

**User's Guide and Codebook
Michigan Public Policy Survey (MPPS)**

**Michigan Public Policy Survey Restricted Use Datasets:
Spring 2009 Data**

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ABOUT THE DATASET:

Title: Michigan Public Policy Survey Restricted Use Datasets: Spring 2009 Data

Responses: 1,558 total surveys from 1,204 distinct local jurisdictions

Sample: census survey of 3,490 top elected and top appointed officials from all 1,856 Michigan counties, cities, villages, and townships

Field period: April 23 – June 29, 2009

Response rate: 65% by jurisdiction; 45% by individual respondent

Dataset Version: Version 2

Dataset Release Date: May 1, 2017

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Michigan Public Policy Survey (MPPS) is a program of state-wide surveys of local government leaders in Michigan. The MPPS is administered online and via hard copy questionnaire and takes place twice each year, in spring and fall. Each wave investigates local officials' opinions and perspectives on a variety of important public policy issues. Respondents for the MPPS include county administrators and board chairs, mayors and city managers, village presidents and managers, and township supervisors, clerks, and managers from every general-purpose unit of government across the state.

SURVEY WAVE CONTENT:

The Spring 2009 MPPS wave focused on fiscal, budgetary and operational issues, as well as economic development issues. Additional batteries of questions focused on intergovernmental cooperation, trust in federal, state, and other local governments, land-use planning, and the federal stimulus package.

WEIGHTS AND DATA ANALYSIS:

The Spring 2009 dataset includes two separate weights—one for individual-level and one for jurisdiction-level analyses—that should be used to account for nonresponse at the individual and jurisdictional levels.

MISSING DATA:

Missing data in the Spring 2009 dataset can reflect two distinct types of missing data: questions that a respondent chose to not answer (refused), and questions that were not asked due to skip patterns in the data (not applicable). Skip patterns are indicated where applicable in this codebook.

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CONTACT INFORMATION:

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For the benefit of users of MPPS data, we have prepared this guide to the design, methods, and content of the Spring 2009 wave of the survey. Please address questions or comments to:

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DATA COLLECTION OVERVIEW:

Sample:

The sample for the Spring 2009 MPPS included on average two officials from each of the local general purpose units of government (83 counties, 275 cities, 258 villages, and 1,240 townships) in the state of Michigan. The sample frame included, where the position existed and was not vacant, the top elected and top appointed official in each jurisdiction. For counties, this consisted of county administrators and board chairs; for cities, mayors and city managers; for villages, village presidents and managers. Townships are a special case, in that, typically, their governing officials are all elected. Therefore, in townships, both the elected supervisors and the elected clerks were administered surveys, as well as the few appointed township managers.

Sample frame:

	<i>Elected Officials</i>	<i>Appointed Officials</i>	<i>Total</i>
Counties (83)	83	63	146
Townships (1240)	2,478	38	2,516
Cities (275)	273	231	504
Villages (258)	243	81	324
<i>Total (1856)</i>	<i>3,077</i>	<i>413</i>	<i>3,490</i>

Method:

The Spring 2009 MPPS was administered via two modes. For those officials for whom an email address could be identified, an email invitation was sent containing a url link to the survey instrument online. For those officials for whom no email address was available, hard copy questionnaires were mailed out in the week prior to the launch of the survey via USPS, scheduled for delivery during the first week of field period.

Survey administration:

	<i>Electronically</i>	<i>Via hardcopy</i>	<i>Total</i>
Surveys sent	2,342	1,113	3,490
Responses in database	1,297	261	1,558
Responses in public use dataset	1,014	190	1,204

Field dates, recontacts to non-respondents, and partial completes:

Respondents received initial email invitations and hard copy questionnaires during the week of April 23, 2009. Non-respondents with valid email addresses were recontacted each Monday of field period by email to urge them to participate. Respondents with invalid addresses were subsequently mailed hard copy questionnaires. County non-respondents were also recontacted with a reminder via telephone. Non-respondents who had been originally sent a hard copy questionnaire and for whom a fax number was available were sent another questionnaire by fax. Field period closed on June 29. Partially-completed ("partials") surveys captured by the online survey software are included in the dataset if respondents completed through Q6.

Data anomalies:

Known data anomalies are noted at the appropriate variable in the codebook below. If you notice possible undocumented errors in the dataset, we would appreciate an email to "closup-mpps@umich.edu" describing the problem so that we can research and address it.

ISSUES OF RESPONDENT CONFIDENTIALITY:

The MPPS program pledges to all of its respondents that all survey answers will remain confidential, meaning that researchers will not link survey responses to individual respondents or jurisdictions in any publications or public analysis of the data. Thus, users of the MPPS datasets should publish statistical summary information that does not permit the identification, either directly or inferentially, of any individual person, official position, or local jurisdiction.

Any intentional identification of a research subject (whether an individual or a jurisdiction) or unauthorized disclosure of his or her confidential information violates the promise of confidentiality given to the providers of the information. Therefore, users of data agree:

To use these datasets solely for research or statistical purposes and not for investigation of specific research subjects.

To make no use of the identity of any research subject discovered inadvertently, and to advise CLOSUP of any such discovery (closup-mpps@umich.edu).

Merging your data with MPPS Data

CLOSUP recognizes that there is significant research value in being able to link external datasets to the MPPS data. However, to protect respondent and jurisdiction confidentiality, direct geographic identifiers are not available in the MPPS datasets. Users who are interested in merging their own geographically-keyed datasets to MPPS datasets should contact CLOSUP (closup@umich.edu) to apply to have wave_id added to the researcher's dataset, in order to enable links between datasets. CLOSUP will review all applications and determine whether providing the key would pose an unacceptable risk to confidentiality. If your application is approved, you will send your dataset to CLOSUP, the wave key will be merged onto the dataset and replace any existing geographic ID variables, and you can upload this new dataset to the VDE following openICPSR's policies.

LIST OF VARIABLES:

<u>Variable Name</u>	<u>Variable Label</u>
respondent_id	Unique ID for each case
master_id	Longitudinal Jurisdiction ID
wave_id	Single-wave Jurisdiction ID
idcompleted	Completion status
source	Hardcopies/online completes/partial
idstart	ID.start
idend	ID.end
idtime	ID.time
iddate	ID.date
idenddate	ID.endDate
jtype	Jurisdiction Type
samp_juris	Identifies unique survey responses for each jurisdiction
snap_elec_app	Elected or appointed to position
snap_pos	Position held-numeric
q2a	Most important problem
q2b	Second most important problem
q2c	Third most important problem
q3	During the next twelve months, business conditions will be...
q4a	Ability of govt to meet fin. needs this year
q4b	Ability of govt to meet fin. needs next year
q5a	Changes in revenue from property taxes...
q5b	Changes in revenue from fees, licenses, transfers...
q5c	Changes in revenue from local income taxes...
q5d	Changes in amount of federal aid...
q5e	Changes in amount of state aid...
q5f	Changes in population...
q5g	Changes in public safety needs...
q5h	Changes in infrastructure needs...
q5i	Changes in human service needs...
q5j	Changes in employee wages and salaries...
q5k	Changes in cost of employee pensions...
q5l	Changes in cost of current employee health benefits...
q5m	Changes in cost of retired employee health benefits...
q6a	Jurisdiction's property tax rates...
q6b	Jurisdiction's charges for fees, licenses, etc...
q6c	Jurisdiction's reliance on general fund balance or rainy day funds...
q6d	Jurisdiction's amount of services provided...
q6e	Jurisdiction's amount of debt...
q6f	Jurisdiction's privatizing or contracting out services...
q6g	Jurisdiction's number/scope of interlocal agreements or cost sharing plans...
q6h	Jurisdiction's workforce hiring...
q6i	Jurisdiction's workforce layoffs...
q6j	Jurisdiction not filling vacant positions...
q6k	Jurisdiction's actual infrastructure spending...
q6l	Jurisdiction's actual public safety spending...
q6m	Jurisdiction's funding for economic development programs...
q7a	Public participation in budget setting: Public forums
q7b	Public participation in budget setting: Budget public hearings

q7c Public participation in budget setting: Special sessions of board/council
q7d Public participation in budget setting: Regular sessions of board/council
q7e Public participation in budget setting: Individual contacts
q7f Public participation in budget setting: Citizen surveys
q7g Public participation in budget setting: None
q7h Public participation in budget setting: Don't know
q7i Public participation in budget setting: Other
q7j Public participation in budget setting: Other-specify
q7_count Public participation in budget setting: Number of ways selected
q8 Unique approaches toward balancing the budget
q9a Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Availability of land
q9b Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Cost of land
q9c Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Availability of buildings
q9d Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Information technology infrastructure
q9e Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Traditional infrastructure
q9f Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Availability of appropriate workforce
q9g Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Cost of labor
q9h Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Presence of major employers
q9i Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Entrepreneurial culture
q9j Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Availability of capital/funding
q9k Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Tax rates
q9l Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Distance to major markets
q9m Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Permitting processes
q9n Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Environmental regulations
q9o Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Citizen inputs
q9p Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Impact of change in population
q9q Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Cost of housing
q9r Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: K-12 education system
q9t Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Vocational and higher education system
q9u Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Recreational facilities
q9v Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Arts/cultural programs
q9w Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Traffic congestion
q10a Attract/retain businesses: Local or regional business incubator
q10b Attract/retain businesses: Econ. dev. agency
q10c Attract/retain businesses: Tax abatements
q10d Attract/retain businesses: Infrastructure upgrades
q10e Attract/retain businesses: Workforce development programs
q10f Attract/retain businesses: Child care programs
q10g Attract/retain businesses: Tourism promotion
q10h Attract/retain businesses: Surveys of local businesses
q10i Attract/retain businesses: Marketing campaign
q10j Attract/retain businesses: Partnering with other nongov org(s)
q10k Attract/retain businesses: Partnering with other local governments
q10l Attract/retain businesses: Special zoning districts
q10m Attract/retain businesses: None
q10n Attract/retain businesses: Don't know
q10o Attract/retain businesses: Other
q10p Attract/retain businesses: Other-specify
q10_count Attract/retain businesses: number of strategies selected
q11a Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Retail
q11b Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Manufacturing
q11c Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Small business
q11d Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Finance

