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Introduction

While media attention focuses on proposals to regulate firearms at the national level, most laws relating to guns exist at the state level and most legislative initiatives in recent years have also been in state capitals rather than in Washington, DC (Bruce and Wilcox, 1998). Among the policies that have recently been debated in many state legislatures are shall-issue, concealed-carry laws, child access prevention acts, other dealer and owner liability statutes, and various other measures. Just as the media have focused on national legislation, so polls have concentrated on national public opinion. While the country's general public opinion is important to understand, such national information may be of limited utility in understanding citizen preferences in particular states and in regards to specific legislation and referendums in those states. To address this need, this report examines several valuable sources of information about attitudes towards and experiences with firearms at the state and regional level.

Data

Information on attitudes towards and experience with firearms at the state and/or regional level comes from three sources.¹ First, the archives of the National Network of State Polls (NNSP) at the University of North Carolina were searched. These polls are

¹For other sources of state level data see Frank N. Magid Associates, 1998; Jelen, 1998; Michigan..., 1998; and Public Policy Forum, 1997.

general, telephone surveys of adults in a given state. This source had 202 questions about firearms from polls in 16 states between 1979 and 1996 (See Table 1). The collection included a number of trends, but since each item was asked as part of independently-designed surveys covering a single state, there is very little strictly comparable figures across states. Appendix 1 fully lists these questions organized by state and from earliest to latest within state. In addition, Appendix 1 includes a subject index.

Second, the three National Gun Policy Surveys (NGPSs) for 1996-1998, conducted by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago and funded by the Joyce Foundation, have 20 items on firearms. The GPSs are RDD surveys of adults in the United States (Smith, 1997; 1998; 1999). These items can be compared across the nine Census regions (New England, Mid-Atlantic, South Atlantic, East North Central, West North Central, East South Central, West South Central, Mountain, and Pacific) and for four of the largest states (California, New York, Texas, and Pennsylvania). Since the three GPSs had to be pooled together to examine regions and states, there are no time series.

Third, the General Social Surveys (GSSs) of the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago have two items on firearms. The GSSs are full-probability, in-person interviews of adults in the United States (Davis, Smith, and Marsden, 1999). The two firearm items can be aggregated by Census region and up to 21 states by decade, so results from the 1970s, 1980s, and 1990s can be compared.

Results

Level of Support

Consistent with the findings of national polls (Adams, 1996; Blendon, et al., 1996; Kleck, 1991 and 1997; Smith, 1980, 1997, 1998, 1999, Stinchcombe, et al., 1980; and Vernick, et al., 1993), virtually all measures to regulate firearms and promote gun safety are backed by majorities in all regions and states. On the 108 questions on regulating firearms covering an extremely varied set of policies, majorities endorsed gun control on 98 questions and pluralities did so on 3 questions, while pluralities were opposed on 1 question and on 6 questions the majority opposed the proposed measure to regulate firearms. Some of the variation in support levels comes from differences in the year in which the item was asked (see Trends below) or in the state covered (see State/Regional Comparisons below), but most comes from the substance and wording of the questions.

In terms of content, Table 2 groups attitudes toward firearms into 13 general topics. They are arranged from those garnering the greatest support (A. Waiting Periods to Buy) to those with the least support (M. Handgun Sales, Ban). The range of percentages shows the lowest to highest level of support for gun-control measures in each topic and the number in parentheses indicates how many state-level readings there are for each topic. Given that these figures usually come from different questions and several

different states, there is often a fair degree of similarity in the levels of support. About three quarters or more of the public back measures to require waiting periods to buy firearms, bans on mail orders of handguns, and the registration of guns. Majorities back all items asking about mail order bans on guns, general gun-control measures, registering handguns, licensing only those with a definite need for a handgun, requiring a license / police permit before a gun could be purchased, and a ban on assault weapons. A plurality or majority opposes making it easier to get a permit to carry concealed weapons. Support for general handgun control measures, bans on the ownership of handguns, and bans on the sale of handguns range from majorities in favor to majorities against. In general, the more general and restrictive, the less support there is for the gun-control measure.

In terms of wording, the particular formulations of questions are also important. A few examples will illustrate. First, support for one measure to ban the sale of handguns (1RI)² is especially low (20%) because it does not present a simple choice between banning handguns or doing nothing, but presents the alternative option of licensing buyers before they can buy a handgun, which was endorsed by 75%. Second, the general gun-control measure showing the least support for stricter laws (58% - 6NJ) does so in large part because "don't you know anything about the current guns laws" is an explicit response that 13% select. For other questions there were not any kind of an explicit DK response or DKs were omitted

²Questions in Appendix 1 are designated by a state code (e.g. RI=Rhode Island) and preceded by a number. Thus, 1RI is the first listed item under Rhode Island.

from the reported results. Third, the general gun-control measure with the most support for more regulation (90.5% - 60CA), is about making it easier to obtain a permit to buy a gun, so that the pro-control response opposing this measure is just an endorsement of the status quo.

Majority support is also found about the impact of guns and gun control on safety, crime, and violence (Table 3). On nine questions asking whether particular gun measures would reduce crime or violence and/or increase safety, majorities expected improvements in all but one instance (28CA) where 45% thought handgun registration would reduce the number of gun-related crimes. On 14 items dealing with whether either carrying or having a gun at home reduces victimization, makes people feel safer, or otherwise improves safety, majorities of 56-79% reject the idea that guns promote such favorable results.

In sum, while the individual focus and phrasing of questions leads to differences in the level of support for gun-control measures, majorities and often substantial majorities endorse more than 9 out of 10 of the regulations described. Only on banning the sale and/or ownership of handguns do half of the state polls show majorities opposed to the proposed policy. Likewise, majorities consistently favor the idea that gun-control measures will increase safety and/or reduce crime and that possessing guns will not reduce crime or promote security.

Trends

Gun control is a much discussed issue that has been frequently debated at the state and national levels since the 1960s. As such, public opinion on gun control tends to be mature and not subject to large fluctuations or shifts. From the NNSP data there are nine time trends regarding the regulation of firearms covering two+ years from three different states (California, Kentucky, and North Carolina). As Table 4A shows, four trends indicate no change in support, one has a variable, up-and-down pattern with no net change, and two reveal gains and two losses in support. The GSS police-permit item shows a similar pattern from the 1970s to the 1980s with support unchanged in seven states, up in five states, and down in two states (Table 4B). However, from the 1980s to the 1990s there were more widespread gains for police permits with no change in four states and more support in 11 states. From the 1970s to the 1990s support grew in three states during both periods, in five states in one period with no information for the other period, and in three states was unchanged from the 1970s to the 1980s and then rose from the 1980s to the 1990s. Four states showed no change in both periods. (But one, Ohio, showed a gain in support when the 1970s and 1990s were then directly compared.) Two states initially had a drop in support, but saw a gain from the 1980s to the 1990s.

In sum, state-level support for the regulation of firearms tends to be stable. Among the generally small changes, one sees more gains in support for gun control than declines and the pattern of moderate gains is particularly strong on the police-permit item

from the 1980s to the 1990s. These gains are consistent with data on national trends (Smith, 1997, 1998, 1999).

State/Regional Comparisons

Gun use and attitudes towards guns differ across regions and states. In general, in areas where hunting is popular and gun ownership is more widespread, there is less support for policies to regulate firearms. The GSS and NGPS data both show large, regional differences in the possession of guns. According to the GSSs from the 1990s, gun ownership ranged from a low of 29% in New England to a high of 60% in the East South Central region (Table 5). While still quite large, this regional gap is smaller than it used to be. In the 1970s gun ownership ran from 24% in New England to 72% in the East South Central region. The NGPS shows similar patterns. The percent ever having purchased a handgun was 12-13% in New England and the Mid-Atlantic and 26-30% in the five southern and western regions (Table 7). State differences in gun use and ownership are very consistent with the regional patterns. On the GSS in the 1990s, of the 17 states with separate readings, New Jersey, New York, and Massachusetts had the lowest gun ownership levels (16-22%) and Tennessee and North Carolina had the highest (55-59%).

Attitudes generally follow the same pattern as the gun experiences do. In the 1990s, across 16 questions in the GSS and NGPS there were small regional differences (i.e. gap between most and least pro-gun control regions of 10 percentage points or less) for three items, moderate regional variation (11-20 percentage

points) for eight items, and large regional gaps (greater than 20 percentage points) for five items. Looking at how the regions rank on these attitudes towards guns (where a 1 indicates the region least in favor of controls or most pro-gun and 9 the region that is most in favor of control or least pro-gun) shows some overall patterns. Most for control are the Mid-Atlantic and New England (average ranks of 8.2 and 7.6 respectively) and least for control are the Mountain (2.8) and East South Central (3.0) regions. The Pacific, West South Central, South Atlantic, and two Midwest regions fall in the middle. However, there are some notable exceptions to this general alignment of regions on particular items. For example, New England is typically highest or next to highest in support of gun-control measures, but is less supportive of denying the right of those convicted of driving under the influence to buy a gun than are those in most regions. Conversely, the generally more pro-gun East South Central region is actually the region most in favor of the mandatory registration of handguns. These exceptions may result from unique circumstances in particular states, including how the public discussion of the policy has been reported in the media. Thus, while regions have general tendencies towards guns, there are important exceptions when it comes to assessing specific measures.

The regional differences are greatest for questions dealing with safety, concealed carrying, and restricting criminal access to firearms. Regarding whether guns make homes less safe, 25% in the East South Central think so compared to 64% in New England (gap=39 percentage points). Restricting concealed-carry permits is favored

by 38% in the East South Central and 69% in the Mid-Atlantic (31 percentage points). Keeping handguns from criminals even if it hampers law-abiding citizens is backed by 53% in the Mountain region and 84% in New England (31 percentage points). Regional differences are smallest for items on mandatory handgun registration (10 percentage points), regulating the safety design of guns (9 percentage points), and childproofing (9 percentage points).

State differences are almost always consistent with the regional variation. On the GSS police-permit item in the 1990s, approval ranged from 73% in the West South Central to 89% in New England. State differences ranged from 73% in Texas to 96% in Massachusetts. For the four states that can be examined on the 15 NGPS items, Texas and California are the most pro-gun, with average ranks of 1.8 and 1.9 respectively, then comes Pennsylvania with an average rank of 2.6, and finally New York with an average rank of 3.8. Also, as with the regional comparisons, there are a few exceptions to the general pattern of state-level differences. Texas, for example, is more likely than the three states to support denying guns to those convicted of DUI. As above, this indicates that a specific issue may get more or less support than would normally be anticipated because of special circumstances that prevail in the state.

Summary

The hundreds of available results from state surveys and

national surveys disaggregated to regional and state levels over the last 25 years presents a portrait of public experiences and attitudes towards guns that is consistent with, but more detailed and nuanced than, that portrayed by the national polls. Majorities in all states and periods support almost all gun-control measures except those calling for banning the sales and/or ownership of handguns. Most attitudes towards guns have changed only a little, although there has been increased support in most states for gun-control measures, especially in the 1990s. Finally, support for gun control is lowest in states and regions where recreational gun use and ownership are highest. Most gun-control items follow this general pattern, but there are several cases in which states and regions with a general pro- or anti- gun-control stance take an atypical pattern on particular policies.

Table 1

Question Distribution by State and Year

Total number of questions: 202

Questions per state: Questions per year:

AL	7	1979	9
AZ	2	1980	4
CA	76	1981	7
FL	2	1982	29
GA	12	1983	5
IL	5	1984	0
IN	1	1985	20
KY	5	1986	2
MS	3	1987	10
NE	5	1988	6
NJ	20	1989	10
NC	49	1990	4
RI	3	1991	13
TN	1	1992	12
TX	6	1993	24
WI	5	1994	37
		1995	6
		1996	4
Total:	202		

Total: 202

Table 2

Summary of Levels of Support for the Regulation of Firearms

Topic	Source	
	NNSP	NGPS/GSS
A. Waiting Periods to Buy	82-93% (7)	----
B. Mail Order Handguns, Ban	72-86% (3)	----
C. Register Guns	72-87% (8)	65-76% (4)
D. Mail Order Guns, Ban	62-67% (5)	----
E. General Gun Control	58-90.5% (8)	----
F. Register Handguns	58-80% (4)	81-84% (4)
G. License Only if "Definite Need"	56-69% (5)	----
H. License / Police Permit to Buy	54-80% (6)	73-90% (18)
I. Assault Weapons Ban	50-79% (7)	----
J. Conceal Carry, Limit	49-73% (4)	----
K. General Handgun Control	44-81% (11)	----
L. Handgun Ownership, Ban	33-54% (5)	31-59% (4)
M. Handgun Sales, Ban	20-76% (5)	----

Source: NNSP: Appendix 1, A - 1AZ, 55CA, 2FL, 2GA, 4NE, 8NJ, 2WI; B - 15, 22, 32CA; C - 2, 11, 16, 20, 30, 47, 58, 73CA; D - 1, 10, 46, 57, 72CA; E - 2AL, 53, 60, 71, 75CA, 9GA, 6NJ, 32NC; F - 1, 2, 4NC; 1MS; G - 12, 17, 48, 59, 74CA; H - 7GA, 5KY, 4, 25, 27, 28NC; I - 4AL, 3GA, 4KY, 2NE, 12NJ, 30NC, 2RI; J - 3IL, 45, 46NC, 5TX; K - 19, 25, 36, 39, 45CA, 1FL, 1-3KY, 2MS, 40NC; L - 37CA, 19NJ, 1, 4, 5WI; M - 24CA, 8GA, 1, 3RI, 3WI

NGPS: Table 6, 8

Table 3

Summary of Evaluations about Safety, Crime, and Violence

A. Impact of More/Stricter Gun-Control Measures	45-74% (9)
B. Impact of More Guns	
More Concealed Carry = More Trouble, Less Safe	56-70% (2)
Guns at Homes = Not Less Victimized, Not Feel Safer	60-73% (6)
Carry a Gun = Not Less Victimized, Not Feel Safer	70-79% (6)

Source: Appendix 1, A - 18CA, 28CA, 70CA, 1GA, 2IL, 1NE, 3NE, 31NC, 1TN
B - 49-52, 62-69CA, 5IL, 9NJ

Table 4

Trends in Support for Gun Control

A. NNSP

Item	Range	Years	State	Direction
1. Ban Mail Order Gun Sales	62-72%	1979-94	CA	Down
2. Easier to Carry Guns Openly, Against	76-82%	1987-94	CA	Down
3. Easier to Get Permit, Against	87-90.5%	1987-94	CA	No Change
4. Feel Safer Going Places with Gun, No	70-72%	1987-94	CA	No Change
5. Feel Safer at Home with Gun, No	60-62%	1987-94	CA	No Change
6. Police Permit to Buy Gun	79-80%	1983-92	NC	No Change
7. License Handgun Only If Definite Need	56-68%	1980-94	CA	Variable
8. Register to Buy Guns	77-87%	1979-94	CA	Up
9. Stricter Handgun Sales	50-64%	1980-89	KY	UP

Source: See Appendix 1: 1,2,10-12,15-17,46-48,50,52-54,57-61,63,65,
67,69,72-76CA,1-3KY,4,25,27,28NC

B. GSS - Police Permit to Buy Gun

State	1970s-1980s	1980s-1990s
Alabama	Up	--
California	Up	Up
Florida	Down	Up
Georgia	--	Up
Illinois	NC	NC
Indiana	--	Up
Michigan	Up	Up
Missouri	--	Up
New Jersey	NC	NC
New York	NC	NC
North Carolina	Up	Up
Ohio	NC	NC
Pennsylvania	Down	Up
Tennessee	NC	Up
Texas	NC	Up
Virginia	NC	Up
Wisconsin	Up	--

Source: See Table 6

Table 5
GSS Data: Gun Behavior

Percent Owning Gun* (Number of Respondents)

	1972-1979	1980-1989	1990-1998
U.S.A.	47.7 (5988)	44.3 (10,116)	39.4 (8694)

Percent Owning Gun* (Number of Respondents) by Region

Region	1972-1979	1980-1989	1990-1998
New England	23.8 (277)	24.3 (470)	28.7 (436)
Middle Atlantic	28.3 (1029)	30.6 (1527)	24.5 (1260)
East North Central	49.9 (1352)	42.2 (1961)	39.8 (1521)
West North Central	51.7 (375)	52.7 (822)	46.6 (670)
South Atlantic	60.3 (1156)	47.6 (1910)	43.4 (1603)
East South Central	71.8 (308)	60.2 (791)	60.0 (628)
West South Central	55.1 (474)	53.2 (853)	47.4 (852)
Mountain	61.8 (238)	57.8 (555)	42.0 (553)
Pacific	39.4 (779)	38.8 (1227)	33.3 (1228)

