TOP 10 FEARS BY PARTY AFFILIATION:

Summary: The relationships that are both statistically significant and at least moderately strong are the environmental fears. Democrats are more concerned than Republicans on all of these items. Independents are in the middle.

It is perhaps more interesting that many fears have no relationship to party affiliation – they tend to reflect more universal human concerns. There is no statistical difference between the groups regarding fear of corrupt government officials. For the remaining four fears – enough money for the future, people I love becoming seriously ill, people I love dying, and high medical bills – there are statistical significant differences between the groups but the relationships are very weak and the differences across categories is not consistent.

Crosstabulation tables are on the following pages.

1. Corrupt government officials. The differences are not statistically significant

Chi-square = 12.001 p = .062 Gamma = -.06

26b. Thinking of the Federal Government in Washington D.C., how afraid are you of the following? Corrupt government officials * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Independent Republican Democrat Total 26b. Thinking of the Federal Very Afraid Count 134 198 203 535 Government in Washington % within Party Affiliation, 3 45.0% 41.2% 43.1% 50.2% D.C., how afraid are you of Categories the following? Corrupt Afraid Count 107 133 341 101 government officials % within Party Affiliation, 3 32.9% 29.0% 25.0% 28.7% Categories Slightly Afraid Count 63 83 63 209 % within Party Affiliation, 3 19.4% 18.1% 15.6% 17.6% Categories Not Afraid Count 21 45 37 103 % within Party Affiliation, 3 8.7% 9.8% 6.5% 9.2% Categories Total 325 404 1188 Count 459 % within Party Affiliation, 3 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% Categories

2. Pollution of oceans, rivers, and lakes

Chi-square = 69.585 p < .000 Gamma = .28

10c. How afraid are you of the following environmental issues? Pollution of oceans, rivers and lakes * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

			Party A	ories		
			Republican	Independent	Democrat	Total
10c. How afraid are you of the	Not Afraid	Count	48	66	23	137
following environmental		% within Party Affiliation, 3	14.8%	14.4%	5.7%	11.5%
issues? Pollution of oceans,		Categories				
rivers and lakes	Slightly Afraid	Count	119	116	83	318
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	36.7%	25.3%	20.5%	26.8%
		Categories				
	Afraid	Count	111	148	156	415
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	34.3%	32.2%	38.5%	34.9%
		Categories				
	Very Afraid	Count	46	129	143	318
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	14.2%	28.1%	35.3%	26.8%
		Categories				
Total		Count	324	459	405	1188
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
		Categories				

3. Pollution of drinking water

Chi-square = 95.605 p < .000 Gamma = .31

10b. How afraid are you of the following environmental issues? Pollution of drinking water * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

			Party Affiliation, 3 Categories			
			Republican	Independent	Democrat	Total
10b. How afraid are you of the	Not Afraid	Count	70	71	15	156
following environmental		% within Party Affiliation, 3	21.5%	15.5%	3.7%	13.2%
issues? Pollution of drinking		Categories				
water	Slightly Afraid	Count	115	101	92	308
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	35.4%	22.0%	22.9%	26.0%
		Categories				
	Afraid	Count	84	132	139	355
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	25.8%	28.8%	34.6%	29.9%
		Categories				
	Very Afraid	Count	56	155	156	367
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	17.2%	33.8%	38.8%	30.9%
		Categories				
Total		Count	325	459	402	1186
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
		Categories				

4. Not having enough money for the future

Chi-square = 37.967 p < .000 Gamma = .11

11a. How afraid are you of the following? Not having enough money for the future * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

			Party A	Party Affiliation, 3 Categories			
			Republican	Independent	Democrat	Total	
11a. How afraid are you of the	Not Afraid	Count	60	77	51	188	
following? Not having enough		% within Party Affiliation, 3	18.5%	16.8%	12.6%	15.8%	
money for the future		Categories					
	Slightly Afraid	Count	108	104	110	322	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	33.3%	22.7%	27.2%	27.1%	
		Categories					
	Afraid	Count	84	91	111	286	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	25.9%	19.8%	27.5%	24.1%	
		Categories					
	Very Afraid	Count	72	187	132	391	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	22.2%	40.7%	32.7%	32.9%	
		Categories					
Total		Count	324	459	404	1187	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
		Categories					

5. People I love becoming seriously ill

Chi-square = 13.011 p = .043 Gamma = .10

9b. How afraid are you of the following? People I love becoming seriously ill * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

