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Introduction
This report presents a detailed account of the design and fielding of the 2019 Nebraska Annual Social Indicators Survey (NASIS). Users of the NASIS 2019 data will find it an important reference source for answers to questions about methodology.

The Nebraska Annual Social Indicators Survey was conceived as a vehicle both for producing current, topical information about Nebraskans (age 19 and older) and also for monitoring change in quality of life. As in earlier surveys, NASIS 2019 was a joint effort of the Department of Sociology at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) and a variety of University and public agencies. While the final responsibility for the design and fielding of the survey rests with the Bureau of Sociological Research (BOSR), both the costs of the survey and its planning have been shared with the Department of Sociology at UNL as well as the researchers involved, which typically include several state agencies, private non-profit agencies, and other University departments. Additional information concerning who funded specific questions in NASIS 2019 can be obtained by contacting BOSR.

Mode Selection
Historically, NASIS was administered as a telephone interview with adults (age 19 and older) in households in Nebraska with a landline telephone. Due to rising costs associated with declining response rates for telephone surveys, the 2009-2010 NASIS was administered as a mail survey to Nebraska households. Each NASIS since, including NASIS 2019, has been administered as a mail survey as well. BOSR has used the mail mode in other survey projects, where it has been an efficient and cost-effective method of data collection.

Design and Item Selection
Each Nebraska Annual Social Indicators Survey is designed to meet the data needs of a diverse group of researchers including UNL faculty and state agencies. In order to meet these needs, the instrument involves multiple stages of development. First, a set of “core” questions is developed. The majority of core items is repeated each year and covers basic demographic information, quality-of-life topics, and general sociological indicators. The core items are intended both to maintain continuity with previous years of NASIS and to provide information on issues of current importance and interest.

The next step in the development of the instrument is to incorporate a second set of questions to meet the data needs of the agencies and organizations purchasing space on the current survey. Interested public agencies and faculty members initially submit questions to be included in the survey. Aside from the core questions, all of those submitting questions are “buyers” (i.e., they contribute toward the cost of the survey in proportion to their data needs). As the questions from each buyer, or client, are submitted, they are formatted to fit in a mail survey. NASIS provides a cost-effective vehicle for collecting information about Nebraskans as clients purchase only the space needed to administer their items and are provided the use of the core items as part of their participation in NASIS.

With the growing interests of clients, NASIS had reached its full capacity of an annual omnibus survey. In order to serve as many researchers as needed, keep respondent burden at a reasonable level, and reduce costs, in November 2017, BOSR administered a clients survey to its past and current NASIS clients as well as those who had expressed interest in this survey before in an effort to identify those core items which were less important to researchers as
potential candidate items to be trimmed from the core items pool. Based on the results of this web survey and internal reviews, core items were reduced in 2018. BOSR still offers researchers the option to add previous core items back into NASIS as needed as part of their purchased space.

After all client and core questions were developed, a draft mail survey was designed.

The 2019 mail survey consisted of the core items and clients’ questions on a variety of issues of interest. One core item’s response options (poli) were listed on the questionnaire incorrectly. This should be taken into account when analyzing trends with this question. A copy of the final, formatted mail survey can be found in Appendix B.

**Sampling Design**

In order to meet the research needs of several clients and increase the sample coverage, the sampling design of NASIS 2019 mail survey used a postal delivery sequence based sample of household addresses (ABS). The sample included addresses for individuals and households who have an address according to the US Postal Service. Advantages to this type of sampling design include the ability to mail to all sampled addresses as well as a very high coverage (98% for the United States (O’Muircheartaigh, 2012)). To maintain a probability sample, the adult (age 19 or older) in the household with the next birthday after July 1, 2019 was asked to complete the survey.

The sampling design for NASIS has adapted to changes in the survey field over time. Traditionally, the NASIS sample was drawn from a population of non-institutionalized persons in households with telephones who resided in the State of Nebraska during the survey period. Persons under 19 years of age, persons in custodial institutions, in group living quarters, on military bases or reservations, and transient visitors to the state were excluded from the sampling universe. Since its inception in 1977, NASIS used Random Digit Dialing (RDD) procedures to select survey respondents. In 2006, NASIS respondents were drawn from a directory-listed sample of telephone numbers - a change prompted by challenges in sampling related to the proliferation of cell-phone-only adults and increased costs of RDD on the scale of NASIS. In NASIS 2008-2009, the sample design consisted of three segments: (1) a traditional directory listed sample; (2) a sample of participants of the NASIS 2007 (i.e., panel); and (3) an oversample of four counties (Colfax, Dawson, Hall, and Scotts Bluff) in Nebraska with high proportions of Hispanic/Latino residents. In 2009-2010 and 2010-2011, the sampling design utilized was a directory listed address sample. An ABS sample has been used since NASIS 2011-2012.

The sample for NASIS 2019 was purchased from Dynata. A total of 4,800 cases were provided to BOSR by Dynata on July 3, 2019. These addresses were drawn throughout Nebraska with equal probability of selection. Known vacant addresses were excluded from the sampling frame. PO Boxes were only included in the sampling frame if those were the only delivery point for an address.

**Experimental Design Treatment**

BOSR added two experiments to NASIS 2019 survey to test the effect of how incentives are included in the mailing and the letterhead the cover letters. The first experiment tested the impact of if the $1 incentive was paper clipped to the mailing materials (as is typically done) or if the $1 incentive was inside of a colored envelope with the mailing materials. The colored envelope included the text "A small token of appreciation is enclosed to thank you for your help"
on the outside. The sample was divided into two groups, each receiving one treatment. Each treatment was also randomly assigned to receive one of the two experimental designs for the cover letter experiment. This experiment aimed to understand the differences in respondents when the cover letter had the new University of Nebraska letterhead on the mailing materials or if it had the previous University of Nebraska – Lincoln BOSR-specific letterhead. Past research shows that minor changes can influence response.

Additional information concerning the methodological experiments included in NASIS 2019 can be obtained by contacting BOSR.

Data Collection Process
Data were collected between July 17, 2019 and September 25, 2019. The initial survey packet was sent to all sampled addresses on July 17, 2019. In the past a few administrations, BOSR has sent out a future research card along with all other materials in order to give households the chance to be contacted for future research opportunities. In addition to the panelist enrollment card, a separate FAQ sheet which provided detailed answers to the most common concerns respondents are likely to have regarding joining this panel was included in each survey packet regardless of experimental condition. Those who agreed to become a member of the “NebrASKa Voices” panel for future studies were asked to return their completed card separately from the questionnaire using the small, postage-paid envelope BOSR provided or mail it back to BOSR.

Each survey packet contained a cover letter (Appendix A), a paper survey booklet (Appendix B), a panelist enrollment card with NebrASKa Voices FAQ sheet (Appendix C and D), a $1 dollar bill incentive, and one large and one small postage-paid return envelope. The first survey packet was sent on July 17, 2019. The survey contained 106 questions in 12 pages. A reminder postcard (Appendix E) was sent to all non-responders in all treatment groups about one week after the group’s initial mailing (July 24, 2019). In addition to the reminder postcard, a second survey packet (contents discussed above omitting the incentive) was sent to all remaining non-responders on August 9, 2019. All materials were in English. A total of 1227 completed/partially completed surveys were received and processed by BOSR through September 25, 2019.