q11e Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Arts/culture (other than film)
q11f Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Film industry
q11g Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Tourism/hospitality
q11h Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Education
q11i Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Health care
q11j Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Life sciences
q11k Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Energy
q11l Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Forestry and agriculture
q11m Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Technology/telecommunications
q11n Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Warehousing/distribution
q11o Focus of econ. dev. efforts: None
q11p Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Don't know
q11q Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Other
q11r Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Other-specify
q11_count Focus of econ. dev. efforts: number of sectors selected
q12 Any placemaking programs or projects for econ. dev.
q13 Please describe placemaking projects
q14 Confident that placemaking can be an effective econ. dev. strategy?
q15a Needed for econ. dev.: Financing
q15b Needed for econ. dev.: Information about econ. dev. best practices
q15c Needed for econ. dev.: Help assessing assets/opportunities for econ. dev.
q15d Needed for econ. dev.: Strategic planning help
q15e Needed for econ. dev.: Information about state, federal, or private grants
q15f Needed for econ. dev.: Grant writing help
q15g Needed for econ. dev.: Help improving the capacity of local development org(s)
q15h Needed for econ. dev.: None
q15i Needed for econ. dev.: Don't know
q15j Needed for econ. dev.: Other
q15k Needed for econ. dev.: Other-specify
q16 Unique approaches toward econ. dev.
q17 Trust in the federal government
q18 Trust in the state government
q19 Trust in other local governments
q20a Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Land use planning
q20b Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Transportation/public transit
q20c Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Police services
q20d Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Fire services
q20e Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Utilities/water/waste
q20f Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Parks/recreation/libraries/culture
q20g Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Econ. dev.
q20h Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Emergency preparedness
q20_notatall Types of intergovernmental/regional efforts where juris is not at all involved
q20_somewhat Types of intergovernmental/regional efforts where juris is somewhat involved
q20_very Types of intergovernmental/regional efforts where juris is very involved
q21a Land use planning: Partnerships/joint planning with neighboring communities
q21b Land use planning: Participation in a council of governments within county
q21c Land use planning: Participation in county-led planning efforts

q21d	Land use planning: Participation in a multi-county council of governments
q21e	Land use planning: None of the above
q21f	Land use planning: Don't know what your community is involved in
q21_count	Regional land use planning involvement: Number of items selected
q22	Do you think involvement in regional land use planning efforts is...?
q23	In a new regional land use planning effort, which has the capacity?
q24	What are the largest barriers to regional land use planning in your region?
q25	How informed about the opportunities available through the stimulus package?
q26	Portion of the total requested stimulus funding approved for your jurisdiction
q26_new	Portion of the total requested stimulus funding approved for your juris - Recode
q27	Portion of the projects you would have undertaken even without stimulus funding
q28	Stimulus package will significantly improve the econ. conditions in your economy
q29	Why the stimulus package will/not improve your community's economic conditions
q30	Outside of stimulus, most important things policymakers do to help jurisdiction
q33	Gender
age_category	Respondent's age
tenure	Respondent's time in office
q36	Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent?
q37a	Race: White
q37b	Race: Black or African American
q37c	Race: American Indian or Alaskan Native
q37d	Race: Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
q37e	Race: Asian
q37f	Race: Multiracial
q37g	Race: Other
q37h	Race: Don't Know
q38	Highest level of education
q39	Political affiliation
q40	Strength of political affiliation
q41	As an Independent, which party are you closer to?
region	MI regions
juris_rr	Jurisdiction-level Response Rate
juris_wgt	Jurisdiction-level Weight
ind_rr	Individual-level Response Rate
ind_wgt	Individual-level Weight
pop_density	Population Density
partyid	7-point partisanship scale
threpty	3-point partisanship scale
pop_township	Population Category: Township
pop_city	Population Category: City
pop_village	Population Category: Village
pop_county	Population Category: County

FULL VARIABLE TEXT AND FREQUENCIES:

respondent_id
Unique ID for each case

type: numeric (int)

range: [1,1590] units: 1
unique values: 1,558 missing .: 0/1,558

mean: 793.338
std. dev: 459.276

percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	158	396	795.5	1191	1432

CODEBOOK NOTE: respondent_id is a unique identifier for each MPPS respondent. It varies between datasets, and cannot be used to link datasets from multiple waves.

master_id
Longitudinal Jurisdiction ID

type: numeric (int)

range: [1,2000] units: 1
unique values: 1,204 missing .: 0/1,558

mean: 1010.6
std. dev: 573.803

percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	214	527	1004.5	1512	1805

CODEBOOK NOTE: master_id is an anonymized jurisdiction-level identifier that allows datasets to be linked across multiple waves of the MPPS at the jurisdiction level. Datasets cannot be linked at the individual respondent level. Users should be aware that master_id is linked to a unique combination of fips code and jurisdiction type, so when a jurisdiction type changes (for example, when a village incorporates into a city), the master_id for that jurisdiction also changes.

wave_id
Single-wave Jurisdiction ID

type: numeric (int)

range: [1,1204] units: 1
unique values: 1,204 missing .: 0/1,558

mean: 602.599
std. dev: 349.057

percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	121	299	603.5	904	1082

CODEBOOK NOTE: wave_id is an anonymized jurisdiction-level identifier which can be used to link external data files with geographic IDs to MPPS datasets. Unlike master_id, wave_id is randomized for every wave of the MPPS, so it does not allow datasets to be linked across years. CLOSUP recognizes that there is significant research value in being able to link external datasets to the MPPS data. However, to protect respondent and jurisdiction confidentiality, direct geographic identifiers are not available in the MPPS datasets. Users who are interested in merging their own geographically-keyed datasets to MPPS datasets should contact CLOSUP (closup@umich.edu) to apply to have wave_id added to the researcher's dataset, in order to enable links between datasets.

idcompleted
Completion status

type:	numeric (byte)		
label:	completepart		
range:	[0,1]	units:	1
unique values:	2	missing .:	0/1,558
tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	103	0	Partial
	1,455	1	Complete

CODEBOOK NOTE: The Spring 2009 database includes partial surveys by respondents who answered at least up to Q6 on the survey instrument.

source
Hardcopies/online completes/partials

type:	numeric (byte)		
label:	source3		
range:	[1,3]	units:	1
unique values:	3	missing .:	0/1,558
tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	261	1	Hard Copy
	1,194	2	Online Complete
	103	3	Online Partial

idstart
ID.start

type:	string (str8)
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unique values: 1,524

missing "": 0/1,558

CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable indicates time at which respondent started survey online

idend
ID.end

type: string (str8)

unique values: 1,443

missing "": 0/1,558

CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable indicates time at which respondent submitted survey online or at which an unfinished "partial" response was closed.

idtime
ID.time

type: numeric (float)

range: [1.92,49975.3]

units: .01

unique values: 1,239

missing .: 0/1,558

mean: 854.465

std. dev: 4691.13

percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	8.52	14.5	22.8	37.48	74.02

CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable indicates length of time (in minutes) respondent took to complete survey online

iddate
ID.date

type: string (str9)

unique values: 63

missing "": 0/1,558

CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable indicates date on which respondent started survey online

idenddate
ID.endDate

type: string (str9)

unique values: 63

missing "": 0/1,558

CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable indicates date on which respondent submitted survey online or on which an unfinished "partial" response was closed.

jtype
Jurisdiction Type

type: numeric (byte)
label: jurisdiction
range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	60	1	County
	1,095	2	Township
	274	3	City
	129	4	Village

samp_juris Identifies unique
survey responses for each jurisdiction

type: numeric (byte)
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Value
	354	0
	1,204	1

CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable designates one survey response as representative for each individual jurisdiction:

- If there is a single response from the jurisdiction, samp_juris = 1
- If there are two (or more) responses from the jurisdiction where only one is complete (either hardcopy or online), the complete response is coded as samp_juris = 1, the other(s) coded as samp_juris = 0
- If two (or more) complete responses from jurisdiction, the one from the appointed official (or clerk, if it's a township) is coded as samp_juris = 1, the other(s) coded as samp_juris = 0
- If two (or more) complete responses from jurisdiction but none are appointed (or clerk), then the top elected (or supervisor, if it's a township) is coded as samp_juris = 1, the other(s) coded as samp_juris = 0

snap_elec_app
Elected or appointed to position

type: numeric (byte)

label: elec_app
 range: [1,2] units: 1
 unique values: 2 missing .: 1/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,284	1	Elected
	273	2	Appointed
	1	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable designates whether respondent is an elected or appointed official. Elected officials include Chairs of County Commission, County Executives, Mayors, Village Presidents, Township Supervisors, Township Clerks, self-identified "Other" elected; Appointed officials include County Administrators/Controllers, City Administrators/Managers/Superintendents, Village Managers/Superintendents, Township Managers/Superintendents, self-identified "Other" appointed.

snap_pos
 Position held--numeric

type: numeric (byte)
 range: [1,7] units: 1
 unique values: 7 missing .: 2/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Value
	52	1
	146	2
	165	3
	93	4
	533	5
	540	6
	27	7
	2	.

CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable designates what position respondent holds.