Table 5 (continued)
GSS Data: Gun Behavior

Percent Owning Gun* (Number of Respondents) by State

State	1972-1979	1980-1989	1990-1998
Alabama	--- (187)	63.8 (307)	--- (150)
Alaska	--- (0)	--- (0)	--- (39)
Arizona	--- (59)	--- (118)	--- (166)
Arkansas	--- (61)	--- (129)	--- (36)
California	36.5 (666)	36.8 (972)	28.5 (857)
Colorado	--- (116)	49.6 (228)	40.7 (302)
Connecticut	--- (172)	--- (130)	--- (122)
Delaware	--- (0)	--- (0)	--- (45)
Florida	42.4 (231)	41.3 (477)	39.2 (365)
Georgia	--- (121)	57.3 (342)	--- (176)
Illinois	31.1 (257)	25.9 (428)	22.9 (340)
Indiana	--- (108)	54.7 (212)	48.6 (257)
Iowa	--- (60)	--- (97)	--- (19)
Kansas	--- (67)	--- (127)	--- (116)
Kentucky	--- (0)	--- (92)	--- (90)
Louisiana	--- (58)	--- (134)	--- (127)
Maryland	--- (90)	--- (163)	--- (136)
Massachusetts	--- (105)	--- (183)	22.3 (197)
Michigan	62.8 (366)	50.0 (470)	45.0 (444)
Minnesota	--- (122)	54.3 (230)	--- (151)
Mississippi	--- (0)	--- (73)	--- (103)
Missouri	--- (126)	47.6 (286)	45.2 (248)
Montana	--- (63)	--- (36)	--- (41)

Table 5 (continued)
GSS Data: Gun Behavior

Percent Owning Gun* (Number of Respondents) by State, continued

State	1972-1979	1980-1989	1990-1998
New Hampshire	--- (0)	--- (86)	--- (23)
New Jersey	26.1 (284)	29.5 (319)	15.5 (233)
New York	18.1 (382)	22.8 (733)	19.2 (630)
North Carolina	73.8 (195)	57.6 (262)	59.0 (361)
North Dakota	--- (0)	--- (81)	--- (91)
Ohio	45.2 (376)	44.8 (562)	44.8 (321)
Oklahoma	--- (61)	--- (100)	--- (126)
Oregon	--- (53)	--- (165)	--- (126)
Pennsylvania	40.8 (363)	43.5 (474)	37.4 (388)
Rhode Island	--- (0)	--- (72)	--- (21)
South Carolina	--- (123)	--- (139)	--- (110)
South Dakota	--- (0)	--- (0)	--- (45)
Tennessee	--- (121)	58.3 (319)	54.5 (279)
Texas	56.5 (294)	50.0 (490)	47.6 (561)
Utah	--- (0)	--- (89)	--- (27)
Vermont	--- (0)	--- (0)	--- (70)
Virginia	65.0 (200)	46.1 (347)	40.6 (360)
Washington	--- (60)	--- (91)	43.9 (205)
West Virginia	60.7 (196)	--- (155)	--- (13)
Wisconsin	56.7 (245)	39.2 (288)	--- (140)
Wyoming	--- (0)	--- (84)	--- (11)
District of Columbia	--- (0)	--- (26)	--- (26)

*Question Wording: "Do you happen to have in your home (IF HOUSE: or garage) any guns or revolvers?"

Table 6
GSS Data: Gun Attitudes

Percent in Favor of Police Permit to Buy Gun* (Number of Respondents)

	1972-1979	1980-1989	1990-1998
U.S.A.	74.0 (7382)	73.6 (9980)	81.4 (8581)

Percent in Favor of Police Permit to Buy Gun* (Number of Respondents) by Region

Region	1972-1979	1980-1989	1990-1998
New England	88.4 (453)	87.0 (493)	88.8 (438)
Middle Atlantic	86.3 (1608)	85.3 (1573)	86.8 (1285)
East North Central	73.6 (1992)	76.5 (1929)	82.1 (1459)
West North Central	70.4 (583)	69.1 (749)	79.7 (645)
South Atlantic	70.9 (1644)	73.5 (1919)	82.6 (1600)
East South Central	65.7 (457)	65.5 (754)	75.9 (612)
West South Central	62.4 (767)	59.3 (811)	73.4 (815)
Mountain	51.9 (325)	54.3 (573)	76.2 (565)
Pacific	73.4 (1114)	75.0 (1181)	82.1 (1222)

Table 6 (continued)
GSS Data: Gun Attitudes

Percent in Favor of Police Permit to Buy Gun* (Number of Respondents) by State

State	1972-1979	1980-1989	1990-1998
Alabama	64.9 (229)	71.0 (298)	--- (154)
Alaska	--- (0)	--- (0)	--- (34)
Arizona	--- (62)	--- (119)	--- (183)
Arkansas	--- (78)	--- (117)	--- (36)
California	74.9 (762)	76.1 (938)	85.2 (871)
Colorado	--- (135)	61.1 (227)	76.3 (300)
Connecticut	91.1 (221)	--- (152)	--- (129)
Delaware	--- (0)	--- (0)	--- (43)
Florida	76.1 (277)	73.3 (456)	82.1 (370)
Georgia	--- (155)	74.4 (340)	84.4 (194)
Illinois	83.5 (317)	83.6 (428)	84.8 (330)
Indiana	--- (144)	74.4 (220)	77.8 (245)
Iowa	--- (75)	--- (93)	--- (18)
Kansas	--- (74)	--- (98)	--- (116)
Kentucky	--- (0)	--- (82)	--- (78)
Louisiana	--- (72)	--- (125)	--- (110)
Maryland	--- (116)	--- (176)	--- (134)
Massachusetts	--- (139)	--- (187)	95.6 (196)
Michigan	77.0 (452)	81.5 (463)	84.7 (438)
Minnesota	--- (150)	65.6 (221)	--- (146)
Mississippi	--- (0)	--- (62)	--- (111)
Missouri	--- (155)	76.6 (258)	79.5 (235)
Montana	--- (76)	--- (33)	--- (39)

Table 6 (continued)
GSS Data: Gun Attitudes

Percent in Favor of Police Permit to Buy Gun* (Number of Respondents) by State, continued

State	1972-1979	1980-1989	1990-1998
New Hampshire	--- (0)	--- (81)	--- (25)
New Jersey	90.9 (367)	91.6 (368)	90.2 (254)
New York	89.2 (474)	87.2 (726)	87.2 (620)
North Carolina	67.5 (250)	73.2 (268)	85.1 (369)
North Dakota	--- (0)	--- (79)	--- (83)
Ohio	67.2 (481)	69.7 (539)	80.9 (299)
Oklahoma	--- (70)	--- (90)	--- (121)
Oregon	--- (64)	--- (155)	--- (119)
Pennsylvania	80.9 (465)	77.4 (478)	84.1 (397)
Rhode Island	--- (0)	--- (73)	--- (20)
South Carolina	--- (142)	--- (135)	--- (100)
South Dakota	--- (0)	--- (0)	--- (47)
Tennessee	--- (151)	63.0 (312)	76.1 (263)
Texas	61.3 (362)	60.6 (480)	73.4 (547)
Utah	--- (0)	--- (106)	--- (28)
Vermont	--- (0)	--- (0)	--- (65)
Virginia	69.3 (264)	68.3 (364)	80.5 (345)
Washington	--- (66)	--- (89)	77.4 (197)
West Virginia	57.0 (239)	--- (151)	--- (11)
Wisconsin	63.7 (300)	72.0 (279)	--- (128)
Wyoming	--- (0)	--- (87)	--- (11)
District of Columbia	--- (0)	--- (29)	--- (24)

*Question Wording: "Would you favor or oppose a law which would require a person to obtain a police permit before he or she could buy a gun?"

Table 7
NGPS Data: Gun Behavior, 1996-1998

% Ever Purchased Handgun*

U.S.A.	22.1
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Region

New England	11.8
Middle Atlantic	13.3
East North Central	17.4
West North Central	17.1
South Atlantic	26.0
East South Central	28.9
West South Central	29.3
Mountain	29.7
Pacific	25.7

State

California	26.1
New York	11.8
Pennsylvania	14.3
Texas	27.8

*Question Wording: "Have you ever purchased a handgun?"

Table 7 (continued)
NGPS Data: Gun Behavior, 1996-1998

% Have Gun in Household*	
U.S.A.	39.6

Region

New England	32.6
Middle Atlantic	25.5
East North Central	37.4
West North Central	47.7
South Atlantic	38.3
East South Central	60.8
West South Central	51.1
Mountain	48.8
Pacific	33.5

State

California	31.0
New York	20.4
Pennsylvania	34.5
Texas	44.6

*Question Wording: "Do you happen to have, in your home, car, or garage, any guns?"

Table 7 (continued)
NGPS Data: Gun Behavior, 1996-1998

	Owns Longgun	Owns Handgun	Owns Both
U.S.A.	15.4	6.1	18.7

Region

New England	16.5	3.8	12.7
Middle Atlantic	11.1	3.5	11.3
East North Central	17.2	4.3	15.8
West North Central	27.1	3.4	18.0
South Atlantic	11.3	7.6	20.4
East South Central	22.2	11.6	28.4
West South Central	18.6	7.1	26.4
Mountain	16.2	6.7	26.5
Pacific	10.5	7.2	16.4

State

California	8.9	7.0	15.6
New York	9.7	2.7	8.2
Pennsylvania	14.7	4.2	16.3
Texas	15.2	7.3	22.3

*Question Wording: "Do you happen to have, in your home, car, or garage, any guns? Are any of them handguns? Are any of them shotguns? Are any of them rifles?"

Table 8
NGPS Data: Gun Attitudes, 1996-1998

	% Want to Keep Handguns Away From Criminals*	% Say Guns Make Homes Less Safe^
U.S.A.	74.6 (3604)	45.1

Region

New England	84.0 (192)	64.4
Middle Atlantic	81.7 (518)	53.4
East North Central	75.6 (552)	46.6
West North Central	73.6 (283)	41.8
South Atlantic	71.5 (675)	39.7
East South Central	70.7 (250)	24.9
West South Central	77.0 (344)	37.1
Mountain	52.5 (254)	40.9
Pacific	73.4 (537)	52.6

State

California	75.5 (365)	52.4
New York	86.4 (228)	58.8
Pennsylvania	77.4 (187)	45.4
Texas	77.6 (192)	40.5

*Question Wording: "For each of the following statements, please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree? The government should do everything it can to keep handguns out of the hands of criminals, even if it means that it will be harder for law-abiding citizens to purchase guns." Percent indicates those responding "strongly agree" or "agree."

^Question Wording: "Do you think that a gun makes a home much safer, safer, less safe, or much less safe?" Percent indicates those responding "less safe" or "much less safe."

Table 8 (continued)
NGPS Data: Gun Attitudes, 1996-1998

	% Favor Mandatory Reg. of Handguns/Pistols*	% Favor Mandatory Reg. of Rifle/Shotgun^
U.S.A.	82.7	67.1

Region

New England	85.0	71.1
Middle Atlantic	84.1	75.1
East North Central	83.0	68.9
West North Central	82.2	68.7
South Atlantic	84.7	66.2
East South Central	87.7	62.7
West South Central	82.8	61.6
Mountain	77.5	63.6
Pacific	78.0	63.5

State

California	81.2	65.9
New York	82.7	75.8
Pennsylvania	84.3	70.2
Texas	82.5	64.5

*Question Wording: "Do you favor or oppose the mandatory registration of handguns and pistols?"

^Question Wording: "Do you favor or oppose the mandatory registration of rifles and shotguns?"

Table 8 (continued)
NGPS Data: Gun Attitudes, 1996-1998

	% Want Law Banning Possession of Handguns*	% Feel Safer With Concealed Weapon Law^
U.S.A.	36.6	38.6

Region

New England	46.5	34.7
Middle Atlantic	51.0	33.0
East North Central	40.2	33.3
West North Central	28.9	33.9
South Atlantic	35.3	41.3
East South Central	27.1	54.2
West South Central	29.3	40.6
Mountain	28.9	42.3
Pacific	33.9	40.0

State

California	36.9	40.4
New York	58.8	31.0
Pennsylvania	36.9	37.2
Texas	31.4	41.1

*Question Wording: "Do you think there should be a law that would ban the possession of handguns except for the police and other authorized persons?"

^Question Wording: "Do laws allowing an adult to carry a concealed gun in public, provided they pass a criminal background check and a gun safety course, make you feel more or less safe?"

Table 8 (continued)
NGPS Data: Gun Attitudes, 1996-1998

	% Want Total Ban on Handgun Ownership*	% Want Handgun Owners Licensed and Trained*
U.S.A.	16.0	51.8

Region

New England	22.5	59.1
Middle Atlantic	22.0	56.6
East North Central	20.9	49.3
West North Central	10.2	52.5
South Atlantic	18.7	53.8
East South Central	8.4	54.4
West South Central	12.0	46.8
Mountain	8.1	48.0
Pacific	16.7	48.0

State

California	18.2	48.9
New York	24.4	59.8
Pennsylvania	17.9	54.6
Texas	13.5	48.0

*Question Wording: "Which of these views comes closer to your own? Legal restrictions on the sale and ownership of handguns are too strict and should be relaxed/Existing restrictions on the sale and ownership of handguns are sufficient now/Handgun owners should be licensed by the government and complete mandatory training/There should be a total ban on handgun ownership."

Table 8 (continued)
NGPS Data: Gun Attitudes, 1996-1998

	% Want Carry Concealed Licenses Restricted*	% Favor Personalized Guns^
U.S.A.	57.0	58.0

Region

New England	61.8	62.7
Middle Atlantic	68.6	65.4
East North Central	62.0	55.4
West North Central	60.1	63.5
South Atlantic	54.9	57.4
East South Central	37.9	54.8
West South Central	42.2	60.1
Mountain	58.5	50.0
Pacific	57.9	54.1

State

California	65.0	54.5
New York	73.1	64.3
Pennsylvania	60.2	67.0
Texas	39.7	59.6

*Question Wording: "Should licenses to carry concealed firearms be issued to any adult who has passed a criminal background check and a gun safety course or only to people with a special need to carry a concealed gun such as private detectives?" Percent indicates those responding "only to people with a special need."

^Question Wording: "If a new law were to require all new handguns to be personalized, how strongly would you favor or oppose it? Would you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose?" Percent indicates those responding "strongly favor" or "favor."

Table 8 (continued)
NGPS Data: Gun Attitudes, 1996-1998

	% Favor Regulations for Gun Design*	% Favor Making Handguns Childproof^
U.S.A.	72.5	87.1

Region

New England	71.2	91.6
Middle Atlantic	75.0	88.4
East North Central	68.5	86.1
West North Central	74.0	88.3
South Atlantic	74.5	88.5
East South Central	68.9	87.6
West South Central	76.5	88.4
Mountain	67.0	83.4
Pacific	72.5	83.3

State

California	74.3	83.1
New York	78.8	89.7
Pennsylvania	72.0	89.0
Texas	76.8	87.7

*Question Wording: "Would you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose government safety regulations for the design of guns?" Percent indicates those responding "strongly favor" or "favor."

^Question Wording: "Handguns can be made so that they cannot be fired by a young child's small hands. How strongly would you favor or oppose legislation requiring all new handguns sold in the US to be childproof?" Percent indicates those responding "strongly favor" or "favor."

Table 8 (continued)
 NGPS Data: % Favor Prohibiting Gun Purchases to Criminals,* 1996-1998

	Carrying Concealed Without a Permit	Assault and Battery not Involving Lethal Weapon/serious injury
U.S.A.	84.2	81.1

Region

New England	91.2	84.2
Middle Atlantic	90.7	86.2
East North Central	86.6	81.2
West North Central	82.5	75.3
South Atlantic	86.5	85.1
East South Central	72.9	79.1
West South Central	80.8	78.6
Mountain	80.6	79.7
Pacific	80.3	76.3

State

California	82.4	76.3
New York	92.0	88.1
Pennsylvania	89.8	83.9
Texas	81.2	78.5

*Question Wording: "Now I would like to read you a list of crimes. In most states persons who have been convicted of these crimes can legally purchase firearms. In each case, tell me if you think persons who have been convicted of the crime should or should not be able to purchase firearms." Percent indicates those responding "should not."

Table 8 (continued)
NGPS Data: % Favor Prohibiting Gun Purchases to Criminals,* 1996-1998

Driving under the Influence

U.S.A.	67.3
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Region

New England	64.8
Middle Atlantic	74.2
East North Central	65.8
West North Central	56.1
South Atlantic	69.8
East South Central	65.9
West South Central	73.7
Mountain	67.8
Pacific	61.9

State

California	62.1
New York	73.7
Pennsylvania	72.3
Texas	76.0

*Question Wording: "Now I would like to read you a list of crimes. In most states persons who have been convicted of these crimes can legally purchase firearms. In each case, tell me if you think persons who have been convicted of the crime should or should not be able to purchase firearms." Percent indicates those responding "should not."

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ALABAMA

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1AL.

Survey Source: NNSP: ALABAMA / CAPSTONE POLL / INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH /
UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA / 59
<YEAR> 1983-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-AL-006

Survey Date: 05/1983
Sample: ALABAMA Residents 18 or older
Question: 19.
Do you have a gun or revolver in your home?
Responses:
YES/NO/DK, NA
Percent Responding
64.70% YES
35.30% NO
Number of Valid Cases: 510
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUN

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2AL.

Survey Source: NNSP: ALABAMA / CAPSTONE POLL / INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH /
UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA / 76
<YEAR> 1983-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-AL-007

Survey Date: 10/1983
Sample: ALABAMA Residents 18 or older
Question: 25G.
I would like to ask you some questions about some political
issues. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree
with each of the following statements? The country would be better off
if we had good gun control laws
Responses:
STRONGLY AGREE/AGREE/DISAGREE/STRONGLY DISAGREE/DK,NA
Percent Responding
7.10% STRONGLY AGREE
53.20% AGREE
31.80% DISAGREE
7.90% STRONGLY DISAGREE
Number of Valid Cases: 481
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: ISSUE7

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3AL.

