State/Local Government
- 4.....Employee in family business or farm

H.19. As an official part of their job, does (or did) your partner directly supervise the work of other employees or tell other employees what work to do?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

H.20. Does your partner belong to a trade union?

[Non Mandatory]

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

H.21. Generally speaking, does your partner usually think of himself or herself as Liberal, Labor, National or what?

- 1. Liberal
- 2. Labor
- 3. National (Country) Party
- 4. Greens
- 5. Other party (please specify)

- 6. No party

Section I: Close

That is the end of the questionnaire.

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