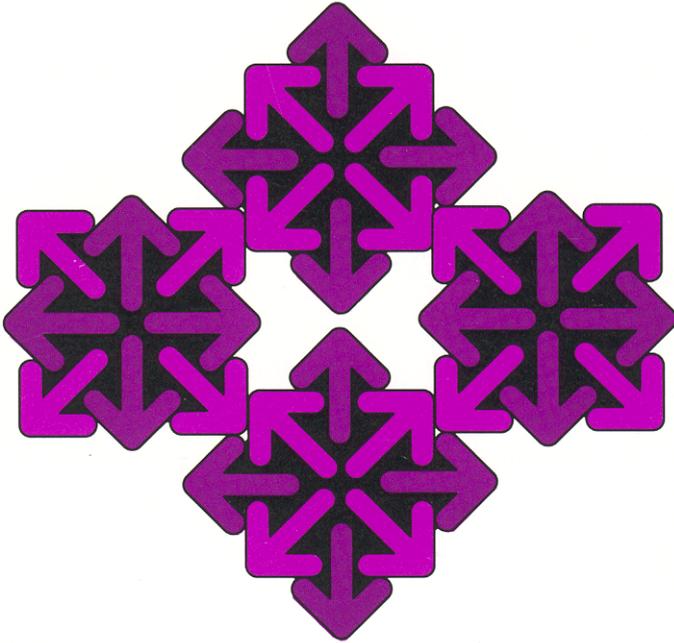


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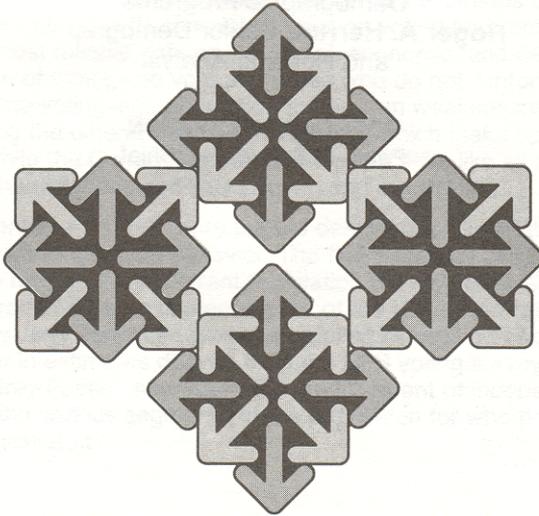
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Preface

Analyses of voter turnout and registration in U.S. national elections provide a basis for evaluating the effectiveness of laws and methods designed to facilitate full participation of voting-age citizens in the electoral process. In its recurring series, the Bureau publishes independent estimates of the age-eligible population, while its biennial surveys on voting and registration provide the nation's most reliable data on the social, economic, and demographic characteristics of those who vote and those who do not. Unfortunately, estimates of the voting-age population suffer from weaknesses associated with measuring the different component groups which make up the eligible population, while the Current Population Survey (CPS), like all household surveys, substantially overestimates voting and registration.

This report contains a set of three papers designed to illuminate different aspects of measuring voting behavior. The first paper, by Jerry Jennings, describes the history of the Current Population Survey voting supplements, the main source of data on characteristics of the U.S. electorate. The second paper, also by Jerry Jennings, provides detailed discussion of the nature and extent of error in estimates derived from the CPS voting surveys. The third paper, by Jeffrey Passel, addresses the development of independent estimates of the various segments of the population for whom voting rates are usually calculated.

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The Current Population Survey of Voting and Registration: Summary and History

Jerry T. Jennings, Bureau of the Census

Nationwide concern over low voter turnout among Blacks in the 1960's stimulated a desire for reliable information on the extent to which Blacks in different regions of the Nation actually registered and voted. In an attempt to meet this need for data, the Census Bureau in 1964 added a biennial supplement to its November Current Population Survey (CPS) asking respondents of voting age if they had voted in the election held two weeks earlier. This supplement has remained a part of the Current Population Survey since that time and results of the surveys showing the extent to which different population groups vote, and since 1966 register, are published biennially in the Bureau's Current Population Reports, Series P-20. Data from these surveys are now the nation's main source of information for comparing turnout rates among subgroups of the population.

A year-by-year description of the supplement and major publications based on it will introduce the types of data generated and show how the supplement has changed over the past two decades. Table 1 summarizes these changes.

1964—the first year. Despite occasional reversals, the range and variety

of information collected and tabulated in the voting supplement has gradually expanded. In 1964, the first survey merely asked respondents if they had voted in that November's national election. Results from the survey (published in Series P-20, No. 143) provided the Bureau and the nation for the first time with detailed information from a large national sample on the social, economic, and demographic characteristics of people who reported that they had voted and those who reported they had not.

In addition to providing estimates of the proportion of voters and nonvoters in age, sex, and racial groups, this early survey provided large sample statistics on the effect of education, occupation, and family income on the likelihood of voting, as well as some data on the mix of voters and nonvoters among family members. No question on registration was asked in the 1964 survey.

