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S1.   Voted in 2016 state primary election?   1. Yes   2. No

S2.   Voted in 2018 state primary election?   1. Yes   2. No

S3.   Voted in 2012 Nov general election?   1. Yes   2. No

S4.   Voted in 2016 Nov general election?   1. Yes   2. No

S5.   Voted in 2018 Nov general election?   1. Yes   2. No

S6.   Party registration: 1. Republican   2. Democrat   3. Independent/None

S7.   County of registration: (state based codes)

S8.   Congressional District: (numeric)

S9.   Gender – from voter list: 1. Male   2. Female   3. Unknown

S10.   Age – from voter list: 1. 18-34   2. 35-49   3. 50-64   4. 65+   5. Unknown

S11.   Race – from voter list: 1. White   2. Black   3. Asian   4. Hispanic   5. Unknown

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X1.   Are you registered to vote at your current Iowa address, registered at a different address, or haven't you had a chance to register?

   1.   Yes, at this address >> GO TO X2
   2.   Registered at a different address >> ASK X1A
   3.   No, not registered to vote >> ASK X1A
   4.   (VOL) Do not live in Iowa **>> [THANK AND TERMINATE]**
   9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused >> ASK X1A

   X1A.   Do you plan to register so you can vote in the November election, or do you not plan to do this?

      1.   Yes >> GO TO X2
      2.   No **>> [THANK AND TERMINATE]**
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused **>> [THANK AND TERMINATE]**

X2.   How likely is it that you will vote in the November election – have you already voted, are you certain to vote, likely to vote, are you not sure, or are you unlikely to vote?

   0.   Already voted *[see CATI instructions before/after vote Qs]*
   1.   Certain to vote
   2.   Likely to vote
   3.   Not sure

4.   Unlikely to vote
5.   (VOL) Definitely won't vote **>>> SKIP TO Q6**
9.   (VOL) Refused **>>> SKIP TO Q6**

[IF "0-Already voted" in X2, replace stem with: "In the election for President, did you vote for…"]

1.   If the election for President was today, would you vote for … **[RANDOMIZE NAMES 1-4]** Donald Trump the Republican, Joe Biden the Democrat, Jo Jorgensen the Libertarian, Howie Hawkins of the Green Party, or another candidate?
    1.   Donald Trump the Republican **>> ASK Q1A**
    2.   Joe Biden the Democrat **>> ASK Q1A**
    3.   Jo Jorgensen the Libertarian **>> ASK Q1A/B**
    4.   Howie Hawkins of the Green Party **>> ASK Q1A/B**
    6.   Other candidate **>> ASK Q1A/B**
    7.   (VOL) Will/did not vote for president **>> ASK Q1B**
    8.   (VOL) Undecided / Not sure **>> ASK Q1B**
    9.   (VOL) Refused **>> ASK Q1B**

[CATI: IF "0-Already voted" in X2, and Q1=1/2/3/4/6 >> SKIP TO Q4]
[CATI: IF "0-Already voted" in X2, and Q1=7/8/9 >> THANK AND TERMINATE]

    [IF Q1=1/2/3/4/6, ASK:]
    1A.   Are you certain about your vote choice, or might you change your mind before election day?

        1.   Certain
        2.   Might change mind
        9.   (VOL) Don't know/refused

    [IF Q1=3/4/6/7/8/9, ASK:]
    1B.   If you had to vote for one of the following candidates at this moment, who do you lean toward – Donald Trump or Joe Biden? **[ROTATE NAMES]**

        1.   Donald Trump
        2.   Joe Biden
        3.   (VOL) Neither/Other
        9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

[ROTATE Q2/3]
[IF Q1=1 and Q1A=1 (Certain Trump), Skip Q2.]
2.   What is the likelihood that you might vote for Donald Trump in November – very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, or not at all likely?

        1.   Very likely
        2.   Somewhat likely
        3.   Not too likely
        4.   Not at all likely
        9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

[IF Q1=2 and Q1A=1 (Certain Biden), Skip Q3.]
3.   What is the likelihood that you might vote for Joe Biden in November – very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, or not at all likely?

        1.   Very likely

2. Somewhat likely
3. Not too likely
4. Not at all likely
9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

[IF "0-Already voted" in X2, replace stem with: "In the election for U.S. Senate, did you vote for…"]
4. If the election for U.S. Senate was today, would you vote for … **[ROTATE NAMES 1-4]** Joni Ernst the Republican, Theresa Greenfield the Democrat, Rick Stewart the Libertarian, or Suzanne Herzog the independent?

   1. Joni Ernst the Republican **>> ASK Q4A**
   2. Theresa Greenfield the Democrat **>> ASK Q4A**
   3. Rick Stewart the Libertarian **>> ASK Q4A/B**
   4. Suzanne Herzog the independent **>> ASK Q4A/B**
   6. (VOL) Other candidate **>> ASK Q4B**
   7. (VOL) Will/did not vote for Senate **>> ASK Q4B**
   8. (VOL) Undecided / Not sure **>> ASK Q4B**
   9. (VOL) Refused **>> ASK Q4B**

   [CATI: IF "0-Already voted" in X2, DO <u>NOT</u> ASK Q4A/B.]
   [IF Q4=1/2/3/4, ASK:]
   4A. Are you certain about your vote choice, or might you change your mind before election day?

