Hello, my name is _______. I'm calling from the University of New Mexico.

We're conducting academic research about multicultural leadership and issues facing elected officials across the nation and would like to speak with <<FNAME>> <<LNAME>>.

[ORIGINAL RESPONDENT] This is not a sales call; you were selected from a list of elected officials from across the country. Your answers to the questions in this survey will remain confidential. The University releases no information as to how any particular individual answers the survey, and does not sell or give away the lists of phone numbers used in our research. You can refrain from answering any questions that make you feel uncomfortable, and you can end the survey at any time. This call may be monitored for quality control purposes. Should you have any questions regarding this research I can give you the telephone number of our project director, Amy Goodin. Are you ready to begin?

[ANSWERING MACHINES: Remember we only leave 2 messages!]
Hello, my name is _______. I'm calling from the University of New Mexico. This is not a sales call. We are conducting academic research on multicultural leadership and issues facing elected officials across the nation. Your phone number was selected from a prepared list and your participation would be greatly appreciated. We'll call back in the next day or two. Thank you.

[Quick Hangup Intro]
Hi, my name is ______. I'm a student at the University of New Mexico, and as part of an academic research project, I am calling you about issues important to elected officials across the country.

Should you choose to participate in our survey, your answers to the questions will remain confidential. The University releases no information as to how any particular individual answers the survey, and does not sell or give away the lists of phone numbers used in our research. You can refrain from answering any questions that make you feel uncomfortable, and you can end the survey at any time. This call may be monitored for quality control purposes. Should you have any questions regarding our research I can give you the telephone number of our project director, Amy Goodin. Are you ready to begin?

[HESITANT RESPONDENT INFO]
If respondent asks what survey is about, tell them it is about the experiences of elected officials like yourself and your views on important public policy issues.

This is an opportunity for them to share their experiences as elected officials and to express their opinion about important issues facing their communities.

The University paid for this research; it is academic research. Do not discuss clients -- have them call Amy.

This is not a sales call.

Your telephone number was chosen from a list of minority elected officials from across the nation.

This is academic research and all of your answers will be kept confidential.

This is an opportunity for you to share your personal experiences and issue concerns as a minority elected official.

Most participants find the survey to be very interesting. Let's try a few questions.

This interview will take about 30 to 40 minutes.
If you have further questions, I can give you the telephone number of our project director, Amy Goodin at: 505-277-1099.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 1   Min: 1   Max: 1)
  1   Continue

  Question # 2   Page # 2
As a part of the survey, I am required to ask: are you male or female?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 4   Min: 1   Max: 1)
  1   Male
  0   Female
  .99   DK/NA
  -97  DROPOUT

  SKIPS from Q2
  IF Q2=-97  SKIP TO: 198

  Question # 3   Page # 3
Now I would like to ask you a few general questions about your elective office.

Our records indicate that you are a <<TITLE>>. Is this correct?

[YES]  CLICK BOX FOR GROUP CALLING--you are calling "<<file>>"

[NO]  What level of elective office do you currently hold? Are you a:

-Check List Open-  (Number of items: 8   Min: 1   Max: 1)
  1   State Legislator
  2   Municipal Official
  3   County Official
  4   School Board Member
  .99   DK/NA
  -97  DROPOUT
  0   Not in elected position
  5   Other <<>>

  SKIPS from Q3
  IF Q3=0 SKIP TO: 198

  Question # 4   Page # 4
What is the official title of your elective office?

-Check List Open-  (Number of items: 36   Min: 1   Max: 1)
  1   Alderman / Alderwoman
  2   Assembly Member
  3   Board of Supervisors
  4   Board of Aldermen
  5   Board of Selectmen
  6   City Commissioner
  7   City Councilor / Council Member
Question # 5  Page # 5
Is this your first elective position?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Yes
0  No
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 6  Page # 6
What year were you first elected to public office?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
Year
<<Integer: -99 $1 $2 9999 >>
Question # 7  Page # 7
What was your first elective office?

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Question # 8  Page # 8
What year were you first elected to your current office?

-Dbase-  (Number of items: 2)
Year
<<Integer: -99 ² [ ¹ ² 9999 ]>>
How many elected offices did you hold prior to your current position?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
# offices
<<Integer: -99 i 9999 >>

SKIPS from Q9
IF q9:2<2 SKIP TO: 13

Question # 10      Page # 10
What was the most recent elective office prior to your current position?

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 36 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Alderman / Alderwoman
2 Assembly Member
3 Board of Supervisors
4 Board of Aldermen
5 Board of Selectmen
6 City Commissioner
7 City Councilor / Council Member
8 County Board of Supervisors
9 County Commission
10 County Council
11 County Freeholder
12 County Judge
13 County Legislator
14 County Supervisor
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19 Mayor
20 Mayor Pro-tem
21 Representative
22 School Board Member / Trustee
23 School Committee Member
24 Selectman / Selectwoman
25 Speaker of the Assembly
26 Speaker, House of Representatives
27 State Assembly Member
28 State Representative
29 State Senator
30 Town Councilor / Council Member
31 Township Committeeeman
32 Township Supervisor
33 Village Trustee
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
36 Other <<>>
SKIPS from Q10
IF q9:2<2 SKIP TO: 13
IF q10=-99 SKIP TO: 13

Question # 11    Page # 11
What was your most recent elective office before you were a <<label(q10)>>?

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 36   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1  Alderman / Alderwoman
2  Assembly Member
3  Board of Supervisors
4  Board of Aldermen
5  Board of Selectmen
6  City Commissioner
7  City Councilor / Council Member
8  County Board of Supervisors
9  County Commission
10 County Council
11 County Freeholder
12 County Judge
13 County Legislator
14 County Supervisor
15 Delegate
16 Deputy Mayor / Vice Mayor
17 Freeholder
18 Judge
19 Mayor
20 Mayor Pro-tem
21 Representative
22 School Board Member / Trustee
23 School Committee Member
24 Selectman / Selectwoman
25 Speaker of the Assembly
26 Speaker, House of Representatives
27 State Assembly Member
28 State Representative
29 State Senator
30 Town Councilor / Council Member
31 Township Committeeman
32 Township Supervisor
33 Village Trustee
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
36 Other <<>>

SKIPS from Q11
IF q9:2=2 SKIP TO: 13

Question # 12    Page # 12
What was the most recent elective office before you were <<label(q11)>>?

