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**Tabulations From a Survey of California Likely Voters About Their
Awareness and Voting Preferences on Proposition 8, the Initiative to Ban
Same-Sex Marriages in California**

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Introduction

This volume presents the statistical data developed from a *Field Poll* survey of likely voters in California about their awareness and voting preferences about Proposition 8, the initiative to ban same-sex marriages in California. *The Field Poll* is an independent and non-partisan survey of public opinion in California established in 1945 by Mervin Field. Reports of *The Field Poll*, typically published 30-50 times per year, cover a wide range of political, and political topics. Many of California's leading media properties and news organizations publish and broadcast the results of each *Field Poll* report as feature or breaking news stories in their respective publications and broadcasts. All new and previous reports since 1995 are available to the public through its online archives at www.field.com/fieldpollonline. *The Field Poll* is owned and operated by Field Research Corporation, with headquarters in San Francisco, California.

The results contained in this report are based on a *Field Poll* survey completed among a representative sample of 830 likely voters in California. All interviewing was conducted September 5-14, 2008 by telephone in English and Spanish. In order to test the two different ballot descriptions of Prop. 8, the overall sample of voters was divided in two random subsamples of 424 and 406 likely voters each on the preference questions.

Sampling

Voters in the survey were selected randomly from a listing of California's statewide voter registration rolls. The list provides a telephone number for about 90% of the state's registered voters, derived from a variety of sources, including telephone numbers included by the voter on the his/her official voter registration form, as well as through cross-referencing voter names and addresses against recent telephone directories and other telephone matching services. While the listings are primarily landline telephone numbers, they also include cell phones, whenever a cell phone number is provided by the voter when registering or in other settings accessible through telephone matching services. Thus, cell phones are not systematically excluded from the sample frame.

Data Collection

Prior to the start of data collection, professionally-trained telephone interviewers were briefed with regard to the survey's proper calling and interviewing procedures by the Study Director. This session provided both interviewers and supervisors with an overview of the study and includes a question-by-question review of all items in the survey. Interviewers then completed all survey interviews by telephone through the computer-assisted telephone interviewing (CATI) system. CATI controls the telephone scripts read to individual respondents by displaying the appropriate questionnaire items and their valid response code alternatives in their proper sequence on computer screens at each interviewer's booth. The interviewer then reads each question aloud to the respondent from the screen and enters each respondent's pre-coded answer category through the keyboard directly to a computer disk. All answers are automatically stored in computer memory.

In order to bring hard-to-reach respondents into the survey, up to six attempts (an initial call plus five callbacks) were made to each telephone number selected for inclusion into the sample. Callbacks were made at different times and on different days to increase the probability of finding adults available for the interview. Where possible, appointments are made at specified dates and times to maximize convenience and cooperation rates.

Data Processing

Because CATI itself provides for the direct data entry of responses by the interviewer and does not permit ineligible or invalid data entries, the data file resulting from CATI interviewing is itself virtually error-free.

Following this, a final series of data checks were performed by means of a specially designed cleaning program that scrutinizes each respondent record for internally inconsistent information. Once the data were determined to be clean and error-free, the sample was weighted slightly to align it to known estimates of the demographic and regional characteristics of the state's registered voter population. Please note that the bases shown throughout the tabulations in this report are weighted bases and differ slightly from the actual number of respondents interviewed within each subgroup.

Guide to Reading the Tables

The following is an explanation of the detailed statistical tabulations contained in this report:

- The question or questions upon which the data are based is shown at the top of each table
- Tables are percentaged vertically with the raw percentage base appearing at the top of each column.
- The data have been weighted to known parameters of the statewide likely voter population. All percentages and frequencies reported in each table are therefore weighted tabulations.
- In instances where percentages are calculated on small bases (e.g., when the unweighted base is fewer than 100 respondents) the reader is urged to interpret the data with caution, since results are subject to relatively large levels of sampling error.
- Throughout the tables an asterisk is used to denote a value of less than 1/2 of 1%. A hyphen indicates zero value. On some tables the percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple mentions.
- Bases of subgroups used in the tabulations may add to less than the total number of respondents due to some respondents not reporting that characteristic.