1966. Beginning with the 1966 survey and continuing since, persons who reported that they had not voted have also been asked if they were registered. Until 1982, those who said that they were not registered were then asked the main reason they had not regis-

tered. In the 1966 survey, interviewers read a list of possible reasons for not registering and asked respondents to indicate the one that best explained why they had not registered. Alternatives which the interviewer read included:

- Not a citizen of the United States
- Had not lived here long enough to qualify to vote
- Other reason
- Don't know

A small box was provided on the questionnaire for the interviewer to write in the other reason. In all subsequent years, the interviewer marked a pre-printed reason for not voting or not registering that most nearly matched the respondent's verbal response, without showing the list or revealing its contents to the respondent. The 1966 survey also asked respondents if they had voted for someone for Congress.

Published results from the 1966 survey (Series P-20, No. 174) paralleled those from the 1964 survey, with the addition of cross-classifications of registration status, by age, sex, race, and years of school completed.

1968. The survey of 1968 was the first time the Bureau of the Census obtained information in the CPS on the extent to

Table 1.
Summary of Current Population Survey Questions on Voting and Registration: 1964 to 1988

Question	1964	1966	1968	1970	1972	1974	1976	1978	1980	1982	1984	1986	1988
Voting:													
Vote in general election	Yes												
For specific office		Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes				
By absentee ballot						Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes		
Time of day voted					Yes	Yes					Yes		
Vote in primary							Yes						
Vote in prior election			Yes		Yes								
Reason for not voting					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
Registration:													
Registered for this election		Yes											
Registered for prior election													Yes
Reason not registered		Yes											
Citizenship status ¹								Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Media projections											Yes		
Duration of current residence						Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				

¹"Not a citizen" was listed as reason for not registering, 1966 to 1976.

which lack of interest versus external conditions, such as illness, lack of transportation, or the inability to take time off from work, prevented persons from registering. In all subsequent surveys through 1980, the CPS attempted to ascertain of all nonregistered persons whether they had failed to register, (or beginning in 1972, to vote) because they were not interested or because they were unable to do so. The enumerator coded responses and marked a preprinted category on the questionnaire without reading the list to the respondent.

Respondents were asked directly if they had voted for someone for President; also the 1968 survey included, a question for the first time asking respondents if they had voted for someone for President in the previous (1964) Presidential election. The question was asked of all respondents regardless of whether they reported having voted in the 1968 election, or even whether they were registered. A variation of this question has been included in subsequent surveys, including those in Congressional only election years, until 1982, when budget constraints forced a reduction in the number of questions included in the supplement.

Published results from the 1968 survey (Series P-20, No. 192) continued tabulation of the demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of voters and nonvoters begun with the 1964 survey, and expanded them by addition of the new data on continuity in voting.

1970. The survey in the 1970 Congressional election year remained in substance the same as in 1968 and publication followed essentially the 1968 format. These data are published in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 228. A public use tape for 1970 is also available for purchase.

1972. In response to widespread concern that television network airing of election results for States in the East prior to closing of the polls in western time zones might be affecting turnout in the West, a question was added to the

1972 survey asking respondents who reported that they had voted the time of day they voted and whether they had voted at the polls or by absentee ballot. Results were tabulated and published at the national and regional levels. Also in 1972, a new question was included asking respondents who reported that they were registered but had not voted why they had not voted. The question wording and the categories into which the enumerators coded responses were as follows:

What was the main reason . . . was not registered to vote?

- Not a citizen of the United States
- Had not lived here long enough to be qualified to vote
- Not interested, just never got around to it
- Dislikes politics, did not prefer any of the candidates
- Unable to register because of illness, no transportation, couldn't take time off from work, etc.
- Other reason
- Don't know

What was the main reason . . . did not vote?

- Not interested, just never got around to it
- Dislike politics, did not prefer any of the candidates
- Unable to vote because of illness, no transportation, couldn't take time off from work, etc.
- Machines not working, lines too long, etc
- Out of town or away from home
- Other
- Don't know

As in earlier surveys, space was reserved on the 1972 questionnaire for enumerators to write out brief verbatim statements of respondents' stated reasons for not registering or not voting. These write-in entries were not coded or tabulated for publication, however, an internal analysis was made of a sample of the responses and the results became the basis for the much expanded set of response categories included on

the 1974 questionnaire. Respondents in 1972 were also asked if they had voted for a candidate for President that year and in the previous (1968) Presidential election.

New data for 1972 included voting and registration rates for 11 self-identified ethnic origin groups. In addition to the new ethnic data, the published report, Series P-20, No. 253, contained more extensive cross-classifications of social, economic, and demographic variables for voters and nonvoters, registrants and nonregistrants, Spanish-origin iterations, and expanded geographic detail, including voting and registration rates for the 15 largest States, by sex. A public use data tape is available.

1974-76. In terms of sheer volume of voting and registration information collected, the surveys in the Congressional elections of 1974 and the Presidential election of 1976 were the most ambitious undertaken by the Bureau of the Census to that time. In addition to all the questions from the 1972 survey, including the time of day of voting and a separate question on method of voting, the 1974 survey also asked respondents who reported that they had not voted whether they had ever voted in a national, State, or local election and the year they had last done so.

