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WYOMING ELECTION YEAR SURVEY, 1994

The Wyoming Election Year Survey (WEYS) is statewide telephone poll conducted biennially by the Survey Research Center under the sponsorship of the Government Research Bureau. A total of 611 respondents (selected at random) were included in the 1994 WEYS. The number of respondents in the Post-Election Survey is slightly lower (N=533) because some respondents declined to participate in the second survey or could not be reached. The Pre-Election Survey was conducted October 16-27. The Post-Election Survey was conducted November 9-15.

PRE-ELECTION SURVEY
(N=611)

[The information in items #1-E6 concerned the administration of the survey and are omitted from the summary.]

7. What county do you live in?
   - Albany  7.2%
   - Big Horn  3.1%
   - Campbell  4.9%
   - Carbon  2.6%
   - Converse  3.3%
   - Crook  2.8%
   - Fremont  7.2%
   - Goshen  1.8%
   - Hot Springs  1.0%
   - Johnson  2.0%
   - Laramie  17.2%
   - Lincoln  3.1%
   - Natrona  11.3%
   - Niobrara  1.1%
   - Park  3.8%
   - Platte  2.0%
   - Sheridan  7.2%
   - Sublette  1.8%
   - Sweetwater  16.7%
   - Teton  0.0%
   - Uinta  0.0%
   - Washakie  0.0%
   - Weston  0.0%
   - Hot Springs  1.0%
   - Other  9.3%
   - Enivornment/Land  4.6%
   - Refused/DK  18.0%
   - Housing  4.0%

8. All Wyoming communities in our state face certain problems which need to be solved. What do you think is the most pressing problem in your community?
   - Economy  15.1%
   - Roads/Streets  4.1%
   - Jobs/Employment  11.9%
   - Water  2.8%
   - Education/Schools  8.0%
   - Taxes  2.1%
   - Government/Politics  6.9%
   - Drug/Alcohol  1.6%
   - Youth  4.9%
   - Health Care  1.1%
   - Crime  4.9%
   - Other  9.3%
   - Enivornment/Land  4.6%
   - Refused/DK  18.0%
   - Housing  4.0%
10. Did you vote in the 1992 Presidential Election where Bill Clinton ran against George Bush and Ross Perot?
   (1) Yes - 83.5%  (2) No - 15.9%  (8) DK - .7%

   If #10 is YES:

11. Did you vote for Bill Clinton, George Bush, Ross Perot, or some other candidate?
   (1) Clinton - 34.5%  (2) Bush - 39.0%
   (3) Perot - 19.4%  (4) Other - 1.4%
   (5) Refused/DK - 5.7%

Please rate the job the following public officials are doing. Is their performance excellent, good, fair, or poor.

12. U.S. President Bill Clinton?  
   Exc  Good  Fair  Poor  DK  
   2.1%  19.6%  38.8%  37.5%  2.0%

13. Wyoming Governor Mike Sullivan?  
   11.0%  42.9%  31.1%  9.0%  6.1%

14. U.S. Senator Malcolm Wallop?  
   9.2%  38.0%  27.7%  12.9%  11.3%

15. U.S. Senator Alan Simpson?  
   12.1%  41.6%  27.7%  10.5%  8.2%

16. U.S. Congressman Craig Thomas?  
   12.8%  37.6%  26.8%  12.4%  10.3%

17. What about the Wyoming legislators? How do you think they have performed in recent years?  
   1.6%  35.2%  36.2%  13.1%  13.9%

18. What about Wyoming Judges? How do you think they have performed in recent years?  
   2.5%  35.5%  27.3%  8.7%  26.0%

19. Now let's talk about the upcoming general election on November 8th. Are you registered to vote in the General Election?
   (1) Yes - 83.6%  (2) No - 15.7%  (8) DK - .7%

20. Are you registered as a Republican, Democrat, Independent, or some other party?  
   (1) Republican - 52.3%  (2) Democrat - 31.5%
21. Do you plan to vote in that General Election?
(1) Yes - 97.5%  (2) No - 1.0%  (8) DK - 1.6%

[Questions 22-36 based only on those planning to vote]

22. In the race for Governor, Democrat Kathy Karpan is running against Jim Geringer, a Republican. If the election were held today, would you vote for:
(1) Kathy Karpan - 42.0%  (2) Jim Geringer - 44.8%
(3) Other Candidate - .4%  (4) Will not vote - .2%
(5) Refused - 1.2%  (8) Undecided/DK - 11.4%

23. What about the Senate race? Republican Craig Thomas is running against Mike Sullivan, a Democrat. If the election were held today, would you vote for:
(1) Mike Sullivan - 38.0%  (2) Craig Thomas - 47.4%
(3) Other Candidate - .8%  (4) Will not vote - .2%
(5) Refused - 1.2%  (8) Undecided/DK - 12.4%

24. What about the Congressional election where Republican Barbara Cubin is running against Democrat Bob Schuster? If the election were held today, would you vote for:
(1) Bob Schuster - 30.5%  (2) Barbara Cubin - 44.2%
(3) Other Candidate - .8%  (4) Will not vote - .8%
(5) Refused - 1.4%  (8) Undecided/DK - 22.3%

25. What about the judicial retention elections where a state supreme court justice is asking the voters to keep them in office? If the elections were held today, would you vote to keep Justice William Taylor in office?
(1) Yes - 48.4%  (2) No - 14.7%
(3) Probably won't vote - 1.4%  (4) Refused - .8%
(8) Undecided/DK - 34.7%

26. Do you know Justice Taylor personally, or have you heard or read anything about him?
(1) Yes, know personally - 3.2%  (2) Yes, has heard or read about him - 27.3%
(3) Neither - 54.2  (8) DK - 15.3%

This year the voters of Wyoming are being asked to decide several issues in the November 8th election. We would like to know your opinions about these issues.

