

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

**Michigan Public Policy Survey Restricted Use Datasets:
Spring 2014 Data**

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ABOUT THE DATASET:

Title: Michigan Public Policy Survey Restricted Use Datasets: Spring 2014

Responses: 1,492 responses from 1,344 distinct local jurisdictions

Sample: census survey of all 1,856 Michigan counties, cities, villages, and townships. Top elected and appointed officials in each jurisdiction were surveyed. One response from each responding jurisdiction is included. If two responses are received from the same jurisdiction, the criteria for inclusion in the data set are based on [in order]: completeness of the survey, if the official is appointed (rather than elected), or if the respondent is the top elected official.

Field period: April 8 to June 10, 2014

Response rate: 72% by jurisdiction

Dataset Version: Version 1

Dataset Release Date: March 3, 2016

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, clerks and board chairs, city mayors and managers, village presidents, clerks, and managers, and township supervisors, clerks, and managers from every general-purpose unit of government across the state.

SURVEY WAVE CONTENT:

The Spring 2014 MPPS wave focused on fiscal, budgetary and operational policies. Additional questions focused on privatization of local government services and operations and job approval assessments for the governor, state legislators, and state agencies.

MISSING DATA:

Missing data in the Spring 2014 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 2014 wave of the survey. Please address questions or comments to:

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HOW TO CITE MPPS DATA:

When using data from the Michigan Public Policy Survey, please use the folder citation provided by ICPSR, including DOI.

Center for Local, State, and Urban Policy. Michigan Public Policy Survey Restricted Use Datasets: Spring 2014 Data. Ann Arbor, MI: Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research [distributor], 2016-03-03. <http://doi.org/10.3886/E61270V2>

DATA COLLECTION OVERVIEW:

Sample:

The sample for the Spring 2014 MPPS included on average two officials from each of the local general purpose units of government (83 counties, 277 cities, 256 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, executives, clerks, and board chairs; for cities, mayors and city managers; for villages, village presidents, clerks, 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)	109	57	166
Townships (1240)	2,440	40	2,480
Cities (277)	277	240	517
Villages (256)	354	158	512
<i>Total (1856)</i>	<i>3,180</i>	<i>495</i>	<i>3,675</i>

Method:

The Spring 2014 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	3,114	526	3,640
Responses in full database	1,415	77	1,492
Responses in public use dataset	1,271	73	1,344

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

Respondents received initial email invitations and hard copy questionnaires during the week of April 8, 2014. 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. 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 10. Partially-completed ("partials") surveys captured by the online survey software are included in the dataset if respondents completed through q5.

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 only publish statistical summary information that does not permit the identification, either directly or inferentially, of any individual person, official position, or local jurisdiction.

In order to protect respondent confidentiality, CLOSUP made the following modifications to the dataset available for use by researchers:

- 1) Open-ended responses were extracted from the main datafile. Identifying information from open-ended responses was redacted (denoted in the data as [redacted]). These responses can be linked back to the main datafile using the variables: respondent_id, ID.date, ID.start, ID.endDate, ID.end, and ID.time.
- 2) Certain identifying variables were removed from the dataset
 - Direct identifiers for jurisdiction such as FIPS codes, county names, and jurisdiction names
 - Direct identifiers for respondents, such as name and contact information (corresponding to survey questions Q41a, Q41b, Q41c)
 - Other information potentially identifying individual respondents, including year of birth (corresponding to survey question q43), years in office (corresponding to survey question q44). Recoded versions of these variables are available.
- 3) The original population variables taken from US census data were removed/masked from the dataset. New categorical population variables were created for the different jurisdiction types: pop_county, pop_township, pop_city, pop_village. Additionally, a population density variable was added to the dataset.

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
idenddate	ID.endDate
idend	ID.end
idstart	ID.start
iddate	ID.date
idtime	ID.time
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
q2	During the next twelve months, business conditions will be...
q3a	Ability of govt to meet fin. needs this year
q3b	Ability of govt to meet fin. needs next year
q4a	Changes in revenue from property taxes...
q4b	Changes in revenue from fees, licenses, transfers...
q4c	Changes in amount of debt...
q4d	Changes in ability of jurisdiction to repay debt...
q4e	Changes in amount of federal aid...
q4f	Changes in amount of state aid...
q4g	Changes in number of tax delinquencies...
q4h	Changes in number of home foreclosures...
q4i	Changes in population of jurisdiction...
q4j	Changes in public safety needs...
q4k	Changes in infrastructure needs...
q4l	Changes in human service needs...
q4m	Changes in general government operations needs...
q4n	Changes in number of employees...
q4o	Changes in pay rates for Juris.'s employee wages and salaries...
q4p	Changes in cost of Juris.'s employee pensions...
q4q	Changes in cost of Juris.'s current employee health benefits...
q4r	Changes in cost of Juris.'s retired employee health benefits...
q5a	Jurisdiction's property tax rates...
q5b	Jurisdiction's charges for fees, licenses, etc...
q5c	Jurisdiction's reliance on general fund balance...
q5d	Jurisdiction's reliance on rainy day funds...
q5e	Jurisdiction's amount of services provided...
q5f	Jurisdiction's actual public safety spending...
q5g	Jurisdiction's actual infrastructure spending...
q5h	Jurisdiction's actual human services spending...
q5i	Jurisdiction's actual general government operations spending...
q5j	Jurisdiction's funding for economic development programs...
q5k	Jurisdiction's amount of debt...

q5l Jurisdiction's sale of public assets...
q5m Jurisdiction's privatizing or contracting out services...
q5n Jurisdiction's number/scope of interlocal agreements or cost sharing plans...
q5o Jurisdiction's workforce hiring...
q5p Jurisdiction's workforce layoffs...
q5q Jurisdiction not filling vacant positions...
q5r Jurisdiction's employee pay rates...
q5s Jurisdiction's employees' share of health benefits...
q5t Jurisdiction's employees' share of retirement contributions...
q5u Jurisdiction's retirees' share of health benefits...
q6a How would you describe your juris. pay rates for new hires?
q6b How would you describe your juris. pay rates for current employees?
q6c How would you describe your juris. pay rates for current elected officials?
q7a Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits to new hires?
q7b Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits to current employees?
q7c Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits to current elected officials?
q7any Fringe benefits offered to new hires, curr employees, or elec. officials
q8a Rate Juris. fringe benefits package for new hires
q8b Rate Juris. fringe benefits package for current employees
q8c Rate Juris. fringe benefits package for current elected officials
q9a Rate Juris. new hires contributions toward health care benefits
q9b Rate Juris. current employees contributions toward health care benefits
q9c Rate Juris. current elected officials contributions toward health care benefits
q10 Does Juris. contract any services or govt. operations, or has it in the past?
q10_new Does Juris. contract any services or govt. operations, recoded
q11a Privatization of: Utilities/water/sewer
q11b Privatization of: Waste/recycling
q11c Privatization of: 911 emergency services
q11d Privatization of: Health and human services
q11e Privatization of: Parks and recreation
q11f Privatization of: Streetlights
q11g Privatization of: Street repair/road maintenance
q11h Privatization of: Snow plowing and salting
q11i Privatization of: Parking structures/meters
q11j Privatization of: Vehicle towing and storage
q11k Privatization of: Land use planning
q11l Privatization of: Engineering
q11m Privatization of: Surveying
q11n Privatization of: Inspections
q11o Privatization of: Property assessing

q11p	Privatization of: Tax collection
q11q	Privatization of: Fleet management/vehicle maintenance
q11r	Privatization of: Facility maintenance
q11s	Privatization of: Economic development services
q11t	Privatization of: Attorney/legal services
q11u	Privatization of: Printing and document services
q11v	Privatization of: Information technology
q11w	Privatization of: Other administration functions
q11x	Privatization of: Don't know
q11y	Privatization of: Other
q11other	Privatization of: Other-specify
q11count	Number of services or operations privatized
q12a	Satisfaction with privatization: Cost savings
q12b	Satisfaction with privatization: Quality of service delivery
q12c	Satisfaction with privatization: Timeliness of service delivery
q12d	Satisfaction with privatization: Responsiveness of contractor
q12e	Satisfaction with privatization: Juris. overall efforts
q13	Does Juris. use techniques to evaluate privatized services of operations?
q14a	Aspects evaluated: Citizen satisfaction
q14b	Aspects evaluated: Cost
q14c	Aspects evaluated: Compliance w/ delivery standards
q14d	Aspects evaluated: Don't Know
q14e	Aspects evaluated: Other
q14other	Aspects evaluated: Other-specify
q14count	Number of aspects evaluated
q15	Has local govt. brought back services/operations that were contracted out?
q16a	Factor brought back in-house: Service quality not satisfactory
q16b	Factor brought back in-house: Relationship with contractor not satisfactory
q16c	Factor brought back in-house: Cost savings insufficient
q16d	Factor brought back in-house: Problems monitoring contracts
q16e	Factor brought back in-house: Local govt. efficiency improved
q16f	Factor brought back in-house: Strong political support to bring service back
q16g	Factor brought back in-house: Don't know
q16h	Factor brought back in-house: Other
q16other	Factor brought back in-house: Other-specify
q17a	What do majority of Juris. Board/Council think of govt. level of privatization?
q17b	What do you personally think of govt. level of privatization?
q18a	Encourages contract-out: Availability of private firms/providers
q18b	Encourages contract-out: Desire to improve quality of services/operations
q18c	Encourages contract-out: Desire to decrease costs of service delivery/operations
q18d	Encourages contract-out: Desire for more flexibility in service delivery
q18e	Encourages contract-out: Desire for more flexibility in staffing

q18f Encourages contract-out: Prior positive experience with privatization

q18g Encourages contract-out: Fiscal pressures, such as decreased Juris. revenues

q18h Encourages contract-out: Local political climate emphasize decrease govt. role

q18i Encourages contract-out: Influence of citizens

q18j Encourages contract-out: Influence of businesses or business groups

q18k Encourages contract-out: Influence of your Juris. elected officials

q18l Encourages contract-out: Influence of your Juris. employees

q18m Encourages contract-out: Labor contracts in your Juris

q18n Encourages contract-out: Lack of in-house expertise or resources

q18o Encourages contract-out: Don't Know

q18p Encourages contract-out: Other

q18other Encourages contract-out: Other-specify

q19a Discourages contract-out: Lack of private firms/providers available

q19b Discourages contract-out: Unexpected high costs from private service delivery

q19c Discourages contract-out: Prior negative experience with privatization

q19d Discourages contract-out: Local political climate emphasize public control

q19e Discourages contract-out: Influence of citizens

q19f Discourages contract-out: Influence of businesses or business groups

q19g Discourages contract-out: Influence of your Juris. elected officials

q19h Discourages contract-out: Influence of your Juris. employees

q19i Discourages contract-out: Labor contracts in your Juris.

q19j Discourages contract-out: Sufficient in-house expertise or resources

q19k Discourages contract-out: Lack of in-house ability to oversee contracts

q19l Discourages contract-out: Lack of precedent

q19m Discourages contract-out: Don't Know

q19n Discourages contract-out: Other

q19other Discourages contract-out: Other-specify

q20 Is Juris. currently studying/planning new or expanded privatization efforts?

q21 Does Juris. use multi-year financial projections when developing its budget?

q22 Does jurisdiction adopt single-year budgets or multi-year budgets?

q22other Budget period: Other-specify

q23 How likely will Juris. adopt formal multi-year budgeting in the next 12 months?

q24 Juris.'s unreserved gen. fund balance as % gen. fund expenditures at end last FY

q25 You consider jurisdiction's unreserved gen. fund balance to be...

q26 Jurisdiction's cash flow and ability to pay bills in a timely manner is...

