Data Codebook
for a
Round 8 Afrobarometer Survey
in
Liberia

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Question Number: RESPNO
Question: Respondent number
Variable Label: Respondent number
Values: LIB0001-LIB1200
Value Labels: String variable
Note: Assigned by data managers

Question Number: URBRUR
Question: PSU/EA
Variable Label: Urban or Rural Primary Sampling Unit
Values: 1, 2
Value Labels: 1=Urban, 2=Rural
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: REGION
Question: Region/Province
Variable Label: Province or region
Values: 380=Bassa, 381=Bomi, 382=Bong, 383=Cape Mount, 384=Gbarpolu, 385=Grand Gedeh, 386=Grand Kru, 387=Lofa, 388=Margibi, 389=Maryland, 390=Montserrado, 391=Nimba, 392=River Cess, 393=Rivercess, 394=Sinoe
Value Labels:
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: DISTRICT
Question: District
Variable Label: District
Values: String variable
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: EA_SVC_A
Question: Are the following services present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area: Electricity grid that most houses could access?
Variable Label: EA-SVC-A. Electricity grid in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can't determine, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SVC_B
Question: Are the following services present in the primary sampling unit/ enumeration area: Piped water system that most houses could access?
Variable Label: EA-SVC-B. Piped water system in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can't determine, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SVC_C
Question: Are the following services present in the primary sampling unit/ enumeration area: Sewage system that most houses could access?
Variable Label: EA-SVC-C. Sewage system in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can't determine, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SVC_D
Question: Are the following services present in the primary sampling unit/ enumeration area: Mobile phone service?
Variable Label: EA-SVC-D. Cell phone service in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
Source: SAB  
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SVC_E  
Question: Are the following services present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area: Borehole or tubewell?  
Variable Label: EA-SVC-D. Borehole or tubewell in the PSU/EA  
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
Source: SAB  
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_FAC_A  
Question: Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or in easy walking distance: Post office?  
Variable Label: EA-FAC-A. Post office in the PSU/EA  
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
Source: SAB  
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_FAC_B  
Question: Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or in easy walking distance: School?  
Variable Label: EA-FAC-B. School in the PSU/EA  
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
Source: SAB  
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_FAC_C  
Question: Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or in easy walking distance: Police station?  
Variable Label: EA-FAC-C. Police station in the PSU/EA  
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
Source: SAB  
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_FAC_D  
Question: Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or in easy walking distance: Health clinic?  
Variable Label: EA-FAC-D. Health Clinic in the PSU/EA  
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
Source: SAB  
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_FAC_E  
Question: Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or in easy walking distance: Market stalls (selling groceries and/or clothing)?  
Variable Label: EA-FAC-E. Market stalls in the PSU/EA  
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
Source: SAB  
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_FAC_F  
Question: Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or in easy walking distance: Bank, money transfer point, mobile banking services or ATM?
Variable Label: EA-FAC-F. Bank or money services in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can't determine, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_FAC_G
Question: Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or in easy walking distance: Is there any kind of paid transport, such as a bus, taxi, moped, or other form, available on a daily basis?
Variable Label: EA-FAC-G. Paid transport in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can't determine, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SEC_A
Question: In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any policemen or police vehicles?
Variable Label: EA-SEC-A. Police in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SEC_B
Question: In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any soldiers or army vehicles?
Variable Label: EA-SEC-B. Soldiers/army in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SEC_C
Question: In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any roadblocks set up by police or army?
Variable Label: EA-SEC-C. Roadblocks by police/army in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SEC_D
Question: In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any customs checkpoints?
Variable Label: EA-SEC-D. Customs checkpoints in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SEC_E
Question: In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any roadblocks or booms set up by private security providers or by the local community?
Variable Label: EA-SEC-E. Roadblocks by private security/local community in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_ROAD_A
Question: Thinking of your journey here: Was the road at the start point in the PSU/EA:
Variable Label: EA-ROAD-A. Road surface at start point
Values: 1-6, -1
Value Labels: 1=Earth, 2=Gravel, 3=Stone, 4=Muram, 5=Paved/Tarred, 6=Concrete, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_ROAD_B
Question: Thinking of your journey here: What was the most common surface of the road over the last 5 kilometers before arriving at the start point of the PSU/EA?
Variable Label: EA-ROAD-B. Road surface last 5 km
Values: 1-6, -1
Value Labels: 1=Earth, 2=Gravel, 3=Stone, 4=Muram, 5=Paved/Tarred, 6=Concrete, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_ROAD_C
Question: Thinking of your journey here: What was the condition of the road in the last 5 kilometers before reaching the start point of the PSU/EA? Was the road in excellent or good condition and easy to traverse, or was it in poor or very poor condition, that is, difficult to traverse due to potholes, waterlogging, or other issues, or was it impassable at any point (e.g., due to a collapsed bridge, fallen tree, flooding, etc.)?
Variable Label: EA-ROAD-C. Road condition last 5 km
Values: 1-6, -1
Value Labels: 1=Impassable, 2=Very poor, 3=Poor, 4=Fair, 5=Good, 6=Very good, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: NOCALL_1
Question: Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 1
Variable Label: Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 1
Values: 1-8, 9997
Value Labels: 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 9997=Not applicable/Interview was successful
Source: Southern Africa Barometer (SAB)
Note: Answered by interviewer, after instructions, “It is your job is to select a random (this means any) household. A household is a group of people who presently eat together from the same spot. Start your walk pattern from the start point that has been randomly chosen by your Field Supervisor. Team members must walk in opposite directions to each other. If A walks towards the sun, B must walk away from the sun; C and D must walk at right angles to A and B. Use a 5 / 10 interval pattern to select a household. That is, walking in your designated direction away from the start point, select the 5th household for the first interview, counting houses on both the right and the left (and starting with those on the right if they are opposite each other). Once you leave your first interview, continue on in the same direction, this time selecting the 10th household, again counting houses on both the right and the left. If the settlement comes to an end and there are no more houses, turn at right angles to the right and keep walking, continuing to count until finding the tenth dwelling.”