			Party A	ories		
			Republican	Independent	Democrat	Total
9b. How afraid are you of the	Not Afraid	Count	39	62	35	136
following? People I love		% within Party Affiliation, 3	12.0%	13.5%	8.6%	11.4%
becoming seriously ill		Categories				
	Slightly Afraid	Count	118	141	122	381
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	36.4%	30.7%	30.0%	32.0%
		Categories				
	Afraid	Count	87	114	123	324
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	26.9%	24.8%	30.3%	27.2%
		Categories				
	Very Afraid	Count	80	143	126	349
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	24.7%	31.1%	31.0%	29.3%
		Categories				
Total		Count	324	460	406	1190
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
		Categories				

6. People I love dying

Chi-square = 25.047 p = .002 Gamma = .11

9d. How afraid are you of the following? People I love dying * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Republican Independent Democrat Total 9d. How afraid are you of the Not Afraid 92 47 202 63 Count following? People I love dying % within Party Affiliation, 3 19.3% 20.0% 17.0% 11.6% Categories Slightly Afraid 103 99 116 318 Count 31.6% % within Party Affiliation, 3 21.5% 26.7% 28.6% Categories Afraid 78 112 112 302 Count % within Party Affiliation, 3 23.9% 24.3% 27.7% 25.4% Categories Very Afraid 82 369 Count 157 130 % within Party Affiliation, 3 34.1% 25.2% 32.1% 31.0% Categories Total 326 460 405 Count 1191 % within Party Affiliation, 3 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% Categories

7. Air pollution

Chi-square = 109.405 p < .000 Gamma = .30

10a. How afraid are you of the following environmental issues? Air pollution * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

			Party A	Party Affiliation, 3 Categories			
			Republican	Independent	Democrat	Total	
10a. How afraid are you of the	Not Afraid	Count	61	94	28	183	
following environmental		% within Party Affiliation, 3	18.8%	20.4%	6.9%	15.4%	
issues? Air pollution	Slightly Afraid	Categories Count	146	105	99	350	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3 Categories	45.1%	22.8%	24.5%	29.4%	
	Afraid	Count	83	137	159	379	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3 Categories	25.6%	29.7%	39.4%	31.9%	
	Very Afraid	Count	34	125	118	277	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3 Categories	10.5%	27.1%	29.2%	23.3%	
Total		Count	324	461	404	1189	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3 Categories	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

8. Extinction of plant and animal species

Chi-square = 94.780 p < .000 Gamma = .31

10d. How afraid are you of the following environmental issues? Extinction of plant and animal species * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

			Party A	Party Affiliation, 3 Categories		
			Republican	Independent	Democrat	Total
10d. How afraid are you of the	Not Afraid	Count	101	107	35	243
following environmental		% within Party Affiliation, 3	31.1%	23.3%	8.6%	20.4%
issues? Extinction of plant		Categories				
and animal species	Slightly Afraid	Count	103	100	100	303
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	31.7%	21.8%	24.7%	25.5%
		Categories				
	Afraid	Count	84	125	139	348
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	25.8%	27.2%	34.3%	29.3%
		Categories				
	Very Afraid	Count	37	127	131	295
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	11.4%	27.7%	32.3%	24.8%
		Categories				
Total		Count	325	459	405	1189
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
		Categories				

9. Global warming and climate change

Chi-square = 229.115 p < .000 Gamma = .51

10f. How afraid are you of the following environmental issues? Global warming and climate change * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

			Party A	ories		
			Republican	Independent	Democrat	Total
10f. How afraid are you of the	Not Afraid	Count	136	125	23	284
following environmental		% within Party Affiliation, 3	41.8%	27.4%	5.7%	23.9%
issues? Global warming and		Categories				
climate change	Slightly Afraid	Count	105	92	72	269
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	32.3%	20.1%	17.8%	22.7%
		Categories				
	Afraid	Count	66	120	136	322
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	20.3%	26.3%	33.6%	27.1%
		Categories				
	Very Afraid	Count	18	120	174	312
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	5.5%	26.3%	43.0%	26.3%
		Categories				
Total		Count	325	457	405	1187
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
		Categories				

10. High medical bills

Chi-square = 19.168 p = .004 Gamma = .06

11c. How afraid are you of the following? High medical bills * Party Affiliation, 3 Categories Crosstabulation

			Party Affiliation, 3 Categories				
			Republican	Independent	Democrat	Total	
11c. How afraid are you of the	Not Afraid	Count	63	107	65	235	
following? High medical bills		% within Party Affiliation, 3	19.4%	23.3%	16.1%	19.8%	
		Categories					
	Slightly Afraid	Count	90	116	117	323	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	27.8%	25.3%	29.0%	27.2%	
		Categories					
	Afraid	Count	100	99	99	298	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	30.9%	21.6%	24.5%	25.1%	
		Categories					
	Very Afraid	Count	71	137	123	331	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	21.9%	29.8%	30.4%	27.9%	
		Categories					
Total		Count	324	459	404	1187	
		% within Party Affiliation, 3	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
		Categories					