In an attempt to clarify the meaning of the frequent response "recently moved here" to the question on reason for not registering, all persons in the supplement were asked how long they had lived at their current addresses. Those who reported having lived there for less than 6 years were then asked where they had lived before moving to the present address. Response categories identified same or different county, same or different State, or outside the United States.

The 1976 survey dropped the questions on time of day of voting and previous residence, but continued all other questions from the 1974 survey and added an inquiry on whether the respondent had voted earlier that year in a primary election to select a candidate for Con-

gress or President. No subsequent survey has included a question on voting in primary elections.

Published results from the 1974 and 1976 surveys (Series P-20, Nos. 293 and 322, respectively) were much curtailed from the extensive breakdowns in the 1972 report, but still included data from all the items for which information was collected without, however, iterations for all age, sex, or racial groupings. New published data in 1976 included voting and registration rates for the 30 largest (as of 1973) standard metropolitan statistical areas (SMSA's), and expansion of the number of States for which voting and registration rates were shown to the 25 largest. A public use tape is available for each year.

1978-80. Survey questions in the 1978 Congressional and 1980 Presidential election years were curtailed from the ambitious undertaking in the 1974 and 1976 surveys. Dropped were the questions on whether the respondent had ever voted, last time voted, and whether voted in a primary election. The list of reasons for not registering or not voting was shortened. The item on citizenship status was moved from one of the response categories for reasons not registering and asked as a direct question at the beginning of the supplement to screen out noncitizens. Thus, in 1978 and subsequent surveys, the voting and registration questions have been asked only of citizens; voting and registration rates, however, continue to be computed using as the denominator the total civilian noninstitutional population of voting age. Since 1978, most tables in the published reports show the number of noncitizens in a separate column to allow users to compute voting rates based on the citizen population.

Results of the 1978 and 1980 surveys were published in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, Nos. 344 and 370, respectively. A public use tape is available for purchase for both 1978 and 1980.

1982. Because of budget constraints, questions on the 1982 supplement were

further reduced to a lead-in question on citizenship and whether the respondent had voted. Nonvoters were still asked if they were registered. Results of the 1982 survey were published in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 383. A public use tape is available for this survey.

1984. The 1984 survey restored most of the questions removed in 1982, except those on reason for not registering or voting, and in addition, contained the most radical methodological and substantive departures since inception of the supplement in 1964. First, the retrospective question on whether the respondent had voted in the previous Presidential election and the question on time of day of voting were restored.

The second set of changes was more involved. Students of voting behavior have long been concerned that one source of the perennial overreporting on voting common to household surveys arises because proxy respondents state that absent household members voted when in fact they had not. In an attempt to assess the impact of proxy respondents on the voting rate, interviewers for the two outgoing rotation groups (about one-fourth of the total sample), after asking the voting and registration questions for missing persons in the usual manner, later made callbacks to ask the voting and registration questions directly of designated respondents.

In addition to following up proxy voting and registration responses, interviewers on these callbacks also inquired whether the respondent had heard a media projection of the winner in the Presidential election prior to voting, or if a nonvoter, prior to 6 p.m. local time on election day. These questions on exposure to media projections were added in response to continued nationwide concern over the possible effect on voter turnout of network projections before closing of polls in western States. However, unusually high proportions of persons reporting that they had heard the networks project the Presidential winner

during daytime hours before any such announcements were made by the networks compromised the validity of the results of these survey items.

Results of the 1984 survey at the national and regional level were published in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 405, and at the State level in the Advance Report, Series P-20, No. 397. A public use tape is available for purchase.

1986. The 1986 survey reverted to the questionnaire design of 1982, that is, a lead-in question on citizenship, followed by the question on whether respondents had voted, and for those who answered that they had not voted, whether they were registered. Although tabulations were iterated as in previous years, not all tables were published. Unpublished tables (including the more detailed States tables) are available on request at a small fee. A public use tape is also available.

1988. The 1988 survey, in addition to asking the basic questions on voting and registration, attempted to determine the number of persons who had registered specifically for the 1988 election and, for persons who said they had registered specifically for the 1988 election, whether this was the first time they had ever registered.

Advanced data on voting and registration for age, sex, and racial groups, for the United States and States were published in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 435. Final detailed data on the social and economic characteristics of voters and nonvoters, as well as the new data on registration, were released in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 440. A public use tape is available.

