Poll on Government Trasparency: Information and Decision Making



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MWR Strategies Nationwide survey, conducted April 19th to 22nd, 2013

N = 800 registered voters Margin of error = 3.5%

Hello, my name is ______ and I am calling from ______, a market research firm. This is not a sales call; we are conducting a nationwide survey of voters and would just like to get your opinion on important issues. This is a short survey and will only take about four minutes.

Are you or is someone in your house a registered voter? May I speak with that person?

- 100 Yes
- 0 No

When the federal government makes decisions based on studies and data, should those studies and data be made public in . . .?

- 56 All cases
- 34 Most cases
- 7 Some cases
- 4 Don't know/Refused

If taxpayers pay for studies and data should those studies and data be made public in . . .?

- 69 All cases
- 22 Most cases
- 5 Some cases
- 4 Don't know/Refused

When studies use personal records, are there ways to keep those confidential while ensuring that the conclusions and other work associated with the study can be shared with the public?

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- 69 Yes
- 11 No
- 21 Don't know/Refused

Finally, we have just a few questions for demographic purposes . . .

What is your age please?

- 32 Under 35
- 35 35 to 54
- 33 Over 55

What is your race or ethnic background?

- 70 White
- 13 African American
- 11 Hispanic
- 4 Asian
- 2 Other

With respect to politics, do you usually vote for . . .?

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- 37 Republicans
- 49 Democrats
- 5 Both
- 2 Other
- 7 Don't know/refused

For whom did you vote in 2012?

- 53 President Obama
- 42 Someone else
- 5 Don't know/Refused

Region

- 21 East
- 21 Midwest
- 26 South
- 19 Mountain West
- 14 Pacific

Gender

48 Male

52 Female