Question Number: NOCALL_2
Question: Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 2
Variable Label: Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 2
Values: 1-8, 9997
Value Labels: 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 9997=Not applicable/Interview was successful
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: NOCALL_3
Question: Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 3
Variable Label: Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 3
Values: 1-8, 9997
**Value Labels**: 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 9997=Not applicable/Interview was successful

**Source**: SAB

**Note**: Answered by interviewer

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**Question Number**: NOCALL_4
**Question**: Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 4
**Variable Label**: Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 4
**Values**: 1-8, 9997

**Value Labels**: 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 9997=Not applicable/Interview was successful

**Source**: SAB

**Note**: Answered by interviewer

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**Question Number**: NOCALL_5
**Question**: Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 5
**Variable Label**: Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 5
**Values**: 1-8, 9997

**Value Labels**: 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 9997=Not applicable/Interview was successful

**Source**: SAB

**Note**: Answered by interviewer

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**Question Number**: NOCALL_6
**Question**: Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 6
**Variable Label**: Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 6
**Values**: 1-8, 9997

**Value Labels**: 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 9997=Not applicable/Interview was successful

**Source**: SAB

**Note**: Answered by interviewer

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**Question Number**: NOCALL_7
**Question**: Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 7
**Variable Label**: Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 7
**Values**: 1-8, 9997

**Value Labels**: 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 9997=Not applicable/Interview was successful

**Source**: SAB

**Note**: Answered by interviewer

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**Question Number**: NOCALL_8
**Question**: Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 8
**Variable Label**: Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 8
**Values**: 1-8, 9997

**Value Labels**: 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 9997=Not applicable/Interview was successful

**Source**: SAB

**Note**: Answered by interviewer
**Question Number:** DATEINTR  
**Question:** Date of interview  
**Variable Label:** Date of interview  
**Values:** 19.10.20 – 25.11.20  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer. Entered in day, month, and year format

**Question Number:** STRTIME  
**Question:** Time interview started  
**Variable Label:** Time interview started  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer. Entered hour and minute, 24-hour clock

**Question Number:** Q1  
**Question:** How old are you?  
**Variable Label:** Q1. Age  
**Values:** 18-89, 998, 999, -1  
**Value Labels:** 998=Refused, 999=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Question Number:** Q2  
**Question:** What is the primary language you speak in your home now?  
**Variable Label:** Q2. Language spoken in home  
**Values:** 1, 380-396, 9995, 9998, 9999  
**Value Labels:** 1=English, 380=Bassa, 381=Belle, 382=Dei, 383=Gbandi, 384=Gio, 385=Gola, 386=Grebo, 387=Kissi, 388=Kpelle, 389=Krum, 390=Kru, 391=Loma, 392=Mandingo, 393=Mano, 394=Mende, 395=Vai, 396=Liberian English, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused, 9999=Don’t know

