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Introduction

The *Defense Research, Surveys, and Statistics Center* (RSSC), Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC), conducts surveys to support the personnel information needs of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD[P&R]). These surveys assess the attitudes and opinions of the entire Department of Defense (DoD) community. DMDC developed the *Post-Election Voting (PEV)* surveys in 2008. These surveys are conducted every other year at the request of the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) office as required by the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986, Section 101.b (1), 42 USC §1973ff, now 52 U.S.C 20310 (UOCAVA) and the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE Act). The surveys provide an evaluation of the effectiveness of assistance provided to UOCAVA voters in federal elections. The UOCAVA covers members of the Uniformed Services and Merchant Marines, their family members, and citizens residing outside of the United States.

The *2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (2014 PEV5)* was designed to: (1) gauge participation in the electoral process by Uniformed Service members covered by UOCAVA, (2) assess the impact of FVAP's efforts to simplify and ease the process of voting absentee, (3) evaluate other progress made to facilitate voting participation, and (4) identify any remaining obstacles to voting by these citizens.

Data were collected via the web from November 5, 2014, to February 18, 2015.¹ Data were collected via the phone from November 18, 2014 to December 17, 2014. The *2014 PEV5* sample consisted of 94,699 active duty members². A total of 12,620 eligible members returned usable surveys, which represents an adjusted weighted response rate of 15.9%.

Overview of Report

This report documents the procedures used to develop the instrument, design the sample, conduct the survey, process the data, and prepare analysis weights. Along with the survey instrument and communications to the sample members (Appendix A and B, respectively), the methods section includes details on how the survey was conducted.

Following the summary of the survey methodology is a description of the survey analysis file layout and key variables. Appendices C through J address key concepts required for the

¹ The web survey instrument allows us to have a soft opening for the survey. The survey instrument was open and available to take survey responses on November 4, 2014. The notifications and reminders stated the field opened on November 5, 2014.

² Although previous *PEV5* surveys included members of the Reserve component population in the Active Guard/Reserve or who were activated on election day, FVAP chose to only survey active duty members in the *2014 PEV5*.

analysis of complex survey data and the structure of records in the survey analysis files are introduced in this section. Here is an overview:

- Conventions for variable naming and construction are provided in Appendix C (annotated questionnaire) and Appendix D (coding scheme).
- Appendices E, F, and G list the names and values of all variables in the basic survey dataset and the confidential variables.
 - Appendix E lists the variables in alphabetic order and flags the confidential variables with an asterisk (*).
 - Appendix F lists the variables in the order that they appear in the dataset. Variables with the same functions are grouped together (e.g., all variables used for weighting are located together).
 - Appendix G provides a frequency for each variable with the SAS®³ values, OS flat file⁴ values and SAS® labels in the order that the variables appear in the dataset. In addition to the variables available on the basic survey file, Appendix G contains details for the confidential variables that appear only in the full survey file.
 - Appendix H provides the record layout for the basic survey flat file.
- The SAS® code used to construct the analytic variables are included in Appendix I.
- Appendix J lists all questionnaire items and identifies where they have been used in previous post-election voting surveys.

Method

For the 2014 PEV5, FVAP was particularly interested in younger military members, ages 18 to 29. This age group has typically responded to RSSC surveys at lower rates than older groups. However, an experiment on the 2010 PEV5 showed that 18 to 29 year olds responded at much higher rates when the survey was conducted by phone. The results of this experiment are discussed in the *2010 Post-Election Voting Survey of Uniformed Service Members: Mode and Nonresponse Bias Studies* (DMDC, 2011). Because of the success conducting phone interviews with young military in 2010, RSSC recommended to FVAP that they utilize phone surveys again in 2014. However, the 2010 data showed some evidence of mode effects, specifically in questions asking from where survey respondents received information about the election and about access to the Internet and other technologies. Many other estimates, such as voting and registration rates, were not statistically significantly different from the production estimates. The differences that did exist, however, were mostly in the direction theorized by the literature (e.g., voting rates were slightly higher in the mode study than in the web survey, 34% to 29%). As a

³ SAS® is a registered trademark of SAS Institute, Inc., Cary, NC, USA.

⁴ The OS flat file is a text version of the dataset. The variables are in the columns and the records are in the rows. This data can be loaded into any statistical software package.

result, RSSC decided to conduct a second test of phone interviewing in 2014, this time focusing on the young military members (the 2010 study included all ages, and determined that older members were less likely to respond by phone) in order to better understand these mode effects while increasing the response rate for the young members.

The 2014 PEV5 sample was divided into three treatment groups, assigned randomly within strata: one group included sample members of all ages who received the full, long form web survey; one group included only 18 to 29 year olds who received an abbreviated, short form of the web survey; and one group included only 18 to 29 year olds who received the same abbreviated form survey but was administered the survey by phone.

RSSC designed the abbreviated survey to include the most important items while reducing the survey to a suitable length for phone interviewing. RSSC added the abbreviated web survey to make cleaner comparisons with the phone survey when testing for mode effects (i.e., it removes ‘survey length’ and ‘question order effects’ as possible reasons for observed differences).

Survey Instrument

Topics covered in the 2014 PEV5 include background information, 2014 voter registration, absentee ballots, the 2014 election, the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB), the 2012 election, voting assistance, FVAP.gov, voting knowledge, and FVAP outreach. The survey was subdivided into the following 10 topic areas:

1. *Background Information*—Citizenship, age, paygrade, marital status, race/ethnicity, location, time overseas, number of months since member experienced permanent change of station (PCS) or deployment, and highest degree or level of school completed.
2. *2014 Voter Registration*—Voter registration status and location, non- registered voter preference for voter registration location, description of voter registration location (home state, duty location, or other), distance from residence to voter registration location, and time since last voter registration update.
3. *Absentee Ballots*—Absentee ballot requests, awareness, use, receipt, completion, and return of the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA), notification of receipt, rejection, and acceptance of absentee ballot, receipt, completion, and return of absentee ballot, satisfaction with absentee voting process.
4. *2014 Election*—Voting history, voting interest in 2014 election, voting behavior in 2014 election, reasons for not voting in 2014 election, agreement with statements about voting and resources, and feelings about personal obligation or choice about voting.
5. *Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB)*—Use, receipt, completion, and return of FWAB and reason for using and not using FWAB.
6. *2012 Election*—Voting behavior in 2012 election.

7. *Voting Assistance*—Need for and resources used for information or assistance in preparation for 2014 election, FVAP products or services used for voting assistance, specific information or assistance needed, success in receipt of information or assistance from resources, method in which Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office provided information or assistance, other voting resources recommended by UVAO or IVA Office, and reasons for not seeking information or assistance.
8. *FVAP.gov*—Agreement with statements about FVAP.gov and number of times FVAP.gov visited in preparation for 2014 primaries and General Election.
9. *Voting Knowledge*—Self-evaluation of voting knowledge.
10. *FVAP Outreach*—Awareness of receipt of outreach efforts/products, usefulness of outreach efforts/products, and preference for level of communication from FVAP to better understand absentee voting process.

Sample

The target population for the 2014 PEV5 consisted of active duty members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard, excluding National Guard and Reserve members⁵, who (1) are U.S. citizens, (2) are at least 18 years old, and (3) are below flag rank at survey fielding.

Stratification Variables

The 2014 PEV5 sample used a single-stage stratified design. Five population characteristics defined the stratification dimensions: Duty Location, Service, Paygrade group, Age group, and Sex. These are the variables marked with an asterisk (*) in Table 1. The frame was partitioned into 237 mutually exclusive strata.

Within each stratum, individuals were selected with equal probability and without replacement. Since the allocation of the sample was not proportional to the size of the strata, selection probabilities varied among strata (i.e., individuals were not selected with equal probability overall). Non-proportional allocation was used to achieve adequate sample sizes for small subpopulations of analytic interest (i.e., the survey reporting domains). These domains included subpopulations defined by the stratification characteristics, as well as other key reporting domains. Stratifying variables and key reporting domain variables are shown in Table 1.

⁵ Although previous PEV5 surveys included members of the Reserve component population in the Active Guard/Reserve or who were activated on election day, FVAP chose to only survey active duty members in the 2014 PEV5

Table 1.
Variable for Stratification and Key Reporting Domains

Variable	Categories
Location*	U.S. and U.S. Territories Overseas
Service*	Army Navy Marine Corps Air Force Coast Guard
Pay Grade (5 Groupings)*	E1-E5 E6-E9 W1-W5 O1-O3 O4-O6
Age* (U.S.)	18 to 24 Years Old 25 to 29 Years Old 30 to 34 Years Old 35 to 44 Years Old 45 Years Old or More
Sex*	Male Female
Paygrade Group	Enlisted Officer
Age (Overseas)	18 to 29 Years Old 30 to 39 Years Old 40 Years Old or More

Note. * denotes stratification variable.

The total sample size was based on precision requirements for key reporting domains. Given estimated variable survey costs and anticipated eligibility and response rates, an optimization algorithm determined the minimum-cost allocation that simultaneously satisfied the domain precision requirements. Anticipated eligibility and response rates were based on the *2010 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military* and *2012 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*.

The allocation was accomplished by means of the DMDC Sample Planning Tool (SPT), Version 2.1 (Dever & Mason, 2003). This application is based on the method originally developed by J. R. Chromy (1987) and described in Mason, Wheelless, George, Dever, Riemer, and Elig (1995). The SPT defines domain variance equations in terms of unknown stratum sample sizes and user-specified precision constraints. A cost function is defined in terms of the unknown stratum sample sizes and the per-unit cost of data collection, editing, and processing. The variance equations are solved simultaneously, subject to the constraints imposed, for the sample size that minimizes the cost function. Eligibility rates modify the estimated prevalence rates used in the variance equations, thus affecting the allocation; response rates inflate the allocation, thus affecting the final sample size.

Constructing the Frame and Drawing the Sample

The sampling frame for the 2014 Post Election Voting Survey for Active Duty Military Members (2014 PEV5) consists of 1,339,697 active duty members. It was created from the June 2014 Active Duty Edit Master File (ADMF). To be included in the frame the member must be: a U.S citizen, 18 years old on November 4, 2014, and not a general or flag officer. In addition the member must be serving in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard. Additional information was obtained from the June 2014 Active Duty Family Database and the June 2014 Contingency Tracking System (CTS).

Table 2.
Sample Allocation for the 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military

Stratification Variable	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	Coast Guard
Total	94,699	36,968	21,560	16,227	17,923	2,021
Location						
U.S. and U.S. Territories	65,981	25,560	16,268	11,470	10,666	2,017
Overseas	28,718	11,408	5,292	4,757	7257	4
Pay Grade						
E1-E5	66,200	24,199	15,330	13,497	11,958	1,216
E6-E9	15,891	6,946	3,591	1,575	3358	421
W1-W5	1,387	1,043	92	167	0	85
O1-O3	6,438	2,805	1,464	621	1,377	171
O4-O6	4,783	1,975	1,083	367	1,230	128
Age						
18 to 24 Years Old	44,790	15,568	10,591	11,049	7,057	525
25 to 29 Years Old	24,682	10,005	5,809	2,989	5,237	642
30 to 34 Years Old	8,746	3,641	1,835	925	1,991	354
35 to 44 Years Old	12,120	5,425	2,364	1,052	2,932	347
45 Years Old or More	4,361	2,329	961	212	706	153
Sex						
Male	81,400	31,861	17,926	15,059	14,848	1,706
Female	13,299	5,107	3,634	1,168	3075	315

Table 3.
Sample Size by Treatment Group and Age

Age	Total	Treatment Group		
		Full Web (Modules A and B)	Abbreviated Web (Module A Only)	Phone (Module A Only)
18 to 29 Years Olds	69,472	46,644	5,955	16,873
30 Years Old and More	25,227	25,227	0	0
Total	94,699	71,871	5,955	16,873

Respondents

Sample Losses

The original sample file contained 94,699 records. Losses to the drawn sample are listed in Table 4 and 5 and reviewed here. The data in the tables are limited to responses to the questionnaire as of the field close date. Sample members were lost from the sample for three main reasons: (1) self-reported or other ineligibility for the survey, (2) an inability to locate the sample member, and (3) refusal to participate in the survey or other failure to respond to the survey.

In Module A, a total of 1,626 sample members (1.7%) were lost from the final sample through classification as ineligible. Elimination of ineligible resulted in decreasing the sample to 98.3% (N=93,073) of its original size.

For Module B, the subset of sample members who received the full web survey, 1,113 sample members (1.6%) were lost from the final sample through classification as ineligible. Elimination of ineligible resulted in decreasing the sample to 98.5% (N=70,758) of its original size.

Table 4.
Comparison of Final Sample Relative to Drawn Sample, Module A

Case Disposition Categories	Sample Counts		Weighted Estimates	
	n	%	n	%
<i>Drawn sample</i>	94,699		1,339,697	
Ineligible on master files	-1,342	1.4%	-19,010	1.4%
Self-reported ineligible	-284	0.3%	-4,393	0.3%
Total: Ineligible	-1,626	1.7%	-23,403	1.7%
<i>Eligible sample</i>	93,073	98.3%	1,316,294	98.3%
Not located (estimated ineligible)	-457	0.5%	-5,067	0.4%
Not located (estimated eligible)	-24,522	25.9%	-282,123	21.1%
Total not located	-24,979	26.4%	-287,190	21.4%
<i>Located sample</i>	68,094	71.9%	1,029,105	76.8%
Requested removal from survey mailings	-2,020	2.1%	-28,638	2.1%
Returned blank	-78	0.1%	-1,326	0.1%
Incomplete eligible cases	-535	0.6%	-7,850	0.6%
Did not return a survey (estimated ineligible)	-966	1.0%	-13,841	1.0%
Did not return a survey (estimated eligible)	-51,875	54.8%	-770,668	57.5%
Total: Nonresponse	-55,474	58.6%	-822,323	61.4%
<i>Usable responses</i>	12,620	13.3%	206,782	15.4%

Notes: 1. The categories labeled 'Not located . . .' and 'Did not return a survey . . .' have been broken down into additional subcategories labeled '(estimated ineligible)' and '(estimated eligible)'. The ineligible counts are based on an ineligible rate = Self-report ineligible / (Eligible Respondents + Unusable responses + Self-reported ineligible). Unusable responses include sample members who requested removal, returned blank surveys, or skipped key questions. The eligible counts are the complement of the ineligible count.

2. The observed counts of the various response categories are somewhat skewed by the oversampling of certain pay plans in the sample design. Consequently, weighted counts are also provided because they are more representative of response propensity in the entire population.

Table 5.
Comparison of Final Sample Relative to Drawn Sample, Module B

Case Disposition Categories	Sample Counts		Weighted Estimates	
	n	%	n	%
<i>Drawn sample</i>	71,871		1,339,697	
Ineligible on master files	-1006	1.4%	-19,357	1.4%
Self-reported ineligible	-107	0.2%	-2,345	0.2%
Total: Ineligible	-1,113	1.6%	-21,702	1.6%
<i>Eligible sample</i>	70,758	98.5%	1,317,995	98.4%
Not located (estimated ineligible)	-160	0.2%	-3,013	0.2%
Not located (estimated eligible)	-15,481	21.5%	-261,520	19.5%
Total not located	-15,641	21.8%	-264,533	19.8%
<i>Located sample</i>	55,117	76.7%	1,053,462	78.6%
Requested removal from survey mailings	-267	0.4%	-6,066	0.5%
Returned blank	-75	0.1%	-1,546	0.1%
Incomplete eligible cases	-321	0.5%	-6,035	0.5%
Did not return a survey (estimated ineligible)	-459	0.6%	-9,681	0.7%
Did not return a survey (estimated eligible)	-44,334	61.7%	-840,229	62.7%
Total: Nonresponse	-45,456	63.3%	-863,556	64.5%
<i>Usable responses</i>	9,661	13.4%	189,905	14.2%

Notes: 1. The categories labeled 'Not located . . .' and 'Did not return a survey . . .' have been broken down into additional subcategories labeled '(estimated ineligible)' and '(estimated eligible)'. The ineligible counts are based on an ineligible rate = Self-report ineligible / (Eligible Respondents + Unusable responses + Self-reported ineligible). Unusable responses include sample members who requested removal, returned blank surveys, or skipped key questions. The eligible counts are the complement of the ineligible count.

2. The observed counts of the various response categories are somewhat skewed by the oversampling of certain pay plans in the sample design. Consequently, weighted counts are also provided because they are more representative of response propensity in the entire population

For all mailings, residential addresses were used as the primary addresses of choice. In cases where residential addresses could not be identified, unit addresses were used. Procedures used to locate members are explained in a later section that describes the Survey Control System. For Module A, 26.4% of the drawn sample (24,979 of 94,699) was lost because the sample members could not be located as measured by postal non-deliverables. For Module B, 21.8% of the drawn sample (15,641 of 71,871) was lost because the sample members could not be located as measured by postal non-deliverables. Personnel records had missing, incomplete, or out-of-date addresses, and steps designed to obtain complete, current addresses for these records were unsuccessful.

For Module A, losses attributable to either ineligibility or unlocatability resulted in a sample that was 71.9% of the drawn sample; for Module B, the located sample was 76.7% of the drawn sample. Individuals in this remaining sample may be further categorized as nonrespondents versus respondents. Nonrespondents included the following groups: sample members who contacted the operations contractor (by mail, fax, e-mail, web, or telephone) and asked to have their names removed from the survey mailing list, and sample members who did not return a survey.

Respondents included all sample members who completed 50% of applicable questions. At the conclusion of the survey fielding, there were 12,620 eligible, locatable sample members who had returned usable surveys in Module A and 9,661 in Module B.

Location, Response and Completion Rates

DMDC response rates and completion rates were computed according to the RR3 recommendations of the American Association of Public Opinion Researchers (AAPOR, 2015). Location, completion, and response rates were calculated for the sample and for population subgroups after the field closed and data were received. Table 6 and 7 provide location, response, and completion rate information for Modules A and B, respectively. The location rate represents the proportion of members that were locatable. The completion rate represents the proportion of the located members who returned usable surveys. The response rate represents the proportion of members who returned usable surveys.

Table 6.
Location Rates, Response Rates, and Completion Rates, Module A

	Observed	Weighted
Location rate for eligible	73.2%	78.3%
Completion rate for eligible	18.8%	20.4%
Response rate for eligible	13.8%	15.9%

Table 7.
Location Rates, Response Rates, and Completion Rates, Module B

	Observed	Weighted
Location rate for eligible	77.9%	80.0%
Completion rate for eligible	17.7%	18.2%
Response rate for eligible	13.8%	14.5%

Survey Development and Administration

The survey was hosted on the operations contractor's secure web site. Web respondents entered the survey through a .mil site (<https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dodsurvey>). The web sample members entered their personal ticket numbers; the "Continue" redirected them to the operations contractor's secure website (<http://www.dodsurvey.net>). This site stated the source of the survey's certification. Sample members next saw a welcome page, which told them what the survey was about and gave them access to the frequently asked questions (FAQ). The welcome page also invited sample members to create a Personal Identification Number (PIN) and click

“Continue.” Next, members saw the Privacy Advisory. If the members agreed to do the survey, they clicked “Continue” to begin the survey.

Each survey question was displayed on its own web page. For each question, the survey allowed respondents to return to the previous page, move forward to the next page, clear their response(s), or save and exit the survey. Respondents answered questions by clicking on radio buttons, checking boxes, by choosing from a drop-down list, or text or numeric entry. If the respondent chose to save and return to the survey later, upon returning to the survey, the respondent was required to enter their ticket number and was brought back to the item from which they exited. The final page of the survey had the option to submit the survey or to return to the previous page. In addition to the navigation features, the survey featured smart skips. Based on previous answers, the respondents would only be shown questions for which they were applicable (see Appendix D for skip information).

For respondents that completed the survey via the phone, interviewers read a short script introducing the survey, explaining that participation is voluntary, and asked a series of questions to determine if they would like to participate. Interviewers asked each survey question and any introductory text that was associated with each question. Some survey questions were altered in order to better fit a phone administration mode. Interviewers had the same options as web respondents and the phone survey also featured smart skips.

Survey Administration

The web survey administration process began on October 28, 2014, with mailouts of notification letters to sample members (minus original ineligible). Notifications were sent by e-mail within 24 hours after the survey was available on the web and nine (9) reminder e-mails were sent to those for whom we had e-mail addresses. In addition, there were postal mailouts of up to three (3) reminder letters during the field period to those who had not submitted a survey.

During the first month of the administration process, RSSC observed unusually low response rates on the full and abbreviated web surveys. It was discovered that a domain name problem was creating e-mail deliverability issues. By the time the e-mail problem was resolved approximately six weeks into the field period, response rates were much lower than in prior years. Therefore, the field period was extended by one month. During the extension, a different e-mail delivery system was used to send 5 additional e-mails to non-respondents, substantially increasing responses to the survey.

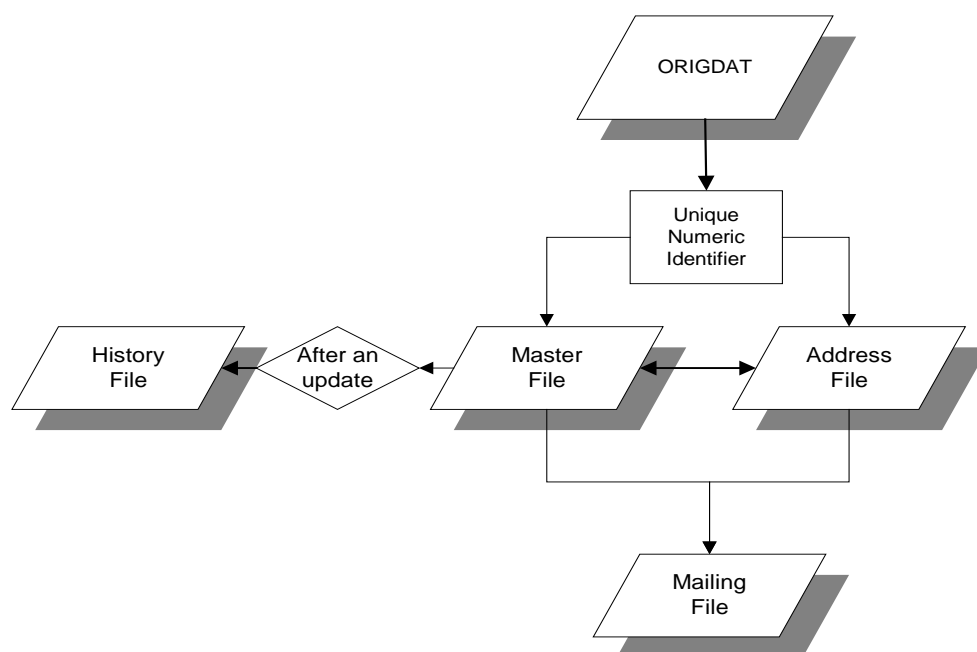
The phone survey administration process began on November 5, 2014, with mailouts of notification letters to sample members (minus original ineligible). In addition, one (1) postal reminder letter was sent during the field period to those who had not yet completed a survey. No additional postal or e-mail reminders were sent.

Survey Control System

The Survey Control System (SCS)⁶ was used to monitor the data collection process and to track all data transactions over the course of the survey administration. The datasets in the SCS include sample members' names and addresses, but do not contain survey data. Because of privacy concerns, SCS datasets are not available for basic release.

The operations contractor uses the SCS to store and update project data, monitor mailings, respond to documents returned as postal non-deliverables (PNDs), and determine survey participation and eligibility status. The SCS consists of five datasets: the ORIGDAT file, the ADDRESS file, the MASTER file, the HISTORY file, and the MAILING file. The files are linked relationally by INRECNO, a unique individual identification number that is assigned to each sample member when the record was loaded into the SCS. Figure 1 displays the interrelationships among those datasets.

Figure 1.
Survey Control System



ORIGDAT file. The ORIGDAT file consists of 94,699 records, one record for each member of the sample. It is the original sampling frame file sent to the operations contractor by

⁶ In this document, the term SCS refers to the set of data files as well as the program or operating system which generates and maintains those files.

DMDC. The original file is loaded onto the operations contractor's computer system and converted to a SAS^{®7} dataset. As the file was converted into a SAS[®] dataset, the SCS generated a unique identification number (INRECNO) for each record. This number identifies the sample member throughout the SCS and also in returns datasets, comment text files and other specify text files. The names and some demographic data from the ORIGDAT file were loaded into the MASTER file in preparation for the first mailing. The addresses from the ORIGDAT file were loaded into the ADDRESS file.

ADDRESS file. The ADDRESS tracked the postal and e-mail addresses that were maintained for each sample member. The ADDRESS file contains one record for each postal address for each sample member (e.g., if there were five addresses located for one sample member during the survey administration, that sample member has five separate records in the ADDRESS file), yielding an address file containing 331,150 web records and 65,054 phone records. Each record is uniquely identified by the combination of INRECNO (identifying the sample member) and an address number (ADDRNO) assigned to each address. This address number is the sequential order of receipt of the address for a particular sample member. For example, if a sample member has one address record in the ADDRESS file, the address number for that record is one. If the sample member faxed in a change of postal or e-mail address, the new address was added as address number two. The ADDRESS file was initially loaded with postal and e-mail addresses from the ORIGDAT file. Each record in the ADDRESS file includes the sample member's INRECNO, address, the source of the address, and address priority code, a variable indicating whether the record is the highest priority address for this sample member, and variables indicating whether the address successfully reached the sample member.

The priority code assigned to a given address number for a sample member was used to determine the "best" or "highest priority" address for the sample member at any given time. It was originally determined by the source of the address. Address updates obtained directly from a sample member received a priority number of one. The order of priority of address sources from "highest priority" to "lowest priority" is as follows, respectively:

1. Updates directly from a sample member (call, fax, e-mail, or letter)
2. Address corrections from the U.S. postal service (ACS [electronic address change service], ACRs [address correction requests].
3. National Change of Address (NCOA)-updated addresses
4. DEERS residential addresses
5. DEERS unit addresses

MASTER file. The MASTER file is used by the SCS to select records for upcoming survey mailings. This file includes a record for each member of the sample and was initially created by extracting data from each record in the ORIGDAT file. Each MASTER record includes the sample member INRECNO and the address number for the highest priority postal and e-mail address in the ADDRESS file for this sample member. The MASTER file

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accommodated data updates through an automated process (e.g., updating the address number in use after the receipt of a postal or e-mail non-deliverable or web update) or manual key entry (e.g., updating information in response to a telephone call, fax, letter return or e-mail from a sample member). As new information was received for a particular record (including changes to the highest priority address), the SCS updated the MASTER record (web N=77,826, phone N=16,873) and wrote the old record to the HISTORY file. The MASTER file also contains a set of variables which summarize the sample member's participation in each of the mailings.

HISTORY file. The HISTORY file is a chronicle of the changes that occurred to the MASTER file. Each HISTORY record is a subset of an outdated MASTER record with the addition of a date and time stamp as the record is updated. That is, a HISTORY record is created when there is a name, address, paygrade, or eligibility status change in the MASTER file. Thus, the HISTORY file contains as many observations as there are updates to the MASTER file.

MAILING file. The MAILING file tracked all survey mailings (postal and e-mail). This file contains one record for either an item postal mailed or e-mailed during the survey administration, containing 961,803 web records and 26,566 phone records. Each MAILING record includes the INRECNO, address number used, date of mailing, mailing status, type of mailing, and the mailing identification code (MIC).