q27a Jurisdiction's overall fiscal health: Today

q27a_new Fiscal Stress Index Today, 3 cat

q27b Jurisdiction's overall fiscal health: Five years from now

q27b_new Fiscal Stress Index in 5 years, 3 cat

q28a GFOA policies: Long-range planning for operating budgets

q28b GFOA policies: Long-range planning for capital budgets

q28c GFOA policies: Asset inventory

q28d GFOA policies: Fees and charges

q28e GFOA policies: One-time revenues

q28f GFOA policies: Unpredictable revenues

q28g GFOA policies: General fund balance

q28h GFOA policies: Reserve/Stabilization accounts or other fund reserves

q28i GFOA policies: Debt level and capacity

q28j GFOA policies: Balanced budget policy

q28_written GFOA: Written policies count

q28_practices GFOA: Specific practices count(no written policy)

q28_nopolicy GFOA: No specific policies or practices count

q29 Juris. financial mgmt. policies more/less formalized over last five years

q30more Factors influencing Juris. move to more formal mgmt. policies or practices

q30less Factors influencing Juris. move to less formal mgmt. policies or practices

q31 You feel things in the state of Michigan are generally going...

q32 You feel things in your jurisdiction are generally going...

q33 How would you rate the way Rick Snyder is performing his job as MI's governor?

q34 How would you rate the way the MI Legislature is performing its job?

q35 How would you rate the way your Juris.'s governing board is performing its job?

q36a Rate performance of: Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

q36b Rate performance of: Department of Community Health (DCH)

q36c Rate performance of: Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)

q36d Rate performance of: Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

q36e Rate performance of: Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

q36f Rate performance of: Department of Human Services

q36g Rate performance of: Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)

q36h Rate performance of: Secretary of State

q36i Rate performance of: Department of Transportation (MDOT)

q36j Rate performance of: Department of Treasury

q36k Rate performance of: Department of Technology, Management, and Budget (DTMB)

q36l Rate performance of: Department of Corrections

q36m Rate performance of: State Police

q36n Rate performance of: Attorney General

q37	More information about state departments ratings or discuss agency not listed
q38	Ballot: Citizen referendum power to bills w/ appropriations
q39	Ballot: Citizen initiative power to local ordinances
q40	Ballot: Changing Michigan's full-time legislature to part-time
q42	Gender
q43	Year of Birth
age_category	Respondent Age
q44	Years in current position
tenure	Respondent's time in office
q45	Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent
q46a	Race: White
q46b	Race: Black or African American
q46c	Race: American Indian or Alaskan Native
q46d	Race: Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
q46e	Race: Asian
q46f	Race: Multiracial
q46g	Race: Other
q46h	Race: Don't Know
q47	Highest level of education
q48	Political affiliation
q48other	Political affiliation: Something else
q49	Strength of political affiliation
q50	As an Independent, which party are you closer to?
q51	Date hardcopy received
partyid	7-point partisanship scale
threpty	3-point partisanship scale
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
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:	[1,1503]			units:	1
unique values:	1,492			missing .:	0/1,492
mean:	751.855				
std. dev:	434.005				
percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	152	376.5	750.5	1127.5	1354

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:	[1,1999]			units:	1
unique values:	1,344			missing .:	0/1,492
mean:	1007.56				
std. dev:	574.291				
percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	199	517.5	1016.5	1504	1788

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:	[1,1344]			units:	1
unique values:	1,344			missing .:	0/1,492
mean:	669.582				
std. dev:	387.19				
percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%

133 336.5 667.5 1007.5 1206

CODEBOOK NOTE: wave_id is an anonymized jurisdiction-level identifier which can be used to link external datafiles with geographic ID's 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 .: 0/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
75 0 Partial
1,417 1 Complete

CODEBOOK NOTE: The Spring 2014 database includes partial surveys by respondents who answered at least through Q5 on the survey instrument.

source
Hardcopies/online completes/partials

type: numeric (byte)
label: source3
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 0/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
77 1 Hard Copy
1,340 2 Online Complete
75 3 Online Partial

idenddate
ID.endDate

type: string (str9)
unique values: 57 missing "": 0/1,492

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

idend
ID.end

type: string (str8)
unique values: 1,436 missing "": 0/1,492

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

idstart
ID.start

type: string (str8)
unique values: 1,460 missing "": 0/1,492

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

iddate
ID.date

type: string (str9)
unique values: 56 missing "": 0/1,492

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

idtime
ID.time

type: numeric (float)
range: [3.6,30243.9] units: .01
unique values: 1,157 missing .: 0/1,492
mean: 566.064
std. dev: 2990.58
percentiles: 10% 25% 50% 75% 90%
12.87 17.125 23.62 36.02 66.93

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

jtype
Jurisdiction Type

type: numeric (byte)
label: jurisdiction
range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 0/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
71 1 County
991 2 Township
241 3 City
189 4 Village

samp_juris

Identifies unique survey responses for each jurisdiction

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          type: numeric (byte)
          range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
          tabulation: Freq. Value
                    148 0
                    1,344 1
                    units: 1
                    missing .: 0/1,492
```

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]
unique values: 2
          tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
                    1,221      1 Elected
                    271       2 Appointed
                    units: 1
                    missing .: 0/1,492
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CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable designates whether respondent is an elected or appointed official. Elected officials include Chairs of County Commission, County Clerks, County Executives, Mayors, Village Presidents, Village Clerks, Township Supervisors, Township Clerks, self-identified "Other" elected; Appointed officials include County Administrators/Controllers, City Administrators/Managers/Superintendents, Village Managers/Superintendents, Village Clerks, Township Administrators/Managers, self-identified "Other" appointed.

snap_pos

Position held--numeric

```
          type: numeric (byte)
          range: [1,9]
unique values: 9
          tabulation: Freq. Value
                    54 1
                    137 2
                    47 3
                    units: 1
                    missing .: 1/1,492
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145 4
 95 5
 49 6
473 7
489 8
  2 9
  1 .

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CODEBOOK NOTE: Variable designates what position respondent holds.

Elected officials:

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

Appointed officials:

- 1 - County Administrator/Controller
- 2 - City Administrator/Manager/Superintendent
- 3 - Village Manager/Superintendent
- 4 - Village Clerk
- 5 - Township Administrator/Manager
- 6 - Other

CODEBOOK NOTE: Users interested in performing longitudinal analysis using MPPS data should be aware that the positions included in the MPPS sample frame have changed over time, and as a result the codes in snap_pos have changed over time. Users should consult the codebook for an individual wave to determine what position a combination of snap_elec_app and snap_pos indicates in a given wave.

q2

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

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Thinking about 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]
unique values: 4
      units: 1
      missing .: 12/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              610      1    Good Times
              174      2    Bad Times
              485      3    Neither
              211      4    Don't Know
              12       .

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q3a

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 next fiscal year compared to this fiscal year?

type: numeric (byte)
label: ability
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 22/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
44 1 Significantly Less
301 2 Somewhat Less
583 3 Neither
441 4 Somewhat Better
89 5 Significantly Better
12 6 Don't Know
22 .

q3b

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 this fiscal year compared to the last fiscal year?

type: numeric (byte)
label: ability
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 257/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
43 1 Significantly Less
228 2 Somewhat Less
463 3 Neither
362 4 Somewhat Better
76 5 Significantly Better
63 6 Don't Know
257 .

q4a

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 in... a. ... revenue from property taxes.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing .: 26/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
49 1 Greatly Decreased
502 2 Somewhat Decreased
353 3 No Change
526 4 Somewhat Increased
9 5 Greatly Increased

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1          6 Not Applicable
26         7 Don't Know
26         .

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q4b

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 in... b. ... revenue from fees, licenses, transfers, etc..

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type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison
range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
units: 1
missing .: 30/1,492
tabulation:
Freq.  Numeric  Label
18     1    Greatly Decrease
231    2    Somewhat Decreased
831    3    No Change
255    4    Somewhat Increased
6      5    Greatly Increased
83     6    Not Applicable
38     7    Don't Know
30     .

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q4c

Changes in amount of debt...

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 in... c. ... amount of debt.

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison
range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
units: 1
missing .: 31/1,492
tabulation:
Freq.  Numeric  Label
18     1    Greatly Decreased
287    2    Somewhat Decreased
726    3    No Change
149    4    Somewhat Increased
35     5    Greatly Increased
227    6    Not Applicable
19     7    Don't
31     .

```

q4d

Changes in ability of jurisdiction to repay debt...

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 in... d. ... ability of your jurisdiction to repay its debt.

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: comparison
        range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
        tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                   4         1  Greatly Decreased
                   56         2  Somewhat Decreased
                   899         3  No Change
                   187         4  Somewhat Increased
                   31          5  Greatly Increased
                   260         6  Not Applicable
                   9           7  Don't Know
                   46          .

```

q4e

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 in... e. ... amount of federal aid to your jurisdiction.

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: comparison
        range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
        tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                   33         1  Greatly Decreased
                   184         2  Somewhat Decreased
                   682         3  No Change
                   70          4  Somewhat Increased
                   5           5  Greatly Increased
                   343         6  Not Applicable
                   131         7  Don't Know
                   44          .

```

q4f

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 in... f. ... amount of state aid to your jurisdiction.

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: comparison
        range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
        tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                   46         1  Greatly Decreased
                   273         2  Somewhat Decreased
                   546         3  No Change
                   394         4  Somewhat Increased
                   6           5  Greatly Increased
                   96         6  Not Applicable
                   92         7  Don't Know

```


q4g

Changes in number of tax delinquencies...

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 in... g. ... tax delinquencies.

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison
range: [1,7]                                units: 1
unique values: 7                            missing .: 40/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              7          1  Greatly Decreased
              215        2  Somewhat Decreased
              784        3  No Change
              305        4  Somewhat Increased
              22         5  Greatly Increased
              13         6  Not Applicable
              106        7  Don't Know
              40         .

```

q4h

Changes in number of home foreclosures...

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 in... h. ... home foreclosures.

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison
range: [1,7]                                units: 1
unique values: 7                            missing .: 43/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              43          1  Greatly Decreased
              408        2  Somewhat Decreased
              563        3  No Change
              223        4  Somewhat Increased
              22         5  Greatly Increased
              11         6  Not Applicable
              179        7  Don't Know
              43         .

```

q4i

Changes in population of jurisdiction...

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 in... i. ... population of your jurisdiction.

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type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison
range: [1,7]                                units: 1

```

```

unique values: 7                               missing .: 20/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                9          1  Greatly Decreased
                257         2  Somewhat Decreased
                820         3  No Change
                331         4  Somewhat Increased
                 6          5  Greatly Increased
                 1          6  Not Applicable
                48          7  Don't Know
                20          .

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q4j
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 in... j. ... public safety needs.

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: comparison
      range: [1,7]                               units: 1
unique values: 7                               missing .: 37/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                1          1  Greatly Decreased
                25         2  Somewhat Decreased
               954         3  No Change
               377         4  Somewhat Increased
                36         5  Greatly Increased
                29         6  Not Applicable
                33         7  Don't Know
                37          .

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q4k
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 in... k. ... infrastructure needs.