Users wishing to obtain copies of the November Current Population Survey data tape should contact:

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Appendix

Current Population Survey Supplement Questionnaires on Voting and Registration

Facsimile of November 1964 Supplemental Questionnaire

<p>34. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM In what State is this household located? <i>(Mark one circle below and proceed accordingly.)</i></p>			
All States <u>except</u> Georgia, Kentucky, Alaska, or Hawaii <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> Is this person 21 years old or over? Yes No <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <i>(Go to 35)</i> <i>(Go to next person)</i>	Georgia or Kentucky <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Is this person 18 years old or over? Yes No <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <i>(Go to 35)</i> <i>(Go to next person)</i>	Alaska <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> Is this person 19 years old or over? Yes No <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <i>(Go to 35)</i> <i>(Go to next person)</i>	Hawaii <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Is this person 20 years old or over? Yes No <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <i>(Go to 35)</i> <i>(Go to next person)</i>
<p>35. (Read once in household) - This month we have a question on voting in the recent election. We are <u>not</u> interested in who you voted for but only in <u>whether</u> you voted.</p> <p>Did... vote in the national election held on Nov. 3? Yes No <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p>			
<p>36. EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT - <i>(For all persons with "Yes" in check item 34. Transcribe from Control Card items 24a-24b, if available, otherwise ask):</i> What is the highest grade (year) of regular school...has ever attended?</p> <p>Never attended..... <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8</p> <p>Elementary School ... <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>High School..... <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6</p> <p>College..... <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>37. Did...finish this grade?</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/></p>		

Facsimile of November 1966 Supplemental Questionnaire

<p>36. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM</p> <p>In what State is this household located? <i>(Mark one circle and proceed accordingly.)</i></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%; border: none; vertical-align: top;"> All states except Georgia, Kentucky, Alaska, or Hawaii. <input type="radio"/> </td> <td style="width: 25%; border: none; vertical-align: top;"> Georgia or Kentucky <input checked="" type="radio"/> </td> <td style="width: 25%; border: none; vertical-align: top;"> Alaska <input type="radio"/> </td> <td style="width: 25%; border: none; vertical-align: top;"> Hawaii <input type="radio"/> </td> </tr> </table>				All states except Georgia, Kentucky, Alaska, or Hawaii. <input type="radio"/>	Georgia or Kentucky <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Alaska <input type="radio"/>	Hawaii <input type="radio"/>
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<p>Is this person 21 years old or over?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Ask item 37) (Go to next person)</i></p>	<p>Is this person 18 years old or over?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Ask item 37) (Go to next person)</i></p>	<p>Is this person 19 years old or over?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Ask item 37) (Go to next person)</i></p>	<p>Is this person 20 years old or over?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Ask item 37) (Go to next person)</i></p>				
<p>37. (Read once in household)- This month we have some questions about whether people voted in the November 8th election this year. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick, or busy, or have some other reason.</p> <p>Did... vote in the election held on November 8th <i>(pause)</i> or did something keep... from voting?</p> <p>Voted <input type="radio"/> Did not vote <input checked="" type="radio"/> DK <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Ask item 38) (Skip to item 39) (Skip to item 39)</i></p>	<p>39. Was... registered to vote in that election; that is, could... have voted?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> DK <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Skip to item 41) (Ask item 40) (Skip to item 41)</i></p>						
<p>38. Did... vote for anyone for Congressman; that is, member of the U.S. House of Representatives in that election?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> DK <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Skip to item 41)</i></p>	<p>40. Which of the following best explains why... was not registered to vote—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - not a citizen of the United States, <input type="radio"/> - had not lived here long enough to be qualified to vote, <input type="radio"/> - or some other reason? <input type="radio"/> <p>Not a citizen of the United States <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Had not lived here long enough to qualify <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Other reason <i>(Specify below)</i> <input type="radio"/></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; width: 100%; margin: 5px 0;"></div> <p>Don't know <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(After completing item 40, fill item 41)</i></p>						
<p>41. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM</p> <p>Who reported on voting for this person?</p> <p>Self <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Other <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Go to next person)</i></p>							

Facsimile of November 1968 Supplemental Questionnaire

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<p>36. Did . . . vote for someone for President?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't know <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>(Skip to 39)</i></p>	<p>37. Was . . . registered to vote in that election?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't know <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Skip to 39) (Ask 38) (Skip to 39)</i></p>						
<p>38. What was the main reason . . . was not registered to vote? <i>(Mark one circle)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not a citizen of the United States <input type="radio"/> - Had not lived here long enough to be qualified to vote <input type="radio"/> - Not interested, just never got around to it, dislikes politics, etc. <input type="radio"/> - Unable to register because of illness, no transportation, couldn't take time off from work, etc. <input type="radio"/> - Other reason <i>(Specify below)</i> <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask 39)</i> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 300px; height: 30px; margin: 5px 0;"></div> <p>- Don't know <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>							
<p>39. Thinking back to 1964, did . . . vote for someone for President that year?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't know <input type="radio"/> <i>(Fill 40)</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM</p> <p>40. Who reported on voting for this person?</p> <p>Self <input type="radio"/> Other <input type="radio"/></p> <p><i>(Go to next person)</i></p>						

Facsimile of November 1970 Supplemental Questionnaire

45. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM

In what State is this household located? (Mark one circle and proceed accordingly)