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 36   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1  Alderman / Alderwoman
2  Assembly Member
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**Question # 13**  
How many appointed positions did you hold prior to your current elected position?

-Check List-  
(Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)

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IF q3=4  SKIP TO: 14  
IF q4=19  SKIP TO: 15  
IF q13=-97  SKIP TO: 198  
IF else  SKIP TO: 17

**Question # 14**  
We know there are many kinds of school systems, could you tell me which of the following best reflects your school
board or committee system? Is it:

[READ -- DO NOT READ INDENTED ITEMS]

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 9 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 City- or Town-wide;
2 A County School District;
3 An Independent School District;
4 A Unified School District;
5 A Consolidated School District; or
6 A Local School-based Board
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
7 Other <<<>

SKIPS from Q14
IF q14>0 SKIP TO: 17
IF q14=-99 SKIP TO: 17
IF q14=-97 SKIP TO: 198

Question # 15 Page # 15
Which of the following best describes your election as mayor? Were you:

[READ NUMBERS AND CONFIRM RESPONSE WHEN R ANSWERS]

1. Listed on the ballot as a candidate for mayor and popularly elected;
2. Popularly elected to the municipal governing body and selected by your colleagues to serve as mayor; or
3. Popularly elected to the municipal governing body and, as the top vote getter, serve as mayor.

-Check List- (Number of items: 6 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 1. On ballot & popularly elected
2 2. Elected to municipal body & selected by colleagues
3 3. Elected to municipal body & serve as the top vote-getter
0 None of the above
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q15
IF q15<4 SKIP TO: 17

Question # 16 Page # 16
How did you become mayor?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 1)
<<<Text Variable>>>

Question # 17 Page # 17
Is your current position full or part-time?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4 Min: 1 Max: 1)
2 Full-time
1 Part-time
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Question # 18  Page # 18
How long had you lived in the district or area you represent before you were elected to your present office?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
# years in district
<<Integer: -99 i² 100>>

Question # 19  Page # 19
Next we would like to ask you a few questions about your experiences before you were elected to your current office.

On a scale from zero to ten, where zero means not at all involved and ten means extremely involved, how involved were you in activities with each of the following groups before you first ran for elected office?

-Check List- (Number of items: 1 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 CONTINUE

Question # 20  Page # 20
Political parties

-Check List- (Number of items: 13 Min: 1 Max: 1)
0 0 Not at all involved
1 1
2 2
3 3
4 4
5 5
6 6
7 7
8 8
9 9
10 10 Extremely involved
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Question # 21  Page # 21
Labor unions

-Check List- (Number of items: 13 Min: 1 Max: 1)
0 0 Not at all involved
1 1
Question # 22   Page # 22
Business groups

-Check List-  (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0  0   Not at all involved
1  1
2  2
3  3
4  4
5  5
6  6
7  7
8  8
9  9
10 10  Extremely involved
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 23   Page # 23
Parent Teacher’s Organizations or Associations

-Check List-  (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0  0   Not at all involved
1  1
2  2
3  3
4  4
5  5
6  6
7  7
8  8
9  9
10 10  Extremely involved
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 24   Page # 24
Election campaigns
Question # 25  Page # 25
Civil rights organizations

-Check List-  (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0  0  Not at all involved
1  1
2  2
3  3
4  4
5  5
6  6
7  7
8  8
9  9
10  10  Extremely involved
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q25
IF q25=-97    SKIP TO: 198

Question # 26  Page # 26
Faith-based organizations

-Check List-  (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0  0  Not at all involved
1  1
2  2
3  3
4  4
5  5
6  6
7  7
8  8
9  9
10  10  Extremely involved
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
Question # 27  Page # 27
Community or Neighborhood organizations

-Check List- (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0 0  Not at all involved
1 1
2 2
3 3
4 4
5 5
6 6
7 7
8 8
9 9
10 10 Extremely involved
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Question # 28  Page # 28
Women’s organizations

-Check List- (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0 0  Not at all involved
1 1
2 2
3 3
4 4
5 5
6 6
7 7
8 8
9 9
10 10 Extremely involved
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Question # 29  Page # 29
Did you ever serve on the staff of an elected public official prior to your first bid for office?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q29
IF q29<1 SKIP TO: 33
IF q29=-97 SKIP TO: 198

Question # 30  Page # 30
Was this person a male or female?
[IF SERVED MORE THAN ONCE] We are interested in the time last time you served on the staff of an elected public official prior to your first bid for office.

-Check List- (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1   Male
0   Female
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 31  Page # 31
Was this person of your own racial or ethnic background?

[IF SERVED MORE THAN ONCE] We are interested in the time last time you served on the staff of an elected public official prior to your first bid for office.

-Check List- (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1   Yes
0   No
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 32  Page # 32
Did you work for someone at the congressional level, or was it a statewide, state legislature, county, city or town, or school board position?

[IF SERVED MORE THAN ONCE] We are interested in the time last time you served on the staff of an elected public official prior to your first bid for office.

-Check List- (Number of items: 9  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1   Congressional
2   Statewide
3   State legislature
4   County
5   City
6   Town
7   School Board
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Elected officials have a variety of reasons for why they first decided to run for a political office. We are interested in the most important factor that influenced your decision to run for public office the very first time. Briefly, what was the most important reason influencing your decision to run for public office the very first time?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

Question # 33  Page # 33
-Dbase- (Number of items: 3)
<<Text Variable>>
<<Text Variable>>

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What was the next most important reason?

What was the next most important reason?

Question # 34  Page # 34
Using a scale from zero to ten, where zero means not at all likely and ten means extremely likely, how likely is it that you will run for a higher level of office when you leave your current position?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0  0  Not at all likely
1  1
2  2
3  3
4  4
5  5
6  6
7  7
8  8
9  9
10 10  Extremely likely
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 35  Page # 35
The next series of questions pertain to your current elective office.

First, in your most recent election for your current office, did you run as an:

-Check List-  (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Incumbent;
2  Challenger; or
3  For an open seat
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q35
IF q3=1  SKIP TO: 39

Question # 36  Page # 36
Was the race for your current office partisan or nonpartisan?
Check List  
(Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Partisan
2  Non-partisan
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 37  Page # 37  
Are you currently in a district, at-large, or multi-member district seat?