Address Update Procedures

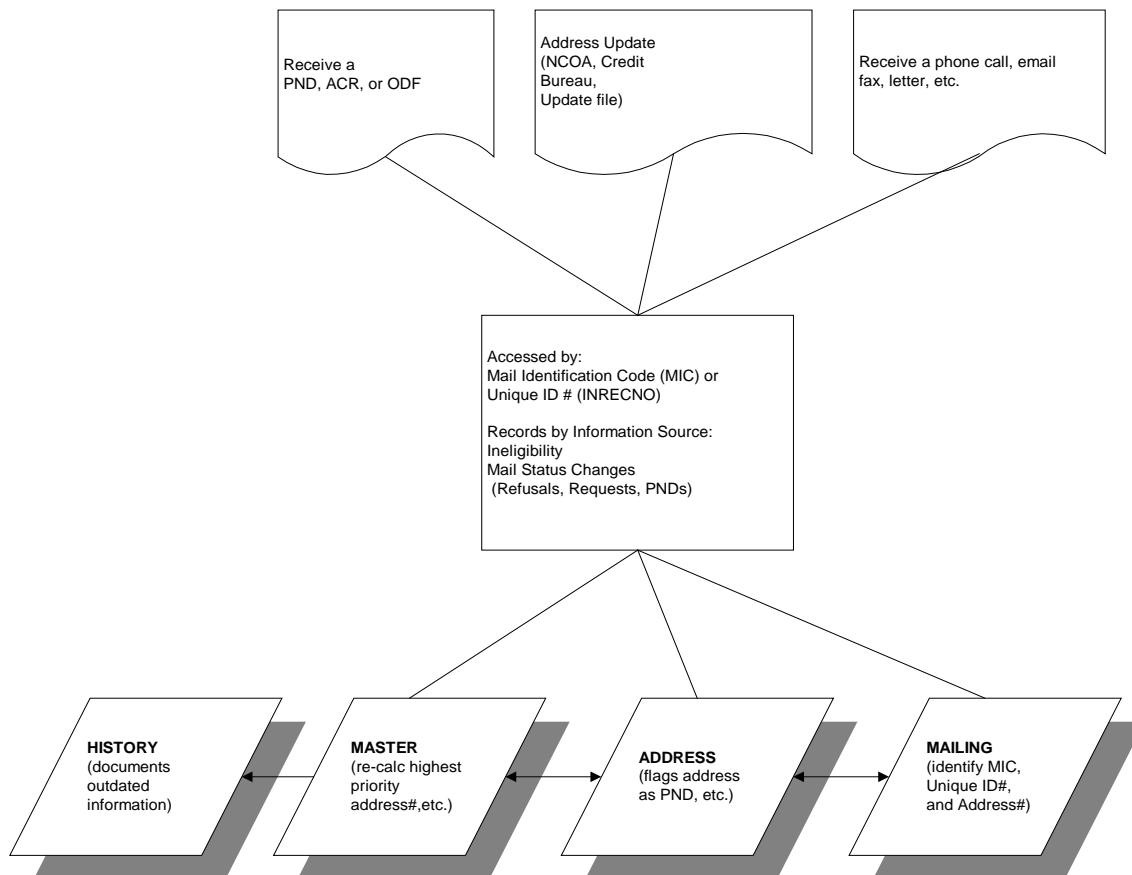
Initial Address Updates

Prior to the first mailing, the operations contractor ensured all domestic residential addresses were formatted to conform to U.S. Postal Service standards. Once the addresses were standardized they were passed through operations contractor-owned Satori software where they were checked against the NCOA database. The NCOA software updated the address records (in standardized format) based on change-of-address cards filed with the United States Postal Service (USPS). The updated NCOA address file was returned to the operations contractor and integrated into the SCS. The NCOA-updated addresses were added to the ADDRESS file and became the current ADDRNO with the "highest priority code assigned" in the MASTER file.

Ongoing Address Updates

Address update procedures also occurred when (a) additional address records were received after NCOA processing, (b) a survey document was returned as undeliverable, (c) a sample member self-reported a name, rank, or address change, or (d) the U.S. Postal Service forwarded address correction information. Figure 2 outlines these procedures.

Figure 2.
Address Updating Procedures



As a new address was entered into the ADDRESS file, its source (NCOA, postal Address Correction Requested card, telephone call, fax, letter, and e-mail) was recorded and a new address number was assigned. The priority assigned to the address was based upon the source of the update and the date and time of the address (see the description of priority, for the ADDRESS file). At any given time, the current address used corresponded to the address number with the highest priority code.

Processing of Updates

Updates from Sample Members

Updates from sample members could be communicated via the toll-free telephone number (either by speaking to the operations contractor's Call Center staff or by leaving a voice

mail message). In addition, sample members could mail, fax or e-mail. Updates were entered into the SCS by the operations contractor's Call Center staff within 24 hours of receipt.

Updates from the U.S. Postal Service

There are two types of address updates provided by the postal service. They are detailed below; each includes a description of the processing steps.

1. **Postal Non-Deliverable Mail (PND):** The sample member moved and no forwarding address was available. The mail piece was returned to the operations contractor. The operations contractor removed the letter from the envelope and scanned it to capture the Mailing Identification Code (MIC) in the lower right corner. A file of the MICs was loaded to the Survey Control System so the records could be updated as PND. This was done every three days (to coincide with the mailing/re-mailing schedule). If the sample member had another address on file (e.g., the unit address), that address was used.
2. **Address Correction Requests (ACR):** The outbound envelopes contained the USPS endorsement "Address Service Requested." The post office provided the corrections via hard copy cards that were sent to the operations contractor. The manual corrections were entered into the SCS by the operations contractor's Call Center staff, typically by close of business the next day but no later than prior to the preparation of the next mailing. The USPS also provided electronic updates delivered via a secure web site. These updates were programmatically entered into the SCS.

KIA/Deceased List Process

Throughout the survey mailing cycle, DMDC provided weekly lists of sample members who have been killed in action (KIA), are missing in action (MIA), or are deceased. These sample members' SCS records were updated up until survey field close with a disposition code that indicated no further mailings are to occur. This updating process occurred within 24 hours of receiving the KIA/deceased list. The current list was applied to the sample file before the selection process for every postal and e-mail distribution.

Survey Materials and Their Distribution

Each eligible sample member in the full and abbreviated web groups received at most four (4) original mailings: a notification letter and three (3) reminder mailings. Each eligible sample member in the phone group received at most two (2) original mailings: a notification letter and one (1) reminder mailing. Each mailing contained a letter. A sample of letters and e-mail communications is provided in Appendix B.

In addition, e-mail was used to communicate with web sample members. Not every sample member had an e-mail address. However, for those sample members for whom we had an e-mail address, they received at most fifteen (15) e-mails; an announcement and fourteen (14) reminders.

General Mailing Procedures

Prior to every mailing, the SCS searched the records in the MASTER file to identify which records should be excluded (e.g., sample members self-reported as ineligible for survey participation, sample members who had already returned questionnaires, refusals, and members with no valid addresses available). For re-mails (sent between mailings), the SCS identified only those records that had been updated since the prior mailing. More specifically, the SCS identified records that had resulted in PNDs or had been manually flagged for re-mailing.

Once all records for a particular mailing or re-mailing were identified, the SCS processed the records. If the mailing group was large enough to lead to a cost savings from sorting, the records were run through Satori⁸ postal software to sort the records according to first-class presort postal regulations.

Ticket Numbers for Web Survey Access

Prior to the first mailing, a list of ticket numbers⁹ for web survey access was randomly generated. One secure ticket number was assigned to each sample member and remained linked to that member for the duration of the project. That is, while a member's MIC or lithocode changed with each mailing as described previously, the member's ticket number did not change. The member's unique ticket number was printed (along with the survey URL) in each letter and e-mail sent to that individual. A member could not access the web survey without using his or her ticket number.

Description of Letters

Letters were printed with the record's unique MIC listed in the address field and on the lower right corner of the letter. The letters were folded and machine inserted into window envelopes and sent by first class pre-sorted mail. Depending on the sample size, the letters were machine or hand inserted into envelopes, metered if necessary, and sent by first class mail.

The status of each mailing was tracked throughout the data collection so address-correction information could be incorporated into all relevant mailings. When a mail piece came back PND, the next mail piece was sent to a next address in the priority (if one could be obtained during the mailing period). For all mailings, mail pieces that came back PND, re-mails were completed if a newer/updated address could be found.

DMDC provided the operations contractor with the text, letterhead and signature for the cover letters. The letters explained why the survey was being conducted, how the survey information would be used, and why participation was important. All letters, except the first reminder letter, were printed on letterhead from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) and signed by the FVAP Director, Matt Boehmer.

⁸ Satori Software is a non-exclusive NCOA^{Link®} Full Service Provider Licensee and RDITM Licensee of United States Postal Service[®].

⁹ Ticket numbers are eight alpha numeric characters generated at random.

In an effort to increase response rates, the first reminder letter mailed to sample members was signed by each Service's Senior Service Voting Representative (SSVR) on each Service's letterhead. It was sent to Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force sample members. The letter encouraged sample members to participate in the survey and explained how the survey would assist each Service in evaluating its own Voting Assistance Program. Due to coordination difficulties, Coast Guard sample members received a reminder letter from FVAP rather than the Service-specific letter. Additional postal reminders and e-mail reminders were used to encourage survey participation throughout the administration process. See Appendix B for copies of the letters.

The letterhead was printed in blue and red, and the signature, text, and recipient information of all letters were printed in black. In addition to including a name and address (which was also used as the mailing information for the window envelopes), each letter included a personalized salutation. The salutation addressed each sample member by his/her name.

Mailouts

Table lists the mailing dates and return results for each of the mailouts and re-mailings. The notification letter notified sample members that they were selected for this survey and encouraged their participation. Notification letters were sent to web sample members in a #10 envelope to 76,717 sample members on October 25, 2014. Notification letters were sent to phone sample members in a #10 envelope to 14,139 sample members on November 5, 2014.

Table 8.***Mailing Timeline and Return Results, Web Sample Members***

Mailing Numbers and Groups	Mail Drop Date	Number Sent	Number of PNDs
Notification	10/28/14	76,717	13,264
Notification Re-mail 1	11/11/14	326	119
Notification Re-mail 2	11/14/14	3,383	1,150
Notification Re-mail 3	11/19/14	1,025	329
Notification Re-mail 4	11/24/14	3,279	941
Subtotal: Notification		84,730	15,803
Reminder 1 Army	12/02/14	29,822	1,896
Reminder 1 Navy	12/02/14	16,841	980
Reminder 1 Marine Corps	12/02/14	12,011	699
Reminder 1 Air Force	12/02/14	14,640	529
Reminder 1 Coast Guard	12/02/14	1,535	58
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Army	12/05/14	562	257
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Navy	12/05/14	465	178
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Marine Corps	12/05/14	302	124
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Air Force	12/05/14	141	24
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Coast Guard	12/05/14	21	1
Reminder 1 Re-mail 2 Army	12/10/14	110	42
Reminder 1 Re-mail 2 Navy	12/10/14	44	12
Reminder 1 Re-mail 2 Marine Corps	12/10/14	69	18
Reminder 1 Re-mail 2 Air Force	12/10/14	25	3
Subtotal: Reminder 1		76,588	4,821
Reminder 2	12/15/14	72,321	2,981
Subtotal: Reminder 2		72,321	2,981
Reminder 3	02/03/15	65,933	926
Subtotal: Reminder 3		65,933	926

*Print file creation date: This is the date records were identified for inclusion in the mailing and written to a print file.

Table 9.
Mailing Timeline and Return Results, Phone Sample Members

Mailing Numbers and Groups	Mail Drop Date	Number Sent	Number of PNDs
Notification	11/05/14	14,139	2,898
Notification Re-mail 1	11/20/14	137	45
Notification Re-mail 2	11/25/14	455	125
Subtotal: Notification		14,731	3,068
Reminder 1 Army	12/08/14	4,384	472
Reminder 1 Navy	12/08/14	2,569	284
Reminder 1 Marine Corps	12/08/14	2,165	246
Reminder 1 Air Force	12/08/14	2,230	84
Reminder 1 Coast Guard	12/08/14	210	9
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Army	12/16/14	87	41
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Navy	12/16/14	27	13
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Marine Corps	12/16/14	60	15
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Air Force	12/16/14	23	5
Reminder 1 Re-mail 1 Coast Guard	12/16/14	2	1
Reminder 1 Re-mail 2 Army	12/29/14	20	7
Reminder 1 Re-mail 2 Navy	12/29/14	29	12
Reminder 1 Re-mail 2 Marine Corps	12/29/14	22	8
Reminder 1 Re-mail 2 Air Force	12/29/14	6	1
Reminder 1 Re-mail 2 Coast Guard	12/29/14	1	1
Subtotal: Reminder 1		11,835	1,199

*Print file creation date: This is the date records were identified for inclusion in the mailing and written to a print file.

E-mail was also used to communicate only with web sample members. There were three sources for e-mails. The first source for e-mail addresses was the DEERS database. The second source were e-mail addresses purchased from an outside vendor (N=5,983). The outside vendor maintains a customer database of e-mail addresses that has been lawfully collected and compiled from consumers pursuant to a notice that advised them that their personal data was being collected. Table below shows the percent of sample members for whom we had at least one valid e-mail by Service.

Table 10.***Percentage E-mail Address Availability by Service, Web Sample Members***

	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	Coast Guard	Total
Valid address available	92%	68%	69%	86%	91%	82%
No valid address available	8%	32%	31%	14%	9%	18%

At the start of the survey, web sample members with e-mail addresses received an announcement which informed them the survey was active and ready for completion. An additional fourteen e-mail reminders were sent throughout the survey field period. Table lists the e-mail dates and e-mail addresses bounced. “Hard bounces” identifies sampled individuals that supplied an e-mail address but the address was invalid at the time DMDC attempted contact. This is analogous to a postal PND. “Number sent” is not the same as e-mail received. It is analogous to the non-PND return experienced during a mailed survey. It is not known if the mail was delivered to the intended individual, only that it was not returned. The first ten e-mails were digitally signed by topaz.dmdc.osd.mil. E-mails sent using Gov Delivery were not digitally signed.

Table 11.***E-mail Communication Timeline, Web Sample Members***

E-mail	E-mail Drop Date	Number Sent	Hard Bounces
Notification	11/05/14	72,155	3,753
Reminder 1	11/13/14	67,540	589
Reminder 2	11/24/14	66,462	159
Reminder 3	12/01/14	66,056	139
Reminder 4	12/12/14	65,000	0
Reminder 5	12/17/14	64,341	0
Reminder 6	12/29/14	63,412	0
Reminder 7	01/07/15	66,803	0
Reminder 8	01/13/15	65,805	0
Reminder 9	01/26/15	64,657	0
Gov Delivery Reminder 1	01/20/15	58,234	389
Gov Delivery Reminder 2	01/28/15	57,205	389
Gov Delivery Reminder 3	02/01/15	56,521	393
Gov Delivery Reminder 4	02/09/15	55,459	394
Gov Delivery Reminder 5	02/15/15	54,352	392

Processing Returned Surveys

Once a respondent completes an online survey, data are stored in an indexed file on the web (data) server. Prior to providing each dataset to DMDC, the operations contractor copied the indexed file to their internal network using FTP protocol. The data are then converted to a sequential format, and the validate program reads and loads the data to the dataset.

DMDC Coding Scheme

To convert the raw data into the item scores that appear in the basic survey data file, DMDC provides the operations contractor with the coding notes (contained in Appendix D) and an annotated copy of the survey form (Appendix C). Every attempt is made to capture all information from completed surveys and preserve the data so that secondary analysts can later create variables that were not anticipated by DMDC researchers. To accomplish these goals, DMDC subscribes to a variety of coding conventions for all of its surveys. See Appendix D for in-depth coverage of these coding conventions.

DMDC uses “forward” coding when coding inconsistent answers in items with skip patterns. Data on the starting question accepted as marked and data for the items within the skip pattern are edited to be consistent with the starting question. However, an unedited version of each item is preserved in the full data file. By preserving the unedited data, recoding can be done if ever required.

Coding or Keying Open-Ended Items

The full web survey contained six open-ended items. The abbreviated web survey and the phone survey did not contain any open-ended items. The original text responses from the textual response options were captured verbatim into a SAS[®] dataset that is linked by the unique identification to the survey data. Text data in the SAS[®] files for open-ended items were spell-checked, and profanity, proper names, and locations were replaced with [expletive], [name], and [location] respectively. For the final comment item, the web data file contains a flag indicating whether the respondent wrote anything in response to the item.

Fifty-record Check

After receiving the first 50 returned records, the operations contractor ran a “50-record check.” DMDC checked the resulting data to determine if there were any unanticipated problems in the coding procedures (e.g., respondents were consistently answering in an unexpected manner). Minor corrections to these procedures were necessary as a result of this check and were reviewed by DMDC prior to production of the initial SAS[®] dataset. At the completion of the 50-record check, the operations contractor compiled the full set of returned surveys. The data were then cleaned and edited.

Survey Analysis Files

This section (a) provides an overview of requirements for analysis of the data, (b) documents the structure of survey analysis files created for the 2014 PEV5 survey,

(c) describes the assembly of the analysis files, and (d) provides an overview of the variables in the survey analysis files.

Estimation

Analysis of this data requires use of weights to compensate for the unequal selection probabilities and to account for differential nonresponse among population subgroups. The analytic weights were post-stratified to population totals so that weighted sample estimates would reflect population values.

In general, the procedures used to compute sample estimates of population parameters (including population totals, means, proportions), tests of hypotheses, regression relations, and their associated variances are derived from the probability structure that gives rise to the observations. As with other surveys involving complex probability structures, most of the parameter estimates of interest in this survey take the form of non-linear statistics. Examples include domain means and proportions where the denominator values are unknown and must be estimated from the sample data. The estimator takes the form of a ratio of random variables (i.e., the ratio of the estimated numerator and denominator totals or counts). In general, ratio estimates are not unbiased and their variances cannot be expressed in closed form. The variances are, therefore, approximated. The bias in a ratio estimate depends on the variance associated with the denominator total or count and can usually be ignored in samples having a large number of observations. As a working rule, the bias may be assumed negligible if the number of observations on which the estimate is based exceeds 30 or is otherwise large enough so that the coefficient of variation $[SE(x)/x]$ of the denominator is less than .10 (cf., Cochran, 1977, pp. 153-165).

Two common variance estimation methods for complex sample data are linearization (Taylor series approximation) and replication. Wolter (1985) provides a detailed discussion on methods used for variance estimation from sample surveys, including Taylor series approximation and replication methods.

Many of the standard statistical software packages, such as SPSS¹⁰ and older versions of SAS,¹¹ compute variance estimates only for simple random samples. Using standard statistical programs with the appropriate eligibility indicator (ELIGFLGW) and the analytic weight (FINALWGT_A or FINALWGT_B) to analyze this data will produce accurate point estimates, but variance estimates will not account for the complex sample design. Variables have been included in the analysis file so that Taylor series estimates can be computed for a stratified without replacement design, using either SUDAAN¹² or the recently available SAS Survey Procedures.

Data Structure

Care was taken in the preparation of the survey analysis files to provide public access to data from the survey with sufficient information for accurate estimations, while meeting

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¹¹ SAS added survey procedures in Version 7, expanding them in releases 8.0 and higher.

¹² SUDAAN® is a registered trademark of Research Triangle Institute, Research Triangle Park, NC, USA.

requirements for participant and non-participant anonymity. As described below, some detailed variables have been deleted from the basis survey files either because (a) they are typically needed only to analyze survey methods and not needed to analyze the survey data or (b) they provide too great a chance of identifying an individual. For the latter reason, some demographic variables are available on basic files only in a collapsed version.

Files were prepared as SAS and SPSS system files. An ASCII (Operating System or OS) flat file was prepared from the basic survey SAS system file. File names are indicated in Table . In addition to a basic survey file, a full survey file (containing a more complete set of variables than the basic survey file) has been prepared for internal DMDC use.

Table 12.
Analysis File Names

Type of File	File Name
Basic Survey File – SAS	PEV52014P.7BDAT
Confidential File – SAS	PEV52014C.7BDAT
Basic Survey File - SPSS	PEV52014P.SAV
Basic Survey File – OS	PEV52014P.DAT

The structure of the full survey file is shown in Figure 3. The full survey file contains the basic survey file plus additional confidential variables. All variables in the full survey file are documented in this report. Appendix E lists all variables with a notation to indicate which variables are confidential and Appendix F shows where each variable is documented. Variables that appear in a collapsed form in the basic survey file and in a fuller version only in the full survey file are discussed later.

Analyses

Both the full survey file and basic survey file contain 94,699 records, one for every sampled individual. As depicted in Figure 3, these records can be divided into four subgroups. The *Nonrespondents* subgroup, includes all records indicated by ELIGFLGW=3, where no usable response was received or no information was received to indicate ineligibility (n=80,453).

Assignment of a record to the other two subgroups was based on whether (a) an individual returned a “completed” survey; and (b) the person was eligible to be included in the population of interest. Final eligibility was limited to those in the August 2014 Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) Point-in-Time Extract (PITE) and did not contact the operations contractor to indicate that they were ineligible.

Records required for analyses are those in the *Known Ineligibles* and *Eligible Respondents* subgroups. Both the *Eligible Respondents* (ELIGFLGW=1) and *Known Ineligibles* (ELIGFLGW=2) are included because both types of records were used to develop weights that

sum to the population total, and both types of records are needed to compute accurate variance estimates by the Taylor series linearization method implemented by SUDAAN and SAS PROC SURVEYMEANS.

To analyze the survey items included on both the full and abbreviated questionnaire, use the analytic weight, FINALWGT_A, on responses with the file subset by ELIGFLGW. To limit analysis to the survey items only included in the full web questionnaire, use the analytic weight, FINALWGT_B, with the file subset by ELIGFLGW and TREATMENT = 1.

Figure 3.
The Structure of the Full File

Subgroups	Basic Survey File	Confidential and Detailed Methodological Variables	Web Eligibility Flag Value and Number of Records
Record ineligible unweighted			ELIGFLGW=4 n=1,342
Non-response unweighted			ELIGFLGW=3 n=80,453
Ineligible weighted			ELIGFLGW=2 n=284
Eligible weighted			ELIGFLGW=1 n= 12,620,

Note. The shaded portion represents the subset of the data typically required for analysis.

Variables in the Survey Analysis Files

Basic Survey File

The variables in the basic survey file fall into five categories: (1) derived from survey responses, (2) created by DMDC for analysis, (3) created by the operations contractor to document survey operations, (4) extracted from administrative personnel records, and (5) created to analyze the weighted dataset. Variables are grouped in these categories in Appendix F.

Information Gathered on the Survey. These variables came directly from the survey or were constructed using only information from the survey. There is at least one variable for every

item in the survey except for a few items that had to be removed to preserve confidentiality. The annotated questionnaire (see Appendix C) contains the item names, the values used to code the pre-specified alternatives, and references to applicable coding notes in Appendix D.

DMDC uses a standard naming convention for most variables. In general, the survey-derived variables can be classified as variables that begin with either “SR,” or “X.” The “SR” variables are a set of primarily demographic items that are identically named across all DMDC surveys. The “SR” serves as a mnemonic for self-report with the remainder of the name indicating the data being collected. For example, “SRRACEA - SRRACEE” are the variable names for the item that asks sample members what race they consider themselves to be. Although all survey data are self-reported, the “SR” is used to distinguish survey-reported information from DMDC-provided information (e.g., the variable “SRRACEA” from the survey is differentiated from the variable “RACE” from DMDC databases). When possible, “X” is reserved to create special crossing (marginal) variables for key analyses. “X” variables typically involve imputation for missing data and, like “SR” variables, are intended to be consistent across DMDC surveys. For more information on variable naming conventions, see Appendix D.

Variables for Analysis. Certain key demographic variables were constructed for DMDC analyses. These analytic variables, starting with “X,” are based primarily on self-reported information from the survey. Typically, where the self-reported information was missing on important demographics (e.g., Service, pay plan) data were imputed from member’s administrative record.

Appendix I documents many of the decisions made in the analyses reported by DMDC (2015b). For a large number of survey items, analysts must make decisions on the treatment of special codes used to indicate inconsistencies in the survey data, especially on respondent failures to follow skip pattern directions.

Information on Operations. The DMDC-provided identification number, *PEV51401*, is unique and is used to identify responses as they are processed. Other variables are created by the operations contractor but are too detailed to be in the basic survey file.

Information on Sampling and Record Data. Most of the variables used in sample design and selection are too detailed to be in the basic survey file (see the later section on confidential variables).

Information on Weighting. Derivation of weights is discussed in detail in DMDC (2015a) and Riemer and Kroeger (2002).

ELIGFLGW	Eligibility Flag
FINALWGT_A	Final Weight for Module A (all groups)
FINALWGT_B	Final Weight for Module B (Full Web)
FINALWGT_C	Final Weight for Civilian Voting Age Population (CVAP)
V_STRAT	Variance Estimation Strata
TOTAL	Weighting Class Strata Totals Based on Sampling Frame Counts

Full Survey File

In addition to variables on the basic survey file, the full survey file also has five additional categories of variables: (1) the uncensored version of survey items appearing in a collapsed form in the basic survey section, (2) the uncensored version of key demographic variables used in analyses appearing in a collapsed form in the basic survey section, (3) detailed variables created by the operations contractor to document operations, (4) detailed variables used in sampling, and (5) detailed variables used in weighting. Variables are grouped in these categories in Appendix F.

Information Gathered on the Survey-Confidential Variables. This section of the full survey file contains the original full version of survey variables recoded for the basic survey file to preserve confidentiality. To the extent possible, recoded versions of these variables are in the basic survey file section for variables constructed for analysis.

Variables for Analysis-Confidential Variables. This section of the full survey file contains the original full version of analytic variables constructed by DMDC. To the extent possible, recoded versions of these variables are in the basic survey file section for variables constructed for analysis.

Information on Operations-Confidential Variables. This section of the full survey file contains operational variables created by the operations contractor. These variables are useful for methodological studies and/or were used in determining eligibility and response status.

The identifying variables describe how the record was processed once a survey was returned. The variables BATCH, SERIAL, and LITHO uniquely identify each returned survey. LITHO is the lithocode scanned from the survey. BATCH and SERIAL are the codes printed on the survey during scanning to identify the scan batch number and scan order of each survey. These numbers can be used to retrieve the paper copy of a survey for a short time after it has been scanned (e.g., should researchers want to check electronically-stored information against the respondent's answer on the paper survey). DUPRET and DUPRET2 indicate the receipt of multiple returns. DUPRET2 includes blank returns in the multiple counts; DUPRET excludes these returns.

The classification variables describe how individual sample member's records were grouped and indexed. FLAG_FIN indicates the final disposition status of a sample member (i.e., survey returned, blank survey returned, not locatable, or no return). Several other classification variables were used to categorize a survey's final disposition. These variables are: BLKREAS, SCSINEL, and REFUSE. BLKREAS codes the reason given by the sample member for returning a blank survey, SCSINEL indicates the reason given by the sample member for being ineligible, and REFUSE indicates whether a sample member refused to complete a survey.

Information on Sampling and Record Data-Confidential Variables. This section of the full survey file contains administrative file variables.

Information on Weighting-Confidential Variables. This section of the full survey file contains variables used in analysis of non-response and in the construction of the weights.

Using Appendix G

Regardless of whether analysts use all or only portions of the database, all analysts should replicate the results found in the tables in Appendix G. It is only by replicating these results that analysts can be sure that they are reading the data correctly. An annotated example of a table from Appendix G is listed in Figure 4. (However, table does not reflect actual results.)

Figure 4.
Annotated Example of a Table from G

¹ 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military
² COMBATOPS ³ Between Labor Day and November 4, 2014, were you involved in combat operations?

⁴ OS DATA		⁵ SAS DATA			
COLS	LENGTH	FORMAT NAME	TYPE	LENGTH	INFORMAT
0009-0010	2	PEV039_	NUM	3	STDOS2

⁶ FREQ	⁷ PERCENT	⁸ OS VALUE	⁹ SAS VALUE	¹⁰ MEANING
993	1.1	-9	.	No response
76000	84.5	-1	.B	No survey return
1806	2.0	-8	.S	Survey Self-Report Ineligible
10495	11.7	1	1	No
705	0.8	2	2	Yes
89999	100.1	¹¹ TOTALS		

¹²PERCENT TOTAL DOES NOT = 100 DUE TO ROUNDING ERROR.

- Codebook title and item text.** The codebook title is the same for every table in Appendix G of this codebook. It lists both the general study and the specific survey form being summarized. If applicable, the indented text under the title presents the verbatim question or instructions that accompany a specific item in the survey.
- Variable name.** The variable name for a survey item is up to eight characters in length and corresponds to the variable name that is used in the SAS[®]-based, basic survey data file. The conventions for naming survey-derived variables are documented in Appendix D. Appendix F contains a full listing of the basic survey file variables, as well as short descriptions of what the variables document.
- Survey item text.** For survey items, this text is the verbatim item wording. For other variables, this text provides a verbal description of the variable.
- Location of the item on the OS data file.** This block provides the location of the variable on the OS data file. The OS data block documents (a) the starting and ending column numbers where the data are stored and (b) the number of columns that the data occupy.
- SAS[®] data file information.** This block indicates format name, variable type, length and informat of the data in the SAS[®] data file. The last block indicates the informat appropriate for reading the data from the OS data file.
- Counts of item value responses.** This column indicates the number of sample members who fall into the category corresponding to each value for the variable. The count provided for each variable value should correspond exactly to those that analysts would obtain when running unweighted frequencies on all 94,699 records in the accompanying database. Before running complex statistical analyses, analysts are encouraged to re-create these frequency tables. Re-creating the counts minimally

ensures that the data are being correctly read by the analysts' computers and programs.