<p>All states <u>except</u> Georgia, Kentucky, Alaska, or Hawaii</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> ↓</p> <p>Is this person 21 years old or over?</p> <p>Yes No</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Ask 46) (Go to next person)</p>	<p>Georgia or Kentucky</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> ↓</p> <p>Is this person 18 years old or over?</p> <p>Yes No</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Ask 46) (Go to next person)</p>	<p>Alaska</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> ↓</p> <p>Is this person 19 years old or over?</p> <p>Yes No</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Ask 46) (Go to next person)</p>	<p>Hawaii</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> ↓</p> <p>Is this person 20 years old or over?</p> <p>Yes No</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Ask 46) (Go to next person)</p>
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<p>46. This month we have some questions about whether people voted in the recent Congressional election. Did ... vote in the election held on November 3rd (pause) or did something keep ... from voting?</p> <p>Voted Did not vote Don't know</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Skip to 49) (Ask 47) (Ask 47)</p>	<p>47. Was ... registered to vote in that election?</p> <p>Yes No Don't know</p> <p>(Skip to 49) (Ask 48) (Skip to 49)</p>
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<p>48. What was the main reason ... was not registered to vote? (Mark one circle)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not a citizen of the United States..... <input type="radio"/> - Had not lived here long enough to be qualified to vote..... <input type="radio"/> - Not interested, just never got around to it, dislikes politics, etc..... <input type="radio"/> - Unable to register because of illness, no transportation, couldn't take time off from work, etc. <input type="radio"/> - Other reason (Specify below)..... <input type="radio"/> (Ask 49) <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Don't know..... <input type="radio"/> 	<p>49. Thinking back to 1968, did ... vote in the Presidential election that year?</p> <p>Yes No Don't know</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Fill 50)</p>
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50. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM

Who reported on voting for this person?

Self

Other

(Go to next person)

Facsimile of November 1974 Supplemental Questionnaire

34. Interviewer Check Item

This person is 18 years old or older (Ask 35)
All others..... (Go to next person)

35. This month we have some questions about whether people voted in the November 5th congressional election. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy, or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote.

Did . . . vote in the election held on November 5th?

Voted (Ask 36) Did not vote } (Skip to 38)
Don't know }

36. Did . . . vote in person or by absentee ballot?

In person..... (Ask 37)
Absentee ballot } (Skip to 43)
Don't know }

37. At what time of day did . . . vote?

Before 8 A.M.
8 A.M. to Noon 4 P.M. to 6 P.M.
Noon to 4 P.M. After 6 P.M.....
Don't know.....
(Skip to 43)

38. Was . . . registered to vote in the November 5th election?

Yes..... (Skip to 40)
No..... (Ask 39)
Don't know (Skip to 41)

39. There are many reasons people are not registered to vote.

What was the MAIN reason . . . was not registered to vote? (Record response and mark one circle)

COULD NOT REGISTER

- Not a United States citizen
- Had not lived here long enough to be qualified to vote
- Recently moved here, haven't got around to registering
- Permanent disability or illness.....
- No transportation
- Hours or place of registration inconvenient
- Didn't know how or where to register

DID NOT WANT TO REGISTER

- Dislikes politics in general.....
- Did not prefer any of the candidates.....
- Vote wouldn't matter anyway.....
- Not interested, just didn't get around to it
- Other reason
- Don't know.....

(Skip to 41)

Facsimile of November 1974 Supplemental Questionnaire—Continued

40. There are many reasons people have for not voting in any election. What was the MAIN reason that . . . did not vote in the election of November 5th? (Record response and mark one circle)

[Empty rectangular box for recording the response to question 40]

COULD NOT VOTE

- Had no way to get to the polls
- Couldn't take time off from work
- The lines were too long, machines not working
- Was sick that day
- Sickness or emergency in family
- Have a permanent physical disability
- Didn't know an election was to be held
- Was away from home

DID NOT WANT TO VOTE

- Dislikes politics in general
- Did not prefer any of the candidates
- Vote wouldn't matter anyway
- Not interested, just didn't get around to it
- Other reason
- Don't know

(Ask 41)

41. Has . . . ever voted in a national, state, or local election?

- Yes (Ask 42)
- No (Skip to 44)
- Don't know (Skip to 44)

42. When was the last time . . . voted?

- 1973 or later (Ask 43)
- 1972 (Ask 43)
- 1970 - 1971 (Skip to 44)
- 1968 - 1969 (Skip to 44)
- Before 1968 (Skip to 44)

43. Thinking back to 1972, did . . . vote in the presidential election in that year?

- Yes (Ask 44)
- No (Ask 44)
- Don't know (Ask 44)

44. How long has . . . lived at this address?

- Less than 1 month (Ask 45)
- 1-3 months (Ask 45)
- 4-6 months (Ask 45)
- 7-11 months (Ask 45)
- 1-2 years (Ask 45)
- 3-5 years (Ask 45)
- 6-9 years (Skip to item 46)
- 10 years or more (Skip to item 46)

45. Where did . . . live before . . . moved to this address? Was it in this county, in a different county in this state, or in a different state?

- Same county (Fill item 46)
- Different county, same state (Fill item 46)
- Different state (Fill item 46)
- Outside U.S. (Fill item 46)

46. Interviewer Check Item

Who reported on voting for this person?
Self
Other

[Marked area for interviewer check item]

Facsimile of November 1976 Supplemental Questionnaire

34. Interviewer Check Item

- This person is 18 years old or older (Ask 35)
 All others (Go to next person)

This month we have some questions about whether people voted in the November 2nd General election. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy, or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote.