Check List  
(Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  District
2  At-large
3  Multi-member district
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 38  Page # 38  
What is the name and/or number of your district?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]]

Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
Name and/or number
<<Text Variable>>

In your most recent election to your current office, did you provide written materials for voters in languages other than English?

Check List Open-  
(Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  No
0  Does not apply; few voters/residents don't speak English
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
2  Yes--what languages? <<>>

[Yes] What languages?

Question # 40  Page # 40  
To the best of your recollection, was the approximate margin of victory over your closest opponent in your most recent general election:
[DO NOT READ INDENTED ITEMS]

-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 1)
4 More than 10%,
3 Between 5 and 10%, or
2 Less than 5%
1 Ran unopposed / No opponent
0 Doesn't apply to state / No head-to-head races
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Question # 41  Page # 41
Some people believe that minority candidates have to overcome special obstacles when they run for elected office.

For the next several questions, please tell me whether you strongly disagree, disagree, agree, or strongly agree that you faced any of the following obstacles during your first bid for your current office.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 1  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 CONTINUE

Question # 42  Page # 42
How would you rate your level of agreement with the following statement:

I received less support from political parties than other candidates.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q42
IF q42<3  SKIP TO: 44
IF q42=97  SKIP TO: 198

Do you think the biggest factor for this was because of:

-Check List Open-  (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Your race or ethnicity;
2 Your gender;
3 Your race or ethnicity AND gender; or
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
4 Some other factor? <<>>

[SOME OTHER FACTOR] What would that be?
Question # 44  Page # 44
How would you rate your level of agreement with the following statement:

I received less support from other political organizations than other candidates.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Strongly Disagree
2  Disagree
3  Agree
4  Strongly Agree
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q44
IF q44<3    SKIP TO: 46
IF q44=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Do you think the biggest factor was because of:

Question # 45  Page # 45
-Check List Open-  (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Your race or ethnicity;
2  Your gender;
3  Your race or ethnicity AND gender; or
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
4  Some other factor? <<<>

[SOME OTHER FACTOR]  What would that be?

Question # 46  Page # 46
How would you rate your level of agreement with the following statement:

I faced more questions about my qualifications and/or electability than other candidates.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Strongly Disagree
2  Disagree
3  Agree
4  Strongly Agree
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q46
IF q46<3    SKIP TO: 48
IF q46=-97  SKIP TO: 198
Do you think the biggest factor was because of:

Question # 47  Page # 47
-Check List Open- (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Your race or ethnicity;
2 Your gender;
3 Your race or ethnicity AND gender; or
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
4 Some other factor? <<<>

[SOME OTHER FACTOR] What would that be?

Question # 48  Page # 48
How would you rate your level of agreement with the following statement:

I had a harder time raising money than other candidates.

-Check List- (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q48
IF q48<3  SKIP TO: 50
IF q48=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Do you think the biggest factor was because of:

Question # 49  Page # 49
-Check List Open- (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Your race or ethnicity;
2 Your gender;
3 Your race or ethnicity AND gender; or
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
4 Some other factor? <<<>

[SOME OTHER FACTOR] What would that be?

Question # 50  Page # 50
How would you rate your level of agreement with the following statement:
I received less attention from the mainstream media than other candidates.

-Check List- (Number of items: 6 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q50
IF q50<3 SKIP TO: 52
IF q50=-97 SKIP TO: 198

Do you think the biggest factor was because of:

Question # 51 Page # 51
-Check List Open- (Number of items: 6 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Your race or ethnicity;
2 Your gender;
3 Your race or ethnicity AND gender; or
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
4 Some other factor? <<<>

[SOME OTHER FACTOR] What would that be?

Question # 52 Page # 52
How would you rate your level of agreement with the following statement:

More comments were made about my personal appearance than about my opponents’.

-Check List- (Number of items: 6 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q52
IF q52<3 SKIP TO: 54
IF q52=-97 SKIP TO: 198

Do you think the biggest factor was because of:

Question # 53 Page # 53
Question # 54   Page # 54
How would you rate your level of agreement with the following statement:

My family’s background received greater scrutiny than that of other candidates.

-Check List-   (Number of items: 6    Min: 1    Max: 1)
1   Strongly Disagree
2   Disagree
3   Agree
4   Strongly Agree
-99   DK/NA
-97   DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q54
IF q54<3      SKIP TO: 56
IF q54=-97     SKIP TO: 198

Do you think the biggest factor was because of:

Question # 55   Page # 55
-Check List Open-   (Number of items: 6    Min: 1    Max: 1)
1   Your race or ethnicity;
2   Your gender;
3   Your race or ethnicity AND gender; or
-99   DK/NA
-97   DROPOUT
4   Some other factor? <<<>

[SOME OTHER FACTOR]   What would that be?

Question # 56   Page # 56
Now we want to ask about factors that affect how you view politics in this country.

Do you think what happens generally to other minority groups in this country affects what happens in your life and how you view politics?

-Check List-   (Number of items: 5    Min: 1    Max: 1)
0 No
1 Yes
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 Refused

SKIPS from Q56
IF q56<1 SKIP TO: 58
IF q56=-97 SKIP TO: 198

Question # 57 Page # 57
Is it:

-Check List- (Number of items: 6 Min: 1 Max: 1)
3 A lot
2 Some, or
1 Not very much
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 Refused

Question # 58 Page # 58
Do you think what happens to people of your own racial or ethnic background in this country affects what happens in your life and how you view politics?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5 Min: 1 Max: 1)
0 No
1 Yes
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 Refused

SKIPS from Q58
IF q58<1 SKIP TO: 60
IF q58=-97 SKIP TO: 198

Question # 59 Page # 59
Is it:

-Check List- (Number of items: 6 Min: 1 Max: 1)
3 A lot
2 Some, or
1 Not very much
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 Refused

Question # 60 Page # 60
Do you think what happens to women in this country affects what happens in your life and how you view politics?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5 Min: 1 Max: 1)
0 No
Is it:

-Check List-  (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
3 A lot
2 Some, or
1 Not very much
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 Refused

Question # 62  Page # 62

[DO NOT READ --- CLICK TOP OPTION AND MOVE ON]

-Check List- (Random)  (Number of items: 2  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0 women
1 minority women