Response Rate
A total of 1227 adults returned the NASIS 2019 mail survey. The response rate of 25.6% was calculated using the American Association for Public Opinion Research’s (AAPOR) standard definition for Response Rate 2. Of the 4,800 addresses sampled, 6.7% (n=321) were determined to be ineligible (e.g., no such address; vacant), 2.0% (n=98) were undeliverable addresses with unknown eligibility. Refusals (e.g., blank survey returned; letter, phone call, or e-mail stating refusal to participate) and refused mail were obtained from 0.7% (n=35) of the sample.

Data-Entry Training, Supervision, and Quality Control
Data entry was completed by professional data-entry staff. Many of the data-entry workers had previous experience in data entry using Epi Info 6 on other mail survey projects. The data-entry staff was supervised by permanent BOSR project staff.

Data entry was completed in two steps. First, one data-entry worker would enter responses from a single survey. Second, another data-entry worker would re-key the survey and be alerted to any discrepancies with the first entry. Supervisory staff members were available to answer questions about discrepancies or illegible responses. The data-entry staff is paid by the hour,
not by the number of surveys entered. This method of payment is used so that we can ensure the high quality of the data collected by our staff.

**Processing of Completed Surveys**
The data were collected from July 17, 2019 to September 25, 2019. Completed surveys were returned by a total of 1227 respondents. As previously mentioned, surveys were data-entered using Epi Info 6 software with data saved on a networked file server. Each day, automatic backups were made of all directories containing information relevant to the survey. Some open-ended information, such as the county codes, were assigned numeric codes by the BOSR staff and also merged with the remainder of the data. The county codes are listed in Appendix F.

**Data Cleaning**
The data are recorded and stored on a secure server located within the Sociology Department at UNL. The Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) software package was used to process and document the dataset. The first step in data cleaning was to run frequency distributions on each of the variables in the survey. The second step was to generate variable and value labels (attempts were made to match the variable names and values for core items that appeared in previous NASIS administration periods). The final step in data cleaning was to recode all open-ended “other” responses on core variables and check for out-of-range values on all survey items. Recoding was done to correct for the most obvious errors/inconsistencies in the data.

Since the data collected contains information specific to the topic, additional decisions related to cleaning and recoding of the data will be left to the client to ensure final data quality. It should be noted, too, that due to the nature of mail surveys, respondents do not always follow the instructions for skip patterns within the survey. Inconsistencies, which are common in mail surveys, will still exist in the data.

The cleaned, coded data were stored in an SPSS system file. A list of all variables in the archive file and the variable names used in the SPSS system file for each variable are included in Appendix G. Datasets for users involving subsets of items in the file were generated by selecting the appropriate items from this main file.

The most economical and flexible manner to use the NASIS data is by using the SPSS for Windows software program. It is also possible to produce a dataset for SAS, among other possible data formats. Any additional needs or questions concerning the NASIS dataset should be directed to the Bureau of Sociological Research.

**NASIS Sample Weights**
The data were weighted in three ways to account for the within household probability of selection, nonresponse, and population characteristics. First, data were weighted by the number of adults living in the household (Hwat) in order to adjust for within-household selection probability. Then, the data were weighted for nonresponse by state region (reg_wt). Please refer to Figure 1 for a description of the regions. Lastly, poststratification weights were applied based on age (age_grp4), gender (sex) and state region (reg_wt) in order for the data to more closely resemble the population. Tables 3 and 4 display 2010 Census population data and NASIS weighted and unweighted frequencies both with and without the design effect taken into account. The final weight in the dataset is called Pwate.
Design Effects
Since the NASIS 2019 used simple random sampling, there is no loss in precision due to the sampling design. The design effect due to weighting adjustments is 1.67, which represents the loss in statistical efficiency that results from unequal weights. Appropriate adjustments need to be incorporated into statistical tests when using NASIS 2019 data. See the Estimate of Sampling Error section for more information.

Questions
Any questions regarding this report or the data collected can be directed to the Bureau of Sociological Research at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln by calling (402) 472-3672 or by sending an e-mail to bosr@unl.edu.

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1 The formula used is: 

\[ 1 + cv^2 (w) = \frac{n(\sum w_i^2)}{(\sum w_i)^2} \]
Figure 1
Definitions of Regions

**Central and West**
- Adams
- Antelope
- Arthur
- Banner
- Blaine
- Boone
- Box Butte
- Boyd
- Brown
- Buffalo
- Burt
- Cedar
- Chase
- Cherry
- Cheyenne
- Clay
- Colfax
- Cuming
- Custer
- Dakota
- Dawes
- Dawson
- Deuel
- Dixon
- Loup
- McPherson
- Madison
- Merrick
- Morrill
- Nance
- Nuckolls
- Perkins
- Phelps
- Pierce
- Platte
- Red Willow
- Rock
- Scotts Bluff
- Sherman
- Sioux
- Stanton
- Thomas
- Thurston
- Valley
- Wayne
- Webster

**Southeast**
- Butler
- Fillmore
- Gage
- Jefferson
- Johnson
- Lancaster
- Nemaha
- Otoe
- Pawnee
- Polk
- Richardson
- Saline
- Saunders
- Seward
- Thayer
- York

**Midland**
- Cass
- Dodge
- Douglas
- Sarpy
- Washington
### TABLE 1
**REPRESENTATIVENESS OF NASIS 2019 SAMPLE BY REGION OF STATE**  
(Percentage Distribution by Region)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>REGION</th>
<th>BASED ON 2010 CENSUS ESTIMATES</th>
<th>NASIS, UNWEIGHTED</th>
<th>NASIS, WEIGHTED BY PWATE</th>
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<tr>
<td>Central and West</td>
<td>34.2%</td>
<td>32.7%</td>
<td>34.2%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Midland (Omaha Area)</td>
<td>40.8%</td>
<td>40.4%</td>
<td>40.8%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Southeast</td>
<td>25.0%</td>
<td>26.9%</td>
<td>25.0%</td>
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<tr>
<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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### TABLE 2
**REPRESENTATIVENESS OF NASIS 2019 SAMPLE BY AGE AND SEX**  
(Percentage Distribution in Age and Sex Categories)

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<th>CATEGORY</th>
<th>BASED ON 2010 CENSUS ESTIMATE</th>
<th>NASIS, UNWEIGHTED</th>
<th>NASIS, WEIGHTED BY PWATE</th>
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<tr>
<td>AGE:</td>
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<tr>
<td>19 – 54</td>
<td>65.7%</td>
<td>35.9%</td>
<td>65.7%</td>
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<td>55-69</td>
<td>21.0%</td>
<td>37.7%</td>
<td>21.0%</td>
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<td>70+</td>
<td>13.3%</td>
<td>26.3%</td>
<td>13.3%</td>
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<td>SEX:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Males</td>
<td>49.1%</td>
<td>41.6%</td>
<td>49.1%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Females</td>
<td>50.9%</td>
<td>58.4%</td>
<td>50.9%</td>
</tr>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>100%</td>
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Estimate of Sampling Error
The NASIS 2019 sample is a simple random sample of households in the state. Because the data were weighted to account for within household selection, nonresponse, and population characteristics, the estimates of the sampling error are not straightforward. Table 3 presents margins of sampling error for some of the most likely sample sizes not taking the design effect from weighting into account. Exact margins of error for alternative specifications of sample size and reported percentages can be easily computed by using the following formula for the 95% confidence level:

