Supplement A

Description of data with corresponding FST values plotted in Figure 1.

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| Data description | Groups (sample size) | Group type (1=religious, 2=political, 3=ethnic, 4=nations/provinces) | Fst | Reference |
| Survey (Nov13-Nov24 2006). Public opinion amidst rising violence in Afghanistan. Opinions on the US, Osama Bin Laden, intervention by NATO,… | Pashtun (872), Tajik (718), Uzbek (225), Turkmen (50), Hazara (189) | 3 | 0.065 | WPO-PIPA-"Afghan Approval of the Karzai Government and Western Forces,Though Still Strong, Is Declining" http://drum.lib.umd.edu/handle/1903/10120 |
| Environmental attitudes in California | somewhat politically liberal (473), somewhat conservative (562) | 2 | 0.098 | Public Policy Institute of California, "PPIC Statewide Survey: Californians and the Environment" |
| Environmental attitudes in California | very politically liberal (257), very politically conservative (338) | 2 | 0.277 | Public Policy Institute of California, "PPIC Statewide Survey: Californians and the Environment" |
| State-level opinion on the allocation of resources by State and local governments. | Caucasian or White and Non-Hispanic (1375), Hispanic or Latino (638) | 3 | 0.041 | Public Policy Institute of California, "PPIC Statewide Survey: Californians and Their Government" |
| State-level opinion on the allocation of funds by State and local governments. | Born in the US (1829), Not Born in the US (662) | 3 | 0.027 | Public Policy Institute of California, "PPIC Statewide Survey: Californians and Their Government" |
| Attitudes toward taxation, unions, immigrants, voting, special elections, education. | Affiliate a lot with the Tea Party (92), Does not affiliate at all with the Tea Party (426) | 2 | 0.421 | Field (California) Poll March 2011. San Francisco, CA: Field Research Corporation, 2011, Field (California) Poll 08-05. |
| 2008 Survey. The role of clergy in the political system. (1) Statement A - Religion must be respected, but clergy should not dictate the political system.   (2) Statement B - Clergy must play a greater role in our political system. | Saudi Arabia (760), Lebanon (600) | 4 | 0.612 | Shibley Telhami/Sadat Chair, University of Maryland - Professor Shibley Telhami, Principal Investigator. -http://sadat.umd.edu/surveys/index.htm |
| 2008 Survey. The right of women to work outside the home. | Saudi Arabia (760), Lebanon (600) | 4 | 0.591 | Shibley Telhami/Sadat Chair, University of Maryland - Professor Shibley Telhami, Principal Investigator. -http://sadat.umd.edu/surveys/index.htm |
| 2008 Survey. The role of clergy in the political system. (1) Statement A - Religion must be respected, but clergy should not dictate the political system.   (2) Statement B - Clergy must play a greater role in our political system. | Muslims (748),Christians (92) | 1 | 0.063 | Shibley Telhami/Sadat Chair, University of Maryland - Professor Shibley Telhami, Principal Investigator. -http://sadat.umd.edu/surveys/index.htm |
| 2008 Survey. The right of women to work outside the home. | Muslims (748),Christians (92) | 1 | 0.105 | Shibley Telhami/Sadat Chair, University of Maryland - Professor Shibley Telhami, Principal Investigator. -http://sadat.umd.edu/surveys/index.htm |
| Likely scenario for peace or war with Israel | Muslims (748),Christians (92) | 1 | 0.009 | Shibley Telhami/Sadat Chair, University of Maryland - Professor Shibley Telhami, Principal Investigator. -http://sadat.umd.edu/surveys/index.htm |
| June 2005 survey. Attitudes on international trade policies and the role of government among workers whose jobs were lost because of overseas trade or changing industry demand. | Republican (287), Democrat (306) | 2 | 0.061 | THE PIPA/KNOWLEDGE NETWORKS POLL, THE AMERICAN PUBLIC ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES |
| July 2004. Attitudes on the use of detention and torture for the war on terrorism | Republican (126), Democrat (165) | 2 | 0.152 | THE PIPA/KNOWLEDGE NETWORKS POLL, THE AMERICAN PUBLIC ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES: Americans on Detention, Torture, and the War on Terrorism |
| September 2007. Attitudes on the further adoption of Sharia law: As compared to current Pakistan law, do you think that Shari’a should play a larger  role, a smaller role, or about the same role in Pakistan law as it plays today? | Pakistanis from the provinces of Punjab (358), Sind (269), NWFP (79) and Blouchistan (34) | 4 | 0.041 | WorldPublicOpinion.ORG, Pakistani Public Opinion on Democracy, Islamic Militancy, and Relations with the US; Sept. 12-28, 2007 |