SKIPS from Q62
IF q62=1  SKIP TO: 71

Question # 63  Page # 63
Shifting the focus slightly, I would like to know whether you think it is easier or harder for women to get a job suitable to their education and training than it is for men.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Easier
3 Harder
2 About the same
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Question # 64  Page # 64
Do you think it is easier or harder for women to get ahead in elective politics than it is for men?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Easier
3 Harder
2 About the same
Question # 65  Page # 65
Do you think it is easier or harder for women to be accepted as a member of a profession, such as law or medicine, than it is for men?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Easier
3  Harder
2  About the same
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 66  Page # 66
Do you think it is easier or harder for women to get appointed to public office than it is for men?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Easier
3  Harder
2  About the same
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q66
IF q66=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 67  Page # 67
Do you think it is easier or harder for minority women to get a job suitable to their education and training than it is for minority men?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Easier
3  Harder
2  About the same
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 68  Page # 68
Do you think it is easier or harder for minority women to get ahead in elective politics than it is for minority men?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Easier
3  Harder
2  About the same
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q68
IF q68=-97  SKIP TO: 198
Question # 69   Page # 69
Do you think it is easier or harder for minority women to be accepted as a member of a profession, such as law or medicine, than it is for minority men?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1   Easier
3   Harder
2   About the same
-99   DK/NA
-97   DROPOUT

Question # 70   Page # 70
Do you think it is easier or harder for minority women to get appointed to public office than it is for minority men?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1   Easier
3   Harder
2   About the same
-99   DK/NA
-97   DROPOUT

           SKIPS from Q70
IF q70=1       SKIP TO: 79
IF else      SKIP TO: 79

Question # 71   Page # 71
Shifting the focus slightly, I would like to know whether you think it is easier or harder for minority women to get a job suitable to their education and training than it is for minority men.

-Check List- (Number of items: 5   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1   Easier
3   Harder
2   About the same
-99   DK/NA
-97   DROPOUT

Question # 72   Page # 72
Do you think it is easier or harder for minority women to get ahead in elective politics than it is for minority men?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1   Easier
3   Harder
2   About the same
-99   DK/NA
-97   DROPOUT

Question # 73   Page # 73
Do you think it is easier or harder for minority women to be accepted as a member of a profession, such as law or medicine, than it is for minority men?
-Check List- (Number of items: 5 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1  Easier
3  Harder
2  About the same
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 74  Page # 74
Do you think it is easier or harder for minority women to get appointed to public office than it is for minority men?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1  Easier
3  Harder
2  About the same
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 75  Page # 75
Do you think it is easier or harder for women to get a job suitable to their education and training than it is for men?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1  Easier
3  Harder
2  About the same
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 76  Page # 76
Do you think it is easier or harder for women to get ahead in elective politics than it is for men?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1  Easier
3  Harder
2  About the same
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 77  Page # 77
Do you think it is easier or harder for women to be accepted as a member of a profession, such as law or medicine, than it is for men?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1  Easier
3  Harder
2  About the same
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 78  Page # 78
Do you think it is easier or harder for women to get appointed to public office than it is for men?
Question # 79  Page # 79

Now I would like to ask about your views on politics.

Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as Republican, Democrat, Independent, or of another political affiliation?

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 8  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0  None--don't think in these terms
1  Republican
2  Democrat
3  Independent
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
-98  Refused
4  Other <<>>

SKIPS from Q79
IF q79<1  SKIP TO: 82
IF q79=97  SKIP TO: 198
IF q79>2  SKIP TO: 81

Question # 80  Page # 80

Would you call yourself a strong <<label(q79)>>?

-Check List- (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0  No
1  Yes
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
-98  Refused

SKIPS from Q80
IF q80<2  SKIP TO: 82
IF q80=97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 81  Page # 81

Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?

-Check List- (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0  Neither--don't think in these terms
1  Republican
2  Democrat
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
-98  Refused
Question # 82   Page # 82
How would you describe your views on most matters having to do with politics? Do you generally think of yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, middle-of-the-road, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

-Check List-   (Number of items: 8  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1   Very liberal
2   Somewhat liberal
3   Middle of the road
4   Somewhat conservative
5   Very conservative
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
-98  Refused

Question # 83   Page # 83
Now we’d like to ask you a few questions about your constituents – the people who live in the jurisdiction or district that you represent.

Would you say that more voters in your jurisdiction identify with the Republican Party, the Democratic Party, or are the voters divided about equally between the two parties?

-Check List-   (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1   Identify w/the Republican Party
3   Identify w/the Democrat Party
2   Divided about equally
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
4   Mostly independent / third party voters
0   Identify w/no party

SKIPS from Q83
IF q83=97   SKIP TO: 198

Question # 84   Page # 84
On most political issues, would you characterize the majority of voters in your jurisdiction as:

-Check List-   (Number of items: 8  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1   Very liberal
2   Somewhat liberal
3   Middle of the road
4   Somewhat conservative
5   Very conservative
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
-98  Refused

Question # 85   Page # 85
Would you say that your constituency is mostly:

-Check List-   (Number of items: 8  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1   Poor
Would you say that the racial or ethnic makeup of your jurisdiction is mostly:

[READ -- DO NOT READ INDENTED]

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 9 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 White, non-Hispanic
2 Black
3 Hispanic or Latino
4 Asian
5 American Indian, or
0 Mixed w/no dominant race
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
6 Other <<>>

SKIPS from Q86
IF q86=-97 SKIP TO: 198

To the best of your knowledge, about what percentage of the people who live in your jurisdiction are immigrants?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
% immigrant
<<Integer: -99 i 1 100 >>

To better understand the extent of constituent interactions with elected officials, how many constituents contact your office in an average week?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
# constituent contacts
<<Integer: -99 i 1 9999 >>

To the best of your knowledge, from which racial or ethnic group are the majority of the constituents who contact your
Researchers have found that there are many reasons constituents contact their elected officials. I am going to read you a list of some possible reasons. Please tell me which of these would you say is the primary reason why most of your constituents contact you? Is it to:

- Influence government policy;
- Voice a community concern;
- Get help with a family or personal problem; or
- To get help finding a job?

Next, I'm going to read you a pair of statements. Please tell me which one comes closest to your own view even if neither one is exactly right.

In a situation when the views of my constituents conflict with my own, it is more important that my vote reflects the views of my constituents.

OR

In a situation when the views of my constituents conflict with my own, it is more important that my vote reflects my informed judgment and trust that my constituents will support me.
Question # 93  Page # 92
Which of the following statements best describes your voting record in the governing body in which you serve, meaning the decision-making body or governing unit that you are part of or interact with due to your elective position?