7. **Respondent percentages for each value.** This column indicates the percentage of sample members who marked each variable value. The percentages are calculated by dividing the row value in the "FREQ" column by the total listed at the bottom of the "FREQ" column. The percentages provided for each variable value should correspond exactly to those that analysts would obtain when running unweighted frequencies on all 94,699 records in the accompanying database.
8. **Response OS values.** This column presents the OS (ASCII) code for the actual or re-coded response values for each survey item. Further details on the values in this column are found in either the annotated survey form or in Appendix D. For example, all negative values are found in Appendix D.
9. **Response SAS® values.** This column presents the SAS® code for the actual or re-coded response values for each survey item. Further details on the values in this column are found in either the annotated survey form or in Appendix D. Negative values are found in Appendix D.
10. **Explanation of the item value codes.** This column presents brief verbal explanations of the OS and SAS® coding for each survey item. If the coded information corresponds to survey response alternatives, the text in the table is the verbatim response from the survey instrument. More detailed explanations are found in either the annotated survey form or in Appendix D.
11. **Total of response frequencies and percents.** The number appearing at the bottom of the "FREQ" column is the total number of sample members in the basic survey file. This number is the same for every table in this codebook. That is, every sample member in the database is accounted for on every variable even if the variable indicates only that the information was missing for that sample member. The number appearing at the bottom of the "PERCENT" column is typically 100.0. Rounding error, however, occasionally causes the total percentage to be slightly above or below 100.0.
12. **Messages to analysts.** The messages alert analysts to situations specific to a variable including (a) rounding errors resulting in a total percentage other than 100 percent; (b) the variable having values that are "too numerous to list;" (c) extraction of the variable from another specified database; (d) creation of the variable from two or more variables specified in the message; and (e) further clarification of the survey item corresponding to the variable.
13. **Codebook page number.** This is the G page number corresponding to a specific variable. F identifies the page number in G where the variable can be found.

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Appendix A. Questionnaire

2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military

ELIGIBILITY

The following questions will help us learn a little bit more about you; as you answer, please reference the time period leading up to the *November 4, 2014, election*. If your responses to any of the questions changed during this time period, please select the response that reflects the most recent information as of election day.

1. Were you on active duty on November 4, 2014?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No, I was separated or retired

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. Were you a U.S. citizen?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3. What was your age?

- ☐ 17 years old or younger
- ☐ 18 to 24 years old
- ☐ 25 to 29 years old
- ☐ 30 to 34 years old
- ☐ 35 to 44 years old
- ☐ 45 years old or older

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

4. What was your paygrade?

- | | | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> E-1 | <input type="radio"/> E-6 | <input type="radio"/> W-1 | <input type="radio"/> O-1/O-1E |
| <input type="radio"/> E-2 | <input type="radio"/> E-7 | <input type="radio"/> W-2 | <input type="radio"/> O-2/O-2E |
| <input type="radio"/> E-3 | <input type="radio"/> E-8 | <input type="radio"/> W-3 | <input type="radio"/> O-3/O-3E |
| <input type="radio"/> E-4 | <input type="radio"/> E-9 | <input type="radio"/> W-4 | <input type="radio"/> O-4 |
| <input type="radio"/> E-5 | | <input type="radio"/> W-5 | <input type="radio"/> O-5 |
| | | | <input type="radio"/> O-6 or above |

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

5. What was your marital status?

- ☐ Married
- ☐ Separated
- ☐ Divorced
- ☐ Widowed
- ☐ Never married

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

6. Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?

- ☐ No, not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
- ☐ Yes, Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicano, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

7. What is your race? *Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.*

- ☐ White
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ Asian (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, or Vietnamese)
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (e.g., Samoan, Guamanian, or Chamorro)

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

8. Where were you located?

- ☐ United States/territories
- ☐ Overseas
- ☐ On board a ship

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Please select the overseas country in which you were located. If located on board a ship, please select where the ship was located.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

9. How long had you been located in this country?

- ☐ Less than 3 months
- ☐ 3 months to less than 6 months
- ☐ 6 months to less than 9 months
- ☐ 9 months to less than 1 year
- ☐ 1 year to less than 2 years
- ☐ 2 years to less than 3 years
- ☐ 3 years or more

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

10. Please enter the number of months since you last experienced each of the following. If currently deployed, enter "0" for the applicable item. If you have not experienced the item in the last 24 months, please enter "99" for that item.

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------|
| a. Permanent Change of Station (PCS) | <input type="text"/> Months Ago |
| b. Deployment longer than 30 consecutive days | <input type="text"/> Months Ago |
| c. Deployment to a combat zone or an area where you drew imminent danger pay or hostile fire pay | <input type="text"/> Months Ago |

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

The following questions will help us to better understand your experiences with the voting process.

Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election*.

11. Were you registered to vote in the United States?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

Your legal voting residence is the state or territory where you last resided prior to entering military service OR that you have since claimed as your legal residence. The right to vote extends to you even though you may no longer own property or have other ties there.

12. Where were you registered to vote (i.e., the location of your designated polling place)? Please select the U.S. State, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession where you were registered to vote for the November 4, 2014, election.

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

Your legal voting residence is the state or territory where you last resided prior to entering military service OR that you have since claimed as your legal residence. The right to vote extends to you even though you may no longer own property or have other ties there.

13. Where would you have registered to vote if you had chosen to do so (i.e., where your designated polling place would be located)? Please select the U.S. State, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession where you would have registered for the November 4, 2014, election.

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

14. You indicated you were registered to vote in %%Q12STATE%%. Is this your...

- ☐ Home of record prior to entering the military?
- ☐ Previous assigned duty location?
- ☐ Current assigned duty location?
- ☐ Other

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

Please describe where you were registered to vote.

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

15. Approximately how far did you live from where you were registered to vote? If you were not registered to vote, select how far you lived from your legal voting residence.

- ☐ Less than 50 miles
- ☐ 50 miles to less than 75 miles
- ☐ 75 miles to less than 100 miles
- ☐ 100 miles or more

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

16. When did you last update your voter registration information (e.g., address, party affiliation)? *Mark one.*

- ☐ Less than 6 months ago
- ☐ 6-12 months ago
- ☐ 13-24 months ago
- ☐ More than 24 months ago

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

The following questions will help us to better understand your experiences with the absentee voting process.
Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election.*

17. Did you request an absentee ballot? *Mark one.*

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official.
- ☐ No, I never received an absentee ballot, but I expected to receive one.
- ☐ No, I did not need an absentee ballot.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

18. In what month did you first request your absentee ballot? *Mark one.*

- ☐ July 2014 or earlier
- ☐ August 2014
- ☐ September 2014
- ☐ October 2014
- ☐ November 2014
- ☐ Do not recall

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA; Standard Form 76) is a single form that you can use to register to vote and/or request an absentee ballot for Federal elections. Some States require eligible voters who vote absentee to use the FPCA to request an absentee ballot.

19. Were you aware that you could use the FPCA to register to vote and request an absentee ballot?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

20. Did you use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to request your absentee ballot or did you use another method?

- ☐ Yes, I used an FPCA to request an absentee ballot.
- ☐ No, I used a State or local form to request an absentee ballot.
- ☐ No, I used a non-government website (e.g., Rock the Vote [RTV], Overseas Vote Foundation [OVF]) to request an absentee ballot.
- ☐ No, I used another method.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Please specify your other method.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

21. How did you obtain your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? *Mark one.*

- ☐ Printable FPCA downloaded from FVAP.gov
- ☐ Online assistant tool at FVAP.gov that guides voters in completing an FPCA
- ☐ From some other contact with the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)
- ☐ Through military channels/Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs)
- ☐ From a U.S. embassy or consulate
- ☐ From a State or local election official
- ☐ From a non-FVAP website
- ☐ From a military post office
- ☐ Some other source

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Please specify the other source from which you obtained your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA).

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

22. How did you complete and return your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? *Mark one.*

- ☐ Mail
- ☐ USPS Express/Certified mail
- ☐ FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier
- ☐ Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS)
- ☐ Fax
- ☐ E-mail (e.g., as an attachment)
- ☐ Online (e.g., through a secure website)
- ☐ Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office
- ☐ Other

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

23. Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... *Mark one answer for each row.*

	Yes	No	Do not recall
a. Received?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Rejected?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Accepted?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

24. Did you receive your regular absentee ballot?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

25. How did you obtain your regular absentee ballot? *Mark one.*

- ☐ Mail
- ☐ Fax
- ☐ E-mail
- ☐ In person
- ☐ Downloaded ballot from State link on FVAP.gov
- ☐ Downloaded ballot from State voting website
- ☐ Downloaded ballot from State link at another website
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Do not recall

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Please specify the other means used to obtain your regular absentee ballot.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

26. When did you receive your regular absentee ballot?

- ☐ September 2014 or earlier
- ☐ October 2014
- ☐ November 2014
- ☐ Do not recall

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

27. Did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

28. How did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?

- ☐ Mail
- ☐ USPS Express/Certified mail
- ☐ FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier
- ☐ Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS)
- ☐ Fax
- ☐ E-mail (e.g., as an attachment)
- ☐ Online (e.g., through a secure website)
- ☐ Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office
- ☐ Other

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Please specify the other means used to return your regular absentee ballot.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

29. When did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?

- ☐ September 2014 or earlier
- ☐ October 2014
- ☐ November 2014
- ☐ Do not recall

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

30. Taking all things into consideration, how satisfied were you with the overall absentee voting process?

- ☐ Very satisfied
- ☐ Satisfied
- ☐ Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- ☐ Dissatisfied
- ☐ Very dissatisfied

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2014 ELECTION

A lot of people were not able to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, they didn't have time, or something else happened to prevent them from voting. And sometimes, people who USUALLY vote or who PLANNED to vote forget that something UNUSUAL happened on election day this year that prevented them from voting THIS time. So please think carefully for a minute about the election held on *November 4, 2014*, and past elections in which you may have voted, and answer the following questions.

31. During the past 6 years, did you usually vote in... Mark one answer for each item.

	Usually voted	Usually did not vote
a. Political party primary elections?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Federal general elections?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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2014 ELECTION

The following questions will help us to better understand your experiences. Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election*.

32. How interested or uninterested were you in the election?

- ☐ Very interested
- ☐ Somewhat interested
- ☐ Neither interested nor uninterested
- ☐ Somewhat uninterested
- ☐ Very uninterested

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2014 ELECTION

33. During the months leading up to the election, did you ever plan to vote in that election, or didn't you plan to vote? Mark one.

- ☐ Did plan to vote
- ☐ Did not plan to vote

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2014 ELECTION

34. In the election held on November 4, 2014, did you definitely vote in person on election day, definitely complete an absentee ballot by mail, e-mail, fax, or online on or before November 4, 2014, definitely not vote, or are you not completely sure whether you voted in that election? *Mark one.*

- ☐ Definitely voted in person
- ☐ Definitely voted by mail
- ☐ Definitely voted by e-mail
- ☐ Definitely voted at an online website
- ☐ Definitely voted by fax
- ☐ Definitely did not vote
- ☐ Not sure

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2014 ELECTION

35. What was the MAIN REASON you did not vote in the election? *Mark one.*

- ☐ I tried/wanted to vote but did not or could not complete the process.
- ☐ I did not want to vote.

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2014 ELECTION

36. Which of the following best describes why you did not vote in the election? *Mark one.*

- ☐ I was not registered to vote.
- ☐ I did not know how to get an absentee ballot.
- ☐ My absentee ballot arrived too late.
- ☐ My absentee ballot did not arrive at all.
- ☐ The absentee voting process was too complicated.
- ☐ My commander did not allow me to take time during duty hours to vote.
- ☐ Some other reason

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2014 ELECTION

Please specify why you did not vote in the election.

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2014 ELECTION

37. Was this your first time... Mark one answer for each item. If you did not try to vote or try to vote absentee in the election, mark "Does not apply."

	Yes	No	Does not apply
a. Voting or trying to vote in an election?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Voting or trying to vote <i>absentee</i> in an election?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB; Standard Form 186) is a backup way to vote in case your requested absentee ballot does not arrive in time to vote and return your ballot. It lets you write in the names of the candidate you wish to vote for. Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the November 4, 2014, election.

38. Did you use the FWAB?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No, but I was aware of it
- ☐ No, and I was not aware of it

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

39. How did you obtain your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?

- ☐ Printable FWAB downloaded from FVAP.gov
- ☐ Online assistant tool at FVAP.gov that guides voters in completing a FWAB
- ☐ From some other contact with the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)
- ☐ Through military channels/Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs)
- ☐ From a U.S. embassy or consulate
- ☐ From a State or local election official
- ☐ From a non-FVAP website
- ☐ From a military post office
- ☐ Some other source

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

Please specify the other source from which you obtained your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB).

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

40. When did you complete and return your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?

- ☐ September 2014 or earlier
- ☐ October 2014
- ☐ November 2014
- ☐ Do not recall

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

41. What was the MAIN REASON you used the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? *Mark one.*

- ☐ My regular absentee ballot did not arrive.
- ☐ My regular absentee ballot did not arrive on time.
- ☐ I was concerned my regular absentee ballot would not be returned by the deadline/would not be counted.
- ☐ I forgot to request a regular absentee ballot.
- ☐ Some other reason

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

Please specify the MAIN REASON you used the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB).

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

42. What is the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? *Mark one.*

- ☐ I did not know how to get one.
- ☐ I could not get one.
- ☐ I had difficulty filling it out.
- ☐ I did not need one; I had already returned a regular absentee ballot.
- ☐ Some other reason

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

Please specify the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB).

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2012 ELECTION

Elections for the President, U.S. Senate, and U.S. House of Representatives were held in 2012. A lot of citizens did not get to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they didn't have time.

43. How about you — did you vote in that election?

- ☐ Definitely voted in person
- ☐ Definitely voted by mail
- ☐ Definitely voted by e-mail
- ☐ Definitely voted at an online website
- ☐ Definitely voted by fax
- ☐ Definitely did not vote
- ☐ Not sure

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

44. In preparation for the November 4, 2014, election, did you need any information or assistance (e.g., information on deadlines, how to request an absentee ballot)?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) and the Services support absent Uniformed Service members by providing a broad range of non-partisan information and assistance to facilitate the participation in the democratic process.

FVAP – FVAP offers many different forms of assistance for absent Uniformed Service members including their website, FVAP.gov, an online assistant tool for completing voting forms, staff support, and the Voting Assistance Guide.

Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) – Designated individuals who provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.

Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices – Dedicated voting assistance offices, located on military installations, to provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.

Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election*.

45. Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Yes	No, but I <u>was</u> aware of it	No, and I <u>was</u> <u>not</u> aware of it
a. FVAP	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

Please specify the other resource you used for voting information or assistance.

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) offers the following products and services to support absent Uniformed Service members.

FVAP.gov – The FVAP website provides voting-related information and resources for absent Uniformed Service members, their eligible family members, and those who support them. The website provides State-specific election information that voters can rely on when voting absentee.

FVAP staff support – FVAP provides e-mail support through vote@fvap.gov and a toll-free telephone service that allows military members and their eligible family members to ask FVAP staff for voting information or assistance.

FVAP online assistant tool – FVAP offers an easy-to-use online assistant at FVAP.gov to guide voters in completing Federal Post Card Applications (FPCAs) and Federal Write-in Absentee Ballots (FWABs). The online assistant tool simplifies the completion of FPCAs and FWABs by providing State-specific information and instructions on how to download, print, and mail forms to local election officials.

Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election*.

46. Please indicate which FVAP products or services you used for voting assistance. *Mark all that apply.*

- ☐ FVAP.gov
- ☐ FVAP staff support
- ☐ FVAP online assistant tool

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

47. For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of information/assistance" for that item.

	Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)	Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs)	Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices	Did not need this type of information/ assistance
a. Determining my eligibility to vote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Understanding the absentee voting process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Assistance with the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) (e.g., obtaining, completing, or submitting the FPCA)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Assistance with the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) (e.g., obtaining, completing, or submitting the FWAB)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Finding information on deadlines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Electronic transmission of election materials (e.g., faxing, e-mailing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Assistance with websites (e.g., Federal, State, local)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Some other voting information or assistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

48. Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Yes	No, but I sought assistance elsewhere	No, and I did not seek further assistance
a. Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Please describe where else you sought voting information or assistance.

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

49. How did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office provide the voting information or assistance you needed? *Mark all that apply.*

- ☐ Assistance with the completion of voting forms (e.g., Federal Post Card Application [FPCA], Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot [FWAB])
- ☐ Provided information about upcoming elections (e.g., deadlines, hard copy forms)
- ☐ Directed me to other voting resources (e.g., FVAP.gov)

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

50. Which other voting resource(s) did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office recommend you use to find the voting information or assistance you needed? *Mark all that apply.*

- ☐ FVAP.gov
- ☐ Service-specific website
- ☐ Other website(s) (e.g, Overseas Vote Foundation [OVF], State website)
- ☐ 2013-14 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)
- ☐ Other

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FVAP.GOV

51. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a. State voting and related instructions were clear and easy to understand.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Contact information was easy to find.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Search feature met my needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. I was able to find what I needed quickly and easily.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. I was able to find the materials and forms I needed to vote.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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52. In preparation for the 2014 primaries and General Election, how many times did you visit FVAP.gov? *Mark one.*

- ☐ Once
- ☐ More than once
- ☐ Do not recall

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

53. What was the MAIN REASON you did not seek voting information or assistance? *Mark one.*

- ☐ Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) were too busy.
- ☐ Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office was too far away.
- ☐ I did not know where to go or who to call.
- ☐ I did not have time.
- ☐ I could get the same information online.
- ☐ I did not have confidence that Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) could answer my question(s).
- ☐ I did not have any questions or issues that required assistance.
- ☐ I sought assistance, but could not get it.

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VOTING KNOWLEDGE

54. Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.

	Excellent	Good	Average	Fair	Poor
a. Registering to vote	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Requesting an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to register and request an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. <i>Receiving/getting</i> an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. <i>Completing</i> an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. <i>Returning</i> an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Using the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB) as a backup ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Knowing key absentee ballot deadlines	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FVAP) OUTREACH

When answering the following questions, please think about the weeks leading up to the *November 4, 2014, election*.

55. Did you see or receive any of the following? *Mark all that apply.*

- ☐ Periodic FVAP e-mail reminders about upcoming elections
- ☐ FVAP on Twitter
- ☐ FVAP on Facebook
- ☐ Voting Assistance Officer (VAO) outreach (e.g., announcements during formation, voter outreach events, information on bulletin boards, social media)
- ☐ FVAP brochures
- ☐ FVAP election dates handouts
- ☐ FVAP fact sheets/one-pagers
- ☐ FVAP voting posters
- ☐ FVAP wallet cards
- ☐ Voting-specific public service announcements (PSAs)

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56. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Very useful	Useful	Somewhat useful	Not at all useful
a. Periodic FVAP e-mail reminders about upcoming elections	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. FVAP on Twitter	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. FVAP on Facebook	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Voting Assistance Officer (VAO) outreach (e.g., announcements during formation, voter outreach events, information on bulletin boards, social media)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. FVAP brochures	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. FVAP election dates handouts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. FVAP fact sheets/one-pagers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. FVAP voting posters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. FVAP wallet cards	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Voting-specific public service announcements (PSAs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FVAP) OUTREACH

57. Would you prefer more or less communication from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) to better understand the absentee voting process?

- ☐ Much more communication
- ☐ More communication
- ☐ No change in communication; the level of current communication is just right
- ☐ Less communication
- ☐ Much less communication

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2014 ELECTION

58. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a. I cared about <i>the issues</i> in the election.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. I cared about <i>which candidates would win</i> the election.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Voting is an effective way to express my opinion on <i>the issues</i> in the election.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Voting is an effective way to express my opinion on <i>which candidates should win</i> the election.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. If others (e.g., military members, family, or friends) found out I did not vote in the election, I would be embarrassed.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

(Continued) Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
f. If other military members found out I did not vote in this election, I would feel ashamed.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Others (e.g., military members, family, or friends) are likely to know whether or not I voted in the election.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. It is not appropriate for members of the military to vote.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. I was confident that my ballot would be counted.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. It was easy to get in-person voting assistance at my installation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. I knew exactly who at my installation to ask questions about voting materials, ballot requests,	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

or other voting-related issues.

- l. I had questions related to the voting process but could not get a hold of someone who could answer them. ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
- m. Seeking in-person assistance at my installation was a waste of time because I received conflicting or inaccurate information. ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
- n. Printed voting materials were easily accessible at my installation when I needed them. ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

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2014 ELECTION

Different people feel differently about voting.

For some, voting is a *civic duty*. They feel that they should vote in every election however they feel about the candidates and parties.

For others, voting is a *choice*. They feel free to vote or not to vote in an election depending on how they feel about the candidates and parties.

59. For you personally, voting is *first and foremost*...

- ☐ A *civic duty*
- ☐ A *choice*
- ☐ Not sure

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2014 ELECTION

60. How strongly do you feel personally that voting is a *civic duty*?

- ☐ Very strongly
- ☐ Strongly
- ☐ Somewhat strongly
- ☐ Not very strongly

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

61. What is the highest degree or level of school that you have completed? *Mark the one answer that describes the highest grade or degree that you have completed.*

- ☐ 12 years or less of school (no diploma)
- ☐ High school graduate—traditional diploma
- ☐ High school graduate—alternative diploma (home school, GED, etc.)
- ☐ Some college credit, but less than 1 year
- ☐ 1 or more years of college, no degree
- ☐ Associate's degree (e.g., AA, AS)
- ☐ Bachelor's degree (e.g., BA, AB, BS)
- ☐ Master's, doctoral, or professional school degree (e.g., MA, MS, MEd, MEng, MBA, MSW, PhD, MD, JD, DVM, EdD)

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TAKING THE SURVEY

62. Thank you for participating in the survey. There are no more questions on this survey. If you have comments or concerns that you were not able to express in answering this survey, please enter them in the space provided. Your comments will be viewed and considered as policy deliberations take place. Your feedback is useful and appreciated.

***** Submit Button *****

TAKING THE SURVEY

63. You have indicated that you are not eligible for the survey. To be eligible to take the survey, you must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age, and on active duty on election day. If you met these criteria on November 4, 2014, then please do the following three steps:

- Click the *Back* button,
- Adjust your answer, and
- Complete the survey.

If you are not eligible based on these criteria, then click *Submit Survey* to submit the survey. For further help, please call our Survey Processing Center toll-free at 1-800-881-5307 or e-mail ADM-survey@mail.mil

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Appendix B.

Survey Communications



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Dear Chief Lname:

The Federal Election is quickly approaching. With that in mind, I, as the Director of the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), invite you to participate in a DoD survey regarding your voting experience. FVAP works to ensure that all Service members, their eligible family members, and overseas citizens are aware of their right to vote and have the tools and resources to successfully do so – from anywhere in the world. The information collected from the *2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*, beginning November 5, 2014, will provide FVAP with critical information to help improve the absentee voting process for all military personnel. The survey will also help identify and address any problems military members might encounter when voting. Please note that this survey does not collect any information regarding your political party affiliation or other personal, political choices. Your participation is vital, and we would appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey once you receive it. The survey will only take 20 minutes and is entirely voluntary.

FVAP has partnered with another DoD organization, the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC), on this effort. DoD randomly selected you to participate in this important survey. **We need to hear from everyone selected for this very important project – voters and non-voters alike.**

The survey will be available starting November 5, 2014 at this DMDC website: <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dodsurvey> and to access the survey, you will need to enter your personal **Ticket Number: WDRC0002**

This site can be accessed from any computer with Internet access. If you log on from a non-DoD computer, your browser may provide a security alert. If so, follow the instructions and proceed to the DoD-secure website.

If you have any problems accessing the survey, please call our Survey Processing Center at 1-800-881-5307 or send an e-mail to ADM-Survey@mail.mil. Include your Ticket Number in your communications. If you have any questions or suggestions about the survey, please visit our website at www.FVAP.gov/info/contact.

Thank you for your service, and thank you in advance for your participation in this important effort.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



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Dear Chief Warrant Officer Lname:

The Federal Election is quickly approaching. With that in mind, I, as the Director of the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), invite you to participate in a DoD survey regarding your voting experience. FVAP works to ensure that all Service members, their eligible family members, and overseas citizens are aware of their right to vote and have the tools and resources to successfully do so – from anywhere in the world. The information collected from the *2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*, beginning November 5, 2014, will provide FVAP with critical information to help improve the absentee voting process for all military personnel. The survey will also help identify and address any problems military members might encounter when voting. Please note that this survey does not collect any information regarding your political party affiliation or other personal, political choices. Your participation is vital, and we would appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey once you receive it. The survey will only take 10 minutes and is entirely voluntary.

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The survey will be available starting November 5, 2014 at this DMDC website: <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dodsurvey> and to access the survey, you will need to enter your personal **Ticket Number: WDRC0273**

This site can be accessed from any computer with Internet access. If you log on from a non-DoD computer, your browser may provide a security alert. If so, follow the instructions and proceed to the DoD-secure website.

If you have any problems accessing the survey, please call our Survey Processing Center at 1-800-881-5307 or send an e-mail to ADM-Survey@mail.mil. Include your Ticket Number in your communications. If you have any questions or suggestions about the survey, please visit our website at www.FVAP.gov/info/contact.

Thank you for your service, and thank you in advance for your participation in this important effort.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



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Starting November 5, 2014, specially trained telephone interviewers will be contacting the selected military members. When the interviewer contacts you, we hope you will agree to provide your input on this important topic. Please note that this survey does not collect any information regarding your political party affiliation or other personal, political choices. Your participation is vital, and we would appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey once you receive the call. The survey should only take 10 minutes and is entirely voluntary.

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Thank you for your service, and thank you in advance for your participation in this important effort.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



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Dear Seaman Lname:

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) recently requested your participation in its *2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*. This survey is conducted after every regularly scheduled Federal election to ensure that all military members, like you, have the opportunity to cast their vote no matter where they are located around the world. Although the survey is voluntary, **FVAP needs to hear from everyone selected for this very important project – voters and non-voters alike**. The information and opinions you provide are essential to help improve the absentee voting process for all military personnel, and to help us evaluate our own Voting Assistance Program.

To complete the survey online, please go to the following website:
<https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dodsurvey> and enter your personal **Ticket Number: WDRC0012**

These surveys are *Official Business* and can be completed using your government computer. If you have questions about completing this survey or need assistance, please call the Survey Processing Center at 1-800-881-5307 or send an e-mail to **ADM-Survey@mail.mil**. If you do not wish to participate or to receive reminders about this survey, you may remove yourself from the mailing list by contacting the Survey Processing Center. Please include your Ticket Number in your communications. If you wish to withdraw your answers after starting this survey, notify the Survey Processing Center prior to January 12, 2015.

Thank you for your dedication and loyalty, and thank you for your participation in this important effort.

Sincerely,

W.D. FRENCH
Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy



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Dear Corporal Lname:

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Sincerely,

R.A.C. Sanborn
Director, Marine and Family Programs Division
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Dear Petty Officer Lname:

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) recently requested your participation in a DoD survey, the *2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*. This survey is conducted after every regularly scheduled Federal election to ensure that all military members, like you, have the opportunity to cast their vote no matter where they are located around the world. Although the survey is voluntary, **we need to hear from everyone selected for this very important project – voters and non-voters alike**. The information and opinions you provide are important to help improve the absentee voting process for all military personnel, and to identify and address any problems military members might encounter when voting.

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Thank you for your service, and thank you for your participation in this important effort.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



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Dear Major Lname:

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Sincerely,

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Brigadier General, USA
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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
PENTAGON, WASHINGTON DC

December 02, 2014

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MEMORANDUM FOR USAF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

FROM: Headquarters Air Force Services (AF/A1S)
201 12th Street South Suite 413
Arlington, VA 22202

TO: Chief Lieutenant Lname

SUBJECT: Federal Voting Assistance Program – 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (ADM)

1. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) recently requested your participation in its *2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*. This survey is conducted after every regularly scheduled Federal election to ensure that all military members, like you, have the opportunity to cast their vote no matter where they are located around the world. Although the survey is voluntary, **FVAP needs to hear from everyone selected for this very important project – voters and non-voters alike.** The information and opinions you provide are essential to help improve the absentee voting process for all military personnel, and to help us evaluate our own Voting Assistance Program.
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Deputy Director of Services
Deputy Senior Service Voting Representative



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
COMMANDER, NAVY INSTALLATIONS COMMAND
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WASHINGTON NAVY YARD, DC 20374-5140

December 08, 2014

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Dear Seaman Lname:

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Sincerely,

W.D. FRENCH
Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
3280 RUSSELL ROAD
QUANTICO, VIRGINIA 22134-5103

December 08, 2014

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Sincerely,

R.A.C. Sanborn
Director, Marine and Family Programs Division
U.S. Marine Corps Senior Service Voting Representative



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Director, FVAP



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U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
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FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

December 08, 2014

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
PENTAGON, WASHINGTON DC

December 08, 2014

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MEMORANDUM FOR USAF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

FROM: Headquarters Air Force Services (AF/AIS)
201 12th Street South Suite 413
Arlington, VA 22202

TO: Lieutenant Lname

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Dear Chief Lname:

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Director, FVAP



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Dear Chief Warrant Officer Lname:

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Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



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February 03, 2015

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Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, November 05, 2014 3:35 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (NOTIFY)

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: NOTIFY

Recently, I mailed you a letter regarding the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) "2014 Post Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military." Now that the 2014 General Election has taken place, the survey is available at: <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dodsurvey>

In coordination with the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC), another Department of Defense (DoD) organization, you were randomly selected to participate in this very important survey. The survey asks you about your voting experiences, not your personal political choices; we need to hear from everyone selected for this very important project—voters and non-voters alike. Your responses will be kept private to the extent permitted by law, and the survey should only take about 20 minutes to complete. It is very important that we hear back from you as the information you provide will help improve the absentee voting process for all military personnel.