27. The first proposal on the ballot concerns abortion. Have your read or heard about this proposal?
(1) Yes - 81.5%  (2) No - 17.5%  (8) DK - 1.0%
If #27 is YES:

28. The proposal would make it illegal to perform an abortion except to save the life of the mother or if the pregnancy was the result of rape or incest. If the election were held today, would you vote for or against this proposal?
   (1) Vote for - 37.7%  
   (2) Vote against - 58.4%  
   (8) DK - 3.9%

If #29 is YES:

29. The second ballot proposal concerns local-option gambling. Have you read or heard about this proposal?
   (1) Yes - 94.0%  
   (2) No - 5.4%  
   (8) DK - .6%

If #31 is YES:

31. Another ballot would allow the state treasurer to invest state funds in Wyoming banks to make low-interest loans to Wyoming businesses and citizens. Have you read or heard about this proposal?
   (1) Yes - 72.3%  
   (2) No - 24.3%  
   (8) DK - 3.4%

If #33 is YES:

33. One ballot proposal would amend the Wyoming Constitution to permit criminal sentences of life in prison without parole. Have you read or heard about this proposal?
   (1) Yes - 76.3%  
   (2) No - 22.7%  
   (8) DK - 1.0%

If #35 is YES:

35. The final ballot proposal concerns investing state funds in the stock market. Have you read or heard about this proposal?
   (1) Yes - 66.1%  
   (2) No - 31.7%  
   (8) 2.2%
36. This proposal would amend the Wyoming Constitution to allow the state treasurer to invest state funds in the stock market as a way of increasing state revenue. If the election were held today, would you vote for or against this proposal?
   (1) Vote for - 31.0%    (2) Vote against - 54.4%
   (8) DK - 14.6%

Changing subjects now we would like to know how you feel about the following ideas concerning government in Washington and Cheyenne.

37. How much of the time do you think you can trust the federal government in Washington to do what is right. Would you say just about always, most of the time, some of the time, or none of the time?
   (1) Just about always - 1.3%    (2) Most of the time - 10.3%
   (3) Some of the time - 66.1%    (4) None of the time - 21.8%
   (8) DK - .5%

38. Now for state government. How much of the time do you think you can trust the state government in Cheyenne to do what is right. Would you say just about always, most of the time, some of the time, or none of the time?
   (1) Just about always - 2.8%    (2) Most of the time - 48.1%
   (3) Some of the time - 42.4%    (4) None of the time - 4.6%
   (8) DK - 2.1%

39. Would you say the government in Washington is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves or that it is run for the benefit of all the people?
   (1) A few big interests - 84.3%    (2) For the benefit of all- 9.2%
   (8) DK - 6.5%

40. Would you say the government in Cheyenne is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves or that it is run for the benefit of all the people?
   (1) A few big interests - 30.1%    (2) For the benefit of all - 56.3%
   (8) DK - 13.6%

41. Do you think the people in the federal government waste a lot of money we pay in taxes, waste some of it, or don't waste very much of it?
   (1) Waste a lot - 83.3%    (2) Waste some of it - 15.1%
   (3) Don't waste very much - .7%    (8) DK - 1.0%

42. Do you think the people in the state government waste a lot of money we pay in taxes, waste some of it, or don't waste very much of it?
   (1) Waste a lot - 20.0%    (2) Waste some of it - 60.2%
   (3) Don't waste much - 14.2%    (8) DK - 5.6%

43. Do you think that quite a few of the people running the government in Washington are a little crooked, not very many are crooked, or do you think hardly any of them are crooked?
   (1) Quite a few are crooked - 50.1%    (2) Not very many are crooked - 39.1%
44. Do you think that quite a few of the people running the state government in Cheyenne are a little crooked, not very many are crooked, or do you think hardly any of them are crooked?
   (1) Quite a few are crooked - 9.51%
   (2) Not very many are crooked - 46.0%
   (3) Hardly any are crooked - 37.2%  (8) DK - 7.4%

Now I am going to give you several statements about government policies. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with each statement, or don't have an opinion concerning the statement.