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: comparison
      range: [1,7]                               units: 1
unique values: 7                               missing .: 40/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                 6          1  Greatly Decreased
                32         2  Somewhat Decreased
               546         3  No Change
               535         4  Somewhat Increased
               252         5  Greatly Increased
                39         6  Not Applicable
                42         7  Don't Know
                40          .

```

q4l

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 in... l. ... human service needs.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 59/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Greatly Decreased
	14	2	Somewhat Decreased
	821	3	No Change
	410	4	Somewhat Increased
	34	5	Greatly Increased
	75	6	Not Applicable
	77	7	Don't Know
	59	.	

q4m

Changes in general government operations 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 in... m. ... general government operations needs.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 48/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1	1	Greatly Decreased
	21	2	Somewhat Decreased
	860	3	No Change
	475	4	Somewhat Increased
	36	5	Greatly Increased
	17	6	Not Applicable
	34	7	Don't Know
	48	.	

q4n

Changes in number of employees...

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 in... n. ... number of employees that work for your jurisdiction.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison
range: [1,7] units: 1

unique values: 6 missing .: 28/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	10	1	Greatly Decreased
	130	2	Somewhat Decreased
	1,139	3	No Change
	124	4	Somewhat Increased
	58	6	Not Applicable
	3	7	Don't Know
	28	.	

q4o

Changes in pay rates for Juris.'s employee wages and salaries...

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 in... o. ... pay rates for your jurisdiction's employee wages and salaries.

type: numeric (byte)

label: comparison

range: [1,7] units: 1

unique values: 7 missing .: 25/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	8	1	Greatly Decreased
	33	2	Somewhat Decreased
	671	3	No Change
	705	4	Somewhat Increased
	2	5	Greatly Increased
	43	6	Not Applicable
	5	7	Don't Know
	25	.	

q4p

Changes in cost of Juris.'s employee pensions...

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 in... p. ... cost of your jurisdiction's employee pensions.

type: numeric (byte)

label: comparison

range: [1,7] units: 1

unique values: 7 missing .: 38/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	1	Greatly Decreased
	44	2	Somewhat Decreased
	625	3	No Change
	326	4	Somewhat Increased
	48	5	Greatly Increased
	396	6	Not Applicable
	11	7	Don't Know
	38	.	

q4q

Changes in cost of Juris.'s 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 in... q. ... cost of your jurisdiction's current employee health benefits.

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: comparison
      range: [1,7]                      units: 1
unique values: 7                        missing .: 37/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                6         1  Greatly Decreased
                60        2  Somewhat Decreased
                259       3  No Change
                386       4  Somewhat Increased
                143       5  Greatly Increased
                589       6  Not Applicable
                 12       7  Don't Know
                 37       .
```

q4r

Changes in cost of Juris.'s 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 in... r. ... cost of your jurisdiction's retired employee health benefits.

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: comparison
      range: [1,7]                      units: 1
unique values: 7                        missing .: 43/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                4         1  Greatly Decreased
                37        2  Somewhat Decreased
                355       3  No Change
                213       4  Somewhat Increased
                 57       5  Greatly Increased
                771       6  Not Applicable

                 12       7  Don't Know
                 43       .
```

q5a

Jurisdiction's property tax rates...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... a. ... property tax rates.

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: comparison
      range: [1,7]                      units: 1
```

unique values: 7 missing .: 38/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	1	Greatly Decrease
	105	2	Somewhat Decrease
	949	3	No Change
	333	4	Somewhat Increase
	6	5	Greatly Increase
	6	6	Not Applicable
	51	7	Don't Know
	38	.	

q5b

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

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... b. ... charges for fees, licenses, etc..

type: numeric (byte)

label: comparison2

range: [1,7] units: 1

unique values: 7 missing .: 37/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1	1	Greatly Decrease
	23	2	Somewhat Decrease
	1,033	3	No Change
	281	4	Somewhat Increase
	4	5	Greatly Increase
	80	6	Not Applicable
	33	7	Don't Know
	37	.	

q5c

Jurisdiction's reliance on general fund balance...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... c. ... reliance on general fun balance.

type: numeric (byte)

label: comparison2

range: [1,7] units: 1

unique values: 7 missing .: 43/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	8	1	Greatly Decrease
	70	2	Somewhat Decrease
	930	3	No Change
	368	4	Somewhat Increase
	29	5	Greatly Increase
	14	6	Not Applicable
	30	7	Don't Know
	43	.	

q5d

Jurisdiction's reliance on rainy day funds...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... d. ... reliance on "rainy day" funds.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 39/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
12 1 Greatly Decrease
66 2 Somewhat Decrease
932 3 No Change
230 4 Somewhat Increase
13 5 Greatly Increase
173 6 Not Applicable
27 7 Don't Know
39 .

q5e
Jurisdiction's amount of services provided...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... e. ... amount of services provided.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 40/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
4 1 Greatly Decrease
98 2 Somewhat Decrease
1,116 3 No Change
196 4 Somewhat Increase
3 5 Greatly Increase
16 6 Not Applicable
19 7 Don't Know
40 .

q5f
Jurisdiction's actual public safety spending...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... f. ... actual public safety spending.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 40/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
6 1 Greatly Decrease
60 2 Somewhat Decrease
766 3 No Change

455	4	Somewhat Increase
24	5	Greatly Increase
115	6	Not Applicable
26	7	Don't Know
40	.	

q5g

Jurisdiction's actual infrastructure spending...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... g. ... actual infrastructure spending.

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type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
tabulation:
  Freq.   Numeric   Label
    9      1   Greatly Decrease
   82      2   Somewhat Decrease
  607      3   No Change
  518      4   Somewhat Increase
  103      5   Greatly Increase
   88      6   Not Applicable
   43      7   Don't Know
   42      .
units: 1
missing : 42/1,492

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q5h

Jurisdiction's actual human services spending...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... h. ... actual human services spending.

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
tabulation:
  Freq.   Numeric   Label
    3      1   Greatly Decrease
   24      2   Somewhat Decrease
  967      3   No Change
  131      4   Somewhat Increase
    3      5   Greatly Increase
  254      6   Not Applicable
   54      7   Don't Know
   56      .
units: 1
missing : 56/1,492

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q5i

Jurisdiction's actual general government operations spending...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... i. ... actual general government operations spending.


```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: comparison2
        range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                   3         1   Greatly Decrease
                   93        2   Somewhat Decrease
                   724       3   No Change
                   565       4   Somewhat Increase
                   7         5   Greatly Increase
                   16        6   Not Applicable
                   34        7   Don't Know
                   50        .

```

q5j

Jurisdiction's funding for economic development programs...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... j. ... funding for economic development programs.

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: comparison2
        range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                   12         1   Greatly Decrease
                   59         2   Somewhat Decrease
                   832        3   No Change
                   168        4   Somewhat Increase
                   10         5   Greatly Increase
                   307        6   Not Applicable
                   55         7   Don't Know
                   49        .

```

q5k

Jurisdiction's amount of debt...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... k. ... amount of debt.

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: comparison2
        range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                   13         1   Greatly Decrease
                   237        2   Somewhat Decrease
                   683        3   No Change
                   174        4   Somewhat Increase
                   29         5   Greatly Increase
                   281        6   Not Applicable
                   22         7   Don't Know
                   53        .

```

q5l

Jurisdiction's sale of public assets...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... l. ... sale of public assets (i.e. parks, buildings, etc.).

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 51/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
2 1 Greatly Decrease
3 2 Somewhat Decrease
814 3 No Change
100 4 Somewhat Increase
5 5 Greatly Increase
486 6 Not Applicable
31 7 Don't Know
51 .

q5m

Jurisdiction's privatizing or contracting out services...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... m. ... privatizing or contracting out services.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 50/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
3 1 Greatly Decrease
12 2 Somewhat Decrease
958 3 No Change
153 4 Somewhat Increase
6 5 Greatly Increase
272 6 Not Applicable
38 7 Don't Know
50 .

q5n

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

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... n. ... number and/or scope interlocal agreements or other cost-sharing plans with other governments.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 51/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1 1 Greatly Decrease

9	2	Somewhat Decrease
776	3	No Change
431	4	Somewhat Increase
17	5	Greatly Increase
146	6	Not Applicable
61	7	Don't Know
51	.	

q5o

Jurisdiction's workforce hiring...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... o. ... your jurisdiction's workforce hiring.

type:	numeric (byte)		
label:	comparison2		
range:	[1,7]	units:	1
unique values:	7	missing .:	40/1,492
tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	5	1	Greatly Decrease
	46	2	Somewhat Decrease
	1,136	3	No Change
	118	4	Somewhat Increase
	1	5	Greatly Increase
	131	6	Not Applicable
	15	7	Don't Know
	40	.	

q5p

Jurisdiction's workforce layoffs...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... p. ... your jurisdiction's layoffs.

type:	numeric (byte)		
label:	comparison2		
range:	[1,7]	units:	1
unique values:	7	missing .:	44/1,492
tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	4	1	Greatly Decrease
	7	2	Somewhat Decrease
	1,084	3	No Change
	17	4	Somewhat Increase
	1	5	Greatly Increase
	316	6	Not Applicable
	19	7	Don't Know
	44	.	

q5q

Jurisdiction not filling vacant positions...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is

likely to take with... q. ... your jurisdiction not filling vacant positions.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing .: 48/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	2	1	Greatly Decrease
	24	2	Somewhat Decrease
	951	3	No Change
	89	4	Somewhat Increase
	9	5	Greatly Increase
	347	6	Not Applicable
	22	7	Don't Know
	48	.	

q5r

Jurisdiction's employee pay rates...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... r. ... employee pay rate.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing .: 39/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1	1	Greatly Decrease
	24	2	Somewhat Decrease
	648	3	No Change
	705	4	Somewhat Increase
	2	5	Greatly Increase
	52	6	Not Applicable
	21	7	Don't Know
	39	.	

q5s

Jurisdiction's employees' share of health benefits...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... s. ... employees' share of premiums, deductibles, and/or co-pays on health insurance.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [2,7] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 42/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	8	2	Somewhat Decrease
	449	3	No Change
	345	4	Somewhat Increase
	51	5	Greatly Increase
	574	6	Not Applicable
	23	7	Don't Know
	42	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: Users should be aware that, based on CLOSUP's analysis of data from past waves, some jurisdictions that do not offer employee health benefits may have selected "No Change" rather than "Not Applicable". Therefore, this variable cannot be used to measure the number of jurisdictions offering employee health benefits.

q5t

Jurisdiction's employees' share of retirement contributions...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... t. ... employees' share of contributions to retirement funds.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 38/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1 1 Greatly Decrease
5 2 Somewhat Decrease
774 3 No Change
182 4 Somewhat Increase
8 5 Greatly Increase
469 6 Not Applicable
15 7 Don't Know
38 .

q5u

Jurisdiction's retirees' share of health benefits...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, comparing your jurisdiction's current fiscal year to the next fiscal year, please indicate which actions your jurisdiction has taken or is likely to take with... u. ... retiree's share of premiums, deductibles, and/or co-pays on health insurance.

type: numeric (byte)
label: comparison2
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing : 41/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1 1 Greatly Decrease
3 2 Somewhat Decrease
458 3 No Change
208 4 Somewhat Increase
20 5 Greatly Increase
739 6 Not Applicable
22 7 Don't Know
41 .

q6a

How would you describe your juris. pay rates for new hires?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's pay rate(s) for ... a. ... new hires to be too high, about right, or too low?

type: numeric (byte)

```

label: high_low_na
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 38/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              16      1 Too High
              839     2 About Right
              247     3 Too Low
              324     4 Not Applicable
              28      5 Don't Know
              38      .

```

q6b

How would you describe your juris. pay rates for current employees?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's pay rate(s) for ... b. ... current employees to be too high, about right, or too low?

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: high_low_na
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 57/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              37      1 Too High
              896     2 About Right
              330     3 Too Low
              152     4 Not Applicable
              20      5 Don't Know
              57      .

```

q6c

How would you describe your juris. pay rates for current elected officials?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's pay rate(s) for ... c. ... current elected officials to be too high, about right, or too low?

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: high_low_na
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 91/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              30      1 Too High
              834     2 About Right
              502     3 Too Low
              35      5 Don't Know
              91      .

```

q7a

Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits to new hires?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits (i.e., health care, dental, vision, life insurance, etc.) to ... a. ... new hires?

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: y_n_na_dk
range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 29/1,492

```

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	595	1	Yes
	617	2	No
	244	3	Not Applicable
	7	4	Don't Know
	29	.	

q7b

Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits to current employees?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits (i.e., health care, dental, vision, life insurance, etc.) to ... b. ... current employees?

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: y_n_na_dk
range: [1,4]
unique values: 4
units: 1
missing .: 36/1,492
tabulation:

```

Freq.	Numeric	Label
691	1	Yes
570	2	No
191	3	Not Applicable
4	4	Don't Know
36	.	

q7c

Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits to current elected officials?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits (i.e., health care, dental, vision, life insurance, etc.) to ... c. ... current elected officials?