- Elected officials:
- 1 - Chair of County Commission
 - 2 - County Executive
 - 3 - Mayor
 - 4 - Village President
 - 5 - Township Supervisor
 - 6 - Township Clerk
 - 7 - Other

- Appointed officials:
- 1 - County Administrator/Controller
 - 2 - City Administrator/Manager/Superintendent
 - 3 - Village Manager/Superintendent
 - 4 - Township Manager/Superintendent
 - 5 - Other

q2a
Most important problem

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What would you say are the three most important problems facing your community today?

type: string (str231)
unique values: 1016 missing "": 42/1558

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable does not appear in the Stata dataset, because some versions of Stata do not support long string variables. Responses to q2a are available in the excel file MPPS_2009_spring_data_OPENS-REDACTED.xlsx, and can be linked back to the original data using the variable respondent_id, as well as the ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, and ID.end variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q2b
Second most important problem

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What would you say are the three most important problems facing your community today?

type: string (str244)
unique values: 1135 missing "": 109/1558

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable does not appear in the Stata dataset, because some versions of Stata do not support long string variables. Responses to q2b are available in the excel file MPPS_2009_spring_data_OPENS-REDACTED.xlsx, and can be linked back to the original data using the variable respondent_id, as well as the ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, and ID.end variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q2c
Third most important problem

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What would you say are the three most important problems facing your community today?

type: string (str244)
unique values: 1089 missing "": 282/1558

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable does not appear in the Stata dataset, because some versions of Stata do not support long string variables. Responses to q2c are available in the excel file MPPS_2009_spring_data_OPENS-REDACTED.xlsx, and can be linked back to the original data using the variable respondent_id, as well as the ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, and ID.end variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q3
During the next twelve months, business conditions will be...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, turning to business conditions in your community, do you think that during the next twelve months your community will have good times financially, or bad times financially?

type: numeric (byte)
label: business
range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 24/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	91	1	Good Times
	899	2	Bad Times
	332	3	Neither
	212	4	Don't Know
	24	.	

q4a
Ability of govt to meet fin. needs this year

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Thinking about the financial needs of your jurisdiction, would you say that your unit of government is less able or better able to meet its financial needs in... this fiscal year compared to the last fiscal year?

type: numeric (byte)
label: ability
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 6/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	149	1	Significantly Less
	673	2	Somewhat Less
	535	3	Neither
	140	4	Somewhat Better
	35	5	Significantly Better
	20	6	Don't Know
	6	.	

q4b
Ability of govt to meet fin. needs next year

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Thinking about the financial needs of your jurisdiction, would you say that your unit of government is less able or better able to meet its financial needs in... the next fiscal year compared to this fiscal year?

type: numeric (byte)
label: ability
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing : 43/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	326	1	Significantly Less
	630	2	Somewhat Less
	322	3	Neither
	101	4	Somewhat Better
	26	5	Significantly Better
	110	6	Don't Know
	43	.	

q5a
Changes in revenue from property taxes...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Revenue from property taxes

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing : 29/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	98	1	Greatly Decreased
	648	2	Somewhat Decreased
	331	3	No Change
	425	4	Somewhat Increased
	3	5	Greatly Increased
	24	6	Don't Know
	29	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q5b
Changes in revenue from fees, licenses, transfers...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether -

- in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Revenue from fees for services, licenses, transfers, etc.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 112/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	181	1	Greatly Decreased
	633	2	Somewhat Decreased
	484	3	No Change
	96	4	Somewhat Increased
	1	5	Greatly Increased
	51	6	Don't Know
	112	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q5c
Changes in revenue from local income taxes...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Revenue from local income taxes

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 562/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	40	1	Greatly Decreased
	285	2	Somewhat Decreased
	454	3	No Change
	31	4	Somewhat Increased
	186	6	Don't Know
	562	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q5d
Changes in amount of federal aid...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Amount of federal aid to your jurisdiction

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 321/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	93	1	Greatly Decreased
	348	2	Somewhat Decreased
	490	3	No Change
	98	4	Somewhat Increased
	26	5	Greatly Increased
	182	6	Don't Know
	321	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q5e
Changes in amount of state aid...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Amount of state aid to your jurisdiction

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 93/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	221	1	Greatly Decreased
	789	2	Somewhat Decreased
	335	3	No Change
	36	4	Somewhat Increased
	7	5	Greatly Increased
	77	6	Don't Know
	93	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q5f
Changes in population...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.)
Population of your jurisdiction

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 27/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	23	1	Greatly Decreased
	558	2	Somewhat Decreased
	670	3	No Change
	227	4	Somewhat Increased
	5	5	Greatly Increased
	48	6	Don't Know
	27	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q5g
Changes in public safety needs...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Public safety needs

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 85/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	22	1	Greatly Decreased
	103	2	Somewhat Decreased
	790	3	No Change
	493	4	Somewhat Increased
	46	5	Greatly Increased
	19	6	Don't Know
	85	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q5h
Changes in infrastructure needs...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.)
Infrastructure needs

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 94/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	40	1	Greatly Decreased
	119	2	Somewhat Decreased
	446	3	No Change
	576	4	Somewhat Increased
	248	5	Greatly Increased
	35	6	Don't Know
	94	.	.

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q5i
Changes in human service needs...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Human service needs

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 187/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	20	1	Greatly Decreased
	84	2	Somewhat Decreased
	593	3	No Change
	488	4	Somewhat Increased
	137	5	Greatly Increased
	49	6	Don't Know
	187	.	.

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

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q5l
Changes in cost of current employee health benefits...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Cost of current employee health benefits

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 322/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	13	1	Greatly Decreased
	71	2	Somewhat Decreased
	396	3	No Change
	442	4	Somewhat Increased
	242	5	Greatly Increased
	72	6	Don't Know
	322	.	.

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q5m
Changes in cost of retired employee health benefits...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to its previous fiscal year, please consider the ways the following items have changed. Indicate whether - in your opinion -- there has been a decrease, an increase, or no change from the previous fiscal year. (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Cost of retired employee health benefits

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 462/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	12	1	Greatly Decreased
	32	2	Somewhat Decreased
	552	3	No Change

256	4	Somewhat Increased
140	5	Greatly Increased
104	6	Don't Know
462	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6a
Jurisdiction's property tax rates...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Property tax rates

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type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk

range: [1,6]                units: 1
unique values: 6             missing .: 56/1,558

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tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	33	1	Greatly Decrease
	250	2	Somewhat Decrease
	887	3	No Change
	269	4	Somewhat Increase
	2	5	Greatly Increase
	61	6	Don't Know
	56	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6b
Jurisdiction's charges for fees, licenses, etc...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Charges for fees, licenses, etc.

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type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk

range: [1,6]                units: 1
unique values: 6             missing .: 112/1,558

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tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	17	1	Greatly Decrease
	95	2	Somewhat Decrease
	917	3	No Change
	364	4	Somewhat Increase
	3	5	Greatly Increase
	50	6	Don't Know
	112	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6c
Jurisdiction's reliance on general fund balance or rainy day funds...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Reliance on ending balance or reserve (rainy day funds)

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 74/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	23	1	Greatly Decrease
	131	2	Somewhat Decrease
	635	3	No Change
	541	4	Somewhat Increase
	102	5	Greatly Increase
	52	6	Don't Know
	74	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6d
Jurisdiction's amount of services provided...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Amount of services provided

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 55/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	10	1	Greatly Decrease
	339	2	Somewhat Decrease
	993	3	No Change
	131	4	Somewhat Increase
	10	5	Greatly Increase
	20	6	Don't Know
	55	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6e
Jurisdiction's amount of debt...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Amount of debt

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 130/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	8	1	Greatly Decrease
	160	2	Somewhat Decrease
	921	3	No Change
	243	4	Somewhat Increase
	51	5	Greatly Increase
	45	6	Don't Know
	130	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6f
Jurisdiction's privatizing or contracting out services...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Privatizing or contracting out of services

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 168/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	3	1	Greatly Decrease
	52	2	Somewhat Decrease
	1,038	3	No Change
	215	4	Somewhat Increase
	16	5	Greatly Increase
	66	6	Don't Know
	168	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6g
Jurisdiction's number/scope of interlocal agreements or cost sharing plans...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Number and/or scope of interlocal agreements or other cost-sharing plans with other governments

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 132/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1	1	Greatly Decrease
	25	2	Somewhat Decrease
	820	3	No Change
	452	4	Somewhat Increase
	33	5	Greatly Increase
	95	6	Don't Know
	132	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6h
Jurisdiction's workforce hiring...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Your jurisdiction's workforce hiring

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 91/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	71	1	Greatly Decrease
	257	2	Somewhat Decrease
	1,077	3	No Change
	40	4	Somewhat Increase
	22	6	Don't Know
	91	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6i

Jurisdiction's workforce layoffs...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Your jurisdiction's workforce layoffs

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 154/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Greatly Decrease
	24	2	Somewhat Decrease
	1,157	3	No Change
	160	4	Somewhat Increase
	17	5	Greatly Increase
	44	6	Don't Know
	154	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6j
Your Jurisdiction not filling vacant positions...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. jurisdiction not filling vacant positions

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 200/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	12	1	Greatly Decrease
	27	2	Somewhat Decrease
	958	3	No Change
	248	4	Somewhat Increase
	61	5	Greatly Increase
	52	6	Don't Know
	200	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6k
Jurisdiction's actual infrastructure spending...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Actual infrastructure spending

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 113/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	72	1	Greatly Decrease
	353	2	Somewhat Decrease
	527	3	No Change
	374	4	Somewhat Increase
	61	5	Greatly Increase
	58	6	Don't Know
	113	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6l
Jurisdiction's actual public safety spending...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Actual public safety spending

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 137/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	21	1	Greatly Decrease
	228	2	Somewhat Decrease
	719	3	No Change
	368	4	Somewhat Increase
	22	5	Greatly Increase
	63	6	Don't Know
	137	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q6m
Jurisdiction's funding for economic development programs...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking about the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take. Funding for economic development programs