45. People like me don't have any say about what the federal government in Washington does.
   (1) Strongly agree - 19.1% (2) Agree - 46.0%
   (3) Disagree - 29.6%  (4) Strongly disagree - 3.8%
   (8) DK - 1.5%

46. People like me don't have any say about what the state government in Cheyenne does.
   (1) Strongly agree - 5.7%  (2) Agree - 29.0%
   (3) Disagree - 56.3%  (4) Strongly disagree - 6.1%
   (8) DK - 2.9%

47. We should pay less attention to problems overseas and concentrate on problems here at home.
   (1) Strongly agree - 28.3% (2) Agree - 48.4%
   (3) Disagree - 19.5%  (4) Strongly disagree - .8%
   (8) DK - 2.9%

48. The best way to ensure peace is through military strength.
   (1) Strongly agree - 10.3% (2) Agree - 48.8%
   (3) Disagree - 30.1%  (4) Strongly disagree - 3.8%
   (8) DK - 7.0%

49. The United States has a moral responsibility to support sound environmental policies both at home and abroad.
   (1) Strongly agree - 19.9% (2) Agree - 60.6%
   (3) Disagree - 18.5%  (4) Strongly disagree - 2.3%
   (8) DK - 4.7%

50. The United States should rely on the United Nations for dealing with most international crises around the world.
   (1) Strongly agree - 10.0% (2) Agree - 63.0%
   (3) Disagree - 16.5%  (4) Strongly disagree - 5.4%
   (8) DK - 5.1%
Our next set of questions concerns the University of Wyoming. In the past few years there has been discussion about the quality of the University of Wyoming and the size of the University of Wyoming budget. Various statements have been made during this debate and we would like to see what you think of each. Please tell me if you agree strongly, agree, disagree, strongly disagree or don't have an opinion on each.

51. Wyoming does not have the resources to pay for a university comparable to the best in surrounding states such as the University of Colorado, University of Nebraska, or the University of Utah.
   (1) Strongly agree - 2.5%  (2) Agree - 20.9%
   (3) Disagree - 47.1%  (4) Strongly disagree - 11.3%
   (8) DK - 18.2%

52. Considering what the University of Wyoming contributes to the state, the University is spending its budget wisely.
   (1) Strongly agree - 3.9%  (2) Agree - 47.1%
   (3) Disagree - 12.9%  (4) Strongly disagree - 1.1%
   (8) DK - 34.9%

53. The University should reduce the number of degree programs available to students.
   (1) Strongly agree - .7%  (2) Agree - 5.1%
   (3) Disagree - 53.8%  (4) Strongly disagree - 18.7%
   (8) DK - 21.8%

54. In general, the University has steadily improved during the last several years.
   (1) Strongly agree - 4.9%  (2) Agree - 49.6%
   (3) Disagree - 9.2%  (4) Strongly disagree - 1.3%
   (8) DK - 35.0%

55. The University of Wyoming through various means offers university courses in many locations throughout the state. Have you heard or read anything about these outreach programs?
   (1) Yes - 68.4%  (2) No - 22.4%  (8) DK - 9.2%

If #55 is YES:

56. Can you recall the names of any of these outreach programs?
   (1) Yes - 51.4%  (2) No - 45.9%  (8) DK - 2.6%

If #55 is YES:

57. Would you rate these programs as excellent, good, fair, or poor or don't you have enough information to make a judgment?
   (1) Excellent - 20.5%  (2) Good - 44.7%  (3) Fair - 3.7%
   (4) Poor - 1.4%  (8) DK - 29.8%

58. Now a different kind of question.
   How likely do you think the United States is to get into a nuclear war within the next 10 years? Would you say very likely, fairly likely, fairly unlikely, or very unlikely?
59. During the past year, there have been discussions about proposals to build a storage site in Wyoming for nuclear waste. Have you heard or read anything about this MRS proposal?
(1) Yes - 82.8%  (2) No - 16.5%  (8) DK - .7%

If #59 is YES:
60. Would you favor or oppose building a nuclear waste facility in Wyoming?
(1) Favor - 15.0%  (2) Oppose - 80.4%  (8) DK - 4.5%

Next we turn to some economic issues.

61. First we are interested in how well people are getting along financially these days. During the last few years, has your financial situation been getting better, getting worse, or has it remained the same?
(1) Getting better - 29.3%  (2) Getting worse - 27.5%  (3) Remained the same - 42.6%  (8) DK - .7%

62. Looking ahead to the next year, do you think your financial situation will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?
(1) Get better - 28.5%  (2) Get worse - 14.9%  (3) Stay about the same - 55.2%  (8) DK - 1.5%

63. Now let's talk about the country as a whole. Would you say that over the past year the nation's economy has gotten better, stayed the same or gotten worse?
(1) Gotten better - 32.4%  (2) Stayed the same - 28.5%  (3) Gotten worse - 36.5%  (8) DK - 2.6

64. What about Wyoming? Would you say that over the past year Wyoming's economy has gotten better, stayed the same or gotten worse?
(1) Gotten better - 32.4%  (2) Stayed the same - 41.4%  (3) Gotten worse - 21.9%  (8) DK - 4.3%

65. Do you think the economy of this state will improve within the next couple of years, within the next five years, within the next ten years, or may never improve?
(1) Next couple - 17.0%  (2) Next five years - 42.2%  (3) Next ten years - 16.9%  (4) May never - 14.2%  (8) DK - 7.8%

66. Last week, were you employed outside the home, either part-time or full-time, were you unemployed or what?
(1) Not employed - 26.8%  (2) Unemployed - 3.1%  (3) Employed part-time - 12.9%  (4) Employed Full-time - 56.1%  (5) Refused - 1.0%
### What is your job or occupation?
(Indicate type of industry then type of job)

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### Over the past year there has been quite a bit of discussion about health care in the United States. Do you think the country's health-care system needs a great deal of reform, only some reform, or no reform at all?