Are you part of a voting majority on important public policy issues, part of a voting minority, or do you vote with the majority and the minority equally?

Question # 94  Page # 93
Now I am going to read you a list of types of elected officials. Using a scale from zero to ten, where zero is not at all likely to support your policy initiatives and ten is extremely likely, how likely are each of the following groups to support your policy initiatives?

Question # 95  Page # 94
Elected officials from your own party.

[PROMPT] The scale is from zero to ten, where zero not at all likely to support your policy initiatives and ten is extremely likely to support your policy initiatives?
**Question # 96**  
Elected officials from your own racial or ethnic background.

[PROMPT] The scale is from zero to ten, where zero not at all likely to support your policy initiatives and ten is extremely likely to support your policy initiatives?

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**Question # 97**  
Minority elected officials from racial or ethnic backgrounds other than your own.

[PROMPT] The scale is from zero to ten, where zero not at all likely to support your policy initiatives and ten is extremely likely to support your policy initiatives?

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**Question # 98**  
Female elected officials from non-minority backgrounds.
[PROMPT] The scale is from zero to ten, where zero not at all likely to support your policy initiatives and ten is extremely likely to support your policy initiatives?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 14  Min: 1  Max: 1)

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-97 DROPOUT
-96 DOES NOT APPLY

Question # 99  Page # 98
Elected officials who share your ideology.

[PROMPT] The scale is from zero to ten, where zero not at all likely to support your policy initiatives and ten is extremely likely to support your policy initiatives?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 14  Min: 1  Max: 1)

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-99 DON'T KNOW
-97 DROPOUT
-96 DOES NOT APPLY

Question # 100  Page # 99
Elected officials who are minority women.
Question # 101   Page # 100
Please tell me whether you strongly disagree, disagree, agree, or strongly agree with each of the following statements about possible differences between women and men who serve in elective office.

[DO NOT READ --- CLICK TOP OPTION AND MOVE ON]

-Check List- (Random)   (Number of items: 2   Min: 1   Max: 1)
0    female
1    male

SKIPS from Q101
IF q101=1    SKIP TO: 107

Question # 102   Page # 101
Female elected officials are more persuasive than their male counterparts.

-Check List-   (Number of items: 6   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1    Strongly Disagree
2    Disagree
3    Agree
4    Strongly Agree
-99    DK/NA
-97    DROPOUT

Question # 103   Page # 102
Female elected officials are better at achieving consensus than their male counterparts.

-Check List-   (Number of items: 6   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1    Strongly Disagree
2    Disagree
3    Agree
4    Strongly Agree
-99    DK/NA
-97    DROPOUT

Question # 104   Page # 103
Female elected officials work harder than their male counterparts.
Question # 105  Page # 104
Female elected officials are less interested in being in the limelight than in getting the job done compared to their male counterparts.

Question # 106  Page # 105
Female elected officials are more likely to conduct policymaking behind closed doors compared to their male counterparts.

Question # 107  Page # 106
Male elected officials are more persuasive than their female counterparts.

Question # 108  Page # 107
Male elected officials are better at achieving consensus than their female counterparts.
Male elected officials work harder than their female counterparts.

-Check List-   (Number of items: 6   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1   Strongly Disagree
2   Disagree
3   Agree
4   Strongly Agree
-.99   DK/NA
-.97   DROPOUT

Male elected officials are less interested in being in the limelight than in getting the job done compared to their female counterparts.

-Check List-   (Number of items: 6   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1   Strongly Disagree
2   Disagree
3   Agree
4   Strongly Agree
-.99   DK/NA
-.97   DROPOUT

Male elected officials are more likely to conduct policymaking behind closed doors compared to their female counterparts.

-Check List-   (Number of items: 6   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1   Strongly Disagree
2   Disagree
3   Agree
4   Strongly Agree
-.99   DK/NA
-.97   DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q111
IF q3=1   SKIP TO: 112
IF q3=1   SKIP TO: 121
IF q111=-97   SKIP TO: 198

Is there a formal women’s caucus in your legislative chamber?

-Check List-   (Number of items: 4   Min: 1   Max: 1)
1. Are men also members of the women’s caucus?

   - Check List- (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
   1. Yes
   0. No
   -99. DK/NA
   -97. DROPOUT

   SKIPS from Q112
   IF q112<1    SKIP TO: 115
   IF q112=-97  SKIP TO: 198

2. Are you a member of the women’s caucus?

   - Check List- (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
   1. Yes
   0. No
   -99. DK/NA
   -97. DROPOUT

   SKIPS from Q113
   IF q2=1    SKIP TO: 115
   IF q113=-97  SKIP TO: 198

3. Is there a formal minority caucus in your legislature?

   - Check List- (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
   1. Yes
   0. No
   -99. DK/NA
   -97. DROPOUT

   SKIPS from Q115
   IF q115<1    SKIP TO: 119
   IF q115=-97  SKIP TO: 198

4. Which racial or ethnic group sponsors a minority caucus?

   [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY---DO NOT READ]

   - Check List Open- (Number of items: 8  Min: 1  Max: 6)
   1. Black
2 Hispanic/Latino
3 Asian
4 Native American
5 Multiracial
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPTOUT
6 Other <<<

SKIPS from Q116
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Question # 117 Page # 116
Are you a member?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPTOUT

SKIPS from Q117
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IF else SKIP TO: 119

Question # 118 Page # 117
Are you a member of a minority caucus?

[YES] Which ones?

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
[enter No if appropriate, or DK/NA = -99 and Dropout = -97]
<<Text Variable>>
Question # 119  Page # 118
Is there a formal caucus for minority women in your legislature?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Yes
0  No
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q119
IF q119<1  SKIP TO: 121
IF q119=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 120  Page # 119
Are you a member?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Yes
0  No
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 121  Page # 120
In recent years, the number of women serving in public office has increased across the country. We are interested in whether you think the presence of women has affected the way your particular governing body works.

Would you say that women have made a lot of difference, some difference, very little difference, or no difference at all in terms of helping pass policy initiatives to benefit racial or ethnic minorities?