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison_dk
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 247/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	59	1	Greatly Decrease
	154	2	Somewhat Decrease
	797	3	No Change
	196	4	Somewhat Increase
	13	5	Greatly Increase
	92	6	Don't Know
	247	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In 2009 and 2010, this longitudinal question included only 6 response options. In subsequent survey waves, a seventh option "Not applicable" was included.

q7a
Public participation in budget setting: Public forums

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) Public forums (sometimes called "town hall meetings")

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,285	0	Not Selected
	273	1	Selected

q7b
Public participation in budget setting: Budget public hearings

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) Budget public hearings

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	580	0	Not Selected
	978	1	Selected

q7c
Public participation in budget setting: Special sessions of the board/council

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) Special sessions of the board or council

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,117	0	Not Selected
	441	1	Selected

q7d
Public participation in budget setting: Regular sessions of board/council

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) Regular sessions of board or council

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	918	0	Not Selected
	640	1	Selected

q7e
Public participation in budget setting: Individual contacts

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) Individual contacts to local government officials

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,177	0	Not Selected

381 1 Selected

q7f

Public participation in budget setting: Citizen surveys

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) Citizen surveys

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,440	0	Not Selected
	118	1	Selected

q7g

Public participation in budget setting: None

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) None - citizens don't participate in any significant way

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,170	0	Not Selected
	388	1	Selected

q7h

Public participation in budget setting: Don't know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) Don't know

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,551	0	Not Selected

7 1 Selected

q7i
Public participation in budget setting: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) Other

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,509	0	Not Selected
	49	1	Selected

q7j
Public participation in budget setting: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply) Other-specify

type: string (str244)

unique values: 63 missing "": 1491/1558

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable does not appear in the Stata dataset, because some versions of Stata do not support long string variables. Responses to q7j are available in the excel file MPPS_2009_spring_data_OPENS-REDACTED.xlsx, and can be linked back to the original data using the variable respondent_id, as well as the ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, and ID.end variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q7_count
Public participation in budget setting: Number of ways selected

type: numeric (float)
label: count, but 7 nonmissing values are not labeled

range: [0,99] units: 1
unique values: 9 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	417	0	None selected
	300	1	
	297	2	
	281	3	

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156      4
  82      5
  17      6
   1      7
   7      99 Don't Know selected

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CODEBOOK NOTE: q7_count is a count of the number of items selected in q7a-q7f and q7i. q7_count=99 "Don't Know selected" if q7h=1. Otherwise, if q7g=1 or no items were selected in q7a-q7i, q7_count=0 "None selected".

q8
Unique approaches toward balancing the budget

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are there any particularly unique or innovative approaches your jurisdiction has taken toward balancing the budget in the last few years or has planned for the next few years?

type: string (str244)

unique values: 743 missing "": 668/1558

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable does not appear in the Stata dataset, because some versions of Stata do not support long string variables. Responses to q8 are available in the excel file MPPS_2009_spring_data_OPENS-REDACTED.xlsx, and can be linked back to the original data using the variable respondent_id, as well as the ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, and ID.end variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q9a
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Availability of land

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Availability of land

type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 191/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	106	1	A Significant Barrier
	186	2	Somewhat of a Barrier
	404	3	Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
	384	4	Somewhat of an Asset
	254	5	A Significant Asset
	33	6	Don't Know
	191	.	.


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type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 309/1,558
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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             131      1 A Significant Barrier
             295      2 Somewhat of a Barrier
             445      3 Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
             213      4 Somewhat of an Asset
              80      5 A Significant Asset
              85      6 Don't Know
             309      .
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q9e

Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Traditional infrastructure

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Traditional infrastructure(roads, bridges, water/sewer, etc.)

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type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 198/1,558
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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             177      1 A Significant Barrier
             428      2 Somewhat of a Barrier
             315      3 Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
             272      4 Somewhat of an Asset
             141      5 A Significant Asset
              27      6 Don't Know
             198      .
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q9f

Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Availability of appropriate workforce

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Availability of appropriate workforce

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type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 260/1,558
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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             33      1 A Significant Barrier
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154	2	Somewhat of a Barrier
497	3	Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
368	4	Somewhat of an Asset
203	5	A Significant Asset
43	6	Don't Know
260	.	

q9g

Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Cost of labor

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Cost of labor

type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 270/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	31	1	A Significant Barrier
	200	2	Somewhat of a Barrier
	566	3	Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
	331	4	Somewhat of an Asset
	101	5	A Significant Asset
	59	6	Don't Know
	270	.	

q9h

Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Presence of major employers

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Presence of major employers

type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 270/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	319	1	A Significant Barrier
	330	2	Somewhat of a Barrier
	362	3	Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
	150	4	Somewhat of an Asset
	80	5	A Significant Asset
	47	6	Don't Know
	270	.	


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type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 224/1,558
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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              79          1 A Significant Barrier
              394         2 Somewhat of a Barrier
              487         3 Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
              256         4 Somewhat of an Asset
              80          5 A Significant Asset
              38          6 Don't Know
              224          .
```

q9l
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Distance to major markets

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Distance to major markets

```
type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 230/1,558
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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              152         1 A Significant Barrier
              432         2 Somewhat of a Barrier
              359         3 Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
              242         4 Somewhat of an Asset
              119         5 A Significant Asset
              24          6 Don't Know
              230          .
```

q9m
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Permitting processes

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Permitting process(es)

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type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 262/1,558
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```
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
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51	1	A Significant Barrier
186	2	Somewhat of a Barrier
710	3	Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
220	4	Somewhat of an Asset
88	5	A Significant Asset
41	6	Don't Know
262	.	

q9n
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Environmental regulations

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Environmental regulations

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: asset_barrier

      range: [1,6]                units: 1
unique values: 6                  missing .: 260/1,558

```

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	139	1	A Significant Barrier
	380	2	Somewhat of a Barrier
	608	3	Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
	93	4	Somewhat of an Asset
	24	5	A Significant Asset
	54	6	Don't Know
	260	.	

q9o
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Citizen inputs

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Citizen inputs

```

      type: numeric (byte)
      label: asset_barrier

      range: [1,6]                units: 1
unique values: 6                  missing .: 231/1,558

```

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	25	1	A Significant Barrier
	176	2	Somewhat of a Barrier
	695	3	Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
	300	4	Somewhat of an Asset
	95	5	A Significant Asset
	36	6	Don't Know
	231	.	

q9p
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Impact of change in population

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Impact of change in population

type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 248/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	42	1	A Significant Barrier
	261	2	Somewhat of a Barrier
	821	3	Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
	104	4	Somewhat of an Asset
	16	5	A Significant Asset
	66	6	Don't Know
	248	.	

q9q
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Cost of housing

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Cost of housing

type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 200/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	51	1	A Significant Barrier
	235	2	Somewhat of a Barrier
	449	3	Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
	473	4	Somewhat of an Asset
	119	5	A Significant Asset
	31	6	Don't Know
	200	.	

q9r
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: K-12 education system

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) K-12 education system

```
type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 196/1,558
```

```
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             35         1 A Significant Barrier
             128        2 Somewhat of a Barrier
             283        3 Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
             442        4 Somewhat of an Asset
             449        5 A Significant Asset
             25         6 Don't Know
             196        .
```

q9t

Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Vocational and higher education system

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Vocational and higher education system

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type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 260/1,558
```

```
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             41         1 A Significant Barrier
             178        2 Somewhat of a Barrier
             382        3 Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
             381        4 Somewhat of an Asset
             275        5 A Significant Asset
             41         6 Don't Know
             260        .
```

q9u

Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Recreational facilities

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Recreational facilities

```
type: numeric (byte)
label: asset_barrier

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 220/1,558
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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             44         1 A Significant Barrier
             175        2 Somewhat of a Barrier
```

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305      3  Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
445      4  Somewhat of an Asset
345      5  A Significant Asset
  24      6  Don't Know
220      .

```

q9v
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Arts/cultural programs

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Arts/cultural programs

```

      type: numeric (byte)
      label: asset_barrier

      range: [1,6]                units: 1
unique values: 6                  missing .: 300/1,558

```

```

tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              72     1       A Significant Barrier
              269    2       Somewhat of a Barrier
              442    3       Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
              290    4       Somewhat of an Asset
              135    5       A Significant Asset
              50     6       Don't Know
              300    .

```

q9w
Asset/Barrier to econ. dev.: Traffic congestion

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.) Traffic congestion

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: asset_barrier

      range: [1,6]                units: 1
unique values: 6                  missing .: 244/1,558

```

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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              18     1       A Significant Barrier
              124    2       Somewhat of a Barrier
              654    3       Neither a Barrier nor an Asset
              252    4       Somewhat of an Asset
              234    5       A Significant Asset
              32     6       Don't Know
              244    .

