# Choosing information from your media environment: What are the options?

(Version XXX with Choice Set #1)









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We are doing research at the University of Colorado. Your answers will help us understand how you get information on news and current affairs from four main sources: newspapers, radio, TV and the Internet. Together, we call these four sources of information your *media environment*.

We are interested in the amount of advertising and the diversity of opinion in your media environment. We would also like to know how you feel about the information you can get on local news and events, and your media environment's coverage of ethnic, gender, and minority related issues.

Before we start, it may be helpful to find your most recent bills from your newspaper, satellite, cable and/or Internet companies. Thanks for taking our survey!

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	-	hours				
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	O	Yes	O	No		
4.	Do you subsci	ribe to a satellite Yes	radio service	e, <b>suc</b> h No	n as X-M or Sirius R	adio? (mark one answer)
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10.	A Smartphone is a cellular telephone, such as an Android, Blackberry or iPhone, that allows ou to connect to the Internet to download "apps", send email and surf the web.
	Do you have a Smartphone? (mark one answer)
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	\$ per month
14.	KN: do not show when respondent indicated "No" to Q10] How much do you pay per month or your Smartphone contract?
	\$ per month

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O	•	Yes	<b>O</b>	No	Skip to Q38		
37. What was th	e do	llar value of your co	ntributi	ion to p	oublic radio an	d/or public T\	/ stations?
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38. [KN: do not show when respondent indicated "No" to Q6 or "No" to Q7; skip past to "Other Features of Your Media Environment"] Broadcast TV channels are free, over the air if you have good reception, e.g., ABC or NBC. These are often re-transmitted by the cable or satellite company, but they are still broadcast channels. Cable and satellite TV channels, such as CNN, Disney Channel or HBO, can only be received if you subscribe to a cable or satellite service.

Which of the following best describes the level of TV subscription you currently receive in your home? (mark one answer)

- O Basic package, which includes broadcast channels like ABC, and a small number of cable or satellite channels
- Expanded package, which includes broadcast channels, and a larger number of cable or satellite channels like CNN
- O Premium package, which includes broadcast channels, cable or satellite channels and premium pay channels like HBO
- O Not sure

### **Features of Your Media Environment**

Besides *cost*, there are some other features that describe the information on news and current affairs you get from your media environment. They are the . . .

- (1) amount of advertising;
- (2) diversity of opinion in reporting information;
- (3) amount of information on local news and events; and
- (4) coverage of ethnic, gender, and other minority related issues.

In the next few questions we will ask you to think about these other features.

[KN: in Q39, Q42, Q45 and Q48 below, only display the media source(s) that respondent uses to get information on news and current affairs. Use their responses to Q1 ("Yes") for newspapers, Q5 ("if number of hours > 0") for radio, Q8 ("if number of hours > 0") for TV, and Q9 ("if number of hours > 0") or Q11 ("if number of hours > 0") for the Internet, to show appropriate media sources.]

First, consider the amount of *advertising* in your media environment. We will categorize this amount in three levels.

39. With *low advertising*, the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of air time devoted to commercial advertising on radio or TV, is barely noticeable. With *medium advertising*, the space or time devoted to advertising is more noticeable. With *high advertising*, the space or time devoted to advertising is very noticeable, to the point of being annoying when you are viewing or listening to your media source.

Now think about the sources of information you get from your media environment. Is the advertising barely noticeable (*Low*), noticeable but not annoying (*Medium*), or annoying (*High*)? (mark one answer in each row). To see the description of an individual media source, place your cursor over that media source.

Media source	Low Advertising	Medium Advertising	High Advertising
<u>Newspapers</u>	O	0	0
Radio	O	0	0
TV	0	0	0
Internet	0	• 0	O

[KN: provide hyperlinks to descriptions of the four media sources]

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41					ssessment o	f the leve	el of ad	vertisi	ng from y	your overa	all media	
			O	Low	0	Mediu	m	0	High			

Now consider the diversity of opinion in your media environment.

42. A *low diversity* media environment provides information on news and current affairs from only one viewpoint. For example, if you have a (print or online) subscription only to the USA Today, the level of diversity *from newspapers* would be low. In a *medium diversity* environment the information would come from a few different viewpoints. For example, you could watch the CNN news (more liberal) or Fox news (more conservative). If so, the level of diversity *from TV* would be medium. Alternatively, you could listen to a few radio talk shows with different opinions about an issue in your community. If so, the level of diversity *from Radio* would also be medium. A *high diversity* environment provides information from many different viewpoints.

Consider separately the sources of information you get from your media environment.