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: y_n_na_dk
range: [1,4]
unique values: 3
units: 1
missing .: 127/1,492
tabulation:

```

Freq.	Numeric	Label
321	1	Yes
1,039	2	No
5	4	Don't Know
127	.	

q7any

Fringe benefits offered to new hires, curr employees, or elec. officials

```

type: numeric (float)
label: any
range: [1,3]
unique values: 3
units: 1
missing .: 0/1,492
tabulation:

```

Freq.	Numeric	Label
749	1	Yes - any
609	2	No - none
134	3	Don't know/Missing

CODEBOOK NOTE: q7any summarizes responses to q7a-q7c. q7any=1 "Yes - any" if q7a=1, q7b=1, or q7c=1. Q7any=2 "No - none" if all of q7a, q7b, and q7c=2, or if responses to q7a-q7c are a combination of 2 "No" and 3 "Not Applicable". Otherwise, if any of q7a, q7b, q7c=3 or ".", q7any=3 "Don't know/Missing".

q8a

Rate Juris. fringe benefits package for new hires

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's fringe benefits package(s) — or lack thereof — for ... a. ... new hires to be too generous, about right, or not generous enough?

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: generosity
      range: [1,5]
unique values: 5
tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
              49         1   Too Generous
              643        2   About Right
              118         3   Not Generous Enough
              607         4   Not Applicable
               22         5   Don't Know
               53         .
```

q8b

Rate Juris. fringe benefits package for current employees

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's fringe benefits package(s) — or lack thereof — for ... b. ... current employees to be too generous, about right, or not generous enough?

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: generosity
      range: [1,5]
unique values: 5
tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
              100         1   Too Generous
              667         2   About Right
              117         3   Not Generous Enough
              535         4   Not Applicable
               19         5   Don't Know
               54         .
```

q8c

Rate Juris. fringe benefits package for current elected officials

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's fringe benefits package(s) — or lack thereof — for ... c. ... current elected officials to be too generous, about right, or not generous enough?

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: generosity
      range: [1,5]
unique values: 4
tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
              480         1   Too Generous
              480         2   About Right
              480         3   Not Generous Enough
              480         4   Not Applicable
              480         5   Don't Know
              480         .
```


tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	34	1	Too Generous
	710	2	About Right
	165	3	Not Generous Enough
	103	5	Don't Know
	480	.	

q9a

Rate Juris. new hires contributions toward health care benefits

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q7, answer below for the appropriate types of employees) Overall, do you consider the contributions (i.e., co-pays, deductibles, or share of premiums) your jurisdiction's ... a. ... new hires make toward their health care benefits to be too high, about right, or too low?

type: numeric (byte)
label: high_low_na
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing.: 910/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	52	1	Too High
	403	2	About Right
	89	3	Too Low
	33	4	Not Applicable
	5	5	Don't Know
	910	.	

q9b

Rate Juris. current employees contributions toward health care benefits

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q7, answer below for the appropriate types of employees) Overall, do you consider the contributions (i.e., co-pays, deductibles, or share of premiums) your jurisdiction's ... b. ... current employees make toward their health care benefits to be too high, about right, or too low?

type: numeric (byte)
label: high_low_na
range: [1,5] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing.: 819/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	66	1	Too High
	434	2	About Right
	120	3	Too Low
	46	4	Not Applicable
	7	5	Don't Know
	819	.	

q9c

Rate Juris. current elected officials contributions toward health care benefits

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q7, answer below for the appropriate types of employees) Overall, do you consider the contributions (i.e., co-pays, deductibles, or share of premiums) your jurisdiction's ... b. ... current elected officials make toward their health care benefits to be too high, about right, or too low?

type: numeric (byte)

```

        label: high_low_na
        range: [1,5]
unique values: 5
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                   21      1   Too High
                   184     2   About Right
                   34      3   Too Low
                   70      4   Not Applicable
                   6       5   Don't Know
                   1,177    .

```

q10

Does Juris. contract any services or govt. operations, or has it in the past?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction currently contract out any services or governmental operations, or has it in the past? This could include privatization of services to the public such as for parks and recreation or for the jurisdiction's internal operations such as attorney/legal services or administrative functions.

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: privatization_do
        range: [1,4]
unique values: 4
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                   970     1   Yes, currently do
                   42      2   Yes, did in the past, but not
                           currently
                   375     3   No, never
                   77      4   Don't Know
                   28      .

```

q10_new

Does Juris. contract any services or govt. operations, recoded

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        type: numeric (float)
        label: ever
        range: [1,3]
unique values: 3
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                   1,012    1   Yes, currently or in the past
                   403     2   No, never or missing
                   77      3   Don't Know

```

CODEBOOK NOTE: q10_new summarizes responses to q10 as follows: the categories of 1 "Yes, currently do" and 2 "Yes, did in the past, but not currently" were recoded into 1 "Yes, currently or in the past; The category 3 "No, never" and missing values "." were recoded into 2 "No, never or missing", and 4 "Don't Know" was recoded to 3.

q11a

Privatization of: Utilities/water/sewer

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... a. ... utilities/water/sewer

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
805 0 Not Selected
184 1 Selected
503 .

q11b

Privatization of: Waste/recycling

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... b. ... waste/recycling

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
539 0 Not Selected
450 1 Selected
503 .

q11c

Privatization of: 911 emergency services

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... c. ... 911 emergency services (dispatch, ambulance, etc.)

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
682 0 Not Selected
307 1 Selected
503 .

q11d

Privatization of: Health and human services

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... d. ... health and human services (child welfare, foster care, etc.)

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
934 0 Not Selected
55 1 Selected
503 .

q11e

Privatization of: Parks and recreation

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... e. ... parks and recreation.

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
896 0 Not Selected
93 1 Selected
503 .

q11f

Privatization of: Streetlights

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... f. ... streetlights (installation, maintenance, etc.)

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
664 0 Not Selected
325 1 Selected
503 .

q11g

Privatization of: Street repair/road maintenance

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... g. ... street repair/road maintenance

```
        type: numeric (byte)
        label: selected
        range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
        units: 1
        missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
              707         0   Not Selected
              282         1   Selected
              503         .
```

q11h

Privatization of: Snow plowing and salting

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... h. ... snow plowing and salting

```
        type: numeric (byte)
        label: selected
        range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
        units: 1
        missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
              615         0   Not Selected
              374         1   Selected
              503         .
```

q11i

Privatization of: Parking structures/meters

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... i. ... parking structures/meters

```
        type: numeric (byte)
        label: selected
        range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
        units: 1
        missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
              973         0   Not Selected
              16          1   Selected
              503         .
```

q11j

Privatization of: Vehicle towing and storage

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... j. ... vehicle towing and storage

```
        type: numeric (byte)
        label: selected
        range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
        units: 1
        missing .: 503/1,492
```

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	798	0	Not Selected
	191	1	Selected
	503	.	

q11k

Privatization of: Land use planning

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... k. ... land use planning

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation:

Freq.	Numeric	Label
777	0	Not Selected
212	1	Selected
503	.	

q11l

Privatization of: Engineering

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... l. ... engineering

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation:

Freq.	Numeric	Label
474	0	Not Selected
515	1	Selected
503	.	

q11m

Privatization of: Surveying

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... m. ... surveying

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation:

Freq.	Numeric	Label
617	0	Not Selected
372	1	Selected
503	.	

q11n

Privatization of: Inspections

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... n. ... inspections (electrical, plumbing, building code, etc.)

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
580 0 Not Selected
409 1 Selected
503 .

q11o

Privatization of: Property assessing

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... o. ... property assessing

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
577 0 Not Selected
412 1 Selected
503 .

q11p

Privatization of: Tax collection

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... p. ... tax collection

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
953 0 Not Selected
36 1 Selected
503 .

q11q

Privatization of: Fleet management/vehicle maintenance

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... q. ... fleet management/vehicle maintenance

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
854 0 Not Selected
135 1 Selected
503 .

q11r

Privatization of: Facility maintenance

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... r. ... groundskeeping/custodial/general facility maintenance

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
632 0 Not Selected
357 1 Selected
503 .

q11s

Privatization of: Economic development services

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... s. ... economic development services

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
844 0 Not Selected
145 1 Selected
503 .

q11t

Privatization of: Attorney/legal services

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... t. ... Attorney/legal services

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
167 0 Not Selected
822 1 Selected
503 .

q11u

Privatization of: Printing and document services

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... u. ... printing and document services

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
687 0 Not Selected
302 1 Selected
503 .

q11v

Privatization of: Information technology

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... v. ... information technology

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
631 0 Not Selected
358 1 Selected
503 .

q11w

Privatization of: Other administration functions

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... w. ... other administration functions (payroll, purchasing, etc.)

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	907	0	Not Selected
	82	1	Selected
	503	.	

q11x

Privatization of: Don't know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... x. ... don't know

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	978	0	Not Selected
	11	1	Selected
	503	.	

q11y

Privatization of: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... y. ... other (please specify)

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 503/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	914	0	Not Selected
	75	1	Selected
	503	.	

q11other

Privatization of: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q10) Although some of these may not apply to your jurisdiction, please indicate, as far as you know, which of the following types of services or operations your jurisdiction has privatized, either in whole or in part... other. ... other-specification

type: string (str244)
unique values: 94 missing "": 1,396/1,492
warning: variable has embedded blanks

q11count

Number of services or operations privatized

type: numeric (float)

label: none_dk, but 19 nonmissing values are not labeled
 range: [0,99] units: 1
 unique values: 21 missing .: 480/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	23	0	None selected
	51	1	
	67	2	
	98	3	
	88	4	
	108	5	
	99	6	
	101	7	
	82	8	
	74	9	
	58	10	
	54	11	
	35	12	
	20	13	
	18	14	
	14	15	
	2	16	
	3	17	
	2	18	
	4	20	
	11	99	Don't know selected
	480	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: Responses to q11a-q11z were summarized as q11count, which is a count of the number of items selected in q11a-q11w, and q11y. If q11x "Don't Know" was selected, q11count=99 "Don't Know Selected". The maximum possible value for q11count is 24.

 q12a
 Satisfaction with privatization: Cost savings

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q10) We'd like to get a sense of your satisfaction with your jurisdiction's privatization efforts in general. We know that different efforts yield different results, but overall, would you say you have been generally satisfied or dissatisfied with your government's privatization efforts to date in terms of... a. ... cost saving?

type: numeric (byte)
 label: satisfaction
 range: [1,6] units: 1
 unique values: 6 missing .: 522/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	248	1	Very Satisfied
	383	2	Somewhat Satisfied
	277	3	Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied
	28	4	Somewhat Dissatisfied
	9	5	Very Dissatisfied

25 6 Don't Know
522 .

q12b

Satisfaction with privatization: Quality of service delivery

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q10) We'd like to get a sense of your satisfaction with your jurisdiction's privatization efforts in general. We know that different efforts yield different results, but overall, would you say you have been generally satisfied or dissatisfied with your government's privatization efforts to date in terms of... b. ... quality of service delivery?

type: numeric (byte)
label: satisfaction
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 523/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
382 1 Very Satisfied
374 2 Somewhat Satisfied
156 3 Neither Satisfied nor
Dissatisfied
32 4 Somewhat Dissatisfied
8 5 Very Dissatisfied
17 6 Don't Know
523 .

q12c

Satisfaction with privatization: Timeliness of service delivery

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q10) We'd like to get a sense of your satisfaction with your jurisdiction's privatization efforts in general. We know that different efforts yield different results, but overall, would you say you have been generally satisfied or dissatisfied with your government's privatization efforts to date in terms of... c. ... timeliness of service delivery?

type: numeric (byte)
label: satisfaction
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 527/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
392 1 Very Satisfied
352 2 Somewhat Satisfied
163 3 Neither Satisfied nor
Dissatisfied
34 4 Somewhat Dissatisfied
8 5 Very Dissatisfied
16 6 Don't Know
527 .