```

q10a
Attract/retain businesses: Local or regional business incubator

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Local or regional business incubator

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,396	0	Not Selected
	162	1	Selected

q10b
Attract/retain businesses: Econ. dev. agency

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Economic development agency

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,007	0	Not Selected
	551	1	Selected

q10c
Attract/retain businesses: Tax abatements

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Tax abatements

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	880	0	Not Selected
	678	1	Selected

q10d
Attract/retain businesses: Infrastructure upgrades

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Infrastructure upgrades

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,147	0	Not Selected
	411	1	Selected

q10e
Attract/retain businesses: Workforce development programs

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Workforce development programs

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,363	0	Not Selected
	195	1	Selected

q10f
Attract/retain businesses: Child care programs

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Child care programs

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,509	0	Not Selected
	49	1	Selected

q10g
Attract/retain businesses: Tourism promotion

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Tourism promotion

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,180	0	Not Selected
	378	1	Selected

q10h
Attract/retain businesses: Surveys of local businesses

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Surveys of local businesses

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,339	0	Not Selected
	219	1	Selected

q10i
Attract/retain businesses: Marketing campaign

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Marketing campaign

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,323	0	Not Selected
	235	1	Selected

q10j
Attract/retain businesses: Partnering with other nongov org(s)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Partnering with other nongovernmental organizations

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,168	0	Not Selected
	390	1	Selected

q10k
Attract/retain businesses: Partnering with other local governments

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Partnering with other local governments

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	937	0	Not Selected
	621	1	Selected

q10l
Attract/retain businesses: Special zoning districts

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Special zoning districts

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,088	0	Not Selected
	470	1	Selected

q10m
Attract/retain businesses: None

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) None

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,256	0	Not Selected
	302	1	Selected

q10n
Attract/retain businesses: Don't know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Don't know

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,507	0	Not Selected
	51	1	Selected

q10o
Attract/retain businesses: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Other

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,510	0	Not Selected
	48	1	Selected

q10p
Attract/retain businesses: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply) Other-specify

type: string (str244)

unique values: 65

missing "": 1491/1558

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q10_count

Attract/retain businesses: number of strategies selected

type: numeric (float)

label: count, but 13 nonmissing values are not labeled

range: [0,99]

units: 1

unique values: 15

missing .: 0/1,1558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	395	0	None selected
	221	1	
	194	2	
	165	3	
	134	4	
	115	5	
	81	6	
	64	7	
	57	8	
	35	9	
	26	10	
	14	11	
	5	12	
	1	13	
	51	99	Don't Know selected

CODEBOOK NOTE: q10_count is a count of the number of items selected in q10a-q10l and q10o. q10_count=99 "Don't Know" if q10n=1. Otherwise, if q10m=1 or no items were selected in q10a-q10o, q10_count=0 "None selected".

q11a

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Retail

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Retail

type: numeric (byte)

label: selected

range: [0,1]

units: 1

unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,095	0	Not Selected
	463	1	Selected

q11b

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Manufacturing

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Manufacturing

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,082	0	Not Selected
	476	1	Selected

q11c

F Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Small business

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Small business

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	866	0	Not Selected
	692	1	Selected

q11d

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Finance

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Finance

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              1,459      0  Not Selected
              99        1  Selected
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q11e

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Arts/culture (other than the film)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Arts/culture (other than the film industry)

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      type:  numeric (byte)
      label:  selected

      range:  [0,1]                units:  1
unique values: 2                    missing  .:  0/1,558
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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              1,402      0  Not Selected
              156       1  Selected
```

q11f

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Film industry

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Film industry

```
      type:  numeric (byte)
      label:  selected

      range:  [0,1]                units:  1
unique values: 2                    missing  .:  0/1,558
```

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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              1,454      0  Not Selected
              104       1  Selected
```

q11g

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Tourism/hospitality

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Tourism/hospitality

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      type:  numeric (byte)
      label:  selected

      range:  [0,1]                units:  1
unique values: 2                    missing  .:  0/1,558
```

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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              1,145      0  Not Selected
```

413 1 Selected

q11h
Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Education

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Education

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,358	0	Not Selected
	200	1	Selected

q11i
Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Health care

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Health care

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,328	0	Not Selected
	230	1	Selected

q11j
Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Life sciences

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Life sciences

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,493	0	Not Selected
	65	1	Selected

q11k

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Energy

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Energy

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,324	0	Not Selected
	234	1	Selected

q11l

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Forestry and agriculture

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Forestry and agriculture

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,208	0	Not Selected
	350	1	Selected

q11m

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Technology/telecommunications

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Technology/telecommunications

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,366	0	Not Selected
	192	1	Selected

q11n

Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Warehousing/distribution

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Warehousing/distribution

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,378	0	Not Selected
	180	1	Selected

q11o
Focus of econ. dev. efforts: None

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) None

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,260	0	Not Selected
	298	1	Selected

q11p
Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Don't know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Don't know

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,480	0	Not Selected
	78	1	Selected

q11q
Focus of econ. dev. efforts: efforts: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Other

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,505 0 Not Selected
53 1 Selected

q11r
Focus of econ. dev. efforts: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply) Other-specify

type: string (str244)

unique values: 62 missing "": 1491/1558

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q11_count
Focus of econ. dev. efforts: number of sectors selected

type: numeric (float)
label: count, but 14 nonmissing values are not labeled

range: [0,99] units: 1
unique values: 16 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
434 0 None selected
212 1
198 2
188 3
122 4
109 5
77 6
43 7
33 8
20 9
20 10
10 11

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1      12
9      13
4      14
78     99 Don't Know selected
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CODEBOOK NOTE: q11_count is a count of the number of items selected in q11a-q11n and q11q. q11_count=99 "Don't Know" if q11p=1. Otherwise, if q11o=1 or no items were selected in q11a-q11q, q11_count=0 "None selected".

q12
Any placemaking programs or projects for econ. dev.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is your unit of government currently engaged in any placemaking programs or projects for economic development purposes?

```
type: numeric (byte)
label: y_n_dk

range: [1,3]          units: 1
unique values: 3      missing.: 54/1,558
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tabulation: Freq.   Numeric  Label
             371     1      Yes
             976     2      No
             157     3      Don't Know
             54      .
```

q13
Please describe placemaking projects

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please describe your jurisdiction's placemaking projects.

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type: string (str244)

unique values: 318      missing "": 1240/1558
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q14
Confident that placemaking can be an effective econ. dev. strategy?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Regardless of whether you have any placemaking projects underway, how confident are you that placemaking can be an effective economic development strategy for your jurisdiction?

type: numeric (byte)
label: confident
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 80/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	86	1	Not at all Confident
	94	2	Somewhat Unconfident
	422	3	Neither Confident nor Unconfident
	436	4	Somewhat Confident
	173	5	Completely Confident
	267	6	Don't Know
	80	.	

q15a
Needed for econ. dev.: Financing

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) Financing

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	873	0	Not Selected
	685	1	Selected

q15b
Needed for econ. dev.: Information about econ. dev. best practices

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) Information about economic development best practices

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,157	0	Not Selected
	401	1	Selected

q15c
Needed for econ. dev.: Help assessing assets/opportunities for econ. dev.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) Assistance in assessing community assets/opportunities for economic development

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,074	0	Not Selected
	484	1	Selected

q15d
Needed for econ. dev.: Strategic planning help

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) Strategic planning assistance

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,137	0	Not Selected
	421	1	Selected

q15e
Needed for econ. dev.: Information about state, federal, or private grants

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) Information about state, federal, or private grants

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	728	0	Not Selected
	830	1	Selected

q15f

Needed for econ. dev.: Grant writing help

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) Grant writing assistance

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	776	0	Not Selected
	782	1	Selected

q15g

Needed for econ. dev.: Help improving the capacity of local development org(s)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) Help improving the capacity of local development org(s) Assistance in improving the capacity of local economic development organization(s)

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,205	0	Not Selected
	353	1	Selected

q15h

Needed for econ. dev.: None

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) None

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,451	0	Not Selected
	107	1	Selected

q15i
Needed for econ. dev.: Don't know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) : Don't know

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    type: numeric (byte)
    label: selected

    range: [0,1]
unique values: 2                               units: 1
                                                missing .: 0/1,558

    tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                1,426       0   Not Selected
                132        1   Selected

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q15j
Needed for econ. dev.: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) Other

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    type: numeric (byte)
    label: selected

    range: [0,1]
unique values: 2                               units: 1
                                                missing .: 0/1,558

    tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                1,503       0   Not Selected
                 55        1   Selected

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q15k
Needed for econ. dev.: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply) Other-specify

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    type: string (str244)

unique values: 77                               missing "": 1481/1558

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from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q16
Unique approaches toward econ. dev.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are there any particularly unique or innovative approaches your jurisdiction has taken toward economic development in the last few years or has planned for the next few years?

type: string (str244)

unique values: 422

missing " ": 1004/1558

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable does not appear in the Stata dataset, because some versions of Stata do not support long string variables. Responses to q16 are available in the excel file MPPS_2009_spring_data_OPENS-REDACTED.xlsx, and can be linked back to the original data using the variable respondent_id, as well as the ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, and ID.end variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q17
Trust in the federal government

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: How much of the time do you think you can trust the federal government in Washington to do what is right?

type: numeric (byte)
label: frequency

range: [1,6]

units: 1

unique values: 6

missing .: 59/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	7	1	Nearly Always
	139	2	Most of the Time
	640	3	Some of the Time
	436	4	Seldom
	248	5	Almost Never
	29	6	Don't Know
	59	.	

q18
Trust in the state government

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: How much of the time do you think you can trust the state government in Lansing to do what is right?

type: numeric (byte)
label: frequency

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 58/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	5	1	Nearly Always
	126	2	Most of the Time
	621	3	Some of the Time
	466	4	Seldom
	252	5	Almost Never
	30	6	Don't Know
	58	.	

q19
Trust in other local governments

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: How much of the time do you think you can trust other local governments to do what is right?

type: numeric (byte)
label: frequency

range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 53/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	171	1	Nearly Always
	820	2	Most of the Time
	428	3	Some of the Time
	50	4	Seldom
	15	5	Almost Never
	21	6	Don't Know
	53	.	

q20a
Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Land use planning

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following types of intergovernmental or regional efforts? Land use planning

type: numeric (byte)
label: involved

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 240/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	429	1	Not Involved at All
	606	2	Somewhat Involved
	238	3	Very Involved
	45	4	Don't Know
	240	.	

q20b

Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Transportation/public transit

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following types of intergovernmental or regional efforts? Transportation/public transit

type: numeric (byte)
label: involved

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 306/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	622	1	Not Involved at All
	429	2	Somewhat Involved
	158	3	Very Involved
	43	4	Don't Know
	306	.	

q20c

Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Police services

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following types of intergovernmental or regional efforts? Police services

type: numeric (byte)
label: involved

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 260/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	446	1	Not Involved at All
	486	2	Somewhat Involved
	339	3	Very Involved
	27	4	Don't Know
	260	.	

q20d

Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Fire services

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following types of intergovernmental or regional efforts? Fire services

type: numeric (byte)
label: involved

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 107/1,558

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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              130      1  Not Involved at All
              425      2  Somewhat Involved
              885      3  Very Involved
               11      4  Don't Know
              107      .

