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| BACKGROUND INFORMATION |
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1. **Were you a U.S. citizen on November 4, 2008?**

- Yes
 No

2. **What was your age on November 4, 2008?**

- 17 years old or younger
 18 to 24 years old
 25 to 29 years old
 30 to 34 years old
 35 to 44 years old
 45 years old or older

3. **In 2008, were you registered to vote in the U.S.?**

- Yes
 No

4. **On November 4, 2008, how long had you lived outside the U.S.?**

- Less than 1 year
 1 year to less than 3 years
 3 years to less than 6 years
 6 years to less than 10 years
 10 years or more
 Did not live outside the U.S. on November 4, 2008

5. **On November 4, 2008, in what overseas country were you residing? Please enter the name of the country in the box below.**

6. **On November 4, 2008, how long had you resided in this country?**

- Less than 6 months
 6 months to less than 1 year
 1 year to less than 2 years
 2 years to less than 3 years
 3 years or more

7. **Family members include your spouse and anyone of voting age (18 years old and older) who is related to you by blood, marriage, or adoption, and depends on you for more than half of their support. Not counting yourself, how many family members who were at least 18 years old lived with you at your current residence as of November 4, 2008?**

- 0
 1
 2
 3
 4
 5 or more

8. **Your legal voting residence is the state or territory where you last resided immediately prior to your departure from the U.S. The right to vote extends to overseas citizens even though they may no longer own property or have other ties to their last state of residence and their intent to return to that state may be uncertain. As of the November 4, 2008 election, what state or territory was your legal voting residence? Please select from the list below one of the 50 states, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession.**

2008 ELECTION

9. How interested or uninterested were you in the U.S. elections held on November 4, 2008?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Neither interested nor uninterested
- Somewhat uninterested
- Very uninterested

10. A lot of people were not able to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, they didn't have time, or something else happened to prevent them from voting. And sometimes, people who USUALLY vote or who PLANNED to vote forget that something UNUSUAL happened on election day this year that prevented them from voting THIS time. So please think carefully for a minute about the election held on November 4, 2008, and past elections in which you may have voted, and answer the following questions. During the past 6 years, did you usually vote in national, state, and local elections, or did you usually not vote?

- Usually voted
- Usually did not vote

11. During the months leading up to the election held on November 4, 2008, did you ever plan to vote in that election, or didn't you plan to vote?

- Did plan to vote
- Did not plan to vote

12. In the election held on November 4, 2008, did you definitely vote in person on election day, definitely mail or fax a completed absentee ballot on or before November 4, 2008, definitely not vote, or are you not completely sure whether you voted in that election?

- Definitely voted in person
- Definitely voted by mail or fax
- Definitely did not vote
- Not sure

13. [Ask if Q12 = 'Definitely did not vote'] Did you not vote in the November 4, 2008 election for the following reasons? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each reason.

| | Yes | No |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. I was not interested in voting | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. I was too busy to vote | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. I forgot to vote..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. I could not register to vote..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. I had no candidate preference | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f. I did not think my vote would matter | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g. I did not know how to get an absentee ballot | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| h. My absentee ballot arrived too late | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| i. My absentee ballot did not arrive at all..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| j. The absentee voting process was too complicated..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| k. I was concerned about federal or state income tax liability..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| l. Some other reason | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q13 l = 'Yes'] Please specify your other reason.

14. [Ask if Q12 = 'Definitely did not vote'] Even though you did not vote, did you request an absentee ballot for the November 4, 2008 election?

- Yes
- No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official
- No, and I never received an absentee ballot

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

15. [Ask if Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes'] In what month did you first request your absentee ballot for the November 4, 2008 election?

- July 2008 or earlier
- August 2008
- September 2008
- October 2008
- November 2008
- Do not recall

16. [Ask if Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes'] The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) (Standard Form 76) is a request for registration and a regular (as opposed to back-up) absentee ballot. Did you use the FPCA to request your absentee ballot for the November 4, 2008 election or did you use another method?

- I used the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)
- I used another method

[Ask if Q16 = 'I used another method'] Please specify your other method.

17. [Ask if (Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes') and Q16 = 'I used the FPCA'] Did you obtain your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to request your regular absentee ballot for the November 4, 2008 election from any of the following sources? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each source listed.

| | Yes | No |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. From the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. From some other contact with FVAP | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Through military channels | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. From a U.S. Embassy or consulate | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. From a state or local election official | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f. From an overseas organization or company | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g. From another non-FVAP Web site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| h. From a military post office | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Some other source | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q17 i = 'Yes'] Please specify your other source.

18. [Ask if Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes'] During 2008, did you receive notification from the local election official in the county/district where you registered to vote that your regular absentee ballot request had been received?