q12d

Satisfaction with privatization: Responsiveness of contractor

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q10) We'd like to get a sense of your satisfaction with your jurisdiction's privatization efforts in general. We know that different efforts yield different results, but overall, would you say you have been

generally satisfied or dissatisfied with your government's privatization efforts to date in terms of... d. ... responsiveness of contractor(s)?

type: numeric (byte)
label: satisfaction
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 533/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
369 1 Very Satisfied
373 2 Somewhat Satisfied
157 3 Neither Satisfied nor
Dissatisfied
37 4 Somewhat Dissatisfied
7 5 Very Dissatisfied
16 6 Don't Know
533 .

q12e

Satisfaction with privatization: Juris. overall efforts

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) We'd like to get a sense of your satisfaction with your jurisdiction's privatization efforts in general. We know that different efforts yield different results, but overall, would you say you have been generally satisfied or dissatisfied with your government's privatization efforts to date in terms of... e. ... your jurisdiction's privatization efforts overall?

type: numeric (byte)
label: satisfaction
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 533/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
315 1 Very Satisfied
379 2 Somewhat Satisfied
207 3 Neither Satisfied nor
Dissatisfied
31 4 Somewhat Dissatisfied
9 5 Very Dissatisfied
18 6 Don't Know
533 .

q13

Does Juris. use techniques to evaluate privatized services of operations?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) Does your jurisdiction use any techniques to systematically evaluate its privatized services or operations?

type: numeric (byte)
label: y_n_dk
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 528/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
252 1 Yes
610 2 No
102 3 Don't Know
528 .

q14a

Aspects evaluated: Citizen satisfaction

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q13) Which of the following aspects of privatized service delivery or operations are typically evaluated by your jurisdiction? a. Citizen satisfaction

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,242/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
91 0 Not Selected
159 1 Selected
1,242 .

q14b

Aspects evaluated: Cost

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q13) Which of the following aspects of privatized service delivery or operations are typically evaluated by your jurisdiction? b. Cost

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,242/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
19 0 Not Selected
231 1 Selected
1,242 .

q14c

Aspects evaluated: Compliance w/ delivery standards

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q13) Which of the following aspects of privatized service delivery or operations are typically evaluated by your jurisdiction? c. Compliance w/ delivery standards

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,242/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
79 0 Not Selected
171 1 Selected
1,242 .

q14d

Aspects evaluated: Don't Know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q13) Which of the following aspects of privatized service delivery or operations are typically evaluated by your jurisdiction? d. Don't know

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

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range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,242/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              248          0 Not Selected
              2           1 Selected
              1,242          .

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q14e

Aspects evaluated: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q13) Which of the following aspects of privatized service delivery or operations are typically evaluated by your jurisdiction? e. Other (please specify)

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type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,242/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              241          0 Not Selected
              9           1 Selected
              1,242          .

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q14other

Aspects evaluated: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT:(If you selected "yes" in Q13) Which of the following aspects of privatized service delivery or operations are typically evaluated by your jurisdiction? other. Other-specification

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type: string (str236)
unique values: 15 missing "": 1,403/1,492
warning: variable has embedded blanks

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q14count

Number of aspects evaluated

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type: numeric (float)
label: q14c
range: [0,4] units: 1
unique values: 5 missing .: 1,240/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              2          0 None selected
              40         1 1 Aspect selected
              97         2 2 Aspects selected
              108        3 3 Aspects selected
              3          4 4 Aspects selected
              2          5 Don't know selected
              1,240          .

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CODEBOOK NOTE: q14a-q14e were summarized as q14count, which is a count of the number of items selected in q14a-q14c, and q14e. If q14d "Don't Know" was selected, q14count=5 "Don't Know Selected". If q14 was not asked based on the response to q13, q14count=., if q14 was asked and no items were selected, q14count=0.

q15

Has local govt. brought back services/operations that were contracted out?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q10) As far as you know, has your local government brought back in-house any services or operations that were previously contracted out?

type: numeric (byte)
label: y_n_dk
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 501/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
147 1 Yes
786 2 No
58 3 Don't Know
501 .

q16a

Factor brought back in-house: Service quality not satisfactory

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q15) Which of the following factors, if any, played a part in your jurisdiction's decision to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back in-house? a. Service quality not satisfactory

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,348/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
77 0 Not Selected
67 1 Selected
1,348 .

q16b

Factor brought back in-house: Relationship with contractor not satisfactory

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q15) Which of the following factors, if any, played a part in your jurisdiction's decision to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back in-house? b. Relationship with contractor was not satisfactory

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,348/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
113 0 Not Selected
31 1 Selected
1,348 .

q16c

Factor brought back in-house: Cost savings insufficient

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q15) Which of the following factors, if any, played a part in your jurisdiction's decision to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back in-house? c. The cost savings were insufficient

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,348/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
71 0 Not Selected
73 1 Selected
1,348 .

q16d

Factor brought back in-house: Problems monitoring contracts

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q15) Which of the following factors, if any, played a part in your jurisdiction's decision to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back in-house? d. There were problems monitoring the contract(s)

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,348/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
121 0 Not Selected
23 1 Selected
1,348 .

q16e

Factor brought back in-house: Local govt. efficiency improved

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q15) Which of the following factors, if any, played a part in your jurisdiction's decision to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back in-house? e. Local government efficiency improved

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,348/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
92 0 Not Selected
52 1 Selected
1,348 .

q16f

Factor brought back in-house: Strong political support to bring service back

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q15) Which of the following factors, if any, played a part in your jurisdiction's decision to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back in-house? f. There was strong political support to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back-in-house

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

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range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,348/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             127      0 Not Selected
             17      1 Selected
             1,348      .
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q16g

Factor brought back in-house: Don't know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q15) Which of the following factors, if any, played a part in your jurisdiction's decision to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back in-house? g. Don't know

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type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,348/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             140      0 Not Selected
              4      1 Selected
             1,348      .
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q16h

Factor brought back in-house: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q15) Which of the following factors, if any, played a part in your jurisdiction's decision to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back in-house? h. Other (please specify)

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type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,348/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             122      0 Not Selected
              22      1 Selected
             1,348      .
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q16other

Factor brought back in-house: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "yes" in Q15) Which of the following factors, if any, played a part in your jurisdiction's decision to bring the service(s) or operation(s) back in-house? other. Other-specification

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type: string (str229)
unique values: 24 missing "": 1,392/1,492
warning: variable has embedded blanks
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q17a

What do majority of Juris. Board/Council think of govt. level of privatization?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently engaged in privatization efforts, in your view, how do the following people and groups in your jurisdiction feel about your government's current overall level of privatization of services and operations, or lack thereof? Do they think there is too much, the right amount, or not enough privatization? The majority of your jurisdiction's Board or Council thinks there is currently..

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: quantity
      range: [1,4]
unique values: 4
      units: 1
      missing .: 65/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              37      1    Too Much
              920     2    The Right Amount
              93      3    Not Enough
              377     4    Don't Know
              65      .
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q17b

What do you personally think of govt. level of privatization?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently engaged in privatization efforts, in your view, how do the following people and groups in your jurisdiction feel about your government's current overall level of privatization of services and operations, or lack thereof? Do they think there is too much, the right amount, or not enough privatization? You personally think there is currently..

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: quantity
      range: [1,4]
unique values: 4
      units: 1
      missing .: 106/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              58      1    Too Much
              955     2    The Right Amount
              175     3    Not Enough
              198     4    Don't Know
              106     .
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q18a

Encourages contract-out: Availability of private firms/providers

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Availability of private firms/providers

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: selected
      range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
      units: 1
      missing .: 188/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
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          943      0 Not Selected
          361      1 Selected
          188      .

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q18b

Encourages contract-out: Desire to improve quality of services/operations

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Desire to improve quality of services/operations

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          type: numeric (byte)
          label: selected
          range: [0,1]                      units: 1
unique values: 2                          missing .: 188/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                884      0 Not Selected
                420      1 Selected
                188      .

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q18c

Encourages contract-out: Desire to decrease costs of service delivery/operations

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Desire to decrease costs of service delivery/operations

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          type: numeric (byte)
          label: selected
          range: [0,1]                      units: 1
unique values: 2                          missing .: 188/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                666      0 Not Selected
                638      1 Selected
                188      .

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q18d

Encourages contract-out: Desire for more flexibility in service delivery

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Desire for more flexibility in service delivery/intermittent need

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          type: numeric (byte)
          label: selected
          range: [0,1]                      units: 1
unique values: 2                          missing .: 188/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                1,038    0 Not Selected
                 266     1 Selected

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 q18e

Encourages contract-out: Desire for more flexibility in staffing

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Desire for more flexibility in staffing

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: selected
      range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                  1,062      0   Not Selected
                  242       1   Selected
                  188       .
  
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units: 1
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 q18f

Encourages contract-out: Prior positive experience with privatization

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Prior positive experience with privatization

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: selected
      range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                  1,049      0   Not Selected
                  255       1   Selected
                  188       .
  
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units: 1
 missing .: 188/1,492

 q18g

Encourages contract-out: Fiscal pressures, such as decreased Juris. revenues

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Fiscal pressures, such as decreased jurisdiction revenues

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: selected
      range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                  920      0   Not Selected
  
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units: 1
 missing .: 188/1,492

384 1 Selected
188 .

q18h

Encourages contract-out: Local political climate emphasize decrease govt. role

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Local political climate emphasizing a decrease role for government

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 188/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,221 0 Not Selected
83 1 Selected
188 .

q18i

Encourages contract-out: Influence of citizens

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? The influence of citizens

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 188/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,185 0 Not Selected
119 1 Selected
188 .

q18j

Encourages contract-out: Influence of businesses or business groups

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? The influence of businesses or business groups

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 188/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,246 0 Not Selected

58 1 Selected
188 .

q18k

Encourages contract-out: Influence of your Juris. elected officials

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? The influence of your jurisdiction's elected officials

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 188/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,027	0	Not Selected
	277	1	Selected
	188	.	

q18l

Encourages contract-out: Influence of your Juris. employees

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? The influence of your jurisdiction's employees

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 188/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,231	0	Not Selected
	73	1	Selected
	188	.	

q18m

Encourages contract-out: Labor contracts in your Juris

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Labor contracts in your jurisdiction

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

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range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 188/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              1,210      0 Not Selected
              94        1 Selected
              188        .

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q18n

Encourages contract-out: Lack of in-house expertise or resources

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? Lack of in-house expertise or resources

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type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 188/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              768      0 Not Selected
              536      1 Selected
              188        .

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q18o

Encourages contract-out: Don't Know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? o. Don't know

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type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 188/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              993      0 Not Selected
              311      1 Selected
              188        .

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q18p

Encourages contract-out: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? p. Other (*please specify*)

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type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 188/1,492

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tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,252	0	Not Selected
	52	1	Selected
	188	.	

q18other

Encourages contract-out: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We are also interested in the factors that may encourage or discourage privatization. Whether or not your jurisdiction is currently involved in privatization effort(s) of any kind, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in encouraging your jurisdiction to contract out services or operations? other. Other-specification

type: string (str244)
unique values: 54 missing "": 1,438/1,492
warning: variable has leading and embedded blanks

q19a

Discourages contract-out: Lack of private firms/providers available

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations? Lack of private firms/providers available

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	992	0	Not Selected
	195	1	Selected
	305	.	

q19b

Discourages contract-out: Unexpected high costs from private service delivery

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations? Higher costs than expected from private service delivery or bids

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	855	0	Not Selected
	332	1	Selected
	305	.	

q19c

Discourages contract-out: Prior negative experience with privatization

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations? Prior negative experience with privatization

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,073 0 Not Selected
114 1 Selected
305 .

q19d

Discourages contract-out: Local political climate emphasize public control

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations? Local political climate emphasizing public control over service delivery

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,062 0 Not Selected
125 1 Selected
305 .

q19e

Discourages contract-out: Influence of citizens

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations? The influence of citizens

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,052 0 Not Selected
135 1 Selected
305 .

q19f

Discourages contract-out: Influence of businesses or business groups

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations? The influence of businesses or business groups

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected

range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,159 0 Not Selected
28 1 Selected
305 .

q19g

Discourages contract-out: Influence of your Juris. elected officials

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations? The influence of your jurisdiction's elected officials

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
989 0 Not Selected
198 1 Selected
305 .

q19h

Discourages contract-out: Influence of your Juris. employees

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations? The influence of your jurisdiction's employees

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,057 0 Not Selected
130 1 Selected
305 .

q19i

Discourages contract-out: Labor contracts in your Juris.