Margin of error = 1.96 * \sqrt{(p(1-p)/n)}  
\text{p = the expected proportion selecting the answer}  
\text{n = number of responses}

### TABLE 3
APPROXIMATE MARGINS OF ERROR OF PERCENTAGES BY SELECTED SAMPLE SIZE NOT ACCOUNTING FOR DESIGN EFFECT (Expressed in Percentages)*

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<tr>
<th>Reported Percentage</th>
<th>Full Sample*</th>
<th>75% Sample</th>
<th>50% Sample</th>
<th>33.3% Sample</th>
<th>25% Sample</th>
<th>10% Sample</th>
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<td>50</td>
<td>2.80%</td>
<td>3.23%</td>
<td>3.96%</td>
<td>4.85%</td>
<td>5.60%</td>
<td>8.87%</td>
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<td>40 or 60</td>
<td>2.74%</td>
<td>3.17%</td>
<td>3.88%</td>
<td>4.75%</td>
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<td>30 or 70</td>
<td>2.56%</td>
<td>2.96%</td>
<td>3.63%</td>
<td>4.44%</td>
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<td>8.13%</td>
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<td>20 or 80</td>
<td>2.24%</td>
<td>2.58%</td>
<td>3.17%</td>
<td>3.88%</td>
<td>4.48%</td>
<td>7.10%</td>
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<td>10 or 90</td>
<td>1.68%</td>
<td>1.94%</td>
<td>2.37%</td>
<td>2.91%</td>
<td>3.36%</td>
<td>5.32%</td>
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<td>5 or 95</td>
<td>1.22%</td>
<td>1.41%</td>
<td>1.73%</td>
<td>2.11%</td>
<td>2.44%</td>
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When accounting for design effects due to weighting, the adjusted sampling error will be increased as is shown when comparing Table 3 to Table 4 where the design effect is incorporated:

Margin of error = \sqrt{(deff)} * 1.96 * \sqrt{(p(1-p)/n)}  
\text{deff = design effects}  
\text{p = the expected proportion selecting the answer}  
\text{n = number of responses}

### TABLE 4
APPROXIMATE MARGINS OF ERROR OF PERCENTAGES BY SELECTED SAMPLE SIZE ACCOUNTING FOR THE DESIGN EFFECT (Expressed in Percentages)*

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<td>3.61%</td>
<td>4.17%</td>
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<td>6.26%</td>
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<td>40 or 60</td>
<td>3.54%</td>
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<td>30 or 70</td>
<td>3.31%</td>
<td>3.82%</td>
<td>4.69%</td>
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<td>20 or 80</td>
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* 95% confidence interval states that in 95 out of 100 samples drawn using the same sample size and design, the interval will contain the population value.
Appendices
Appendix A: Cover Letters and NASIS 2019 FAQ
First Mailing – Version 1 (UNL Logo)

Dear [City] Resident,

We are sending you a survey called the Nebraska Annual Social Indicators Survey, also called the NASIS. The questions on this survey come from multiple researchers and cover a variety of topics. The researchers have pooled their limited resources to be able to do this survey. NASIS results are used by these and other researchers, non-profits, and state agencies. They are also used for student training and for student research papers.

This effort can only be successful with your help. We need the adult (age 19 or over) from your household who has the next birthday after July 1, 2019 to do the survey.

More information about the survey can be found on the enclosed sheet.

Sincerely,

Lindsey Witt-Swanson
Assistant Director
Bureau of Sociological Research
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
First Mailing – Version 2 (New UN Logo)

[City] Resident
«Street» «Apt»
«City», «STATE_ABBR» «ZIP»–«ZIP4»

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Nebraska Annual Social Indicators Survey (NASIS) Information

Why did this survey come to my house? We sent the survey to a small number of randomly chosen Nebraska addresses. Answers from these households will represent the entire state.

Who should do the survey? The adult age 18 or older in your household who has the next birthday after July 1, 2019. This helps the survey represent all Nebraskans.

What should this person do? Answer the questions and return the survey in the return envelope. The survey takes around 15 minutes.

Who is asking these questions? Researchers at the UNL Sociology Department, UNL College of Journalism and Mass Communications, UNL School of Natural Resources, NET, 4-H Nebraska, and Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services have pooled their resources to do this survey. This uses limited resources more responsibly and reduces the number of surveys people are asked to do.

Has this study been approved by the University? Yes. The UNL Institutional Review Board approved the survey. (IRB# 20180816236FB)

Is this voluntary? Yes.

Will my answers be kept confidential? Yes. Your answers will be combined with other people’s answers in all reports, papers, presentations, and other analyses so nobody can tell who gave which answers. No identifying information will be reported. Thus, there are no known risks to participating.

Who uses this information? The primary users are the researchers who came together to do the survey. We will also share the survey data and analyses with other researchers, state government employees, non-profit organizations, or media. Instructors use the data to teach students, and students use it for research.

Who do I contact if I have questions about the survey? The Bureau of Sociological Research (1-800-480-4549 or email bosr@unl.edu).

Who do I contact if I have questions about my rights as a research participant? The UNL Institutional Review Board, 402-472-6965.

What is the future research card? This card gives you the chance to be contacted for future research opportunities. You can complete this survey whether or not you decide to return the future research card.
FAQ – Version 2 (New UN Logo)

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Appendix B: Survey Instrument (Printed in black & white only)

NASIS

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Researchers from the University of Nebraska and across the state are counting on your help to learn about a variety of issues. Your responses will help shape program and policy development in Nebraska now and into the future.
Life In Nebraska

1. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with living in Nebraska?
   - Very satisfied
   - Somewhat satisfied
   - Neutral
   - Somewhat dissatisfied
   - Very dissatisfied

2. All in all, do you think things in Nebraska are generally headed in the right direction or the wrong direction?
   - Right direction
   - Wrong direction
   - Unsure

3. All in all, do you think things in the country as a whole are generally headed in the right direction or the wrong direction?
   - Right direction
   - Wrong direction
   - Unsure

4. How do you feel about the decision to expand Medicaid eligibility in Nebraska?
   - Strongly support
   - Somewhat support
   - Neither support nor oppose
   - Somewhat oppose
   - Strongly oppose

News and Public Media

5. How much do you trust or distrust the local and statewide news reported by your local Nebraska news media (newspaper, radio station, television station)?
   - Strongly trust
   - Somewhat trust
   - Neither trust nor distrust
   - Somewhat distrust
   - Strongly distrust

6. How much do you trust or distrust the news reported by national news media?
   - Strongly trust
   - Somewhat trust
   - Neither trust nor distrust
   - Somewhat distrust
   - Strongly distrust

7. In an average week, how many hours do you spend listening to, watching, and/or engaging with public media (e.g., NPR, PBS)? If you are unsure, make your best guess.
   - 0 hours a week
   - 1-5 hours a week
   - 6-11 hours a week
   - 12-17 hours a week
   - 18-25 hours a week
   - 25+ hours a week

8. NET, Nebraska’s PBS and NPR stations, is considering changing its name. From the list below, please select the ONE name that best fits what you know about the network.
   - NET
   - Nebraska PBS and NPR
   - Nebraska Public Media
   - Something else, specify: ____________________________
   - I don’t like any of these

9. In the past 12 months, have you ever listened to any programming on NET, Nebraska’s NPR station?
   - Yes
   - No → Go to #11

