

LIFE, LIBERTY, and HAPPINESS PROJECT
ECU-CSR Codebook

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LIFE

Item #	Construct	Item	Response scale
		A: HEALTH & HEALTH CARE	
1.	Main Health Issue in Community	Think about your community. What do you think is the most serious health problem facing people in your community today? [For mail and online versions: Please write your response on the lines below.]	FREE RESPONSE
2.	Relative Expected Life Expectancy	Think about people your age and their parents. Do you think people your age will live longer, the same, or shorter lives than their parents?	1=Longer 2=The Same 3= Shorter
3.	Distance to Emergency Room	Imagine you were injured and needed emergency medical care. How many minutes away from an emergency room do you live?	___ MINUTES
4.	Prescription affordability	Was there a time in the past 12 months when you needed prescription medication, but could not afford it because of the cost or copay?	1=Yes 2=No
5.	Disability	Are you limited in any way in any activities because of physical problems?	1=Yes 2=No
6.	Disability	Are you limited in any way in any activities because of mental or emotional problems?	1=Yes 2=No
		B: SOCIAL & COMMUNITY CONTEXT	
7.	Opioid RX	When was the last time you were prescribed an opioid pain medication, such as Vicodin, Oxycodone, Hydrocodone, Codeine, Demerol, Percocet, Darvon?	1=Within the past 30 days 2=More than 30 days ago, but within the past 12 months 3=More than 12 months ago 4=Never (if selected, skip to Q9)

8.	Unused opioids	How much of the opioid pain medication did you use?	1=All of the medication 2=Most of the medication 3=Some of the medication 4=A little of the medication 5=None of the medication 6=Did not fill the prescription
9.	Opioid disposal	Have you ever disposed of unused opioid pain medication?	1=Yes 2=No
10.	Opioid disposal	How likely would you be to dispose of unused opioid pain medication if you received a reminder email, phone call, or text message?	1=Very likely 2=Likely 3=Neither likely nor unlikely 4=Unlikely 5=Very Unlikely
	Prompt	The next questions are about safety and firearms. Some people keep guns for recreational purposes, such as hunting or sport shooting. Some people also keep guns in the home for protection. Please include firearms, such as pistols, revolvers, shotguns, and rifles, but not BB guns or guns that cannot fire. Include those kept in a garage, outdoor storage area, or motor vehicle.	
11.	Firearm Safety	Are any firearms kept in or around your home currently?	1=Yes 2=No (go to question 14) 3=Don't know (go to question 14)
12.	Firearm Safety	Are any of these firearms now loaded?	1=Yes 2=No (go to question 14) 3=Don't know (go to question 14)
13.	Firearm Safety	Are any of these loaded firearms also unlocked? By unlocked, we mean you do not need a key or combination to get the gun or to fire it. We do not count a safety as a lock.	1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know
14.	Firearm Safety	In the past 12 months, have you personally fired a gun under any circumstances?	1=Yes 2=No
15.	Prompt	The next questions are about how you feel about different aspects of your life. INTERVIEWER NOTE: For the telephone survey, begin by asking: For each one, tell me how often you feel that way: Hardly ever, some of the time, or often?	

	Loneliness	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. How often do you feel that you lack companionship? 2. How often do you feel left out? 3. How often do you feel isolated from others?	<p>1=Hardly ever 2=Some of the time 3=Often</p> <p>1=Hardly ever 2=Some of the time 3=Often</p> <p>1=Hardly ever 2=Some of the time 3=Often</p>
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LIBERTY

Item #	Construct	Item	Response scale
		A: FIRST AMENDMENT FREEDOMS	
16.	Prompt	The next questions are about freedom of expression.	
	Attitudes toward free speech	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do you think the government should restrict the expression of political views that are offensive to certain groups? 2. Do you think the government should restrict the expression of political views that are hateful towards certain groups? 3. Do you think colleges and universities should restrict people from speaking on campus who have a history of provoking extreme opposition? 	<p>1=Should restrict 2=Should <u>not</u> restrict</p> <p>1=Should restrict 2=Should <u>not</u> restrict</p> <p>1=Should restrict 2=Should <u>not</u> restrict</p>
17.	Prompt	How much discrimination do you think each of the following groups faces in the United States today?	
		<p>INTERVIEWER NOTE: For the telephone survey, ask as: How much discrimination do you think each of the following groups faces in the United States today? For each group, tell me if they face a lot, some, a little, or none.</p>	
	Attitudes toward religious beliefs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Christians 2. Jews 3. Muslims 	<p>1=A lot 2=Some 3=A little 4=None</p> <p>1=A lot 2=Some 3=A little 4=None</p> <p>1=A lot 2=Some 3=A little 4=None</p>