Survey Source: NNSP: ALABAMA / CAPSTONE POLL / INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH /
UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA / 221
<YEAR> 1987-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-AL-015

Survey Date: 10/1987
Sample: ALABAMA Residents 18 or older
Question: 14E.
Now, as you may know, our nation recently celebrated the
200th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution. A number of
amendments to the Constitution have been proposed, and I would like to
get your opinion about them. Could you tell me if you favor or oppose
an amendment to the Constitution that would impose more controls on
those who would want to own guns?
Responses:
FAVOR/OPPOSE/DK,NA
Percent Responding
47.80% FAVOR
52.20% OPPOSE
Number of Valid Cases: 450
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q14.5

ALABAMA, continued

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4AL.

Survey Source: NNSP: ALABAMA / CAPSTONE POLL / INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH /
UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA / 1994
<YEAR> 1994-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-AL-022

Survey Date: 03/1994
Sample: ALABAMA Residents 18 or older
Question: 78.

Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or
strongly disagree with this statement about firearms. The sale and
possession of assault weapons should be banned by law.

Responses:
STRONGLY DISAGREE/DISAGREE/AGREE/STRONGLY AGREE/NO
OPINION/DK,NA

Percent Responding
10.00% STRONGLY DISAGREE
20.50% DISAGREE
42.60% AGREE
25.20% STRONGLY AGREE
1.60% NO OPINION

Number of Valid Cases: 448
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q78

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5AL.

Survey Source: NNSP: ALABAMA / CAPSTONE POLL / INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH /
UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA / 1994
<YEAR> 1994-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-AL-022

Survey Date: 03/1994
Sample: ALABAMA Residents 18 or older
Question: 79.

Is there a handgun in your household?

Responses:
YES/NO/DK,NA

Percent Responding
45.30% YES
54.70% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 444
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q79

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6AL.

Survey Source: NNSP: ALABAMA / CAPSTONE POLL / INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH /
UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA / 1994
<YEAR> 1994-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-AL-022

Survey Date: 03/1994
Sample: ALABAMA Residents 18 or older
Question: 80.

Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or
strongly disagree with this statement. I would get rid of my handgun if
I had certain knowledge that this would save lives.

Responses:
STRONGLY DISAGREE/DISAGREE/AGREE/STRONGLY AGREE/NO
OPINION/DK,NA

Percent Responding
18.20% STRONGLY DISAGREE
34.80% DISAGREE
35.40% AGREE
7.60% STRONGLY AGREE
4.00% NO OPINION

Number of Valid Cases: 198
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q80

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7AL.

Survey Source: NNSP: ALABAMA / CAPSTONE POLL SURVEY / INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH
/ UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA / 522

<YEAR> 1995-00 </YEAR>
NNSP-AL-023

Survey Date: 1995

Sample: ALABAMA Residents 18 or older

Question: 45.

The next questions are about guns in your household. Do you
or any other member of your household keep a firearm or gun in your
home, vehicles, vacation home or business?

Responses:

YES/NO/DK,NA

Percent Responding

69.30% YES

30.70% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 450

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q45

ARIZONA

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1AZ.

Survey Source: NNSP: ARIZONA / CACTUS STATE POLL / CRONKITE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / ARIZONA
STATE UNIVERSITY / 1992-93, NO. 5
<YEAR> 1993-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-AZ-AS-002

Survey Date: 02/1993
Sample: ARIZONA Residents 18 or older
Question: 4.

This year, Congress is again planning to debate legislation that would impose a five-day waiting period before someone could buy a gun. The proposal is commonly known as the Brady Bill. Do you support or oppose such a bill?

Responses:
Support/Oppose/DK
Percent Responding
83.70% SUPPORT
16.30% OPPOSE

Number of Valid Cases: 342
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V14

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2AZ.

Survey Source: NNSP: ARIZONA / CACTUS STATE POLL / CRONKITE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / ARIZONA
STATE UNIVERSITY / 1992-93, NO. 5
<YEAR> 1993-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-AZ-AS-002

Survey Date: 02/1993
Sample: ARIZONA Residents 18 or older
Question: 4.

Do you or does any member of your family keep a handgun in your household?

Responses:
Yes/No/Refused to answer/DK
Percent Responding
41.80% YES
58.20% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 350
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V15

CALIFORNIA, continued

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4CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 7901
<YEAR> 1979-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-001

Survey Date: 02/1979
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 330.

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN HELD UP OR THREATENED BY A PERSON WITH A GUN?

Responses:
NO/YES/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
89.60% NO
10.40% YES

Number of Valid Cases: 98604
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V330

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5CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 7901
<YEAR> 1979-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-001

Survey Date: 02/1979
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 336.

AS YOU MAY KNOW, THE STATE LEGISLATURE PASSED A LAW A FEW YEARS AGO THAT ANYONE WHO IS CONVICTED OF USING A GUN IN THE COMMISSION OF A CRIME MUST AUTOMATICALLY BE SENT TO PRISON. THE LAW ALLOWS NO EXCEPTIONS. THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF DISCUSSION RECENTLY ABOUT THIS LAW. HERE ARE SOME STATEMENTS EXPRESSING DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW ABOUT THIS LAW, I'D LIKE YOU TO TELL ME WHETHER YOU AGREE STRONGLY, AGREE, DISAGREE, OR DISAGREE STRONGLY WITH EACH ONE. THE USE A GUN, GO TO JAIL LAW WILL DISCOURAGE CRIMINALS FROM USING GUNS

Responses:
DISAGREE STRONGLY/DISAGREE/AGREE/AGREE STRONGLY/DON'T KNOW,
NOT SURE
Percent Responding
14.00% DISAGREE STRONGLY
25.60% DISAGREE
32.30% AGREE
28.10% AGREE STRONGLY
Number of Valid Cases: 81639
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V336

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6CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 7901
<YEAR> 1979-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-001

Survey Date: 02/1979
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 337.

THE USE A GUN, GO TO JAIL LAW DOES NOT ALLOW JUDGES ENOUGH FLEXIBILITY TO ADJUST INDIVIDUAL SENTENCES TO FIT SPECIAL CASES

Responses:
DISAGREE STRONGLY/DISAGREE/AGREE/AGREE STRONGLY/DON'T KNOW,
NOT SURE
Percent Responding
19.90% DISAGREE STRONGLY
33.70% DISAGREE
33.90% AGREE
12.50% AGREE STRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 79793
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V337

CALIFORNIA, continued

7CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 7901
NNSP-CA-001

Survey Date: 02/1979

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 338.

THE USE A GUN, GO TO JAIL LAW IS NECESSARY BECAUSE MANY
JUDGES STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT THE PUBLIC WANTS A REAL CRACKDOWN ON
CRIMINALS

Responses:

DISAGREE STRONGLY/DISAGREE/AGREE/AGREE STRONGLY/DON'T KNOW,
NOT SURE

Percent Responding

4.10% DISAGREE STRONGLY

14.90% DISAGREE

37.00% AGREE

44.00% AGREE STRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 29603

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V338

8CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 7901
<YEAR> 1979-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-001

Survey Date: 02/1979

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 339.

THE USE A GUN, GO TO JAIL LAW WON'T SEND ALL GUN-USERS TO
JAIL BECAUSE PROSECUTORS WILL STILL HAVE DISCRETION WHETHER OR NOT TO
PROSECUTE A GUN-USING CRIMINAL UNDER THIS LAW.

Responses:

DISAGREE STRONGLY/DISAGREE/AGREE/AGREE STRONGLY/DON'T KNOW,
NOT SURE

Percent Responding

10.40% DISAGREE STRONGLY

19.10% DISAGREE

51.00% AGREE

19.50% AGREE STRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 65803

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V339

9CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 7901
<YEAR> 1979-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-001

Survey Date: 02/1979

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 340.

THE USE A GUN, GO TO JAIL LAW WON'T HAVE ANY EFFECT ON
CRIMINALS USING GUNS -- THEY WON'T BE STOPPED BY A LAW

Responses:

DISAGREE STRONGLY/DISAGREE/AGREE/AGREE STRONGLY/DON'T KNOW/
NOT SURE

Percent Responding

17.00% DISAGREE STRONGLY

26.60% DISAGREE

31.50% AGREE

24.90% AGREE STRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 64901

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V340

CALIFORNIA, continued

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10CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8004
<YEAR> 1980-07 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-008

Survey Date: 07/1980

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 51.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD
PROHIBIT THE SALE OF GUNS THROUGH THE MAILS.

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/CANT SAY, NO OPINION

Percent Responding

65.70% APPROVE

34.30% DSAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 1003

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V122

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11CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8004
<YEAR> 1980-07 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-008

Survey Date: 07/1980

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 52.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD REQUIRE
EVERY CITIZEN WHO OWNS OR BUYS A GUN TO REGISTER THE GUN WITH LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/CANT SAY, NO OPINION

Percent Responding

77.30% APPROVE

22.70% DSAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 1001

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V123

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12CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8004
<YEAR> 1980-07 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-008

Survey Date: 07/1980

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 53.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD LICENSE
PEOPLE TO HAVE HAND GUNS, SUCH AS PISTOLS OR REVOLVERS, ONLY IF THEY CAN
SHOW A DEFINITE NEED FOR THEM.

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/CANT SAY, NO OPINION

Percent Responding

64.80% APPROVE

35.20% DSAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 988

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V124

CALIFORNIA, continued

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13CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8004
<YEAR> 1980-07 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-008

Survey Date: 07/1980
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 61.

HOW ABOUT GUN CONTROL? HOW IMPORTANT IS IT THAT THE
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE YOU SUPPORT HOLDS THE SAME OR NEARLY THE SAME
POSITION ON GUN CONTROL THAT YOU HAVE -- VERY IMPORTANT, SOMEWHAT
IMPORTANT, OR NOT TOO IMPORTANT.

Responses:

VERY IMPORTANT/SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT/NOT TOO IMPORTANT/DK/INAP
Percent Responding
40.70% VERYIMPT
39.10% SOMEWHAT IMPRTNT
19.30% NOT TOO IMPRTNT
1.00% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 509
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V132

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14CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8101
<YEAR> 1981-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-011

Survey Date: 01/1981
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 57.

NOTE: Q57 - Q60 (Vars 141 - 144) appear on Form B only. As
you may know, California has a law which says that anyone who is
convicted of using a gun in the commission of a crime must automatically
be sent to prison. What is your opinion of the USE A GUN, GO TO PRISON
law? Do you favor or oppose it? Do you (favor) (oppose) it strongly or
somewhat?

Responses:

FAVOR STRONGLY/FAVOR SOMEWHAT/OPPOSE SOMEWHAT/OPPOSE
STRONGLY/NO OPIN/INAP
Percent Responding
84.00% FAVORSTRONGLY
9.50% FAVORSOMEWHAT
3.50% OPPOSE SOMEWHAT
3.10% OPPOSESTRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 518
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V141

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15CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8101
<YEAR> 1981-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-011

Survey Date: 01/1981
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 58.

Would you approve or disapprove of a law which would
prohibit the sale of guns through the mails?

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPRVE/CANT SAY, NO OPIN/INAP
Percent Responding
72.10% APPROVE
27.90% DISAPRVE

Number of Valid Cases: 516
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V142

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16CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8101
<YEAR> 1981-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-011

Survey Date: 01/1981
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 59.

Would you approve or disapprove of a law which would require every citizen who owns or buys a gun to register the gun with law enforcement agencies?

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPRVE/CANT SAY, NO OPIN/INAP
Percent Responding
81.20% APPROVE
18.80% DISAPRVE

Number of Valid Cases: 511
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V143

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17CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8101
<YEAR> 1981-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-011

Survey Date: 01/1981
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 60.

Would you approve or disapprove of a law which would license people to have hand guns, such as pistols and revolvers, only if they can show a definite need for them?

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPRVE/CANT SAY, NO OPIN/INAP
Percent Responding
68.80% APPROVE
31.20% DISAPRVE

Number of Valid Cases: 503
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V144

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18CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8101
<YEAR> 1981-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-011

Survey Date: 01/1981
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 61j.

Now, I have some statements about crime that I'd like your opinion about. As I read each one, please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each one. Do you (agree) (disagree) strongly or somewhat? Laws requiring the registration of all handguns would help to decrease the number of gun-related crimes that are committed

Responses:
AGREE STRONGLY/AGREE SOMEWHAT/DISAGREE SOMEWHAT/DISAGREE STRONGLY/DK, NOT SURE/INAP
Percent Responding
36.80% AGREESTRONGLY
23.50% AGREESOMEWHAT
15.30% DISAGREE SOMEWHAT
24.50% DISAGREE STRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 511
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V154

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19CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8202
<YEAR> 1982-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-016

Survey Date: 03/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 38.

IN GENERAL, DO YOU FEEL THAT THE LAWS COVERING THE SALE OF
HANDGUNS SHOULD BE MADE MORE STRICT, LESS STRICT OR KEPT AS THEY ARE
NOW.

Responses:
MORE STRICT/LESS STRICT/KEPT SAME/NA
Percent Responding
72.30% MORE STRICT
2.60% LESS STRICT
25.00% KEPT SAME

Number of Valid Cases: 77609
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V160

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20CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8202
<YEAR> 1982-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-016

Survey Date: 03/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 39A.

THE INITIATIVE REQUIRES THE REGISTRATION OF ALL HANDGUNS
WITH THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL. DO YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF THIS.

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NA
Percent Responding
81.10% APPROVE
18.90% DAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 74225
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V161

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21CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8202
<YEAR> 1982-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-016

Survey Date: 03/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 39B.

THE INITIATIVE WOULD MAKE IT ILLEGAL TO BRING INTO
CALIFORNIA A HANDGUN UNLESS THAT GUN HAD ALREADY BEEN REGISTERED IN THE
STATE. DO YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF THIS.

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NA
Percent Responding
77.40% APPROVE
22.60% DAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 69911
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V162

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22CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8202
<YEAR> 1982-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-016

Survey Date: 03/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 39C.

THE INITIATIVE WOULD PROHIBIT THE SALE OF ANY HANDGUN THROUGH THE MAILS. DO YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF THIS.

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NA
Percent Responding
85.70% APPROVE
14.30% DAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 79503
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V163

23CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8202
<YEAR> 1982-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-016

Survey Date: 03/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 39D.

THE INITIATIVE WOULD PROVIDE MANDATORY SENTENCES OF SIX MONTHS FOR ANYONE CARRYING A CONCEALED UNREGISTERED HANDGUN. DO YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF THIS.

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NA
Percent Responding
82.20% APPROVE
17.80% DAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 64098
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V164

24CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8202
<YEAR> 1982-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-016

Survey Date: 03/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 39E.

THE INITIATIVE WOULD PROVIDE THAT AFTER THE LAW GOES INTO EFFECT ONLY REGISTERED HANDGUNS COULD BE SOLD IN THE STATE. THIS MEANS THAT NO NEW HANDGUNS COULD BE SOLD IN THE STATE EXCEPT FOR THOSE THAT ARE NEEDED FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT. DO YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF THIS.

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NA
Percent Responding
52.50% APPROVE
47.50% DAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 45700
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V165

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25CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8202
<YEAR> 1982-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-016

Survey Date: 03/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 39F.

THE PRECEDING QUESTIONS I HAVE JUST ASKED ARE THE MAIN PROVISIONS OF THE HANDGUN CONTROL INITIATIVE WHICH IS NOW BEING CIRCULATED. IF THIS INITIATIVE WERE ON THE BALLOT AND YOU WERE VOTING NOW, WOULD YOU BE INCLINED TO VOTE YES OR NO.

Responses:
YES/NO/UNDECIDED
Percent Responding
67.80% YES
32.20% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 43050
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V166

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26CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 35A.

HAVE YOU SEEN OR HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT A PROPOSITION HAVING TO DO WITH HANDGUNS THAT WILL BE ON THE NOVEMBER STATEWIDE ELECTION BALLOT?

Responses:
YES, HAVE HEARD/NO, HAVE NOT HEARD, NOT SURE,
NO/INAPPLICABLE -- NOT FORM B
Percent Responding
76.20% YES
23.80% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 281
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V138

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27CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 35B.

WELL (AS YOU KNOW), THERE IS PROPOSITION 15. IT IS A GUN CONTROL INITIATIVE THAT WOULD LIMIT THE NUMBER OF HANDGUNS ALLOWED IN CALIFORNIA AND REQUIRE ALL EXISTING HANDGUNS TO BE REGISTERED. AT THIS POINT, ARE YOU INCLINED TO VOTE YES OR NO ON PROPOSITION 15?

Responses:
YES/NO/DK, UNDECIDED/INAPPLICABLE -- NOT FORM B
Percent Responding
59.10% YES
40.90% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 77567
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V139

CALIFORNIA, continued

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28CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 69C.