   1. Certain
   2. Might change mind
   9. (VOL) Don't know/refused

   [IF Q4=3/4/6/7/8/9, ASK:]
   4B. If you had to vote for one of the following candidates at this moment, who do you lean toward – Joni Ernst or Theresa Greenfield? **[ROTATE NAMES]**

   1. Joni Ernst
   2. Theresa Greenfield
   3. (VOL) Neither/Other
   9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

[Q5 read-in based on S8 (congressional district):]
CD1: **[ROTATE NAMES 1-2]** Ashley Hinson the Republican or Abby Finkenauer [FINKen-hour] the Democrat?
CD2: **[ROTATE NAMES 1-2]** Mariannette Miller-Meeks the Republican or Rita Hart the Democrat?
CD3: **[ROTATE NAMES 1-3]** David Young the Republican, Cindy Axne [AX-knee] the Democrat, or Bryan Jack Holder the Libertarian?
CD4: **[ROTATE NAMES 1-2]** Randy Feenstra [FEEn-strah] the Republican or J.D. Scholten [SHOAL-ton] the Democrat?

[IF "0-Already voted" in X2, replace stem with: "In the election for U.S. House of Representatives in your district, did you vote for…"]
5. If the election for U.S. House of Representatives in your district was held today, would you vote for **[READ IN]**?

   1. [NAME] the Republican **>> ASK Q5A**
   2. [NAME] the Democrat **>> ASK Q5A**

3.   [NAME] the Libertarian *[CD3 only]* **>> ASK Q5A/B**
6.   (VOL) Other candidate **>> ASK Q5B**
7.   (VOL) Will/did not vote for House **>> ASK Q5B**
8.   (VOL) Undecided / Not sure **>> ASK Q5B**
9.   (VOL) Refused **>> ASK Q5B**

[CATI: IF "0-Already voted" in X2, DO <u>NOT</u> ASK Q5A/B.]
[IF Q5=1/2/3, ASK:]
5A.   Are you certain about your vote choice, or might you change your mind before election day?

      1.   Certain
      2.   Might change mind
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/refused

[IF Q5=3/6/7/8/9, ASK:]
5B.   If you had to vote for one of the following candidates at this moment, who do you lean toward – X or X? **[READ IN APPROPRIATE REP AND DEM NAMES AND ROTATE.]**

      1.   X (Republican)
      2.   X (Democrat)
      3.   (VOL) Neither/Other
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

6.   Do you feel optimistic or pessimistic about the 2020 presidential election? [**PROBE**: Is that very or somewhat (optimistic/pessimistic)]?

      1.   Very optimistic
      2.   Somewhat optimistic
      3.   Somewhat pessimistic
      4.   Very pessimistic
      5.   (VOL) Neither, don't care
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

7.   How motivated are you to vote in the November election for president – very motivated, somewhat motivated, or not that motivated?

      1.   Very motivated
      2.   Somewhat motivated
      3.   Not that motivated
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

8.   Compared to past elections, are you more enthusiastic than usual, less enthusiastic, or about the same as past elections?

      1.   More enthusiastic
      2.   Less enthusiastic
      3.   About the same
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

[ROTATE Q9/10]

9.   How much does Donald Trump understand the day to day concerns of people like you – a great
      deal, some, not much, or not at all?

      1.   Great deal
      2.   Some
      3.   Not much
      4.   Not at all
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

10.   How much does Joe Biden understand the day to day concerns of people like you – a great deal,
      some, not much, or not at all?

      1.   Great deal
      2.   Some
      3.   Not much
      4.   Not at all
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

11.   For each of the following situations please tell me if it personally worries you a lot, a little, or not
      at all? **[ROTATE ITEMS]**

      A.   Knowing you will have access to medical care if you need it
      B.   Knowing you will have a stable income over the next year
      C.   The possible breakdown of law and order
      D.   The coronavirus pandemic

            1.   A lot
            2.   A little
            3.   Not at all
            9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

[ROTATE Q12-15]
12.   Who do you trust more to keep health care affordable and accessible – Donald Trump or Joe
      Biden, or both equally?

      1.   Donald Trump
      2.   Joe Biden
      3.   Both equally
      4.   (VOL) Neither
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

13.   Who do you trust more on creating jobs and strengthening the economy – Donald Trump or Joe
      Biden, or both equally?