Subgroup Definitions

The following are some of the definitions applicable to some of the voter subgroups reported in this volume:

Area

Southern California: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Imperial, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Kern, and San Luis Obispo counties

Northern California: all other 48 California counties

Coastal Counties: San Diego, Orange, Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Mateo, San Francisco, Contra Costa, Alameda, Marin, Napa, Solano, Sonoma, Santa Clara, Mendocino, Humboldt and Del Norte counties

Inland counties: all other 38 California counties

Region

Los Angeles: Los Angeles County

San Diego/Orange: San Diego County and Orange counties

Other South: San Bernardino, Riverside, Imperial, Ventura, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo

SF Bay Area: San Francisco, Marin, Napa, Sonoma, Solano, Contra Costa, Alameda, Santa Clara, San Mateo

Central Valley: Butte, Colusa, Fresno, Glenn, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Tulare, Yolo, and Yuba

Other North: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Del Norte, El Dorado, Humboldt, Inyo, Lake, Lassen, Mariposa, Mendocino, Monterey, Modoc, Mono, Nevada, Plumas, San Benito, Santa Cruz, Sierra, Siskiyou, Trinity, and Tuolumne

All other subgroups are based on demographic variables or are derived from questions asked in the survey.

Estimates of Sampling Error

In any survey based on a sampling, there is some sampling error introduced into the data by the process of sampling itself. When the sample has been drawn using random processes, it is possible to apply probability principles to determine the potential range of such error. While survey samples of human populations rarely, if ever, meet all of the criteria theoretically required for the application of these principles, it is customary to use them as an approximation of error that is introduced as a result of sampling. The table below shows the range of error that is associated with samples of various sizes, assuming the use of the 95% confidence level, which is customary for most public opinion surveys.

For example, if 50% of a sample of overall sample of 830 likely voters answered “yes” to a specific question, this statistic would have a sampling error of plus or minus 4.1 percentage points at the 95% confidence level. This means that there is a 95% chance that had the overall population of registered voters statewide been interviewed using the same questionnaire and methods, the results of such a census would yield a result between 45.9% and 54.1%. The same procedure can be used to estimate the sample error ranges of any other statistic contained in this report. The sampling error for results based on subgroups of the overall population are approximately +/- 5.0 percentage points.

| Approximate <u>sample size</u> | <u>Approximate percentage distribution of replies to question</u> | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | <u>10%</u> | <u>30%</u> | <u>50%</u> | <u>70%</u> | <u>90%</u> |
| 100 | +/- 6.0 | +/- 9.2 | +/- 10.0 | +/- 9.2 | +/- 6.0 |
| 200 | +/- 4.3 | +/- 6.5 | +/- 7.1 | +/- 6.5 | +/- 4.3 |
| 400 | +/- 3.0 | +/- 4.6 | +/- 5.0 | +/- 4.6 | +/- 3.0 |
| 800 | +/- 2.5 | +/- 3.8 | +/- 4.1 | +/- 3.8 | +/- 2.5 |

There are many other possible sources of error other than sampling variability in this and any other public opinion survey. Different results could occur because of differences in question wording, sequencing, the rigor with which sampling procedures were implemented, or through undetected errors or omissions in sampling, interviewing or data processing. The Field professionals working on this study did everything possible to minimize such errors.

Questions Asked

Have you seen, read or heard anything about Proposition 8, the state constitutional amendment having to do with marriage that will appear on the November statewide election ballot?

(ASKED OF A RANDOM SUBSAMPLE OF VOTERS)

(As you know) Proposition 8 is the "Limit on Marriage" constitutional amendment. It amends the California constitution to provide that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. Fiscal impact: Potential revenue loss mainly to sales taxes, totaling several tens of millions of dollars to state and local government over the next few years. If the election were being held today, would you vote YES or NO on Proposition 8?

(ASKED OF A RANDOM SUBSAMPLE OF VOTERS)

(As you know) Proposition 8 is the initiative to "Eliminate the Right of Same-Sex Couples to Marry" constitutional amendment. It changes the California Constitution to eliminate the right of same-sex couples to marry and provides that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. Fiscal impact: Potential revenue loss, mainly to sales taxes, totaling several tens of millions of dollars to state and local government over the next few years. If the election were being held today, would you vote YES or NO on Proposition 8?

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Q.11 Have you seen, read or heard anything about Proposition 8, the state constitutional amendment having to do with marriage that will appear on the November statewide election ballot?

