

ACTIVITY 7.1: VOTING SURVEY

In the right hand column, respond to the question from the left-hand column and include if it is a 0 or 1. Explain the reasoning behind your answer. In the consolidation activity, rank the barriers in order of importance.

<p>Attitudes towards voting People have different views about voting. For some, voting is a CHOICE. They feel free to vote or not to vote in an election depending on how they feel about the candidates. For others, voting is a DUTY. They feel that they should vote in every election regardless of they feel about the candidates.</p> <p>For you personally, is voting FIRST AND FOREMOST a Choice or a Duty? <i>Duty=1; Choice=0.</i></p>	
<p>Political interest To what extent would you say you are interested in politics?</p> <p><i>Somewhat/very interested=1; Not very/not at all interested=0.</i></p>	
<p>Issues There is at least one candidate that talks about issues that are important to me.</p> <p><i>Somewhat/strongly agree=1; Somewhat/strongly disagree=0.</i></p>	
<p>Personal confidence Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that someone like me can't really understand what's going on.</p> <p><i>Somewhat/strongly disagree=1; Somewhat/strongly agree=0.</i></p>	
<p>Attitudes towards politicians and government I do not think politicians or the government care much about what people like me think.</p> <p><i>Somewhat/strongly disagree=1; Somewhat/strongly agree=0.</i></p>	
<p>Information about candidates How difficult or easy was it to find out enough about candidates to know who to vote?</p> <p><i>Somewhat/very easy=1; Somewhat/very difficult=0.</i></p>	
<p>The impact of my vote I feel that by voting I can make a difference.</p> <p><i>Somewhat/strongly agree=1; Somewhat/strongly disagree=0.</i></p>	