		4. Atheists	1=A lot 2=Some 3=A little 4=None
18.	Freedom of the press	How much trust do you have in the mass media when it comes to reporting the news accurately?	1=A great deal 2=A lot 3=A moderate amount 4=A little 5=None at all
19.	Freedom of the press	How concerned are you that President Donald Trump will limit the freedom of the press?	1=Extremely concerned 2=Very concerned 3=Moderately concerned 4=Slightly concerned 5=Not at all concerned
		B: RULE OF LAW, GUN OWNERSHIP, & SECURITY	
20.	Gun ownership and freedom	Please indicate how important you think the right to own guns is to your own sense of freedom. INTERVIEWER NOTE: Re-phrased for telephone survey as: How important is the right to own guns to your own sense of freedom? Would you say that it is extremely important, very important, moderately important, slightly important, or not at all important?	1=Extremely important 2=Very important 3=Moderately important 4=Slightly important 5=Not at all important
21.	Prompt	There have been several suggested policies to address the issue of mass shootings in America. Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree that the following policies would reduce mass shootings in the United States. INTERVIEWER NOTE: Re-phrased for telephone survey as: There have been several suggested policies to address the issue of mass shootings in America. Please tell me if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, neither agree nor disagree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree on whether each of the following policies would reduce mass shootings in the United States.	

	Guns	<p>1. Banning all gun ownership for civilians</p> <p>2. Banning military-style, semi-automatic weapons for civilians</p> <p>3. Making it easier for law-abiding civilians to buy firearms</p> <p>4. Denying gun sales to those who fail criminal background checks</p> <p>5. Denying gun sales to those who fail mental health background checks</p> <p>6. Denying gun sales to those convicted of domestic violence</p> <p>7. Arming teachers in schools</p>	<p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p>
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		<p>8. Allowing all gun owners to carry a firearm openly</p> <p>9. Making it easier to get concealed carry permits</p>	<p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p>
		C. ECONOMIC & PERSONAL FREEDOM	
22.	Prompt	<p>Generally, how would you describe taxes in America today? We mean all taxes together, including Social Security, income tax, sales tax, and all the rest.</p> <p>INTERVIEWER NOTE: Generally, how would you describe taxes in America today for the following groups? We mean all taxes together, including Social Security, income tax, sales tax, and all the rest. Are they much too high, too high, about right, too low, or much too low?</p>	
	Taxes	<p>1. For those with high incomes, taxes are:</p> <p>2. For those with middle incomes, taxes are:</p> <p>3. For those with low incomes, taxes are:</p>	<p>1=Much too high 2=Too high 3=About right 4=Too low 5=Much too low</p> <p>1=Much too high 2=Too high 3=About right 4=Too low 5=Much too low</p> <p>1=Much too high 2=Too high 3=About right 4=Too low 5=Much too low</p>

23.	Prompt	<p>Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements.</p> <p>INTERVIEWER NOTE: For the telephone survey, rephrase to: Next, I am going to read you 3 statements. For each one, please tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with it. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, neither agree nor disagree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree?</p>	
	Regulation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The use of marijuana for recreational purposes should be legal. 2. Gambling on professional sports, such as football, baseball, basketball, or hockey games, should be legal. 3. In general, there is too much government regulation of business and industry in the United States. 	<p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p>

HAPPINESS

Item #	Construct	Item	Response scale
		A. ECONOMIC STABILITY & OPPORTUNITY	
24.	Monthly finances	In general, how do your finances usually work out at the end of the month? Do you find that you usually:	1=Do not have enough money to make ends meet 2=Have just enough money to make ends meet 3=End up with a little money left over 4=End up with enough money left over to buy extras or save
25a.	Housing costs	Approximately what percentage of your total household monthly income before taxes do you spend on your rent or mortgage payment?	1=10 percent or less 2=11 to 20 percent 3=21 to 30 percent 4=31 to 40 percent 5=41 to 50 percent 6=51 percent or more 7=Don't know
25b.	Housing costs	If you answered "Don't know" above, do you think you spend more or less than about one-third of your total household monthly income on your rent or mortgage payment?	1=More than one-third 2=Less than one-third
26.	Overall financial situation	How would you rate your household's financial situation today?	1=Excellent 2=Good 3=Fair 4=Poor 5=Very poor
27.	Children's future	When children today grow up, do you think their standard of living will be much better, somewhat better, about the same, somewhat worse, or much worse than their parents?	1=Much better 2=Somewhat better 3>About the same 4=Somewhat worse 5=Much worse
28.	Opportunity	Which statement about success in the United States comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right?	1=Most people can succeed if they are willing to work hard. 2=Hard work is no guarantee of success for most people.
		B. SELF EVALUATION/ SATISFACTION WITH LIFE	
29.	Prompt	Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements.	