- Yes
- No
- Do not recall

19. [Ask if Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes'] Did you receive your regular absentee ballot for the November 4, 2008 election?

- Yes
- No

20. [Ask if (Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes') and Q19 = 'Yes'] When did you receive your regular absentee ballot for the November 4, 2008 election?

- August 2008
- September 2008
- October 2008
- November 2008
- Do not recall

21. [Ask if (Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes') and Q19 = 'Yes'] Did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot for the November 4, 2008 election?

- Yes
- No

22. [Ask if (Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes') and Q19 = 'Yes' and Q21 = 'Yes'] When did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot for the November 4, 2008 election?

- August 2008
- September 2008
- October 2008
- November 2008
- Do not recall

23. [Ask if Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes'] The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) (Standard Form 186) is a back-up ballot completed and returned if you are overseas and do not receive your regular absentee ballot. Did you use the FWAB in the November 4, 2008 election?

- Yes
- No

24. [Ask if (Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes') and Q23 = 'Yes'] Did you obtain your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for the November 4, 2008 election from the following sources? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each source listed.

| | Yes | No |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. From the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. From some other contact with FVAP | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Through military channels..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. From a U.S. Embassy or consulate | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. From a state or local election official..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f. From an overseas organization or company | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g. From another non-FVAP Web site..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| h. From a military post office..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Some other source | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q24 i = 'Yes'] Please specify your other source.

25. [Ask if (Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes') and Q23 = 'Yes'] When did you complete and return the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for the November 4, 2008 election?

- September 2008
- October 2008
- November 2008
- Do not recall

26. [Ask if (Q12 = 'Definitely voted by mail' or Q14 = 'Yes') and Q23 = 'No'] What is the ONE MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for the November 4, 2008 election? Mark only one.

- I did not know about the FWAB
- I knew about it, but didn't know how to get one
- I knew about it, but could not get one
- I had difficulty filling it out
- I had already returned a regular absentee ballot
- Some other reason

[Ask if Q26 = 'Some other reason'] Please specify your other reason.

VOTING ASSISTANCE

27. Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs) are designated individuals who provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to citizens who wish to vote. Embassies and consulates have assigned VAOs to carry out this responsibility. During 2008, did you receive voting information or assistance from an embassy or consulate VAO?

- Yes
- No

28. [Ask if Q27 = 'Yes'] During 2008, did you receive the following information or assistance from your embassy or consulate Voting Assistance Officer (VAO)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

| | Yes | No |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. Determining my eligibility to vote | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Understanding the absentee voting process | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Obtaining the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Completing the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Obtaining the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Completing the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Finding information on candidates/issues | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| h. Electronic transmission of election materials (i.e., faxing, e-mailing) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Some other voting information or assistance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q28 i = 'Yes'] Please specify other voting information or assistance.

29. [Ask if Q27 = 'Yes'] Overall, in 2008, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the information or assistance you received from your embassy or consulate Voting Assistance Officer (VAO)?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

30. [Ask if Q27 = 'No'] Did you not receive voting information or assistance from your embassy or consulate Voting Assistance Officer (VAO) in 2008 for any of the following reasons? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

| | Yes | No |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. I did not know I could get information or assistance from the VAO | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. I did not have a VAO | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. I did not know who my VAO was | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. I did not know how to contact my VAO | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. My VAO was not available when I needed assistance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

| | Yes | No |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| f. My VAO was not helpful when I needed assistance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g. My VAO did not have the materials or information I needed | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| h. I did not need any voting information or assistance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Some other reason | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q30 i = 'Yes'] Please specify your other reason.

31. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site, www.fvap.gov provides voting-related information and resources. In preparation for the 2008 primaries and general election, did you visit this Web site?

- Yes
- No

32. [Ask if Q31 = 'Yes'] In preparation for the 2008 primaries and general election, how many times did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site? Mark one.

- One
- Two to four
- Five to ten
- Eleven or more
- Do not recall

33. [Ask if Q31 = 'Yes'] Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site when you visited it in 2008?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

34. [Ask if Q31 = 'No'] Did you not visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site in 2008 for any of the following reasons? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

| | Yes | No |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. I did not know about it..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. I did not have Internet access..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. I knew about it, but did not know the Web site address..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. I got all the information I needed from other sources..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. I did not think it would be useful..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Some other reason..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q34 f = 'Yes'] Please specify your other reason.

35. The Department of Defense 2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG) provides state-by-state information about registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot. In preparation for the 2008 primaries and general election, did you refer to the VAG for information about registering to vote or requesting an absentee ballot?