35. Did . . . vote in the election held on November 2nd?

- Voted . . . (Ask 36) Did not vote (Skip to 38)
 Don't know

36. Did . . . vote in person or by absentee ballot?

- In person (Ask 37)
 Absentee ballot
 Don't know

37. Did . . . vote for someone for President?

- Yes (Skip to 43)
 No
 Don't know

38. Was . . . registered to vote in the November 2nd election?

- Yes (Skip to 40)
 No (Ask 39)
 Don't know (Skip to 41)

39. What was the main reason . . . did not register? Was it because . . . was unable to register, was not interested or was there some other reason?

UNABLE TO REGISTER

What was the main reason . . . was unable to register?
 (Mark one circle)

- Not a United States citizen (Skip to 46)
- (Skip to 41) {
- Had not lived here long enough to be qualified to vote
 - Recently moved here, haven't had time
 - Permanent illness or disability
 - No transportation
 - Hours or place of registration inconvenient
 - Didn't know how or where to register
 - Can't read English
 - Other reason

NOT INTERESTED

Which sentence best describes why . . . did not register this year?
 (Show FLASHCARD and mark one circle)

- Did not prefer any of the candidates
- (Skip to 41) {
- Politicians are not interested in my problems
 - My vote would not make a difference in the election
 - Just don't want to get involved in politics
 - Not interested in the election this year
 - Other reason

OTHER REASON

What was the main reason . . . did not register?
 (Mark one circle)

- Just didn't get around to it, or forgot
- (Skip to 41) {
- Didn't know I had to
 - Never do
 - Other reason
 - Don't know

 Facsimile of November 1976 Supplemental Questionnaire—Continued

40. What was the main reason . . . did not vote? Was it because . . . was unable to vote, was not interested or was there some other reason?

UNABLE TO VOTE

What was the main reason . . . was unable to vote?

(Mark one circle)

- (Ask 41) {
- Had no way to get to the polls
 - Illness or emergency
 - Couldn't take time off from work
 - Lines too long, machines not working
 - Out of town, or away from home
 - Other reason

NOT INTERESTED

Which sentence best describes why . . . didn't vote this year?

(Show FLASHCARD and mark one circle)

- (Ask 41) {
- Did not prefer any of the candidates
 - Politicians are not interested in my problems
 - My vote would not make a difference in the election
 - Just don't want to get involved in politics
 - Not interested in the election this year
 - Other reason

OTHER REASON

What was the main reason . . . did not vote?

(Mark one circle)

- (Ask 41) {
- Just didn't get around to it, or forgot
 - Never do
 - Other reason
 - Don't know

45. How long has . . . lived at this address?

- {
- Less than 1 month
 - 1-6 months
 - 7-11 months
 - 1-2 years
 - 3-5 years
 - 6-9 years
 - 10 years or more
- (Fill Item 46)

46. Interviewer Check Item

Who reported on voting for this person?

- {
- Self
 - Other

41. Has . . . ever voted in a national, state, or local election?

- Yes (Ask 42)
 No { (Skip to 45)
 Don't know }

42. When was the last time . . . voted?

- {
- 1975 or later (Ask 43)
 - 1974 { (Skip to 44)
 - 1972-1973 {
 - Before 1972 { (Skip to 45)
 - Don't know {

43. Did . . . vote earlier this year in a primary election to determine the candidate for Congress or President?

- Yes {
 No (Ask 44)
 Don't know }

44. Thinking back to 1972, did . . . vote in the presidential election in that year?

- Yes {
 No (Ask 45)
 Don't know }

Facsimile of November 1978 Supplemental Questionnaire

40. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM

- This person is 18 years or older (Ask item 41)
 All other persons (Go to next person)

Lead in: This month we have some questions concerning registration and voting.

41. Is ... a citizen of the United States?

- Yes (Ask 42)
 No (Skip to 49)
 Don't know (Ask 42) ■

42. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy, or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote.

Did ... vote in the election held on November 7th?

- Voted (Ask 43)
 Did not vote } (Skip to 44)
 Don't know }

43. Did ... vote in person or by absentee ballot?

- In person }
 Absentee ballot } (Skip to 47)
 Don't know ... }

44. Was ... registered to vote in the November 7th election?

- Yes (Skip to 46)
 No (Ask 45) ■
 Don't know (Skip to 47) ■

45. What was the MAIN reason ... was not registered to vote?

- Recently moved here }
 Permanent illness or disability }
 Hours or place inconvenient }
 Other reason unable to register } (Skip to 47)
 Did not prefer any of the likely candidates }
 Not interested, don't care, etc. }
 Other reason }
 Don't know } ■

46. What was the MAIN reason ... did not vote?

- Had no way to get to the polls }
 Could not take time off from work .. }
 Out of town or away from home ... }
 Sick or family emergency } (Ask 47)
 Did not prefer any of the candidates }
 Not interested, don't care, etc. }
 Other reason }
 Don't know } ■

48. How long has ... lived at this address?

- Less than 1 month }
 1-6 months }
 7-11 months ... } (Fill 49)
 1-2 years }
 3-5 years }
 6 years or longer . }
 Don't know }

47. Thinking back to 1976, did ... vote in the presidential election in that year?

- Yes }
 No } (Ask 48)
 Don't know }

49. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM:

Who reported for this person?