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q20e

Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Utilities/water/waste

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following types of intergovernmental or regional efforts? Utilities/water/waste

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      type:  numeric (byte)
      label:  involved

      range:  [1,4]                units:  1
unique values:  4                missing .:  262/1,558

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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              430      1  Not Involved at All
              400      2  Somewhat Involved
              432      3  Very Involved
               34      4  Don't Know
              262      .

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q20f

Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Parks/recreation/libraries/culture

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following types of intergovernmental or regional efforts? Parks/recreation/libraries/culture

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      type:  numeric (byte)
      label:  involved

      range:  [1,4]                units:  1
unique values:  4                missing .:  235/1,558

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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              319      1  Not Involved at All
              609      2  Somewhat Involved
              369      3  Very Involved
               26      4  Don't Know
              235      .

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q20g

Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Econ. dev.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following types of intergovernmental or regional efforts? Economic development

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type: numeric (byte)
label: involved

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 275/1,558
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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             431      1 Not Involved at All
             538      2 Somewhat Involved
             251      3 Very Involved
             63       4 Don't Know
             275      .
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q20h
Intergovernmental/regional efforts?: Emergency preparedness

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following types of intergovernmental or regional efforts? Emergency preparedness

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type: numeric (byte)
label: involved

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 176/1,558
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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             151      1 Not Involved at All
             652      2 Somewhat Involved
             541      3 Very Involved
             38       4 Don't Know
             176      .
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q20_notatall
Types of intergovernmental/regional efforts where juris is not at all involved

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type: numeric (float)
label: count8, but 7 nonmissing values are not labeled

range: [0,8] units: 1
unique values: 9 missing .: 0/1,558
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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             590      0 No types of efforts selected
             246      1
             218      2
             159      3
             124      4
             97       5
             74       6
             26       7
             24       8 8 types of efforts selected
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CODEBOOK NOTE: CLOSUP recoded q20a-q20h into three variables, q20_notatall, q20_somewhat, and q20_very. q20_notatall is a count of the number of items in q20a-q20h where the respondent selected 1 "Not Involved At All".

q20_somewhat

Types of intergovernmental/regional efforts where juris is somewhat involved

type: numeric (float)
label: count8, but 7 nonmissing values are not labeled

range: [0,8] units: 1
unique values: 9 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	251	0	No types of efforts selected
	216	1	
	292	2	
	296	3	
	241	4	
	146	5	
	64	6	
	37	7	
	15	8	8 types of efforts selected

CODEBOOK NOTE: CLOSUP recoded q20a-q20h into three variables, q20_notatall, q20_somewhat, and q20_very. q20_somewhat is a count of the number of items in q20a-q20h where the respondent selected 2 "Somewhat Involved".

q20_very

Types of intergovernmental/regional efforts where juris is very involved

type: numeric (float)
label: count8, but 7 nonmissing values are not labeled

range: [0,8] units: 1
unique values: 9 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	378	0	No types of efforts selected
	347	1	
	283	2	
	216	3	
	156	4	
	87	5	
	57	6	
	21	7	
	13	8	8 types of efforts selected

CODEBOOK NOTE: CLOSUP recoded q20a-q20h into three variables, q20_notatall, q20_somewhat, and q20_very. q20_very is a count of the number of items in q20a-q20h where the respondent selected 3 "Very Involved".

q21a

Land use planning: Partnerships/joint planning with neighboring communities

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking specifically about regional land use planning between two or more units of government, is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following? (check all that apply) Partnerships or joint planning with one or more neighboring communities

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,097	0	Not Selected
	461	1	Selected

q21b

Land use planning: Participation in a council of governments within county

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking specifically about regional land use planning between two or more units of government, is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following? (check all that apply) Participation in a council of governments within your county

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,203	0	Not Selected
	355	1	Selected

q21c

Land use planning: Participation in county-led planning efforts

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking specifically about regional land use planning between two or more units of government, is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following? (check all that apply) Participation in county-led planning efforts

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,120	0	Not Selected
	438	1	Selected

q21d

Land use planning: Participation in a multi-county council of governments

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking specifically about regional land use planning between two or more units of government, is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following? (check all that apply) Participation in a multi-county council of governments

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,362	0	Not Selected
	196	1	Selected

q21e

Land use planning: None of the above

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking specifically about regional land use planning between two or more units of government, is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following? (check all that apply) None

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,103	0	Not Selected
	455	1	Selected

q21f

Land use planning: Don't know what your community is involved in

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, thinking specifically about regional land use planning between two or more units of government, is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following? (check all that apply) Don't know

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,451	0	Not Selected
	107	1	Selected

q21_count

Regional land use planning involvement: Number of items selected

type: numeric (float)
label: count, but 4 nonmissing values are not labeled
range: [0,99] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	577	0	None selected
	504	1	
	214	2	
	106	3	
	50	4	
	107	99	Don't Know selected

CODEBOOK NOTE: q21_count is a count of the number of items selected in q21a-q21d.
q21_count=99 "Don't Know selected" if q10f=1. Otherwise, if q21e=1 or no items were
selected in q21a-q21f, q21_count=0 "None selected".

q22

Do you think involvement in regional land use planning efforts is...?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Do you think your jurisdiction's involvement in regional land use
planning efforts is ...?

type: numeric (byte)
label: amount
range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 145/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	22	1	Too Much
	559	2	Just Right
	454	3	Not Enough
	378	4	Don't Know
	145	.	

q23

In a new regional land use planning effort, which has the capacity?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: If your jurisdiction were to engage in a new regional land use planning
effort, do you believe that existing organizations in your region -- such as the county
government, a metropolitan planning organization, a regional council, or a joint planning
commission -- have the capacity to engage in those efforts, or do you think a new
organization would be required?

type: numeric (byte)

label: planning_capacity
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 140/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	695	1	Existing organization(s) have the capacity
	268	2	A new regional planning organization would be needed
	455	3	Don't Know
	140	.	

q24

What are the largest barriers to regional land use planning in your region?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What do you believe are the largest barriers to regional land use planning in your region?

type: string (str244)
unique values: 678 missing "": 848/1558

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable does not appear in the Stata dataset, because some versions of Stata do not support long string variables. Responses to q24 are available in the excel file MPPS_2009_spring_data_OPENS-REDACTED.xlsx, and can be linked back to the original data using the variable respondent_id, as well as the ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, and ID.end variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q25

How informed about the opportunities available through the stimulus package?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Thinking about the Federal Stimulus Package, how informed do you feel you have been about the opportunities available to your jurisdiction through the Stimulus Package?

type: numeric (byte)
label: informed
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 81/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	285	1	Not at all Informed
	375	2	Somewhat Uninformed
	116	3	Neither Informed nor Uninformed
	586	4	Somewhat Informed
	99	5	Completely Informed
	16	6	Don't Know
	81	.	

q26

Portion of the total requested stimulus funding approved for your jurisdiction

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some Stimulus Package funding has already been allocated and/or distributed, while funding decisions for other projects are still pending. Overall, considering the number and total cost of all of your requested projects, please estimate the portion of the total requested stimulus funding that has been approved for your jurisdiction so far.

type: numeric (byte)
label: stimulus_funding

range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing .: 89/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	11	1	All
	26	2	Most
	18	3	About Half
	199	4	Some
	707	5	None
	398	6	Did not Request any Funding
	110	7	Don't Know
	89	.	

q26_new

Portion of the total requested stimulus funding approved for your juris - Recode

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some Stimulus Package funding has already been allocated and/or distributed, while funding decisions for other projects are still pending. Overall, considering the number and total cost of all of your requested projects, please estimate the portion of the total requested stimulus funding that has been approved for your jurisdiction so far.

type: numeric (float)
label: q26new

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 89/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	55	1	All, Most, or About Half
	906	2	Some or None
	398	3	Did not Request any Funding
	110	4	Don't Know
	89	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: CLOSUP recoded q26 into q26_new as follows: the categories of 1 "All", 2 "Most", and 3 "About Half" were recoded into 1 "All, Most, or About Half"; the categories 4 "Some" and 5 "None" were recoded into 2 "Some or None"; the category 6 "Did not Request any Funding" was recoded to 3, and 7 "Don't Know" was recoded to 4.

q27
Portion of the projects you would have undertaken even without stimulus funding

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: In your opinion, what portion of the projects for which your unit of government requested Federal Stimulus Package funding would you have undertaken anyway, even without the possibility of Stimulus funding?

type: numeric (byte)
label: stimulus_projects
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing .: 505/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	56	1	All
	93	2	Most
	214	3	About Half
	273	4	Some
	250	5	None
	90	6	Did not Request any Projects
	77	7	Don't Know
	505	.	

q28
Stimulus package will significantly improve the econ. conditions in your economy

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Overall, do you think the Stimulus Package will significantly help improve the economic conditions in your community?

type: numeric (byte)
label: y_n_dk
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 101/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	223	1	Yes
	886	2	No
	348	3	Don't Know
	101	.	

q29
Why the stimulus package will/not improve your community's economic conditions

