

Appendix table 7-3
Leading source of information about specific scientific issue, by respondent characteristic: 2004
 (Percent)

Characteristic	Newspaper	Magazine	Internet	Books/ other print	Television	Radio	Government agency	Family	Friend/ colleague	Other	Do not know	Sample (n)
All adults	6	9	52	12	13	—	1	1	1	3	1	2,007
Male	6	9	54	11	13	—	1	1	1	3	1	897
Female	5	8	51	13	13	—	—	1	2	4	2	1,110
Formal education												
<High school	7	6	29	9	33	—	2	1	3	4	6	136
High school graduate	6	8	50	13	15	—	—	1	1	4	1	1,151
Baccalaureate	3	11	66	9	5	1	—	1	1	2	—	449
Graduate/professional degree	5	12	62	14	1	—	1	1	—	2	1	259
Science/mathematics education ^a												
Low	8	6	42	12	21	1	1	1	2	4	2	748
Middle	6	10	53	12	11	—	1	1	—	3	1	480
High	4	11	63	11	5	—	—	1	1	2	1	777
Family income (quartile)												
Top	4	10	71	7	6	—	—	—	1	1	1	511
Second	3	9	59	11	11	—	—	2	1	2	1	489
Third	9	10	52	10	12	—	—	1	1	4	1	454
Bottom	6	8	34	17	23	1	2	1	1	5	2	409
Age (years)												
18–24	2	5	63	16	8	—	—	1	2	3	—	115
25–34	4	5	71	10	7	—	—	—	—	2	—	275
35–44	3	8	64	9	9	1	—	1	3	2	1	428
45–54	4	9	56	11	15	—	—	1	1	2	1	436
55–64	6	12	46	13	12	1	—	1	2	5	2	349
65+	13	12	19	15	24	1	2	2	1	6	4	397
Minor children at home												
Yes	3	8	66	10	9	—	—	—	1	2	—	716
No	8	10	43	13	16	1	1	2	1	4	2	1,290

— = ≤0.5% responded

^aLow = ≤5 high school and college science/math courses; middle = 6–8 courses; high = ≥9 courses.

NOTES: Responses to: *We are interested in how people get information about events in the news. Thinking about the kind of issues we have been talking about, where do you get most of your information about current news events?* Some respondents did not provide information about highest level of education. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

SOURCE: University of Michigan, Survey of Consumer Attitudes (2004).