10. In the past 12 months, what radio programming did you listen to on NET, Nebraska’s NPR station?

11. In the past 12 months, have you ever watched any programming on NET, Nebraska’s PBS station?
   - Yes
   - No → Go to #13

12. In the past 12 months, what television programming did you watch on NET, Nebraska’s PBS station?

   ____________________________
13. In your opinion, how important is it to fund public media in Nebraska?
   ○ Very important
   ○ Somewhat important
   ○ Not very important
   ○ Not at all important

14. In your opinion, how important is it for individuals to donate to public media in Nebraska?
   ○ Very important
   ○ Somewhat important
   ○ Not very important
   ○ Not at all important

15. What one word best describes NET, Nebraska’s PBS and NPR Stations?

Health, Medicaid, and Health Care

16. How often do you need to have someone help you when you read instructions, pamphlets, or other written material from your doctor or pharmacy?
   ○ Never
   ○ Rarely
   ○ Sometimes
   ○ Often
   ○ Always

17. When you talk to a doctor or nurse, how often do you make sure they explain anything that you do not understand?
   ○ Never
   ○ Rarely
   ○ Sometimes
   ○ Often
   ○ Always

18. Within the last 12 months have you taken action to do something about a health issue that affects your community?
   ○ Yes
   ○ No

19. Overall, do you feel that you get the health care that you and your family needs?
   ○ Yes
   ○ No

20. Do each of the following limit health care for you and your family?
   a. Lack of local access to primary care physicians
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
   b. Lack of local access to hospitals and clinics
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
   c. Inadequate coverage of health care insurance
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
   d. High costs of medical co-pays on insurance
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
   e. Lack of adequate dental insurance
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
   f. Lack of adequate vision insurance
   ○ Yes
   ○ No

21. In the past 12 months, have you been the primary caregiver for each of the following?
   a. A child under the age of 5
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
   b. A child under the age of 18 with one or more physical or intellectual disability
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
   c. A parent or other relative who is no longer able to live alone
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
   d. An adult over the age of 18 with one or more physical or intellectual disability
   ○ Yes
   ○ No

22. Which of the following is the primary health care insurance for you and your family?
   ○ Employer-sponsored health insurance
   ○ Self-paid insurance coverage (e.g., private insurance, ACA/Obamacare plan)
   ○ Government-sponsored health insurance (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid)
   ○ No health care insurance

23. In the past 12 months, have you felt that a doctor, or other health care provider have judged you unfairly or treated you disrespectfully?
   ○ Yes
   ○ No

24. At your most recent health care visit, did your health care provider ask you about any history of sexual assault, sexual abuse, or intimate partner violence?
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
25. Do you favor or oppose laws to protect women’s access to safe and legal abortion?
   ○ Favor
   ○ Oppose

26. Do you have enough paid leave (e.g. sick leave, vacation leave, etc.) to take care of your own health needs?
   ○ Yes
   ○ No

27. Do you have enough paid leave (e.g. sick leave, vacation leave, etc.) to take care of your family’s health needs?
   ○ Yes
   ○ No
   ○ I do not have family to take care of

28. In the past 12 months, did you see a health care provider for each of the following?
   a. An annual gynecological exam
   b. A visit for birth control or contraception
   c. A visit for other women’s health care services (including pregnancy-related care, breast exams, etc.)
   d. A test for sexually transmitted infections (STI or STD)
   e. A general health exam (such as a “physical” or “annual” exam)
   f. A medical visit because you were sick or had a specific health issue

30. Please briefly describe the main reason why you feel the way you do about Nebraska Medicaid expansion?

31. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

   a. My physical well-being depends on how well I take care of myself.

   b. Other people play a big part in whether I stay healthy or become sick.

   c. My physical well-being depends on whether I have access to resources like good housing, a job, and health insurance.

   d. State and local policies help Nebraskans live more healthy and fulfilling lives.

   e. Access to health care is a fundamental human right.
### Alcohol Opinions

32. Please indicate for each of the following if you think it is very wrong, wrong, a little wrong, or not at all wrong for:

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33. How wrong would most adults (over 21) in your community, or the area around where you live, think it is for individuals under the age of 21 to drink alcohol?

- [ ] Very wrong
- [ ] Wrong
- [ ] A little wrong
- [ ] Not at all wrong

34. During the past 12 months, do you recall hearing, reading, or watching an advertisement about the prevention of substance abuse?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No  Go to #36

35. Were the advertisements about each of the following substances?

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37. During the past 12 months, have you allowed individuals under the age of 21 to drink alcohol on your property (home, barn, garage, etc.)?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

38. In general, how supportive are you of additional taxes on alcohol purchases?

- [ ] Very supportive
- [ ] Somewhat supportive
- [ ] Not very supportive
- [ ] Not at all supportive
- [ ] Don’t know

39. How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they use marijuana or cannabis once or twice a week?

- [ ] Great risk
- [ ] Moderate risk
- [ ] Slight risk
- [ ] No risk

40. Are you the parent or guardian of a 9-20 year old?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No  Go to #43

41. During the past 12 months, have you talked with your child about the following substances?

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   - Yes
   - No

43. One drink is equivalent to a 12-ounce beer, a 5-ounce glass of wine, or a drink with one shot of liquor. During the past 30 days, on the days when you drank, about how many drinks did you drink on the average?
   - Number of drinks
   - No drinks in the past 30 days

44. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use marijuana or cannabis?
   - Number of days
   - Did not use marijuana or cannabis in the past 30 days

45. Do you think climate change is happening?
   - Yes
   - No
   - Not sure

46. Do you think that climate change is mostly caused by human activity?
   - Yes
   - No
   - Not sure

47. How important is the issue of climate change to you personally?
   - Extremely important
   - Somewhat important
   - A little important
   - Not important at all

48. How worried are you about climate change?
   - Very worried
   - Somewhat worried
   - A little worried
   - Not worried at all

49. How serious do you think the potential impact of climate change is on Nebraska—its crops, livestock, and water supply?
   - Very serious
   - Somewhat serious
   - A little serious
   - Not serious at all

50. Is there a connection between climate change and the recent severe flooding in Nebraska?
   - Yes
   - No
   - Not sure

51. Nebraska is amongst the states with most river miles. Do you think climate change has the potential to make severe flooding a regular occurrence in Nebraska?
   - Yes
   - No
   - Not sure

52. How concerned are you that increased flooding and prolonged droughts and heat waves could have a profound effect on Nebraska’s agriculture?
   - Very concerned
   - Somewhat concerned
   - A little concerned
   - Not concerned at all

53. From where do you get most of your information about the environment?
   - Newspapers
   - Network television
   - Cable television
   - Radio
   - Internet
   - Friends and family

54. Would you favor policies that move away from burning fossil fuels (coal, gas, oil) and move towards renewables (wind and solar)?
   - Yes
   - No
   - Not sure
### Water Management

55. Here are some statements about water management in Nebraska. Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with each of the statements below.