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please explain why you think the Stimulus Package will or will not significantly help improve your community's economic conditions:

type: string (str244)
unique values: 831 missing "": 725/1558

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable does not appear in the Stata dataset, because some versions of Stata do not support long string variables. Responses to q29 are available in the excel file MPPS_2009_spring_data_OPENS-REDACTED.xlsx, and can be linked back to the original data using the variable respondent_id, as well as the ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, and ID.end variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q30
Outside of stimulus, most important things policymakers do to help jurisdiction

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, outside of the Federal Stimulus Package, what would you say are the most important things state and/or federal policymakers could do to help your jurisdiction?

type: string (str244)
unique values: 1073 missing "": 475/1558

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable does not appear in the Stata dataset, because some versions of Stata do not support long string variables. Responses to q30 are available in the excel file MPPS_2009_spring_data_OPENS-REDACTED.xlsx, and can be linked back to the original data using the variable respondent_id, as well as the ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, and ID.end variables. Additionally, to protect respondent confidentiality, identifying information from responses was redacted. Redacted text was denoted [REDACTED]. The original responses are not available to secondary users of the data.

q33
Gender

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What is your gender?

type: numeric (byte)
label: gender
range: [1,2] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 151/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	836	1	Male
	571	2	Female
	151	.	

age_category
Respondent's age

type: numeric (byte)
label: age

range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing .: 206/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	13	1	20s
	63	2	30s
	213	3	40s
	457	4	50s
	416	5	60s
	175	6	70s
	15	7	80s
	206	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In order to protect respondent confidentiality, CLOSUP recoded the continuous variable q34 "In what year were you born" into age_category, a categorical variable. Original responses to q34 are not available to secondary users of the data.

tenure
Respondent's time in office

type: numeric (byte)
label: tenure

range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 161/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	384	1	Two or less years
	285	2	Three to five years
	298	3	Six to ten years
	269	4	Eleven to twenty years
	161	5	More than twenty years
	161	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: In order to protect respondent confidentiality, CLOSUP recoded the continuous variable q35 "How many years have you served in your current position" into tenure, a categorical variable. Original responses to q35 are not available to secondary users of the data.

q36
Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent?

type: numeric (byte)
label: y_n_dk

range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 187/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
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12	1	Yes
1,347	2	No
12	3	Don't Know
187	.	

q37a

Race: White

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (check all that apply) White

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: selected

      range: [0,1]                units: 1
unique values: 2                  missing .: 0/1,558

      tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                  212      0    Not Selected
                  1,346    1    Selected

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q37b

Race: Black or African American

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (check all that apply) Black or African American

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: selected

      range: [0,1]                units: 1
unique values: 2                  missing .: 0/1,558

      tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                  1,547    0    Not Selected
                   11      1    Selected

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q37c

Race: American Indian or Alaskan Native

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (check all that apply) American Indian or Alaskan Native

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: selected

      range: [0,1]                units: 1
unique values: 2                  missing .: 0/1,558

      tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                  1,533    0    Not Selected

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25 1 Selected

q37d

Race: Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (check all that apply) Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,555	0	Not Selected
	3	1	Selected

q37e

Race: Asian

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (check all that apply) Asian

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,557	0	Not Selected
	1	1	Selected

q37f

Race: Multiracial

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (check all that apply) Multiracial

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,549	0	Not Selected
	9	1	Selected

q37g
Race: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (check all that apply) Other

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,546	0	Not Selected
	12	1	Selected

q37h
Race: Don't Know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (check all that apply) Don't Know

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,553	0	Not Selected
	5	1	Selected

q38
Highest level of education

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed?

type: numeric (byte)
label: schooling

range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing .: 161/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	39	1	12th grade or less, no diploma
	191	2	High school graduate or GED
	425	3	Some college, no degree
	148	4	Associate degree
	291	5	Bachelor's degree
	233	6	Master's degree
	70	7	Professional/Doctorate degree

q39
Political affiliation

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a...?

type: numeric (byte)
label: party

range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 234/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	639	1	Republican
	343	2	Independent
	292	3	Democrat
	50	4	Something Else
	234	.	

q40
Strength of political affiliation

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (if Republican or Democrat) Would you consider yourself a strong or not very strong Republican/Democrat?

type: numeric (byte)
label: strength

range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 658/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	417	1	Very Strong
	423	2	Not Very Strong
	60	3	Don't Know
	658	.	

SKIP PATTERN: Not asked unless q39=1 or q39=3

q41
As an Independent, which party are you closer to?

(if Independent) Would you consider yourself closer to ...?

type: numeric (byte)
label: political_leaning

range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 1,226/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	82	1	Democratic Party
	144	2	Republican Party
	106	3	Neither
	1,226	.	

SKIP PATTERN: Not asked unless q39=2 or q39=4

region
MI regions

type: numeric (byte)
label: soss
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing : 0/1,558

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	176	1	Upper Peninsula
	245	2	Northern Lower Peninsula
	291	3	West Central Lower Peninsula
	274	4	East Central Lower Peninsula
	255	5	Southwest Lower Peninsula
	317	6	Southeast Lower Peninsula

CODEBOOK NOTE: Regional groupings by county, as developed by MSU's State of the State Survey.

1. Upper Peninsula - Alger, Baraga, Chippewa, Delta, Dickinson, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron, Keweenaw, Luce, Ontonagon, Mackinac, Marquette, Menominee, Schoolcraft
2. Northern Lower Peninsula - Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Missaukee, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon, Wexford
3. West Central - Allegan, Barry, Ionia, Kent, Lake, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Osceola, Ottawa
4. East Central - Arenac, Bay, Clare, Clinton, Gladwin, Gratiot, Huron, Isabella, Midland, Saginaw, Sanilac, Shiawassee, Tuscola
5. Southwest - Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Eaton, Hillsdale, Ingham, Jackson, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph, Van Buren
6. Southeast - Genesee, Lapeer, Lenawee, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, Washtenaw, Wayne

juris_rr
Jurisdiction-level Response Rate

type: numeric (float)
range: [.30909091,1] units: 1.000e-08

unique values: 42 missing .: 0/1,558

mean: .690766
std. dev: .138786

percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	.544304	.636364	.688525	.774194	.875

CODEBOOK NOTE: Response rate used to calculate jurisdiction-level weights, jurisdictions in database compared with number of jurisdictions in sample frame.

juris_wgt
Jurisdiction-level Weight

type: numeric (float)

range: [1,3.2352941] units: 1.000e-07
unique values: 42 missing .: 0/1,558

mean: 1.5216
std. dev: .392862

percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	1.14286	1.29167	1.45238	1.57143	1.83721

CODEBOOK NOTE: Weights to be used when analyzing data at the jurisdiction level.

ind_rr
Individual-level Response Rate

type: numeric (float)

range: [.25,.72222221] units: 1.000e-08
unique values: 19 missing .: 1/1,558

mean: .467599
std. dev: .112131

percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	.363918	.363918	.435018	.53211	.641221

CODEBOOK NOTE: Response rate used to calculate individual-level weights, individual respondents in database compared with number of individual officials in sample frame.

ind_wgt
Individual-level Weight

type: numeric (float)

range: [0,4] units: 1.000e-07

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unique values: 20                               missing .: 0/1,558

      mean: 2.25779
      std. dev: .524791

percentiles:      10%      25%      50%      75%      90%
                  1.55952  1.87931  2.29876  2.74788  2.74788

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CODEBOOK NOTE: Weights to be used when analyzing data at the individual level.

pop_density
Population Density

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: pop_density

      range: [1,3]                               units: 1
unique values: 3                               missing .: 0/1,558

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tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	745	1	Low <100
	436	2	Mid
	377	3	High >800

CODEBOOK NOTE: The categories are based on the number of residents per square mile, as determined by the jurisdiction's 2010 US Census population and the jurisdiction's land area. Although the 2010 US Census population data were not available when the original dataset was produced, the 2010 population numbers are used in this dataset because they are more accurate than the 2000 Census population data. Users should be aware that the webtables and reports for the 2009 MPPS are based on the 2000 Census data.

partyid
7-point partisanship scale

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: partisanship

      range: [1,7]                               units: 1
unique values: 7                               missing .: 386/1,558

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tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	280	1	Strong Republican
	303	2	Weak Republican
	144	3	Independent leaning Republican
	106	4	Independent
	82	5	Independent leaning Democrat
	120	6	Weak Democrat
	137	7	Strong Democrat
	386	.	.