Please indicate the level of diversity of opinion for each source. (mark one answer in each row)

Media source	Low Diversity	Medium Diversity	High Diversity
Newspapers	0	0	0
Radio	0	0	0
TV	0	O	O
Internet	0	•	0

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•	Yes	Skip to Q45	0	No			
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0	Low	O	Medium	O	High		

Next, consider the amount of information you get from your media environment on local news and events. We will call this feature *localism*. Examples of localism are reports on: school sporting results, local council meetings, city/county elections, neighborhood crime, local heroes who give their time to the community, or job layoffs at a local factory.

45. A media environment with *low localism* provides very little or no information on local news and events. With *medium localism*, there is some local information, and it reflects some of the interests of your community. With *high localism*, the information reflects many of the issues and interests of your community.

Consider the sources of information from your media environment. Please indicate their level of localism. (mark one answer in each row)

Media source	Low Localism	Medium Localism	High Localism
Newspapers	0	O	O
Radio	0	0	0
TV	0	•	0
Internet	0	0	0

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	•	Yes	Skip to Q48	•	No			
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Finally, let's consider the information you get from your media environment that reflects the interests of women and minority citizens (e.g., disabled, persons of non-white ethnicity). We will call this feature *multiculturalism*. Examples of multiculturalism are reports on: the Cinco de Mayo celebration, female wage inequality, or programs that help people with disabilities find a job. Another example of multiculturalism are news outlets that, rather than only reporting negative news from African American or Hispanic neighborhoods, such as robberies and shootings, provide a balanced story of "what is going on" in these neighborhoods.

48. A media environment with *low multiculturalism* provides very little or no information that reflects the interests of women and minority citizens. With *medium multiculturalism*, the information reflects some of the interests of women and minority citizens. With *high multiculturalism*, the information reflects many of the interests of women and minority citizens.

Consider the sources of information from your media environment. Please indicate their level of multiculturalism. (mark one answer in each row)

Media source	Low Multiculturalism	Medium Multiculturalism	High Multiculturalism
Newspapers	0	O	O
Radio	0	0	O
TV	0	0	O
Internet	0	0	0

49.	9. Your answers to the previous question [KN: display multiculturalism table (above) with answers on the this page so that respondents can view it when answering this question] indicated that your overall media environment has a [KN: use our algorithm to assign "low "medium" or "high"] level of multiculturalism. Would you agree that your overall media environment has a [KN: use our algorithm to assign "low", "medium" or "high"] level of multiculturalism? (mark one answer)									
	0	Yes	Skip to [KN	"Table 2 displa	ay"] C	) No				
	Please indic environmen		ssessment of ne answer)	the level of r	nulticultura	lism fror	n your overal	l media		
	O	Low	O	Medium	C	) Hiç	gh			

[KN "Table 2 display": print this statement, and display Table 2, on next screen. If the levels from our algorithm and the respondent's assessment differ by one level then display the respondent's assessment. If the levels from our algorithm and the respondent's assessment differ by two levels then split the difference] In summary, your answers have indicated that your overall media environment has the following five features.

Table 2. Your actual media environment						
Feature Level Description						
Cost	\$75 per month	The sum of your monthly subscriptions to your [KN: insert appropriate media sources] cable TV service, and the Internet, as well as your contributions to public stations.				
Advertising  High  The amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space on a newspaper or web page, or the amount of space of space of space or the space of space of space or the						
<u>Diversity</u> Medium		Provides information on news and current affairs from [KN: insert appropriate description to match "medium"] a few different journalistic viewpoints.				
Localism	Low	Provides [KN: insert appropriate description to match "low"] very little or no information on local news and events.				
<u>Multiculturalism</u> Low		Provides [KN: insert appropriate description to match "low"] very little or no information that reflects the interests of women and minority citizens.				

51. Think again about your current media environment (i.e., all media sources together). On a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 indicating "Not Satisfied" and 5 indicating "Very Satisfied", how satisfied are you with each feature? Also, how satisfied are you with your overall media environment? (mark one answer in each row)

Feature of media environment	1. Not Satisfied	2.	3.	4.	5. Very Satisfied
Cost	0	0	O	0	0
Advertising	•	0	0	0	0
Diversity	0	0	O	0	O
Localism	0	0	0	•	0
Multiculturalism	0	O	0	0	0
Overall media environment	0	O	0	0	0

# **Media Environment Choices**

In a series of choice questions to follow, we will ask you to choose between two media environment options, labeled A and B. Each option is described by different levels of the five features: cost, advertising, diversity, localism and multiculturalism.

For your convenience, Table 3 below summarizes the levels of the five features. To see the description of an individual feature, place your cursor over that feature.

