

2007-08 7-State Muslim American Public Opinion Survey (MAPOS) – Codebook

1. In general, how closely would you say you followed news about the candidates and initiatives in the 06/08 election?

1 Very closely 2 Somewhat closely 3 Not too closely 4 Not at all

2. What general issues were most important to you during the recent 2006/08 election?

[You may select two]

1 Education	7 Jobs/Economy
2 War in Iraq	8 Ethics in government
3 National security	9 Illegal immigration
4 The environment	10 Health care
5 Gas prices	11 Taxes
6 War on Terrorism	12 None of the above

3. In the contest for Congress/Senate/Governor, even if you did not vote, which candidate did you support?

1 Republican candidate 2 Democratic candidate 3 Other

4. In general, how closely would you say you follow news about current events and politics in the Middle East?

1 Very closely 2 Somewhat closely 3 Not too closely 4 Not at all

5. In view of the developments since the U.S. first sent troops to Iraq, do you think sending troops to Iraq was:

1 A mistake 2 The right decision 3 Don't know

6. Which is not a month in the Islamic calendar?

1 Rabi al-thalith 2 Rajab 3 Shawwal 4 Sha'ban (Note: response 1 is the correct answer)

7. Do you think things here in [STATE] are generally:

1 Going in the right direction 2 Seriously off on the wrong track 3 Don't know

8. Would you describe the state of your own personal finances these days as:

1 Very secure 2 Fairly secure 3 Fairly shaky 4 Very shaky

9. Regarding policy on illegal immigration, do you favor:

1 Deportation 2 Temporary guest worker program 3 No change in policy 4 Pathway to earned citizenship

10. [ONLY IN WASHINGTON & MICHIGAN] Did the immigration rallies last Spring give you a positive or negative image of Mexican immigrants in the US?

1 Definitely positive 2 Somewhat positive 3 No difference 4 Somewhat negative 5 Definitely negative

10_B. [ALL STATES EXCEPT WA & MI] Do you think Islamic centers and mosques help Muslims integrate into US Society, or keep them more isolated?

1 Very much integrate 2 Somewhat integrate 3 Somewhat isolate 4 Very much isolate

11. Do you think what happens to Muslims in this country will affect what happens in your life?

1 Yes, a lot 2 Yes, a little 3 No

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12. How much do you think you have in common with other Muslims living in the United States?

1 A great deal 2 A fair amount 3 Only a little 4 Nothing

13. How important is it for Muslims to change so that they blend into the larger society as in the idea of a melting pot?

1 Very important 2 Somewhat important 3 Not too important 4 Not at all important

14. Excluding Salah and Jumah prayer, how involved are you in the activities at the mosque?

1 Very involved 2 Somewhat involved 3 Not too involved 4 Not at all involved

15. [ONLY IN WASHINGTON & MICHIGAN] Do you think political leaders in the U.S. mention religious faith and prayer

1 Too much 2 Too little 3 Right amount 4 Don't know

15_B. [ALL STATES EXCEPT WA & MI] How would you primarily identify yourself?

1 By my nationality/home country 2 As a Muslim 3 As an American 4 American and something else

16. Do you think the new security measures at U.S. airports are targeted at Muslims or to all Americans equally?

1 Targeted at Muslims 2 All Americans equally

17. As a Muslim living in the U.S., do you think Islamic teachings are compatible with participation in the American political system?

1 Yes, very much 2 Yes, somewhat 3 Only a little 4 Not at all

18. Which political party currently controls the U.S. Senate?

1 Republican 2 Democrat 3 Both 4 Neither

19. Which political party controls the State Legislature?

1 Republican 2 Democrat 3 Both 4 Neither

20. [ONLY IN WASHINGTON & MICHIGAN] Over the past few months, did anyone contact you and ask you to register or vote in the election last November?

1 Yes 2 No 3 Can't remember

20_B. [ALL STATES EXCEPT WA & MI] Do you think mosques here in the United States provide a welcoming environment for both men and women?