| June 1982. Attitude toward whether abortion should "be left as it is, made easier to get, or more difficult to get." | Church of England (653), Catholic (189) | 1 | 0.060 | Walker, N. and Marsh, C., Public Attitudes towards Sentenced Offenders and Abortion, 1982 [computer file]. Colchester, Essex: UK Data Archive [distributor], 1983. SN: 1898. |
| June 1982. Attitude toward whether abortion should "be left as it is, made easier to get, or more difficult to get." | Catholic (189), Atheist/Agnostic (69) | 1 | 0.146 | Walker, N. and Marsh, C., Public Attitudes towards Sentenced Offenders and Abortion, 1982 [computer file]. Colchester, Essex: UK Data Archive [distributor], 1983. SN: 1898. |
| (1982). Whether the respondent agrees to homosexual couples living together. | Church of England (644), Catholic (188) | 1 | 0.018 | Walker, N. and Marsh, C., Public Attitudes towards Sentenced Offenders and Abortion, 1982 [computer file]. Colchester, Essex: UK Data Archive [distributor], 1983. SN: 1898. |
| (1982). Whether the respondent agrees to homosexual couples living together. | Catholic (188), Atheist/Agnostic (70) | 1 | 0.040 | Walker, N. and Marsh, C., Public Attitudes towards Sentenced Offenders and Abortion, 1982 [computer file]. Colchester, Essex: UK Data Archive [distributor], 1983. SN: 1898. |
| 2009. The respondent's opinion regarding same-sex marriage in California | No preference/Atheist (99), Catholic (149) | 1 | 0.021 | Field Research Corporation 2009-001 601 California Street, Suite 900 022509 San Francisco, CA 94108 Final  Late February 2009 Field Poll – Questionnaire – |
| 2009. The respondent's opinion regarding same-sex marriage in California | No preference/Atheist (99), Protestant (190) | 1 | 0.131 | Field Research Corporation 2009-001 601 California Street, Suite 900 022509 San Francisco, CA 94108 Final  Late February 2009 Field Poll – Questionnaire – |
| 2009. The respondent's opinion regarding same-sex marriage in California | No preference/Atheist (99), Jewish (81) Other Christian | 1 | 0.179 | Field Research Corporation 2009-001 601 California Street, Suite 900 022509 San Francisco, CA 94108 Final  Late February 2009 Field Poll – Questionnaire – |
| 2009. The respondent's opinion regarding same-sex marriage in California | Hispanic (111), non-Hispanic (547) | 3 | 0.021 | Field Research Corporation 2009-001 601 California Street, Suite 900 022509 San Francisco, CA 94108 Final  Late February 2009 Field Poll – Questionnaire – |
| 2006. Opinions on conditions for peace with Israel (if at all) | Shia (145), Christian (210) | 1 | 0.337 | Shibley Telhami/Sadat Chair, University of Maryland - Professor Shibley Telhami, Principal Investigator. -http://sadat.umd.edu/surveys/index.htm |
| 2006. Opinions on conditions for peace with Israel (if at all) | Shia (145), Druze (27) | 1 | 0.568 | Shibley Telhami/Sadat Chair, University of Maryland - Professor Shibley Telhami, Principal Investigator. -http://sadat.umd.edu/surveys/index.htm |
| 2006. Opinions on conditions for peace with Israel (if at all) | Shia (145), Sunni (143) | 1 | 0.111 | Shibley Telhami/Sadat Chair, University of Maryland - Professor Shibley Telhami, Principal Investigator. -http://sadat.umd.edu/surveys/index.htm |
| 2009. Opinions on good State governance in California | Conservative (314), Liberal (204) | 2 | 0.168 | Field Research Corporation 2009-003 601 California Street, Suite 900 100209 San Francisco, CA 94108 Final  Late September/Early October 2009 Field Poll |
| 2003. Georgia Poll. Do you favor or oppose government involvement in health care? | Democrat (128), Republican (128) | 2 | 0.016 | Fall Georgia Poll, 2003, Survey Research Center  The University of Georgia  Athens, GA 30602  James J. Bason, Director |
| 2003. Georgia Poll. Do you favor or oppose the U.S. government spending $15 billion dollars on the AIDs epidemic in Africa? | Democrat (128), Republican (128) | 2 | 0.008 | Fall Georgia Poll, 2003, Survey Research Center  The University of Georgia  Athens, GA 30602  James J. Bason, Director |
| 2003. Georgia Poll. I worry that pesticides on the foods I buy will seriously harm me or my family. Agree/Disagree | Democrat (140), Republican (149) | 2 | 0.048 | Fall Georgia Poll, 2003, Survey Research Center  The University of Georgia  Athens, GA 30602  James J. Bason, Director |