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Sent: Wednesday, November 05, 2014 3:34 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
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Dear Captain Smith:

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Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2014 3:17 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND1)

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND1

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) recently contacted you in regards to the "2014 Post Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military." If you have already completed the survey, we thank you; if you have not had a chance to do so, please take the time today. While participation is voluntary, the information and the opinions you provide are very important to the success of our research effort, and the survey should only take about 20 minutes to complete.

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Director, FVAP

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Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2014 3:18 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND1)

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND1

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Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2014 3:19 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND2)

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND2

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) recently contacted you in regards to the "2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military." If you have already completed the survey, thank you; if you have not had a chance to do so, please take the time today. Your input is greatly appreciated and we look forward to learning about your voting experiences; we need to hear from everyone selected for this very important project—voters and non-voters alike.

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Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Monday, December 1, 2014 3:33 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND3)
Signed By: ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND3

If you have already completed your "2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military," from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), we thank you. If you have not had a chance to do so, please take the time today.

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Once at the website, please enter your Ticket Number: REMIND3

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If you have any questions about this survey or would like more information on the FVAP survey program, visit the FVAP website at www.FVAP.gov/info/contact

On behalf of FVAP, thank you for participating in this survey.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2014 3:35 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND4)
Signed By: ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND4

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) has received many responses to the "2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military," and we want to thank those of you who have taken the time so far to answer the survey. Your input is greatly appreciated—thank you.

If you have not had a chance to participate or complete your survey, and you would like to inform FVAP of your opinions on the absentee voting process, please take time to complete the survey today. While your participation is desired, it is entirely voluntary.

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If you have any questions about this survey or would like more information on the FVAP survey program, visit the FVAP website at www.FVAP.gov/info/contact

On behalf of FVAP, thank you for participating in this survey.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, December 17, 2014 3:36 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND5)
Signed By: ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND5

For those who have completed the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) "2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military," we thank you very much. If you have not had the time to do so, there are only a few days remaining before we will have to close the website. Please take the time before January 12, 2015, to complete the survey so that we may collect information regarding your experience with the absentee voting process. While your participation is desired, it is entirely voluntary.

The website for the survey is: <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dodsurvey>

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On behalf of FVAP, thank you for participating in this survey.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Monday, December 29, 2014 3:04 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND6)
Signed By: ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND6

For those who have completed the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) "2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military," we thank you. If you have not had a chance to complete the survey, please do so before the website closes on February 11, 2015. Your opinions are very important and while your participation is desired, it is entirely voluntary.

The website for the survey is: <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dodsurvey>

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If you have any questions about this survey or would like more information on the FVAP survey program, visit the FVAP website at www.FVAP.gov/info/contact

On behalf of FVAP, thank you so much for completing this survey.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 3:27 PM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND7)
Signed By: ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND7

We are contacting you in regards to the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) "2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military." It is critical to our mission that the voting assistance we provide to all military members contains the most relevant, recent, accurate information and is easily accessible in a manner that is most convenient for you and your demanding military lifestyle. In order to do this, we need to hear from you, regardless of whether you voted or not in the recent election! If you have any questions about this survey or would like more information on the FVAP survey program, visit the FVAP website at www.FVAP.gov

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On behalf of FVAP, thank you so much for completing this survey.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 8:28 AM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND8)
Signed By: ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND8

We need your help! There are only a few weeks left to provide your input on the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) "2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military." If you have not had a chance to complete the survey, please do so soon! It is critical to our mission that the voting assistance we provide to all military members contains the most relevant, recent, accurate information and is easily accessible in a manner that is most convenient for you and your demanding military lifestyle. In order to do this, we need to hear from you, regardless of whether you voted or not in the recent election! If you have any questions about this survey or would like more information on the FVAP survey program, visit the FVAP website at www.FVAP.gov

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On behalf of FVAP, thank you so much for completing this survey.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP

From: Active Duty Military Survey <ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil>
Sent: Monday, January 26, 2015 8:29 AM
To: CaptainSmith@xyz.com
Subject: 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (REMIND9)
Signed By: ADMSurvey@dmdc.osd.mil

Dear Captain Smith:

Your Ticket Number: REMIND9

Please take a few minutes to complete the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) "2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military." It is essential to our mission that the voting assistance we provide to all military members contains the most relevant, recent, accurate information and is easily accessible in a manner that is most convenient for you and your demanding military lifestyle. In order to do this, we need to hear from you, regardless of whether you voted or not in the recent election! If you have any questions about this survey or would like more information on the FVAP survey program, visit the FVAP website at www.FVAP.gov

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On behalf of FVAP, thank you so much for completing this survey.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP

From: FVAP Research Team [research@updates.fvap.gov]
Sent: January 20, 2015 9:05 PM
To: Captain Smith
Subject: FVAP Reminder: We need Active Duty Military response

Dear Captain Smith:

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) is administering the “*2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*” and we need your help! We were unable to reach a large portion of our sample when the survey began in early November due to email transmission problems. We are reaching out to you this way to let you know that the survey is open until February 11 and we need to hear from everyone selected!

Your input, along with the input of others, directly impacts our Agency's efforts with assisting absentee voters in the coming years. Act now to impact DoD efforts! Whether or not you voted in the 2014 election, we need your feedback about your experiences with the absentee voting process (we don't ask about your political party affiliation or other personal, political choices). Please take the time to complete the survey today.

**To take the survey, simply click on this link: <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dodsurvey>
Once at the website, enter your Ticket Number: [[TICKET_NUMBER]]**

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We know you're very busy and your time away from work with your friends and family is important so the survey is “Official Business” and can be completed during your work day. Although the survey is voluntary, please understand that we need to hear from EVERYONE selected to take it! Thank you so much for your participation and for helping improve the absentee voting process.

Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



From: FVAP Research Team [research@updates.fvap.gov]
Sent: January 28, 2015 8:34 PM
To: Captain Smith
Subject: FVAP Second Notice: We need Active Duty Military response

Dear Captain Smith:

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) is administering the “*2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*” and we are almost there in reaching our response goal, but we need your help! We were unable to reach a large portion of our sample when the survey began in early November due to email transmission problems. We are reaching out to you this way to let you know that the survey is open until February 11. We've heard from many of you, but we need to hear from everyone selected in order to best improve our services for you!

Your input, along with the input of others, directly impacts our Agency's efforts with assisting absentee voters in the coming years. Act now to impact DoD efforts! Whether or not you voted in the 2014 election, we need your feedback about your experiences with the absentee voting process (we don't ask about your political party affiliation or other personal, political choices). Please take the time to complete the survey today.

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Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



From: FVAP Research Team [research@updates.fvap.gov]
Sent: February 1, 2015 3:37 PM
To: Captain Smith
Subject: FVAP Third Notice: We need Active Duty Military response

Dear Captain Smith:

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) is administering the “*2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*” and we're almost there in reaching our response goal, but we need your help! We were unable to reach a large portion of our sample when the survey began in early November due to email transmission problems. **The survey is only open for one more week** and we need to hear from everyone selected!

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To take the survey, simply click on this link: <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dodsurvey>
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Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



From: FVAP Research Team [research@updates.fvap.gov]
Sent: February 9, 2015 7:08 PM
To: Captain Smith
Subject: FVAP Fourth Notice: We need Active Duty Military response

Dear Captain Smith:

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) is administering the “*2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*” and we're almost there in reaching our response goal, but we need your help! We were unable to reach a large portion of our sample when the survey began in early November due to email transmission problems. The survey is only open for a few more days and we need to hear from everyone selected!

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Once at the website, enter your Ticket Number: [[TICKET_NUMBER]]**

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Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



From: FVAP Research Team [research@updates.fvap.gov]
Sent: February 15, 2015 7:04 PM
To: Captain Smith
Subject: FVAP Final Notice: We need Active Duty Military response

Dear Captain Smith:

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) is administering the “*2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military*” and we're almost there in reaching our response goal, but we need your help! We were unable to reach a large portion of our sample when the survey began in early November due to email transmission problems. The survey closes this Wednesday, February 18th and we need to hear from everyone selected!

Your input, along with the input of others, directly impacts our Agency's efforts with assisting absentee voters in the coming years. Act now to impact DoD efforts! Whether or not you voted in the 2014 election, we need your feedback about your experiences with the absentee voting process (we don't ask about your political party affiliation or other personal, political choices). Please take the time to complete the survey today.

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Sincerely,

Matt Boehmer
Director, FVAP



Appendix C.

Annotated Questionnaire

2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military

ELIGIBILITY

The following questions will help us learn a little bit more about you; as you answer, please reference the time period leading up to the *November 4, 2014, election*. If your responses to any of the questions changed during this time period, please select the response that reflects the most recent information as of election day.

SRELIG

1. Were you on active duty on November 4, 2014?

2 ☐ Yes

1 ☐ No, I was separated or retired

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND ([TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

USCTZN

2. Were you a U.S. citizen?

2 ☐ Yes

1 ☐ No

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND ([TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

SRAGEGP

3. What was your age?

1 ☐ 17 years old or younger

2 ☐ 18 to 24 years old

3 ☐ 25 to 29 years old

4 ☐ 30 to 34 years old

5 ☐ 35 to 44 years old

6 ☐ 45 years old or older

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= "17 years old or younger") AND ([TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

SRGRADE

4. What was your paygrade?

- | | | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| <u>1</u> <input type="radio"/> E-1 | <u>6</u> <input type="radio"/> E-6 | <u>11</u> <input type="radio"/> W-1 | <u>21</u> <input type="radio"/> O-1/O-1E |
| <u>2</u> <input type="radio"/> E-2 | <u>7</u> <input type="radio"/> E-7 | <u>12</u> <input type="radio"/> W-2 | <u>22</u> <input type="radio"/> O-2/O-2E |
| <u>3</u> <input type="radio"/> E-3 | <u>8</u> <input type="radio"/> E-8 | <u>13</u> <input type="radio"/> W-3 | <u>23</u> <input type="radio"/> O-3/O-3E |
| <u>4</u> <input type="radio"/> E-4 | <u>9</u> <input type="radio"/> E-9 | <u>14</u> <input type="radio"/> W-4 | <u>24</u> <input type="radio"/> O-4 |
| <u>5</u> <input type="radio"/> E-5 | | <u>15</u> <input type="radio"/> W-5 | <u>25</u> <input type="radio"/> O-5 |
| | | | <u>26</u> <input type="radio"/> O-6 or above |

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= "17 years old or younger") AND ([TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

SRMARST

5. What was your marital status?

- 1 ☐ Married
- 2 ☐ Separated
- 3 ☐ Divorced
- 4 ☐ Widowed
- 5 ☐ Never married

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= "17 years old or younger") AND ([TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

SRHISPA1

6. Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?

- 1 ☐ No, not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
- 2 ☐ Yes, Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicano, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

SRRACEA, SRRACEB, SRRACEC, SRRACED, SRRACEE

7. What is your race? Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.

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- ☐ White
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ Asian (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, or Vietnamese)
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (e.g., Samoan, Guamanian, or Chamorro)

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

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STATION

8. Where were you located?

- 1 ☐ United States/territories
- 2 ☐ Overseas
- 3 ☐ On board a ship

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([STATION] = "Overseas" OR [STATION] = "On board a ship")

STATIONSP

Please select the overseas country in which you were located. If located on board a ship, please select where the ship was located.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([STATION] = "Overseas" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

HOWLONG

9. How long had you been located in this country?

- 1 ☐ Less than 3 months
- 2 ☐ 3 months to less than 6 months
- 3 ☐ 6 months to less than 9 months
- 4 ☐ 9 months to less than 1 year
- 5 ☐ 1 year to less than 2 years
- 6 ☐ 2 years to less than 3 years
- 7 ☐ 3 years or more

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

MOBILITYA, MOBILITYB, MOBILITYC

10. Please enter the number of months since you last experienced each of the following. *If currently deployed, enter "0" for the applicable item. If you have not experienced the item in the last 24 months, please enter "99" for that item.*

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

- a. Permanent Change of Station (PCS) Months Ago
- b. Deployment longer than 30 consecutive days Months Ago
- c. Deployment to a combat zone or an area where you drew imminent danger pay or hostile fire pay Months Ago

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

The following questions will help us to better understand your experiences with the voting process.

Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election*.

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

REGVOTER

11. Were you registered to vote in the United States?

2 ☐ Yes

1 ☐ No

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

Your legal voting residence is the state or territory where you last resided prior to entering military service OR that you have since claimed as your legal residence. The right to vote extends to you even though you may no longer own property or have other ties there.

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REGVOTER] = "Yes")

LEGALRES

12. Where were you registered to vote (i.e., the location of your designated polling place)? Please select the U.S. State, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession where you were registered to vote for the November 4, 2014, election.

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

Your legal voting residence is the state or territory where you last resided prior to entering military service OR that you have since claimed as your legal residence. The right to vote extends to you even though you may no longer own property or have other ties there.

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LEGALRES2

13. Where would you have registered to vote if you had chosen to do so (i.e., where your designated polling place would be located)? Please select the U.S. State, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession where you would have registered for the November 4, 2014, election.

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([LEGALRES] <> . AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

WHYREG

14. You indicated you were registered to vote in %%Q12STATE%%. Is this your...

- 1 ☐ Home of record prior to entering the military?
- 2 ☐ Previous assigned duty location?
- 3 ☐ Current assigned duty location?
- 4 ☐ Other

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

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WHYREGSP

Please describe where you were registered to vote.

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

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VOTINGRESN

15. Approximately how far did you live from where you were registered to vote? If you were not registered to vote, select how far you lived from your legal voting residence.

- 1 ☐ Less than 50 miles
- 2 ☐ 50 miles to less than 75 miles
- 3 ☐ 75 miles to less than 100 miles
- 4 ☐ 100 miles or more

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2014 VOTER REGISTRATION

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WHENREG

16. When did you last update your voter registration information (e.g., address, party affiliation)? Mark one.

- 1 ☐ Less than 6 months ago
- 2 ☐ 6-12 months ago
- 3 ☐ 13-24 months ago
- 4 ☐ More than 24 months ago

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

The following questions will help us to better understand your experiences with the absentee voting process.
Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election*.

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

REQABSBAL

17. Did you request an absentee ballot? Mark one.

- 1 ☐ Yes
- 2 ☐ No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official.
- 3 ☐ No, I never received an absentee ballot, but I expected to receive one.
- 4 ☐ No, I did not need an absentee ballot.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQABSBAL] = "Yes")

REQABSMO

18. In what month did you first request your absentee ballot? Mark one.

- 1 ☐ July 2014 or earlier
- 2 ☐ August 2014
- 3 ☐ September 2014
- 4 ☐ October 2014
- 5 ☐ November 2014
- 60 ☐ Do not recall

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA; Standard Form 76) is a single form that you can use to register to vote and/or request an absentee ballot for Federal elections. Some States require eligible voters who vote absentee to use the FPCA to request an absentee ballot.

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

FPCAWARE

19. Were you aware that you could use the FPCA to register to vote and request an absentee ballot?

2 ☐ Yes

1 ☐ No

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQABSBAL] = "Yes")

REQFPCA

20. Did you use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to request your absentee ballot or did you use another method?

1 ☐ Yes, I used an FPCA to request an absentee ballot.

2 ☐ No, I used a State or local form to request an absentee ballot.

3 ☐ No, I used a non-government website (e.g., Rock the Vote [RTV], Overseas Vote Foundation [OVF]) to request an absentee ballot.

4 ☐ No, I used another method.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQFPCA] = "No, I used another method." AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

REQFPCASP

Please specify your other method.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQFPCA] = "Yes, I used an FPCA to request an absentee ballot." AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

WHEREFPCA

21. How did you obtain your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? Mark one.

- 1 ☐ Printable FPCA downloaded from FVAP.gov
- 2 ☐ Online assistant tool at FVAP.gov that guides voters in completing an FPCA
- 3 ☐ From some other contact with the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)
- 4 ☐ Through military channels/Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs)
- 5 ☐ From a U.S. embassy or consulate
- 6 ☐ From a State or local election official
- 7 ☐ From a non-FVAP website
- 8 ☐ From a military post office
- 9 ☐ Some other source

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([WHEREFPCA] = "Some other source" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

WHEREFPCASP

Please specify the other source from which you obtained your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA).

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQFPCA] = "Yes, I used an FPCA to request an absentee ballot." AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

RETFCPC

22. How did you complete and return your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? *Mark one.*

- 1 ☐ Mail
- 2 ☐ USPS Express/Certified mail
- 3 ☐ FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier
- 4 ☐ Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS)
- 5 ☐ Fax
- 6 ☐ E-mail (e.g., as an attachment)
- 7 ☐ Online (e.g., through a secure website)
- 8 ☐ Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office
- 9 ☐ Other

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

CONFPCAA, CONFPCAB, CONFPCAC

23. Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... *Mark one answer for each row.*

	Yes	No	Do not recall
<p><i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQABSBAL] = "Yes" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")</i></p>			
a. Received?	<u>1</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>2</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>3</u> <input type="radio"/>
b. Rejected?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Accepted?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQABSBAL] = "Yes")

RECABS

24. Did you receive your regular absentee ballot?

2 ☐ Yes

1 ☐ No

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([RECABS] = "Yes" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

ABOBTAIN

25. How did you obtain your regular absentee ballot? *Mark one.*

1 ☐ Mail

2 ☐ Fax

3 ☐ E-mail

4 ☐ In person

5 ☐ Downloaded ballot from State link on FVAP.gov

6 ☐ Downloaded ballot from State voting website

7 ☐ Downloaded ballot from State link at another website

8 ☐ Other

60 ☐ Do not recall

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([ABOBTAIN] = "Other" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

ABOBTAINSP

Please specify the other means used to obtain your regular absentee ballot.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQABSBAL] = "No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official." OR [RECABS] = "Yes")

RECABSWHEN

26. When did you receive your regular absentee ballot?

- 1 ☐ September 2014 or earlier
2 ☐ October 2014
3 ☐ November 2014
60 ☐ Do not recall

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQABSBAL] = "No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official." OR [RECABS] = "Yes")

RETABS

27. Did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?

- 2 ☐ Yes
1 ☐ No

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([RETABS] = "Yes" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

CMPLTBAL

28. How did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?

- 1 ☐ Mail
- 2 ☐ USPS Express/Certified mail
- 3 ☐ FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier
- 4 ☐ Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS)
- 5 ☐ Fax
- 6 ☐ E-mail (e.g., as an attachment)
- 7 ☐ Online (e.g., through a secure website)
- 8 ☐ Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office
- 9 ☐ Other

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([CMPLTBAL] = "Other" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

CMPLTBALSP

Please specify the other means used to return your regular absentee ballot.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([RETABS] = "Yes")

RETABSWHEN

29. When did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?

- 1 ☐ September 2014 or earlier
- 2 ☐ October 2014
- 3 ☐ November 2014
- 60 ☐ Do not recall

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([REQABSBAL] = "Yes" OR [REQABSBAL] = "No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official.")

SATVOTEALL

30. Taking all things into consideration, how satisfied were you with the overall absentee voting process?

- 5 ☐ Very satisfied
- 4 ☐ Satisfied
- 3 ☐ Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- 2 ☐ Dissatisfied
- 1 ☐ Very dissatisfied

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2014 ELECTION

A lot of people were not able to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, they didn't have time, or something else happened to prevent them from voting. And sometimes, people who USUALLY vote or who PLANNED to vote forget that something UNUSUAL happened on election day this year that prevented them from voting THIS time. So please think carefully for a minute about the election held on *November 4, 2014*, and past elections in which you may have voted, and answer the following questions.

VOTEPASTA, VOTEPASTB

31. During the past 6 years, did you usually vote in... Mark one answer for each item.

	Usually voted	Usually did not vote
	<i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")</i>	
a. Political party primary elections?	<u>1</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>2</u> <input type="radio"/>
b. Federal general elections?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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2014 ELECTION

The following questions will help us to better understand your experiences. Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election*.

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

INTEREST

32. How interested or uninterested were you in the election?

- 5 ☐ Very interested
4 ☐ Somewhat interested
3 ☐ Neither interested nor uninterested
2 ☐ Somewhat uninterested
1 ☐ Very uninterested

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2014 ELECTION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

VOTEPLAN

33. During the months leading up to the election, did you ever plan to vote in that election, or didn't you plan to vote? *Mark one.*

- 1 ☐ Did plan to vote
2 ☐ Did not plan to vote

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2014 ELECTION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

VOTED

34. In the election held on November 4, 2014, did you definitely vote in person on election day, definitely complete an absentee ballot by mail, e-mail, fax, or online on or before November 4, 2014, definitely not vote, or are you not completely sure whether you voted in that election? *Mark one.*

- 1 ☐ Definitely voted in person
- 2 ☐ Definitely voted by mail
- 3 ☐ Definitely voted by e-mail
- 4 ☐ Definitely voted at an online website
- 5 ☐ Definitely voted by fax
- 6 ☐ Definitely did not vote
- 7 ☐ Not sure

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2014 ELECTION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([VOTED] = "Definitely did not vote")

NOVOTE

35. What was the MAIN REASON you did not vote in the election? *Mark one.*

- 1 ☐ I tried/wanted to vote but did not or could not complete the process.
- 2 ☐ I did not want to vote.

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2014 ELECTION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([NOVOTE] = "I tried/wanted to vote but did not or could not complete the process.")

NOVOTEWHY

36. Which of the following best describes why you did not vote in the election? *Mark one.*

- 1 ☐ I was not registered to vote.
- 2 ☐ I did not know how to get an absentee ballot.
- 3 ☐ My absentee ballot arrived too late.
- 4 ☐ My absentee ballot did not arrive at all.
- 5 ☐ The absentee voting process was too complicated.
- 6 ☐ My commander did not allow me to take time during duty hours to vote.
- 7 ☐ Some other reason

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2014 ELECTION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([NOVOTEWHY] = "Some other reason" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

NOVOTEWHYSP

Please specify why you did not vote in the election.

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2014 ELECTION

FIRSTTVA, FIRSTTVB

37. Was this your first time... *Mark one answer for each item. If you did not try to vote or try to vote absentee in the election, mark "Does not apply."*

	Yes	No	Does not apply
<i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")</i>			
a. Voting or trying to vote in an election?	<u>1</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>2</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>3</u> <input type="radio"/>
b. Voting or trying to vote <i>absentee</i> in an election?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB; Standard Form 186) is a backup way to vote in case your requested absentee ballot does not arrive in time to vote and return your ballot. It lets you write in the names of the candidate you wish to vote for. Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the November 4, 2014, election.

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

FWABUSE

38. Did you use the FWAB?

- 1 ☐ Yes
- 2 ☐ No, but I was aware of it
- 3 ☐ No, and I was not aware of it

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([FWABUSE] = "Yes" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

WHEREFWAB

39. How did you obtain your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?

- 1 ☐ Printable FWAB downloaded from FVAP.gov
- 2 ☐ Online assistant tool at FVAP.gov that guides voters in completing a FWAB
- 3 ☐ From some other contact with the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)
- 4 ☐ Through military channels/Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs)
- 5 ☐ From a U.S. embassy or consulate
- 6 ☐ From a State or local election official
- 7 ☐ From a non-FVAP website
- 8 ☐ From a military post office
- 9 ☐ Some other source

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([WHEREFWAB] = "Some other source" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

WHEREFWABSP

Please specify the other source from which you obtained your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB).

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([FWABUSE] = "Yes")

FWABWHEN

40. When did you complete and return your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?

- 1 ☐ September 2014 or earlier
- 2 ☐ October 2014
- 3 ☐ November 2014
- 60 ☐ Do not recall

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([FWABUSE] = "Yes")

FWABWHY

41. What was the MAIN REASON you used the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? Mark one.

- 1 ☐ My regular absentee ballot did not arrive.
- 2 ☐ My regular absentee ballot did not arrive on time.
- 3 ☐ I was concerned my regular absentee ballot would not be returned by the deadline/would not be counted.
- 4 ☐ I forgot to request a regular absentee ballot.
- 5 ☐ Some other reason

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([FWABWHY] = "Some other reason" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

FWABWHYSP

Please specify the MAIN REASON you used the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB).

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([FWABUSE] = "No, but I was aware of it")

NOFWABR

42. What is the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? Mark one.

- 1 ☐ I did not know how to get one.
- 2 ☐ I could not get one.
- 3 ☐ I had difficulty filling it out.
- 4 ☐ I did not need one; I had already returned a regular absentee ballot.
- 5 ☐ Some other reason

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FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([NOFWABR] = "Some other reason" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

NOFWABRSP

Please specify the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB).

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2012 ELECTION

Elections for the President, U.S. Senate, and U.S. House of Representatives were held in 2012. A lot of citizens did not get to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they didn't have time.

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

VOTE2012

43. How about you — did you vote in that election?

- 1 ☐ Definitely voted in person
- 2 ☐ Definitely voted by mail
- 3 ☐ Definitely voted by e-mail
- 4 ☐ Definitely voted at an online website
- 5 ☐ Definitely voted by fax
- 6 ☐ Definitely did not vote
- 7 ☐ Not sure

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

ASSIST

44. In preparation for the November 4, 2014, election, did you need any information or assistance (e.g., information on deadlines, how to request an absentee ballot)?

- 2 ☐ Yes
- 1 ☐ No

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) and the Services support absent Uniformed Service members by providing a broad range of non-partisan information and assistance to facilitate the participation in the democratic process.

FVAP – FVAP offers many different forms of assistance for absent Uniformed Service members including their website, FVAP.gov, an online assistant tool for completing voting forms, staff support, and the Voting Assistance Guide.

Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) – Designated individuals who provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.

Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices – Dedicated voting assistance offices, located on military installations, to provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.

Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election*.

SEEKA, SEEKB, SEEKC, SEEKD

45. Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? Mark one answer for each item.

	Yes	No, but I <u>was</u> aware of it	No, and I <u>was</u> <u>not</u> aware of it
<small>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([ASSIST] = "Yes")</small>			
a. FVAP	<u>1</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>2</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>3</u> <input type="radio"/>
b. Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([SEEKD] = "Yes" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

SEEKE

Please specify the other resource you used for voting information or assistance.

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) offers the following products and services to support absent Uniformed Service members.

FVAP.gov – The FVAP website provides voting-related information and resources for absent Uniformed Service members, their eligible family members, and those who support them. The website provides State-specific election information that voters can rely on when voting absentee.

FVAP staff support – FVAP provides e-mail support through vote@fvap.gov and a toll-free telephone service that allows military members and their eligible family members to ask FVAP staff for voting information or assistance.

FVAP online assistant tool – FVAP offers an easy-to-use online assistant at FVAP.gov to guide voters in completing Federal Post Card Applications (FPCAs) and Federal Write-in Absentee Ballots (FWABs). The online assistant tool simplifies the completion of FPCAs and FWABs by providing State-specific information and instructions on how to download, print, and mail forms to local election officials.

Please answer with the most appropriate response regarding the *November 4, 2014, election*.

WHICHFVAP, WHICHFVAB, WHICHFVAC

46. Please indicate which FVAP products or services you used for voting assistance. Mark all that apply.

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([SEEKA] = "Yes")

- ☐ FVAP.gov
- ☐ FVAP staff support
- ☐ FVAP online assistant tool

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

WHOASSTA1, WHOASSTA2, WHOASSTA3, WHOASSTA4, WHOASSTB1, WHOASSTC1, WHOASSTD1, WHOASSTE1, WHOASSTF1, WHOASSTG1, WHOASSTH1, WHOASSTH2, WHOASSTG2, WHOASSTF2, WHOASSTE2, WHOASSTD2, WHOASSTC2, WHOASSTB2, WHOASSTB3, WHOASSTC3, WHOASSTD3, WHOASSTE3, WHOASSTF3, WHOASSTG3, WHOASSTH3, WHOASSTH4, WHOASSTG4, WHOASSTF4, WHOASSTE4, WHOASSTD4, WHOASSTC4, WHOASSTB4

47. For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of information/assistance" for that item.

	Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)	Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs)	Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices	Did not need this type of information/assistance
<p><i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([ASSIST] = "Yes" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")</i></p> <p>* denotes responses having skip expressions</p>				
a. Determining my eligibility to vote	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *
b. Understanding the absentee voting process	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *
c. Assistance with the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) (e.g., obtaining, completing, or submitting the FPCA)	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *
d. Assistance with the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) (e.g., obtaining, completing, or submitting the FWAB)	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *
e. Finding information on deadlines	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *
f. Electronic transmission of	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> *

election materials
(e.g., faxing, e-
mailing)

- g. Assistance with websites (e.g., Federal, State, local) ☐ * ☐ * ☐ * ☐ *
- h. Some other voting information or assistance ☐ * ☐ * ☐ * ☐ *

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

ASSTEVALA, ASSTEVALB, ASSTEVALC, ASSTEVALD

48. Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? Mark one answer for each item.