NOW, I HAVE SOME STATEMENTS ABOUT CRIME THAT I'D LIKE YOUR
OPINION ABOUT. AS I READ EACH ONE, PLEASE TELL ME WHETHER YOU AGREE OR
DISAGREE WITH EACH ONE. LAWS REQUIRING THE REGISTRATION OF ALL HANDGUNS
WOULD HELP TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF GUN RELATED CRIMES THAT ARE
COMMITTED

Responses:

AGREE STRONGLY/AGREE SOMEWHAT/DISAGREE SOMEWHAT/DISAGREE
STRONGLY/DON'T KNOW, NOT SURE/INAPPLICABLE -- NOT FORM A

Percent Responding
31.70% AGREESTRONGLY
13.40% AGREESOMEWHAT
16.80% DISAGREESOMEWHAT
38.00% DISAGREESTRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 92096
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V214

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29CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 69F.

NOW, I HAVE SOME STATEMENTS ABOUT CRIME THAT I'D LIKE YOUR
OPINION ABOUT. AS I READ EACH ONE, PLEASE TELL ME WHETHER YOU AGREE OR
DISAGREE WITH EACH ONE. GOVERNMENT SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO LIMIT HANDGUNS
UNTIL IT IS ABLE TO ASSURE THE SAFETY OF A CITIZEN IN HIS HOME AND IN
THE STREETS

Responses:

AGREE STRONGLY/AGREE SOMEWHAT/DISAGREE SOMEWHAT/DISAGREE
STRONGLY/DON'T KNOW, NOT SURE/INAPPLICABLE -- NOT FORM A

Percent Responding
51.00% AGREESTRONGLY
16.80% AGREESOMEWHAT
10.90% DISAGREESOMEWHAT
21.30% DISAGREESTRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 80061
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V217

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30CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 70A.

PROPOSITION 15 HAVING TO DO WITH HANDGUN CONTROL WILL BE ON
THE BALLOT IN THE UPCOMING GENERAL ELECTION. I AM GOING TO READ SOME OF
THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PROPOSITION AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TELL ME
WHETHER YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF EACH ONE. REQUIRES THE REGISTRATION
OF ALL HANDGUNS WITH THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Responses:
APPROVE STRONGLY/APPROVE SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE
SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE STRONGLY/NO OPINION

Percent Responding
52.70% APPROVESTONGLY
19.20% APPROVESOMEWHAT
8.20% DAPPROVESOMEWHAT
19.80% DAPPROVESTONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 82424
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V226

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31CA.
Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 70B.

PROPOSITION 15 HAVING TO DO WITH HANDGUN CONTROL WILL BE ON
THE BALLOT IN THE UPCOMING GENERAL ELECTION. I AM GOING TO READ SOME OF
THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PROPOSITION AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TELL ME
WHETHER YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF EACH ONE. MAKES IT ILLEGAL TO BRING
INTO CALIFORNIA A HANDGUN UNLESS THAT GUN HAD ALREADY BEEN REGISTERED IN
THIS STATE

Responses:
APPROVE STRONGLY/APPROVE SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE
SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE STRONGLY/NO OPINION

Percent Responding
54.20% APPROVESTONGLY
17.20% APPROVESOMEWHAT
10.70% DAPPROVESOMEWHAT
18.00% DAPPROVESTONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 72804
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V227

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32CA.
Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 70C.

PROPOSITION 15 HAVING TO DO WITH HANDGUN CONTROL WILL BE ON
THE BALLOT IN THE UPCOMING GENERAL ELECTION. I AM GOING TO READ SOME OF
THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PROPOSITION AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TELL ME
WHETHER YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF EACH ONE. PROHIBITS THE SALE OF ANY
HANDGUN THROUGH THE MAILS

Responses:
APPROVE STRONGLY/APPROVE SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE
SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE STRONGLY/NO OPINION

Percent Responding
75.70% APPROVESTONGLY
7.00% APPROVESOMEWHAT
4.70% DAPPROVESOMEWHAT
12.60% DAPPROVESTONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 87669
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V228

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33CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 70D.

PROPOSITION 15 HAVING TO DO WITH HANDGUN CONTROL WILL BE ON THE BALLOT IN THE UPCOMING GENERAL ELECTION. I AM GOING TO READ SOME OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PROPOSITION AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TELL ME WHETHER YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF EACH ONE. PROVIDES MANDATORY SENTENCES OF SIX MONTHS FOR ANYONE CARRYING A CONCEALED UNREGISTERED HANDGUN

Responses:

APPROVE STRONGLY/APPROVE SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE
SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE STRONGLY/NO OPINION

Percent Responding	
64.80%	APPROVESTRONGLY
14.60%	APPROVESOMEWHAT
8.10%	DAPPROVESOMEWHAT
12.60%	DAPPROVESTRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 75790
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V229

34CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 70E.

PROPOSITION 15 HAVING TO DO WITH HANDGUN CONTROL WILL BE ON THE BALLOT IN THE UPCOMING GENERAL ELECTION. I AM GOING TO READ SOME OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PROPOSITION AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TELL ME WHETHER YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF EACH ONE. PUTS A LIMIT ON THE NUMBER OF HANDGUNS IN CALIFORNIA BY MAKING IT ILLEGAL TO SELL A HANDGUN THAT IS NOT ALREADY REGISTERED, EXCEPT FOR THOSE NEEDED FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

Responses:

APPROVE STRONGLY/APPROVE SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE
SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE STRONGLY/NO OPINION

Percent Responding	
46.20%	APPROVESTRONGLY
16.70%	APPROVESOMEWHAT
12.40%	DAPPROVESOMEWHAT
24.70%	DAPPROVESTRONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 68064
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V230

35CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 70F.

PROPOSITION 15 HAVING TO DO WITH HANDGUN CONTROL WILL BE ON THE BALLOT IN THE UPCOMING GENERAL ELECTION. I AM GOING TO READ SOME OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PROPOSITION AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TELL ME WHETHER YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF EACH ONE. RESTRICTS THE LEGISLATURE FROM BANNING OWNERSHIP OR REQUIRING THE REGISTRATION OF SHOTGUNS OR LONG RIFLES

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Responses:

APPROVE STRONGLY/APPROVE SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE
SOMEWHAT/DISAPPROVE STRONGLY/NO OPINION

Percent Responding
32.70% APPROVESTONGLY
18.60% APPROVESOMEWHAT
18.40% DAPPROVESOMEWHAT
30.30% DAPPROVESTONGLY

Number of Valid Cases: 46940
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V231

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36CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 71.

NOW THAT I HAVE READ ITS MAIN PROVISIONS, WHAT IS YOUR
OVERALL FEELING ABOUT PROPOSITION 15, THE HANDGUN CONTROL MEASURE.
OVERALL ARE YOU INCLINED TO VOTE YES OR NO ON PROPOSITION 15, THE
HANDGUN CONTROL MEASURE?

Responses:

YES/NO/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
61.80% YES
38.20% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 43729
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V232

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37CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8205
<YEAR> 1982-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-019

Survey Date: 08/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 72.

AS YOU MAY KNOW, SOME CALIFORNIA CITIES ARE CONSIDERING
ADOPTING LOCAL HANDGUN CONTROL LAWS THAT WOULD APPLY TO THEIR
COMMUNITIES. THOSE CITY LAWS GENERALLY PROHIBIT THE OWNERSHIP OR
POSSESSION OF HANDGUNS WHETHER REGISTERED OR NOT. IN GENERAL, DO
YOU THINK IT WOULD BE A GOOD OR BAD IDEA FOR YOUR CITY TO PASS A
LAW PROHIBITING HANDGUNS?

Responses:

GOOD IDEA/BAD IDEA/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
33.40% GOODIDEA
66.60% BAD IDEA

Number of Valid Cases: 44973
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V233

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38CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8206
<YEAR> 1982-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-020

Survey Date: 10/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 25A.

HAVE YOU SEEN OR HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT A PROPOSITION HAVING
TO DO WITH HANDGUNS THAT WILL BE ON THE NOVEMBER STATEWIDE ELECTION
BALLOT?

Responses:
YES/NO/INAP
Percent Responding
90.40% YES
9.60% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 10667
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V99

39CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8206
<YEAR> 1982-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-020

Survey Date: 10/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 25B.

WELL (AS YOU KNOW) THERE IS PROPOSITION 15. IT IS A GUN
CONTROL INITIATIVE THAT LIMITS THE NUMBER OF HANDGUNS ALLOWED IN
CALIFORNIA AND REQUIRES ALL EXISTING HANDGUNS TO BE REGISTERED. IF YOU
WERE VOTING TODAY, WOULD YOU VOTE YES OR NO ON PROPOSITION 15?

Responses:
YES/NO/UNDECIDED/INAP
Percent Responding
56.50% YES
43.50% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 70493
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V100

40CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8206
<YEAR> 1982-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-020

Survey Date: 10/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 25C.

WELL (AS YOU KNOW) THERE IS PROPOSITION 15. IT IS A GUN
CONTROL INITIATIVE THAT LIMITS THE NUMBER OF HANDGUNS ALLOWED IN
CALIFORNIA AND REQUIRES ALL EXISTING HANDGUNS TO BE REGISTERED. WHY
WOULD YOU VOTE YES ON PROP.15? ARGUMENTS FOR PROP. 15. (FIRST MENTION)

Responses:
OTHER MENTIONS/TOO MANY GUNS/NO PUBLIC HANDGUNS/REGISTER
GUNS/REDUCE CRIMES/REDUCE ACCIDENTS/NO MENTION/INAP
Percent Responding
10.50% OTHERMENTIONS
35.90% TOO MANY GUNS
9.70% NOPUBLIC HANDGUNS
29.20% REGISTER GUNS
10.00% REDUCE CRIMES
4.80% REDUCEACCIDNTS

Number of Valid Cases: 36656
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V101

CALIFORNIA, continued

41CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8206
<YEAR> 1982-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-020

Survey Date: 10/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 25D.

WELL (AS YOU KNOW) THERE IS PROPOSITION 15. IT IS A GUN CONTROL INITIATIVE THAT LIMITS THE NUMBER OF HANDGUNS ALLOWED IN CALIFORNIA AND REQUIRES ALL EXISTING HANDGUNS TO BE REGISTERED. WHY WOULD YOU VOTE YES ON PROP.15? ARGUMENTS FOR PROP. 15. (SECOND MENTION)

Responses:

OTHER MENTIONS/TOO MANY GUNS/NO PUBLIC HANDGUNS/REGISTER GUNS/REDUCE CRIMES/REDUCE ACCIDENTS/NO MENTION/INAP

Percent	Responding
2.30%	OTHERMENTIONS
9.80%	TOO MANY GUNS
9.20%	NOPUBLIC HANDGUNS
35.70%	REGISTER GUNS
29.70%	REDUCE CRIMES
13.30%	REDUCEACCIDNTS

Number of Valid Cases: 34649
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V102

42CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8206
<YEAR> 1982-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-020

Survey Date: 10/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 25D.

WELL (AS YOU KNOW) THERE IS PROPOSITION 15. IT IS A GUN CONTROL INITIATIVE THAT LIMITS THE NUMBER OF HANDGUNS ALLOWED IN CALIFORNIA AND REQUIRES ALL EXISTING HANDGUNS TO BE REGISTERED. WHY WOULD YOU VOTE NO ON PROP.15? ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROP. 15. (FIRST MENTION)

Responses:

OTHER MENTIONS/REMOVES RIGHTS/CRIMINALS GET GUNS/PEOPLE NEED GUNS FOR PROTECTION/NOT REDUCE CRIME/COSTS TOO MUCH/NEW GUNS REGISTERED/NO MENTION/INAP

Percent	Responding
10.10%	OTHERMENTIONS
33.10%	REMOVES RIGHTS
24.00%	CRIMSGET GUNS
6.90%	NEED GUNS
11.10%	NOREDUCE CRIME
6.80%	COSTSTOO MUCH
8.10%	NEW GUN REGIST

Number of Valid Cases: 10411
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V103

43CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8206
<YEAR> 1982-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-020

Survey Date: 10/1982
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

CALIFORNIA, continued

Question: 25E.

WELL (AS YOU KNOW) THERE IS PROPOSITION 15. IT IS A GUN CONTROL INITIATIVE THAT LIMITS THE NUMBER OF HANDGUNS ALLOWED IN CALIFORNIA AND REQUIRES ALL EXISTING HANDGUNS TO BE REGISTERED. WHY WOULD YOU VOTE NO ON PROP.15? ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROP. 15. (SECOND MENTION)

Responses:

OTHER MENTIONS/REMOVES RIGHTS/CRIMINALS GET GUNS/PEOPLE NEED GUNS FOR PROTECTION/NOT REDUCE CRIME/COSTS TOO MUCH/NEW GUNS REGISTERED/NO MENTION/INAP

Percent Responding

5.30%	OTHER MENTIONS
11.50%	REMOVES RIGHTS
42.20%	CRIMS GET GUNS
12.90%	NEED GUNS
16.30%	NOREDUCE CRIME
11.70%	COSTS TOO MUCH

Number of Valid Cases: 40881

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V104

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44CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8207
<YEAR> 1982-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-021

Survey Date: 11/1982

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 18A.

HAVE YOU SEEN OR HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT A PROPOSITION HAVING TO DO WITH HANDGUNS THAT WILL BE ON NEXT WEEK'S STATEWIDE ELECTION BALLOT?

Responses:

YES, HAVE HEARD/NO, HAVE NOT HEARD, NOT SURE

Percent Responding

97.40%	YES
2.60%	NO

Number of Valid Cases: 99343

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V50

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45CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8207
<YEAR> 1982-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-021

Survey Date: 11/1982

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 18B.

WELL AS YOU KNOW THERE IS PROPOSITION 15. IT IS A GUN CONTROL INITIATIVE THAT LIMITS THE NUMBER OF HANDGUNS ALLOWED IN CALIFORNIA AND REQUIRES ALL EXISTING HANDGUNS TO BE REGISTERED. IF YOU WERE VOTING TODAY, WOULD YOU VOTE YES OR NO ON PROP 15?

Responses:

YES/NO/DON'T KNOW, UNDECIDED

Percent Responding

44.20%	YES
55.80%	NO

Number of Valid Cases: 42930

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V51

CALIFORNIA, continued

46CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8704
<YEAR> 1987-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-046

Survey Date: 11/1987

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 37.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD PROHIBIT THE SALE OF GUNS THROUGH THE MAIL?

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION

Percent Responding

64.00% APPROVE

36.00% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 989

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q37

47CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8704
<YEAR> 1987-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-046

Survey Date: 11/1987

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 38.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD REQUIRE EVERY CITIZEN WHO OWNS OR BUYS A GUN TO REGISTER THE GUN WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES?

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION

Percent Responding

83.50% APPROVE

16.50% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 998

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q38

48CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8704
<YEAR> 1987-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-046

Survey Date: 11/1987

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 39.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD LICENSE PEOPLE TO HAVE HAND GUNS, SUCH AS PISTOLS OR REVOLVERS, ONLY IF THEY CAN SHOW A DEFINITE NEED FOR THEM?

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION

Percent Responding

65.70% APPROVE

34.30% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 977

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q39

CALIFORNIA, continued

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49CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8704
<YEAR> 1987-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-046

Survey Date: 11/1987

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 41.

DO YOU THINK YOU COULD REDUCE THE CHANCES OF BECOMING A
VICTIM OF A SERIOUS CRIME IF YOU HAD A GUN IN YOUR HOME OR NOT?

Responses:

YES/NO/NO OPINION

Percent Responding

27.30% YES

72.70% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 985

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q41

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50CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8704
<YEAR> 1987-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-046

Survey Date: 11/1987

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 42.

WOULD YOU FEEL SAFER IF YOU HAD A GUN IN YOUR HOME OR NOT?

Responses:

YES/NO/NO OPINION

Percent Responding

37.70% YES

62.30% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 1002

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q42

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51CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8704
<YEAR> 1987-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-046

Survey Date: 11/1987

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 43.

DO YOU THINK YOU COULD REDUCE THE CHANCES OF BECOMING A
VICTIM OF A SERIOUS CRIME WHEN YOU WERE OUTSIDE YOUR HOME IF YOU CARRIED
A HANDGUN WITH YOU OR NOT?

Responses:

YES/NO/NO OPINION

Percent Responding

21.00% YES

79.00% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 987

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q43

CALIFORNIA, continued

52CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8704

<YEAR> 1987-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-046

Survey Date: 11/1987

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 44.

WOULD YOU FEEL SAFER GOING TO SOME PLACES OUTSIDE YOUR HOME
IF YOU HAD A GUN WITH YOU OR NOT?

Responses:

YES/NO/NO OPINION
Percent Responding
27.70% YES
72.30% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 989
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q44

53CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8704

<YEAR> 1987-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-046

Survey Date: 11/1987

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 45.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF CHANGING CALIFORNIA'S GUN
LAWS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR A PERSON TO OBTAIN A PERMIT TO BUY A GUN?

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION
Percent Responding
11.10% APPROVE
88.90% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 965
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q45

54CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 8704

<YEAR> 1987-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-046

Survey Date: 11/1987

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 46.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF CHANGING CALIFORNIA'S GUN
LAWS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR A PERSON WHO HAD A PERMIT TO OPENLY CARRY A
GUN IN PUBLIC SO THAT IT CAN BE SEEN BY OTHER PEOPLE?