Base: Likely voters

| | Region | | | | | Area | | | | | Party Regis. | | | | Likelihood of Voting | | | Gender | | |
|---------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Total | Cal | Cal | Coast | Inland | LA | San Diego/Ornge | Other South | S.F. Bay Area | Central Valley | Other North | Dem | Rep | Non-Part/Other | Lkly in Nov. elec-tion. | Not lkly Voter | Likely Vtr Voting Method | Absen-tee | Pre-cinct | Male |
| Weighted Base | 828 | 478 | 350 | 582 | 246 | 195 | 150 | 122 | 175 | 146 | 41 | 363 | 299 | 166 | 828 | - | 338 | 472 | 390 | 438 |
| | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Yes | 579 | 316 | 262 | 400 | 179 | 131 | 94 | 84 | 132 | 109 | 29 | 246 | 220 | 113 | 579 | - | 254 | 314 | 268 | 311 |
| | 69.9 | 66.2 | 74.9 | 68.7 | 72.6 | 67.3 | 62.4 | 68.7 | 75.3 | 74.9 | 71.5 | 67.7 | 73.5 | 68.0 | 69.9 | - | 75.0 | 66.4 | 68.6 | 71.0 |
| No | 233 | 152 | 80 | 170 | 63 | 63 | 52 | 34 | 39 | 33 | 12 | 113 | 74 | 46 | 233 | - | 80 | 147 | 115 | 118 |
| | 28.1 | 31.9 | 22.9 | 29.1 | 25.7 | 32.3 | 34.5 | 28.3 | 22.2 | 22.8 | 28.5 | 31.0 | 24.8 | 27.8 | 28.1 | - | 23.7 | 31.2 | 29.4 | 27.0 |
| Don't know | 17 | 9 | 8 | 12 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 7 | 17 | - | 5 | 11 | 8 | 9 |
| | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 2.4 | 2.4 | - | 1.3 | 1.7 | 4.2 | 2.0 | - | 1.4 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 2.0 |

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Q.11 Have you seen, read or heard anything about Proposition 8, the state constitutional amendment having to do with marriage that will appear on the November statewide election ballot?

Base: Likely voters

| | Age | | | | | Ethnicity | | | | | Political ideology | | | | | Marital Status | | | Tenure | |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|--------------------|--------|-------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------|------------|
| | Total | 18-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-64 | 65 or Older | White non-Hispanic | Latino | Black | Asian/Other | Conservative | Mod. Conservative | Mid. Road | Liberal | Strng liberal | Married/Live Tgthr | Separated/Divorced | Never Married | Renter | Home Owner |
| Weighted Base | 828 | 122 | 122 | 163 | 260 | 161 | 587 | 144 | 47 | 53 | 183 | 76 | 328 | 88 | 153 | 569 | 116 | 140 | 198 | 604 |
| | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Yes | 579 | 69 | 92 | 117 | 191 | 109 | 447 | 68 | 31 | 34 | 132 | 53 | 212 | 66 | 116 | 412 | 79 | 86 | 129 | 436 |
| | 69.9 | 56.5 | 75.2 | 71.9 | 73.5 | 68.0 | 76.2 | 47.6 | 67.4 | 63.7 | 71.9 | 70.3 | 64.5 | 74.8 | 75.9 | 72.4 | 68.2 | 61.5 | 64.8 | 72.2 |
| No | 233 | 53 | 28 | 41 | 65 | 46 | 125 | 74 | 15 | 19 | 46 | 19 | 110 | 20 | 37 | 145 | 35 | 51 | 67 | 154 |
| | 28.1 | 43.5 | 22.6 | 25.4 | 25.0 | 28.6 | 21.3 | 51.5 | 32.6 | 35.4 | 24.8 | 25.6 | 33.7 | 23.3 | 24.1 | 25.6 | 29.8 | 36.4 | 33.5 | 25.6 |
| Don't know | 17 | - | 3 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 15 | 1 | - | * | 6 | 3 | 6 | 2 | - | 12 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 13 |
| | 2.0 | - | 2.3 | 2.8 | 1.5 | 3.4 | 2.5 | 0.9 | - | 0.9 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 1.8 | 1.8 | - | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 2.2 |

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Q.11 Have you seen, read or heard anything about Proposition 8, the state constitutional amendment having to do with marriage that will appear on the November statewide election ballot?