- Needs a great deal of reform - 45.3%
- Needs only some reform - 47.6%
- Needs no reform at all - 5.7%
- DK - 1.3%

I am now going to read a series of statements about health care in the United States. Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree with each statement or if you don't have an opinion.

### Almost every American can afford health insurance.

- Strongly agree - .5%
- Agree - 11.6%
- Disagree - 53.0%
- Strongly disagree - 33.7%
- DK - 1.1%

### Health-care costs are about the same as what they were 20 years ago.

- Strongly agree - .5%
- Agree - 2.0%
- Disagree - 35.4%
- Strongly disagree - 59.1%
- DK - 3.1%

### If the federal government increases regulation of the health-care industry, costs will only increase.

- Strongly agree - 12.4%
- Agree - 51.2%
- Disagree - 20.9%
- Strongly disagree - 2.3%
73. The free market will eventually drive health care costs down.
   (1) Strongly agree - 2.1%  (2) Agree - 22.9%
   (3) Disagree - 50.7%  (4) Strongly disagree - 6.5%
   (8) DK - 17.7%

74. Most politicians are afraid to challenge those who benefit from the cost of health care such as medical doctors and the insurance industry.
   (1) Strongly agree - 14.2%  (2) Agree - 60.7%
   (3) Disagree - 14.7%  (4) Strongly disagree - 1.3%
   (8) DK - 9.0%

75. The cost of health care is a major problem for me and my family.
   (1) Strongly agree - 14.9%  (2) Agree - 28.6%
   (3) Disagree - 48.4%  (4) Strongly disagree - 6.2%
   (8) DK - 1.8%

Now we turn to the subject of public services and taxes in Wyoming.

76. Considering all the public services provided to you by state and local government programs, and considering all the taxes you pay, do you think state and local taxes in Wyoming are generally reasonable or do you think they are too high?
   (1) Generally reasonable - 83.5%
   (2) Too high - 13.4%  (8) DK - 3.1%

Here is a question about state spending. As I read off a list of areas where state government does spend money, please tell me if you would increase state spending, leave it at present levels or decrease state spending.

77. Law enforcement & Corrections
   (1) More - 55.6%  (2) Same - 38.0%
   (3) Less - 2.1%  (8) DK - 2.1%

78. Local public schools
   (1) More - 64.8%  (2) Same - 27.0%
   (3) Less - 4.3%  (8) DK - 3.9%

79. Community colleges
   (1) More - 47.8%  (2) Same - 41.4%
   (3) Less - 3.8%  (8) DK - 7.0%

80. Streets and highways
   (1) More - 35.7%  (2) Same - 56.1%
   (3) Less - 6.2%  (8) DK - 2.0%

81. University of Wyoming
   (1) More - 44.5%  (2) Same - 38.8%
   (3) Less - 3.1%  (8) DK - 13.6%
82. State economic development
   (1) More - 46.2%   (2) Same - 34.9%
   (3) Less - 7.4%   (8) DK - 11.6%

83. Water Development
   (1) More - 42.7%   (2) Same - 40.6%
   (3) Less - 6.9%   (8) DK - 9.8%

84. Health and social services
   (1) More - 34.5%   (2) Same - 44.2%
   (3) Less - 15.7%   (8) DK - 5.6%

Of those who want to spend more for the above programs:
85. You indicated that you thought the state should spend for _______ (indicate
    items respondent wishes more spending on). Would you be willing to have
    state taxes increased to cover these spending increases?
   (1) Yes - 72.4%   (2) No - 22.1%   (8) DK - 5.5%

   It is generally agreed that next year income from current taxes will not cover the cost
   of existing state programs. If taxes had to be increased, would you favor increasing
   the following taxes?
86. Cigarettes
   (1) Yes - 75.5%   (2) No - 23.2%   (8) DK - 1.3%

87. Gasoline
   (1) Yes - 47.1%   (2) No - 50.6%   (8) DK - 2.3%

88. Beer
   (1) Yes - 80.4%   (2) No - 18.7%   (8) DK - 1.0%

89. Sales tax
   (1) Yes - 51.6%   (2) No - 46.3%   (8) DK - 2.1%

90. Property tax
   (1) Yes - 26.2%   (2) No - 70.7%   (8) DK - 3.1%

91. Hard liquor
   (1) Yes - 84.8%   (2) No - 14.2%   (8) 1.0%

92. Wine
   (1) Yes - 83.1%   (2) No - 15.4%   (8) 1.5%

93. Severance
   (1) Yes - 44.7%   (2) No - 39.6%   (8) DK - 15.7%

94. We hear a lot of talk these days about "liberals" and "conservatives". Would
    you say your views are extremely liberal, liberal, slightly liberal, moderate---
    middle of the road, slightly conservative, conservative, or extremely
    conservative.
(1) Extremely liberal - 1.0%      (2) Liberal - 7.7%  
(3) Slightly liberal - 10.1%     (4) Moderate - 31.8% 
(5) Slightly conservative - 14.7% (6) Conservative - 24.7%  
(7) Extremely conservative - 5.4%  (8) DK/Refused - 4.6%

95. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent or what? 
   (1) Republican - 38.1%  (2) Democrat - 20.6% 
   (3) Independent - 34.4%   (4) Other - 3.8%  
   (5) Refused/DK - 3.1%

   **If #95 is Republican:** 
   96. Would you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Republican? 
      (1) Strong Republican - 40.8%  
      (2) Weak Republican - 56.7%  
          (8) DK - 2.6%

   **If #95 is Democrat:** 
   97. Would you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Democrat? 
      (1) Strong Democrat - 34.9% 
      (2) Weak Democrat - 62.7%  
          (8) DK - 2.4% If #95 is Independent: 

   **If #95 is Independent:** 
   98. Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic Party? 
      (1) Leaning Republican - 41.9%  
      (2) Independent - 22.9%  
      (3) Leaning Democrat - 31.4%  
          (8) DK - 3.8%

   **PARTYID** Partisanship, based on combined responses to #95 to #98: 
   (1) Strong Republican - 15.5% 
   (2) Weak Republican - 22.6% 
   (3) Leaning Republican - 14.4% 
   (4) Independent - 9.2% 
   (5) Leaning Democrat - 10.8%  
   (6) Weak Democrat - 13.4% 
   (7) Strong Democrat - 7.2% 
   (8) Other - 3.8%  
   (9) DK/Refused - 3.1%

   Now I would like to read you several statements. Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree.

   **GUN** The country would be better off if we had good gun control laws. 
   (1) Strongly agree - 7.2%  (2) Agree - 29.5%  
   (3) Disagree - 38.6%  (4) Strongly disagree - 19.6%  
   (9) DK/Refused - 5.1%

   **ABORT** I favor an amendment to the United States Constitution that would make all abortions illegal. 
   (1) Strongly agree - 4.7%  (2) Agree - 13.7%  
   (3) Disagree - 51.7%  (4) Strongly disagree - 27.2%  
   (9) DK/Refused - 2.7%

   **RUSSIA**
101. The United States should provide economic aid to promote democracy in Russia.
   (1) Strongly agree - .7%  (2) Agree - 27.7%
   (3) Disagree - 53.7%  (4) Strongly disagree - 10.6%
   (9) DK/Refused - 7.4%

102. State spending for economic development has effectively improved Wyoming's economy.
   (1) Strongly agree - 1.5%  (2) Agree - 47.5%
   (3) Disagree - 25.9%  (4) Strongly disagree - 2.8%
   (8) DK - 22.3%  (9) Refused - .2%

103. Persons convicted of first degree murder should receive the death penalty.
   (1) Strongly agree - 16.9%  (2) Agree - 50.2%
   (3) Disagree - 20.8%  (4) Strongly disagree - 2.5%
   (9) DK/Refused - 9.7%

104. The United States should use military force to protect democracy in Haiti.
   (1) Strongly agree - .8%  (2) Agree - 22.4%
   (3) Disagree - 56.6%  (4) Strongly disagree - 11.9%
   (9) DK/Refused - 8.2%

105. Men are better suited emotionally for politics than are most women.
   (1) Strongly agree - 1.0%  (2) Agree - 9.3%
   (3) Disagree - 56.8%  (4) Strongly disagree - 25.7%
   (9) DK/Refused - 7.2%

106. Political leaders who are men are better able to stand up to foreign enemies than political leaders who are women.
   (1) Strongly agree - 1.0%  (2) Agree - 17.8%
   (3) Disagree - 56.0%  (4) Strongly disagree - 17.2%
   (9) DK/Refused - 7.9%

107. Women politicians are more sensitive to the poor and their problems.
   (1) Strongly agree - 2.1%  (2) Agree - 43.7%
   (3) Disagree - 42.6%  (4) Strongly disagree - 3.1%
   (9) DK/Refused - 8.6%

108. In general, men are better than women at making decisions about war and peace.
   (1) Strongly agree - 1.0%  (2) Agree - 20.8%
   (3) Disagree - 55.5%  (4) Strongly disagree - 14.4%
   (9) DK/Refused - 8.3%

109. Women with children should wait to run for political office until they have raised their families.
   (1) Strongly agree - 1.6%  (2) Agree - 27.7%
   (3) Disagree - 52.4%  (4) Strongly disagree - 12.1%
   (9) DK/Refused - 6.2%
I am going to read a number of problem areas. For each, tell me if you feel that if in recent years, the federal government's efforts in this area have improved things a great deal, only somewhat, not changed things or made things worse.

110. First, what effect has government activity had on reducing water pollution?
   (1) Improved things a great deal - 7.2%
   (2) Improved things only somewhat - 48.1%
   (3) Not changed things - 29.1%
   (4) Made things worse - 5.9%
   (8) DK/Refused - 9.7%

111. Developing energy resources.
   (1) Improved things a great deal - 4.7%
   (2) Improved things only somewhat - 41.7%
   (3) Not changed things - 33.2%
   (4) Made things worse - 9.5%
   (8) DK/Refused - 10.8%

112. Protecting parks and wilderness areas.
   (1) Improved things a great deal - 13.1%
   (2) Improved things only somewhat - 46.6%
   (3) Not changed things - 21.6%
   (4) Made things worse - 13.3%
   (8) DK/Refused - 5.4%

113. Regulating the public rangelands.
   (1) Improved things a great deal - 3.9%
   (2) Improved things only somewhat - 26.2%
   (3) Not changed things - 23.2%
   (4) Made things worse - 32.2%
   (8) DK/Refused - 14.4%

Now three questions on our educational system. Students are often given grades A, B, C, D and F for the quality of their work. Suppose the public schools in your community were graded in the same way.