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Immigration

56. Compared to 10 years ago, do you think there are more immigrants in your community now, about the same, or fewer?
- More
- About the same
- Fewer

57. How much do you think the number of immigrants from foreign countries coming to live in your community should increase or decrease?
- Increase a lot
- Increase a little
- Stay the same as it is now
- Decrease a little
- Decrease a lot

58. Thinking about the immigrant population in your state, would you describe Nebraska policies as favorable or unfavorable towards immigrants?
- Favorable
- Unfavorable

59. Some people have said that there seems to be a lot of anti-immigrant, and even anti-Hispanic, sentiments, policies, and attitudes surfacing in recent years. Other people have said that no such anti-immigrant/anti-Hispanic environment exists. How do you feel?
- Definitely anti-immigrant/anti-Hispanic environment
- Somewhat anti-immigrant/anti-Hispanic environment
- No such environment exists (Go to #61)

60. Would you say that this environment today is mostly anti-immigrant, mostly anti-Hispanic, or is it hostile to both immigrants and all Hispanics, no matter what their immigration status is?
- Mostly anti-immigrant
- Mostly anti-Hispanic
- Both anti-immigrant and anti-Hispanic

61. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

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62. If there were an increase of immigrants in your community, how likely or unlikely would each of the following results be?

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4-H, Youth and Community

For the next set of questions, please think about the young people (ages 8-19) who live in your community.

63. Overall, how committed are young people in your community to making positive community contributions?
   - Very committed
   - Somewhat committed
   - Slightly committed
   - Not at all committed
   - Don’t know

64. Overall, how committed are young people in your community to creating positive futures for themselves?
   - Very committed
   - Somewhat committed
   - Slightly committed
   - Not at all committed
   - Don’t know

65. How many young people in your community have positive role models in their lives?
   - A great deal
   - Some
   - Few
   - Very few
   - Don’t know

66. How would you describe the opportunities for positive community involvement available to young people in your community?
   - Very adequate opportunities
   - Somewhat adequate opportunities
   - Somewhat inadequate opportunities
   - Very inadequate opportunities
   - Don’t know

67. How many young people in your community participate in positive community involvement?
   - A great deal
   - Some
   - Few
   - Very few
   - Don’t know

68. How familiar or unfamiliar are you with your local 4-H program?
   - Very familiar
   - Somewhat familiar
   - Somewhat unfamiliar
   - Very unfamiliar

69. How involved is your local 4-H program in partnerships with other youth programs and educational services in your community?
   - Very involved
   - Somewhat involved
   - Not very involved
   - Not at all involved
   - Don’t know

70. How valuable do you believe the 4-H program is for young people in your community?
   - Very valuable
   - Somewhat valuable
   - Not very valuable
   - Not at all valuable
   - Don’t know

71. How accessible or inaccessible is your local 4-H program to young people and families in your community?
   - Very accessible
   - Somewhat accessible
   - Somewhat inaccessible
   - Very inaccessible
   - Don’t know

72. Are any of the following program types offered by 4-H in your community?

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### About Your Household

73. Do you or some member of your household own your home outright, buying it, or renting?
- Own outright
- Buying (paying a mortgage)
- Renting
- Provided as part of job/wages
- Other; specify: [ ]

74. Which of the following comes closest to the kind of housing unit you now live in?
- Detached single-family house
- Mobile home
- Townhouse/Condominium
- Apartment/Duplex
- Other; specify: [ ]

75. How many children age 18 and younger live in your household?
- [ ] Children (age 18 and younger)

76. Including yourself, how many adults age 19 and older live in your household?
- [ ] Adults (age 19 and older)

77. Please indicate the category that describes your total family income in the last 12 months.
- Less than $10,000
- $10,000 to less than $20,000
- $20,000 to less than $30,000
- $30,000 to less than $40,000
- $40,000 to less than $50,000
- $50,000 to less than $75,000
- $75,000 to less than $100,000
- $100,000 to less than $150,000
- $150,000 or more

78. During the past 12 months, how much difficulty have you had paying your bills?
- A great deal of difficulty
- Quite a bit of difficulty
- Some difficulty
- A little difficulty
- No difficulty at all

### About Yourself

79. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your current financial situation?
- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

80. What is your current marital or relationship status?
- Married
- Married, living apart
- Not married, but living with a partner (cohabiting)
- Never married
- Divorced
- Widowed
- Separated

81. Are you:
- Male
- Female

82. Do you think of yourself as:
- Heterosexual/straight
- Homosexual/gay or lesbian
- Bisexual
- Something else
- Not sure

83. As far as you know, are any of your immediate family members, relatives, neighbors, co-workers, or close friends gay, lesbian, or bisexual?
- Yes
- No

84. Were you born in Nebraska, another state, or a foreign country?
- Nebraska
- Another state
- Foreign country

85. Are you still living in the same residence as you were 2 years ago?
- Yes
- No
86. Do you live in a farm, in open country but not on a farm, or in a town or city?
   ○ Farm
   ○ Open country, but not a farm
   ○ Town or city

87. How many years have you lived in this Nebraska county? (Please enter 0 if less than 1 year.)
   □ Year(s)

88. In general, how would you describe your political views?
   ○ Liberal
   ○ Middle-of-the-road
   ○ Conservative
   ○ Very conservative
   ○ Other, specify:

89. In general, what do you consider yourself politically?
   ○ Democrat
   ○ Republican
   ○ Independent
   ○ Other, specify:

90. Who did you vote for in the 2016 Presidential Election?
   ○ Clinton
   ○ Trump
   ○ Other, specify:
   □ Did not vote

91. Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic or Latino/a?
   ○ Yes
   ○ No

92. What race or races do you consider yourself to be? (Check all that apply.)
   ○ White (Caucasian)
   ○ Black or African American
   ○ Asian
   ○ American Indian or Alaska Native
   ○ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
   ○ Other, specify:

93. What is the highest degree you have attained?
   ○ No diploma
   ○ High School Diploma/GED
   ○ Some college, but no degree
   ○ Technical/Associate/Junior College (2 yr, LPN)
   ○ Bachelor’s Degree (4 yr, BA, BS, RN)
   ○ Graduate Degree
     (Masters, PhD, Law, Medicine)

94. Would you say that your overall health and well-being is excellent, good, fair or poor?
   ○ Excellent
   ○ Good
   ○ Fair
   ○ Poor

95. Do you smoke cigarettes?
   ○ Yes
   ○ No

96. Do you typically work full-time, part-time, go to school, keep house, or something else? (Check all that apply.)
   □ Working full-time (35 hours or more)
   □ Working part-time
   □ Have a job, but not at work (due to illness, vacation, or strike)
   □ Unemployed, laid off, looking for work
   □ Retired
   □ In school
   □ Keeping house
   □ Disabled
   □ Other, specify:
   □ Go to #99

97. During the average week, how many hours do you usually work, NOT including the time you travel to and from work? (In the box below, write the total hours worked including any second jobs.)
   □ Average total hours per week

98. How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your job?
   ○ Very satisfied
   ○ Satisfied
   ○ Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
   ○ Dissatisfied
   ○ Very dissatisfied
99. During the past 4 weeks (28 days), how much of the time did you feel:

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100. How many times in the past 12 months have you:

a. Worked on a community project?

b. Attended any public meeting in which there was a discussion of town or school affairs?

c. Attended a political meeting or rally?

d. Attended any club or organizational meeting (not including meetings for work)?

e. Volunteered?

f. Attended religious services (not including weddings and funerals)?

