

Ideology Survey

Instructions: For each statement, fill in one circle according to the following scheme. Next, rate how important the issue is to you and put that number in the “intensity” column. Then multiply the corresponding number under “Your Response” by the number in the “Intensity” column and then put the corresponding number of points in the appropriate column for whether or not the question is an odd number or even number question.

<p>SA: Strongly Agree – 5 pts A: Agree – 4 pts N: Neutral/No Opinion – 3 pts. D: Disagree – 2 pts. SD: Strongly Disagree – 1 pt.</p>	<p>How important is this issue to you? 3 – I care deeply about this issue 2 – I care, but don’t feel strongly 1 – This issue isn’t very important to me</p>
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Statement – Economic, Social, and Domestic Policies	Your Response	Intensity on this issue	Score – Odd #’s	Score – Even #’s
1. Health care is a basic human right, but costs have been soaring out of control. Thus, a universal government-run health care system should be established similar to those now prevalent in Europe and Canada so that the government can ensure that everyone will have access to health care.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
2. We should open public lands and offshore drilling for carefully managed mineral and oil production in order to reduce dependence on foreign oil and lower energy prices.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
3. We should tax business corporations such as oil and drug companies as well as the wealthy top 5% of the population in order to fund programs that our society needs.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
4. Because illegal immigration is both an economic and national security issue, we must strengthen border security to sharply reduce additional illegal immigration by building a security fence along our southern border	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
5. Labor unions are necessary to protect the working person and the federal government should do more to protect the ability of unions to organize.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
6. The best guarantee of peace for our country is having a strong military.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			

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7. Protecting the environment should be given priority even if it means slower economic growth.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
8. When something is run by the government, it is usually inefficient and wasteful.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
9. Gays and lesbians should be allowed to marry legally and have all the rights of a married couple.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
10. People applying for jobs or to colleges should never receive any preference based on their race, gender, or ethnic origin.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
11. The death penalty is a violation of human rights. This is recognized around the world and so, today, capital punishment is cruel and unusual punishment and should be banned.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
12. Abortion is tantamount to murder because unborn children are, by definition, human beings from the point of conception onward. As such, they deserve the right to enter into this world unharmed.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
13. It is the responsibility of the government to take care of people who can't take care of themselves even if government debt increases.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
14. Gun control laws do nothing to reduce crime and just place barriers in the way of law-abiding citizens who want to exercise their Second Amendment rights to buy a gun.	<input type="radio"/> SA <input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> SD			
Totals				

1. Give yourself the correct number of points for each position you took, multiply that number by your Intensity number, and put that number in the appropriate column for odd-numbered and even-numbered statements.
2. Then total each column.
3. Subtract the left hand column total (odd numbers) from the right hand column total (even numbers). Write that number here _____. This is your number on the ideology spectrum. The lowest possible number you can get is -84 and the highest possible number is 84.