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations? Labor contracts in your jurisdiction

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,030 0 Not Selected
157 1 Selected
305 .

q19j

Discourages contract-out: Sufficient in-house expertise or resources

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations?
Sufficient in-house expertise or resources

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
949 0 Not Selected
238 1 Selected
305 .

q19k

Discourages contract-out: Lack of in-house ability to oversee contracts

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations?
Lack of in-house ability to oversee contracts

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,126 0 Not Selected
61 1 Selected
305 .

q19l

Discourages contract-out: Lack of precedent

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations?
Lack of precedent

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 305/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,101 0 Not Selected
86 1 Selected
305 .

q19m

Discourages contract-out: Don't Know

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations?
m. Don't know

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: selected
      range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
      units: 1
      missing .: 305/1,492
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric  Label
                  745      0    Not Selected
                  442      1    Selected
                  305      .
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q19n
Discourages contract-out: Other

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations?
n. Other (*please specify*)

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: selected
      range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
      units: 1
      missing .: 305/1,492
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric  Label
                  1,143    0    Not Selected
                   44      1    Selected
                  305      .
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q19other
Discourages contract-out: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now, as far as you know, have any of the following factors played a role in discouraging your jurisdiction from contracting out services or operations?
other. Other-specification

```
      type: string (str238)
unique values: 50
      missing "": 1,441/1,492
warning: variable has leading and embedded blanks
```

q20
Is Juris. currently studying/planning new or expanded privatization efforts?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Looking ahead, is your jurisdiction currently studying or planning any new or significantly expanded privatization efforts?

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: y_n_dk
      range: [1,3]
unique values: 3
      units: 1
      missing .: 62/1,492
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric  Label
                  149      1    Yes
                  1,162    2    No
                   119      3    Don't Know
                   62      .
```

q21

Does Juris. use multi-year financial projections when developing its budget?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Does your jurisdiction use multi-year financial projections when developing its budget?

```
      type:  numeric (byte)
      label:  y_n_dk
      range:  [1,3]
unique values:  3
      units:  1
      missing .:  43/1,492
tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              523    1    Yes
              894    2    No
              32     3    Don't Know
              43     .
```

q22

Does jurisdiction adopt single-year budgets or multi-year budgets?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local jurisdictions are moving to formal multi-year budgeting, rather than the traditional single-year budgeting. Others are not. Does your jurisdiction adopt single-year budgets or multi-year budgets?

```
      type:  numeric (byte)
      label:  budget_year
      range:  [1,5]
unique values:  5
      units:  1
      missing .:  43/1,492
tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              1,319  1    Single-year
              49    2    Two-year
              37    3    Three-year
              12    4    Don't Know
              32    5    Other
              43    .
```

q22other

Budget period: Other-specify

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local jurisdictions are moving to formal multi-year budgeting, rather than the traditional single-year budgeting. Others are not. Does your jurisdiction adopt single-year budgets or multi-year budgets? Specification of "other."

```
      type:  string (str244)
unique values:  42
      missing "":  1,372/1,492
warning:  variable has embedded blanks
```

q23

How likely will Juris. adopt formal multi-year budgeting in the next 12 months?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: (If you selected "single-year" in Q22) How likely is it that your jurisdiction will adopt formal multi-year budgeting in the next 12 months?

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: likelihood
        range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
        units: 1
        missing .: 180/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              19      1  Very Likely
              86      2  Somewhat Likely
             168      3  Neither Likely nor Unlikely
             182      4  Somewhat Unlikely
             768      5  Very Unlikely
              89      6  Don't Know
             180      .

```

q24

Juris.'s unreserved gen. fund balance as % gen. fund expenditures at end last FY

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Different local jurisdictions manage their unreserved general fund balances in different ways depending on their specific circumstances. Despite these differences, we're interested in tracking overall changes in these balances over time. Approximately what was your jurisdiction's unreserved general fund balance as a percentage of general fund expenditures at the end of its last fiscal year?

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: percent
        range: [1,13]
unique values: 13
        units: 1
        missing .: 134/1,492

```

q25

You consider jurisdiction's unreserved gen. fund balance to be...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Thinking about your jurisdiction's fiscal needs, overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's unreserved general fund balance to be too high, about right, or too low?

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: high_low
        range: [1,4]
unique values: 4
        units: 1
        missing .: 86/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              88      1  Too High
             869      2  About Right
             327      3  Too Low
             122      4  Don't Know
              86      .

```

q26

Jurisdiction's cash flow and ability to pay bills in a timely manner is...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: In your opinion, is your jurisdiction's cash flow and its ability to pay bills in a timely manner a significant fiscal problem, somewhat of a problem, not much of a problem, or not a problem at all?

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: problem
        range: [1,5]
        units: 1

```

```

unique values: 5                               missing .: 59/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                11         1  A Significant Problem
                88         2  Somewhat of a Problem
                313        3  Not Much of a Problem
                1,010      4  Not a Problem at All
                 11         5  Don't Know
                 59         .

```

q27a

Jurisdiction's overall fiscal health: Today

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Thinking about the overall fiscal health of your jurisdiction today and what you expect it to be down the road — including any future financial obligations it may have — on a scale from 1 to 10, where 1 is "perfect fiscal health" and 10 is "fiscal crisis," how would you rate your jurisdiction's overall fiscal health... a. ... today?

```

                type: numeric (byte)
                label: fiscal_health

                range: [1,11]                    units: 1
unique values: 11                               missing .: 115/1,492

```

```

  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                227         1  1: Perfect Fiscal Health
                307         2
                306         3
                147         4
                169         5
                 71         6
                 73         7
                 37         8
                  8         9
                  4         10  10: Fiscal Crisis
                 28         11  Don't Know
                115         .

```

q27a_new

Fiscal Stress Index Today, 3 cat

```

                type: numeric (float)
                label: fsi

                range: [1,4]                    units: 1
unique values: 4                               missing .: 115/1,492

```

```

  tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
                987         1  Low-stress (1-4)
                240         2  Medium stress (5-6)
                122         3  High-stress (7-10)
                 28         4  Don't know

```


CODEBOOK NOTE: q27a_new summarizes responses to q27a into three categories: Low-stress, Medium-stress, and High-stress. These categories match the categories used for analysis in CLOSUP's reports for the Spring 2015 survey.

q27b

Jurisdiction's overall fiscal health: Five years from now

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Thinking about the overall fiscal health of your jurisdiction today and what you expect it to be down the road — including any future financial obligations it may have — on a scale from 1 to 10, where 1 is "perfect fiscal health" and 10 is "fiscal crisis," how would you rate your jurisdiction's overall fiscal health... a. ... as you expect it to be five hours from now?

```

                type: numeric (byte)
                label: fiscal_health
                range: [1,11]
unique values: 11
                                units: 1
                                missing .: 182/1,492
    
```

```

tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              174    1      1: Perfect Fiscal Health
              321    2
              254    3
              131    4
              120    5
               66    6
               69    7
               41    8
               24    9
               9     10  10: Fiscal Crisis
              101    11  Don't Know
              182    .
    
```

q27b_new

Fiscal Stress Index in 5 years, 3 cat

```

                type: numeric (float)
                label: fsi
                range: [1,4]
unique values: 4
                                units: 1
                                missing .: 182/1,492
    
```

```

tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              880    1  Low-stress (1-4)
              186    2  Medium stress (5-6)
              143    3  High-stress (7-10)
              101    4  Don't know
              182    .
    
```

CODEBOOK NOTE: q27b_new summarizes responses to q27b into three categories: Low-stress, Medium-stress, and High-stress. These categories match the categories used for analysis in CLOSUP's reports for the Spring 2015 survey.

q28a

GFOA policies: Long-range planning for operating budgets

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. a. **Long-Range Planning for Operating Budgets:** policy(s) to assess long-term financial implications of operating budgets

type: numeric (byte)
label: gfoa_policies
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing.: 132/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	99	1	Written policy, strictly followed
	95	2	Written policy, loosely followed
	623	3	No written policy, follow practices
	377	4	No policies or practices
	74	5	Not Applicable
	92	6	Don't Know
	132	.	.

q28b

GFOA policies: Long-range planning for capital budgets

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. b. **Long-Range Planning for Capital Budgets:** policy(s) to assess long-term financial implications of capital budgets

type: numeric (byte)
label: gfoa_policies
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing.: 149/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	120	1	Written policy, strictly followed
	127	2	Written policy, loosely followed
	562	3	No written policy, follow practices
	337	4	No policies or practices
	90	5	Not Applicable
	107	6	Don't Know

q28c

GFOA policies: Asset inventory

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. c. **Asset Inventory**: regularly updated inventory and assessment of the condition of all major capital assets (e.g., buildings, water and sewer, major equipment, etc.)

```

      type: numeric (byte)
      label: gfoa_policies
      range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                  172      1   Written policy, strictly
                  127      2   Written policy, loosely followed
                  504      3   No written policy, follow
                        practices
                  298      4   No policies or practices
                  104      5   Not Applicable
                   98      6   Don't Know
                  189      .

```

q28d

GFOA policies: Fees and charges

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. d. **Fees and Charges**: specific policy(s) for determining fees and charges

```

      type: numeric (byte)
      label: gfoa_policies
      range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                  459      1   Written policy, strictly
                        followed
                  165      2   Written policy, loosely followed
                  393      3   No written policy, follow
                        practices
                  202      4   No policies or practices
                   69      5   Not Applicable
                   65      6   Don't Know
                  139      .

```

q28e

GFOA policies: One-time revenues

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. e. **One-Time Revenues:** policy(s) limiting the use of one-time revenues (e.g., from sale of government assets, grant monies, etc.) for ongoing expenditures

type: numeric (byte)
label: gfoa_policies
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 157/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	146	1	Written policy, strictly followed
	57	2	Written policy, loosely followed
	427	3	No written policy, follow practices
	386	4	No policies or practices
	193	5	Not Applicable
	126	6	Don't Know
	157	.	

q28f

GFOA policies: Unpredictable revenues

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. f. **Unpredictable Revenues:** policy(s) on the use of unpredictable revenues (e.g., interest income, legal settlements, etc.)

type: numeric (byte)
label: gfoa_policies
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 189/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	96	1	Written policy, strictly followed
	62	2	Written policy, loosely followed
	460	3	No written policy, follow practices
	433	4	No policies or practices
	119	5	Not Applicable
	133	6	Don't Know
	189	.	

q28g

GFOA policies: General fund balance

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. g. **General Fund Balance:** policy(s) that specify the level of unrestricted fund balance that should be maintained in the general fund

type: numeric (byte)
label: gfoa_policies
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 141/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	217	1	Written policy, strictly followed
	92	2	Written policy, loosely followed
	596	3	No written policy, follow practices
	312	4	No policies or practices
	31	5	Not Applicable
	103	6	Don't Know
	141	.	

q28h

GFOA policies: Reserve/Stabilization accounts or other fund reserves

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. h. **Reserve or Stabilization Accounts or Other Fund Reserves:** policy(s) to maintain a prudent level of financial resources to weather temporary revenue shortfalls or one-time expenditures

type: numeric (byte)
label: gfoa_policies
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 155/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	169	1	Written policy, strictly followed
	82	2	Written policy, loosely followed
	538	3	No written policy, follow practices
	312	4	No policies or practices
	118	5	Not Applicable
	118	6	Don't Know
	155	.	

q28i

GFOA policies: Debt level and capacity

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. i. **Debt Level and Capacity:** policy(s) on the maximum amount of debt and debt service that should be outstanding at any time (beyond state requirements)

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: gfoa_policies
      range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              125      1  Written policy, strictly
              64       2  Written policy, loosely followed
              451      3  No written policy, follow
                   practices
              337      4  No policies or practices
              226      5  Not Applicable
              134      6  Don't Know
              155      .
```

q28j

GFOA policies: Balanced budget policy

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Some local governments adopt formal policies regarding financial planning and management, while others take a more informal approach. Below is a list of recommendations from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). Thinking across your jurisdiction's various types of funds, generally speaking, please identify which of the following descriptions most closely represents your government's current policies or practices, if any, for each of these general GFOA recommendations. j. **Balanced Budget Policy:** commitment to a balanced budget and disclosure when deviations occur (beyond state requirements)

