

Table A-4 Descriptions of Variables and Constructed Scales in nes (Continued)

Variable Name	Variable Label	ANES Source Variables and Notes ^a
mccain.therm	Feeling Thermometer: McCain	V083037b
mccain.therm.post	Feeling Thermometer: Republican Presidential Candidate	V085063c
medinsur.dem	Insurance Scale: Dem Pres Cand	V083121a
medinsur.imp	Importance of Govt Insurance Issue to R	V083120
medinsur.r	Govt/Private Medical Insur Scale: Self-Placement	V083119
medinsur.rep	Insurance Scale: Rep Pres Cand	V083121b
memnum memnum2	No. of Memberships	V085127
michelleo.therm	Feeling Thermometer: Michelle Obama	V085063e
midclass.therm	Feeling Thermometer: Middle Class People	V085064h
military.therm	Feeling Thermometer: The Military	V085064m
muslim.therm	Feeling Thermometer: Muslims	V085065e
native.parents native2	Native Status of Parents	V083257
natl.btr.wrs.future	F2a1x. Summary: Economy Better/Worse Next 12 Mos [Version E]	V083084x
natl.btr.wrs.past nat.econ.past2 nat.econ.past3	F1ax. Summary: Economy Better Worse in Last Year	V083083x
newspaper	Number of Days R Reads Newspaper	V083021a V083025
obama.repub	Is R In Pro-Obama District W/GOP Rep?	Obama-Rep district. Source: http://www.cqpolitics.com/wmspace.cfm?parm1=197
obama.therm	Feeling Thermometer: Obama	V083037a
obama.therm.post	Feeling Thermometer: Democratic Presidential Candidate	V085063b
old.new.filter	Old or New Question Battery	V082402
optimism.U.S.	Summary: Optimism/Pessimism about the U.S.	V085062x
optimism.personal	Summary: Personal Optimism	V085061x
own.rent	Does R Family Own/Rent Home	V083281
palin.therm.post	Feeling Thermometer: Sarah Palin	V085063u
palin.therm.pre	Feeling Thermometer: Palin	V083039b
party.btr.econ	Which Party Better: Handling Nations Economy	V083093