Base: Likely voters

| | Education | | | | | Household Income | | | | | Religion | | | | Born Again Christian | | Union Status | |
|---------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------|-------|------------|----------------------|-------|--------------|----------|
| | Total | Grad-uate or less | Some Col-lege/Trade Sch'l | Col-lege Grad | Post-Grad-uate Work | Less Than \$20K | \$20K -40K | \$40K -80K | \$80K -100K | More Than \$100K | Pro-tstnt /Chrs-tian | Cath-olic | Other | None/Pref. | Yes | No | No | Yes, Any |
| Weighted Base | 828 | 129 | 258 | 226 | 210 | 66 | 113 | 236 | 97 | 258 | 316 | 206 | 152 | 143 | 176 | 631 | 641 | 175 |
| | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Yes | 579 | 66 | 173 | 165 | 173 | 42 | 58 | 155 | 76 | 208 | 230 | 122 | 114 | 106 | 117 | 449 | 434 | 140 |
| | 69.9 | 50.8 | 67.2 | 73.2 | 82.3 | 63.8 | 51.9 | 65.4 | 78.5 | 80.5 | 72.8 | 59.4 | 74.9 | 74.0 | 66.4 | 71.2 | 67.7 | 80.2 |
| No | 233 | 61 | 80 | 56 | 33 | 23 | 52 | 76 | 19 | 47 | 80 | 80 | 38 | 31 | 57 | 167 | 192 | 33 |
| | 28.1 | 46.9 | 31.0 | 24.6 | 15.8 | 33.9 | 46.5 | 32.2 | 19.8 | 18.2 | 25.4 | 39.0 | 24.8 | 21.6 | 32.6 | 26.4 | 29.9 | 18.9 |
| Don't know | 17 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 15 | 15 | 2 |
| | 2.0 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 4.4 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 0.9 |

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Fiscal impact: Potential revenue loss mainly to sales taxes, totaling several tens of millions of dollars to state and local government over the next few years.

If the election were being held today, would you vote YES or NO on Proposition 8?

Base: Likely voters (Form A)

| | Region | | | | | Area | | | | | Party Regis. | | Likelihood of Voting | | | Gender | | | | |
|---------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|-------|----------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Total | Cal | Cal | Coast | Inland | LA | San Diego/Ornge | Other South | S.F. Bay Area | Central Valley | Other North | Dem | Rep | Non-Part/Other | Nov. elec- tion. | Not lkly Voter | Likely Vtr Method | Absen-tee | Pre-cinct | Male |
| Weighted Base | 423 | 244 | 179 | 293 | 130 | 100 | 76 | 63 | 87 | 76 | 21 | 180 | 156 | 87 | 423 | - | 171 | 246 | 200 | 223 |
| | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Yes | 163 | 99 | 64 | 92 | 71 | 24 | 36 | 35 | 22 | 36 | 10 | 41 | 111 | 10 | 163 | - | 65 | 95 | 92 | 70 |
| | 38.4 | 40.4 | 35.7 | 31.3 | 54.4 | 24.5 | 47.3 | 56.2 | 25.0 | 46.7 | 45.5 | 22.9 | 71.1 | 11.8 | 38.4 | - | 38.0 | 38.6 | 46.2 | 31.5 |
| No | 220 | 122 | 98 | 170 | 50 | 65 | 31 | 24 | 56 | 35 | 9 | 122 | 36 | 62 | 220 | - | 92 | 125 | 92 | 128 |
| | 52.1 | 50.2 | 54.7 | 58.0 | 38.8 | 65.0 | 40.8 | 38.5 | 64.5 | 46.0 | 42.5 | 67.7 | 23.3 | 71.6 | 52.1 | - | 53.7 | 50.8 | 46.1 | 57.4 |
| Don't know | 40 | 23 | 17 | 31 | 9 | 11 | 9 | 3 | 9 | 6 | 3 | 17 | 9 | 14 | 40 | - | 14 | 26 | 15 | 25 |
| | 9.5 | 9.4 | 9.6 | 10.7 | 6.8 | 10.6 | 11.9 | 5.4 | 10.5 | 7.3 | 12.1 | 9.4 | 5.6 | 16.6 | 9.5 | - | 8.3 | 10.6 | 7.6 | 11.1 |

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If the election were being held today, would you vote YES or NO on Proposition 8?