101. Do you consider yourself to be Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, or something else?

- Protestant
- Catholic
- Jewish
- Muslim
- None (no religion)
- Other, specify: ___________________________

102. How often do you attend religious services?

- Several times a week
- Once a week
- Nearly every week
- About once a month
- Several times a year
- About once a year
- Less than once a year
- Never

103. What year were you born? ___________________________

104. In general, how much do your religious or spiritual beliefs influence your daily life?

- Very much
- Quite a bit
- Some
- A little
- None
- Doesn’t apply, not religious or spiritual

105. What is your zip code? ___________________________

106. Please use the space below to provide any comments or feedback.

Thank you!
We greatly appreciate the time you have taken to complete this survey. For your convenience, please use the postage-paid return envelope included in your survey packet to return your questionnaire.

Questions or requests from this survey can be directed to:
Bureau of Sociological Research
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
907 Oldfather Hall
PO Box 880325
Lincoln, NE 68588-0325
Phone: 1-800-480-4549 (toll free)
E-mail: bosr@unl.edu
Appendix C: NebrASKa Voices Enrollment Card

Front:

NebrASKa Voices Enrollment Card

We are offering an exciting opportunity to Nebraskans to make your voice heard through the NebrASKa Voices Panel. The attached FAQ document explains the panel in detail for your reference, but feel free to contact us as well with any questions or concerns.

Please use this card to let us know whether or not you would like to be a member of the NebrASKa Voices Panel. Return your completed card separately from your survey using the small, postage-paid envelope we have provided or by mailing it to:

Bureau of Sociological Research
P.O. Box 880325
Lincoln, NE 68588-0325

If you have any questions, give us a call at 402-472-3672 or 1-800-480-4549 or email bosr@unl.edu.

Back:

1. Would you like to join the NebrASKa Voices Panel?
   - Yes
   - No ➔ Stop and return this card in the small envelope

   Great! Please tell us a little about yourself, so we know how best to contact you in the future. Be assured that your contact information will not be disclosed or used for any purpose other than this panel.

2. What is your name?
   First name: ___________________ Last name: ___________________

3. What is your telephone number, including area code, which would be the best number for us to call?
   Phone: (____) _______ - _______  ○ N/A, no phone at this time

4. What is your email address?
   ___________________@___________________

5. What is the best way to contact you about future research studies?
   ○ Mail
   ○ Phone
   ○ Email
Appendix D: NebrASKa Voices FAQ

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q: Who can become a NebrASKa Voices Panel member?
Every year, the Bureau of Sociological Research (BOSR) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln sends out the Nebraska Annual Social Indicators Survey (NASIS). This survey is sent to a representative sample of Nebraskans to learn about their opinion on a variety of topics and issues. The data collected help shape program and policy development in Nebraska. To ensure a random sample of Nebraskans, the adult aged 18 or older who has the next birthday after a designated date of the contacted household is invited to join the NebrASKa Voices Panel. BOSR does not currently accept spontaneous opt-in to the panel from individuals who are not contacted to take part in NASIS. This allows the panel to remain a random sample of Nebraskans.

Q: Why are my answers important to you?
Your answers are extremely important in helping University researchers and Nebraska policy makers make sound and informed decisions in key areas to improve the well-being of our people and communities. The impact of your participation can never be underestimated and we always would like to hear from you.

Q: How do I join your panel?
Simply return your completed card separately from your survey using the small, postage-paid envelope we have provided or by mailing it to:

Bureau of Sociological Research
P.O. Box 880325
Lincoln, NE 68508-0325

Q: What are the benefits of joining and what should I expect as a member?
Panelists benefit by allowing their voices to be heard in research. BOSR will also keep panelists informed on results and outcomes of research in which the panel participated. Panelists are able to stay connected with the research taking place at the University of Nebraska through participation and communication.

After agreeing to join, panelists will receive a welcome letter to confirm their membership and a small token of our appreciation for joining the panel. BOSR will then connect with you at least twice a year to update contact information as needed and to keep you updated on the research that the panel has helped with.

You will be invited to participate in research projects as you are eligible. You can then choose whether or not you want to participate in any particular study. The panel is new, so we are not sure yet what the need will be for panel members to participate in research projects. As a result, we will start by allowing panelists to be eligible for up to three research opportunities a year. If demand is higher than what that cap will allow, we will reach out to you with any changes to this policy. We realize that your time is important, and will be respectful of that.

Q: If I join your panel, how often will I receive an invitation to participate in a survey?
BOSR will contact panel members who are eligible for certain studies. We will notify panel members by your preferred mode of communication whenever we can. Each panelist can be notified of up to three research opportunities a year. You can then choose whether or not you want to participate in any particular study.
Q: In what kinds of studies might I be asked to participate?

Panelists may be asked to participate in studies from a variety of areas. In the past, panelists have been asked to participate in focus groups, complete surveys, and take part in research at the University’s Center for Brain, Biology and Behavior (CBB).

BOSR only works with legitimate academic researchers, state and local government, and trustworthy local organizations. We will never try to sell you anything. In addition, BOSR will always strive to provide our panelists an appropriate user experience and will not field projects that in our professional opinion will result in a poor user experience for our panelists. Again, you always have the right to choose which studies you want or do not want to participate in.

Q: How long will these projects take me?

Each project is different. Some projects may take ten to fifteen minutes to complete. Others may include a one-hour focus group, or require an hour at the Center for Brain, Biology and Behavior on campus. You will be told how long participation will take with each project we pass along to you. You can then use this information to determine whether or not you want to participate in each study.

Q: How will you protect my privacy and ensure confidentiality of my answers?

BOSR will never share your contact information with anyone outside of BOSR unless you have explicitly agreed to participate in an additional study where the researcher needs to communicate with you directly. Otherwise, BOSR will keep your contact information safely on our secure server.

BOSR will take all possible steps to protect your privacy. Your answers to any projects you participate in will be held in strict confidentiality and will be used only for research purposes. The results will be reported in aggregate form or as summary only, and will never be presented in a way that you can be identified individually.

Q: What if I do not want to answer your surveys or want to opt out of the panel in future?

Although your feedback is strongly encouraged and appreciated, participation in any of our future surveys is completely voluntary. If you change your mind, you may withdraw from the panel any time by simply informing us and we will remove you from the list. You can simply give us a call at 402-472-3672 or 1-800-480-4549 or email bosr@unl.edu. Our contact information can also be found on our website, bosr.unl.edu.

Q: What is BOSR and what does it do?

BOSR is a university-affiliated, nonprofit academic survey organization directed by Dr. Jolene Smyth (jmsmyth2@unl.edu) and Lindsey Witt-Swanson, Assistant Director (lws2@unl.edu) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. It was established in 1964 and has been helping researchers with their studies ever since.

As a university-affiliated, nonprofit academic survey organization, the Bureau of Sociological Research (BOSR) provides a range of research services for faculty, staff, administrators and students. BOSR actively works with UNL investigators on the design, implementation and completion of research projects. BOSR also provides research services for state, government and local organizations outside of the University. Information collected by BOSR is helpful for program evaluation, budgeting justifications, and planning purposes.

Our central administrative goal has always been to provide high quality research services to advance knowledge and to help improve social conditions. BOSR supports all aspects of social science research applications and strives to offer quality research services while adapting to new technologies.
Appendix E: Reminder Postcard

Front:

Back:

DATE

Dear [City] Resident,

Last week we sent you the NASIS survey. If you have already done it, thank you! If not, please do so. We really need your help. Remember to have the adult (age 19 or older) in your household with the next birthday after July 1, 2019 to do the survey so the results will be valid. If you need another copy, please call 1-800-480-4549.