- Self
 Other

Facsimile of November 1980 Supplemental Questionnaire

<p>28. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM <i>(cc item 18)</i></p> <p>This person is 18 years or older <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask item 29)</i> All other persons <input type="radio"/> <i>(Go to next person)</i></p>	<p>33. Was . . . registered to vote in the November 4th election?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> <i>(Skip to 35)</i> No <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask 34)</i> Don't know <input type="radio"/> <i>(Skip to 36)</i></p>
<p>LEAD-IN: This month we have some questions concerning registration and voting.</p>	
<p>29. Is . . . a citizen of the United States?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask 30)</i> No <input type="radio"/> <i>(Skip to 39)</i> ■ Don't know <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask 30)</i></p>	<p>34. What was the MAIN reason . . . was not registered to vote?</p> <p>Recently moved here <input type="radio"/> } Permanent illness or disability <input type="radio"/> } Hours or place inconvenient <input type="radio"/> } Other reason unable to register <input type="radio"/> } <i>(Skip to 36)</i> Did not prefer any of the likely candidates <input type="radio"/> } Not interested, don't care, etc. <input type="radio"/> } Other reason <input type="radio"/> } Don't know <input type="radio"/> }</p>
<p>30. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy, or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote.</p> <p>Did . . . vote in the election held on November 4th?</p> <p>Voted <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask 31)</i> Did not vote <input type="radio"/> } Don't know <input type="radio"/> } <i>(Skip to 33)</i></p>	<p>35. What was the MAIN reason . . . did not vote?</p> <p>Had no way to get to the polls <input type="radio"/> } Could not take time off from work <input type="radio"/> } Out of town or away from home <input type="radio"/> } Sick or family emergency <input type="radio"/> } <i>(Fill 36)</i> Did not prefer any of the candidates <input type="radio"/> } Not interested, don't care, etc. <input type="radio"/> } Other reason <input type="radio"/> } Don't know <input type="radio"/> }</p>
<p>31. Did . . . vote in person or by absentee ballot?</p> <p>In person <input type="radio"/> } Absentee ballot <input type="radio"/> } <i>(Ask 32)</i> ■ Don't know <input type="radio"/> }</p>	<p>36. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM <i>(cc item 18)</i></p> <p>This person is 22 years or older <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask item 37)</i> All other persons <input type="radio"/> <i>(Skip to 38)</i></p>
<p>32. Did . . . vote for someone for President?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> } No <input type="radio"/> } <i>(Skip to 36)</i> → Don't know <input type="radio"/> }</p>	<p>37. Thinking back to 1976, did . . . vote in the presidential election in that year?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> } No <input type="radio"/> } <i>(Ask 38)</i> Don't know <input type="radio"/> }</p>
<p>38. How long has . . . lived at this address?</p> <p>Less than 1 month <input type="radio"/> } 1-6 months <input type="radio"/> } 7-11 months <input type="radio"/> } 1-2 years <input type="radio"/> } <i>(Fill 39)</i> 3-5 years <input type="radio"/> } 6 years or longer <input type="radio"/> } Don't know <input type="radio"/> }</p>	
<p>39. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM: Who reported for this person?</p> <p>Self <input type="radio"/> Other <input type="radio"/></p>	

Facsimile of November 1982 Supplemental Questionnaire

<p>29. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM <i>(cc item 18)</i></p> <p>This person is 18 years old or older <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask item 30)</i></p> <p>All other persons: <input type="radio"/> <i>(Go to next person)</i></p>
<p>30. Is . . . a citizen of the United States?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask 31)</i></p> <p>No <input type="radio"/> <i>(Skip to 33)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Don't Know <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask 31)</i></p>
<p>31. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy, or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote.</p> <p>Did . . . vote in the election held on November 2nd?</p> <p>Voted <input type="radio"/> <i>(Skip to 33)</i></p> <p>Did not vote <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <i>(Ask 32)</i></p> <p>Don't Know <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>32. Was . . . registered to vote in the November 2nd election?</p> <p>Yes <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>No <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <i>(Fill 33)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Don't know <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>33. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM</p> <p>Who reported for this person?</p> <p>Self <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Other <input type="radio"/></p>