		INTERVIEWER NOTE: For the telephone survey, rephrase to: Next, I am going to read you 11 short statements. For each one, please tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with it.	
	Self-esteem	1. Overall, I am satisfied with myself.	1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree
	Self-esteem	2. Sometimes when I fail, I feel worthless.	1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree
	Self-esteem	3. I am confident I get the success I deserve in life.	1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree
	Neuroticism	4. I am capable of coping with most of my problems.	1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree
	Neuroticism	5. Sometimes I feel depressed.	1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree
	Neuroticism	6. There are times when things look pretty bleak and hopeless to me.	1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree

		<p>7. In most ways, my life is close to my ideal.</p> <p>8. The conditions of my life are excellent.</p> <p>9. I am satisfied with my life.</p> <p>10. So far, I have gotten the important things I want in life.</p> <p>11. If I could live my life over, I would change almost nothing.</p>	<p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p> <p>1=Strongly agree 2=Somewhat agree 3=Neither agree nor disagree 4=Somewhat disagree 5=Strongly disagree</p>
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DEMOGRAPHIC AND CORE QUESTIONS

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	Consent		
	Prompt	Your answers on the next set of questions will help make sure we have a diverse population in this study.	
30.	Age (must be ≥18)	What is your year of birth?	
31.	Race	What is your race or ethnicity? Please select all that apply. INTERVIEWER NOTE: For the telephone survey, rephrase to: What is your race or ethnicity? Please let us know if more than one applies. The response “some other race or ethnicity” is a volunteered response in the phone survey.	1=White 2= Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish 3= Black or African American 4= Asian 5= American Indian or Alaska Native 6= Middle Eastern or North African 7= Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander 8= Some other race or ethnicity (specify on the line below): _____
32.	Education	What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received?	1=Less than a high school degree 2=High school graduate or GED 3=Some college, but no degree 4=Technical, trade, or vocational degree 5=Associate degree 6=Bachelor’s degree 7=Graduate or professional degree
33.	Income	What was your total household income before taxes during the past 12 months?	1=Less than \$20,000 2=\$20,000 to \$39,999 3=\$40,000 to \$59,999 4=\$60,000 to \$79,999 5=\$80,000 to \$99,999 6=\$100,000 to \$119,999 7=\$120,000 to \$139,999 8=\$140,000 to \$159,999 9=\$160,000 or more
34.	County	What is your zip code?	
35.	Housing	Do you currently own or rent your home? INTERVIEWER NOTE: The response “other” is a volunteered response in the phone survey.	1=Own 2=Rent 3=Other (please specify): _____
36.	Religion	Aside from weddings and funerals, about how often have you attended religious services in the past 12 months?	1=More than once a week 2=Once a week 3=Twice a month

			4=Once a month 5=I attended, but less than once a month 6=Never
37.	Religion	Do you consider yourself an Evangelical Christian?	1=Yes 2=No
38.	Religion	What is your present religion, if any? INTERVIEWER NOTE: "Other" is a volunteered response in the telephone survey.	1=Agnostic 2=Atheist 3=Buddhist 4=Hindu 5=Jewish 6=Mormon 7=Muslim 8=Orthodox, such as Greek, Russian, or some other Orthodox church 9=Protestant, such as Baptist, Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, etc. 10=Roman Catholic 11=Other (please specify): _____
39.	Marriage	What is your current marital status?	1=Married 2=Widowed 3=Divorced 4=Separated 5=Never married
40.	Employment	Please indicate your employment status. Please check all that apply. INTERVIEWER NOTE: For the telephone survey, rephrase to: What is your employment status?	1=Employed for wages or salary, full time 2=Employed for wages or salary, part time 3=Self employed 4=Out of work for less than one year 5=Out of work for more than one year 6=Homemaker 7=Student 8=Retired 9=Unable to work
41.	Prompt	Are you or someone in your household:	
	Union household	A current or retired member of either a labor union or employee association that is similar to a labor union? Please check all that apply.	1=Yes, I am 2=Yes, someone in my household 3=No
	Military	Currently serving in the military or a military veteran ? Please check all that apply.	1=Yes, I am 2=Yes, someone in my household 3=No

42.		The next question is about your sexual orientation. Do you consider yourself to be: INTERVIEWER NOTE: For the telephone survey, the response for "other" was re-phrased to "or, if another sexual orientation applies, please specify."	1=Straight or heterosexual 2=Gay or lesbian 3=Bisexual 4=Other (please specify): _____
43.		What sex were you assigned at birth, on your original birth certificate?	1=Male 2=Female
44.		How would you describe your gender identity? INTERVIEWER NOTE: For the telephone survey, the response for "other" was re-phrased to "or, if another gender identity applies, please specify."	1=Male 2=Female 3=Transgender 4=Other (please specify): _____
45.		Did you vote in the 2016 presidential election between Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton?	1=Yes 2=No
46.	Party identification	When it comes to politics, do you usually think of yourself as:	1=Extremely liberal 2=Liberal 3=Slightly liberal 4=Moderate or middle of the road 5=Slightly conservative 6=Conservative 7=Extremely conservative
47.		Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?	1=Approve 2=Disapprove
48.	Party identification	Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a:	1=Republican (go to question 49) 2=Democrat (go to question 50) 3=Independent (go to question 51) 4=Other (go to question 51)
49.	Party ID follow-up	[If Republican] Would you call yourself a:	1=Strong Republican 2=Not very strong Republican
50.	Party ID follow-up	[If Democrat] Would you call yourself a:	1=Strong Democrat 2=Not very strong Democrat
51.	Party ID follow-up	[If Independent or Other] Do you think of yourself as:	1=Closer to the Republican Party 2=Closer to the Democratic Party 3=Neither