114. What grade would you give your local public school?
   (1) A - 20.5%  (2) B - 45.2%  (3) C - 20.3%
   (4) D - 4.6%  (5) F - 1.8%  (8) DK - 7.7%

115. What about the state's community colleges? What grade would you give them?
   (1) A - 19.8%  (2) B - 43.5%  (3) C - 14.4%
   (4) D - 1.1%  (5) F - .7%  (8) DK - 20.5%
116. And finally, what about the University of Wyoming? What grade would you give the University for the quality of its work?

(1) A - 23.6%  (2) B - 41.1%  (3) C - 13.6%
(4) D - 1.8%  (5) F - .7%  (8) DK - 19.3%

117. Are you a member of a church or religious group?

(1) Yes - 63.5%  (2) No - 36.0%  (8) DK/Refused - .5%

118. Denomination

119. How often do you go to church? Would you say:

(1) Every week - 26.8%  (2) Almost every week - 8.5%
(3) Once or twice a month - 12.9%
(4) A few times a year - 29.8%  (5) Never - 19.3%
(8) DK/Refused - 2.6%

120. There has been some discussion about abortion during recent years. Which one of these opinions best agrees with your view?

(1) By law, abortion should never be permitted - 6.5%
(2) The law should permit abortion only in case of rape, incest or when the woman's life is in danger. - 27.8%
(3) They should permit abortion for reasons other than rape, incest or danger to the woman's life, but only after the need for the abortion has been clearly established. - 16.4%
(4) By law, a woman should always be able to obtain an abortion as a matter of personal choice. - 47.6%
(8) DK/Refused - 1.6%

121. If what year were you born?

122. What was the last year or grade you completed in school?

(1) Grade School - 2.1%  (2) Some High School - 6.7%
(3) High School Graduate - 25.7%  (4) Some College - 36.3%
(5) Bachelor's degree - 18.8%
(6) Graduate/professional degree - 10.0%
(8) DK/Refused - .3%

123. Of which of the following groups do you consider yourself a member? White, Caucasian, Black/AfroAmerican, Hispanic, Oriental.

(1) White - 95.1%  (2) Black - .2%
(3) Native American - 1.5%  (4) Hispanic - 1.6%
(5) Oriental - .2%  (8) DK/Refused - 1.5%
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<td>124. What is your marital status?</td>
<td>(1) Married - 64.8% (2) Single - 14.6% (3) Separated/divorced - 11.1% (4) Widowed - 8.2% (5) Other - 1.3%</td>
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<td>If Married: Is your spouse employed outside the home?</td>
<td>(1) Not employed - 13.9% (2) Retired - 11.9% (3) Student - 8.8% (4) Unemployed - 2.5% (5) Employed part-time - 6.8% (6) Employed full-time - 64.8%</td>
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<td>128. Do you belong to a labor union?</td>
<td>(1) Yes - 10.8% (2) No - 88.9% (8) DK/Refused - 0.3%</td>
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<td>If Married: Does your spouse belong to a labor union?</td>
<td>(1) Yes - 11.9% (2) No - 87.1% (8) DK/Refused - 1.0%</td>
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<td>130. Finally, the very last question. Would you tell me what your total family income was in 1993. (Includes spouse's income if married)</td>
<td>(1) Under $5,000 - 1.8% (2) $5-10,000 - 4.4% (3) $10-20,000 - 13.7% (4) $20-25,000 - 10.1% (5) $25-30,000 - 7.2% (6) $30-35,000 - 7.0% (7) $35-40,000 - 6.5% (8) $40-50,000 - 14.4% (9) $50-60,000 - 6.5% (10) Over $60,000 - 14.4% (11) DK/Refused 13.7%</td>
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<td>131. Indicate sex of respondent.</td>
<td>(1) Male - 46.0% (2) Female - 54.0%</td>
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[The information in item #1 concerned the administration of the survey and is omitted from the summary.]

2. In talking with people about the election, we find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they were sick, or they didn’t have time, or because they were not registered. How about you? Did you vote in the November 8th election?
   (1) Yes - 83.7%  (2) No - 15.9%  (8) DK - .4%

[Questions 3-29 based only on those who voted]

3. In the U.S. Senate race, did you vote for:
   (1) Mike Sullivan - 37.7%  (2) Craig Thomas - 54.7%
   (3) Another candidate - .9%  (4) Did not vote - .4%
   (8) DK/Refused - 6.3%

4. In the U.S. House race, did you vote for:
   (1) Bob Schuster - 36.8%  (2) Barbara Cubin - 51.8%
   (3) Another candidate - 2.9%  (4) Did not vote - 1.8%
   (8) DK/Refused - 6.7%