[GOVERNING BODY MEANS] The decision-making body or the governing unit that you interact with due to your elective position.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 1)
3  A lot of difference
2  Some difference
1  Very little difference
0  No difference at all
-99  DON'T KNOW
-97  DROPOUT
-96  DOES NOT APPLY

Question # 122  Page # 121
In recent years, the number of minorities serving in public office has increased across the country. We are interested in whether you think the presence of minorities has affected the way your particular governing body works.

Would you say that minority elected officials have made a lot of difference, some difference, very little difference, or no difference at all in terms of helping pass policy initiatives to benefit women?

[GOVERNING BODY MEANS] The decision-making body or the governing unit that you are part of or interact with due to your elective position.
Would you say that minority elected officials have made a lot of difference, some difference, very little difference, or no difference at all in terms of helping pass policy initiatives to benefit minority women?

Would you say that minority elected officials have made a lot of difference, some difference, very little difference, or no difference at all in terms of helping pass policy initiatives to benefit the economically disadvantaged?

Would you say that minority elected officials have made a lot of difference, some difference, very little difference, or no difference at all in terms of helping pass policy initiatives to benefit racial or ethnic groups?

Briefly, what do you think is the most important policy issue facing your constituents?
What is the next most important policy issue?

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Question # 127  Page # 126
Now we’re going to ask your opinion on a range of policy proposals currently being debated.

Please tell me whether you strongly disagree, disagree, agree, or strongly agree with each of the following policy proposals.

-Check List- (Number of items: 1  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 CONTINUE

Question # 128  Page # 127
The death penalty should be an option as a punishment for those who commit murder.

-Check List- (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Question # 129  Page # 128
The United States Supreme Court should overturn the Roe versus Wade decision, which made abortion legal during the first three months of pregnancy.

-Check List- (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
Question # 130  Page # 129
Government should provide childcare services to all parents who desire them with fees charged according to ability to pay.

-Check List- (Number of items: 7  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Question # 131  Page # 130
Gay and lesbian couples should be allowed to legally form civil unions, giving them some of the legal rights of married couples.

-Check List- (Number of items: 7  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Question # 132  Page # 131
States no longer need laws prohibiting sexual harassment against women.

-Check List- (Number of items: 7  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Question # 133  Page # 132
States no longer need laws prohibiting job discrimination against women.

-Check List- (Number of items: 7  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
Question # 134  Page # 133
The US made the right decision in using military force against Iraq.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Question # 135  Page # 134
The US should bring its troops home from Iraq as soon as possible.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Question # 136  Page # 135
As a matter of public safety, drivers’ licenses should be made available to immigrants, regardless of their legal status in the U.S.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Question # 137  Page # 136
Government agencies should provide services in a variety of languages to help non-English speaking clients.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Question # 138  Page # 137
Non-citizen legal immigrants should be allowed to vote in school board elections if they have children in the public schools.

[Non-citizen legal immigrants] This means legal permanent residents who are not U.S. citizens.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

SKIPS from Q138
IF q138=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 139  Page # 138
Subsidized childcare should be increased for poor working mothers in welfare-to-work programs.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Question # 140  Page # 139
College education should be allowed to count toward the Òwork requirementÓ for women receiving welfare.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Strongly Disagree
2 Disagree
3 Agree
4 Strongly Agree
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT
-98 REFUSED

Which of the following statements best agrees with your view on abortion:
Question # 141  Page # 140
-Check List-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1
2
3
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
-98  Refused
0  None of the above

SKIPS from Q141
IF q141=-97  SKIP TO: 198

A. By law, abortion should never be permitted;
B. The law should permit abortion only in cases of rape, incest, or when the life of the woman is in danger; or
C. By law, a woman should always be able to obtain an abortion as a private decision to be made with her physician.

Question # 142  Page # 141
The following questions are specifically about policies concerning education. For each one, please tell me whether you would strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose each policy.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 1  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  CONTINUE

Question # 143  Page # 142
A constitutional amendment to permit prayer in public schools.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Strongly Favor
2  Favor
3  Oppose
4  Strongly Oppose
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 144  Page # 143
A law banning preferential school admission on the basis of race or ethnicity.

-Check List-  (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Strongly Favor
2  Favor
3  Oppose
4  Strongly Oppose
-99  DK/NA
Question # 145  Page # 144
A law giving parents government-funded school vouchers to pay for tuition at the public, private, or religious school of their choice.

-Check List- (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Strongly Favor
2  Favor
3  Oppose
4  Strongly Oppose
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q145
IF q145=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 146  Page # 145
A law mandating public schools to provide instruction in other languages for students not proficient in English.

-Check List- (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Strongly Favor
2  Favor
3  Oppose
4  Strongly Oppose
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 147  Page # 146
The No Child Left Behind Act mandating public schools to meet certain testing standards for federal funding.

-Check List- (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Strongly Favor
2  Favor
3  Oppose
4  Strongly Oppose
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 148  Page # 147
A law mandating the teaching of creationism instead of evolution in public schools.

-Check List- (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Strongly Favor
2  Favor
3  Oppose
4  Strongly Oppose
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q148
IF q148=-97  SKIP TO: 198
Question # 149  Page # 148
Another policy we'd like to ask about is affirmative action. Affirmative action refers to any measure, policy, or law used to increase diversity or rectify discrimination so that qualified individuals have equal access to employment, education, business, and contracting opportunities.

-Check List-   (Number of items: 1     Min: 1     Max: 1)
1    CONTINUE

Question # 150  Page # 149
Using a scale from zero to ten, where zero is not at all important and ten is extremely important, in your opinion, how important are affirmative action programs in terms of helping women achieve equity?

-Check List-   (Number of items: 13     Min: 1     Max: 1)
0    0   Not at all important
1    1
2    2
3    3
4    4
5    5
6    6
7    7
8    8
9    9
10   10   Extremely important
-99   DK/NA
-97   DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q150
IF q150=-97    SKIP TO: 198

Question # 151  Page # 150
Using a scale from zero to ten, where zero is not at all important and ten is extremely important, in your opinion, how important are affirmative action programs in terms of helping persons of your racial or ethnic background achieve equity?

-Check List-   (Number of items: 13     Min: 1     Max: 1)
0    0   Not at all important
1    1
2    2
3    3
4    4
5    5
6    6
7    7
8    8
9    9
10   10   Extremely important
-99   DK/NA
-97   DROPOUT
Have you personally benefited from affirmative action policies in higher education?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Yes
0  No
-99  DON'T KNOW
-97  DROPOUT
-96  DOES NOT APPLY
-98  REFUSED

Question # 153  Page # 152

Have you personally benefited from affirmative action policies in hiring or promotion?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Yes
0  No
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
-98  REFUSED

Question # 154  Page # 153

People have many different views about whether race, gender, or socio-economic class poses the most important problem facing minority communities today. In your view, which of the following issues poses the most important problem facing minorities in your community today?