- | | Yes | No, but I sought
assistance
elsewhere | No, and I did
not seek further
assistance |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| <i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([SEEKA] = "Yes")</i> | | | |
| a. Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) | <u>1</u>
<input type="radio"/> | <u>2</u>
<input type="radio"/> | <u>3</u>
<input type="radio"/> |
| <i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([SEEKB] = "Yes")</i> | | | |
| b. Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| <i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([SEEKC] = "Yes")</i> | | | |
| c. Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| <i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([SEEKD] = "Yes")</i> | | | |
| d. Other | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND (([ASSTEVALA] = "No, but I sought assistance elsewhere" OR [ASSTEVALB] = "No, but I sought assistance elsewhere" OR [ASSTEVALC] = "No, but I sought assistance elsewhere" OR [ASSTEVALD] = "No, but I sought assistance elsewhere") AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

ASSTEVALSP

Please describe where else you sought voting information or assistance.

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

HOWVAOA, HOWVAOB, HOWVAOC

49. How did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office provide the voting information or assistance you needed? *Mark all that apply.*

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND (([SEEKB] = "Yes" OR [SEEKC] = "Yes") AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

- ☐ Assistance with the completion of voting forms (e.g., Federal Post Card Application [FPCA], Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot [FWAB])
- ☐ Provided information about upcoming elections (e.g., deadlines, hard copy forms)
- ☐ Directed me to other voting resources (e.g., FVAP.gov)

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

VAORECA, VAORECB, VAORECC, VAORECD, VAORECE

50. Which other voting resource(s) did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office recommend you use to find the voting information or assistance you needed? *Mark all that apply.*

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([HOWVAOC] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

- ☐ FVAP.gov
- ☐ Service-specific website
- ☐ Other website(s) (e.g, Overseas Vote Foundation [OVF], State website)
- ☐ 2013-14 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)
- ☐ Other

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FVAP.GOV

AGREEWEBA, AGREEWEBB, AGREEWEBC, AGREEWEBD, AGREEWEBE

51. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
<p><i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND (([WHICHFVAP] = "Marked" OR [VAORECA] = "Marked") AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")</i></p>					
a. State voting and related instructions were clear and easy to understand.	<u>5</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>4</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>3</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>2</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>1</u> <input type="radio"/>
b. Contact information was easy to find.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Search feature met my needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. I was able to find what I needed quickly and easily.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. I was able to find the materials and forms I needed to vote.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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FVAP.GOV

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND (([WHICHFVAP] = "Marked" OR [VAORECA] = "Marked") AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

WEBTIMES

52. In preparation for the 2014 primaries and General Election, how many times did you visit FVAP.gov? Mark one.

- 1 ☐ Once
- 2 ☐ More than once
- 3 ☐ Do not recall

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VOTING ASSISTANCE

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP]
= "17 years old or younger") AND ([ASSIST] = "Yes" AND (([SEEKA] <> "Yes" AND [SEEKB] <> "Yes"
AND [SEEKC] <> "Yes" AND [SEEKD] <> "Yes") AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version"))

WHYNOTASST

53. What was the MAIN REASON you did not seek voting information or assistance? Mark one.

- 1 ☐ Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) were too busy.
- 2 ☐ Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office was too far away.
- 3 ☐ I did not know where to go or who to call.
- 4 ☐ I did not have time.
- 5 ☐ I could get the same information online.
- 6 ☐ I did not have confidence that Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) could answer my question(s).
- 7 ☐ I did not have any questions or issues that required assistance.
- 8 ☐ I sought assistance, but could not get it.

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VOTING KNOWLEDGE

KNOWLA, KNOWLB, KNOWLC, KNOWLD, KNOWLE, KNOWLF, KNOWLG, KNOWLH

54. Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.

	Excellent	Good	Average	Fair	Poor
<p><i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")</i></p>					
a. Registering to vote	<u>5</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>4</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>3</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>2</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>1</u> <input type="radio"/>
b. Requesting an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to register and request an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. <i>Receiving/getting</i> an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. <i>Completing</i> an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. <i>Returning</i> an absentee ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Using the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB) as a backup ballot	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Knowing key absentee ballot deadlines	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FVAP) OUTREACH

When answering the following questions, please think about the weeks leading up to the *November 4, 2014, election*.

OTHERINFA, OTHERINFB, OTHERINFC, OTHERINFD, OTHERINFE, OTHERINFF, OTHERINFG, OTHERINFH, OTHERINFI, OTHERINFJ

55. Did you see or receive any of the following? *Mark all that apply.*

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

- ☐ Periodic FVAP e-mail reminders about upcoming elections
- ☐ FVAP on Twitter
- ☐ FVAP on Facebook
- ☐ Voting Assistance Officer (VAO) outreach (e.g., announcements during formation, voter outreach events, information on bulletin boards, social media)
- ☐ FVAP brochures
- ☐ FVAP election dates handouts
- ☐ FVAP fact sheets/one-pagers
- ☐ FVAP voting posters
- ☐ FVAP wallet cards
- ☐ Voting-specific public service announcements (PSAs)

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FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FVAP) OUTREACH

OTHERUSEA, OTHERUSEB, OTHERUSEC, OTHERUSED, OTHERUSEE, OTHERUSEF, OTHERUSEG, OTHERUSEH, OTHERUSEI, OTHERUSEJ

56. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Very useful	Useful	Somewhat useful	Not at all useful
<i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFA] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")</i>				
a. Periodic FVAP e-mail reminders about upcoming elections	4 <input type="radio"/>	3 <input type="radio"/>	2 <input type="radio"/>	1 <input type="radio"/>

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFB] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

- b. FVAP on Twitter ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
- NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFC] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")*
- c. FVAP on Facebook ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
- NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFJ] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")*
- d. Voting Assistance Officer (VAO)
outreach (e.g., announcements
during formation, voter outreach ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
events, information on bulletin
boards, social media)
- NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFJ] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")*
- e. FVAP brochures ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
- NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFJ] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")*
- f. FVAP election dates handouts ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
- NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFJ] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")*
- g. FVAP fact sheets/one-pagers ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
- NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFJ] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")*
- h. FVAP voting posters ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
- NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFJ] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")*
- i. FVAP wallet cards ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
- NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([OTHERINFJ] = "Marked" AND [TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")*
- j. Voting-specific public service
announcements (PSAs) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

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FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FVAP) OUTREACH

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger") AND ([TREATMENT] = "Regular Version")

FVAPCOMM

57. Would you prefer more or less communication from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) to better understand the absentee voting process?

- 5 ☐ Much more communication
- 4 ☐ More communication
- 3 ☐ No change in communication; the level of current communication is just right
- 2 ☐ Less communication
- 1 ☐ Much less communication

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2014 ELECTION

AGREEA, AGREEB, AGREEC, AGREED, AGREEE, AGREEF, AGREEG, AGREEH, AGREEI, AGREEJ, AGREEK, AGREEL, AGREEM, AGREEN

58. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
<i>NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")</i>					
a. I cared about <i>the issues</i> in the election.	<u>5</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>4</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>3</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>2</u> <input type="radio"/>	<u>1</u> <input type="radio"/>
b. I cared about <i>which candidates would win</i> the election.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Voting is an effective way to express my opinion on <i>the issues</i> in the election.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Voting is an effective way to express my opinion on <i>which candidates should win</i> the election.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. If others (e.g., military members, family, or friends) found out I did not vote in the election, I would be embarrassed.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

(Continued) Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
f. If other military members found out I did not vote in this election, I would feel ashamed.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Others (e.g., military members, family, or friends) are likely to know whether or not I voted in the election.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. It is not appropriate for members of the military to vote.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. I was confident that my ballot would be counted.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. It was easy to get in-person voting assistance at my installation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. I knew exactly who at my installation to ask questions about voting materials, ballot requests, or other voting-related issues.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
l. I had questions related to the voting process but could not get a hold of someone who could answer them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
m. Seeking in-person assistance at my installation was a waste of time because I received conflicting or inaccurate information.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
n. Printed voting materials were easily accessible at my installation when I needed them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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2014 ELECTION

Different people feel differently about voting.

For some, voting is a *civic duty*. They feel that they should vote in every election however they feel about the candidates and parties.

For others, voting is a *choice*. They feel free to vote or not to vote in an election depending on how they feel about the candidates and parties.

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP]
= "17 years old or younger")

CIVIC1

59. For you personally, voting is *first and foremost*...

- 1 ☐ A *civic duty*
- 2 ☐ A *choice*
- 3 ☐ Not sure

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2014 ELECTION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP]
= "17 years old or younger") AND ([CIVIC1] = "A civic duty")

CIVIC2

60. How strongly do you feel personally that voting is a *civic duty*?

- 4 ☐ Very strongly
- 3 ☐ Strongly
- 2 ☐ Somewhat strongly
- 1 ☐ Not very strongly

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

SRED1

61. What is the highest degree or level of school that you have completed? Mark the one answer that describes the highest grade or degree that you have completed.

- 1 ☐ 12 years or less of school (no diploma)
- 2 ☐ High school graduate—traditional diploma
- 3 ☐ High school graduate—alternative diploma (home school, GED, etc.)
- 4 ☐ Some college credit, but less than 1 year
- 5 ☐ 1 or more years of college, no degree
- 6 ☐ Associate's degree (e.g., AA, AS)
- 7 ☐ Bachelor's degree (e.g., BA, AB, BS)
- 8 ☐ Master's, doctoral, or professional school degree (e.g., MA, MS, MEd, MEng, MBA, MSW, PhD, MD, JD, DVM, EdD)

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TAKING THE SURVEY

NOT ([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired") AND NOT ([USCTZN] = "No") AND NOT ([SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

COMMENT

62. Thank you for participating in the survey. There are no more questions on this survey. If you have comments or concerns that you were not able to express in answering this survey, please enter them in the space provided. Your comments will be viewed and considered as policy deliberations take place. Your feedback is useful and appreciated.

***** Submit Button *****

TAKING THE SURVEY

([SRELIG] = "No, I was separated or retired" OR [USCTZN] = "No" OR [SRAGEGP] = "17 years old or younger")

COMMUNELIG

63. You have indicated that you are not eligible for the survey. To be eligible to take the survey, you must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age, and on active duty on election day. If you met these criteria on November 4, 2014, then please do the following three steps:

- Click the *Back* button,
- Adjust your answer, and
- Complete the survey.

If you are not eligible based on these criteria, then click *Submit Survey* to submit the survey. For further help, please call our Survey Processing Center toll-free at 1-800-881-5307 or e-mail ADM-survey@mail.mil

***** Submit Button *****

Appendix D. Coding Scheme

APPENDIX D: Coding Scheme for the 2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military

The guiding premise of this and other DMDC surveys is that the analysts creating the dataset will not be the only ones analyzing the data. DMDC rarely collects data only for immediate use or to answer one question. Different people, both at DMDC and other organizations, analyze DMDC datasets over time. Every care is taken in organizing and documenting DMDC surveys so secondary analysts can be reasonably certain they understand both how data were coded and the limitations of the data. This appendix describes (1) conventions for naming variables, (2) methods for capturing data from the survey instrument, and (3) the process of editing survey response variables created for the analysis file.

Variable Naming

In responding to a customer's request for information, DMDC often uses multiple data sources. Information on a particular topic may need to be obtained from different surveys or from a survey that has been repeated over a number of years. For example, a customer might be interested in organizational commitment items included in a survey of active duty members in 1999 and in an exit survey in 2000. Conventions discussed below are being used as a means for facilitating such analyses.

Survey Variables

Standard survey response and operational variables. Variables common to DMDC surveys are assigned identical names and values across surveys. The prefix "SR" is used for self-reported demographic survey items. Common survey response variables occurring in the *2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military (2014 PEV5)* include SRAGEGP (age) and SRSVC1 (Service). Examples of common operational variables are CMTFLG (indicates whether the respondent entered a comment) and DARVDATE (date the survey was completed)

Nonstandard survey response variables. The *2014 PEV5* is the fourth wave of an anticipated series of surveys. For ease of analysis, standard variable names were developed for this project and will be used across the waves. Survey item variables are named according to the following conventions (illustrated for the *2014 PEV5*):

- The first through seventh positions of the variable name are abbreviations that reflect question content.
- Positions eight and nine usually represent sub-items for multi-part survey items. The exceptions skip pattern flags ("SK") and specify flags ("SP"), are explained later in the section Standard Flag Variables.
- The last position may be "U" (indicating that the values have not been edited to enforce skip pattern consistency) or "R" (indicating that the original values have been recoded).

Crossing (domain) variables. Survey response variables may be recoded to define crosstabulation categories for reports or analyses. Crossing variables typically use record data to impute values for missing data in survey items. These variables may also collapse or recode data to missing in order to preserve confidentiality of respondents. The first position of the variable name is “X”. See Appendix I for the SAS code that defines these variables.

Administrative Record Variables

When administrative record data are used unchanged in the analysis file, the original variable name, values, and value labels are retained. For example, RORG_CD identifies the member’s Reserve component in the analysis file exactly as it does in the Reserve Components Common Personnel Data System File (RCCPDS). Likewise, the variable name, values, and labels for RORG_CD appear in the analysis file exactly as they do in the Reserve Components Common Personnel Data System (RCCPDS) file. Any change in the variable values or labels (e.g., collapsing) causes a change in the variable name.

Raw-Data Encoding Process

When a respondent completes an online survey, data are stored in an indexed file on the web (data) server. This file is copied to the operations contractor’s internal network and the data are matched to the sample file, attaching each member’s survey responses to the sample record. The data are then cleaned in an iterative multi-step process. First, values are assigned to valid responses (see Appendix C for the annotated form) and item nonresponse is coded (-9). Then the process creates flag variables for respondent-specified items, flags, validates, and codes skip pattern variables, and codes the content of text entries.

The web survey form’s “other specify” and open-ended comments are collected in a comment file and linked to the web survey data by ticket number. All text entries are cleaned and edited to remove identifying information and expletives. The long comment item at the end of the questionnaire is keyed in a separate process. The comments data are confidential and are not merged into the returns dataset.

The next sections discuss the assignment of missing value codes, the special treatment of data variables, and the editing of skip patterns.

Value Coding and Formats

Datasets are prepared as SAS¹ system files. An OS or flat file version of the basic survey release file is then prepared from the SAS system file. This section describes how values are treated in creating the SAS system files and notes any differences in the flat file.

In the SAS system files, variables are declared as numeric unless they contain true alphabetic characters. Although numeric variables can take more storage space, many statistical and logical operations can be done only with variables that are declared as numeric. Values for alphabetic variables are input with \$CHARww. formats to preserve leading, embedded, and trailing blanks.

¹ SAS is a trademark of the SAS Institute, Inc.

Missing Data Codes

The instructions used to assign missing data codes and other special codes are shown in Tables D-1 and D-2. The labels associated with each assigned value are shown in italicized text. These are the SAS format labels used in the SAS dataset.

- Table D-1 contains basic SAS and flat file missing data values.
- Table D-2 contains SAS and flat file missing data values for dates.

The values presented in Table D-1 are general missing data values that have been adopted in recent years for use on DMDC surveys. Standards for date variables are in Table D-2. Both tables have separate columns for values used for SAS system files and flat files. The biggest difference between the flat files and SAS system files is in the treatment of missing values. The flat file values differ from the SAS values because SAS implements special missing values and formats that may not be compatible with other statistical analysis software such as SPSS.²

² SPSS is a trademark of SPSS Inc.

Table D-1.
Basic SAS® and Flat Missing Data Values

SAS® File		Flat File		Description
Numeric	Alpha	Numeric	Alpha	
.	.	-9	.	<i>No response or missing skip</i>
.S	.S	-8	.S	<i>Survey Self-Report Ineligible</i>
.O	.O	-7	.O	<i>Out-of-range</i>
.N	.N	-6	.N	<i>Not applicable or Valid skip</i>
.F	.F	-5	.F	<i>Variable not on survey form.</i> This value is reserved for multiple-form surveys
.I	.I	-4	.I	<i>Incomplete grid error</i>
.B	.B	-1	.B	<i>No survey returned.</i> Filler values for survey variables when either a blank survey is returned or no survey is returned. Control system variables retain assigned values.

Note: Use of ‘Don’t know’ or ‘Not sure’ as a response is not missing data. It is, however, given special treatment because it lacks precision and is sometimes excluded when calculating percentages. If an analyst decides to exclude this response when calculating percentages, it should be recoded as missing; in SAS datasets the value .Z is suggested for use. Also, it is often useful to sum (across items) the number of times ‘Don’t know’ is used as a response by a respondent.

Table D-2.
SAS® and Flat File Missing Data Values for Dates

SAS® File		Flat File		
Re-coded value	Value read from input	YYYYMMDD	MMYYYY	Description
.	-54908	18090901	SEP1809	<i>No response (invalid skip)</i>
.O	-55701	18070701	JUL1807	<i>Out-of-range error</i>
.N	-56096	18060601	JUN1806	<i>Not applicable (valid skip)</i>
.I	-56887	18040401	APR1804	<i>Incomplete grid error</i>
.B	-58073	18010101	JAN1801	<i>Blank/no survey. Filler value for survey variables when either a blank survey is returned or no survey is returned. Control system variables retain assigned values.</i>

Note: This conversion has already been done in DMDC SAS® files.

SAS can represent up to 27 missing data values for numeric variables as either a period or a period-letter combination. While SAS can read alpha characters representing missing data in a raw data field declared to be numeric, other programs such as SPSS do not accept these characters in numeric fields. Missing numeric data are represented in the flat files by negative numbers that can be declared as missing values. For example, a multiple response error in flat files is coded as a “-8”, which can be declared as a missing value when the data are input in SPSS—in the SAS file, the value “.A” is used to represent a multiple response error.

Data requirements of SUDAAN³ are also considered in coding. Primarily this means avoiding in coding the use of a zero, which has a special use for certain procedures in SUDAAN, for a variable that will be used as a categorical independent variable.

Many types of missing data are common to scanned surveys and are self explanatory. In general, missing data are coded as “-9” (SAS: .) for item nonresponse; multiple response errors are coded as “-8” (SAS: .A).⁴ Incomplete responses in grids that could not be resolved by visual inspection are coded as “-4” (SAS: .I). Out-of-Range responses in grids (e.g., number of days or weeks in a year larger than 365 or 52, respectively) are coded as “-7” (SAS: .O). For a single item that contains a response alternative of “Not applicable”, a missing data code of “-6” (SAS: .N) is typically used. When multiple items can be affected by a skip pattern or when item(s) have multiple ways to be not applicable, other specific codes are used. This type of coding is discussed later in the section entitled “Skip Pattern Coding.”

³ SUDAAN is a trademark of the Research Triangle Institute.

⁴ Multiple response errors can only occur for users of the paper form. Web instrument, through the use of radio buttons, does not allow multiple responses for one item.

Multiple survey forms or modes (e.g., paper and web) are sometimes used in a single effort, and the data from all the related forms combined into a single dataset for analysis. Questions may appear in one form or mode but not in another. In a combined dataset, a code of “-5” (SAS: .F) indicates missing data for variables not on the form completed by a respondent.

Records are included in the files for sampled members regardless of whether or not they returned a survey. If a member did not return a survey or returned a blank survey, every survey variable is assigned a value of “-1” (SAS: .B).

Standard Flag Variables

Skip pattern flags indicate whether one or more questions were or are not to be asked of respondents. For example, if respondents to this survey indicated on question 55a (OTHERINFA=1) that they did not receive periodic FVAP e-mail reminders, then web respondents did not see question 56a. OTHERUSEASK is a flag variable indicating whether question 56a (OTHERUSEA) was answered consistently with the skip pattern. Skip flags are useful for evaluating the effectiveness of the skip pattern and for screening out ambiguous response patterns during analysis.

Specify flags are set during data editing in accordance with Table D-2. Skip flags are set in the manner discussed in Table D-3; however, the specifics for each skip flag are detailed in the next section. Note that the value -9 (SAS: .) is used to represent missing data in flag variables in a slightly different way than they are used for standard survey variables.

Special Codes for Skip Patterns

Discrepancies in skip patterns are resolved during data editing. First, skip flags are created. Table D-1 introduced the general outline of the skip flags, but the specific flags for each skip pattern are specified in Table D-3.⁵ After the creation of all the skip flags, variables within the skip patterns are forward coded to make them consistent with the variables that start the skip patterns. To preserve all data, the variables within skip patterns are first copied to a set of confidential variables. The convention for naming these “raw” variables is to end the name with “U” for Unedited. Table D-3 specifies how to assign the special values to variables within the skip patterns. While Table D-3 is organized to show all the edits for a skip pattern, all skip flags are set prior to undertaking any forward coding. The remainder of this section describes the logic behind coding of skip patterns.

While an analyst can ignore discrepancies between a respondent’s answer on an item containing a conditional direction to skip items and answers to those items, it is generally better to resolve the discrepancies. Two ways of resolving the discrepancies can be termed backward and forward coding. Backward coding involves correcting the discrepancy by editing back from the skip pattern items to make the initial question conform. Forward coding involves correcting the discrepancy by editing forward from the initial question to make the skip pattern items conform. Data for this survey are forward coded with data on the starting question accepted as marked and data for the items within the skip pattern edited to be consistent with the starting question.

⁵ Table D-3 also provides special coding notes for other non-obvious coding.

If a starting item is marked in such a way that the respondent should skip, items within the skip pattern have the not applicable value (.N) assigned regardless of what the respondent marked on the items within the skip pattern. These values differentiate items with data missing because the item should have been skipped from items where data are missing because the respondent should have answered them but did not.

Standard Survey Eligibility Requirements

The target population for the 2014 PEV5 consisted of Uniformed Service members covered by the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986, Section 101.b (1), 42 USC §1973ff, now 52 U.S.C 20310 (UOCAVA) and the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE Act). The UOCAVA population consisted of active duty members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard. In addition, members of the population must: (1) have approximately 6 months of service at the time the questionnaire is first fielded, (2) be U.S. citizens, (3) be at least 18 years old, and (4) be below flag rank at survey fielding. Members of the sample became ineligible if they indicated they were not on active duty, were not a U.S. citizen, or were not at least 18 years old as of November 4, 2014. For the web survey, eligibility for inclusion in analyses was determined by the responses to the first three questions in the survey. For the phone survey, eligibility for inclusion in analyses was determined by administrative data and the responses to the first question in the survey. If the respondent skipped any of the eligibility questions in the survey, the respondent's survey was considered eligible and their data were included in analyses. Thus, as opposed to a normal skip pattern, respondents who failed to respond to one or more of the eligibility questions were assumed eligible. For this dataset, respondents who were ineligible for inclusion in the analyses were coded .S on all subsequent survey questions.

Table D-3:
Standard Coding Notes For Flag Variables

1. **USCTZNSK, USCTZNU, SRAGEGPU, SRGRADEU, SRMARSTU, SRHISPA1U, SRRACEAU, SRRACEBU, SRRACECU, SRRACEDU, SRRACEEU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

USCTZNSK is an indicator of whether **USCTZN, SRAGEGP, SRGRADE, SRMARST, SRHISPA1, SRRACEA, SRRACEB, SRRACEC, SRRACED, SRRACEE** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (TREATMENT = 1) then **USCTZNSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

USCTZNU = USCTZN, SRAGEGPU = SRAGEGP, SRGRADEU = SRGRADE, SRMARSTU = SRMARST, SRHISPA1U = SRHISPA1, SRRACEAU = SRRACEA, SRRACEBU = SRRACEB, SRRACECU = SRRACEC, SRRACEDU = SRRACED, SRRACEEU = SRRACEE, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If **USCTZNSK** = 1 then do;

USCTZN = .N;
SRAGEGP = .N;
SRGRADE = .N;
SRMARST = .N;
SRHISPA1 = .N;
SRRACEA = .N;
SRRACEB = .N;
SRRACEC = .N;
SRRACED = .N;
SRRACEE = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

2. **STATIONSPSK, STATIONSPU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

STATIONSPSK is an indicator of whether **STATIONSP** were or were not to be asked

of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (STATION = 2 OR STATION = 3) then **STATIONSPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

STATIONSPU = **STATIONSP**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If STATIONSPSK = 1 then do;

STATIONSP = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

3. **HOWLONGSK, HOWLONGU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:**

HOWLONGSK is an indicator of whether **HOWLONG** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (STATION = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **HOWLONGSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

HOWLONGU = **HOWLONG**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If HOWLONGSK = 1 then do;

HOWLONG = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

4. **LEGALRESSK, LEGALRESU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:**

LEGALRESSK is an indicator of whether **LEGALRES** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REGVOTER = 2) then **LEGALRESSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

LEGALRESU = **LEGALRES**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If **LEGALRESSK** = 1 then do;

LEGALRES = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

5. **LEGALRES2SK, LEGALRES2U. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:**

LEGALRES2SK is an indicator of whether **LEGALRES2** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REGVOTER = 1) then **LEGALRES2SK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

LEGALRES2U = **LEGALRES2**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If **LEGALRES2SK** = 1 then do;

LEGALRES2 = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

6. **WHYREGSK, WHYREGU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable - the codebook page should contain this information:

WHYREGSK is an indicator of whether **WHYREG** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REGVOTER = 2 AND LEGALRES <> . AND TREATMENT = 1) then **WHYREGSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHYREGU = **WHYREG**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If WHYREGSK = 1 then do;

WHYREG = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

7. **WHYREGSPSK, WHYREGSPU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

WHYREGSPSK is an indicator of whether **WHYREGSP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (WHYREG = 4 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **WHYREGSPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHYREGSPU = **WHYREGSP**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If WHYREGSPSK = 1 then do;

WHYREGSP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

8. **WHENREGSK, WHENREGU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:**

WHENREGSK is an indicator of whether **WHENREG** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REGVOTER = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **WHENREGSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHENREGU = **WHENREG**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If WHENREGSK = 1 then do;

WHENREG = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

9. **REQABSMOSK, REQABSMOU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:**

REQABSMOSK is an indicator of whether **REQABSMO** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REQABSBAL = 1) then **REQABSMOSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

REQABSMOU = **REQABSMO**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If REQABSMOSK = 1 then do;

REQABSMO = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

10. REQFPCASK, REQFPCAU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

REQFPCASK is an indicator of whether **REQFPCA** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REQABSBAL = 1) then **REQFPCASK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

REQFPCAU = **REQFPCA**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If REQFPCASK = 1 then do;

REQFPCA = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

11. REQFPCASPSK, REQFPCASPU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

REQFPCASPSK is an indicator of whether **REQFPCASP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REQFPCA = 4 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **REQFPCASPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

REQFPCASPU = **REQFPCASP**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If REQFPCASPSK = 1 then do;

REQFPCASP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

12. WHEREFPCASK, WHEREFPCAU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

WHEREFPCASK is an indicator of whether **WHEREFPCA** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REQFPCA = 1 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **WHEREFPCASK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHEREFPCAU = **WHEREFPCA**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If WHEREFPCASK = 1 then do;

WHEREFPCA = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

13. WHEREFPCASPSK, WHEREFPCASPU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

WHEREFPCASPSK is an indicator of whether **WHEREFPCASP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (WHEREFPCA = 9 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **WHEREFPCASPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHEREFPCASPU = **WHEREFPCASP**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If WHEREFPCASPSK = 1 then do;

WHEREFPCASP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

14. RETFPCASK, RETFPCA. The following explains how to create the flag variable - the codebook page should contain this information:

RETFPCASK is an indicator of whether **RETFPCA** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REQFPCA = 1 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **RETFPCASK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

RETFPCA = **RETFPCA**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If RETFPCASK = 1 then do;

RETFPCA = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

15. CONFPCASK, CONFPCAAU, CONFPCABU, CONFPCACU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

CONFPCASK is an indicator of whether **CONFPCAA**, **CONFPCAB**, **CONFPCAC** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REQABSBAL = 1 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **CONFPCASK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

CONFPCAAU = **CONFPCAA**, **CONFPCABU** = **CONFPCAB**, **CONFPCACU** =

CONFPCAC, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If CONFPCASK = 1 then do;

CONFPCAA = .N;

CONFPCAB = .N;

CONFPCAC = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

16. RECABSSK, RECABSU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

RECABSSK is an indicator of whether **RECABS** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REQABSBAL = 1) then **RECABSSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

RECABSU = **RECABS**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If RECABSSK = 1 then do;

RECABS = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

17. ABOBTAINSK, ABOBTAINU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

ABOBTAINSK is an indicator of whether **ABOBTAIN** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (RECABS = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **ABOBTAINSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

ABOBTAINU = **ABOBTAIN**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If ABOBTAINSK = 1 then do;

ABOBTAIN = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

18. **ABOBTAINSPSK, ABOBTAINSPU**. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

ABOBTAINSPSK is an indicator of whether **ABOBTAINSP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (ABOBTAIN = 8 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **ABOBTAINSPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

ABOBTAINSPU = **ABOBTAINSP**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If ABOBTAINSPSK = 1 then do;

ABOBTAINSP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

19. **RECABSWHENS, RECABSWHENU, RETABSU**. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

RECABSWHENS is an indicator of whether **RECABSWHEN, RETABS** were or

were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REQABSBAL = 2 OR RECABS = 2) then **RECABSWHENS**K = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