Table 3. Features of Overall Media Environment				
Feature	Levels			
Cost	\$0 to \$290 per month [Don & Scott to construct levels]			
Advertising	Low advertising Medium advertising High advertising			
Diversity	Low diversity Medium diversity High diversity			
Localism	Low localism Medium localism High localism			
Multiculturalism	Low multiculturalism Medium multiculturalism High multiculturalism			

[KN: provide hyperlinks to descriptions of the five features in Table 3]

### [KN / Stephan: insert bubbles highlighting differences, as in the hurricane survey]

52. Consider the following two media environment options, A and B. For this first question, we highlight the differences in the levels of the five features in red. For some of these five features, there may be no difference. Check the media environment option you would prefer.

Click here to review a summary of the levels of all the features.

To see the description of an individual feature, place your cursor over that feature

	Option A	Option B
Cost	\$25 per month	\$45 per month
Advertising	High	Medium
Diversity	Low	Medium
Localism	Medium	Low
Multiculturalism	Low	Low
	Option A is less expensive and has more information on local news and events	Option B has less advertising and more diversity of opinion
	I prefer option A	C I prefer option B

53. Since you currently have a media environment at home, we also ask if you would actually switch to the media environment, A or B, you have chosen. Please indicate "Yes" when your choice of A or B is preferred to your actual media environment, or "No" when your choice of A or B is *not* preferred to your actual media environment.

Consider the features of your actual media environment.	Would you switch to the option
(A or B) you chose above? (mark one answer)	

O	Yes	•	No

[An example of the online choice box for this follow up question, Q53, is presented below. Note that the levels of the features for "Your media environment" are obtained from Table 2.]

Click here to review a summary of the levels of all the features.

To see the description of an individual feature, place your cursor over that feature.

	Your media environment	Option B	
Cost	\$75 per month	\$45 per month	
Advertising	High	Medium	
Diversity	Medium	Medium	
<u>Localism</u>	Low	Low	
<u>Multiculturalism</u>	Low	Low	
Select the option you prefer	I would stay with my media environment	C I prefer option B	

54. Suppose that you now had a choice between the two media environment options described below. Compare the five features for A and B and check the option you would prefer. (even if you do not view either A or B as ideal, tell us which you would most prefer)

[KN: For the next eight A-B choice questions, randomly assign one of the 8-question choice sets from the experimental design].

	Option A	Option B
Cost		S. M. Marian
Advertising		
Diversity		
Localism		
<u>Multiculturalism</u>		
Check ☑ for the option you prefer		
	I prefer option A	I prefer option B

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55.			<b>your overal</b> (mark one a		environment.	Would you sw	itch to the c	option (A
	0	Yes	O	No				

56. Please disregard your previous choices.	Compare the five features of the media environment
options A and B described below and ch	eck the option you would prefer. (even if you do not
view either A or B as ideal, tell us which you	u would most prefer)

	Option A	Option B
Cost		100
Advertising		
Diversity		
Localism		
<u>Multiculturalism</u>		
Check ☑ for the option you prefer		
	I prefer option A	I prefer option B

	I prefer option A	I prefer option B
	f your overall media enviro (mark one answer)	nment. Would you switch to the opt

58	B. Consider the following two media environment options, A and B. Compare the five features
	for A and B and check the option you would prefer. (even if you do not view either A or B as
	ideal, tell us which you would most prefer)

<u>Click here to review a summary of the levels of all the features.</u>

To see the description of an individual feature, place your cursor over the feature.

	Option A		Option B		
Cost	•				
Advertising		Ť	2 12 12		
<u>Diversity</u>					
<u>Localism</u>					
<u>Multiculturalism</u>					
Check ☑ for the option you prefer					
	I prefer option A		I prefer option B		

		res of your o		environment.	Would you s	witch to the option
O	Yes	0	No			

60. Suppose that you now had a choice between the two media environment options described below. Compare the five features for A and B and check the option you would prefer. (even if you do not view either A or B as ideal, tell us which you would most prefer)

Click here to review a summary of the levels of all the features.

To see the description of an individual feature, place your curso

	Option A	Option B
Cost		
Advertising		
Diversity		
Localism		
<u>Multiculturalism</u>		
Check ☑ for the option you prefer		
	I prefer option A	I prefer option B

	eatures of y			environme	nt. Would you	u switch to th	ne option (A
$\circ$	Ves	$\circ$	No				

62.	Please disregard your previous choices. Compare the five features of the two media
	environment options described below and check the option you would prefer. (even if you do
	not view either A or B as ideal, tell us which you would most prefer)

To see	the description	of an individ	ual feature.	. place vour	cursor of	ver the feature.