The survey will help researchers better understand the views, experiences, and needs of Nebraskans. Your participation is voluntary, but will help researchers and students a great deal. And your responses will be kept completely confidential.

Thank you for your time.

Lindsay Witt-Swanson
Bureau of Sociological Research
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
# Appendix F: County Codes (All begin with “31”)

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<td>How do you feel about the decision to expand Medicaid eligibility in Nebraska?</td>
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<td>In an average week, how many hours do you spend listening to, watching, and/or engaging with public media (e.g., NPR, PBS)? If you are unsure, make your best guess.</td>
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<td>In your opinion, how important is it to fund public media in Nebraska?</td>
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<td>In your opinion, how important is it for individuals to donate to public media in Nebraska?</td>
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<td>HEALTH1</td>
<td>How often do you need to have someone help you when you read instructions, pamphlets, or other written material from your doctor or pharmacy?</td>
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<td>When you talk to a doctor or nurse, how often do you make sure they explain anything that you do not understand?</td>
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<td>Within the last 12 months have you taken action to do something about a health issue that affects your community?</td>
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<td>In the past 12 months, have you been the primary caregiver for each of the following? - A child under the age of 5</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION3B</td>
<td>In the past 12 months, have you been the primary caregiver for each of the following? - A child under the age of 18 with one or more physical or intellectual disability</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION3C</td>
<td>In the past 12 months, have you been the primary caregiver for each of the following? - A parent or other relative who is no longer able to live alone</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION3D</td>
<td>In the past 12 months, have you been the primary caregiver for each of the following? - An adult over the age of 18 with one or more physical or intellectual disability</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION4</td>
<td>Which of the following is the primary health care insurance for you and your family?</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION5</td>
<td>In the past 12 months, have you felt that a doctor, or other health care provider have judged you unfairly or treated you disrespectfully?</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION6</td>
<td>At your most recent health care visit, did your health care provider ask you about any history of sexual assault, sexual abuse, or intimate partner violence?</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION7</td>
<td>Do you favor or oppose laws to protect women’s access to safe and legal abortion?</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION9</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION10A</td>
<td>In the past 12 months, did you see a health care provider for each of the following? An annual gynecological exam</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION10B</td>
<td>In the past 12 months, did you see a health care provider for each of the following? A visit for birth control or contraception</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION10C</td>
<td>In the past 12 months, did you see a health care provider for each of the following? A visit for other women's health care services (including pregnancy-related care, breast exams, etc.)</td>
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<td>In the past 12 months, did you see a health care provider for each of the following? A test for sexually transmitted infections (STI or STD)</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION10E</td>
<td>In the past 12 months, did you see a health care provider for each of the following? A general health exam (such as a &quot;physical&quot; or &quot;annual&quot; exam)</td>
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<td>IMMIGRATION10F</td>
<td>In the past 12 months, did you see a health care provider for each of the following? A medical visit because you were sick or had a specific health issue</td>
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<td>NEWS4</td>
<td>After reading the background information, how do you feel about Nebraska Medicaid expansion?</td>
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<td>NEWS5</td>
<td>Please briefly describe the main reason why you feel the way you do about Nebraska Medicaid expansion?</td>
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<td>HEALTH4A</td>
<td>Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements. My physical well-being depends on how well I take care of myself.</td>
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<td>HEALTH4B</td>
<td>Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements. Other people play a big part in whether I stay healthy or become sick.</td>
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<td>HEALTH4C</td>
<td>Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements. My physical well-being depends on whether I have access to resources like good housing, a job, and health insurance.</td>
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<td>HEALTH4D</td>
<td>Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements. State and local policies help Nebraskans live more healthy and fulfilling lives.</td>
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<td>HEALTH4E</td>
<td>Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements. Access to health care is a fundamental human right.</td>
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<td>Please indicate for each of the following if you think it is very wrong, wrong, a little wrong, or not at all wrong for: Individuals under the age of 18 to have one or two drinks.</td>
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<td>NCAOS1B</td>
<td>Please indicate for each of the following if you think it is very wrong, wrong, a little wrong, or not at all wrong for: Individuals under the age of 18 to have 5 or more drinks at one setting.</td>
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<td>NCAOS1C</td>
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<td>NCAOS1E</td>
<td>Please indicate for each of the following if you think it is very wrong, wrong, a little wrong, or not at all wrong for: Individuals 21 and older to provide alcohol for people under 21 years old.</td>
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<td>NCAOS1F</td>
<td>Please indicate for each of the following if you think it is very wrong, wrong, a little wrong, or not at all wrong for: Individuals under the age of 18 to use marijuana or cannabis.</td>
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<td>NCAOS1G</td>
<td>Please indicate for each of the following if you think it is very wrong, wrong, a little wrong, or not at all wrong for: Individuals 18-20 years old to use marijuana or cannabis.</td>
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<td>NCAOS1H</td>
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<td>NCAOS2</td>
<td>How wrong would most adults (over 21) in your community, or the area around where you live, think it is for individuals under the age of 21 to drink alcohol?</td>
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<td>NCAOS3</td>
<td>During the past 12 months, do you recall hearing, reading, or watching an advertisement about the prevention of substance abuse?</td>
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<td>NCAOS4A</td>
<td>Were the advertisements about each of the following substances? Alcohol</td>
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<td>NCAOS4B</td>
<td>Were the advertisements about each of the following substances? Tobacco</td>
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<td>NCAOS4C</td>
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<td>NCAOS4D</td>
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<td>NCAOS5</td>
<td>How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they have 5 or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week?</td>
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<td>NCAOS6</td>
<td>During the past 12 months, have you allowed individuals under the age of 21 to drink alcohol on your property (home, barn, garage, etc.)?</td>
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<td>NCAOS7</td>
<td>In general, how supportive are you of additional taxes on alcohol purchases?</td>
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<td>NCAOS8</td>
<td>How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they use marijuana or cannabis once or twice a week?</td>
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<td>NCAOS9</td>
<td>Are you the parent or guardian of a 9-20 year old?</td>
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<td>NCAOS10A</td>
<td>During the past 12 months, have you talked with your child about the following substances? Alcohol</td>
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<td>NCAOS10B</td>
<td>During the past 12 months, have you talked with your child about the following substances? Tobacco</td>
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<td>NCAOS10C</td>
<td>During the past 12 months, have you talked with your child about the following substances? Marijuana</td>
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<td>NCAOS10D</td>
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<td>NCAOS10E</td>
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<td>NCAOS11</td>
<td>During the past 12 months, have you provided alcohol to any of your children under the age of 21? Do not include sips for religious purposes.</td>
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<td>NCAOS12A</td>
<td>One drink is equivalent to a 12-ounce beer, a 5-ounce glass of wine, or a drink with one shot of liquor. During the past 30 days, on the days when you drank, about how many drinks did you drink on the average?</td>
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<td>NCAOS12B</td>
<td>No drinks in the past 30 days.</td>
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<td>NCAOS13A</td>
<td>During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use marijuana or cannabis?</td>
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<td>NCAOS13B</td>
<td>Did not use marijuana or cannabis in the past 30 days.</td>
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<td>CLIMATE1</td>
<td>Do you think climate change is happening?</td>
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<td>CLIMATE2</td>
<td>Do you think that climate change is mostly caused by human activity?</td>
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<td>CLIMATE3</td>
<td>How important is the issue of climate change to you personally?</td>
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<td>CLIMATE4</td>
<td>How worried are you about climate change?</td>
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<td>CLIMATE5</td>
<td>How serious do you think the potential impact of climate change is on Nebraska – its crops, livestock, and water supply?</td>
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<td>CLIMATE6</td>
<td>Is there a connection between climate change and the recent severe flooding in Nebraska?</td>
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<td>CLIMATE7</td>
<td>Nebraska is amongst the states with most river miles. Do you think climate change has the potential to make severe flooding a regular occurrence in Nebraska?</td>
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<td>CLIMATE8</td>
<td>How concerned are you that increased flooding and prolonged droughts and heat waves could have a profound effect on Nebraska’s agriculture?</td>
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<td>CLIMATE9</td>
<td>From where do you get most of your information about the environment?</td>
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<td>CLIMATE10</td>
<td>Would you favor policies that move away from burning fossil fuels (coal, gas, oil) and move towards renewables (wind and solar)?</td>
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<td>WATERA</td>
<td>Here are some statements about water management in Nebraska. Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with each of the statements below. Rights to use water are well defined in Nebraska.</td>
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<td>WATERB</td>
<td>Here are some statements about water management in Nebraska. Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with each of the statements below. The benefits of using water resources outweigh the costs of developing managing and using that resource.</td>
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<td>WATERC</td>
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Here are some statements about water management in Nebraska. Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with each of the statements below. All water users are treated equitably in Nebraska.