Facsimile of November 1984 Supplemental Questionnaire

<p>36. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM First digit of SEGMENT number is: 1 or 5 <input type="radio"/> (Fill 37) 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 or 8 <input type="radio"/> (Skip to 40)</p>	<p>45. Was ... registered to vote in the November 6th election? Yes <input type="radio"/> DK <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>37. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM "Yes" filled in item 33 <input type="radio"/> (Ask 38) All others <input type="radio"/> (Skip to 39)</p>	<p>46. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM Person is 22 years and older <input type="radio"/> (Ask 47) All others <input type="radio"/> (Skip to 48)</p>
<p>38. Before you voted on election day, did you hear any media announcement of the projected winner of the Presidential election? Yes <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="radio"/> (Skip to 40) DK <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>47. Thinking back to 1980, did ... vote in the Presidential election in that year? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> DK <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>39. Before 6 p.m. local time on election day, did you hear any media announcement of the projected winner of the Presidential election? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> (Fill 40) DK <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>48. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM First digit of SEGMENT number is: 1 or 5 <input type="radio"/> (Ask items 49-53 of sample person. Arrange for callback if necessary.) 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 or 8 <input type="radio"/> (Go to next person)</p>
<p>SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS</p>	
<p>30. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM Person is 18 years and older <input type="radio"/> (Fill 31) All others <input type="radio"/> (Go to next person)</p>	<p>40. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Person is 22 years and older <input type="radio"/> (Ask 41) All others <input type="radio"/> (Go to next person)</p>
<p>31. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Person responding for him/herself <input type="radio"/> (Read LEAD-IN and ask 32) All others <input type="radio"/> (Skip to 42 and read LEAD-IN)</p>	<p>41. Thinking back to 1980, did you vote in the Presidential election in that year? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> (Go to next person) DK <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>LEAD-IN: This month we have some questions concerning voting and registration</p>	
<p>32. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes <input type="radio"/> (Ask 33) No <input type="radio"/> (Go to next person)</p>	<p>42. Is ... a citizen of the United States? Yes <input type="radio"/> (Ask 43) No <input type="radio"/> (Go to next person) DK <input type="radio"/> (Ask 43)</p>
<p>33. In any election, some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote. Did you vote in the election on November 6th? Yes <input type="radio"/> (Ask 34) No <input type="radio"/> (Skip to 35)</p>	<p>43. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote. Did ... vote in the election on November 6th? Yes <input type="radio"/> (Ask 44) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="radio"/> (Skip to 45) DK <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>34. At what time of day did you vote? Before noon <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noon to 4 p.m. <input type="radio"/> 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. <input type="radio"/> After 6 p.m. <input type="radio"/> (Fill 36) Voted absentee <input type="radio"/> Don't know <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>44. At what time of day did ... vote? Before noon <input type="radio"/> Noon to 4 p.m. <input type="radio"/> 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. <input type="radio"/> (Fill 46) After 6 p.m. <input type="radio"/> Voted absentee <input type="radio"/> Don't know <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>35. Were you registered to vote in the November 6th election? Yes <input type="radio"/> DK <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>49. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote. Did you vote in the election on November 6th? Yes <input type="radio"/> (Ask 50) No <input type="radio"/> (Skip to 51) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>50. At what time of day did you vote? Before noon <input type="radio"/> Noon to 4 p.m. <input type="radio"/> 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. <input type="radio"/> After 6 p.m. <input type="radio"/> (Skip to 52) Voted absentee <input type="radio"/> Don't know <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>51. Were you registered to vote in the November 6th election? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> (Ask 53) DK <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>52. Before you voted on election day, did you hear any media announcement of the projected winner of the Presidential election? Yes <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="radio"/> (Go to next person) DK <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>53. Before 6 p.m. local time on election day, did you hear any media announcement of the projected winner of the Presidential election? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> (Go to next person) DK <input type="radio"/></p>

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SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS	
32. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM	
Person is	
18 years or older	<input type="radio"/> (Ask 33)
All others	<input type="radio"/> (Go to supplement questions for next person)
33. LEAD-IN: This month we have some questions concerning voting and registration	
Is . . . a citizen of the United States?	
Yes	<input type="radio"/> (Ask 34) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="radio"/> (Skip to 36)
DK	<input type="radio"/> (Ask 34)
34. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote.	
Did . . . vote in the election on November 4th?	
Yes	<input type="radio"/> (Skip to 36)
No	<input type="radio"/> (Ask 35)
DK	<input type="radio"/> (Ask 35)
35. Was . . . registered to vote in the November 4th election?	
Yes	<input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="radio"/> (Fill 36)
DK	<input type="radio"/> (Fill 36)
36. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM	
Person responding	
for him/herself	<input type="radio"/> (Go to supplement questions for next person)
All others	<input type="radio"/> (Go to supplement questions for next person)

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32. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM (C.C. Item 18)

This person is 18 years or older (Ask item 33)

All others. (Skip to item 38)

LEAD-IN: This month we have some questions concerning voting and registration.

33. Is . . . a citizen of the United States?

Yes. (Ask 34)

No. (Skip to 38)

Don't know (Ask 34)

34. In any election some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote.

Did . . . vote in the election held on November 8?

Yes. (Skip to 36)

No. (Ask 35)

Don't know

35. Was . . . registered to vote in the November 8th election?

Yes. (Ask 36)

No. (Skip to 38)

Don't know

36. Did . . . register specifically for this election or was . . . already registered?

Registered for this election (Ask 37)

Already registered (Skip to 38)

37. Was this the first time . . . ever registered?

Yes. (Fill item 38)

No.

Don't know

40. INTERVIEWER CHECK ITEM

Who reported for this person?

Self.

Other