5. In the Governor's race, did you vote for:
   (1) Kathy Karpan - 34.8%  (2) Jim Geringer - 57.0%
   (3) Another candidate - .7%  (4) Did not vote - .2%
   (8) DK/Refused - 7.4%

6. In the State Treasurer's race, did you vote for:
   (1) Matilda Hansen - 28.0%  (2) Stan Smith - 54.5%
   (3) Another candidate - 1.1%  (4) Did not vote - 3.4%
   (8) DK/Refused - 13.0%

7. In the Secretary of State race, did you vote for:
   (1) Nick Deegan - 25.8%  (2) Diana Ohman - 59.9%
   (3) Another candidate - .4%  (4) Did not vote - 3.4%
   (8) DK/Refused - 10.5%

8. In the Superintendent of Public Education race, did you vote for:
   (1) Judy Minier - 32.5%  (2) Judy Catchpole - 54.5%
   (3) Another candidate - .9%  (4) Did not vote - 1.6%
   (8) DK/Refused - 10.5%
9. In the judicial races, Justice William Taylor of the Wyoming Supreme court stood for retention—that is, people voted on whether or not to keep him in office.

Do you recall how you voted on Justice Taylor? Did you vote to keep him in office, did you vote against him, or don't you recall how you voted?

(1) To keep him - 63.0%  
(2) Against keeping him - 17.5%  
(3) Abstained on this question - 4.0%  
(8) DK/Refused - 15.5%

10. Was your vote on retaining Justice Taylor influenced by any of the following?

Justice Taylor's political party ties?

(1) Yes - 5.4%  
(2) No - 75.1%  
(8) DK - 19.5%

Wyoming's State Bar Poll

(1) Yes - 6.3%  
(2) No - 70.0%  
(8) DK - 23.8%

Editorials in newspapers or on television?

(1) Yes - 20.9%  
(2) No - 60.1%  
(8) DK - 19.1%

Letters to the editors in newspapers?

(1) Yes - 10.8%  
(2) No - 69.3%  
(8) DK - 20.0%

Opinions of your friends or family?

(1) Yes - 18.8%  
(2) No - 62.3%  
(8) DK - 18.8%

Justice Taylor's campaign information

(1) Yes - 9.0%  
(2) No - 70.4%  
(8) DK - 20.6%

Personal contacts with Justice Taylor?

(1) Yes - 5.6%  
(2) No - 75.8%  
(8) DK - 18.6%

(The following questions were asked of only the respondents of the counties indicated:)

Laramie County only:

17. How about the District Court for your county where Judge Nicolas Kalokathis stood for retention. Did you vote to keep him in office, did you vote against him, or don't you recall how you voted?

(1) To keep him - 63.4%  
(2) Against keeping him - 18.3%  
(3) Abstained on this question - 6.1%  
(8) DK/Refused - 12.2%

18. Do you know Judge Kalokathis personally, or have you heard or read anything about him?

(1) Yes, know personally - 14.6%  
(2) Have heard or read about him - 35.4%  
(3) Don't know him/have not heard or read about him - 40.2%  
(8) DK/Refused - 9.8%
Sweetwater, Uinta, and Lincoln Counties only:

19. How about the District Court for your county where Judge John Troughton stood for retention. Did you vote to keep him in office, did you vote against him, or don't you recall how you voted?
   (1) To keep him - 69.4%  (2) Against keeping him - 14.5%
   (3) Abstained on this question - 9.7%  (8) DK/Refused - 6.5%

20. Do you know Judge Troughton personally, or have you heard or read anything about him?
   (1) Yes, know personally - 24.2%  (2) Have heard or read about him - 27.4%
   (3) Don't know him/have not heard or read about him - 41.9%  (8) DK/Refused - 6.5%

Sheridan and Johnson Counties only:

21. How about the District Court for your county where Judge John Brackley stood for retention. Did you vote to keep him in office, did you vote against him, or don't you recall how you voted?
   (1) To keep him - 71.9%  (2) Against keeping him - 6.3%
   (3) Abstained on this question - 12.5%  (8) DK/Refused - 9.4%

22. Do you know Judge Brackley personally, or have you heard or read anything about him?
   (1) Yes, know personally - 18.8%  (2) Have heard or read about him - 43.8%
   (3) Don't know him/have not heard or read about him - 25.0%  (8) DK/Refused - 12.5%

Converse, Niobrara, Platte, and Goshen Counties only:

23. How about the District Court for your county where Judge Keith Kautz stood for retention. Did you vote to keep him in office, did you vote against him, or don't you recall how you voted?
   (1) To keep him - 81.1%  (2) Against keeping him - 10.8%
   (3) Abstained on this question - 0%  (8) DK/Refuse - 8.1%

24. Do you know Judge Kautz personally, or have you heard or read anything about him?
   (1) Yes, know personally - 13.5%  (2) Have heard or read about him - 37.8%
   (3) Don't know him/have not heard or read about him - 43.2%  (8) DK/Refused - 5.4%

25. How about Judge Barton Voigt? Did you vote to keep him in office, did you vote against him, or don't you recall how you voted?
   (1) To keep him - 73.0%  (2) Against keeping him - 13.5%
   (3) Abstained on this question - 2.7%  (8) DK/Refuse - 10.8%
26. Do you know Judge Voigt personally, or have you heard or read anything about him?
   (1) Yes, know personally - 2.7%
   (2) Have heard or read about him - 37.8%
   (3) Don't know him/have not heard or read about him - 51.4%
   (8) DK/Refused - 8.1%