Is it race, socio-economic class, gender, or a combination of factors?

[CHECK ALL THAT APPLY—ENTER OTHER IF APPLICABLE]

[Combination of factors]  What are they?

-Check List Open-  (Number of items: 7  Min: 1  Max: 4)
1  Race
2  Socio-economic class
3  Gender
0  It has nothing to do with these issues
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
4  Other <<<>

SKIPS from Q154
IF q154=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 155  Page # 154

As you may be aware, the Voting Rights Act (or VRA) is scheduled for reauthorization in 2007. We are interested in your views about some of the provisions in the act.

Using a scale from zero to ten, where zero is not at all important and ten is extremely important, in your opinion, how important are the protections of equal political access in the current voting rights act for persons of your racial or ethnic background?
Question # 156  Page # 155
Which of the following voting rights protections would you like to see renewed?

Bilingual ballots for speakers of Spanish, Native American, Native Alaskan, and Asian languages.

Question # 157  Page # 156
The Section 5 (Preliminary) provision that requires federal approval of proposed changes of voting laws or procedures in the covered jurisdictions.

Question # 158  Page # 157
Federal observers sent to polling places where electoral discrimination based on race or color is suspected.

Finally, I need to ask a few background questions.
First, how old are you?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
Age
<<Integer: -99 ² i ² 999 >>

SKIPS from Q159
IF q159:2=-97 SKIP TO: 198

How would you describe your primary racial or ethnic background?

[DO NOT READ]

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 9  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 American Indian
2 Asian / Pacific Islander
3 Black / African American
4 Hispanic / Latino
5 White non-Hispanic
-99 DK/NA
-98 Refused
-97 DROPOUT
6 Something else <<>>

SKIPS from Q160
IF q160=-97 SKIP TO: 198

How would you describe your ancestry or ethnic origin?

[DO NOT READ]

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 21  Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 American
2 African
3 Caribbean
4 Chinese
5 Japanese
6 Filipino
7 Korean
8 Indian
9 Vietnamese
10 Laotian
11 Hawaiian
12 Samoan
13 Mexican
14 Puerto Rican
Question # 162  Page # 161
Other than serving as an elected official, what is your primary occupation?

[DO NOT READ]

-Check List Open-  (Number of items: 18  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Attorney
2  Clerical / Secretary
3  College / University Professor
4  Elementary or Secondary Teacher
5  Farmer
6  Insurance Salesperson
7  Nurse / Other Health worker
8  Physician / Dentist
9  Real Estate Broker / Agent
10  Self-employed / Business owner
11  Social Worker
12  Homemaker
13  Minister
14  Government employee
-99  DK/NA
-98  Refused
-97  DROPOUT
15  Other <<>>

SKIPS from Q162
IF q160-1  SKIP TO: 165
IF q162=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 163  Page # 162
Did you serve on any tribal governing bodies prior to running for the state legislature?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Yes
0  No
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

Question # 164  Page # 163
Are you currently holding any tribal office?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Yes
0  No
Are you a veteran of the U.S. military?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Were you born in the United States?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q166
IF q166=1 SKIP TO: 168
IF q166=-99 SKIP TO: 170
IF q166=-97 SKIP TO: 198

At what age did you come to the United States?

[DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
Age
<<Integer: -99 ≤ i ≤ 999 >>

SKIPS from Q167
IF q166<2 SKIP TO: 170

Were either of your parents born outside of the United States?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Were either of your grandparents born outside of the United States?
-Check List-  
(Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Yes
0  No
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q169
IF q169=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 170  Page # 169
What is the highest level of education you have completed?

[DO NOT READ]

-Check List Open-  
(Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Less than High School
2  High School Graduate / GED
3  Business, Technical, or Vocational School
4  Some College
5  College Graduate
6  Some Graduate School
7  Masters degree (M.A. or M.S.)
8  Law Degree (J.D. or L.L.B.)
9  Medical Degree (M.D.)
10  Doctorate (Ph.D.)
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
11  Other <<<>

SKIPS from Q170
IF q170<3  SKIP TO: 172
IF q170=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 171  Page # 170
How did you pay for your education?

[DO NOT READ--CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]

-Check List Open-  
(Number of items: 10  Min: 1  Max: 8)
1  Self / Out-of-pocket
2  Parents
3  Grants
4  Scholarships
5  Loans
6  Government / G.I. Bill (Military)
7  Work
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
8  Other <<<>
Question # 172  Page # 171
What is the highest level of education attained by your mother?

[DO NOT READ]

-Check List Open-  (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Less than High School
2  High School Graduate / GED
3  Business, Technical, or Vocational School
4  Some College
5  College Graduate
6  Some Graduate School
7  Masters degree (M.A. or M.S.)
8  Law Degree (J.D. or L.L.B.)
9  Medical Degree (M.D.)
10  Doctorate (Ph.D.)
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
11  Other

Question # 173  Page # 172
What is the highest level of education attained by your father?

[DO NOT READ]

-Check List Open-  (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Less than High School
2  High School Graduate / GED
3  Business, Technical, or Vocational School
4  Some College
5  College Graduate
6  Some Graduate School
7  Masters degree (M.A. or M.S.)
8  Law Degree (J.D. or L.L.B.)
9  Medical Degree (M.D.)
10  Doctorate (Ph.D.)
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
11  Other

SKIPS from Q173
IF (q160=3) & (q170>2)  SKIP TO: 174
IF q173=-97  SKIP TO: 198
IF else  SKIP TO: 175

Question # 174  Page # 173
On a scale from zero to ten, where zero means not at all involved and ten means extremely involved, how involved were you in black sororities or fraternities before you ran for elected office the very first time?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
0  0  Not at all involved
Question # 175  Page # 174
Did you receive any part of your education outside of the United States?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q175
IF q175=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 176  Page # 175
Do you pay attention to the politics of your country of origin or your ancestral homeland?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q176
IF q176<1  SKIP TO: 178
IF q176=-97  SKIP TO: 198

Question # 177  Page # 176
Do you pay a lot, some, or very little attention to the politics of your country of origin or your ancestral homeland?