	Option A	Option B
Cost		
Advertising		
<u>Diversity</u>		
<u>Localism</u>		
<u>Multiculturalism</u>		
Check ☑ for the option you prefer		
	I prefer option A	I prefer option B

	eatures of y e above? (/			environment.	Would	you switch	to the option (A
•	Yes	•	No				

64. Consider the following two media environment options, A and B. Compare the five features for A and B and check the option you would prefer. (even if you do not view either A or B as ideal, tell us which you would most prefer)

	Option A	Option B
Cost		
Advertising		
Diversity		
Localism		
Multiculturalism		
Check ☑ for the option you prefer		
	I prefer option A	I prefer option B

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	Q	Yes	Q	No			

66.	66. Suppose that you now had a choice between the two media environment options described					
	below. Compare the five features for A and B and check the option you would prefer. (even in					
	you do not view either A or B as ideal, tell us which you would most prefer)					

	Option A	Option B
Cost		
Advertising		
Diversity		
Localism		3 73 7 3 3 3 3 3 3
<u>Multiculturalism</u>		
Check ☑ for the option you prefer		
	I prefer option A	I prefer option B

67. Consid	er the fe	eatures of	your overa	II media	a environn	nent at home	. Would yo	ou switch	to the
option	(A or B)	you chose	above? (	mark on	e answer)				
	$\circ$	Voc	$\circ$	No					

68. Please disregard your previous choices. Compare the five features of media environment options A and B described below and check the option you would prefer. (even if you do not view either A or B as ideal, tell us which you would most prefer)

	Option A	Option B	
Cost			-1
Advertising			
Diversity			
Localism			
<u>Multiculturalism</u>			
Check ☑ for the option you prefer			
	I prefer option A	I prefer option	В

69.			your overa se above? (		a environment at home. ne answer)	Would you s	witch to the
	0	Yes	O	No			

70. [KN: Two random assignments. (1) Randomly assign payment card question from payment card set across all respondents. (2) Randomly assign cheap talk script or no cheap talk script across all respondents]. Suppose a media environment was available to you with the following features.

Media Environment			
Advertising Low			
<u>Diversity</u>	Low		
<u>Localism</u>	Medium		
<u>Multiculturalism</u>	High		

Circle (or write in) the maximum amount per month that you would be willing to pay for such a media environment:

\$ O	\$ 10	\$ 20	\$ 30	\$ 40	\$ 50
\$ 60	\$ 70	\$ 80	\$ 90	\$ 100	\$ 110
\$ 120	\$ 130	\$ 140	\$ 150	\$ 160	\$ 170
\$ 180	\$ 190	\$ 200	\$ 210	\$ 220	\$ 230
\$ 240	\$ 250	\$ 260	\$ 270	\$ 280	\$ 290
Other amo	ount \$ per	month			

# **Your Interest in Current Events**

Thank you! We are almost done. Just a few more questions about your current media environment and your interest in current events.

- 71. Where do you get information about what your member of congress is doing for your district? (mark as many answers as apply)
  - O Local TV news like [KN: insert appropriate TV station from FCC file]
  - Local newspaper
  - O Local radio
  - O Cable news programs (like those on CNN or Fox News)
  - O Internet web sites dedicated to politics (like Politico.com or RealClearPolitics.com)
  - O National broadcast news (like the CBS, ABC evening news or morning shows)
- 72. Lots of things can happen that keep people from making it to the polls on election day. Thinking about the midterm elections just held in November, were you able to vote or did something come up that prevented you from making it to your polling place? (mark one answer)

[KN: Randomize outcome categories below]

- O Something came up and I didn't make it
- O I voted at my polling place on election day
- O I voted by absentee ballot, in the mail, or earlier than election day
- O I am not registered to vote

		next presidential election, how much do care who wins the 2? (mark one answer)
[KN O-1 O-2 O-3	Randomize  Not at all  A little  Somewhat	"reverse ordering" (1 to 4 and 4 to 1) of outcome categories below]
<b>O</b> -4	A lot	

74. Is the person just elected to Congress from your district a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent? (mark one answer)

[KN: Randomize outcome categories 1 to 3 below]
O-1 Democrat
O-2 Republican
O-3 Independent
O I don't know

75. [KN: show when respondent indicated "I don't know" to Q74] If you had to guess, would you say the person just elected to congress from your district is a Democrat or a Republican? (mark one answer)

[KN: Randomize outcome categories below]O DemocratO Republican

Thank you for completing this survey. If you have any comments, please write them here:

[KN: a box for written comments]

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