Water management in Nebraska is proactive.

Nebraska needs people who can reach across organizational boundaries to build collaborative relationships.

Compared to 10 years ago, do you think there are more immigrants in your community now, about the same, or fewer?

How much do you think the number of immigrants from foreign countries coming to live in your community should increase or decrease?

Thinking about the immigrant population in your state, would you describe Nebraska policies as favorable or unfavorable towards immigrants?

Some people have said that there seems to be a lot of anti-immigrant, and even anti-Hispanic, sentiments, policies, and attitudes surfacing in recent years. Other people have said that no such anti-immigrant/anti-Hispanic environment exists. How do you feel?

Would you say that this environment today is mostly anti-immigrant, mostly anti-Hispanic, or is it hostile to both immigrants and all Hispanics, no matter what their immigration status is?

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Immigrants from Mexico and Central America have been good for Nebraska.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Refugees (e.g. from Somalia, Sudan, Vietnam, or Iraq) have been good for Nebraska.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Citizenship should be available to undocumented immigrants who were brought here as children under the age of 16 and have been living in the US for 5 years.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Citizenship should be available to undocumented immigrants who have been working and paying taxes for 5 years or more.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? The government should tighten the borders to prevent unauthorized immigration.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Businesses that employ undocumented workers should be penalized.

If there were an increase of immigrants in your community, how likely or unlikely would each of the following results be? Higher economic growth.

If there were an increase of immigrants in your community, how likely or unlikely would each of the following results be? People born in my community losing their jobs.

If there were an increase of immigrants in your community, how likely or unlikely would each of the following results be? Higher crime rates.
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<td>Overall, how committed are young people in your community to making positive community contributions?</td>
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<td>YOUTH2</td>
<td>Overall, how committed are young people in your community to creating positive futures for themselves?</td>
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<td>YOUTH3</td>
<td>How many young people in your community have positive role models in their lives?</td>
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<td>YOUTH5</td>
<td>How would you describe the opportunities for positive community involvement available to young people in your community?</td>
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<td>YOUTH6</td>
<td>How many young people in your community participate in positive community involvement?</td>
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<td>YOUTH7</td>
<td>How familiar or unfamiliar are you with your local 4-H program?</td>
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<td>How involved is your local 4-H program in partnerships with other youth programs and educational services in your community?</td>
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<td>YOUTH9</td>
<td>How valuable do you believe the 4-H program is for young people in your community?</td>
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<td>How accessible or inaccessible is your local 4-H program to young people and families in your community?</td>
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<td>Are any of the following program types offered by 4-H in your community? STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math).</td>
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<td>Are any of the following program types offered by 4-H in your community? Healthy lifestyles.</td>
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<td>Are any of the following program types offered by 4-H in your community? Career and College Readiness.</td>
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<td>Were you born in Nebraska, another state, or a foreign country?</td>
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<td>How many years have you lived in this Nebraska county? Years.</td>
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Appendix H: AAPOR Transparency Initiative Immediate Disclosure Items

1. Who sponsored the research study.
   
   **Introduction**

2. Who conducted the research study.
   
   **Introduction**

3. If who conducted the study is different from the sponsor, the original sources of funding will also be disclosed.
   
   **Introduction**

4. The exact wording and presentation of questions and response options whose results are reported. This includes preceding interviewer or respondent instructions and any preceding questions that might reasonably be expected to influence responses to the reported results.
   
   **Appendix B**

5. A definition of the population under study and its geographic location.
   
   **Introduction / Sampling Design**

6. Dates of data collection.
   
   **Data Collection Process**

7. A description of the sampling frame(s) and its coverage of the target population, including mention of any segment of the target population that is not covered by the design. This may include, for example, exclusion of Alaska and Hawaii in U.S. surveys; exclusion of specific provinces or rural areas in international surveys; and exclusion of non-panel members in panel surveys. If possible, the estimated size of non-covered segments will be provided. If a size estimate cannot be provided, this will be explained. If no frame or list was utilized, this will be indicated.
   
   **Sampling Design**

8. The name of the sample supplier, if the sampling frame and/or the sample itself was provided by a third party.
   
   **Sampling Design**

9. The methods used to recruit the panel or participants, if the sample was drawn from a pre-recruited panel or pool of respondents.
   
   **Not applicable to project**

10. A description of the sample design, giving a clear indication of the method by which the respondents were selected, recruited, intercepted or otherwise contacted or encountered, along with any eligibility requirements and/or oversampling. If quotas were used, the variables defining the quotas will be reported. If a within-household selection procedure was used, this will be described. The description of the sampling frame and sample design will include sufficient detail to determine whether the respondents were selected using probability or non-probability methods.
   
   **Sampling Design**

11. Method(s) and mode(s) used to administer the survey (e.g., CATI, CAPI, ACASI, IVR, mail survey, web survey) and the language(s) offered.
   
   **Mode Selection/Data Collection Process**
12. Sample sizes (by sampling frame if more than one was used) and a discussion of the precision of the findings. For probability samples, the estimates of sampling error will be reported, and the discussion will state whether or not the reported margins of sampling error or statistical analyses have been adjusted for the design effect due to weighting, clustering, or other factors. Disclosure requirements for non-probability samples are different because the precision of estimates from such samples is a model-based measure (rather than the average deviation from the population value over all possible samples). Reports of non-probability samples will only provide measures of precision if they are accompanied by a detailed description of how the underlying model was specified, its assumptions validated and the measure(s) calculated. To avoid confusion, it is best to avoid using the term “margin of error” or “margin of sampling error” in conjunction with non-probability samples.

**Design Effects/Estimate of Sampling Error**

13. A description of how the weights were calculated, including the variables used and the sources of weighting parameters, if weighted estimates are reported.

**NASIS Sample Weights**

14. If the results reported are based on multiple samples or multiple modes, the preceding items will be disclosed for each.

**Not applicable to project**

15. Contact for obtaining more information about the study.

**Questions**