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION
Percent Responding
17.90% APPROVE
82.10% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 969
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q46

CALIFORNIA, continued

55CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9001
<YEAR> 1990-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-059

Survey Date: 02/1990
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 42.

CURRENTLY STATE LAW REQUIRES A 15 DAY WAITING PERIOD AND
BACKGROUND CHECK OF PERSONS SEEKING ACQUIRE A HANDGUN. DO YOU FAVOR OR
OPPOSE EXTENDING THIS 15 DAY WAITING PERIOD AND BACKGROUND CHECK TO
INCLUDE PURCHASERS OF ALL FIREARMS INCLUDING RIFLES AND SHOTGUNS? DO YOU
(FAVOR) (OPPOSE) STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT?

Responses:
FAVOR STRONGLY/FAVOR SOMEWHAT/OPPOSE SOMEWHAT/OPPOSE
STRONGLY/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE

Percent	Responding
57.70%	FAVOR STRONGLY
7.20%	FAVOR SOMEWHAT
3.00%	OPPOSE SOMEWHAT
11.00%	OPPOSE STRONGLY
0.90%	NO OPINION
20.10%	NOT APPLICABLE

Number of Valid Cases: 1259
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q42

56CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9001
<YEAR> 1990-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-059

Survey Date: 02/1990
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 43A.

CURRENTLY CONVICTED FELONS ARE PROHIBITED FROM BUYING
FIREARMS OF ANY KIND. SOME PEOPLE FEEL THAT CERTAIN OTHER TYPES OF
PEOPLE SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO PURCHASE FIREARMS EITHER. I AM GOING TO
READ DESCRIPTIONS OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF PERSONS. FOR EACH TYPE, PLEASE
TELL ME WHETHER YOU FEEL THIS TYPE OF PERSON SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT BE
ALLOWED TO PURCHASE A FIREARM IN CALIFORNIA. SHOULD PERSONS WHO ARE
MENTALLY RETARDED BE ALLOWED TO PURCHASE A FIREARM IN CALIFORNIA?

Responses:
BE ALLOWED/NOT BE ALLOWED/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE

Percent	Responding
6.50%	SHOULD ALLOW
70.00%	SHOULD NOT ALLOW
3.40%	NO OPINION
20.10%	NOT APPLICABLE

Number of Valid Cases: 1259
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q43A

57CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9204
<YEAR> 1992-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-072

Survey Date: 05/1992
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 42.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD
PROHIBIT THE SALE OF GUNS THROUGH THE MAILS?

CALIFORNIA, continued

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE
Percent Responding
65.60% APPROVE
34.40% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 638
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q42

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58CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9204
<YEAR> 1992-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-072

Survey Date: 05/1992
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 43.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD REQUIRE
EVERY CITIZEN WHO OWNS OR BUYS A GUN TO REGISTER THE GUN WITH LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES?

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE
Percent Responding
83.90% APPROVE
16.10% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 644
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q43

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59CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9204
<YEAR> 1992-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-072

Survey Date: 05/1992
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 44.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD LICENSE
PEOPLE TO HAVE HAND GUNS, SUCH AS PISTOLS OR REVOLVERS, ONLY IF THEY
CAN SHOW A DEFINITE NEED FOR THEM?

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE
Percent Responding
56.20% APPROVE
43.80% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 619
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q44

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60CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9204
<YEAR> 1992-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-072

Survey Date: 05/1992
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 45.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF CHANGING CALIFORNIA'S GUN
LAWS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR A PERSON TO OBTAIN A PERMIT TO BUY A GUN?

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE
Percent Responding
9.50% APPROVE
90.50% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 635

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q45

CALIFORNIA, continued

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61CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9204
<YEAR> 1992-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-072

Survey Date: 05/1992

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 46.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF CHANGING CALIFORNIA'S GUN
LAWS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR A PERSON WHO HAD A PERMIT TO OPENLY CARRY A
GUN IN PUBLIC SO THAT IT CAN BE SEEN BY OTHER PEOPLE?

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE

Percent Responding

19.50% APPROVE

80.50% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 602

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q46

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62CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9204
<YEAR> 1992-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-072

Survey Date: 05/1992

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 48.

DO YOU THINK YOU COULD REDUCE THE CHANCES OF BECOMING A
VICTIM OF A SERIOUS CRIME IF YOU HAD A GUN IN YOUR HOME OR NOT?

Responses:

YES/NO/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE

Percent Responding

32.30% YES

67.70% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 657

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q48

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63CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9204
<YEAR> 1992-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-072

Survey Date: 05/1992

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 49.

WOULD YOU FEEL SAFER IF YOU HAD A GUN IN YOUR HOME OR NOT?

Responses:

YES/NO/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE

Percent Responding

39.90% YES

60.10% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 672

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q49

CALIFORNIA, continued

64CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9204
<YEAR> 1992-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-072

Survey Date: 05/1992

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 50.

DO YOU THINK YOU COULD REDUCE THE CHANCES OF BECOMING A
VICTIM OF A SERIOUS CRIME WHEN YOU WERE OUTSIDE YOUR HOME IF YOU CARRIED
A HANDGUN WITH YOU OR NOT?

Responses:

YES/NO/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE

Percent Responding

22.50% YES

77.50% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 663

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q50

65CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9204
<YEAR> 1992-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-072

Survey Date: 05/1992

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 51.

WOULD YOU FEEL SAFER GOING TO SOME PLACES OUTSIDE YOUR HOME
IF YOU HAD A GUN WITH YOU OR NOT?

Responses:

YES/NO/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE

Percent Responding

30.20% YES

69.80% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 669

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q51

66CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 33.

DO YOU THINK YOU COULD REDUCE THE CHANCES OF BECOMING A
VICTIM OF A SERIOUS CRIME IF YOU HAD A GUN IN YOUR HOME OR NOT?

Responses:

YES/NO/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM A)

Percent Responding

29.40% YES

70.60% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 486

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q33

CALIFORNIA, continued

67CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 34.

WOULD YOU FEEL SAFER IF YOU HAD A GUN IN YOUR HOME OR NOT?

Responses:
YES/NO/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM A)
Percent Responding
37.80% YES
62.20% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 496
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q34

68CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 35.

DO YOU THINK YOU COULD REDUCE THE CHANCES OF BECOMING A
VICTIM OF A SERIOUS CRIME WHEN YOU ARE OUTSIDE YOUR HOME IF YOU CARRIED
A HANDGUN WITH YOU OR NOT?

Responses:
YES/NO/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM A)
Percent Responding
25.20% YES
74.80% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 479
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q35

69CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 36.

WOULD YOU FEEL SAFER GOING TO SOME PLACES OUTSIDE YOUR HOME
IF YOU HAD A GUN WITH YOU OR NOT?

Responses:
YES/NO/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM A)
Percent Responding
29.20% YES
70.80% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 486
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q36

CALIFORNIA, continued

70CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 37.

HOW EFFECTIVE DO YOU THINK STRONGER LAWS RESTRICTING THE
SALE AND POSSESSION OF GUNS WOULD BE IN REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF VIOLENT
CRIME IN YOUR COMMUNITY? (READ CATEGORIES)

Responses:

VERY EFFECTIVE/SOMEWHAT EFFECTIVE/NOT TOO EFFECTIVE/NOT AT
ALL EFFECTIVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM A)

Percent Responding
25.60% VERY EFFECTIVE
31.30% SOMEWHAT EFFECTIVE
18.60% NOT TOO EFFECTIVE
24.50% NOT AT ALL EFFECTIVE

Number of Valid Cases: 482
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q37

71CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 38.

GENERALLY SPEAKING, DO YOU THINK THAT EXISTING LAWS MAKE IT
TOO EASY FOR PEOPLE TO BUY GUNS, TOO DIFFICULT OR ARE THEY ABOUT RIGHT?

Responses:

TOO EASY/ABOUT RIGHT/TOO DIFFICULT/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE
(NOT FORM B)

Percent Responding
70.30% TOO EASY
26.20% ABOUT RIGHT
3.50% TOO DIFFICULT

Number of Valid Cases: 474
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q38

72CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 39.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD
PROHIBIT THE SALE OF GUNS THROUGH THE MAILS?

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM B)

Percent Responding
62.00% APPROVE
38.00% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 483
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q39

CALIFORNIA, continued

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73CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 40.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD REQUIRE
EVERY CITIZEN WHO OWNS OR BUYS A GUN TO REGISTER THE GUN WITH LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES?

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM B)
Percent Responding
87.00% APPROVE
13.00% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 493
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q40

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74CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 41.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF A LAW WHICH WOULD LICENSE
PEOPLE TO HAVE HAND GUNS, SUCH AS PISTOLS OR REVOLVERS, ONLY IF THEY CAN
SHOW A DEFINITE NEED FOR THEM?

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM B)
Percent Responding
61.80% APPROVE
38.20% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 454
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q41

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75CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older
Question: 42.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF CHANGING CALIFORNIA'S GUN
LAWS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR A PERSON TO OBTAIN A PERMIT TO BUY A GUN?

Responses:
APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM B)
Percent Responding
12.90% APPROVE
87.10% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 467
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q42

CALIFORNIA, continued

76CA.

Survey Source: NNSP: CALIFORNIA / THE CALIFORNIA POLL / FIELD INSTITUTE / 9401
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-CA-081

Survey Date: 01/1994

Sample: CALIFORNIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 43.

WOULD YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF CHANGING CALIFORNIA'S GUN
LAWS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR A PERSON WHO HAD A PERMIT TO OPENLY CARRY A
GUN IN PUBLIC SO THAT IT CAN BE SEEN BY OTHER PEOPLE?

Responses:

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE/NO OPINION/NOT APPLICABLE (NOT FORM B)

Percent Responding

24.40% APPROVE

75.60% DISAPPROVE

Number of Valid Cases: 468

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q43

FLORIDA

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1FL.

Survey Source: NNSP: FLORIDA / FLORIDA ANNUAL POLICY SURVEY / POLICY SCIENCES PROGRAM /
SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER / FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY / 1988
<YEAR> 1988-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-FL-004

Survey Date: 01/1988
Sample: FLORIDA Residents 18 or older
Question: 10A.

I would like your opinion on a few current political issues.
Some people really don't have an opinion on some of these matters. If
you have no opinion on an issue, please tell me and I can go to the next
question. Do you favor or oppose tightening the requirements for
purchasing a handgun?

Responses:
Favor/Other, depends/Oppose/No Interest/DK
Percent Responding
72.60% FAVOR
3.10% OTHER-DEPENDS
24.30% OPPOSE

Number of Valid Cases: 927
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V88

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2FL.

Survey Source: NNSP: FLORIDA / FLORIDA ANNUAL POLICY SURVEY / POLICY SCIENCES PROGRAM /
SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER / FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY / 1989
<YEAR> 1989-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-FL-005

Survey Date: 01/1989
Sample: FLORIDA Residents 18 or older
Question: 39.

Do you favor or oppose a waiting period between the purchase
of a gun and the actual delivery of the gun to the buyer?

Responses:
Favor/Oppose/Other, depends/DK
Percent Responding
89.30% FAVOR
9.40% OPPOSE
1.30% OTHER

Number of Valid Cases: 1072
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V129

GEORGIA

1GA.

Survey Source: NNSP: / GEORGIA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA / SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER /
SPRING 1993

<YEAR> 1993-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-GA-022

Survey Date: 05/1993
Sample: Residents 18 or older
Question: 34.

Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree somewhat,
disagree somewhat, or strongly disagree with the next two statements.
First, crime rates in the U.S. would decrease if laws were more strict
concerning handguns.

Responses:

STR AGREE/AGREE SOME/DISAGREE SOME/STR
DISAGREE/REFUSED/DON'T KNOW/NA

Percent	Responding
39.80%	STR AGREE
23.60%	AGREE SOME
13.30%	DISAGREE SOME
16.90%	STR DISAGREE
0.50%	REFUSED
3.40%	DON'T KNOW
2.70%	NA

Number of Valid Cases: 415
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q34

2GA.

Survey Source: NNSP: / GEORGIA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA / SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER /
SPRING 1993

<YEAR> 1993-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-GA-022

Survey Date: 05/1993
Sample: Residents 18 or older
Question: 35.

Next, people who want to purchase firearms should be
required to wait for a period of seven days before being allowed to
purchase a gun.

Responses:

STR AGREE/AGREE SOME/DISAGREE SOME/STR
DISAGREE/REFUSED/DON'T KNOW/NA

Percent	Responding
66.50%	STR AGREE
20.70%	AGREE SOME
4.80%	DISAGREE SOME
3.60%	STR DISAGREE
0.20%	REFUSED
1.90%	DON'T KNOW
2.20%	NA

Number of Valid Cases: 415
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q35

GEORGIA, continued

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3GA.
Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / GEORGIA STATE POLL / APPLIED RESEARCH CENTER / GEORGIA STATE
UNIVERSITY / FALL 1993
<YEAR> 1993-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-GA-GS-006
Survey Date: 10/1993
Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older
Question: QAJC5.
Do you favor or oppose a ban on the sale of all assault
weapons?
Responses:
Favor/Oppose/No answer
Percent Responding
69.90% FAVOR
30.10% OPPOSE

Number of Valid Cases: 782
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QAJC5

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4GA.
Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / GEORGIA STATE POLL / APPLIED RESEARCH CENTER / GEORGIA STATE
UNIVERSITY / FALL 1993
<YEAR> 1993-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-GA-GS-006
Survey Date: 10/1993
Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older
Question: QAJC6.
Would you favor or oppose making it a felony in Georgia for
anyone under the age of 18 to possess a handgun?
Responses:
Favor/Oppose/No answer
Percent Responding
78.60% FAVOR
21.40% OPPOSE

Number of Valid Cases: 785
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QAJC6

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5GA.
Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / GEORGIA STATE POLL / APPLIED RESEARCH CENTER / GEORGIA STATE
UNIVERSITY / FALL 1993
<YEAR> 1993-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-GA-GS-006
Survey Date: 10/1993
Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older
Question: QAJC7.
Would you favor or oppose making it a felony in Georgia for
adults to sell or furnish handguns to anyone under 18?
Responses:
Favor/Oppose/No answer
Percent Responding
85.20% FAVOR
14.80% OPPOSE

Number of Valid Cases: 803
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QAJC7

GEORGIA, continued

6GA.

Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / GEORGIA STATE POLL / APPLIED RESEARCH CENTER / GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY / FALL 1993

<YEAR> 1993-10 </YEAR>

NNSP-GA-GS-006

Survey Date: 10/1993

Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older

Question: QAJC8.

Would you favor or oppose a law in Georgia requiring instant background checks for anyone buying a handgun?

Responses:

Favor/Oppose/No answer

Percent Responding

93.50% FAVOR

6.50% OPPOSE

Number of Valid Cases: 798

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QAJC8

7GA.

Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / ATLANTA JOURNAL CONSTITUTION GEORGIA POLL / ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION / DECEMBER 1993

<YEAR> 1993-12 </YEAR>

NNSP-GA-AJC-004

Survey Date: 12/1993

Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 18.

Do you think the government should license gun owners, the way it now licenses drivers, or not?

Responses:

SHOULD LICENSE/SHOULD NOT LICENSE/DK, REF

Percent Responding

53.70% SHOULD LICENSE

40.30% SHOULD NOT LICENSE

6.00% DK/REF

Number of Valid Cases: 530

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNOWN

8GA.

Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / ATLANTA JOURNAL CONSTITUTION GEORGIA POLL / ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION / DECEMBER 1993

<YEAR> 1993-12 </YEAR>

NNSP-GA-AJC-004

Survey Date: 12/1993

Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older

Question: 19.

Do you favor or oppose a law to ban the sale of handguns?

Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE/DK, REF

Percent Responding

32.80% FAVOR

63.00% OPPOSE

4.20% DK/REF

Number of Valid Cases: 530

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: BANGUN

GEORGIA, continued

9GA.

Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / GEORGIA STATE POLL / APPLIED RESEARCH CENTER / GEORGIA STATE
UNIVERSITY / WINTER 1994
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-GA-GS-007

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older
Question: QDOE9.

Would you say that you strongly Agree, somewhat agree,
somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements? We
need a Georgia law that places restrictions on the sale of non-sporting
guns and ammunition?

Responses:

Strongly Agree/Somewhat Agree/Somewhat Disagree/Strongly Disagree/No answer
Percent Responding
36.90% STRONGLY AGREE
44.80% AGREE
13.50% DISAGREE
4.80% STRONGLY DISAGREE

Number of Valid Cases: 788
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QDOE9

10GA.

Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / GEORGIA STATE POLL / APPLIED RESEARCH CENTER / GEORGIA STATE
UNIVERSITY / WINTER 1994
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-GA-GS-007

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older
Question: QLS6.1

Now here are two questions about your general beliefs. For
each statement give your opinion using a 1 to 5 scale where 1 is equal
to strongly disagree and 5 is equal to strongly agree. When children
take an unsecured gun from their parents' home, parents should be held
financially responsible for the harm done

Responses:

Strongly Disagree/Strongly Agree/No answer
Percent Responding
14.10% STRONGLY DISAGREE
7.70% 2
13.90% 3
16.50% 4
47.80% STRONGLY AGREE

Number of Valid Cases: 782
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QLS6.1

GEORGIA, continued

11GA.

Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / GEORGIA STATE POLL / APPLIED RESEARCH CENTER / GEORGIA STATE
UNIVERSITY / WINTER 1994
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-GA-GS-007

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older
Question: QLS6.2

Now here are two questions about your general beliefs. For each statement give your opinion using a 1 to 5 scale where 1 is equal to strongly disagree and 5 is equal to strongly agree. When children take an unsecured gun from their parents' home, parents should be charged as an accessory to the crime

Responses:
Strongly Disagree/Strongly Agree/No answer
Percent Responding
22.50% STRONGLY DISAGREE
11.50% 2
17.80% 3
13.90% 4
34.40% STRONGLY AGREE

Number of Valid Cases: 786
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QLS6.2

12GA.

Survey Source: NNSP: GEORGIA / GEORGIA STATE POLL / APPLIED RESEARCH CENTER / GEORGIA STATE
UNIVERSITY / WINTER 1994
<YEAR> 1994-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-GA-GS-007

Survey Date: 01/1994
Sample: GEORGIA Residents 18 or older
Question: QLS6.3

Now here are two questions about your general beliefs. For each statement give your opinion using a 1 to 5 scale where 1 is equal to strongly disagree and 5 is equal to strongly agree. Georgia needs a law that requires adult trials for youths who are caught carrying guns

Responses:
Strongly Disagree/Strongly Agree/No answer
Percent Responding
16.80% STRONGLY DISAGREE
9.40% 2
16.70% 3
15.60% 4
41.50% STRONGLY AGREE

Number of Valid Cases: 778
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QLS6.3

ILLINOIS

11L.

Survey Source: NNSP: ILLINOIS / ILLINOIS POLICY SURVEY / CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES /
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY / 1993
<YEAR> 1992-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-IL-011

Survey Date: 10/1992
Sample: ILLINOIS Residents 18 or older
Question: 37.

Do you think there will be serious gun control sometime in
the next 50 years?

Responses:
Yes/No/Won't answer/Don't know/Not asked
Percent Responding
65.20% Yes
32.30% No
2.50% Don't know

Number of Valid Cases: 800
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q37

21L.

Survey Source: NNSP: ILLINOIS / ILLINOIS POLICY SURVEY / CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES /
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY / 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-IL-012

Survey Date: 11/1994
Sample: ILLINOIS Residents 18 or older
Question: 84.

Do you think greater restrictions on handguns would reduce
crime a lot, some, or not much?

Responses:
A lot/Some/Not much/Not at all/Won't answer/Don't know/Not
asked
Percent Responding
28.80% A lot
24.40% Some
37.60% Not much
8.80% Not at all
0.10% Won't answer
0.40% Don't know

Number of Valid Cases: 800
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q84

31L.

Survey Source: NNSP: ILLINOIS / ILLINOIS POLICY SURVEY / CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES /
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY / 1996
<YEAR> 1996-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-IL-014

Survey Date: 11/1996
Sample: ILLINOIS Residents 18 or older
Question: 57.

Do you favor or oppose a law that would allow citizens in
Illinois to carry concealed handguns?

Responses:
Favor/Oppose/Won't Answer/Don't Know
Percent Responding
24.90% Favor
73.00% Oppose
0.40% Won't Answer
1.70% Don't Know

Number of Valid Cases: 800
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q57

ILLINOIS, continued

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4IL.

Survey Source: NNSP: ILLINOIS / ILLINOIS POLICY SURVEY / CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES /
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY / 1996
<YEAR> 1996-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-IL-014

Survey Date: 11/1996

Sample: ILLINOIS Residents 18 or older

Question: 58.

Would you feel more or less safe if Illinois allowed
citizens to carry concealed weapons?

Responses:

More Safe/Less Safe/About the Same/Don't Know/Not Asked

Filter:

IF Q3 = 1

Percent Responding

21.70% More Safe

73.50% Less Safe

2.90% About the Same

0.50% Won't Answer

1.40% Don't Know

Number of Valid Cases: 406

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q58

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5IL.

Survey Source: NNSP: ILLINOIS / ILLINOIS POLICY SURVEY / CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES /
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY / 1996
<YEAR> 1996-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-IL-014

Survey Date: 11/1996

Sample: ILLINOIS Residents 18 or older

Question: 59.

Would you feel more or less safe if Illinois allowed
law-abiding citizens to carry concealed weapons?

Responses:

More Safe/Less Safe/About the Same/Don't Know/Not Asked

Filter:

IF Q3 = 2

Percent Responding

23.00% More Safe

70.10% Less Safe

5.60% About the Same

1.30% Don't Know

Number of Valid Cases: 394

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q59

INDIANA

11N.

Survey Source: NNSP: INDIANA / INDIANA POLL / CENTER FOR SURVEY RESEARCH / INDIANA
UNIVERSITY / NUMBER 6

<YEAR> 1985-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-IN-006

Survey Date: 03/1985
Sample: INDIANA Residents 18 or older
Question: GUN1.

HAVE ANY GUNS OR REVOLVERS. NOW ON A DIFFERENT TOPIC: THERE
HAS BEEN A LOT OF TALK IN THE NEWS THESE DAYS ABOUT CRIME AND SELF
DEFENSE. FIRST, DO YOU HAVE ANY GUNS OR REVOLVERS IN YOUR HOME?

Responses:
YES/NO/DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

Percent Responding
48.30% YES
51.70% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 791
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUN1

KENTUCKY

1KY.

Survey Source: NNSP: KENTUCKY / KENTUCKY POLL / SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER / UNIVERSITY OF
KENTUCKY / SPRING 1983
<YEAR> 1983-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-KY-009

Survey Date: 04/1983
Sample: KENTUCKY Residents 18 or older
Question: 17.

Gun registration and control is another issue surrounded by
controversy. In general, do you feel that the laws covering the sale of
handguns should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are
now?

Responses:

Made stricter/Kept the same/Made less strict/Not asked/Don't
know/Refused

Percent	Responding
50.30%	MADE STRICTER
41.20%	KEPT THE SAME
6.40%	MADE LESS STRICT
2.10%	DONT KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 704
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QS17

2KY.

Survey Source: NNSP: KENTUCKY / KENTUCKY POLL / SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER / UNIVERSITY OF
KENTUCKY / FALL 1986
<YEAR> 1986-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-KY-016

Survey Date: 10/1986
Sample: KENTUCKY Residents 18 or older
Question: 16.

Gun registration and control is another issue surrounded by
controversy. In general, do you feel that the laws covering the sale of
HANDGUNS should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are
now?

Responses:

Made stricter/Made less strict/Kept the same/Don't
know/Refused

Percent	Responding
50.80%	MADE STRICTER
4.90%	MADE LESS STRICT
40.80%	KEPT THE SAME
3.50%	DON'T KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 794
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QS16

3KY.

Survey Source: NNSP: KENTUCKY / KENTUCKY POLL / SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER / UNIVERSITY OF
KENTUCKY / FALL
1989

<YEAR> 1989-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-KY-022

Survey Date: 11/1989
Sample: KENTUCKY Residents 18 or older
Question: 22.

Gun registration and control is another issue surrounded by
controversy. In general, do you feel that the laws covering the sale of
HANDGUNS should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are
now?

KENTUCKY, continued

Responses:

Made more strict/Made less strict/Kept the same/Don't know/Refused

Percent Responding
63.90% MADE MORE STRICT
3.50% MADE LESS STRICT
32.60% KEEP THE SAME

Number of Valid Cases: 651
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q22

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4KY.

Survey Source: NNSP: KENTUCKY / KENTUCKY POLL / SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER / UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY / FALL 1989

<YEAR> 1989-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-KY-022

Survey Date: 11/1989
Sample: KENTUCKY Residents 18 or older
Question: 23.

What about assault weapons, such as the AK-47? In general, do you feel that the laws covering the sale of ASSAULT WEAPONS should be made more strict, less strict, kept as they are now, or should they be banned altogether?

Responses:

Made more strict/Made less strict/Kept the same/Should be banned altogether/Not asked/Don't know/Refused know/Refused

Percent Responding
28.00% MADE MORE STRICT
1.80% MADE LESS STRICT
8.80% KEEP THE SAME
61.30% SHOULD BE BANNED ALT

Number of Valid Cases: 649
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q23

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5KY.

Survey Source: NNSP: KENTUCKY / KENTUCKY POLL / SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER / UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY / HEALTH 1992

<YEAR> 1992-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-KY-028

Survey Date: 06/1992
Sample: KENTUCKY Residents 18 or older
Question: 139.

Would you favor or oppose passage of a state law that would: Require regulation of those who can purchase a gun

Responses:

Favor/Oppose/DK/REF
Percent Responding
73.10% FAVOR
20.40% OPPOSE
6.50% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 617
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q139

MISSISSIPPI

1MS.

Survey Source: NNSP: MISSISSIPPI / MISSISSIPPI POLL / SURVEY RESEARCH UNIT / SOCIAL SCIENCE
RESEARCH CENTER / MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY / 1986
<YEAR> 1986-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-MS-004

Survey Date: 02/1986

Sample: MISSISSIPPI Residents 18 or older

Question: 8.

Do you favor or oppose the registration of all handguns?

Responses:

Favor/Oppose/Do Not Know

Percent Responding

60.50% For

39.50% Against

Number of Valid Cases: 1148

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: HANDGUNS

2MS.

Survey Source: NNSP: MISSISSIPPI / MISSISSIPPI POLL / SURVEY RESEARCH UNIT / SOCIAL SCIENCE
RESEARCH CENTER / MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY / APRIL 1988
<YEAR> 1988-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-MS-005

Survey Date: 04/1988

Sample: MISSISSIPPI Residents 18 or older

Question: 30.

Stricter legislation to control handguns.

Responses:

STRONGLY FAVOR/FAVOR/UNDECIDED-DON'T KNOW/OPPOSE/STRONGLY
OPPOSE/REFUSED

Percent Responding

15.70% STRONG FAVOR

38.60% FAVOR

6.60% UNDECIDED

30.00% OPPOSE

9.10% STRONG OPPOSE

Number of Valid Cases: 1210

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: V57

3MS.

Survey Source: NNSP: MISSISSIPPI / MISSISSIPPI POLL / SURVEY RESEARCH UNIT / SOCIAL SCIENCE
RESEARCH CENTER / MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY / 1990
<YEAR> 1990-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-MS-007

Survey Date: 04/1990

Sample: MISSISSIPPI Residents 18 or older

Question: 31.

Do you favor or oppose a law that would require that a
person obtain a permit before buying a handgun?

Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

Percent Responding

79.20% Favor

18.10% Oppose

2.50% Don't Know

0.20% Refused

Number of Valid Cases: 601

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q53

NEBRASKA

1NE.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEBRASKA / NEBRASKA ANNUAL SOCIAL INDICATORS SURVEY / BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH / DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY / UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA - LINCOLN / 1993
<YEAR> 1993-09 </YEAR>
NNSP-NE-010

Survey Date: 09/1993
Sample: NEBRASKA Residents 18 or older
Question: 479.

Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with each statement I read. A complete ban on assault weapons would decrease the crime rate

Responses:

Strongly Agree/Agree/NEITHER AGREE OR DISAGREE/Disagree/Strongly Disagree/DK/REF/INAP
Percent Responding
13.80% STRONGLY AGREE
43.50% AGREE
1.80% NEITHER AGREE OR DIS
32.50% DISAGREE
8.50% STRONGLY DISAGREE

Number of Valid Cases: 432
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: JP479

2NE.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEBRASKA / NEBRASKA ANNUAL SOCIAL INDICATORS SURVEY / BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH / DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY / UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA - LINCOLN / 1993
<YEAR> 1993-09 </YEAR>
NNSP-NE-010

Survey Date: 09/1993
Sample: NEBRASKA Residents 18 or older
Question: 480.

Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with each statement I read. I would favor a ban on assault weapons

Responses:

Strongly Agree/Agree/NEITHER AGREE OR DISAGREE/Disagree/Strongly Disagree/DK/REF/INAP
Percent Responding
20.20% STRONGLY AGREE
54.30% AGREE
3.00% NEITHER AGREE OR DIS
16.30% DISAGREE
6.10% STRONGLY DISAGREE

Number of Valid Cases: 432
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: JP480

NEBRASKA, continued

3NE.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEBRASKA / NEBRASKA ANNUAL SOCIAL INDICATORS SURVEY / BUREAU OF
SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH / DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY / UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA - LINCOLN / 1993
<YEAR> 1993-09 </YEAR>
NNSP-NE-010

Survey Date: 09/1993
Sample: NEBRASKA Residents 18 or older
Question: 481.

Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or
strongly disagree with each statement I read. Imposing a five day
waiting period on the purchase of a gun would decrease the crime rate

Responses:

Strongly Agree/Agree/NEITHER AGREE OR
DISAGREE/Disagree/Strongly Disagree/DK/REF/INAP

Percent Responding
13.10% STRONGLY AGREE
39.60% AGREE
1.80% NEITHER AGREE OR DIS
37.50% DISAGREE
8.00% STRONGLY DISAGREE

Number of Valid Cases: 429
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: JP481

4NE.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEBRASKA / NEBRASKA ANNUAL SOCIAL INDICATORS SURVEY / BUREAU OF
SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH / DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY / UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA - LINCOLN / 1993
<YEAR> 1993-09 </YEAR>
NNSP-NE-010

Survey Date: 09/1993
Sample: NEBRASKA Residents 18 or older
Question: 482.

Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or
strongly disagree with each statement I read. I would favor a five day
waiting period on the purchase of a gun

Responses:

Strongly Agree/Agree/NEITHER AGREE OR
DISAGREE/Disagree/Strongly Disagree/DK/REF/INAP

Percent Responding
22.70% STRONGLY AGREE
59.10% AGREE
1.50% NEITHER AGREE OR DIS
11.90% DISAGREE
4.80% STRONGLY DISAGREE

Number of Valid Cases: 439
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: JP482

5NE.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEBRASKA / NEBRASKA ANNUAL SOCIAL INDICATORS SURVEY / BUREAU OF
SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH / DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY / UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA - LINCOLN / 1993
NNSP-NE-010

Survey Date: 09/1993
Sample: NEBRASKA Residents 18 or older
Question: 494.

Do you own a gun?

Responses:

YES/NO/DK/REF/PRE 10-13/NEITHER PARENT
DRANK/INAP/NONRESPONSE/INAP

Percent Responding
45.30% YES
54.70% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 442
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: JP494

NEW JERSEY

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1NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 17.

Do you have any type of gun in your home?

Responses:
NO/YES/DON'T KNOW-REFUSED

Percent Responding
80.70% NO
17.60% YES
1.70% DK-REFUSED

Number of Valid Cases: 786
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q17

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2NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 18A.

Do you think you or someone in your household will purchase
a gun in the future?

Responses:
YES/NO/DON'T KNOW-REFUSED

Filter:
IF NO OR DON'T KNOW,REFUSED IN Q.17

Percent Responding
8.50% YES
84.20% NO
7.40% DK-REFUSED

Number of Valid Cases: 650
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q18A

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3NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 18B.

Did you ever have any kind of gun in your home in the past?

Responses:
YES/NO/DON'T KNOW-REFUSED

Filter:
IF NO OR DON'T KNOW,REFUSED IN Q.17

Percent Responding
19.30% YES
79.30% NO
1.30% DK-REFUSED

Number of Valid Cases: 650
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q18B

NEW JERSEY, continued

4NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991

Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older

Question: 18C.

Is that a hand gun, a shotgun, a rifle, or a semi-automatic
weapon?

Responses:

HAND GUN/SHOTGUN/RIFLE/SEMI-AUTOMATIC WEAPON/DON'T
KNOW-REFUSED

Filter:

IF YES IN Q.17

Percent Responding

30.30% HAND GUN

32.80% SHOTGUN

23.20% RIFLE

6.20% SEMI-AUTO GUN

7.50% DK-REFUSED

Number of Valid Cases: 101

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q18C

5NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991

Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older

Question: 18D.

Is the gun used for hunting, target shooting, protection, or
something else?

Responses:

HUNTING/TARGET SHOOTING/PROTECTION/COMB-HUNTING, TARGET
SHOOTING AND PROTECTION/COMB-HUNTING AND TARGET SHOOTING/COMB-HUNTING &
PROTECTION/COMB-TARGET SHOOTING AND PROTECTION/SOMETHING ELSE/DON'T
KNOW-REFUSED

Filter:

IF YES IN Q.17

Percent Responding

1.20% 0

31.80% HUNTING

12.20% TARGET SHOOTING

12.80% PROTECTION

5.60% COMBO-1 2 & 3

12.60% COMBO-1 & 2

3.40% COMBO-1 & 3

1.90% COMBO-2 & 3

13.00% SOMETHING ELSE

5.40% DK-REFUSED

Number of Valid Cases: 138

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q18D

NEW JERSEY, continued

6NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 21.

What is your personal view on the issue of gun control in New Jersey. Do you think that the laws on gun ownership should be more strict than they are now, less strict, are they about right or don't you know anything about the current gun laws?

Responses:

MORE STRICT THAN THEY ARE NOW/LESS STRICT THAN THEY ARE NOW/THEY ARE ABOUT RIGHT/DON'T KNOW ABOUT CURRENT LAWS/NOT SURE-REFUSED

Percent	Responding
58.30%	MORE STRICT THAN NOW
7.90%	LESS STRICT THAN NOW
17.30%	ABOUT RIGHT
13.40%	DK ABOUT LAWS
3.00%	NOT SURE-REFUSED

Number of Valid Cases: 788
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q21

7NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 22A.

Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. First, (START AT DESIGNATED POINT) (PROBE: Do you agree-disagree strongly or mildly?)--owning a gun is a right all Americans should have

Responses:

STRONGLY AGREE/MILDLY AGREE/MILDLY DISAGREE/STRONGLY DISAGREE/DON'T KNOW

Percent	Responding
27.60%	STRONGLY AGREE
18.70%	MILDLY AGREE
12.90%	MILDLY DISAGREE
35.90%	STRONGLY DISAGREE
5.00%	DK

Number of Valid Cases: 788
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q22A

8NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 22C.

Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. First, (START AT DESIGNATED POINT) (PROBE: Do you agree-disagree strongly or mildly?)--there should be a one week waiting period to investigate the background of someone who wants to buy a gun

NEW JERSEY, continued

Responses:
STRONGLY AGREE/MILDLY AGREE/MILDLY DISAGREE/STRONGLY
DISAGREE/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
77.90% STRONGLY AGREE
4.80% MILDLY AGREE
3.80% MILDLY DISAGREE
10.60% STRONGLY DISAGREE
2.90% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 788
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q22C

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9NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84
<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 22D.

Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the
following statements. First, (START AT DESIGNATED POINT) (PROBE: Do you
agree-disagree strongly or mildly?)--a private citizen carrying a gun is
just asking for trouble

Responses:
STRONGLY AGREE/MILDLY AGREE/MILDLY DISAGREE/STRONGLY
DISAGREE/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
42.80% STRONGLY AGREE
13.60% MILDLY AGREE
18.70% MILDLY DISAGREE
17.60% STRONGLY DISAGREE
7.20% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 787
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q22D

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10NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84
<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 22E.

First, (START AT DESIGNATED POINT) (PROBE: Do you
agree-disagree strongly or mildly?)--strict gun control laws make it
more difficult for law-abiding citizens to get guns, but not more
difficult for criminals

Responses:
STRONGLY AGREE/MILDLY AGREE/MILDLY DISAGREE/STRONGLY
DISAGREE/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
53.10% STRONGLY AGREE
12.90% MILDLY AGREE
11.30% MILDLY DISAGREE
16.70% STRONGLY DISAGREE
6.10% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 788
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q22E

NEW JERSEY, continued

11NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991

Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older

Question: 23.

Recently, a New Jersey law went into effect making it illegal to own semi-automatic assault weapons in New Jersey. Have you read or heard anything about this law?

Responses:

YES/NO/DON'T KNOW

Percent Responding

64.60% YES

34.40% NO

1.00% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 788

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q23

12NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991

Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older

Question: 25.

In addition to making the sale and purchase of semi-automatic assault weapons illegal in New Jersey, the law requires current owners to sell them out-of-state, turn them in to police, or disable them. Anyone possessing a banned weapon faces a maximum of five years in prison. Would you say that you support or oppose this law? (PROBE: Do you support or oppose it strongly or mildly?)

Responses:

SUPPORT STRONGLY/SUPPORT MILDLY/OPOSE MILDLY/OPOSE STRONGLY/DON'T KNOW

Percent Responding

57.80% SUPPORT STRONGLY

15.00% SUPPORT MILDLY

8.20% OPOSE MILDLY

13.40% OPOSE STRONGLY

5.50% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 788

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q25

13NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 84

<YEAR> 1991-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-084

Survey Date: 06/1991

Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older

Question: 26.

A proposal to change this law includes allowing current owners of assault weapons to keep them in working condition provided they register them with the state. Do you support or oppose allowing current owners of assault weapons to keep them in working condition? (PROBE: Do you support or oppose it strongly or mildly?)

NEW JERSEY, continued

Responses:

SUPPORT STRONGLY/SUPPORT MILDLY/OPPOSE MILDLY/OPPOSE
STRONGLY/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
26.20% SUPPORT STRONGLY
21.50% SUPPORT MILDLY
9.40% OPPOSE MILDLY
35.40% OPPOSE STRONGLY
7.40% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 788
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q26

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14NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 92
<YEAR> 1993-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-092

Survey Date: 02/1993
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 31C.

In the last year, have you PURCHASED A GUN to protect
yourself from being VICTIM OF A CRIME?

Responses:

YES/NO/ALREADY HAD/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
3.30% Yes
94.40% No
2.10% Already had
0.20% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 801
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q31C

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15NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 93
<YEAR> 1993-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-093

Survey Date: 06/1993
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: 26AL.

How would you rate the job Governor Jim Florio has done at
DEALING WITH THE ISSUE OF GUN CONTROL -- excellent, good, only fair, or
poor?

Responses:

EXCELLENT/GOOD/ONLY FAIR/POOR/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
23.70% Excellent
33.70% Good
15.80% Only fair
18.70% Poor
8.10% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 704
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q26AL

NEW JERSEY, continued

16NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 93

<YEAR> 1993-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-093

Survey Date: 06/1993

Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older

Question: 26BL.

Do you think Christine Todd Whitman would do a better,
worse, or about the same job of this if elected governor? DEALING WITH
THE ISSUE OF GUN CONTROL

Responses:

BETTER/WORSE/SAME/DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

Percent	Responding
15.20%	Better
18.60%	Worse
44.70%	Same
21.50%	DK

Number of Valid Cases: 704

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q26BL

17NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 95

<YEAR> 1993-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-095

Survey Date: 10/1993

Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older

Question: 18J.

How would you rate the job Governor Jim Florio has done at
dealing with the issue of gun control --excellent, good, only fair, or
poor?

Responses:

EXCELLENT/GOOD/ONLY FAIR/POOR/DON'T KNOW

Percent	Responding
24.40%	EXCELLENT
29.10%	GOOD
23.40%	ONLY FAIR
18.40%	POOR
4.60%	DON'T KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 559

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q18J

18NJ.

Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 95

<YEAR> 1993-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-095

Survey Date: 10/1993

Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older

Question: 19J.

Do you think Christine Todd Whitman would do a better,
worse, or about the same job of this if elected governor? DEALING WITH
THE ISSUE OF GUN CONTROL

NEW JERSEY, continued

Responses:
BETTER/WORSE/SAME/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
17.20% BETTER
39.60% WORSE
34.00% SAME
9.00% DON'T KNOW
0.20% 10.00

Number of Valid Cases: 559
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q19J

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19NJ.
Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 98
<YEAR> 1994-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-098

Survey Date: 06/1994
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older
Question: C5C.

I'm going to read some proposals that have been made for reducing crime in New Jersey. For each, please tell me whether you favor or oppose it. First, do you favor or oppose (READ ITEM). PROBE: Strongly or mildly? BANNING THE SALE AND POSSESSION OF HANDGUNS

Responses:
STRONGLY FAVOR/MILDLY FAVOR/MILDLY OPPOSE/STRONGLY
OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
49.00% Strongly favor
4.70% Mildly favor
11.60% Mildly oppose
31.10% Strongly oppose
3.60% Do not know

Number of Valid Cases: 781
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: QC5C

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20NJ.
Survey Source: NNSP: NEW JERSEY / EAGLETON POLL / EAGLETON INSTITUTE / RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
/ POLL 99
<YEAR> 1994-08 </YEAR>
NNSP-NJ-099

Survey Date: 08/1994
Sample: NEW JERSEY Residents 18 or older.
Question: 29.

Which candidate would be more likely to do what you want done about gun control--Lautenberg or Haytaian?

Responses:
LAUTENBERG/HAYTAIAN/NO DIFFERENCE/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
36.30% Lautenberg
15.80% Haytaian
4.90% No difference
43.00% Do not know

Number of Valid Cases: 595
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q29

NORTH CAROLINA

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1NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / SPRING 1981, VER-A
<YEAR> 1981-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-010A

Survey Date: 04/1981
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 1.

Let's start with some question about politics. Do you favor
or oppose a federal law requiring that all handguns people own be
registered by federal authorities?

Responses:
favor/oppose/don't know
Percent Responding
59.20% SUPPORT
32.10% OPPOSE
8.70% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 782
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNS

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2NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1981
<YEAR> 1981-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-011

Survey Date: 10/1981
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 25.

Do you favor or oppose a federal law requiring that all
handguns people own be registered by federal authorities?

Responses:
OPPOSE/FAVOR/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
35.50% OPPOSE
57.90% FAVOR
6.60% DON'T KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 591
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNS

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3NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / SPRING 1983
<YEAR> 1983-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-014

Survey Date: 04/1983
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 19.

Do you happen to have in your home any guns or revolvers?

Responses:
Yes/No/DK
Percent Responding
53.80% YES
44.40% NO
1.80% DONT KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 597
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: HAPPEN

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

4NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / SPRING 1983
<YEAR> 1983-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-014

Survey Date: 04/1983

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 20.

Would you favor or oppose a law which require a person to
obtain a police permit before he or she could buy a handgun?

Responses:

Favor/Oppose/DK

Percent Responding

78.90% FAVOR

18.40% OPPOSE

2.70% DONT KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 598

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNS

5NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 15.

The next few questions are about your experience with guns.
When answering, please keep in mind that the questions refer to you
personally and not to any other member of your household. Was there a
gun of any kind in your home while you were growing up?

Responses:

Yes/No/Not sure

Percent Responding

73.40% YES

24.00% NO

2.60% NOT SURE

Number of Valid Cases: 604

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNHOME

6NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 16.

Have you ever fired a gun?

Responses:

Yes/No/Not sure

Percent Responding

76.80% YES

23.20% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 604

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNFIRE

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

7NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 17.

At what age did you first fire a gun?

Responses:

7 or younger/8 to 12/13 to 15/16 to 18/19 to 20/21 or
older/Not sure/Not asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES"" IN Q16. GOTO 17; ELSE GOTO 18)"

Percent Responding

8.90% 7 OR YOUNGER

36.40% 8 TO 12

20.60% 13 TO 15

12.90% 16 TO 18

4.20% 19 TO 20

16.00% 21 OR OLDER

1.10% NOT SURE

Number of Valid Cases: 451

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNAGE

8NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 18.

Do you now personally own or possess a gun of any kind?

Responses:

Yes/No/Not sure

Percent Responding

49.00% YES

49.90% NO

1.10% NOT SURE

Number of Valid Cases: 604

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNOWN

9NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 19.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people may possess
guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you now own, or have ever
personally possessed a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you;
'no' if it is not. -- Inherited a gun

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

43.70% YES

56.30% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 296

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: INHERIT

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10NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985

<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>

NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 19.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people may possess
guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you now own, or have ever
personally possessed a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you;
'no' if it is not. -- Self-defense at home or work

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

63.60% YES

36.40% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 296

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: DEFENSE

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11NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985

<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>

NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 19.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people may possess
guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you now own, or have ever
personally possessed a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you;
'no' if it is not. -- Law enforcement or security job

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

11.70% YES

88.30% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 296

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: LAW

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

12NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 19.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people may possess
guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you now own, or have ever
personally possessed a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you;
'no' if it is not. -- Target shooting

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

53.30% YES

46.70% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 296

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: TARGET

13NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 19.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people may possess
guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you now own, or have ever
personally possessed a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you;
'no' if it is not. -- Part of a gun collection

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

26.70% YES

73.30% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 296

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: COLLECT

14NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 19.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people may possess
guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you now own, or have ever
personally possessed a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you;
'no' if it is not. -- Hunting

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

62.10% YES

37.90% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 296

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: HUNTING

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15NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985

<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>

NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 19.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people may possess
guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you now own, or have ever
personally possessed a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you;
'no' if it is not. -- Obligation of citizenship

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

19.10% YES

80.90% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 296

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: CITIZEN

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16NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985

<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>

NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 20.

About how many firearms, all together, have you ever owned
or possessed in your life?

Responses:

Just one/2-3/4-5/6-10/11-20/20-100/>100/Not sure

Percent Responding

25.20% 1 GUN

27.80% 2-3

14.90% 4-5

14.50% 6-10

5.90% 11-20

8.20% 20-100

0.50% >100

3.00% NOT SURE

Number of Valid Cases: 296

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: MANYGUN

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

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17NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 21.

Do you currently own or possess a handgun?

Responses:

Yes/No/Not sure/Not asked
Percent Responding
51.60% YES
47.70% NO
0.70% NOT SURE

Number of Valid Cases: 296
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: HANDGUN

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18NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 23.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people do not own
or possess guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you do not now
it is not. -- I am afraid of an accident

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding
58.10% YES
41.90% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 301
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: ACCIDENT

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

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19NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 23.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people do not own
or possess guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you do not now
own or possess a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you; 'no' if
it is not. -- Someone in my household disapproves of guns

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

27.50% YES

72.50% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 301

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: NOLIKE

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20NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 23.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people do not own
or possess guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you do not now
own or possess a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you; 'no' if
it is not. -- Someone else in my household already has a gun

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

37.10% YES

62.90% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 301

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: HAVEGUN

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21NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985
<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 23.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people do not own
or possess guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you do not now
own or possess a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you; 'no' if
it is not. -- I feel possessing a gun increases the chance of violence

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

50.30% YES

49.70% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 301

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: VIOLENCE

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22NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985

<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>

NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 23.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people do not own
or possess guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you do not now
own or possess a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you; 'no' if
it is not. -- I believe guns are immoral

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

17.40% YES

82.60% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 301

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: IMMORAL

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23NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1985

<YEAR> 1985-10 </YEAR>

NNSP-NC-019

Survey Date: 10/1985

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 23.

I am going to read a list of reasons why people do not own
or possess guns. For each, tell me if it is a reason why you do not now
own or possess a gun. Answer 'yes' if it is a reason for you; 'no' if
it is not. -- I cannot afford a gun

Responses:

Yes/No/Not Asked

Filter:

"(IF ""YES,"" IN Q18. GOTO 19; IF ""NO"" GOTO 23; IF ""DK""
GOTO 24)"

Percent Responding

22.90% YES

77.10% NO

Number of Valid Cases: 301

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: AFFORD

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

24NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA / CAROLINAS POLL / KPC RESEARCH IN CHARLOTTE/ RESEARCH AND PLANNING SERVICES / 1989
<YEAR> 1989-06 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-SC-001

Survey Date: 06/1989

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 44.

I'm going to read a list of issues. For each one, please tell me if the issue is a major problem in the community where you live, a minor problem or not much of a problem at all in your community?

VIOLENCE RELATED TO HANDGUNS

Responses:

MAJOR/MINOR/NO PROB/DK

Percent Responding

27.60% MAJOR

35.50% MINOR

32.90% NO PROBLEM

4.00% DK

Number of Valid Cases: 954

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q4411

25NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA / INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1989
<YEAR> 1989-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-027

Survey Date: 10/1989

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 35.

Do you favor or oppose a law which would require a person to obtain a police permit before he or she could buy a gun?

Responses:

FAVOR/OPOSE/DON'T KNOW/NO ANSWER

Percent Responding

79.90% FAVOR

17.10% OPOSE

2.40% DON'T KNOW

0.60% NO ANSWER

Number of Valid Cases: 634

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNLAW

26NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA / INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1989
<YEAR> 1989-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-027

Survey Date: 10/1989

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 36.

Do you happen to have in your home <or garage> any guns or revolvers?

Responses:

YES/NO/DON'T KNOW/NO ANSWER

Percent Responding

56.60% YES

42.60% NO

0.50% DON'T KNOW

0.30% NO ANSWER

Number of Valid Cases: 634

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: OWNGUN

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

27NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1990
<YEAR> 1990-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-029

Survey Date: 10/1990

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 38.

Do you favor or oppose a law which would require a person to
obtain a police permit before he or she could buy a gun?

Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW/NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
80.20% FAVOR
15.70% OPPOSE
3.40% DON'T KNOW
0.70% NO ANSWER

Number of Valid Cases: 822

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNLAW

28NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1992
<YEAR> 1992-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-033

Survey Date: 10/1992

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 50.

Do you favor or oppose a law which would require a person to
obtain a police permit before he or she could buy a gun?

Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW/NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
79.80% FAVOR
16.00% OPPOSE
3.60% DON'T KNOW
0.70% NO ANSWER

Number of Valid Cases: 841

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNLAW

29NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1993
<YEAR> 1993-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-035

Survey Date: 10/1993

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 38.

I'm going to mention three issues that have been in the news
recently. Would you say you are very worried, somewhat worried, not
very worried, or not at all worried about these issues? What about too
many people having guns?

Responses:

VERY WORRIED/SOMEWHAT WORRIED/NOT VERY WORRIED/NOT WORRIED
AT ALL/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
50.30% Very worried
25.50% Somewhat worried
13.40% Not very worried
9.70% Not worried at all
1.10% Don't know/no answer

Number of Valid Cases: 604

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNWORRY

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

30NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / NEWS AND OBSERVER STATEWIDE POLL / FGI / MAY 1994
<YEAR> 1994-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-N&O-001

Survey Date: 05/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 28.

Do you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose... a ban on assault weapons?