1 Yes 2 Somewhat 3 No

21. Generally speaking, when it comes to government programs, do you favor a smaller government with fewer services, or larger government with many services?

1 Smaller 2 Larger 3 Don't know

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22. During 2006/08, did you participate in any of these activities?

		Yes	No
22_1	Community meeting	1	0
22_2	Rally or protest	1	0
22_3	Write letter to public official	1	0
22_4	Donation to political candidate/campaign	1	0
22_5	Vote in November 2006/08	1	0
22_6	Attended activity at Mosque (excluding prayer)	1	0
22_7	Sadakah to a Muslim individual/organization	1	0

23. Do you think discrimination against immigrants is much of a problem in today's society?

1 Yes, very much **2** Yes, somewhat **3** Not really

24. [ONLY IN WASHINGTON & MICHIGAN] Some states in the US want to require voters to provide several forms of identification before they vote. If your state were to make this requirement, which types of identification would you be able to provide today?

		Yes	No
24_1	Drivers license	1	0
24_2	U.S. Passport	1	0
24_3	Bank statement	1	0
24_4	Original birth certificate	1	0
24_5	Utility bill	1	0
24_6	State ID card	1	0
24_7	Naturalization card	1	0
24_8	Property tax statement	1	0

24. [ALL STATES EXCEPT WA & MI]

In general, are....	Muslim	Both	non-Muslim
24_A Your close friends	1	2	3
24_B People you work with	1	2	3
24_C People you live around	1	2	3
24_D Other people in your family	1	2	3

25. What is your race or ethnicity?

1 White, Anglo **2** Latino, Hispanic **3** Asian American
4 Black, African American **5** Arab **6** Other

26. If you know, to what country do you trace your ancestry?

1 Lebanon **2** Egypt **3** Syria **4** Sudan **5** Ethiopia **6** Somalia **7** Iran
8 America **9** Palestine **10** Iraq **11** Jordan **12** Europe **13** Morocco **14** India
15 Pakistan **16** Turkey **17** Other

27. What is your gender? **1** Male **2** Female

27_B. [ALL STATES EXCEPT WA & MI] Do you wear Hijab or any other "Islamic" clothing or dress outside of the mosque?

1 Yes **2** No

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28. What is your age group? **1** 18 – 29 **2** 30 – 44
 3 45 – 65 **4** Over 65

29. Where were you born? **1** United States
 2 Another country

30. How about your parents, where were they born?

1 Both born in U.S. **2** Both born in another country **3** Only 1 born in U.S. **4** Don't know

31. Are you currently a U.S. citizen? **1** Yes **2** No

32. What was your total combined household income last year before taxes?

1 Less than \$20,000 **2** \$20,000 to \$39,999 **3** \$40,000 to \$59,999
4 \$60,000 to \$79,999 **5** \$80,000 to \$100,000 **6** More than \$100,000

33. What is the highest level of education you completed?

1 Less than High School **2** High School graduate
3 Some College/Technical School **4** College graduate **5** Graduate school

34. Do you consider yourself to be: [OPTIONAL]

1 Sunni **2** Shi'ite **3** Wahhabi **4** Sufi **5** Secular Muslim **6** Other Muslim **7** Non-Muslim

35. How much do you follow the Qu'ran and Hadith in your daily life?

1 Very much **2** Somewhat **3** Only a little **4** Not at all

36. Which political party are you most closely affiliated with?

1 Democratic **2** Republican **3** Independent **4** Other **5** None

37. How would you describe your political ideology or beliefs?

1 Very liberal **2** Somewhat liberal **3** Moderate **4** Somewhat conservative **5** Very conservative

38. Do you currently own or rent your home?

1 Own **2** Rent **3** Neither

39. How long have you lived in [STATE/COUNTY]?

1 Less than 5 years **2** 5 to 10 years **3** 11 to 20 years **4** 20 to 40 years **5** More than 40 years

40. What language do you speak at home with your family?

1 Mostly English **2** Mostly another language **3** Mix of both

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