**Question Number:** Q3  
**Question:** Let’s start with your general view about the current direction of our country. Some people might think the country is going in the wrong direction. Others may feel it is going in the right direction. So let me ask YOU about the overall direction of the country: Would you say that the country is going in the wrong direction or going in the right direction?  
**Variable Label:** Q3. Overall direction of the country  
**Values:** 1, 2, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Going in the wrong direction, 2=Going in the right direction, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Question Number:** Q4A  
**Question:** In general, how would you describe: The present economic condition of this country?  
**Variable Label:** Q4a. Country’s present economic condition  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very bad, 2=Fairly bad, 3=Neither good nor bad, 4=Fairly good, 5=Very good, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Question Number:** Q4B  
**Question:** In general, how would you describe: Your own present living conditions?  
**Variable Label:** Q4b. Your present living conditions  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very bad, 2=Fairly bad, 3=Neither good nor bad, 4=Fairly good, 5=Very good, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Question Number:** Q5  
**Question:** How often, if ever, are people like you treated unfairly by the government based on your economic status, that is, how rich or poor you are?  
**Variable Label:** Q5. Treated unfairly by government based on economic status.  
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7, NDB, Zambia96

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Question Number:** Q6A  
**Question:** Looking back, how do you rate economic conditions in this country compared to twelve months ago?  
**Variable Label:** Q6a. Country's economic condition compared to 12 months ago  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much better, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** NDB, Zambia96  

**Question Number:** Q6B  
**Question:** Looking ahead, do you expect economic conditions in this country to be better or worse in twelve months' time?  
**Variable Label:** Q6b. Country's economic condition in 12 months' time  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much better, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5  

**Question Number:** Q7A  
**Question:** Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Enough food to eat?  
**Variable Label:** Q7a. How often gone without food  
**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** NDB  

**Question Number:** Q7B  
**Question:** Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Enough clean water for home use?  
**Variable Label:** Q7b. How often gone without water  
**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** NDB  

**Question Number:** Q7C  
**Question:** Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Medicines or medical treatment?  
**Variable Label:** Q7c. How often gone without medical care  
**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** NDB  

**Question Number:** Q7D  
**Question:** Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Enough fuel to cook your food?  
**Variable Label:** Q7d. How often gone without cooking fuel  
**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  

**Question Number:** Q7E  
**Question:** Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: A cash income?  
**Variable Label:** Q7e. How often gone without a cash income  
**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q8A
Question: Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family: Felt unsafe walking in your neighbourhood?
Variable Label: Q8a. How often felt unsafe walking in neighbourhood
Values: 0-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Adapted from NDB

Question Number: Q8B
Question: Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family: Feared crime in your own home?
Variable Label: Q8b. How often feared crime in home
Values: 0-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Adapted from NDB

Question Number: Q9
Question: When you get together with your friends or family, would you say you discuss political matters:
Variable Label: Q9. Discuss politics
Values: 0-2, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Occasionally, 2=Frequently, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Adapted from Zambia96

Question Number: Q10A
Question: In this country, how free are you: To say what you think?
Variable Label: Q10a. Freedom to say what you think
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Not at all free, 2=Not very free, 3=Somewhat free, 4=Completely free, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: NDB

Question Number: Q10B
Question: In this country, how free are you: To join any political organization you want?
Variable Label: Q10b. Freedom to join political organization
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Not at all free, 2=Not very free, 3=Somewhat free, 4=Completely free, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: NDB

Question Number: Q10C
Question: In this country, how free are you: To choose who to vote for without feeling pressured?
Variable Label: Q10c. Freedom to choose who to vote for without pressure
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Not at all free, 2=Not very free, 3=Somewhat free, 4=Completely free, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: NDB

Question Number: Q11A
Question: Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. If not, would you do this if you had the chance: Attended a community meeting?
Variable Label: Q11a. Attend a community meeting
Values: 0-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, would never do this, 1=No, but would if had the chance, 2=Yes, once or twice, 3=Yes, several times, 4=Yes, often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
**Question Number:** Q11B
**Question:** Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. If not, would you do this if you had the chance: Got together with others to raise an issue?
**Variable Label:** Q11b. Join others to raise an issue
**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=No, would never do this, 1=No, but would if had the chance, 2=Yes, once or twice, 3=Yes, several times, 4=Yes, often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q11C
**Question:** Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens when they are dissatisfied with government performance. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. If not, would you do this if you had the chance: Participated in a demonstration or protest march?
**Variable Label:** Q11c. Attend a demonstration or protest march
**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=No, would never do this, 1=No, but would if had the chance, 2=Yes, once or twice, 3=Yes, several times, 4=Yes, often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q12A – Not asked