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable is a recoded version of q39, q40, and q41, which measure political affiliation and strength of party affiliation.

threeparty
3-point partisanship scale

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: partisanship2

      range: [1,3]                      units: 1
unique values: 3                        missing .: 386/1,558

      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric  Label
                   727       1  Republican
                   106       2  Independent
                   339       3  Democrat
                   386       .
```

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable is a recoded version of q39 and q41, which measure political affiliation.

pop_township
Population Category: Township

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: pop_twp_city

      range: [1,3]                      units: 1
unique values: 3                        missing .: 463/1,558

      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric  Label
                   352       1  <1500
                   603       2  1500-10000
                   140       3  >10000
                   463       .
```

CODEBOOK NOTE: This categorical population variable was created to allow for some analysis by population level, while reducing the risk of jurisdiction re-identification that is present when a single population variable is provided for all jurisdiction types. It is based upon the township's 2010 US Census population. Although the 2010 US Census population data were not available when the original dataset was produced, the 2010 population numbers are used in this dataset because they are more accurate than the 2000 Census population data. Users should be aware that the webtables and reports for the 2009 MPPS are based on the 2000 Census data.

pop_city
Population Category: City

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: pop_twp_city

      range: [1,3]                      units: 1
unique values: 3                        missing .: 1,284/1,558
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tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	29	1	<1500
	148	2	1500-10000
	97	3	>10000
	1,284	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: This categorical population variable was created to allow for some analysis by population level, while reducing the risk of jurisdiction re-identification that is present when a single population variable is provided for all jurisdiction types. It is based upon the city's 2010 US Census population. Although the 2010 US Census population data were not available when the original dataset was produced, the 2010 population numbers are used in this dataset because they are more accurate than the 2000 Census population data. Users should be aware that the webtables and reports for the 2009 MPPS are based on the 2000 Census data.

pop_village
Population Category: Village

type:	numeric (byte)		
label:	popvillage		
range:	[1,2]	units:	1
unique values:	2	missing .:	1,429/1,558
tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	73	1	<1500
	56	2	>/=1500
	1,429	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: This categorical population variable was created to allow for some analysis by population level, while reducing the risk of jurisdiction re-identification that is present when a single population variable is provided for all jurisdiction types. It is based upon the village's 2010 US Census population. Although the 2010 US Census population data were not available when the original dataset was produced, the 2010 population numbers are used in this dataset because they are more accurate than the 2000 Census population data. Users should be aware that the webtables and reports for the 2009 MPPS are based on the 2000 Census data.

pop_county
Population Category: County

type:	numeric (byte)		
label:	popcounty		
range:	[1,2]	units:	1
unique values:	2	missing .:	1,498/1,558
tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	19	1	</=30000
	41	2	>30000
	1,498	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: This categorical population variable was created to allow for some analysis by population level, while reducing the risk of jurisdiction re-identification that is present when a single population variable is provided for all jurisdiction types. It is based upon the county's 2010 US Census population. Although the 2010 US Census population data were not available when the original dataset was produced, the 2010 population numbers are used in this dataset because they are more accurate than the 2000 Census population data. Users should be aware that the webtables and reports for the 2009 MPPS are based on the 2000 Census data.

Q7. Does the public participate significantly in your jurisdiction's budget setting process in any of the following ways? (check all that apply)

- Public forums (sometimes called "town hall meetings")
- Budget public hearings
- Special sessions of the board or council
- Regular sessions of the board or council
- Individual contacts to local government officials
- Citizen surveys
- Other (please specify) _____
- None - citizens don't participate in any significant way
- Don't know

Q8. Are there any particularly unique or innovative approaches your jurisdiction has taken toward balancing the budget in the last few years or has planned for the next few years?

Q9. To what degree would you consider the following items as barriers or assets to your jurisdiction's economic development efforts? (Leave individual items blank if not applicable to your jurisdiction.)

	A Significant Barrier	Somewhat of A Barrier	Neither A Barrier Nor An Asset	Somewhat of An Asset	A Significant Asset	Don't Know
Availability of land	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost of land	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Availability of buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Information technology infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Traditional infrastructure (roads, bridges, water/sewer, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Availability of appropriate workforce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost of labor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Presence of major employers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Entrepreneurial culture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Availability of capital/funding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tax rates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Distance to major markets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permitting process(es)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environmental regulations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Citizen input	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Impact of change in population	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost of housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
K-12 education system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vocational and higher education system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recreational facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arts/cultural programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Traffic congestion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q10. Does your jurisdiction use any of the following economic development strategies to attract or retain businesses? (check all that apply)

- Local or regional business incubator
- Economic development agency
- Tax abatements
- Infrastructure upgrades
- Workforce development programs
- Child care programs
- Tourism promotion
- Surveys of local businesses
- Marketing campaign
- Partnering with other nongovernmental organizations
- Partnering with other local governments
- Special zoning districts
- Other (please specify) _____
- None
- Don't Know

Q11. Are any of the following sectors a focus of your jurisdiction's current economic development efforts? (check all that apply)

- Retail
- Manufacturing
- Small business
- Finance
- Arts/Culture (other than the film industry)
- Film Industry
- Tourism/hospitality
- Education
- Health care
- Life sciences
- Energy
- Forestry and agriculture
- Technology/telecommunications
- Warehousing/distribution
- Other (please specify) _____
- None
- Don't Know

Placemaking has been described as capitalizing on a local community's assets in order to create appealing public spaces for economic development purposes. Proponents of placemaking argue that by improving a community's quality of life, new workers will be drawn to move there and that new businesses then follow the workers.

Q12. Is your unit of government currently engaged in any placemaking programs or projects for economic development purposes?

- Yes No Don't Know

Q13. (If yes to Q12) Please describe your jurisdiction's placemaking projects:

Q14. Regardless of whether you have any placemaking projects underway, how confident are you that placemaking can be an effective economic development strategy for your jurisdiction?

- Not at all Confident
 Somewhat Unconfident
 Neither Confident nor Unconfident
 Somewhat Confident
 Completely Confident
 Don't Know

Q15. What types of external assistance or resources would be most valuable to help your jurisdiction improve its economic development capabilities? (check all that apply)

- Financing
- Information about economic development best practices
- Assistance in assessing community assets/opportunities for economic development
- Strategic planning assistance
- Information about state, federal, or private grants
- Grant writing assistance
- Assistance in improving the capacity of local economic development organization(s)
- Other (please specify) _____
- None
- Don't know

Q16. Are there any particularly unique or innovative approaches your jurisdiction has taken toward economic development in the last few years or has planned for the next few years?

Q17. How much of the time do you think you can trust the federal government in Washington to do what is right?

- Nearly Always Most of the time Some of the time Seldom Almost never Don't know

Q18. How much of the time do you think you can trust the state government in Lansing to do what is right?

- Nearly Always Most of the time Some of the time Seldom Almost never Don't know

Q19. How much of the time do you think you can trust other local governments to do what is right?

- Nearly Always Most of the time Some of the time Seldom Almost never Don't know

Many communities are turning to intergovernmental or regional cooperation as a way to cut costs and/or improve services. By intergovernmental or regional cooperation, we mean efforts to provide government services that involve two or more units of government.

Q20. Is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following types of intergovernmental or regional efforts?

	Not Involved At All	Somewhat Involved	Very Involved	Don't Know
Land use planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transportation/public transit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Police services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Utilities/water/waste	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parks/recreation/libraries/culture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emergency preparedness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q21. Now, thinking specifically about regional land use planning between two or more units of government, is your jurisdiction currently involved in any of the following? (check all that apply)

- Partnerships or joint planning efforts with one or more neighboring communities
- Participation in a council of governments within your county
- Participation in county-led planning efforts
- Participation in a multi-county council of governments
- None
- Don't Know

Q22. Do you think your jurisdiction's involvement in regional land use planning efforts is ...?

- Too Much Just right Not enough Don't know

Q23. If your jurisdiction were to engage in a new regional land use planning effort, do you believe that existing organizations in your region -- such as the county government, a metropolitan planning organization, a regional council, or a joint planning commission -- have the capacity to engage in those efforts, or do you think a new organization would be required?

- Existing organization(s) have the capacity
- A new regional planning organization would be needed
- Don't know

Q24. What do you believe are the largest barriers to regional land use planning in your region?

Q25. Thinking about the Federal Stimulus Package, how informed do you feel you have been about the opportunities available to your jurisdiction through the Stimulus Package?

- | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Not at all
Informed | Somewhat
Uninformed | Neither Informed
nor Uninformed | Somewhat
Informed | Completely
Informed | Don't
Know |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Q26. Some Stimulus Package funding has already been allocated and/or distributed, while funding decisions for other projects are still pending. Overall, considering the number and total cost of all of your requested projects, please estimate the portion of the total requested stimulus funding that has been approved for your jurisdiction so far.

- | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| All | Most | About half | Some | None | Did not request any funding | Don't Know |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Q27. In your opinion, what portion of the projects for which your unit of government requested Federal Stimulus Package funding would you have undertaken anyway, even without the possibility of Stimulus funding?

- | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| All | Most | Some | Few | None | Did not request any projects | Don't Know |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Q28. Overall, do you think the Stimulus Package will significantly help improve the economic conditions in your community?

- Yes No Don't know (*skip to Q30*)

Q29. Please explain why you think the Stimulus Package will or will not significantly help improve your community's economic conditions:

Q30. Now, outside of the Federal Stimulus Package, what would you say are the most important things state and/or federal policymakers could do to help your jurisdiction?

Q31. The Michigan Public Policy Survey (MPPS) will be an ongoing program, allowing us to track fundamental local and state policy issues over time. We would like your advice regarding the most important issues that should be included in future surveys. Please describe either the general topic areas and/or specific questions that you would like to see included in the MPPS:

Q32. CLOSUP will protect your privacy and anonymity to the full extent provided by law. We need to confirm your personal information such as name, email address, and phone number for tracking and administrative purposes only. Your personal information will not be linked with your survey responses nor will it be shared with any outside sources.

Your name _____

Your phone number _____ - _____ - _____

Your email address _____

Finally, we would like to ask some demographic questions. As with all of the questions in this survey, these are optional. Responses will be reported in aggregate form only so that your individual responses will remain confidential.

Q33. What is your gender? Male Female

Q34. In what year were you born? _____

Q35. How many years have you served in your current position? _____

Q36. Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent? Yes No

Q37. Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (*check all that apply*)

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> White | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American | <input type="checkbox"/> Multiracial |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaskan Native | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know |

Q38. What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed?

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12 th grade or less/no diploma | <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor's degree |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High school graduate or GED | <input type="checkbox"/> Master's degree |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Some college, no degree | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional/Doctorate degree |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Associate degree | |

Q39. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a...?

- Republican Independent Democrat Something Else

Q40. (*if Republican or Democrat*) Would you consider yourself a strong or not very strong Republican/Democrat?

- Very strong Not very strong Don't Know

Q41. (*if Independent*) Would you consider yourself closer to ...?

- the Democratic Party the Republican Party Neither