Campbell, Crook, and Weston Counties only:
27. How about the District Court for your county where Judge Terrence O'Brien stood for retention. Did you vote to keep him in office, did you vote against him, or don't you recall how you voted?
   (1) To keep him - 76.7%
   (2) Against keeping him - 9.3%
   (3) Abstained on this question - 0% (8) DK/Refuse - 14.0%

28. Do you know Judge O'Brien personally, or have you heard or read anything about him?
   (1) Yes, know personally - 16.3%
   (2) Have heard or read about him - 39.5%
   (3) Don't know him/have not heard or read about him - 37.2%
   (8) DK/Refused - 7.0%

(The remaining questions were asked of all respondents)
Now we want to know how much people participated in political activities in the 1994 political campaign.

PART1
29. Did you buy any tickets or give money to help the campaign for one of the parties or candidates?
   (1) Yes - 18.8%  (2) No - 80.1%  (8) DK - 1.1%

PART2
30. Did you go to any political meetings, rallies, dinners, or things like that?
   (1) Yes - 16.3%  (2) No - 82.4%  (8) DK - 1.3%

PART3
31. Did you do any other work for one of the parties or candidates?
   (1) Yes - 12.6%  (2) No - 86.9%  (8) DK - .6%

PART4
32. Did you talk to any people to try to show them why they should vote for one of the parties or candidates?
   (1) Yes - 36.2%  (2) No - 62.9%  (8) DK - .9%

Now, we would like to know whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of these four statements.

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33. It isn't important to vote when you know your party doesn't have a chance to win.
   (1) Strongly agree - 1.5%  (2) Agree - 3.9%
   (3) Disagree - 44.3%  (4) Strongly disagree - 49.2%
   (8) DK - 1.1%
34. Many local elections aren't important enough to bother with.
   (1) Strongly agree - .8%  (2) Agree - 2.4%
   (3) Disagree - 50.5%  (4) Strongly disagree - 44.8%
   (8) DK - 1.5%

35. So many people vote in the national elections that it doesn't matter much to me whether I vote or note.
   (1) Strongly agree - .2%  (2) Agree - 3.6%
   (3) Disagree - 51.0%  (4) Strongly disagree - 43.7%
   (8) DK - 1.5%

36. If a person doesn't care how an election comes out he or she shouldn't vote in it.
   (1) Strongly agree - 1.9%  (2) Agree - 22.9%
   (3) Disagree - 52.7%  (4) Strongly disagree - 18.2%
   (8) DK - 4.3%

On another topic. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement or don't you have enough information to have an opinion?

37. The University of Wyoming and the state's community colleges are working together to provide high quality college education for Wyoming students.
   (1) Agree - 75.4%  (2) Agree - 5.6%  (8) DK - 18.9%

Here are some questions about the different activities at the University of Wyoming. As I read the list of activities, please tell me if you think that the activities are over-emphasized, under-emphasized, or receive the right amount of emphasis.

38. Intercollegiate athletics
   (1) Over emphasized - 36.2%
   (2) Receive right amount of emphasis - 40.0%
   (3) Under emphasized - 3.6%  (8) DK - 20.3%

39. Undergraduate education
   (1) Over emphasized - 2.3%
   (2) Receive right amount of emphasis - 38.5%
   (3) Under emphasized - 28.9%  (8) DK - 30.4%

40. Graduate instruction
   (1) Over emphasized - 2.8%
   (2) Receive right amount of emphasis - 31.3%
   (3) Under emphasized - 22.5%  (8) DK - 43.3%

41. Faculty research
   (1) Over emphasized - 9.9%
   (2) Receive right amount of emphasis - 23.1%
   (3) Under emphasized - 11.3%  (8) DK - 55.7%

42. Off-campus instruction
   (1) Over emphasized - 1.9%
People think about the University of Wyoming in many different ways. I am going to read a list of attributes which some people associate with the University. Please tell me if you associate each attribute with the University or not.

44. Affordable
   (1) Yes - 74.3%  (2) No - 7.1%  (8) DK - 18.6%

45. Safe
   (1) Yes - 74.1%  (2) No - 5.6%  (8) DK - 20.3%

46. Underrated
   (1) Yes - 48.0%  (2) No - 28.1%  (8) DK - 23.8%

47. Friendly
   (1) Yes - 73.0%  (2) No - 4.7%  (8) DK - 22.3%

48. Party school
   (1) Yes - 35.8%  (2) No - 30.6%  (8) DK - 33.6%

49. Attractive Campus
   (1) Yes - 76.2%  (2) No - 3.4%  (8) DK - 20.5%

50. Not well known
   (1) Yes - 50.3%  (2) No - 36.0%  (8) DK - 13.7%

51. Impersonal
   (1) Yes - 11.3%  (2) No - 55.3%  (8) DK - 33.4%

52. Caring
   (1) Yes - 60.6%  (2) No - 7.5%  (8) DK - 31.9%

53. Excellent teaching
   (1) Yes - 53.7%  (2) No - 7.5%  (8) DK - 38.8%