-Check List-  (Number of items: 5  Min: 1  Max: 1)
3 A lot
2 Some
1 Very little
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Question # 178  Page # 177
What is your marital status? Are you:
[DO NOT READ INDENTED ITEMS]

-Check List- (Number of items: 8 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Single, never married
2 Married
3 Widowed
4 Separated
5 Divorced, or
6 Have a domestic partner
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q178
IF (q178=2)||(q178=4)||(q178=6) SKIP TO: 179
IF q178=-97 SKIP TO: 198
IF else SKIP TO: 180

Question # 179 Page # 178
How would you describe the racial or ethnic background of your spouse or partner?

[DO NOT READ]

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 9 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 American Indian
2 Asian
3 Black
4 Hispanic
5 White non-Hispanic
-99 DK/NA
-98 Refused
-97 DROPOUT
6 Something else <<>>

Question # 180 Page # 179
Would you describe yourself as having been raised in a political family?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q180
IF q180=-97 SKIP TO: 198
IF q178=1 SKIP TO: 182

Question # 181 Page # 180
Are you currently or have you ever been married to someone who has held public or elective office?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
What is your religious preference?

[DO NOT READ]

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 13  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Protestant
2  Roman Catholic
3  Jewish
4  Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of latter Day Saints)
5  Orthodox
6  Islam / Muslim
7  Nation of Islam
8  Buddhist
9  Hindu
10  No religion / Atheist / Agnostic
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
11  Other <<<>

SKIPS from Q182
IF q182-1  SKIP TO: 184
IF q182=-97  SKIP TO: 198

What denomination are you?

[DO NOT READ]

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 12  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1  Baptist
2  Christian
3  Episcopalian
4  Jehovah's Witness
5  Lutheran
6  Methodist
7  Presbyterian
8  Evangelical Christian
9  Pentecostal
-99  DK/NA
-97  DROPOUT
10  Other <<<>

Do you speak another language in addition to English?
**Question # 185  Page # 184**

What languages, other than English, do you speak?

-Check List Open- (Number of items: 10  Min: 1  Max: 8)

1 Spanish
2 Korean
3 Vietnamese
4 Chinese
5 Japanese
6 French
7 German
8 Other <<>>

**Question # 186  Page # 185**

Do you receive an annual salary for holding elected office?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)

1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q186  
IF q186<1  SKIP TO: 186  
IF q186=-97  SKIP TO: 198

**Question # 187  Page # 186**

What is the annual salary you receive for this office?

[ROUND TO NEAREST DOLLAR---DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)

Annual Salary <<Integer: -99 ≤ i ≤ 99999999 >>

SKIPS from Q187  
IF q187=1  SKIP TO: 190  
IF else  SKIP TO: 190
Question # 188  Page # 187
Do you receive any compensation at all?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q188
IF q188<1 SKIP TO: 190
IF q188=-97 SKIP TO: 198

Question # 189  Page # 188
What is your monthly compensation?

[ROUND TO NEAREST DOLLAR---DK/NA = -99; DROPOUT = -97]

-Dbase- (Number of items: 2)
Monthly compensation
<<Integer: -99 i ² 9999999 >>

Question # 190  Page # 189
Was the estimated annual income for your household in 2005:

[READ OPTIONS--DO NOT READ DK/NA or DROPOUT]

-Check List- (Number of items: 6  Min: 1  Max: 1)
1 Less than $50,000;
2 At least $50,000 but less than $100,000;
3 At least $100,000 but less than $150,000; or
4 $150,000 or more?
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q190
IF q190=1 SKIP TO: 191
IF q190=2 SKIP TO: 192
IF q190=3 SKIP TO: 193
IF q190=4 SKIP TO: 194
IF q190=-97 SKIP TO: 198
IF q190=-99 SKIP TO: 195

Question # 191  Page # 190
I'm going to read you some broad income categories. Please STOP me when I get to the one that includes the estimated annual income for your household in 2005.

Was it:
I'm going to read you some broad income categories. Please STOP me when I get to the one that includes the estimated annual income for your household in 2005.

Was it:

-Check List- (Number of items: 7 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Less than $10,000;
2 10 to less than 20;
3 20 to less than 30;
4 30 to less than 40; or
5 40 to less than $50,000
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q191
IF q191=-97 SKIP TO: 198
IF else SKIP TO: 195

I'm going to read you some broad income categories. Please STOP me when I get to the one that includes the estimated annual income for your household in 2005.

Was it:

-Check List- (Number of items: 7 Min: 1 Max: 1)
6 50,000 to less than $60,000;
7 60 to less than 70;
8 70 to less than 80;
9 80 to less than 90; or
10 90 to less than $100,000
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q192
IF q192=-97 SKIP TO: 198
IF else SKIP TO: 195

I'm going to read you some broad income categories. Please STOP me when I get to the one that includes the estimated annual income for your household in 2005.

Was it:

-Check List- (Number of items: 7 Min: 1 Max: 1)
11 100,000 to less than $110,000;
12 110 to less than 120;
13 120 to less than 130;
14 130 to less than 140; or
15 140 to less than $150,000
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q193
IF q193=-97 SKIP TO: 198
IF else SKIP TO: 195

I'm going to read you some broad income categories. Please STOP me when I get to the one that includes the estimated annual income for your household in 2005.
annual income for your household in 2005.

Was it:

-Check List- (Number of items: 8 Min: 1 Max: 1)
16 150,000 to less than $160,000;
17 160 to less than 170;
18 170 to less than 180;
19 180 to less than 190;
20 190 to less than $200,000; or
21 $200,000 or more
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

SKIPS from Q194
IF q194=-97 SKIP TO: 198

Growing up, did your family receive any type of U.S. government assistance, including food stamps, public housing, welfare, WIC, unemployment insurance, SSI, or Medicaid?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 DROPOUT

Your answers have been very helpful to our research. Would it be possible to call back at a later date to ask you some follow-up questions?

-Check List- (Number of items: 4 Min: 1 Max: 1)
1 Yes
0 No
-99 DK/NA
-97 Dropout

Thank you for taking the time to complete this interview.

If you are interested in learning more about this study, please visit www.gmcl.org or call Professor Christine Sierra in the Political Science Department at the University of New Mexico at 505-277-1098.

I hope you have a nice day/evening.

Good Bye.