Responses:
Strongly favor/Somewhat favor/Somewhat oppose/Strongly oppose/Don't know, No answer

Percent	Responding
39.60%	Strongly favor
10.30%	Somewhat favor
14.20%	Somewhat oppose
29.70%	Strongly oppose
6.10%	Don't know, No answer

Number of Valid Cases: 608
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q16B

31NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / NEWS AND OBSERVER STATEWIDE POLL / FGI / MAY 1994
<YEAR> 1994-05 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-N&O-001

Survey Date: 05/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 28.

Now I have just a couple of questions about crime. I am going to read you some things that might be done to reduce violent crime. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it would reduce the amount of violent crime a lot, a little or not at all. First, would ... stricter gun control laws reduce the amount of violent crime a lot, a little or not at all?

Responses:
A lot/A little/Not at all/Don't know, Refused

Percent	Responding
44.20%	A lot
29.80%	A little
24.20%	Not at all
1.90%	Don't know, Refused

Number of Valid Cases: 608
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q28A

32NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / NEWS AND OBSERVER STATEWIDE POLL / FGI / OCTOBER 1994
<YEAR> 1994-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-N&O-002

Survey Date: 10/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 15.

Do you favor or oppose ... making it harder for people to buy guns.

Responses:
Favor/Oppose/Don't know, no answer

Percent	Responding
67.90%	Favor
29.00%	Oppose
3.20%	Don't know/no answer

Number of Valid Cases: 604
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q15G

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

33NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 13.

The next few questions are about your experience with guns.
When answering, please keep in mind that the questions refer to you
personally, and not to any other member of your household. Was there a
gun of any kind in your home while you were growing up?

Responses:
YES/NO/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
65.90% Yes
33.20% No
1.00% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNKID

34NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 14.

Have you personally ever fired a gun?

Responses:
YES/NO/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
69.50% Favor
30.40% Oppose
0.10% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNFIRE

35NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 15.

Do you now personally own or possess a gun of any kind?

Responses:
YES/NO/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
42.70% Yes
55.40% No
1.90% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: OWNGUN

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36NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 17.

Is the gun that you personally own or possess:

Responses:

a handgun/a rifle or shotgun?/OTHER/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER

Filter:

Asked of those who answered 'One' to Question #16.

Percent Responding

49.50% Handgun

48.50% Rifle or shotgun

1.00% Other

1.00% Don't know/No answer

Number of Valid Cases: 98

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: TYPEGUN1

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37NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 18.

Are the guns that you personally own or possess

handguns/rifles or shotguns/or do you own both handguns and
long guns?/OTHER/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER

Filter:

Asked of those who answered 'More' to Question #16.

Percent Responding

1.60% Handguns

27.10% Rifles or shotguns

70.60% Both

0.80% Don't know/No answer

Number of Valid Cases: 189

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: TYPEGUN2

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38NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 21.

Last year, the North Carolina General Assembly considered
many proposals involving guns. I'm going to ask your opinion about some
of those proposals. Please tell me if you favor or oppose each proposal.
One proposal would make it a felony to sell a handgun to a minor under
the age of 21. Do you favor or oppose this proposal?

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

Responses:
FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
79.10% Favor
19.80% Oppose
1.10% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNMINOR

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39NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 22.

Another proposal would require sheriffs to conduct
background checks to prevent the sale of handguns to criminals and to
persons with a history of insanity or violent behavior. [DO YOU FAVOR
OR OPPOSE THIS PROPOSAL?]

Responses:
FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
91.60% Favor
7.80% Oppose
0.60% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNCHECK

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40NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
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NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 23.

What about -- requiring handgun owners to have a license.
[DO YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE THIS PROPOSAL?]

Responses:
FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
80.60% Favor
15.70% Oppose
3.70% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNLIC

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41NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 24.

What about -- requiring that all handguns be registered with law enforcement officials. [DO YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE THIS PROPOSAL?]

Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER

Percent Responding

79.90% Favor
17.10% Oppose
2.90% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNREGI

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42NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994

<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>

NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 25.

What about -- requiring that households where there are children under 16 keep handguns and ammunition in a safe and secure place. [DO YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE THIS PROPOSAL?]

Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER

Percent Responding

90.80% Favor
8.10% Oppose
1.20% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNSAFE

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43NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994

<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>

NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994

Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older

Question: 26.

What about -- allowing the sale of handguns only by licensed dealers from conventional store-front locations. This would make it illegal for a person to sell guns on the street, from a home or car, and by mail. [DO YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE THIS PROPOSAL?]

Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER

Percent Responding

81.10% Favor
16.00% Oppose
2.90% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNDEAL

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

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44NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1994
<YEAR> 1994-11 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-037

Survey Date: 11/1994
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 27.

What about -- preventing individuals from buying more than
one handgun a month. [DO YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE THIS PROPOSAL?]
Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
68.70% Favor
26.80% Oppose
4.50% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNONEMN

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45NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / NEWS AND OBSERVER STATEWIDE POLL / FGI RESEARCH /
APRIL 1995
<YEAR> 1995-00 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-N&O-004

Survey Date: 1995
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 9C.

On another subject, here are some issues being debated in
the state legislature this year. We'd like to know what you think. Do
you favor or oppose allowing state residents to carry concealed weapons
after taking a gun-safety course?

Responses:
Favor/Oppose/DK,NA
Percent Responding
47.30% FAVOR
49.20% OPPOSE
3.50% DK/NA

Number of Valid Cases: 608
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q9C

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46NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1995
<YEAR> 1995-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-039

Survey Date: 10/1995
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 19.

Do you support or oppose the new state law that allows
people to carry concealed handguns?

Responses:
SUPPORT/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
34.20% Support
56.20% Oppose
9.60% Don't know/no Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 673
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: CONGUN

NORTH CAROLINA, continued

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47NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1995
<YEAR> 1995-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-039

Survey Date: 10/1995
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 20.
Do you yourself have a handgun?
Responses:
YES/NO/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
31.40% Yes
67.20% No
1.30% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 620
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: HAVEGUN

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48NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1995
<YEAR> 1995-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-039

Survey Date: 10/1995
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 22.
Do you intend to buy a handgun in the near future?
Responses:
YES/NO/DON'T KNOW, NO ANSWER
Percent Responding
12.60% Yes
80.00% No
7.40% Don't Know/No Answer

Number of Valid Cases: 425
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: BUYGUN

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49NC.

Survey Source: NNSP: NORTH CAROLINA / CAROLINA POLL / UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA /
INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE / SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM / FALL 1996
<YEAR> 1996-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-NC-041

Survey Date: 10/1996
Sample: NORTH CAROLINA Residents 18 or older
Question: 25.
Here are some campaign statements Dole and Clinton have
made. If you remember, tell me who made each statement. - Removing the
ban on assault weapons.
Responses:
DOLE/CLINTON/BOTH/DON'T KNOW
Percent Responding
43.30% Dole
18.40% Clinton
1.10% Both
37.20% Don't Know

Number of Valid Cases: 868
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: WHOBAN

RHODE ISLAND

1RI.

Survey Source: NNSP: RHODE ISLAND / RHODE ISLAND SURVEY / PUBLIC OPINION LABORATORY / BROWN
UNIVERSITY / MARCH 1989
<YEAR> 1989-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-RI-011

Survey Date: 03/1989
Sample: RHODE ISLAND Residents 18 or older
Question: C11.

There are also proposals to prohibit the sale of certain types of guns or to require that they be licensed. Let me ask you first about hand-guns. Do you think their sale should be prohibited, or that a license should be required before purchase, or that hand-guns should be sold without requiring a license?

Responses:

Percent	Responding
1.30%	0
20.70%	Prohibit sale
74.80%	License
1.90%	No restriction
1.10%	No opinion
0.30%	290

Number of Valid Cases: 377
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: C11

2RI.

Survey Source: NNSP: RHODE ISLAND / RHODE ISLAND SURVEY / PUBLIC OPINION LABORATORY / BROWN.
UNIVERSITY
/ MARCH 1989
<YEAR> 1989-03 </YEAR>
NNSP-RI-011

Survey Date: 03/1989
Sample: RHODE ISLAND Residents 18 or older
Question: C12.

Now let me ask you about assault weapons, such as sub-machine guns. Do you think their sale should be prohibited, or that a license should be required before purchase, or that these weapons should be sold without requiring a license?

Responses:

Percent	Responding
0.50%	0
79.00%	Prohibit sale
17.50%	License
1.60%	No restriction
1.30%	No opinion

Number of Valid Cases: 377
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: C12

RHODE ISLAND, continued

3RI.

Survey Source: NNSP: RHODE ISLAND / RHODE ISLAND SURVEY / PUBLIC OPINION LABORATORY / BROWN
UNIVERSITY / FEBRUARY 1994
<YEAR> 1994-02 </YEAR>
NNSP-RI-029

Survey Date: 02/1994

Sample: RHODE ISLAND Residents 18 or older

Question: 23.

Would you favor or oppose a ban on the sale of all handguns
except those issued to law enforcement officers?

Responses:

Favor/Oppose/Don't know/No answer

Percent Responding

69.90% FAVOR

24.00% OPPOSE

4.30% DON'T KNOW

0.80% NO ANSWER

Number of Valid Cases: 489

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: Q23

TENNESSEE

1TN.

Survey Source: NNSP: TENNESSEE / TENNESSEE SURVEY / SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH INSTITUTE /
UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE / SPRING 1994

<YEAR> 1994-03 </YEAR>

NNSP-TN-010

Survey Date: 03/1994

Sample: TENNESSEE Residents 18 or older

Question: 26.

How about passing stricter gun control laws?

Responses:

INCREASE CRIME/DECREASE CRIME/NO EFFECT ON CRIME/DON'T

KNOW/MISSING

Percent Responding

4.80% Inc Crime

45.00% Dec Crime

45.30% No Effect

4.80% NS

Number of Valid Cases: 806

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GUNCNTRL

TEXAS

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1TX.

Survey Source: NNSP: TEXAS / THE TEXAS POLL / HARTE-HANKS/TAMU PUBLIC POLICY / RESOURCES
LABORATORY / TEXAS A M UNIVERSITY / SPRING 1988
<YEAR> 1988-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-TX-012

Survey Date: 04/1988
Sample: TEXAS Residents 18 or older
Question: QGN1.

Congress is considering a proposal to ban real guns made of plastic because they cannot be detected by security systems. Do you agree or disagree with not allowing plastic guns?

Responses:
Agree/Disagree/Don't know/Refused
Percent Responding
78.30% Agree
14.90% Disagree
6.10% Don't know
0.70% Refused

Number of Valid Cases: 1006
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GN1

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2TX.

Survey Source: NNSP: TEXAS / THE TEXAS POLL / HARTE-HANKS/TAMU PUBLIC POLICY / RESOURCES
LABORATORY / TEXAS A M UNIVERSITY / SPRING 1988
<YEAR> 1988-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-TX-012

Survey Date: 04/1988
Sample: TEXAS Residents 18 or older
Question: QGN2.

What about limits on other guns? Do you think that restrictions on the sales of guns should be increased, decreased, or kept the same?

Responses:
Increased/Decreased/Same/Don't know/Refused
Percent Responding
41.60% Increased
16.50% Decreased
37.00% Same
4.60% Don't know
0.40% Refused

Number of Valid Cases: 1006
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GN2

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3TX.

Survey Source: NNSP: TEXAS / THE TEXAS POLL / HARTE-HANKS/TAMU PUBLIC POLICY / RESOURCES
LABORATORY / TEXAS A M UNIVERSITY / SPRING 1988
<YEAR> 1988-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-TX-012

Survey Date: 04/1988
Question: QGN4.
Do you or anyone else living in your household own a gun?

Responses:
Yes/No/Don't know/Refused
Percent Responding
54.40% Yes
45.00% No
0.10% Don't know
0.50% Refused

Number of Valid Cases: 1006
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GN4

TEXAS, continued

4TX.

Survey Source: NNSP: TEXAS / THE TEXAS POLL / HARTE-HANKS/TAMU PUBLIC POLICY / RESOURCES
LABORATORY / TEXAS A M UNIVERSITY / FALL 1988
<YEAR> 1988-10 </YEAR>
NNSP-TX-013

Survey Date: 10/1988

Sample: TEXAS Residents 18 or older

Question: QEL6B.

Have you heard about.... Dukakis support of gun control?

Responses:

Heard about/Not heard/Don't know/Refused, NA

Percent Responding

83.60% Heard about

15.40% Not heard

0.90% Don't know

0.10% Refused/NA

Number of Valid Cases: 794

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: EL6B

5TX.

Survey Source: NNSP: TEXAS / THE TEXAS POLL / HARTE-HANKS/TAMU PUBLIC POLICY / RESOURCES
LABORATORY / TEXAS A M UNIVERSITY / WINTER 1989
<YEAR> 1989-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-TX-014

Survey Date: 01/1989

Sample: TEXAS Residents 18 or older

Question: 11.

Would you agree or disagree with a law that would allow
individuals in addition to police and security personnel to obtain a
license to carry a concealed gun?

Responses:

Agree/Disagree/Don't know/Refused, NA

Percent Responding

46.10% Agree

48.70% Disagree

5.10% Don't know

0.10% Refused, NA

Number of Valid Cases: 1006

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: L2

6TX.

Survey Source: NNSP: TEXAS / THE TEXAS POLL / HARTE-HANKS/TAMU PUBLIC POLICY / RESOURCES
LABORATORY / TEXAS A M UNIVERSITY / SPRING 1989
<YEAR> 1989-04 </YEAR>
NNSP-TX-015

Survey Date: 04/1989

Sample: TEXAS Residents 18 or older

Question: QGN2.

Do you happen to have any guns or revolvers in your home?

Responses:

Yes/No/Don't know/Refused, NA

Percent Responding

54.60% Yes

44.30% No

0.20% Don't know

0.90% Refused, NA

Number of Valid Cases: 1005

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: GN2

WISCONSIN

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1WI.
Survey Source: NNSP: WISCONSIN / WISCONSIN OPINIONS / SURVEY RESEARCH LAB / UNIVERSITY OF
WISCONSIN / 1993
<YEAR> 1993-00 </YEAR>
NNSP-WI-002

Survey Date: 1993
Sample: WISCONSIN Residents 18 or older
Question: HANDGUNS.
Some cities have considered a law banning the possession of
handguns. Would you favor or oppose a ban on the possession of handguns
in your community?
Responses:
FAVOR/OPOPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NOT SURE/REFUSED/INAP
Percent Responding
53.30% FAVOR
42.20% OPOPOSE
4.40% DON'T KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 2045
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: HANDGUNS

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2WI.
Survey Source: NNSP: WISCONSIN / WISCONSIN OPINIONS / SURVEY RESEARCH LAB / UNIVERSITY OF
WISCONSIN / 1993
<YEAR> 1993-00 </YEAR>
NNSP-WI-002

Survey Date: 1993
Sample: WISCONSIN Residents 18 or older
Question: DAYWAIT.
Would you favor or oppose a state law requiring a seven day
waiting period before the purchase of a handgun?
Responses:
FAVOR/OPOPOSE/DON'T KNOW/REFUSED/INAP
Percent Responding
93.00% FAVOR
6.30% OPOPOSE
0.70% DON'T KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 427
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: DAYWAIT

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3WI.
Survey Source: NNSP: WISCONSIN / WISCONSIN OPINIONS / SURVEY RESEARCH LAB / UNIVERSITY OF
WISCONSIN / 1993
<YEAR> 1993-00 </YEAR>
NNSP-WI-002

Survey Date: 1993
Sample: WISCONSIN Residents 18 or older
Question: BANHDGUN.
Would you favor or oppose a state law that would ban the
sale of handguns commonly called SATURDAY NIGHT SPECIALS, that is, short
barreled handguns which are inexpensive and easily concealable?
Responses:
FAVOR/OPOPOSE/DON'T KNOW/REFUSED/INAP
Percent Responding
76.30% FAVOR
20.40% OPOPOSE
3.30% DON'T KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 426
SAS/SPSS Variable Name: BANHDGUN

WISCONSIN, continued

4WI.

Survey Source: NNSP: WISCONSIN / WISCONSIN OPINIONS / SURVEY RESEARCH LAB / UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN / 1994

<YEAR> 1994-00 </YEAR>
NNSP-WI-003

Survey Date: 1994

Sample: WISCONSIN Residents 18 or older

Question: HANDGUNS.

Some cities have considered a law banning the possession of handguns. Would you favor or oppose a ban on the possession of handguns in your community?

Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NOT SURE/REFUSED/INAP
Percent Responding
51.40% FAVOR
43.30% OPPOSE
5.30% DON'T KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 1974

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: HANDGUNS

5WI.

Survey Source: NNSP: WISCONSIN / WISCONSIN OPINIONS / SURVEY RESEARCH LAB / UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN / 1995-1996

<YEAR> 1995-01 </YEAR>
NNSP-WI-004

Survey Date: 01/1995

Sample: WISCONSIN Residents 18 or older

Question: HANDGUNS.

Now I have some questions on some different topics. Some cities have considered a law banning the possession of handguns. Would you favor or oppose a ban on the possession of handguns in your community?

Responses:

FAVOR/OPPOSE/DON'T KNOW, NOT SURE/REFUSED
Percent Responding
47.00% FAVOR
47.30% OPPOSE
5.80% DON'T KNOW

Number of Valid Cases: 2349

SAS/SPSS Variable Name: HANDGUNS