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: gfoa_policies
      range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              317      1  Written policy, strictly
                   followed
              99       2  Written policy, loosely followed
              613      3  No written policy, follow
                   practices
              200      4  No policies or practices
              43       5  Not Applicable
              83       6  Don't Know
              137      .
```

q28_written
GFOA: Written policies count

```
          type:  numeric (byte)

          range:  [0,10]                units:  1
unique values:  11                    missing .:  0/1,492

          mean:    1.937
          std. dev: 2.65803

percentiles:      10%      25%      50%      75%      90%
                  0        0        1        3        6
```

CODEBOOK NOTE: Responses to q28a-q28j were summarized into three variables: q28_written, q28_practices, and q28_nopolicy. q28_written is a count of the number of items where the response options 1 "Have a written policy, strictly followed" or 2 "Have a written policy, loosely followed" were selected. The maximum count for q28_written is 10.

Users should be aware that the sum of q28_written, q28_practices, and q28_nopolicy will not always be 10 because responses of "Not Applicable" and "Don't Know" are not included in the summary variables.

q28_practices
GFOA: Specific practices count(no written policy)

```
          type:  numeric (byte)

          range:  [0,10]                units:  1
unique values:  11                    missing .:  0/1,492

          mean:    3.46314
          std. dev: 3.22912

percentiles:      10%      25%      50%      75%      90%
                  0        0        3        6        8
```

CODEBOOK NOTE: Responses to q28a-q28j were summarized into three variables: q28_written, q28_practices, and q28_nopolicy. q28_practices is a count of the number of items where the response option 3 "Have no written policy, but follow specific practices" was selected. The maximum count for q28_practices is 10.

Users should be aware that the sum of q28_written, q28_practices, and q28_nopolicy will not always be 10 because responses of "Not Applicable" and "Don't Know" are not included in the summary variables.

q28_nopolicy
GFOA: No specific policies or practices count

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type: numeric (byte)
range: [0,10] units: 1
unique values: 11 missing .: 0/1,492

mean: 2.14075
std. dev: 2.94784

percentiles:      10%      25%      50%      75%      90%
                  0        0        0        4        7

```

CODEBOOK NOTE: Responses to q28a-q28j were summarized into three variables: q28_written, q28_practices, and q28_nopolicy. q28_nopolicy is a count of the number of items where the response option 4 "Have no specific policies or practices" was selected. The maximum count for q28_nopolicy is 10.

Users should be aware that the sum of q28_written, q28_practices, and q28_nopolicy will not always be 10 because responses of "Not Applicable" and "Don't Know" are not included in the summary variables.

q29

Juris. financial mgmt. policies more/less formalized over last five years

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: We're interested in how your local government's approach to financial management policies and practices may have changed over time. We know that different policies may be more or less formal, but thinking about your jurisdiction's financial management policies and practices overall, would you say in the last five years they have become more formalized, less formalized, or neither?

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type: numeric (byte)
label: formalize
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 91/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
              160      1 Significantly more formalized
              583      2 Somewhat more formalized
              556      3 Neither more/less formalized
               16      4 Somewhat less formalized
                5      5 Significantly less formalized
               81      6 Don't Know
               91      .

```

q31

You feel things in the state of Michigan are generally going...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Do you feel things in the state of Michigan are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

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type: numeric (byte)
label: track
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 93/1,492

```


tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	781	1	Right Direction
	449	2	Wrong Track
	169	3	Don't Know
	93	.	

q32

You feel things in your jurisdiction are generally going...

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Do you feel things in your jurisdiction are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

type:	numeric (byte)		
label:	track		
range:	[1,3]		units: 1
unique values:	3		missing .: 83/1,492
tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	1,280	1	Right Direction
	68	2	Wrong Track
	61	3	Don't Know
	83	.	

q33

How would you rate the way Rick Snyder is performing his job as MI's governor?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: How would you rate the way Rick Snyder is performing his job as Michigan's governor?

type:	numeric (byte)		
label:	rating		
range:	[1,5]		units: 1
unique values:	5		missing .: 93/1,492
tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	183	1	Excellent
	547	2	Good
	403	3	Fair
	202	4	Poor
	64	5	Don't Know
	93	.	

q34

How would you rate the way the MI Legislature is performing its job?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: How would you rate the way the Michigan Legislature is performing its job?

type:	numeric (byte)		
label:	rating		
range:	[1,5]		units: 1
unique values:	5		missing .: 89/1,492
tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	43	1	Excellent
	351	2	Good
	500	3	Fair
	449	4	Poor
	60	5	Don't Know
	89	.	

q35

How would you rate the way your Juris.'s governing board is performing its job?

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: How would you rate the way your jurisdiction's governing board is performing its job?

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: rating
      range: [1,5]                               units: 1
unique values: 5                               missing .: 75/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                418         1   Excellent
                810         2    Good
                154         3    Fair
                 28         4    Poor
                  7         5  Don't Know
                 75         .
```

q36a

Rate performance of: Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? a. Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

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      type: numeric (byte)
      label: rating_na
      range: [1,6]                               units: 1
unique values: 6                               missing .: 155/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                46         1   Excellent
               445         2    Good
               279         3    Fair
                44         4    Poor
               223         5  Not Applicable
               300         6  Don't Know
               155         .
```

q36b

Rate performance of: Department of Community Health (DCH)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? b. Department of Community Health (DCH)

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: rating_na
      range: [1,6]                               units: 1
unique values: 6                               missing .: 160/1,492
  tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                19         1   Excellent
               372         2    Good
```

314	3	Fair
83	4	Poor
238	5	Not Applicable
306	6	Don't Know
160	.	

q36c

Rate performance of: Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? c. Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: rating_na
range: [1,6]                                units: 1
unique values: 6                             missing .: 162/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              56         1  Excellent
              368         2  Good
              361         3  Fair
              138         4  Poor
              160         5  Not Applicable
              247         6  Don't Know
              162         .

```

q36d

Rate performance of: Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? d. Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: rating_na
range: [1,6]                                units: 1
unique values: 6                             missing .: 151/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              34         1  Excellent
              447         2  Good
              450         3  Fair
              223         4  Poor
              50          5  Not Applicable
              137         6  Don't Know
              151         .

```

q36e

Rate performance of: Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? e. Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

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type: numeric (byte)

```

```

        label: rating_na
        range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                    56       1   Excellent
                    519      2   Good
                    419      3   Fair
                    135      4   Poor
                    61       5   Not Applicable
                    140      6   Don't Know
                    162      .

```

q36f

Rate performance of: Department of Human Services

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? f. Department of Human Services

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        type: numeric (byte)
        label: rating_na
        range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                    9       1   Excellent
                    307      2   Good
                    354      3   Fair
                    91       4   Poor
                    236      5   Not Applicable
                    329      6   Don't Know
                    166      .

```

q36g

Rate performance of: Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? g. Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)

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        type: numeric (byte)
        label: rating_na
        range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                    16       1   Excellent
                    372      2   Good
                    386      3   Fair
                    122      4   Poor
                    149      5   Not Applicable
                    279      6   Don't Know
                    168      .

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q36h

Rate performance of: Secretary of State

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? h. Secretary of State

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: rating_na
      range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                  90      1   Excellent
                  578     2   Good
                  328     3   Fair
                   72     4   Poor
                  108     5   Not Applicable
                  156     6   Don't Know
                  160     .
units: 1
missing .: 160/1,492
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q36i

Rate performance of: Department of Transportation (MDOT)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? i. Department of Transportation (MDOT)

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: rating_na
      range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                  36      1   Excellent
                  427     2   Good
                  444     3   Fair
                  248     4   Poor
                   60     5   Not Applicable
                  121     6   Don't Know
                  156     .
units: 1
missing .: 156/1,492
```

q36j

Rate performance of: Department of Treasury

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? j. Department of Treasury

```
      type: numeric (byte)
      label: rating_na
      range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
      tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                  33      1   Excellent
                  478     2   Good
units: 1
missing .: 170/1,492
```

440	3	Fair
126	4	Poor
60	5	Not Applicable
185	6	Don't Know
170	.	

q36k

Rate performance of: Department of Technology, Management, and Budget (DTMB)

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? k. Department of Technology, Management, and Budget (DTMB)

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type: numeric (byte)
label: rating_na
range: [1,6]                                units: 1
unique values: 6                            missing .: 173/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              18         1  Excellent
              267        2  Good
              309        3  Fair
              57         4  Poor
              220        5  Not Applicable
              448        6  Don't Know
              173         .

```

q36l

Rate performance of: Department of Corrections

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? l. Department of Corrections

```

type: numeric (byte)
label: rating_na
range: [1,6]                                units: 1
unique values: 6                            missing .: 164/1,492
tabulation: Freq.  Numeric  Label
              14         1  Excellent
              271        2  Good
              299        3  Fair
              116        4  Poor
              283        5  Not Applicable
              345        6  Don't Know
              164         .

```

q36m

Rate performance of: State Police

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? m. State Police

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type: numeric (byte)

```

```

        label: rating_na
        range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                    124      1   Excellent
                    601      2    Good
                    258      3    Fair
                     62      4    Poor
                    100      5  Not Applicable
                    191      6  Don't Know
                    156      .

```

q36n

Rate performance of: Attorney General

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? n. Attorney General

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: rating_na
        range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                    55      1   Excellent
                    410      2    Good
                    295      3    Fair
                    130      4    Poor
                    141      5  Not Applicable
                    276      6  Don't Know
                    185      .

```

q37

More information about state departments ratings or discuss agency not listed

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: If you would like to provide more information or explanations about your ratings of any of the Michigan state departments above, or would like to discuss a state agency, department, or office not listed above, please do so in the space below.

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        type: string (str1816)
unique values: 190
        warning: variable has leading and embedded blanks
missing "": 1,299/1,492

```

q38

Ballot: Citizen referendum power to bills w/ appropriations

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: One potential initiative on the statewide ballot in November 2014 would seek, in part, to amend the Michigan Constitution to extend the power of citizen referendum to bills passed by the state legislature containing appropriations. Would you say you support or oppose such a proposal?

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        type: numeric (byte)
        label: support_oppose
        range: [1,6]
unique values: 6
        missing .: 134/1,492

```

```

tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              73      1  Strongly Support
              234     2  Somewhat Support
              251     3  Neither Support nor Oppose
              212     4  Somewhat Oppose
              280     5  Strongly Oppose
              308     6  Don't Know
              134     .

```

q39

Ballot: Citizen initiative power to local ordinances

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Another potential initiative on the November 2014 ballot would seek, in part, to amend the Michigan Constitution to extend the rights of citizen initiative and referendum to local ordinances such as those in your jurisdiction. Would you say you support or oppose such a proposal?

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      type:  numeric (byte)
      label:  support_oppose
      range:  [1,6]
unique values:  6
tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              72      1  Strongly Support
              250     2  Somewhat Support
              253     3  Neither Support nor Oppose
              217     4  Somewhat Oppose
              334     5  Strongly Oppose
              232     6  Don't Know
              134     .