RECABSWHENU = **RECABSWHEN**, **RETABSU** = **RETABS**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If RECABSWHENS K = 1 then do;

RECABSWHEN = .N;
RETABS = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

20. CMPLTBALSK, CMPLTBALU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

CMPLTBALSK is an indicator of whether **CMPLTBAL** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (RETABS = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **CMPLTBALSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

CMPLTBALU = **CMPLTBAL**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If CMPLTBALSK = 1 then do;

CMPLTBAL = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

21. CMPLTBALSPSK, CMPLTBALSPU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

CMPLTBALSPSK is an indicator of whether **CMPLTBALSP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (CMPLTBAL = 9 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **CMPLTBALSPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

CMPLTBALSPU = **CMPLTBALSP**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If CMPLTBALSPSK = 1 then do;

CMPLTBALSP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

22. RETABSWHENS, RETABSWHENU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

RETABSWHENS is an indicator of whether **RETABSWHEN** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (RETABS = 2) then **RETABSWHENS** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

RETABSWHENU = **RETABSWHEN**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If RETABSWHENS = 1 then do;

RETABSWHEN = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

23. SATVOTEALLSK, SATVOTEALLU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

SATVOTEALLSK is an indicator of whether **SATVOTEALL** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (REQABSBAL = 1 OR REQABSBAL = 2) then **SATVOTEALLSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

SATVOTEALLU = **SATVOTEALL**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If SATVOTEALLSK = 1 then do;

SATVOTEALL = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

24. VOTEPASTSK, VOTEPASTAU, VOTEPASTBU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

VOTEPASTSK is an indicator of whether **VOTEPASTA**, **VOTEPASTB** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (TREATMENT = 1) then **VOTEPASTSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

VOTEPASTAU = **VOTEPASTA**, **VOTEPASTBU** = **VOTEPASTB**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If VOTEPASTSK = 1 then do;

VOTEPASTA = .N;

VOTEPASTB = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

25. VOTEPLANSK, VOTEPLANU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

VOTEPLANSK is an indicator of whether **VOTEPLAN** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (TREATMENT = 1) then **VOTEPLANSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

VOTEPLANU = **VOTEPLAN**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If VOTEPLANSK = 1 then do;

VOTEPLAN = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

26. NOVOTESK, NOVOTEU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

NOVOTESK is an indicator of whether **NOVOTE** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (VOTED = 6) then **NOVOTESK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

NOVOTEU = **NOVOTE**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If NOVOTESK = 1 then do;

NOVOTE = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

27. NOVOTEWHYSK, NOVOTEWHYU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

NOVOTEWHYSK is an indicator of whether **NOVOTEWHY** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (NOVOTE = 1) then **NOVOTEWHYSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

NOVOTEWHYU = **NOVOTEWHY**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If NOVOTEWHYSK = 1 then do;

NOVOTEWHY = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

28. NOVOTEWHYSPSK, NOVOTEWHYSPU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

NOVOTEWHYSPSK is an indicator of whether **NOVOTEWHYSP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (NOVOTEWHY = 7 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **NOVOTEWHYSPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

NOVOTEWHYSPU = **NOVOTEWHYSP**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If NOVOTEWHYSPSK = 1 then do;

NOVOTEWHYSP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

29. WHEREFWABSK, WHEREFWABU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

WHEREFWABSK is an indicator of whether **WHEREFWAB** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (FWABUSE = 1 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **WHEREFWABSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHEREFWABU = **WHEREFWAB**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If WHEREFWABSK = 1 then do;

WHEREFWAB = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

30. WHEREFWABSPSK, WHEREFWABSPU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

WHEREFWABSPSK is an indicator of whether **WHEREFWABSP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (WHEREFWAB = 9 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **WHEREFWABSPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHEREFWABSPU = **WHEREFWABSP**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-

applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If WHEREFWABSPSK = 1 then do;

WHEREFWABSP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

31. **FWABWHENSK, FWABWHENU, FWABWHYU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

FWABWHENSK is an indicator of whether **FWABWHEN**, **FWABWHY** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (FWABUSE = 1) then **FWABWHENSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

FWABWHENU = **FWABWHEN**, **FWABWHYU** = **FWABWHY**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If FWABWHENSK = 1 then do;

FWABWHEN = .N;

FWABWHY = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

32. **FWABWHYSPSK, FWABWHYSPU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

FWABWHYSPSK is an indicator of whether **FWABWHYSP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (FWABWHY = 5 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **FWABWHYSPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page

for the edited variable should contain this information:

FWABWHYSPU = FWABWHYSP, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If FWABWHYSPSK = 1 then do;

FWABWHYSP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

33. NOFWABRSK, NOFWABRU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

NOFWABRSK is an indicator of whether **NOFWABR** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (FWABUSE = 2) then **NOFWABRSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

NOFWABRU = **NOFWABR**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If NOFWABRSK = 1 then do;

NOFWABR = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

34. NOFWABRSPSK, NOFWABRSPU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

NOFWABRSPSK is an indicator of whether **NOFWABRSP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (NOFWABR = 5 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **NOFWABRSPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

NOFWABRSPU = NOFWABRSP, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If NOFWABRSPSK = 1 then do;

NOFWABRSP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

35. **SEEKSK, SEEKAU, SEEKBU, SEEKCU, SEEKDU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:**

SEEKSK is an indicator of whether **SEEKA, SEEKB, SEEKC, SEEKD** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (ASSIST = 2) then **SEEKSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

SEEKAU = SEEKA, SEEKBU = SEEKB, SEEKCU = SEEKC, SEEKDU = SEEKD, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If SEEKSK = 1 then do;

SEEKA = .N;

SEEB = .N;

SEEKC = .N;

SEEKD = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

36. **SEEKESK, SEEKEU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

SEEKESK is an indicator of whether **SEEKE** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (SEEKD = 1 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **SEEKESK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

SEEKEU = **SEEKE**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If SEEKESK = 1 then do;

SEEKE = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

37. **WHICHFVAPSK, WHICHFVAPU, WHICHFVABU, WHICHFVACU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

WHICHFVAPSK is an indicator of whether **WHICHFVAP**, **WHICHFVAB**, **WHICHFVAC** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (SEEKA = 1) then **WHICHFVAPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHICHFVAPU = **WHICHFVAP**, **WHICHFVABU** = **WHICHFVAB**, **WHICHFVACU** = **WHICHFVAC**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If WHICHFVAPSK = 1 then do;

WHICHFVAP = .N;

WHICHFVAB = .N;

WHICHFVAC = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

38. **WHOASSTSK, WHOASSTA1U, WHOASSTA2U, WHOASSTA3U, WHOASSTA4U, WHOASSTB1U, WHOASSTB2U, WHOASSTB3U, WHOASSTB4U, WHOASSTC1U, WHOASSTC2U, WHOASSTC3U, WHOASSTC4U, WHOASSTD1U, WHOASSTD2U, WHOASSTD3U, WHOASSTD4U, WHOASSTE1U, WHOASSTE2U, WHOASSTE3U, WHOASSTE4U, WHOASSTF1U, WHOASSTF2U, WHOASSTF3U, WHOASSTF4U, WHOASSTG1U, WHOASSTG2U, WHOASSTG3U, WHOASSTG4U, WHOASSTH1U, WHOASSTH2U, WHOASSTH3U, WHOASSTH4U.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

WHOASSTSK is an indicator of whether **WHOASSTA1, WHOASSTA2, WHOASSTA3, WHOASSTA4, WHOASSTB1, WHOASSTB2, WHOASSTB3, WHOASSTB4, WHOASSTC1, WHOASSTC2, WHOASSTC3, WHOASSTC4, WHOASSTD1, WHOASSTD2, WHOASSTD3, WHOASSTD4, WHOASSTE1, WHOASSTE2, WHOASSTE3, WHOASSTE4, WHOASSTF1, WHOASSTF2, WHOASSTF3, WHOASSTF4, WHOASSTG1, WHOASSTG2, WHOASSTG3, WHOASSTG4, WHOASSTH1, WHOASSTH2, WHOASSTH3, WHOASSTH4** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (ASSIST = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **WHOASSTSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHOASSTA1U = WHOASSTA1, WHOASSTA2U = WHOASSTA2, WHOASSTA3U = WHOASSTA3, WHOASSTA4U = WHOASSTA4, WHOASSTB1U = WHOASSTB1, WHOASSTB2U = WHOASSTB2, WHOASSTB3U = WHOASSTB3, WHOASSTB4U = WHOASSTB4, WHOASSTC1U = WHOASSTC1, WHOASSTC2U = WHOASSTC2, WHOASSTC3U = WHOASSTC3, WHOASSTC4U = WHOASSTC4, WHOASSTD1U = WHOASSTD1, WHOASSTD2U = WHOASSTD2, WHOASSTD3U = WHOASSTD3, WHOASSTD4U = WHOASSTD4, WHOASSTE1U = WHOASSTE1, WHOASSTE2U = WHOASSTE2, WHOASSTE3U = WHOASSTE3, WHOASSTE4U = WHOASSTE4, WHOASSTF1U = WHOASSTF1, WHOASSTF2U = WHOASSTF2, WHOASSTF3U = WHOASSTF3, WHOASSTF4U = WHOASSTF4, WHOASSTG1U = WHOASSTG1, WHOASSTG2U = WHOASSTG2, WHOASSTG3U = WHOASSTG3, WHOASSTG4U = WHOASSTG4, WHOASSTH1U = WHOASSTH1, WHOASSTH2U = WHOASSTH2, WHOASSTH3U = WHOASSTH3, WHOASSTH4U = WHOASSTH4, but are

unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If WHOASSTSK = 1 then do;

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WHOASSTA1 = .N;  
WHOASSTA2 = .N;  
WHOASSTA3 = .N;  
WHOASSTA4 = .N;  
WHOASSTB1 = .N;  
WHOASSTB2 = .N;  
WHOASSTB3 = .N;  
WHOASSTB4 = .N;  
WHOASSTC1 = .N;  
WHOASSTC2 = .N;  
WHOASSTC3 = .N;  
WHOASSTC4 = .N;  
WHOASSTD1 = .N;  
WHOASSTD2 = .N;  
WHOASSTD3 = .N;  
WHOASSTD4 = .N;  
WHOASSTE1 = .N;  
WHOASSTE2 = .N;  
WHOASSTE3 = .N;  
WHOASSTE4 = .N;  
WHOASSTF1 = .N;  
WHOASSTF2 = .N;  
WHOASSTF3 = .N;  
WHOASSTF4 = .N;  
WHOASSTG1 = .N;  
WHOASSTG2 = .N;  
WHOASSTG3 = .N;  
WHOASSTG4 = .N;  
WHOASSTH1 = .N;  
WHOASSTH2 = .N;  
WHOASSTH3 = .N;  
WHOASSTH4 = .N;
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end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

- 39. ASSTEVALASK, ASSTEVALAU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:**

ASSTEVALASK is an indicator of whether **ASSTEVALA** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (SEEKA = 1) then **ASSTEVALASK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

ASSTEVALAU = **ASSTEVALA**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If ASSTEVALASK = 1 then do;

ASSTEVALA = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

40. ASSTEVALBSK, ASSTEVALBU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

ASSTEVALBSK is an indicator of whether **ASSTEVALB** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (SEEKB = 1) then **ASSTEVALBSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

ASSTEVALBU = **ASSTEVALB**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If ASSTEVALBSK = 1 then do;

ASSTEVALB = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

41. ASSTEVALCSK, ASSTEVALCU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

ASSTEVALCSK is an indicator of whether **ASSTEVALC** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (SEEKC = 1) then **ASSTEVALCSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

ASSTEVALCU = **ASSTEVALC**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If ASSTEVALCSK = 1 then do;

ASSTEVALC = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

42. ASSTEVALDSK, ASSTEVALDU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

ASSTEVALDSK is an indicator of whether **ASSTEVALD** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (SEEKD = 1) then **ASSTEVALDSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

ASSTEVALDU = **ASSTEVALD**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If ASSTEVALDSK = 1 then do;

ASSTEVALD = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

43. **ASSTEVALSPSK, ASSTEVALSPU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

ASSTEVALSPSK is an indicator of whether **ASSTEVALSP** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If ((**ASSTEVALA** = 2 OR **ASSTEVALB** = 2 OR **ASSTEVALC** = 2 OR **ASSTEVALD** = 2) AND **TREATMENT** = 1) then **ASSTEVALSPSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

ASSTEVALSPU = **ASSTEVALSP**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If **ASSTEVALSPSK** = 1 then do;

ASSTEVALSP = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

44. **HOWVAOSK, HOWVAOAU, HOWVAOBU, HOWVAOCU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

HOWVAOSK is an indicator of whether **HOWVAOA**, **HOWVAOB**, **HOWVAOC** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If ((**SEEKB** = 1 OR **SEEKC** = 1) AND **TREATMENT** = 1) then **HOWVAOSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

HOWVAOAU = **HOWVAOA**, **HOWVAOBU** = **HOWVAOB**, **HOWVAOCU** = **HOWVAOC**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If **HOWVAOSK** = 1 then do;

HOWVAOA = .N;
HOWVAOB = .N;
HOWVAOC = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

45. **VAORECSK, VAORECAU, VAORECBU, VAORECCU, VAORECDU, VAORECEU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

VAORECSK is an indicator of whether **VAORECA, VAORECB, VAORECC, VAORECD, VAORECE** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (HOWVAOC = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **VAORECSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

VAORECAU = VAORECA, VAORECBU = VAORECB, VAORECCU = VAORECC, VAORECDU = VAORECD, VAORECEU = VAORECE, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values. Here is how they are edited:

If **VAORECSK** = 1 then do;

VAORECA = .N;
VAORECB = .N;
VAORECC = .N;
VAORECD = .N;
VAORECE = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

46. **AGREEWEB SK, AGREEWEB AU, AGREEWEB BU, AGREEWEB CU, AGREEWEB DU, AGREEWEB EU, WEBTIMESU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

AGREEWEB SK is an indicator of whether **AGREEWEB A, AGREEWEB B,**

AGREEWEBC, AGREEWEBD, AGREEWEBE, WEBTIMES were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If ((WHICHFVAP = 2 OR VAORECA = 2) AND TREATMENT = 1) then **AGREEWEBSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

AGREEWEBAU = AGREEWEBE, AGREEWEBBU = AGREEWEBB, AGREEWEBCU = AGREEWEBC, AGREEWEBDU = AGREEWEBD, AGREEWEBEU = AGREEWEBE, WEBTIMESU = WEBTIMES, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If AGREEWEBSK = 1 then do;

AGREEWEBE = .N;
AGREEWEBB = .N;
AGREEWEBC = .N;
AGREEWEBD = .N;
AGREEWEBE = .N;
WEBTIMES = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

47. WHYNOTASSTSK, WHYNOTASSTU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

WHYNOTASSTSK is an indicator of whether **WHYNOTASST** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (ASSIST = 2 AND ((SEEKA <> 1 AND SEEKB <> 1 AND SEEKC <> 1 AND SEEKD <> 1) AND TREATMENT = 1)) then **WHYNOTASSTSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

WHYNOTASSTU = WHYNOTASST, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If WHYNOTASSTSK = 1 then do;

WHYNOTASST = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

48. **KNOWLSK, KNOWLAU, KNOWLBU, KNOWLCU, KNOWLDU, KNOWLEU, KNOWLFU, KNOWLGU, KNOWLHU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

KNOWLSK is an indicator of whether **KNOWLA, KNOWLB, KNOWLC, KNOWLD, KNOWLE, KNOWLF, KNOWLG, KNOWLH** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (TREATMENT = 1) then **KNOWLSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

KNOWLAU = KNOWLA, KNOWLBU = KNOWLB, KNOWLCU = KNOWLC, KNOWLDU = KNOWLD, KNOWLEU = KNOWLE, KNOWLFU = KNOWLF, KNOWLGU = KNOWLG, KNOWLHU = KNOWLH, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If **KNOWLSK** = 1 then do;

KNOWLA = .N;
KNOWLB = .N;
KNOWLC = .N;
KNOWLD = .N;
KNOWLE = .N;
KNOWLF = .N;
KNOWLG = .N;
KNOWLH = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

49. **OTHERUSEASK, OTHERUSEAU.** The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSEASK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSEA** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINFA = 2 AND

TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSEASK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSEAU = **OTHERUSEA**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSEASK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSEA = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

50. OTHERUSEBSK, OTHERUSEBU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSEBSK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSEB** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINFB = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSEBSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSEBU = **OTHERUSEB**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSEBSK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSEB = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

51. OTHERUSECSK, OTHERUSECU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSECSK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSEC** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINFC = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSECSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSECU = **OTHERUSEC**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSECSK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSEC = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

52. OTHERUSEDISK, OTHERUSEDU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSEDISK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSED** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINFD = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSEDISK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSEDU = **OTHERUSED**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSEDISK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSED = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

53. OTHERUSEESK, OTHERUSEEU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSEESK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSEE** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINFE = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSEESK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSEEU = **OTHERUSEE**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSEESK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSEE = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

54. OTHERUSEFSK, OTHERUSEFU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSEFSK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSEF** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINFF = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSEFSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSEFU = **OTHERUSEF**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSEFSK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSEF = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

55. OTHERUSEGSK, OTHERUSEGU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSEGSK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSEG** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINFG = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSEGSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSEGU = **OTHERUSEG**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSEGSK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSEG = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

56. OTHERUSEHSK, OTHERUSEHU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSEHSK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSEH** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINFH = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSEHSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSEHU = **OTHERUSEH**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSEHSK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSEH = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

57. OTHERUSEISK, OTHERUSEIU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSEISK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSEI** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINF1 = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSEISK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSEIU = **OTHERUSEI**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSEISK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSEI = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

58. OTHERUSEJSK, OTHERUSEJU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

OTHERUSEJSK is an indicator of whether **OTHERUSEJ** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (OTHERINFJ = 2 AND TREATMENT = 1) then **OTHERUSEJSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

OTHERUSEJU = **OTHERUSEJ**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If OTHERUSEJSK = 1 then do;

OTHERUSEJ = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

59. FVAPCOMMSK, FVAPCOMMU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

FVAPCOMMSK is an indicator of whether **FVAPCOMM** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (TREATMENT = 1) then **FVAPCOMMSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

FVAPCOMMU = **FVAPCOMM**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If FVAPCOMMSK = 1 then do;

FVAPCOMM = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

60. AGREEISK, AGREEIU, AGREEJU, AGREEKU, AGREELU, AGREEMU, AGREENU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

AGREEISK is an indicator of whether **AGREEI, AGREEJ, AGREEK, AGREEL, AGREEM, AGREEN** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (TREATMENT = 1) then **AGREEISK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

AGREEIU = **AGREEI**, **AGREEJU** = **AGREEJ**, **AGREEKU** = **AGREEK**, **AGREELU** = **AGREEL**, **AGREEMU** = **AGREEM**, **AGREENU** = **AGREEN**, but are

unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.
Here is how they are edited:

If AGREEISK = 1 then do;

AGREEI = .N;
AGREEJ = .N;
AGREEK = .N;
AGREEL = .N;
AGREEM = .N;
AGREEN = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

61. CIVIC2SK, CIVIC2U. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

CIVIC2SK is an indicator of whether **CIVIC2** were or were not to be asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (CIVIC1 = 1) then **CIVIC2SK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

CIVIC2U = **CIVIC2**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If CIVIC2SK = 1 then do;

CIVIC2 = .N;

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

62. COMMINELIGSK, COMMINELIGU. The following explains how to create the flag variable -- the codebook page should contain this information:

COMMINELIGSK is an indicator of whether **COMMINELIG** were or were not to be

asked of a respondent and its initial value is 1 (Not asked). If (SRELIG = 1 OR USCTZN = 1 OR SRAGEGP = 1) then **COMMINEIGSK** = 2 (Asked).

The following explains how the flag variable is used in editing -- the codebook page for the edited variable should contain this information:

COMMINEIGU = **COMMINEIG**, but are unedited for forward coding of non-applicable or missing response values.

Here is how they are edited:

If **COMMINEIGSK** = 1 then do;

COMMINEIG = '.N';

end;

.N = (Not Applicable)

63. **SRRACEA—SRRACEE, SRRETH1**

The codebook pages for SRRACEA—SRRACEE should note:

“These items are consistent with the ‘2003 Revisions to the Standards for the Classification of Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity’ and the ‘2000 Decennial Census.’

SRRACEA--SRRACEE are coded as “Mark all that apply” items, where 1=Not marked and 2=Marked. SRRACEA indicates whether the “White” response category was marked, SRRACEB indicates whether the “Black or African-American” response category was marked, SRRACEC indicates whether “American Indian or Alaskan Native” was marked, SRRACED indicates whether “Asian” was marked, and SRRACEE indicates whether “Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander” was marked. If none are marked, then all of SRRACEA--SRRACEE are assigned the item non-response missing code (.).

SRRETH1 conform to the January 2003 standards for reporting Federal data on race and ethnicity. The codebook page for SRRETH1 should note:

“These racial/ethnic categories are consistent with the 2003 standards for maintaining, collecting, and presenting federal data on race and ethnicity.”

SRRETH1 groups responses to SRRACEA-SRRACEE into racial/ethnic categories including multi-racial combinations. The categories are broken down by whether the respondent indicates Hispanic or Latino descent (from variable SRHISPA1). Each

description in the “RACIAL CATEGORY” column of the chart is preceded by an H for “Hispanic or Latino” if the respondent has a value of 2 for SRHISPA1, and by a NH for “Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino” if SRHISPA1 has a value of 1. The columns to the right of the descriptions show the Hispanic or Latino and race /ethnicity codes matching each description. The coding for SRRETH1 follows the coding provided in the chart. For example, Hispanic or Latino single-race respondents who mark a single race category in SRRACEA-SRRACEE are assigned the corresponding code (1-5) from the racial/ethnic categories. Hispanics or Latinos selecting more than one race are coded 7. Non-Hispanics or non-Latinos reporting no race code are coded as item non-response. The unassigned categories (coded as 6 and 14), are not populated in this survey, but were used when the additional response option of “Other” for race/ethnicity was included in the question (SRRACEF). The categories for Non-Hispanics or Non-Latinos are similar, except some racial combinations form their own categories (codes 15-18). The remaining combinations reported by Non-Hispanics or Non-Latinos are coded as 19.

CODE	RACIAL CATEGORY (SRRETH1)	SRHISPA1	SRRACEA	SRRACEB	SRRACEC	SRRACED	SRRACEE
1	H American Indian or Alaska Native	2	1	1	2	1	1
2	H Asian	2	1	1	1	2	1
3	H Black or African American	2	1	2	1	1	1
4	H Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2	1	1	1	1	2
5	H White	2	2	1	1	1	1
6	H Some other race	2	1	1	1	1	1
7	Hispanic/Latino reporting more than one race	2	(Any combination of more than one 2 in SRRACEA-E)				
8	H Unknown race	2
9	NH American Indian or Alaska Native	1	1	1	2	1	1
10	NH Asian	1	1	1	1	2	1
11	NH Black or African American	1	1	2	1	1	1
12	NH Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	1	1	1	1	2
13	NH White	1	2	1	1	1	1
14	NH Some other race	1	1	1	1	1	1
15	NH American Indian or Alaska Native & White	1	2	1	2	1	1
16	NH Asian & White	1	2	1	1	2	1
17	NH Black or African American & White	1	2	2	1	1	1
18	NH American Indian or Alaska Native & Black or African American	1	1	2	2	1	1
19	NH Balance of individuals reporting more than one race	1	(Any other combination of more than one 2 in SRRACEA-E)				

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Flat File Layout for the Basic Survey Data
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Variable	Type	Start	Stop	Length	Label
HOWLONG	Num	0001	0002	002	How long had you been located in this country?
REGVOTER	Num	0003	0004	002	Were you registered to vote in the United States?
WHYREG	Num	0005	0006	002	You indicated you were registered to vote in Q12STATE. Is this your...
VOTINGRESN	Num	0007	0008	002	Approximately how far did you live from where you were registered to vote? If you were not registered to vote, select how far you lived from your legal voting residence.
WHENREG	Num	0009	0010	002	When did you last update your voter registration information (e.g., address, party affiliation)? Mark one.
REQABSBAL	Num	0011	0012	002	Did you request an absentee ballot? Mark one.
REQABSMO	Num	0013	0014	002	In what month did you first request your absentee ballot? Mark one.
FPCAAWARE	Num	0015	0016	002	Were you aware that you could use the FPCA to register to vote and request an absentee ballot?
REQFPCA	Num	0017	0018	002	Did you use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to request your absentee ballot or did you use another method?
WHEREFPCA	Num	0019	0020	002	How did you obtain your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? Mark one.
RETFPCA	Num	0021	0022	002	How did you complete and return your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? Mark one.
CONFPCAA	Num	0023	0024	002	Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... Mark one answer for each row. Received?
CONFPCAB	Num	0025	0026	002	Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... Mark one answer for each row. Rejected?
CONFPCAC	Num	0027	0028	002	Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... Mark one answer for each row. Accepted?
RECABS	Num	0029	0030	002	Did you receive your regular absentee ballot?
ABOBTAIN	Num	0031	0032	002	How did you obtain your regular absentee ballot? Mark one.
RECABSWHEN	Num	0033	0034	002	When did you receive your regular absentee ballot?
RETAGS	Num	0035	0036	002	Did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?
CMPLTBAL	Num	0037	0038	002	How did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?
RETAGSWHEN	Num	0039	0040	002	When did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?
SATVOTEALL	Num	0041	0042	002	Taking all things into consideration, how satisfied were you with the overall absentee voting process?

Variable	Type	Start	Stop	Length	Label
VOTEPASTA	Num	0043	0044	002	During the past 6 years, did you usually vote in... Mark one answer for each item. Political party primary elections?
VOTEPASTB	Num	0045	0046	002	During the past 6 years, did you usually vote in... Mark one answer for each item. Federal general elections?
INTEREST	Num	0047	0048	002	How interested or uninterested were you in the election?
VOTEPLAN	Num	0049	0050	002	During the months leading up to the election, did you ever plan to vote in that election, or didn't you plan to vote? Mark one.
VOTED	Num	0051	0052	002	In the election held on November 4, 2014, did you definitely vote in person on election day, definitely complete an absentee ballot by mail, e-mail, fax, or online on or before November 4, 2014, definitely not vote, or are you not completely sure whether y
NOVOTE	Num	0053	0054	002	What was the MAIN REASON you did not vote in the election? Mark one.
NOVOTEWHY	Num	0055	0056	002	Which of the following best describes why you did not vote in the election? Mark one.
FIRSTTTVA	Num	0057	0058	002	Was this your first time... Mark one answer for each item. If you did not try to vote or try to vote absentee in the election, mark "Does not apply." Voting or trying to vote in an election?
FIRSTTTVB	Num	0059	0060	002	Was this your first time... Mark one answer for each item. If you did not try to vote or try to vote absentee in the election, mark "Does not apply." Voting or trying to vote absentee in an election?
FWABUSE	Num	0061	0062	002	Did you use the FWAB?
WHEREFWAB	Num	0063	0064	002	How did you obtain your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?
FWABWHEN	Num	0065	0066	002	When did you complete and return your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?
FWABWHY	Num	0067	0068	002	What was the MAIN REASON you used the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? Mark one.
NOFWABR	Num	0069	0070	002	What is the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? Mark one.
VOTE2012	Num	0071	0072	002	How about you — did you vote in that election?
ASSIST	Num	0073	0074	002	In preparation for the November 4, 2014, election, did you need any information or assistance (e.g., information on deadlines, how to request an absentee ballot)?
SEEKA	Num	0075	0076	002	Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? Mark one answer for each item. FVAP
SEEKB	Num	0077	0078	002	Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? Mark one answer for each item. Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs)

Variable	Type	Start	Stop	Length	Label
SEEKC	Num	0079	0080	002	Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? Mark one answer for each item. Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices
SEEKD	Num	0081	0082	002	Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? Mark one answer for each item. Other
WHOASSTA1	Num	0083	0084	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTA2	Num	0085	0086	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTA3	Num	0087	0088	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTA4	Num	0089	0090	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTB1	Num	0091	0092	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTB2	Num	0093	0094	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTB3	Num	0095	0096	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTB4	Num	0097	0098	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio

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WHOASSTC1	Num	0099	0100	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTC2	Num	0101	0102	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTC3	Num	0103	0104	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTC4	Num	0105	0106	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTD1	Num	0107	0108	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTD2	Num	0109	0110	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTD3	Num	0111	0112	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTD4	Num	0113	0114	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTE1	Num	0115	0116	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio

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WHOASSTE2	Num	0117	0118	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTE3	Num	0119	0120	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTE4	Num	0121	0122	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTF1	Num	0123	0124	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTF2	Num	0125	0126	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTF3	Num	0127	0128	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTF4	Num	0129	0130	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTG1	Num	0131	0132	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTG2	Num	0133	0134	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio

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WHOASSTG3	Num	0135	0136	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTG4	Num	0137	0138	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTH1	Num	0139	0140	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTH2	Num	0141	0142	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTH3	Num	0143	0144	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTH4	Num	0145	0146	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
ASSTEVALA	Num	0147	0148	002	Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? Mark one answer for each item. Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)
ASSTEVALB	Num	0149	0150	002	Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? Mark one answer for each item. Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs)
ASSTEVALC	Num	0151	0152	002	Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? Mark one answer for each item. Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices
ASSTEVALD	Num	0153	0154	002	Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? Mark one answer for each item. Other

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AGREEWEBA	Num	0155	0156	002	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item. State voting and related instructions were clear and easy to understand.
AGREEWEBB	Num	0157	0158	002	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item. Contact information was easy to find.
AGREEWEBC	Num	0159	0160	002	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item. Search feature met my needs.
AGREEWEBD	Num	0161	0162	002	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item. I was able to find what I needed quickly and easily.
AGREEWEBE	Num	0163	0164	002	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item. I was able to find the materials and forms I needed to vote.
WEBTIMES	Num	0165	0166	002	In preparation for the 2014 primaries and General Election, how many times did you visit FVAP.gov? Mark one.
WHYNOTASST	Num	0167	0168	002	What was the MAIN REASON you did not seek voting information or assistance? Mark one.
KNOWLA	Num	0169	0170	002	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item. Registering to vote
KNOWLBB	Num	0171	0172	002	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item. Requesting an absentee ballot
KNOWLC	Num	0173	0174	002	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item. Using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to register and request an absentee ballot
KNOWLD	Num	0175	0176	002	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item. Receiving/getting an absentee ballot
KNOWLE	Num	0177	0178	002	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item. Completing an absentee ballot
KNOWLFF	Num	0179	0180	002	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item. Returning an absentee ballot
KNOWLG	Num	0181	0182	002	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item. Using the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB) as a backup ballot

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KNOWLH	Num	0183	0184	002	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item. Knowing key absentee ballot deadlines
OTHERUSEA	Num	0185	0186	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. Periodic FVAP e-mail reminders about upcoming elections
OTHERUSEB	Num	0187	0188	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. FVAP on Twitter
OTHERUSEC	Num	0189	0190	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. FVAP on Facebook
OTHERUSED	Num	0191	0192	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. Voting Assistance Officer (VAO) outreach (e.g., announcements during formation, voter outreach events, information on bulletin b
OTHERUSEE	Num	0193	0194	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. FVAP brochures
OTHERUSEF	Num	0195	0196	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. FVAP election dates handouts
OTHERUSEG	Num	0197	0198	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. FVAP fact sheets/one-pagers
OTHERUSEH	Num	0199	0200	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. FVAP voting posters
OTHERUSEI	Num	0201	0202	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. FVAP wallet cards
OTHERUSEJ	Num	0203	0204	002	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item. Voting-specific public service announcements (PSAs)
FVAPCOMM	Num	0205	0206	002	Would you prefer more or less communication from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) to better understand the absentee voting process?
AGREEA	Num	0207	0208	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. I cared about the issues in the election.