- Yes
- No

36. [Ask if Q35 = 'Yes'] Where did you obtain the 2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

| | Yes | No |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. From the embassy or consulate Voting Assistance Officer (VAO)..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. From the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. From another Web site on the Internet..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. From a CD ROM..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Some other source..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q36 e = 'Yes'] Please specify your other source.

37. [Ask if Q35 = 'Yes'] During 2008, were you looking for the following information in the 2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

| | Yes | No |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. How to register and vote absentee..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Dates of elections and deadlines..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. How to fill out the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for your state..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Mailing address for Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) or ballot..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. How to transmit the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) or voted ballot by fax..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f. How to use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Web site addresses..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| h. Where to go for help..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Other type of voting-related information..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q37 i = 'Yes'] Please specify the other type of voting-related information.

38. [Ask if Q35 = 'Yes'] Overall, how would you rate the 2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG) as a reference on absentee voting procedures?

- Very good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Very poor

39. [Ask if Q35 = 'No'] Did you not use the 2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG) for any of the following reasons? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

| | Yes | No |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. I did not know about it..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. I knew about it, but could not get a copy..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. I got all the information I needed from another source..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Some other reason..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q39 d = 'Yes'] Please specify your other reason.

40. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides a toll-free telephone service from many countries that allows a caller to ask FVAP staff for voting information or assistance. Did you use this service to talk with a FVAP staff member in 2008?

- Yes
- No

41. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the assistance you received in 2008 when you called the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) toll-free telephone service?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

42. [Ask if Q40 = 'No'] Did you not use the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) toll-free telephone service in 2008 for any of the following reasons? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

| | Yes | No |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. I did not know about it..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. I knew about it, but I did not know what it was for..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. I knew about it, but I did not know the telephone number..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. I got all the information I needed from other sources..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. I did not need it..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f. It was a long-distance call..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g. I could not get through..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| h. A toll-free number is not available in my country of residence..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Some other reason..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q42 i = 'Some other reason'] Please specify your other reason.

OTHER SOURCES OF VOTING INFORMATION

43. If you received voting information from any of the following sources in 2008, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the information? Mark one answer for each item.

| | Very satisfied | Satisfied | Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Very dissatisfied | Did not use | Not available |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. U.S. Embassy or consulate..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Other Federal agency/agencies..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Political organizations..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Other private organization or company..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. State or local election official..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

44. If you used any of the following sources of voting information in 2008, how useful was each one? Mark one answer for each item.

| | Very useful | Useful | Somewhat useful | Not very useful | Not at all useful | Did not use | Not available |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. Voting Information News (VIN) newsletters..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Voting News Releases..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. "It's your Future. VOTE for it!" or "Road Sign" motivational posters..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Election dates chart..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

| | Very useful | Useful | Not very useful | Not at all useful | Did not use | Not available |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| e. How To Do It! Absentee Voting Frequently Asked Questions | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site/CD ROM training | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g. "Get Out the Vote" public service ad campaign | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

45. If you used the following sources to obtain any kind of voting information in 2008, how useful was each one? *Mark one answer for each item.*

| | Very useful | Useful | Somewhat useful | Not very useful | Not at all useful | Did not use | Not available |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. Local television, radio and print media | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. CNN International | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Armed Forces Radio/TV | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. International Herald Tribune | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. USA Today International | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Other U.S. civilian newspapers, magazines, radio, or TV | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Family or friends | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| h. The Internet | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF VOTING MATERIALS

46. Some states allow you to fax voting materials such as your absentee ballot request or the completed ballot itself. During 2008, did you fax any of the following materials? *Mark one answer for each item.*

| | Yes, but not using the FVAP toll-free faxing service | Yes, using the FVAP toll-free faxing service | No |
|--|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| a. Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Non-Federal Post Card Application request for absentee ballot | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Ballot | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Other voting materials | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q46 e = 'Yes'] Please specify the other voting materials.

47. Some states allow you to e-mail voting materials such as your absentee ballot request or the completed ballot itself. During 2008, did you e-mail any of the following materials? *Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.*

| | Yes | No |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Non-Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) request for absentee ballot | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Ballot | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Other voting materials | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

[Ask if Q47 e = 'Yes'] Please specify other voting materials.

2006 ELECTION

48. Elections for the U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives were held in 2006. A lot of respondents did not get to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they just didn't have time. How about you—did you vote in that election?

- Yes
 No
 Do not recall

49. *[Ask if Q48 = 'Yes']* How did you vote in the November 2006 election?

- I voted in person
 I voted by absentee ballot
 Do not recall

COMMENTS

50. In the space below, please provide any comments you have about this questionnaire, the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), or the absentee voting process in 2008.

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