```

units: 1
missing .: 134/1,492

q40

Ballot: Changing Michigan's full-time legislature to part-time

QUESTIONNAIRE TEXT: Finally, one potential initiative on the November 2014 ballot would seek, in part, to amend the Michigan Constitution to change Michigan's full-time legislature to a part-time legislature. Would you say you support or oppose such a proposal?

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      type:  numeric (byte)
      label:  support_oppose
      range:  [1,6]
unique values:  6
tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              372     1  Strongly Support
              378     2  Somewhat Support
              154     3  Neither Support nor Oppose
              129     4  Somewhat Oppose
              201     5  Strongly Oppose
              137     6  Don't Know
              121     .

```

units: 1
missing .: 121/1,492

q42

Gender

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: gender
        range: [1,2]
unique values: 2
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                    789       1   Male
                    555       2   Female
                    148       .

```

units: 1
missing .: 148/1,492

age_category
Respondent Age

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: age
        range: [1,8]
unique values: 8
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                    7       1   20s
                    59      2   30s
                    168     3   40s
                    334     4   50s
                    477     5   60s
                    189     6   70s
                    26      7   80s
                    4       8   90s
                    228     .

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units: 1
missing .: 228/1,492

tenure
Respondent's time in office

```

        type: numeric (byte)
        label: tenure
        range: [1,5]
unique values: 5
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                    344     1   Two or less years
                    226     2   Three to five years
                    339     3   Six to ten years
                    272     4   Eleven to twenty years
                    161     5   More than twenty years
                    150     .

```

units: 1
missing .: 150/1,492

q45
Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent

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        type: numeric (byte)
        label: y_n
        range: [1,2]
unique values: 2
        tabulation: Freq.   Numeric   Label
                    15       1   Yes
                    1,290    2   No
                    187     .

```

units: 1
missing .: 187/1,492

q46a
Race: White

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 192/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
41 0 Not Selected
1,259 1 Selected
192 .

q46b
Race: Black or African American

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 192/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,291 0 Not Selected
9 1 Selected
192 .

q46c
Race: American Indian or Alaskan Native

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 192/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,285 0 Not Selected
15 1 Selected
192 .

q46d
Race: Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,0] units: 1
unique values: 1 missing .: 192/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
1,300 0 Not Selected
192 .

q46e
Race: Asian

type: numeric (byte)
label: selected
range: [0,1] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 192/1,492

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tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
             1,299      0 Not Selected
              1        1 Selected
             192        .
```

q46f

Race: Multiracial

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           type: numeric (byte)
           label: selected
           range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
           tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
                   1,292      0 Not Selected
                     8        1 Selected
                   192        .
           units: 1
           missing .: 192/1,492
```

q46g

Race: Other

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-----
           type: numeric (byte)
           label: selected
           range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
           tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
                   1,284      0 Not Selected
                     16        1 Selected
                   192        .
           units: 1
           missing .: 192/1,492
```

q46h

Race: Don't Know

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-----
           type: numeric (byte)
           label: selected
           range: [0,1]
unique values: 2
           tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
                   1,294      0 Not Selected
                     6        1 Selected
                   192        .
           units: 1
           missing .: 192/1,492
```

q47

Highest level of education

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-----
           type: numeric (byte)
           label: schooling
           range: [1,7]
unique values: 7
           tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
                   46         1 12th grade or less, no diploma
                   175        2 High school graduate or GED
                   377        3 Some college, no degree
                   153        4 Associate degree
                   294        5 Bachelor's degree
           units: 1
           missing .: 170/1,492
```

235 6 Master's degree
42 7 Professional/Doctorate degree
170 .

q48
Political affiliation

type: numeric (byte)
label: party
range: [1,4] units: 1
unique values: 4 missing .: 220/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
613 1 Republican
381 2 Independent
223 3 Democrat
55 4 Something Else
220 .

q48other
Political affiliation: Something else

type: string (str241)
unique values: 49 missing "": 1,363/1,492
warning: variable has embedded blanks

q49
Strength of political affiliation

type: numeric (byte)
label: strength
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 674/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
373 1 Very Strong
379 2 Not Very Strong
66 3 Don't Know
674 .

q50
As an Independent, which party are you closer to?

type: numeric (byte)
label: political_leaning
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 1,073/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
79 1 Democratic Party
130 2 Republican Party
210 3 Neither
1,073 .

q51
Date hardcopy received

type: string (str10)
unique values: 22 missing "": 1,415/1,492

partyid
7-point partisanship scale

type: numeric (byte)
label: partisanship
range: [1,7] units: 1
unique values: 7 missing .: 321/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	269	1	Strong Republican
	283	2	Weak Republican
	130	3	Independent leaning Republican
	210	4	Independent
	79	5	Independent leaning Democrat
	96	6	Weak Democrat
	104	7	Strong Democrat
	321	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable is a recoded version of q48, q49, and q50, which measure political affiliation and strength of party affiliation.

threeparty
3-point partisanship scale

type: numeric (byte)
label: partisanship2
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 321/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	682	1	Republican
	210	2	Independent
	279	3	Democrat
	321	.	

CODEBOOK NOTE: This variable is a recoded version of q48 and q50, which measure political affiliation.

region
MI regions

type: numeric (byte)
label: soss_reg
range: [1,6] units: 1
unique values: 6 missing .: 0/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	166	1	Upper Peninsula
	256	2	Northern Lower Peninsula
	294	3	West Central Lower Peninsula
	263	4	East Central Lower Peninsula

227	5	Southwest Lower Peninsula
286	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:	[.53571427,1]		units:	1.000e-08	
unique values:	43		missing .:	0/1,492	
mean:	.737943				
std. dev:	.097551				
percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	.59633	.677165	.723684	.794118	.866667

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:	[1,1.8666667]		units:	1.000e-07	
unique values:	43		missing .:	0/1,492	
mean:	1.37847				
std. dev:	.180172				
percentiles:	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%
	1.15385	1.25926	1.38182	1.47674	1.67692

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

ind_rr
Individual-level Response Rate

type: numeric (float)
range: [.3119266,.66666669] units: 1.000e-08
unique values: 17 missing .: 1/1,492
mean: .416437
std. dev: .077448
percentiles: 10% 25% 50% 75% 90%
.326446 .373211 .394834 .428571 .57554

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: [0,3.2058823] units: 1.000e-07
unique values: 18 missing .: 0/1,492
mean: 2.47091
std. dev: .3967
percentiles: 10% 25% 50% 75% 90%
1.7375 2.33333 2.53271 2.67945 3.06329

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

pop_density
Population Density

type: numeric (float)
label: pop_density
range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 0/1,492
tabulation: Freq. Numeric Label
725 1 Low <100
422 2 Mid
345 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. Corrections have not been made for any annexations or incorporations that have occurred since 2010.

pop_township
Population Category: Township

type: numeric (byte)
label: pop_twp_city

range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 501/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	366	1	<1500
	527	2	1500-10000
	98	3	>10000
	501	.	

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. Corrections have not been made for any annexations or incorporations that have occurred since 2010.

pop_city
Population Category: City

type: numeric (byte)
label: pop_twp_city

range: [1,3] units: 1
unique values: 3 missing .: 1,251/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	21	1	<1500
	128	2	1500-10000
	92	3	>10000
	1,251	.	

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. Corrections have not been made for any annexations or incorporations that have occurred since 2010.

pop_village
Population Category: Village

type: numeric (byte)
label: popvillage

range: [1,2] units: 1
unique values: 2 missing .: 1,303/1,492

tabulation:	Freq.	Numeric	Label
	139	1	<1500


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          50          2 >/=1500
    1,303          .

```

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. Corrections have not been made for any annexations or incorporations that have occurred since 2010.

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pop_county
Population Category: County
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          type: numeric (byte)
          label: popcounty

          range: [1,2]                      units: 1
unique values: 2                            missing .: 1,421/1,492

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tabulation:  Freq.  Numeric  Label
              29      1  </=30000
              42      2  >30000
              1,421    .

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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. Corrections have not been made for any annexations or incorporations that have occurred since 2010.

Q29. We're interested in how your local government's approach to financial management policies and practices may have changed over time. We know that different policies may be more or less formal, but thinking about your jurisdiction's financial management policies and practices overall, would you say in the last five years they have become more formalized, less formalized, or neither?

- Significantly More Formalized
 Somewhat More Formalized
 Neither More Nor Less Formalized
 Somewhat Less Formalized
 Significantly Less Formalized
 Don't Know

Q30. (If you selected "more" or "less" formalized in Q29) What factors would you say have influenced your jurisdiction's move to more or less formal financial management policies or practices?

Finally, we have a series of questions regarding your thoughts on the state of affairs in Michigan overall.

Q31. Do you feel things in the state of Michigan are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

- Right Direction
 Wrong Track
 Don't Know

Q32. Do you feel things in your jurisdiction are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

- Right Direction
 Wrong Track
 Don't Know

Q33. How would you rate the way Rick Snyder is performing his job as Michigan's governor?

- Excellent
 Good
 Fair
 Poor
 Don't Know

Q34. How would you rate the way the Michigan Legislature is performing its job?

- Excellent
 Good
 Fair
 Poor
 Don't Know

Q35. How would you rate the way your jurisdiction's governing board is performing its job?

- Excellent
 Good
 Fair
 Poor
 Don't Know

Q36. Now thinking about how the state government relates to your jurisdiction in particular, how would you, in your role as a local official, rate the way the following state agencies or departments are performing their jobs overall? (If you feel an agency or department does not impact your jurisdiction at all, please select "Not Applicable")

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not Applicable	Don't Know
Department of Agriculture and Rural Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Community Health (DCH)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Natural Resources (DNR)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Human Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secretary of State	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Transportation (MDOT)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Treasury	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Technology, Management, and Budget (DTMB)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Corrections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
State Police	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Attorney General	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q37. If you would like to provide more information or explanations about your ratings of any of the Michigan state departments above, or would like to discuss a state agency, department, or office not listed above, please do so in the space below.

A number of potential initiatives may be on the statewide ballot in November 2014. We're interested in your views on key aspects of these issues.

Q38. One potential initiative on the statewide ballot in November 2014 would seek, in part, to amend the Michigan Constitution to extend the power of citizen referendum to bills passed by the state legislature containing appropriations. Would you say you support or oppose such a proposal?

- Strongly Support Somewhat Support Neither Support Nor Oppose Somewhat Oppose Strongly Oppose Don't Know

Q39. Another potential initiative on the November 2014 ballot would seek, in part, to amend the Michigan Constitution to extend the rights of citizen initiative and referendum to local ordinances such as those in your jurisdiction. Would you say you support or oppose such a proposal?

- Strongly Support Somewhat Support Neither Support Nor Oppose Somewhat Oppose Strongly Oppose Don't Know

Q40. Finally, one potential initiative on the November 2014 ballot would seek, in part, to amend the Michigan Constitution to change Michigan's full-time legislature to a part-time legislature. Would you say you support or oppose such a proposal?

- Strongly Support Somewhat Support Neither Support Nor Oppose Somewhat Oppose Strongly Oppose Don't Know

Q41. 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 shared with any outside sources. As with all of the questions in this survey, these are optional.

Please provide us with...

Your name _____

Your phone number _____ - _____ - _____

Your email address _____

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.

Q42. What is your gender? Male Female

Q43. In what year were you born? 19 ____

Q44. How many years have you served in your current position? _____

Q45. Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent? Yes No

Q46. 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 |

Q47. What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed?

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12th 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's degree | |

Q48. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a...?

- Republican Independent Democrat Something Else (please specify) _____

Q49. (If Republican or Democrat) Would you consider yourself a strong or not very strong Republican/Democrat?

- Very Strong Not Very Strong Don't Know

Q50. (If Independent or something else) Would you consider yourself closer to...?

- The Democratic Party The Republican Party Neither