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AGREEB	Num	0209	0210	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. I cared about which candidates would win the election.
AGREEC	Num	0211	0212	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. Voting is an effective way to express my opinion on the issues in the election.
AGREED	Num	0213	0214	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. Voting is an effective way to express my opinion on which candidates should win the election.
AGREEE	Num	0215	0216	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. If others (e.g., military members, family, or friends) found out I did not vote in the election, I would be embarrassed.
AGREEF	Num	0217	0218	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. If other military members found out I did not vote in this election, I would feel ashamed.
AGREEG	Num	0219	0220	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. Others (e.g., military members, family, or friends) are likely to know whether or not I voted in the election.
AGREEH	Num	0221	0222	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. It is not appropriate for members of the military to vote.
AGREEI	Num	0223	0224	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. I was confident that my ballot would be counted.
AGREEJ	Num	0225	0226	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. It was easy to get in-person voting assistance at my installation.
AGREEK	Num	0227	0228	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. I knew exactly who at my installation to ask questions about voting materials, ballot requests, or other voting-related issu

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AGREEL	Num	0229	0230	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. I had questions related to the voting process but could not get a hold of someone who could answer them.
AGREEN	Num	0231	0232	002	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item. Printed voting materials were easily accessible at my installation when I needed them.
CIVIC1	Num	0233	0234	002	For you personally, voting is first and foremost...
CIVIC2	Num	0235	0236	002	How strongly do you feel personally that voting is a civic duty?
SRRACEAR	Num	0237	0238	002	Recode-Tabs: Equalize percent responding. What is your race? White
SRRACEBR	Num	0239	0240	002	Recode-Tabs: Equalize percent responding. What is your race? Black or African-American
SRRACECR	Num	0241	0242	002	Recode-Tabs: Equalize percent responding. What is your race? American Indian or Alaska Native
SRRACEDR	Num	0243	0244	002	Recode-Tabs: Equalize percent responding. What is your race? Asian (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese)
SRRACEER	Num	0245	0246	002	Recode-Tabs: Equalize percent responding. What is your race? Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (e.g., Samoan, Guamanian or Chamorro)
SRRACEMR	Num	0247	0248	002	Recode-Tabs: Equalize percent responding. Marked More Than One Race
MOBILITYAR2	Num	0249	0250	002	Recode-Tabs: Collapse into less than one year/one year or more. Please enter the number of months since you last experienced each of the following. If currently deployed, enter "0" for the applicable item. If you have not experienced the item in the las
MOBILITYBR2	Num	0251	0252	002	Recode-Tabs: Collapse into less than one year/one year or more. Please enter the number of months since you last experienced each of the following. If currently deployed, enter "0" for the applicable item. If you have not experienced the item in the last
MOBILITYCR2	Num	0253	0254	002	Recode-Tabs: Collapse into less than one year/one year or more. Please enter the number of months since you last experienced each of the following. If currently deployed, enter "0" for the applicable item. If you have not experienced the item in the last
VOTINGRESNR	Num	0255	0258	004	Recode-Tabs: Construct Percentage 50 Miles or More Approximately how far did you live from where you were registered to vote?

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WHENREGR	Num	0259	0260	002	Recode-Tabs: Collapse for bar chart. When did you last update your voter registration information (e.g., address, party affiliation)?
CONFPCAAR	Num	0261	0262	002	Recode-Tabs: Collapse for bar chart. Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been...Received?
CONFPCABR	Num	0263	0264	002	Recode-Tabs: Collapse for bar chart. Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been...Rejected?
CONFPCACR	Num	0265	0266	002	Recode-Tabs: Collapse for bar chart. Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been...Accepted?
SATVOTEALLR	Num	0267	0268	002	Recode-Tabs: Percentage Satisfied. Taking all things into consideration, how satisfied were you with the overall absentee voting process?
INTERESTR	Num	0269	0270	002	Recode-Tabs: Percentage Interested. How interested or uninterested were you in the election?
VOTEDR	Num	0271	0272	002	Tab bar: Percentage Definitely Voted
FWABUSER	Num	0273	0274	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. Did you use the FWAB?
VOTE2012R	Num	0275	0276	002	Recode-Tabs: Collapse for bar chart.
SEEKAR	Num	0277	0278	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following?
SEEKBR	Num	0279	0280	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following?
SEEKCR	Num	0281	0282	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following?
SEEKDR	Num	0283	0284	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following?
WHICHFVAAR	Num	0285	0286	002	Tab: Which FVAP products or services? FVAP.gov
WHICHFVABR	Num	0287	0288	002	Tab: Which FVAP products or services? FVAP staff support
WHICHFVACR	Num	0289	0290	002	Tab: Which FVAP products or services? FVAP online assistant
WHICHFVADNA	Num	0291	0292	002	Tab: Create variable identifying respondents who were eligible to see the item, but did not select any responses. Created to include these respondents in the denominator in tabs.
HOWVAOAR	Num	0293	0294	002	Tab: UVAO/IVA help-voting forms
HOWVAOBR	Num	0295	0296	002	Tab: UVAO/IVA help-voting forms
HOWVAOCR	Num	0297	0298	002	Tab: UVAO/IVA help-other resources

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HOWVAODNA	Num	0299	0300	002	Tab: Create variable identifying respondents who were eligible to see the item, but did not select any responses. Created to include these respondents in the denominator in tabs.
VAORECAR	Num	0301	0302	002	Tab: Other resources-FVAP.gov
VAORECBR	Num	0303	0304	002	Tab: Other resources-Service-specific website(s)
VAORECCR	Num	0305	0306	002	Tab: Other resources-Other website(s)
VAORECDR	Num	0307	0308	002	Tab: Other resources-VAG
VAORECER	Num	0309	0310	002	Tab: Other resources-Other
AGREEWEBAR	Num	0311	0312	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov?
AGREEWEBBR	Num	0313	0314	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov?
AGREEWEBCR	Num	0315	0316	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov?
AGREEWEBDR	Num	0317	0318	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov?
AGREEWEBER	Num	0319	0320	002	Tab bar: Percentage Aware. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov?
OTHERINFAR	Num	0321	0322	002	Tab: Create copies of mark-all variables for public release (A-D, J). Other Info - Periodic FVAP e-mail reminders about upcoming elections
OTHERINFBR	Num	0323	0324	002	Tab: Create copies of mark-all variables for public release (A-D, J). Other Info - FVAP on Twitter
OTHERINFCR	Num	0325	0326	002	Tab: Create copies of mark-all variables for public release (A-D, J). Other Info - FVAP on Facebook
OTHERINFDR	Num	0327	0328	002	Tab: Create copies of mark-all variables for public release (A-D, J). Other Info - Voting Assistance Officer (VAO) outreach
OTHERINFER	Num	0329	0330	002	Tab: Create collapse of E-I to "Materials from FVAP" to standardize across forms. Other Info - Materials from FVAP
OTHERINFJR	Num	0331	0332	002	Tab: Create copies of mark-all variables for public release (A-D, J). Other Info - Voting-specific public service announcements (PSAs)
OTHERINFDNA	Num	0333	0334	002	Tab: Create variable identifying respondents who were eligible to see the item, but did not select any responses. Created to include these respondents in the denominator in tabs.

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OTHERUSEAR	Num	0335	0336	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
OTHERUSEBR	Num	0337	0338	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
OTHERUSECR	Num	0339	0340	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
OTHERUSEDR	Num	0341	0342	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
OTHERUSEER	Num	0343	0344	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
OTHERUSEFR	Num	0345	0346	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
OTHERUSEGR	Num	0347	0348	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
OTHERUSEHR	Num	0349	0350	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
OTHERUSEIR	Num	0351	0352	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
OTHERUSEJR	Num	0353	0354	002	Tab bar: Percentage Useful/Very Useful. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance.
FVAPCOMMR	Num	0355	0356	002	Tab bar: Percentage Prefer More Communication. Would you prefer more or less communication from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) to better understand the absentee voting process?
AGREEAR	Num	0357	0358	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREEBR	Num	0359	0360	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREECR	Num	0361	0362	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREEDR	Num	0363	0364	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?

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AGREEER	Num	0365	0366	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREEFR	Num	0367	0368	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREEGR	Num	0369	0370	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREEHR	Num	0371	0372	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREEIR	Num	0373	0374	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREEJR	Num	0375	0376	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREEKR	Num	0377	0378	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREELR	Num	0379	0380	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
AGREENR	Num	0381	0382	002	Tab bar: Percentage Agreed. Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements?
CIVIC2R	Num	0383	0384	002	Tab bar: Percentage Strongly/Very Strongly How strongly do you feel personally that voting is a civic duty?
XLOC1	Num	0385	0386	002	Tab Crossing. Location
XLOCAGE1	Num	0387	0388	002	Tab Crossing. Location by age
XMARST	Num	0389	0390	002	Marital Status
XMOVE	Num	0391	0392	002	Tab Crossing. Permanent Change of Station (PCS), deployment longer than 30 consecutive days, or deployment to a combat zone or an area where you drew imminent danger pay or hostile fire pay: constructed from Q10.
XREGVOTE	Num	0393	0394	002	Tab Crossing. Voter registration
XSVC	Num	0395	0396	002	Tab Crossing. Active Duty Service
XVOTE1	Num	0397	0398	002	Tab Crossing: Collapse voter participation into yes/no. Not sure included as 'no'.
XVOTE3	Num	0399	0400	002	Tab Crossing: Collapse voter participation into yes/no: create did not vote but interested level. Not sure included as 'no'.
CMTFLAG	Num	0401	0402	002	Additional Comment Flag

Variable	Type	Start	Stop	Length	Label
PEV51401	Num	0403	0410	008	Population ID Constructed
TREATMENT	Num	0411	0414	004	Treatment Flag Constructed
EligFlgW	Num	0415	0429	015	Eligibility Flag
finalwgt_A	Num	0430	0440	011	finalwgt_A
finalwgt_B	Num	0441	0451	011	Final Weight With Non-response and Poststratification Adjustments
FINALWGT_C	Num	0452	0462	011	FINALWGT_C
WHOASSTA1U	Num	0463	0464	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTA2U	Num	0465	0466	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTA3U	Num	0467	0468	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTA4U	Num	0469	0470	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTB1U	Num	0471	0472	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTB2U	Num	0473	0474	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTB3U	Num	0475	0476	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio

Variable	Type	Start	Stop	Length	Label
WHOASSTB4U	Num	0477	0478	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTC1U	Num	0479	0480	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTC2U	Num	0481	0482	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTC3U	Num	0483	0484	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTC4U	Num	0485	0486	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTD1U	Num	0487	0488	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTD2U	Num	0489	0490	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTD3U	Num	0491	0492	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTD4U	Num	0493	0494	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio

Variable	Type	Start	Stop	Length	Label
WHOASSTE1U	Num	0495	0496	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTE2U	Num	0497	0498	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTE3U	Num	0499	0500	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTE4U	Num	0501	0502	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTF1U	Num	0503	0504	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTF2U	Num	0505	0506	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTF3U	Num	0507	0508	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTF4U	Num	0509	0510	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTG1U	Num	0511	0512	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio

Variable	Type	Start	Stop	Length	Label
WHOASSTG2U	Num	0513	0514	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTG3U	Num	0515	0516	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTG4U	Num	0517	0518	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTH1U	Num	0519	0520	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTH2U	Num	0521	0522	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTH3U	Num	0523	0524	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio
WHOASSTH4U	Num	0525	0526	002	For each item, please indicate which resource(s) you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark each resource you used for each item. If you did not need this type of information/assistance, please mark "Did not need this type of informatio

Appendix I.
Variable Coding for the 2014 *PEV5* Dataset


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/*****
2014 Post-Election Voting Survey of the Active Duty Military
*****/

/* coding for XLOC1 variable */
/*****
* XLOC1: Imputed location (CREGION3) into location
*       variable when STATION is missing.
*****/
XLOC1 = STATION;
IF STATION=3 THEN XLOC1=2;
If STATION in (.) and CREGION2 not in (., 0) then do;
    If CREGION2 = 2 then XLOC1 = 2; /* Overseas*/
    Else if CREGION2 = 1 then XLOC1 = 1; /* US*/
    XLOC1F = 2; /*Imputed Variable Flag*/
End;
Else XLOC1F = 1; /*Not-Imputed Variable Flag*/

IF STATION IN(.B .S) THEN XLOC1F=STATION;

/* coding for XAGE variable */
/*****
* XAGE: Imputed Age (AGE) into age variable when SRAGEGP is missing.
*****/
IF TREATMENT=1 THEN DO;
    XAGE = SRAGEGP;
    If SRAGEGP in (.,.N,.B,.S) and AGE_5 not in (.) then do;
        IF AGE_5=1 THEN XAGE = 2;
        ELSE IF AGE_5=2 THEN XAGE = 3;
        ELSE IF AGE_5=3 THEN XAGE = 4;
        ELSE IF AGE_5=4 THEN XAGE = 5;
        ELSE IF AGE_5=5 THEN XAGE = 6;
        XAGEF = 2; /*Imputed Variable Flag*/
    End;
Else XAGEF = 1; /*Not-Imputed Variable Flag*/
END;

IF TREATMENT IN(2 3) THEN DO;
    IF AGE_5=1 THEN XAGE = 2;
    ELSE IF AGE_5=2 THEN XAGE = 3;
    ELSE IF AGE_5=3 THEN XAGE = 4;
    ELSE IF AGE_5=4 THEN XAGE = 5;
    ELSE IF AGE_5=5 THEN XAGE = 6;
    XAGEF = 2; /*Imputed Variable Flag*/
End;

IF STATION in(.B .S) THEN DO;
    XAGEF=STATION;
    XAGE=STATION;
END;

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/* coding for XCPAY1 variable */
/*****
* XCPAY1: Numeric version of paygrade record data (PPLN_GRD/PAYGRADE)
*****/
Array pp1(22) $ 3 _Temporary_ ('E00' 'E01' 'E02' 'E03' 'E04' 'E05'
                                'E06' 'E07' 'E08' 'E09' '000' '001'
                                '002' '003' '004' '005' '006' 'W01'
                                'W02' 'W03' 'W04' 'W05');
Array pp2(22) 4 _Temporary_ ( 0      1      2      3      4      5
                              6      7      8      9      0      21
                              22     23     24     25     26     11
                              12     13     14     15);

Do I = 1 to 22;
  If PAYGRADE eq pp1(i) then XCPAY1 = pp2(i);
end;

drop i;

/* coding for XCPAY26 variable */
/*****
* XCPAY26: Imputed all level PAYGRADE into 20 level pay
* variable when SRGRADE is missing. Format is same as XCPAY1.
*****/
IF TREATMENT=1 THEN DO;
  XCPAY26 = SRGRADE;
  If XCPAY26 in (.,.S,.B) and XCPAY1 not in(.,0) then do;
    XCPAY26 = XCPAY1;
    XCPAY26F = 2;
  End;
  Else XCPAY26F = 1;
  IF STATION IN (.B .S) THEN XCPAY26=SRGRADE;
END;

IF TREATMENT IN(2 3) THEN DO;
  XCPAY26 = XCPAY1;
  XCPAY26F = 2;
END;

IF SRGRADE IN (.B .S) THEN DO;
  XCPAY26=SRGRADE;
  XCPAY26F=SRGRADE;
END;

/* coding for XCPAY2 variable */
/*****
* XCPAY2: 5 level pay variable
*****/
XCPAY2 = XCPAY26;

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If XCPAY26 in (1 2 3 4 5) then XCPAY2 = 1;          /*E1 to E5*/
Else if XCPAY26 in (6 7 8 9) then XCPAY2 = 2;      /*E6 to E9*/
Else if XCPAY26 in (11 12 13 14 15) then XCPAY2 = 3; /*W1 - W5: Warrant Officers*/
Else if XCPAY26 in (21 22 23) then XCPAY2 = 4;     /*01 to 03*/
Else if XCPAY26 in (24 25 26) then XCPAY2 = 5;     /*04 to 06*/

/* coding for XCPAY3 variable */
/*****
* XCPAY3: 4 level pay variable
*****/
XCPAY3 = XCPAY26;
If XCPAY26 in (1 2 3 4 5) then XCPAY3 = 1;          /*E1 to E5*/
Else if XCPAY26 in (6 7 8 9) then XCPAY3 = 2;      /*E6 to E9*/
Else if XCPAY26 in (21 22 23) then XCPAY3 = 3;     /*01 to 03*/
Else if XCPAY26 in (24 25 26) then XCPAY3 = 4;     /*04 to 06*/
Else if XCPAY26 in (11 12 13 14 15) then XCPAY3=.; /*Excludes Warrant Officers*/

/* coding for XCPAY4 variable */
/*****
* XCPAY4: 2 level pay variable
*****/
XCPAY4 = XCPAY2;
If XCPAY2 in (1 2) then XCPAY4 = 1;                /* Enlisted*/
Else if XCPAY2 in (3 4 5) then XCPAY4 = 2; /* Officers - includes Warrant officers*/

/* coding for XLOCAGE1 variable */
/*****
* XLOCAGE1: Location by Age
*****/
If XLOC1 = 1 then do;
    XLOCAGE1 = XAGE;
End;
If XLOC1 = 2 then do;
    If XAGE = 1 then XLOCAGE1 = 7;
    Else if XAGE in(2 3) then XLOCAGE1 = 8;
    Else if XAGE in(4) then XLOCAGE1 = 9;
    Else if XAGE in(5 6) then XLOCAGE1 = 10;
End;
IF STATION IN(.B .S) THEN XLOCAGE1=STATION;

/* coding for XREGVOTE variable */
/*****
* XREGVOTE: Voter registration
*****/
If REGVOTER=1 then XREGVOTE=2;                      /* Not registered to vote*/
Else if REGVOTER=2 then XREGVOTE=1;                 /* Registered to vote*/
Else XREGVOTE=REGVOTER;

/* coding for XSVC variable */
/*****

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* XSVC: Active Duty Service - from record data
***** /
XSVC = CSERVICE;
IF STATION in(.B .S) THEN XSVC=STATION;

/* coding for XSEX1 variable */
/*****
* XSEX1: Respondent sex-imputed
***** /
XSEX1 = CSEX;
IF SAMPLE IN(.B .S) THEN XSEX1=SAMPLE;

/* coding for XSEXAGE variable */
/*****
* XSEXAGE: Location by Age
***** /
If XSEX1 = 1 then do;
    XSEXAGE = XAGE;
End;
If XSEX1 = 2 then do;
    If XAGE = 1 then XSEXAGE = 7;
    Else if XAGE in(2) then XSEXAGE = 8;
    Else if XAGE in(3) then XSEXAGE = 9;
    Else if XAGE in(4) then XSEXAGE = 10;
    Else if XAGE in(5) then XSEXAGE = 11;
    Else if XAGE in(6) then XSEXAGE = 12;
End;
IF XAGE IN(.B .S) THEN XSEXAGE=XAGE;

/* coding for VOTEDR variable */
/*****
* VOTEDR: Percentage Definitely Voted
***** /
VOTEDR=VOTED;
IF VOTED IN(1 2 3 4 5) THEN VOTEDR=2; /* Yes */
ELSE IF VOTED in(6 7) THEN VOTEDR=1; /* No */

/* coding for XFIRSTA variable */
/*****
* XFIRSTA: First time voting or trying to vote in an election
***** /
XFIRSTA=1;
IF FIRSTTVA=1 then XFIRSTA=2;
ELSE IF FIRSTTVA IN(.B .S) THEN XFIRSTA=FIRSTTVA;

/* coding for XFIRSTB variable */
/*****
* XFIRSTB: First time voting or trying to vote absentee in an election
***** /
XFIRSTB=1;

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IF FIRSTTVB=1 then XFIRSTB=2;
ELSE IF FIRSTTVB IN(.B .S) THEN XFIRSTB=FIRSTTVB;

/* coding for SRRACE1 variable */
IF TREATMENT IN(1) THEN DO;
  RACE_NI_F=1;
  RACE_NI =
    (10000*SRRACEA) /* White */
  + (1000*SRRACEB) /* Black */
  + (100*SRRACEC) /* American Indian or Alaskan Native*/
  + (10*SRRACED) /* Asian */
  + (1*SRRACEE); /* Hawaiian */

If SRRACEA in(.B,.S) then RACE_NI = SRRACEA;

  ARRAY RACENI (31) _TEMPORARY_ (
    11112 11121 11211 12111 21111 11221 12221 12222 22222
    22221 11222 21222 21221 12211 12212 22212 22211 11212
    21212 21211 12121 12122 22122 22121 11122 21122 21121
    12112 22112 22111 21112);

  ARRAY RACENI1(31) _TEMPORARY_
    (004 002 001 003 005 100 101 102 103
    104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112
    113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121
    122 123 124 125 );

  DO I = 1 TO 31;
    IF RACE_NI=RACENI(I) THEN SRRACE1=RACENI1(I);
  END;

  IF RACE_NI in(.B,.S) then SRRACE1 = RACE_NI;
end;

/* coding for VOTE2012R variable */
/*****
* VOTE2012R: Collapse yes for tab bar chart
*****/
VOTE2012R=VOTE2012;
If VOTE2012 IN(1 2 3 4 5) then VOTE2012R=2; /* Yes */
Else if VOTE2012 in(6 7) then VOTE2012R=1; /* No */

/* coding for XVOTE1 variable */
/*****
* XVOTE1: Voter Participation Crossing (Yes/No)
* XVOTE2: Voter Participation by In Person/Absentee
* XVOTE3: Voter Participation by Interest
*****/
XVOTE1=VOTEDR;
XVOTE2=XVOTE1;

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IF VOTED in(2 3 4 5) THEN XVOTE2=3;
XVOTE3=XVOTE1;
IF VOTED IN(6 7) AND INTEREST IN (4 5) THEN XVOTE3=1;
ELSE IF VOTED IN(6 7) THEN XVOTE3=2;
ELSE IF VOTED IN(1 2 3 4 5) THEN XVOTE3=3;

/* coding for LEGALRESR variable */
/*****
* LEGALRESR: 10 level US Legal Residence regions
*****/
If      LEGALRES in(8 22 24 32 43 50)      then LEGALRESR = 1; /* New England */
Else If LEGALRES in(33 35 41)              then LEGALRESR = 2; /* Middle Atlantic */
Else If LEGALRES in(16 17 25 38 54)        then LEGALRESR = 3; /* East north Central*/
Else If LEGALRES in(18 19 26 28 30 37 45)  then LEGALRESR = 4; /* West North Central */
Else If LEGALRES in(9 10 11 12 23 36 44 51 53) then LEGALRESR = 5; /* South Atlantic */
Else If LEGALRES in(1 20 27 46)           then LEGALRESR = 6; /* East south Central */
Else If LEGALRES in(4 21 39 47)           then LEGALRESR = 7; /* West south Central */
Else If LEGALRES in(3 7 15 29 31 34 49 55) then LEGALRESR = 8; /* Mountain */
Else If LEGALRES in(2 6 14 40 52)         then LEGALRESR = 9; /* Pacific */
Else If LEGALRES in(5 13 42 48)          then LEGALRESR = 10; /* Territory */
Else LEGALRESR=LEGALRES;

/* coding for LEGALRES2R variable */
/*****
* LEGALRES2R: 10 level US Legal Residence regions
*****/
If      LEGALRES2 in(8 22 24 32 43 50)      then LEGALRES2R = 1; /* New England */
Else If LEGALRES2 in(33 35 41)              then LEGALRES2R = 2; /* Middle Atlantic */
Else If LEGALRES2 in(16 17 25 38 54)        then LEGALRES2R = 3; /* East north Central*/
Else If LEGALRES2 in(18 19 26 28 30 37 45)  then LEGALRES2R = 4; /* West North Central */
Else If LEGALRES2 in(9 10 11 12 23 36 44 51 53) then LEGALRES2R = 5; /* South Atlantic */
Else If LEGALRES2 in(1 20 27 46)           then LEGALRES2R = 6; /* East south Central */
Else If LEGALRES2 in(4 21 39 47)           then LEGALRES2R = 7; /* West south Central */
Else If LEGALRES2 in(3 7 15 29 31 34 49 55) then LEGALRES2R = 8; /* Mountain */
Else If LEGALRES2 in(2 6 14 40 52)         then LEGALRES2R = 9; /* Pacific */
Else If LEGALRES2 in(5 13 42 48)          then LEGALRES2R = 10; /* Territory */
Else LEGALRES2R=LEGALRES2;

/* coding for MOBILITYAR variable */
/*****
* MOBILITYAR-MOBILITYER: Equalize percent responding
* MOBILITYAR2-MOBILITYER2: Collapse into within last year
*****/
array pev10a(*) MOBILITYA  MOBILITYB  MOBILITYC  ;
array pev10b(*) MOBILITYAR  MOBILITYBR  MOBILITYCR ;
array pev10c(*) MOBILITYAR2 MOBILITYBR2 MOBILITYCR2 ;

do i = 1 to dim(pev10a);
    pev10b(i)=pev10a(i);
    if pev10a(i)=99 then pev10b(i)=6;          /* "Does not apply" */

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    else if pev10a(i) in(0) then pev10b(i)=7; /* "Currently deployed" */
    else if pev10a(i) in(1 2) then pev10b(i)=1; /* "Less than 3 months" */
    else if pev10a(i) in(3 4 5) then pev10b(i)=2; /* "3 months to less than 6 months" */
    else if pev10a(i) in(6 7 8) then pev10b(i)=3; /* "6 months to less than 9 months" */
    else if pev10a(i) in(9 10 11) then pev10b(i)=4; /* "9 months to less than 1 year" */
    else if pev10a(i) GE 12 then pev10b(i)=5; /* "1 year or more" */
end;
drop i;
do i = 1 to dim(pev10c);
    pev10c(i)=pev10a(i);
    if pev10a(i) GE 0 and pev10a(i) LT 12 then pev10c(i)=2;
    else if pev10a(i) GE 12 then pev10c(i)=1;
end;
drop I;