Base: Likely voters (Form A)

| | Age | | | | | Ethnicity | | | | | Political ideology | | | | | Marital Status | | | Tenure | |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|--------------------|--------|-------|-------------|--------------------|------------------|----------|---------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------|------------|
| | Total | 18-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-64 | 65 or Older | White non-Hispanic | Latino | Black | Asian/Other | Conservative | Mod-conservative | Mid-Road | Liberal | Strong liberal | Married/Live Tgthr | Separated/Widow | Never Married | Renter | Home Owner |
| Weighted Base | 423 | 62 | 65 | 80 | 131 | 85 | 302 | 75 | 22 | 24 | 86 | 35 | 171 | 50 | 80 | 283 | 61 | 77 | 111 | 299 |
| | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Yes | 163 | 24 | 24 | 31 | 48 | 36 | 118 | 30 | 4 | 11 | 73 | 21 | 47 | 4 | 17 | 108 | 25 | 28 | 36 | 122 |
| | 38.4 | 38.8 | 37.0 | 38.2 | 36.6 | 42.2 | 39.0 | 39.4 | 20.0 | 45.6 | 84.3 | 61.1 | 27.6 | 7.9 | 21.4 | 38.3 | 41.8 | 36.0 | 32.3 | 40.8 |
| No | 220 | 30 | 35 | 46 | 71 | 39 | 164 | 33 | 14 | 9 | 11 | 9 | 96 | 43 | 62 | 145 | 30 | 44 | 63 | 150 |
| | 52.1 | 48.2 | 54.1 | 57.3 | 53.9 | 45.6 | 54.4 | 44.1 | 64.5 | 36.4 | 12.3 | 25.1 | 55.8 | 85.6 | 77.6 | 51.3 | 49.7 | 57.8 | 56.9 | 50.2 |
| Don't know | 40 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 12 | 10 | 20 | 13 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 28 | 3 | 1 | 29 | 5 | 5 | 12 | 27 |
| | 9.5 | 13.0 | 9.0 | 4.4 | 9.5 | 12.1 | 6.6 | 16.6 | 15.5 | 17.9 | 3.3 | 13.8 | 16.6 | 6.5 | 1.1 | 10.4 | 8.5 | 6.2 | 10.8 | 9.0 |

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If the election were being held today, would you vote YES or NO on Proposition 8?

Base: Likely voters (Form A)

| | Education | | | | Household Income | | | | | Religion | | | | Born Again Christian | | Union Status | | |
|---------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------|-------|----------------------|-------|--------------|-------|----------|
| | Total | Grad-uate or less | Some Col-lege/Trade Sch'l | Col-lege Grad | Post-Grad-uate Work | Less Than \$20K | \$20K -40K | \$40K -80K | \$80K -100K | More Than \$100K | Pro-tstnt/Chrs-tian | Cath-olic | Other | None/Pref. | Yes | No | No | Yes, Any |
| Weighted Base | 423 | 61 | 140 | 114 | 107 | 37 | 53 | 119 | 43 | 136 | 156 | 109 | 79 | 73 | 81 | 331 | 337 | 83 |
| | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Yes | 163 | 28 | 60 | 45 | 29 | 10 | 27 | 56 | 16 | 42 | 77 | 56 | 18 | 10 | 53 | 101 | 134 | 29 |
| | 38.4 | 45.7 | 43.0 | 39.5 | 26.9 | 26.4 | 50.2 | 47.0 | 37.4 | 30.8 | 49.2 | 51.3 | 22.3 | 13.8 | 65.2 | 30.6 | 39.7 | 35.1 |
| No | 220 | 24 | 67 | 58 | 71 | 24 | 16 | 56 | 24 | 82 | 68 | 38 | 56 | 56 | 23 | 197 | 172 | 47 |
| | 52.1 | 38.4 | 47.9 | 51.1 | 66.5 | 64.2 | 29.6 | 46.7 | 55.6 | 60.6 | 43.7 | 34.4 | 71.5 | 76.4 | 28.2 | 59.4 | 51.0 | 57.4 |
| Don't know | 40 | 10 | 13 | 11 | 7 | 4 | 11 | 8 | 3 | 12 | 11 | 16 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 33 | 32 | 6 |
| | 9.5 | 15.8 | 9.0 | 9.4 | 6.6 | 9.4 | 20.2 | 6.3 | 7.0 | 8.6 | 7.0 | 14.3 | 6.2 | 9.8 | 6.6 | 10.0 | 9.4 | 7.6 |

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If the election were being held today, would you vote YES or NO on Proposition 8?