      1.   Donald Trump
      2.   Joe Biden
      3.   Both equally
      4.   (VOL) Neither
      9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

14.   Who do you trust more on maintaining law and order – Donald Trump or Joe Biden, or both
      equally?

1. Donald Trump
2. Joe Biden
3. Both equally
4. (VOL) Neither
9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

15. Who do you trust more on handling the coronavirus pandemic – Donald Trump or Joe Biden, or both equally?

    1. Donald Trump
    2. Joe Biden
    3. Both equally
    4. (VOL) Neither
    9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

[ROTATE Q16/17]
16. Do you think Joni Ernst has given Donald Trump the right amount of support, or has she been too supportive of the president at times?

    1. Right amount
    2. Too supportive
    9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

17. Do you think Theresa Greenfield will be more of an independent voice if she is elected to the Senate, or will she be more beholden to the left wing of the Democratic Party?

    1. Independent voice
    2. Beholden to the left
    9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

[ROTATE Q18/19]
18. How much does Joni Ernst understand the day to day concerns of people like you – a great deal, some, not much, or not at all?

    1. Great deal
    2. Some
    3. Not much
    4. Not at all
    9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

19. How much does Theresa Greenfield understand the day to day concerns of people like you – a great deal, some, not much, or not at all?

    1. Great deal
    2. Some
    3. Not much
    4. Not at all
    9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

20.   How will you vote this year – in person on Election Day, in person at an early voting location, or by mail ballot? [**IF "0-Already voted" in X2, ASK**: How did you vote this year – in person at an early voting location or by mail ballot?]

    1.   In person on Election Day
    2.   In person at an early voting location
    3.   By mail ballot
    4.   (VOL) Other, specify: _____
    5.   (VOL) Won't vote at all
    9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

21.   Overall, how confident are you that the November election will be conducted fairly and accurately – very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

    1.   Very confident
    2.   Somewhat confident
    3.   Not too confident
    4.   Not at all confident
    9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

22.   In the past week, have you been contacted by a political campaign via phone, text or email urging you to vote or support a particular candidate? [**IF "YES" ASK:** How many times has this happened in the past week – more than once a day, about once a day, or less often?]

    1.   Yes, more than once a day
    2.   Yes, about once a day
    3.   Yes, less often
    4.   (VOL) Yes, but not sure how often
    5.   No, have not been contacted
    9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

23.   In the past month, have you been contacted to do a survey or poll either by phone, text, or email, not including the one we are doing now?

    1.   Yes, been contacted for other polls **>> ASK Q23A**
    2.   No, have not been
    9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused

    23A.   About how many times have you been contacted to do a poll in the past month?
    [open end] _____

DEMOGRAPHICS

Now a few questions to complete our survey.
D1.   In politics today, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, independent, or something else?
    1.   Republican **>> ASK D1B**
    2.   Democrat **>> ASK D1B**
    3.   Independent >>>   **ASK D1A**
    4.   Something else >>> **ASK D1A**
    9.   (VOL) Don't know/Refused >>> **ASK D1A**

    D1A.   Do you lean more toward the Republican Party or more toward the Democratic Party?

1. Republican
2. Democrat
3. Neither
9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

D1B. Do you consider yourself a strong [Republican/Democrat] or not so strong?
1. Strong
2. Not so strong
9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

D2. In general, would you describe your political views as liberal, moderate, or conservative? [**IF LIB/CON ASK:** Is that very or somewhat liberal/conservative?]
1. Very liberal
2. Somewhat liberal
3. Moderate
4. Somewhat conservative
5. Very conservative
9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

D3. What was the last grade in school you completed?
1. 8th grade or less
2. High School incomplete (Grades 9, 10 and 11)
3. High School Complete (Grade 12)
4. Vocational/Technical School
5. Some College
6. Junior College Graduate (2 year, Associate Degree)
7. 4 year College Graduate (Bachelor's Degree)
8. Graduate School (Masters, Law/Medical School, etc.)
9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

D4. What was your age on your last birthday?
_____ [ENTER NUMBER. 98 = 98 or more; 99 = Don't know/Refused]

D4A. **[IF DK/REFUSED IN D4, ASK:]** Is it from ... [READ LIST]?
1. 18 to 34,
2. 35 to 49
3. 50 to 64, or
4. 65 or over?
9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

D5. Are you of Latino or Hispanic origin?
1. Yes
2. No
9. (VOL) Don't know / Refused

D6. Are you white, black or of Asian origin?
1. White
2. Black
3. Asian
4. (VOL) Other, specify: _____
5. (VOL) Hispanic, but won't specify race
9. (VOL) Don't know/Refused

D7.   So that we can group all answers, is your total annual family income before taxes: Under
        $25,000; from $25,000 to just under $50,000; from $50,000 to just under $100,000; or $100,000
        or more? Your best estimate is fine. [**IF REFUSE, PROBE ONCE**: "We understand and
        respect that this information is private, we ask only for research purposes, and all your answers
        are recorded confidentially."]
        1.   Under $25,000
        2. $25,000 to just under $50,000
        3. $50,000 to just under $100,000
        4. $100,000 or more
        8.   (VOL) Don't know
        9.   (VOL) Refused

D8.   [**RECORD RESPONDENT GENDER** from observation:]
        1.   Male
        2.   Female