/* coding for XMOVE variable */
/*****
* XMOVE: Permanent Change of Station (PCS), deployment longer
* than 30 consecutive days, or deployment to a combat zone or
* an area where you drew imminent danger pay or hostile fire pay;
* Constructed from Q10.
*****/
XMOVE=1;
IF MOBILITYAR2=2 or MOBILITYBR2=2 or MOBILITYCR2=2 THEN XMOVE=2;
IF STATION IN(.B .S .F) THEN XMOVE=STATION;

/* coding for SRGRADER variable */
/*****
* SRGRADER: 5 level paygrade
* Long Form: Survey Self-Report
* Short Form: Record Data
*****/
If SRGRADE in(1 2 3 4 5) then SRGRADER = 1;
Else if SRGRADE in(6 7 8 9) then SRGRADER = 2;
Else if SRGRADE in(11 12 13 14 15) then SRGRADER = 3;
Else if SRGRADE in(21 22 23) then SRGRADER = 4;
Else if SRGRADE in(24 25 26) then SRGRADER = 5;
ELSE SRGRADER = SRGRADE;

IF TREATMENT IN(2 3) and SRGRADE not in(.B .S) THEN SRGRADER=.F;

/* coding for SRRACEAR variable */
/*****
* SRRACEAR-ER SRRACEMR - Not Marked/Marked
* Setting self-report race to missing if none answered
*****/
ARRAY RACA(6) SRRACEa SRRACEb SRRACEc SRRACEd SRRACEe SRRACEm;
ARRAY RETH(6) SRRACEar SRRACEbr SRRACEcr SRRACEdr SRRACEer SRRACEmr;
IF SRRACEa=1 AND SRRACEb=1 AND SRRACEc=1 AND SRRACEd=1 AND SRRACEe=1 THEN DO;
    DO I = 1 TO 5;

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        RACA(I)=.;
    END;
END;
Else IF SRRACEa=2 OR SRRACEb=2 OR SRRACEc=2 OR SRRACEd=2 OR SRRACEe=2 THEN DO;
    DO I = 1 TO 5;
        IF RACA(I)=. THEN RACA(I)=1;
    END;
END;

If sum (of SRRACEA SRRACEB SRRACEC SRRACED SRRACEE) > 6 then SRRACEM = 2;    /* Marked*/
else SRRACEM = 1 ; /* Not Marked*/

if SRRACEA in(.,.B,.S,.F) then SRRACEM=SRRACEA;

Do I = 1 to 6;
    RETH(I)=RACA(I);
end;

/* coding for VOTEPASTAR variable */
/*****
* VOTEPASTAR-BR: Equalize Percent Responding
*****/
array pev5k(*) VOTEPASTA VOTEPASTB ;
array pev5l(*) VOTEPASTAR VOTEPASTBR ;
do i = 1 to dim(pev5k);
    pev5l(i)=pev5k(i);
end;
drop I;
if n(of VOTEPASTA VOTEPASTB ) > 0 then do;
    do i = 1 to dim(pev5k);
        if pev5l(i) = . then pev5l(i)=1;    /* 1 = No */
    end;
end;
drop I;

/* coding for CONFPCAAR variable */
/*****
* CONFPCAAR-CR: Reverse yes/no, set don't know to missing
*****/
array PEV23(*) CONFPCAA CONFPCAB CONFPCAC;
array PEV23R(*) CONFPCAAR CONFPCABR CONFPCACR;
do i = 1 to dim(PEV23);
    PEV23R(i)=PEV23(i);
    if PEV23(i)=1 then PEV23R(i)=2; /* Yes */
    else if PEV23(i)=2 then PEV23R(i)=1; /* No */
    else if PEV23(i)=3 then PEV23R(i)=.;
end;
drop i;

/* coding for REQABSBALR variable */

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/*****
* REQABSBALR: Collapse Yes/No for tab bar chart
*****/
REQABSBALR=REQABSBAL;
IF REQABSBAL in(2 3 4) then REQABSBALR=1;
ELSE IF REQABSBAL in(1) then REQABSBALR=2;

/* coding for REQFPCAR variable */
/*****
* REQFPCAR: Collapse Yes/No for tab bar chart
*****/
REQFPCAR=REQFPCA;
IF REQFPCA in(2 3 4) then REQFPCAR=1;
ELSE IF REQFPCA in(1) then REQFPCAR=2;

/* coding for LEGALRES_C variable */
/*****
* LEGALRES_C: Collapse Q12 and Q13 into one legal residence variable
*****/
LEGALRES_C=LEGALRES;
IF LEGALRES in(.N) and LEGALRES2 not in(. .N .S .B) THEN LEGALRES_C=LEGALRES2;
IF LEGALRES_C=.N then LEGALRES_C=.;

/* coding for FORM variable */
FORM=TREATMENT;
IF TREATMENT=3 then FORM=2;

/* coding for MODE variable */
MODE=TREATMENT;
IF TREATMENT=3 then MODE=1;

/* coding for TREAT variable */
TREAT=TREATMENT;

/* coding for VOTINGRESNR variable */
/*****
* VOTINGRESNR: Construct Percentage 50 Miles or More
*****/
VOTINGRESNR=VOTINGRESN;
IF VOTINGRESN in(2 3 4) THEN VOTINGRESNR=2;

/* coding for AGREEAR variable */
/*****
* AGREEAR-ER: Percentage Agreed
*****/
array PEV558(*) AGREEA AGREEB AGREEC AGREED AGREEE
                AGREEF AGREEG AGREEH AGREEI AGREEJ
                AGREEK AGREEL AGREEM AGREEN ;
array PEV558R(*) AGREEAR AGREEBR AGREECR AGREEDR AGREEER

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AGREEFR AGREEGR AGREEHR AGREEIR AGREEJR
AGREEKR AGREELR AGREEMR AGREENR;

do i = 1 to dim(PEV558);
  PEV558R(i)=PEV558(i);
  if PEV558(i) in(4 5) then PEV558R(i)=2; /* Yes */
  else if PEV558(i) in(1 2 3) then PEV558R(i)=1; /* No */
end;
drop I;

/* coding for AGREEWBAR variable */
/*****
* AGREEWBAR-ER: Percentage Agreed
*****/
array PEV551(*) AGREEWBAR AGREEWBB AGREEWBC AGREEWBD AGREEWBE ;
array PEV551R(*) AGREEWBARR AGREEWBBR AGREEWBCR AGREEWBDR AGREEWBER;
do i = 1 to dim(PEV551);
  PEV551R(i)=PEV551(i);
  if PEV551(i) in(4 5) then PEV551R(i)=2; /* Yes */
  else if PEV551(i) in(1 2 3) then PEV551R(i)=1; /* No */
end;
drop I;

/* coding for FWABUSER variable */
/*****
* FWABUSER: Percentage Aware
*****/
FWABUSER=FWABUSE;
IF FWABUSE in(3) THEN FWABUSER=1;
ELSE IF FWABUSE in(1 2) THEN FWABUSER=2;

/* coding for SEEKAR variable */
/*****
* SEEKAR-DR: Percentage Aware
*****/
array PEV545(*) SEEKA SEEKB SEEKC SEEKD ;
array PEV545R(*) SEEKAR SEEKBR SEEKCR SEEKDR ;
do i = 1 to dim(PEV545);
  PEV545R(i)=PEV545(i);
  if PEV545(i) in(1 2) then PEV545R(i)=2; /* Yes */
  else if PEV545(i) in(3) then PEV545R(i)=1; /* No */
end;
drop I;

/* coding for INTERESTR variable */
/*****
* INTERESTR: Percentage Interested
*****/
INTERESTR=INTEREST;
IF INTEREST in(4 5) THEN INTERESTR=2;
ELSE IF INTEREST in(1 2 3) THEN INTERESTR=1;

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/* coding for FVAPCOMMR variable */
/*****
* FVAPCOMMR: Percentage Prefer More Communication
*****/
FVAPCOMMR=FVAPCOMM;
IF FVAPCOMM in(4 5) THEN FVAPCOMMR=2;
ELSE IF FVAPCOMM in(1 2 3) THEN FVAPCOMMR=1;

/* coding for SATVOTEALLR variable */
/*****
* SATVOTEALLR: Percentage Satisfied
*****/
SATVOTEALLR=SATVOTEALL;
IF SATVOTEALL in(4 5) THEN SATVOTEALLR=2;
ELSE IF SATVOTEALL in(1 2 3) THEN SATVOTEALLR=1;

/* coding for CIVIC2R variable */
/*****
* CIVIC2: Percentage Strongly/Very Strongly
*****/
CIVIC2R=CIVIC2;
IF CIVIC2 in(3 4) THEN CIVIC2R=2;
ELSE IF CIVIC2 in(1 2) THEN CIVIC2R=1;

/* coding for OTHERUSEAR variable */
/*****
* OTHERUSEAR-JR: Percentage Useful/Very Useful
*****/
array PEV556(*) OTHERUSEA OTHERUSEB OTHERUSEC OTHERUSED OTHERUSEE
                OTHERUSEF OTHERUSEG OTHERUSEH OTHERUSEI OTHERUSEJ;
array PEV556R(*) OTHERUSEAR OTHERUSEBR OTHERUSECR OTHERUSED R OTHERUSEER
                OTHERUSEFR OTHERUSEGR OTHERUSEHR OTHERUSEIR OTHERUSEJR;

do i = 1 to dim(PEV556);
    PEV556R(i)=PEV556(i);
    if PEV556(i) in(3 4) then PEV556R(i)=2; /* Yes */
    else if PEV556(i) in(1 2) then PEV556R(i)=1; /* No */
end;
drop i;

/* coding for WHENREGR variable */
/*****
* WHENREGR: Construct percent within last year
*****/
WHENREGR=WHENREG;
IF WHENREG in(3 4) THEN WHENREGR=1;
ELSE IF WHENREG in(1 2) THEN WHENREGR=2;

/* coding for MODULEID variable */
/*****

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* MODULEID: Created from TREATMENT
***** /
MODULEID = TREATMENT;
IF TREATMENT=3 then MODULEID=2;

/* coding for OTHERINFER variable */
/*****
* OTHERINFER: Collapse OTHERINFE-I
***** /
IF TREATMENT IN(1 3) THEN DO;
    OTHERINFER=OTHERINFE;
    IF OTHERINFE=2 or OTHERINFF=2 or OTHERINFG=2 or OTHERINFH=2 or OTHERINFI=2 then OTHERINFER=2;
END;
IF TREATMENT IN(2) THEN DO;
    OTHERINFER=otherinfe_p ;
END;
IF OTHERINFA IN(.B .S) THEN DO;
    OTHERINFER = OTHERINFA;
END;
IF TREATMENT IN(2) and OTHERINFA not in(.B) then do;
    OTHERINFE=.F;
    OTHERINFEU=.F;
END;
IF TREATMENT IN(2) and OTHERINFA in(.B) then do;
    OTHERINFE=.B;
    OTHERINFEU=.B;
    OTHERINFE_P=.B;
    OTHERINFEU_P=.B;
END;

/* coding for HOWVAODNA variable */
/*****
* Create HOWVAODNA_C - None selected
***** /
HOWVAODNA = 1;
IF (HOWVAOA EQ 1 AND HOWVAOB EQ 1 AND HOWVAOC EQ 1) THEN HOWVAODNA = 2;
IF HOWVAOA in(.B .N .S .F) THEN HOWVAODNA=HOWVAOA;
IF HOWVAODNA = 2 THEN DO;
    HOWVAOA = 1;
    HOWVAOB = 1;
    HOWVAOC = 1;
END;

/* coding for OTHERINFDNA variable */
/*****
* OTHERINFDNA - Create OTHERINFJA - None selected
***** /
OTHERINFDNA = 1;
IF (OTHERINFJA=1 AND OTHERINFB=1 AND OTHERINFC=1 AND OTHERINFDD=1 AND OTHERINFER=1 AND OTHERINFJ=1)
THEN OTHERINFDNA = 2;

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IF OTHERINF A in(.B .N .S .F) THEN OTHERINF DNA=OTHERINF A;
IF OTHERINF DNA = 2 THEN DO;
  OTHERINF A = 1;
  OTHERINF B = 1;
  OTHERINF C = 1;
  OTHERINF D = 1;
  OTHERINF E = 1;
  OTHERINF J = 1;
END;

/* coding for WHICHFVADNA variable */
/*****
* Create Q46 - None selected
*****/
WHICHFVADNA = 1;
  IF (WHICHFVAA EQ 1 AND WHICHFVAB EQ 1 AND WHICHFVAC EQ 1) THEN WHICHFVADNA = 2;
  IF WHICHFVAA in(.B .N .S) THEN WHICHFVADNA=WHICHFVAA;
IF WHICHFVADNA = 2 THEN DO;
  WHICHFVAA = 1;
  WHICHFVAB = 1;
  WHICHFVAC = 1;
END;

/* coding for XMARST variable */
/*****
* XMARST: Imputed (CMARITAL) when SRMARST is missing.
*****/
IF TREATMENT=1 THEN DO;
  IF SRMARST in (1 2) THEN XMARST = 2;          /* MARRIED */
  ELSE IF SRMARST in (3 4 5) THEN XMARST = 1;    /* NOT MARRIED */
  IF XMARST = . AND CMARITAL in (2) THEN DO;
    XMARST = 2;
    XMARF = 2; /*Imputed variable flag*/
  END;
  ELSE IF XMARST = . AND CMARITAL in (1) THEN DO;
    XMARST = 1;
    XMARF = 2; /*Imputed variable flag*/
  END;
  ELSE XMARF = 1; /*Not imputed variable flag*/
END;

IF TREATMENT IN(2 3) AND CMARITAL IN(1 2) THEN DO;
  XMARST=CMARITAL;
  XMARF = 2; /*Imputed Variable Flag*/
End;

IF SRMARST IN(.B .S) THEN DO;
  XMARST = SRMARST;
  XMARF = SRMARST;
END;

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/* coding for HOWVAOAR variable */
/*****
* HOWVAOAR-CR: Create copies of mark all vars for release
*****/
array PEV49A  (*) HOWVAOA  HOWVAOB  HOWVAOC ;
array PEV49AR (*) HOWVAOAR HOWVAOBR HOWVAOCR;

do i = 1 to dim(PEV49AR);
    PEV49AR(i)=PEV49A(i);
end;
drop i;

/* coding for OTHERINFAR variable */
/*****
* OTHERINFAR-DR: Create copies of mark all vars for release
*****/
array PEV55A  (*) OTHERINFA  OTHERINFB  OTHERINFC  OTHERINFD  OTHERINFJ ;
array PEV55AR (*) OTHERINFAR OTHERINFBR OTHERINFCR OTHERINFDR OTHERINFJR;

do i = 1 to dim(PEV55AR);
    PEV55AR(i)=PEV55A(i);
end;
drop I;

/* coding for VAORECAR variable */
/*****
* VAORECAR-DR: Create copies of mark all vars for release
*****/
array PEV50A  (*) VAORECA  VAORECB  VAORECC  VAORECD  VAORECE ;
array PEV50AR (*) VAORECAR VAORECBR VAORECCR VAORECDR VAORECER;

do i = 1 to dim(PEV50AR);
    PEV50AR(i)=PEV50A(i);
end;
drop I;

/* coding for WHICHFVAAR variable */
/*****
* WHICHFVAAR-CR: Create copies of mark all vars for release
*****/
array PEV46A  (*) WHICHFVAA  WHICHFVAB  WHICHFVAC ;
array PEV46AR (*) WHICHFVAAR WHICHFVABR WHICHFVACR;

do i = 1 to dim(PEV46AR);
    PEV46AR(i)=PEV46A(i);
end;
drop I;

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Appendix J.
Crosswalk of Questionnaire Items

2014	Question	Subitem	2012	2010	2008
1 ---	Were you on active duty on November 4, 2014?	---	~1	~1	~1
2 ---	Were you a U.S. citizen?	---	4	8	9
3 ---	What was your age?	---	5	9	10
4 ---	What was your paygrade?	---	6	4	4
5 ---	What was your marital status?	---	7	5	5
6 ---	Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?	---	8	6	6
7 a	What is your race? Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.	White	9	7	7
7 b	What is your race? Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.	Black or African American	9	7	7
7 c	What is your race? Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.	American Indian or Alaska Native	9	7	7
7 d	What is your race? Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.	Asian (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, or Vietnamese)	9	7	7
7 e	What is your race? Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (e.g., Samoan, Guamanian, or Chamorro)	9	7	7
8 ---	Where were you located?	---	10	~10	~12
8 spo	Please select the overseas country in which you were located. If located on board a ship, please select where the ship was located.	---	10	~10	~12
9 ---	How long had you been located in this country?	---	11	~11	~13
10 a	Please enter the number of months since you last experienced each of the following. If currently deployed, enter "0" for the applicable item. If you have not experienced the item in the last 24 months, please enter "99" for that item.	Permanent Change of Station (PCS)	~78		
10 b	Please enter the number of months since you last experienced each of the following.	Deployment longer than 30 consecutive days	~78		
10 c	Please enter the number of months since you last experienced each of the following.	Deployment to a combat zone or an area where you drew imminent danger pay or hostile fire pay	~12		
11 ---	Were you registered to vote in the United States?	---	15	14	11
12 ---	Where were you registered to vote (i.e., the location of your designated polling place)? Please select the U.S. State, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession where you were registered to vote for the November 4, 2014, election.	---	~13	~12	~15
13 ---	Where would you have registered to vote if you had chosen to do so (i.e., where your designated polling place would be located)? Please select the U.S. State, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession where you would have registered for the November 4, 2014, election.	---	~13	~12	~15
14 ---	You indicated you were registered to vote in [Q12 RESPONSE]. Is this your...	---			
14 spo	Please describe where you were registered to vote.	---			
15 ---	Approximately how far did you live from where you were registered to vote? If you were not registered to vote, select how far you lived from your legal voting residence.	---	~14	~13	
16 ---	When did you last update your voter registration information (e.g., address, party affiliation)? Mark one.	---			
17 ---	Did you request an absentee ballot? Mark one.	---	17	~24	~21
18 ---	In what month did you first request your absentee ballot? Mark one.	---	18	~25	~22
19 ---	Were you aware that you could use the FPCA to register to vote and request an absentee ballot?	---	~16	~15	
20 ---	Did you use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to request your absentee ballot or did you use another method?	---	19	34	23
20 spo	Please specify your other method.	---	19	34	23
21 ---	How did you obtain your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? Mark one.	---	20	35	24
21 spo	Please specify the other source from which you obtained your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA).	---	20	35	24
22 ---	How did you complete and return your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? Mark one.	---	31	39	
23 a	Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... Mark one answer for each row.	Received?	23	40	
23 b	Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... Mark one answer for each row.	Rejected?	23	40	

2014	Question	Subitem	2012	2010	2008
23 c	Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... Mark one answer for each row.	Accepted?	23	40	
24 ---	Did you receive your regular absentee ballot?	---	24	~26	~26
25 ---	How did you obtain your regular absentee ballot? Mark one.	---	25/26	~27	
25 spo	Please specify the other means used to obtain your regular absentee ballot.	---	25	~27	
26 ---	When did you receive your regular absentee ballot?	---	27	~28	~27
27 ---	Did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?	---	28	~29	~28
28 ---	How did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?	---	29	~30	
28 spo	Please specify the other means used to return your regular absentee ballot.	---	29	~30	
29 ---	When did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot?	---	30	~31	~29
30 ---	Taking all things into consideration, how satisfied were you with the overall absentee voting process?	---	32	~32	
31 a	During the past 6 years, did you usually vote in... Mark one answer for each item.	Political party primary elections?	~38	~18	
31 b	During the past 6 years, did you usually vote in... Mark one answer for each item.	Federal general elections?	~38	~18	
32 ---	How interested or uninterested were you in the election?	---	36	16	16
33 ---	During the months leading up to the election, did you ever plan to vote in that election, or didn't you plan to vote? Mark one.	---	39	19	18
34 ---	In the election held on November 4, 2014, did you definitely vote in person on election day, definitely complete an absentee ballot by mail, e-mail, fax, or online on or before November 4, 2014, definitely not vote, or are you not completely sure whether you voted in that election? Mark one.	---	40	20	19
35 ---	What was the MAIN REASON you did not vote in the election? Mark one.	---			
36 ---	Which of the following best describes why you did not vote in the election? Mark one.	---	~41	~21/ ~22	~20
36 spo	Please specify why you did not vote in the election.	---	~41	~21/ ~22	~20
37 a	Was this your first time... Mark one answer for each item. If you did not try to vote or try to vote absentee in the election, mark "Does not apply."	Voting or trying to vote in an election?			
37 b	Was this your first time... Mark one answer for each item. If you did not try to vote or try to vote absentee in the election, mark "Does not apply."	Voting or trying to vote absentee in an election?			
38 ---	Did you use the FWAB?	---	42/43	42	30
39 ---	How did you obtain your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?	---	44/45	43	31
39 spo	Please specify the other source from which you obtained your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB).	---	44	43	31
40 ---	When did you complete and return your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?	---	48	47	32
41 ---	What was the MAIN REASON you used the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? Mark one.	---			
41 spo	Please specify the MAIN REASON you used the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB).	---			
42 ---	What is the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? Mark one.	---	49	48	33
42 spo	Please specify the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-in Absentee (FWAB) ballot.	---	49	48	33
43 ---	How about you -- did you vote in that election?	---	77	82	55
44 ---	In preparation for the November 4, 2014, election, did you need any information or assistance (e.g., information on deadlines, how to request an absentee ballot)?	---			
45 a	Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? Mark one answer for each item.	FVAP			
45 b	Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? Mark one answer for each item.	Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs)	50	51	34
45 c	Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? Mark one answer for each item.	Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices	54	55	
45 d	Did you seek voting information or assistance from any of the following? Mark one answer for each item.	Other			

2014	Question	Subitem	2012	2010	2008
45 spo	Please specify the other resource you used for voting information or assistance.	---			
46 a	Please indicate which FVAP products or services you used for voting assistance. Mark all that apply.	FVAP.gov	58	60	38
46 b	Please indicate which FVAP products or services you used for voting assistance. Mark all that apply.	FVAP staff support	~68	~70	~47
46 c	Please indicate which FVAP products or services you used for voting assistance. Mark all that apply.	FVAP online assistant tool			
47 a1	For each item, please indicate which resource you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark all that apply. [Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs), Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices, or Did not need this type of information/assistance]	Determining my eligibility to vote	~52/ 56	~53/ 57	~35
47 b1	For each item, please indicate which resource you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark all that apply. [Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs), Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices, or Did not need this type of information/assistance]	Understanding the absentee voting process	~52/ 56	~53/ 57	~35
47 c1	For each item, please indicate which resource you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark all that apply. [Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs), Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices, or Did not need this type of information/assistance]	Assistance with the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) (e.g., obtaining, completing, or submitting the FPCA)	~52/ 56	~53/ 57	~35
47 d1	For each item, please indicate which resource you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark all that apply. [Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs), Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices, or Did not need this type of information/assistance]	Assistance with the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) (e.g., obtaining, completing, or submitting the FWAB)	~52/ 56	~53/ 57	~35
47 e1	For each item, please indicate which resource you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark all that apply. [Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs), Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices, or Did not need this type of information/assistance]	Finding information on deadlines	~52/ 56	~53/ 57	~35
47 f1	For each item, please indicate which resource you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark all that apply. [Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs), Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices, or Did not need this type of information/assistance]	Electronic transmission of election materials (e.g., faxing, e-mailing)	~52/ 56	~53/ 57	~35
47 g1	For each item, please indicate which resource you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark all that apply. [Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs), Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices, or Did not need this type of information/assistance]	Assistance with websites (e.g., Federal, State, local)	~52/ 56	~53/ 57	~35
47 h1	For each item, please indicate which resource you used to try to find this information or assistance. Mark all that apply. [Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs), Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices, or Did not need this type of information/assistance]	Some other voting information or assistance	~52/ 56	~53/ 57	~35
48 a	Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? Mark one answer for each item.	Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)			
48 b	Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? Mark one answer for each item.	Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs)	~51	~52	~36
48 c	Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? Mark one answer for each item.	Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Offices	~55	~56	
48 d	Were you successful in receiving the voting information or assistance you needed from each of the following? Mark one answer for each item.	Other			
48 spo	Please describe where else you sought voting information or assistance.	---			
49 a	How did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office provide the voting information or assistance you needed? Mark all that apply.	Assistance with the completion of voting forms (e.g., Federal Post Card Application [FPCA], Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot [FWAB])			
49 b	How did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office provide the voting information or assistance you needed? Mark all that apply.	Provided information about upcoming elections (e.g., deadlines, hard copy forms)			

2014	Question	Subitem	2012	2010	2008
49 c	How did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office provide the voting information or assistance you needed? Mark all that apply.	Directed me to other voting resources (e.g., FVAP.gov)			
50 a	Which other voting resource(s) did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office recommend you use to find the voting information or assistance you needed? Mark all that apply.	FVAP.gov			
50 b	Which other voting resource(s) did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office recommend you use to find the voting information or assistance you needed? Mark all that apply.	Service-specific website			
50 c	Which other voting resource(s) did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office recommend you use to find the voting information or assistance you needed? Mark all that apply.	Other website(s) (e.g. Overseas Vote Foundation [OVF], State website)			
50 d	Which other voting resource(s) did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office recommend you use to find the voting information or assistance you needed? Mark all that apply.	2013-14 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)			
50 e	Which other voting resource(s) did the Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) or Installation Voter Assistance (IVA) Office recommend you use to find the voting information or assistance you needed? Mark all that apply.	Other			
51 a	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item.	State voting and related instructions were clear and easy to understand.	60	62	
51 b	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item.	Contact information was easy to find.	60	62	
51 c	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item.	Search feature met my needs.	60	62	
51 d	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item.	I was able to find what I needed quickly and easily.	60	62	
51 e	How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about FVAP.gov? Mark one answer for each item.	I was able to find the materials and forms I needed to vote.	60	62	
52 ---	In preparation for the 2014 primaries and General Election, how many times did you visit FVAP.gov? Mark one.	---	61	63	39
53 ---	What was the MAIN REASON you did not seek voting information or assistance? Mark one.	---	~57/ 62	~54/ 58	~37
54 a	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.	Registering to vote			
54 b	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.	Requesting an absentee ballot			
54 c	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.	Using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to register and request an absentee ballot			
54 d	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.	Receiving/getting an absentee ballot			
54 e	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.	Completing an absentee ballot			
54 f	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.	Returning an absentee ballot			
54 g	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.	Using the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB)			
54 h	Using the scale below, evaluate your knowledge in each of the following aspects of voting. Mark one answer for each item.	Knowing key absentee ballot deadlines			
55 a	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	Periodic FVAP e-mail reminders about upcoming elections			
55 b	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	FVAP on Twitter	~71	~74	
55 c	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	FVAP on Facebook	~71	~74	
55 d	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	Voting Assistance Officer (VAO) outreach (e.g., announcements during formation, voter outreach events, information on bulletin boards, social media)	~71	~74	
55 e	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	FVAP brochures			
55 f	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	FVAP election dates handouts			
55 g	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	FVAP fact sheets/one-pagers			

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55 h	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	FVAP voting posters			
55 i	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	FVAP wallet cards			
55 j	Did you see or receive any of the following? Mark all that apply.	Voting-specific public service announcements (PSAs)			
56 a	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item.	Periodic FVAP e-mail reminders about upcoming elections			
56 b	Please rate the usefulness of each of the following in providing you information or assistance. Mark one answer for each item.	FVAP on Twitter			
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57 ---	Would you prefer more or less communication from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) to better understand the absentee voting process?	---			
58 a	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	I cared about the issues in the election.			
58 b	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	I cared about which candidates would win the election.			
58 c	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	Voting is an effective way to express my opinion on the issues in the election.			
58 d	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	Voting is an effective way to express my opinion on which candidates should win the election.			
58 e	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	If others (e.g., military members, family, or friends) found out I did not vote in the election, I would be embarrassed.			
58 f	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	If other military members found out I did not vote in this election, I would feel ashamed.			
58 g	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	Others (e.g., military members, family, or friends) are likely to know whether or not I voted in the election.			
58 h	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	It is not appropriate for members of the military to vote.			
58 i	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	I was confident that my ballot would be counted.			
58 j	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	It was easy to get in-person voting assistance at my installation.			
58 k	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	I knew exactly who at my installation to ask questions about voting materials, ballot requests, or other voting-related issues.			
58 l	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	I had questions related to the voting process but could not get a hold of someone who could answer them.			

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58	m	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	Seeking in-person assistance at my installation was a waste of time because I received conflicting or inaccurate information.			
58	n	Thinking about the most recent election, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? Mark one answer for each item.	Printed voting materials were easily accessible at my installation when I needed them.			
59	---	For you personally, voting is first and foremost...	---			
60	---	How strongly do you feel personally that voting is a civic duty?	---			
61	---	What is the highest degree or level of school that you have completed? Mark the one answer that describes the highest grade or degree that you have completed.	---	79		
62	---	Thank you for participating in the survey. There are no more questions on this survey. If you have comments or concerns that you were not able to express in answering this survey, please enter them in the space provided. Your comments will be viewed and considered as policy deliberations take place. Your feedback is useful and appreciated.	---	80	86	