Base: Likely voters (Form B)

| | Region | | | | | Area | | | | | Party Regis. | | | | Likelihood of Voting | | | Gender | | |
|---------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|-------|-------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Total | Cal | Cal | Coast | Inland | LA | San Diego/Ornge | Other South | S.F. Bay Area | Central Valley | Other North | Dem | Rep | Non-Part/Other | Nov. elec- tion. | Not lkly Voter | Likely Vtr Method | Absen-tee | Pre-cinct | Male |
| Weighted Base | 405 | 234 | 171 | 289 | 116 | 95 | 74 | 59 | 88 | 70 | 20 | 183 | 143 | 79 | 405 | - | 168 | 226 | 191 | 214 |
| | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Yes | 153 | 84 | 69 | 103 | 51 | 32 | 33 | 17 | 30 | 33 | 9 | 36 | 95 | 22 | 153 | - | 70 | 79 | 74 | 79 |
| | 37.8 | 36.0 | 40.4 | 35.5 | 43.6 | 33.5 | 44.2 | 29.2 | 33.8 | 46.9 | 46.0 | 19.6 | 66.4 | 28.4 | 37.8 | - | 41.9 | 34.8 | 38.8 | 37.0 |
| No | 221 | 123 | 98 | 165 | 56 | 56 | 33 | 31 | 56 | 35 | 10 | 138 | 39 | 44 | 221 | - | 89 | 126 | 104 | 117 |
| | 54.5 | 52.6 | 57.1 | 57.1 | 48.1 | 58.9 | 44.2 | 52.0 | 64.4 | 49.8 | 51.7 | 75.2 | 27.2 | 56.0 | 54.5 | - | 53.1 | 55.8 | 54.3 | 54.7 |
| Don't know | 31 | 27 | 4 | 21 | 10 | 7 | 9 | 11 | 2 | 2 | * | 9 | 9 | 12 | 31 | - | 8 | 21 | 13 | 18 |
| | 7.7 | 11.4 | 2.5 | 7.4 | 8.3 | 7.5 | 11.6 | 18.7 | 1.8 | 3.3 | 2.3 | 5.2 | 6.5 | 15.6 | 7.7 | - | 5.0 | 9.4 | 6.9 | 8.4 |

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If the election were being held today, would you vote YES or NO on Proposition 8?

Base: Likely voters (Form B)

| | Age | | | | | Ethnicity | | | | | Political ideology | | | | | Marital Status | | | Tenure | |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|--------------------|--------|-------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------|------------|
| | Total | 18-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-64 | 65 or Older | White non-Hispanic | Latino | Black | Asian/Other | Conservative | Mod. Conservative | Mid. Road | Liberal | Strong Liberal | Married/Live Tgthr | Separated/Widow | Never Married | Renter | Home Owner |
| Weighted Base | 405 | 60 | 57 | 83 | 129 | 76 | 285 | 68 | 24 | 29 | 97 | 41 | 157 | 37 | 73 | 286 | 56 | 63 | 88 | 305 |
| | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Yes | 153 | 19 | 21 | 37 | 52 | 25 | 112 | 25 | 6 | 10 | 74 | 26 | 45 | 2 | 7 | 122 | 18 | 13 | 29 | 121 |
| | 37.8 | 31.5 | 36.8 | 44.5 | 40.0 | 32.8 | 39.2 | 36.9 | 26.2 | 34.1 | 75.9 | 62.5 | 29.0 | 4.9 | 9.2 | 42.6 | 33.3 | 20.8 | 32.7 | 39.8 |
| No | 221 | 35 | 31 | 40 | 71 | 44 | 158 | 35 | 16 | 13 | 20 | 9 | 90 | 35 | 65 | 141 | 36 | 42 | 55 | 160 |
| | 54.5 | 58.4 | 54.0 | 47.9 | 55.0 | 58.0 | 55.3 | 51.4 | 66.8 | 45.6 | 21.1 | 22.5 | 57.7 | 95.1 | 89.0 | 49.3 | 65.5 | 67.8 | 62.3 | 52.4 |
| Don't know | 31 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 16 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 21 | - | 1 | 23 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 24 |
| | 7.7 | 10.2 | 9.2 | 7.6 | 5.1 | 9.2 | 5.5 | 11.7 | 7.1 | 20.3 | 3.0 | 15.1 | 13.3 | - | 1.8 | 8.2 | 1.2 | 11.4 | 5.0 | 7.7 |

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Table 66

Q.12b (As you know) Proposition 8 is the initiative to "Eliminate the Right of Same-Sex Couples to Marry" constitutional amendment. It changes the California Constitution to eliminate the right of same-sex couples to marry and provides that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. Fiscal impact: Potential revenue loss, mainly to sales taxes, totaling several tens of millions of dollars to state and local government over the next few years.

If the election were being held today, would you vote YES or NO on Proposition 8?

Base: Likely voters (Form B)

| | Education | | | | | Household Income | | | | | Religion | | | Born Again Christian | | Union Status | | |
|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------|-------|----------------------|-------|--------------|-------|-------------|
| | Total | H.S. Grad- or less | Some Col- lege/ Sch'l | Col- lege Grad | Post Grad- uate Work | Less Than \$20K | \$20 -40K | \$40 -80K | \$80- \$100K | More Than \$100K | Pro- tstnt /Chrs | Cath- olic | Other | None/ No Pref. | Yes | No | No | Yes, Any |
| Weighted Base | 405 | 68 | 118 | 112 | 104 | 29 | 60 | 117 | 54 | 122 | 159 | 97 | 73 | 70 | 95 | 300 | 304 | 92 |
| | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Yes | 153 | 25 | 55 | 49 | 23 | 4 | 21 | 49 | 18 | 50 | 82 | 35 | 25 | 9 | 57 | 94 | 126 | 24 |
| | 37.8 | 36.8 | 46.7 | 44.2 | 22.2 | 14.9 | 35.8 | 41.5 | 33.2 | 40.9 | 51.5 | 36.3 | 34.0 | 13.2 | 59.7 | 31.2 | 41.6 | 26.5 |
| No | 221 | 36 | 55 | 56 | 70 | 20 | 33 | 62 | 28 | 67 | 64 | 53 | 43 | 58 | 32 | 184 | 152 | 64 |
| | 54.5 | 52.7 | 47.2 | 49.8 | 68.0 | 68.4 | 55.1 | 52.9 | 53.2 | 54.6 | 40.1 | 55.0 | 58.6 | 83.5 | 33.9 | 61.2 | 50.0 | 70.1 |
| Don't know | 31 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 13 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 23 | 26 | 3 |
| | 7.7 | 10.5 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 9.8 | 16.7 | 9.1 | 5.6 | 13.6 | 4.5 | 8.4 | 8.7 | 7.4 | 3.3 | 6.4 | 7.6 | 8.5 | 3.4 |

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Q12b (VOTER PREFERENCES - ORIGINAL VERSION) vs. Q11 (AWARENESS)

Base: Likely voters (Form A)

| | Weighted Base | Aware | Not aware | Don't know |
|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| Weighted Base | 423 100.0 | 293 100.0 | 124 100.0 | 6 100.0 |
| Yes | 163 38.4 | 116 39.7 | 45 36.6 | 1 12.8 |
| No | 220 52.1 | 163 55.6 | 53 42.4 | 5 79.6 |
| Don't know | 40 9.5 | 14 4.7 | 26 20.9 | * 7.6 |

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Q12b (VOTER PREFERENCES - AMENDED VERSION) vs. Q11 (AWARENESS)

Base: Likely voters (Form B)

| | Weighted Base | Aware | Not aware |
|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Weighted Base | 405 100.0 | 286 100.0 | 119 100.0 |
| Yes | 153 37.8 | 117 41.0 | 36 30.2 |
| No | 221 54.5 | 152 53.0 | 69 58.0 |
| Don't know | 31 7.7 | 17 6.0 | 14 11.8 |