**Question Number:** Q12B
**Question:** During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: A member of House of Representatives?
**Variable Label:** Q12b. Contact MP
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Only once, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q12C
**Question:** During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: A political party official?
**Variable Label:** Q12c. Contact political party official
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Only once, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q12D
**Question:** During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: A traditional leader?
**Variable Label:** Q12d. Contact traditional leader
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Only once, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q13
**Question:** Let’s talk about the last national election held in 2017. People are not always able to vote in elections, for example, because they weren’t registered, they were unable to go, or someone prevented them from voting. How about you? In the last national election held in 2017, did you vote, or not, or were you too young to vote? Or can’t you remember whether you voted?
**Variable Label:** Q13. Voting in the most recent national election.
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=I did not vote, 1=I was too young to vote, 2=I can’t remember whether I voted, 3=I voted in the election, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
**Source:** N/A

**Question Number:** Q14
Question: On the whole, how would you rate the freeness and fairness of the last national election, held in 2017. Was it:

**Variable Label:** Q14. Freeness and fairness of the last national election

**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, 98, -1

**Value Labels:**
1=Not free and fair, 2=Free and fair, with major problems, 3=Free and fair, but with minor problems, 4=Completely free and fair, 8=Do not understand the question, 9=Don’t know, 98=Refused, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Question Number:** Q15A

**Question:** Thinking about the last national election in 2017: Did you attend a campaign rally?

**Variable Label:** Q15a. Last national election: attend a campaign rally

**Values:** 0, 1, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:**
0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q15B

**Question:** Thinking about the last national election in 2017: Did you work for a candidate or party?

**Variable Label:** Q15b. Last national election: work for a candidate or party

**Values:** 0, 1, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:**
0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q15C

**Question:** Thinking about the last national election in 2017: Did any representative of a political party contact you during the campaign?

**Variable Label:** Q15c. Last national election: contacted by representative of political party

**Values:** 0, 1, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:**
0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** Q15D_1

**Question:** If someone from a political party contacted you, which party were they from?

**Variable Label:** Q15d. Which parties contacted? 1st response

**Values:** 380-410, 9997-9999, -1

**Value Labels:**

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** Q15D_2

**Question:** If someone from a political party contacted you, which party were they from?

**Variable Label:** Q15d. Which parties contacted? 2nd response

**Values:** 380-410, 9997-9999, -1

**Value Labels:**
(MOVEE), 393=All Liberia Coalition Party (ALCOP), 394=Liberia Reconstruction Party (LRP), 395=National Union for Democratic Progress (NUDP), 396=National Vision Party of Liberia (NATVIPOL), 397=Progressive People’s Party (PPP), 398=Movement for Progressive Change (MPC), 399=Original Congress Party (OCP), 400=Victory for Change (VCP), 401=Majority Party of Liberia (MAPOL), 402=Grassroot Democratic Party of Liberia (GDPL), 403=Citizens Unification Party (CUP), 404=Freedown Alliance Party of Liberia (FAPL), 405=Liberia Empowerment Party (LEP), 406=Liberia Transformation Party (TPL), 407=National Social Democratic Party of Liberia, 408=All Liberian Party (ALP), 409=People Unification Party (PUP), 410=Alternative National Congress (ANC), 9995=Other, 9997=Not applicable, 9998=Refused, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing

Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q15D_3
Question: If someone from a political party contacted you, which party were they from?
Variable Label: Q15d. Which parties contacted? 3rd response
Values: 380-410, 9995, 9997-9999, -1

Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q15D_4
Question: If someone from a political party contacted you, which party were they from?
Variable Label: Q15d. Which parties contacted? 4th response
Values: 380-410, 9995, 9997-9999, -1

Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q15D_5
Question: If someone from a political party contacted you, which party were they from?
Variable Label: Q15d. Which parties contacted? 5th response
Values: 380-410, 9995, 9997-9999, -1

Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Union for Democratic Progress (NUDP), 396=National Vision Party of Liberia (NATVIPOL), 397=Progressive People’s Party (PPP), 398=Movement for Progressive Change (MPC), 399=Original Congress Party (OCP), 400=Victory for Change (VCP), 401=Majority Party of Liberia (MAPOL), 402=Grassroot Democratic Party of Liberia (GDPL), 403=Citizens Unification Party (CUP), 404=freedown Alliance Party of Liberia (FAPL), 405=Liberia Empowerment Party (LEP), 406=Liberia Transformation Party (TPL), 407=National Social Democratic Party of Liberia, 408=All Liberian Party (ALP), 409=People Unification Party (PUP), 410=Alternative National Congress (ANC), 9995=Other, 9997=Not applicable, 9998=Refused, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source**: Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number**: Q15D_6
**Question**: If someone from a political party contacted you, which party were they from?
**Variable Label**: Q15d. Which parties contacted? 6th response
**Values**: 380-410, 9995, 9997-9999, -1

**Source**: Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number**: Q15D_OTHER
**Question**: If someone from a political party contacted you, which party were they from?
**Variable Label**: Q15dOther. Which parties contacted? Other (verbatim)
**Values**: String variable
**Source**: Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number**: Q16A
**Question**: During the last national election campaign in 2017, how often did the media provide fair coverage of all candidates?
**Variable Label**: Q16a. Last national election: media provide fair coverage of all candidates
**Values**: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels**: 0=Never, 1=Sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source**: Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number**: Q16B
**Question**: During the last national election in 2017, how often, if ever, did a candidate or someone from a political party offer you something, like food, a gift, or money, in return for your vote?
**Variable Label**: Q16b. Last national election: candidate or political party offer food, gift or money for vote
**Values**: 0-9, -1
**Value Labels**: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source**: Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number**: Q17A
**Question**: In the last national election in 2017, how often did each of the following things happen: People’s votes were not accurately counted or not fairly reflected in the results?
**Variable Label**: Q17a. Last national election: votes not accurately counted
**Values**: 0-2, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels**: 0=Never, 1=A few times, 2=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source**: Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number**: Q17B
Question: In the last national election in 2017, how often did each of the following things happen? People voted more than once?
Variable Label: Q17b. Last national election: people voted more than once
Values: 0-2, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=A few times, 2=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q17C
Question: How likely do you think it is that powerful people can find out how you voted, even though there is supposed to be a secret ballot in this country?
Variable Label: Q17c. Last national election: powerful people find out vote
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Not at all likely, 1=Not very likely, 2=Somewhat likely, 3=Very likely, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q17D
Question: During the last national election campaign in 2017, how much did you personally fear becoming a victim of political intimidation or violence?
Variable Label: Q17d. Last national election: fear political intimidation or violence
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=A lot, 1=Somewhat, 2=A little bit, 3=Not at all, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q18A
Question: During the last national election in 2017, did you witness: Police or soldiers, rather than election officials, assisting people to cast their ballot?
Variable Label: Q18a. Last national election: police or soldiers assist people to cast ballot
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q18B
Question: During the last national election in 2017, did you witness: Anyone from the security forces or a political party trying to intimidate voters?
Variable Label: Q18b. Last national election: security forces or political party intimidated voters
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q18C
Question: With regard to the last national election in 2017, to what extent do you think the results announced by the [Independent Electoral Commission] accurately reflected the actual results as counted?
Variable Label: Q18c. Last national election: announced results reflect counted results
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Not accurate at all, 2=Not very accurate, with major discrepancies, 3=Mostly accurate, but with some minor discrepancies, 4=Completely accurate, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q19A
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2. Statement 1: The government should be able to ban any organization that goes against its policies. Statement 2: We should be able to join any organization, whether or not the government approves of it.
Variable Label: Q19a. Government bans organizations vs. join any
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Uganda00
**Note:** Before this question, interviewer said: “Let’s talk for a moment about the kind of society you would like to have in this country.” Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?"

**Question Number:** Q19B  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: The media should have the right to publish any views and ideas without government control.  
Statement 2: The government should have the right to prevent the media from publishing things that it disapproves of.  
**Variable Label:** Q19b. Newspapers free to publish vs. government control  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Uganda00  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q20A  
**Question:** There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives: Only one political party is allowed to stand for election and hold office?  
**Variable Label:** Q20a. Reject one-party rule  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Neither approve nor disapprove, 4=Approve, 5=Strongly approve, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** NDB  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q20B  
**Question:** There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives: The army comes in to govern the country?  
**Variable Label:** Q20b. Reject military rule  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Neither approve nor disapprove, 4=Approve, 5=Strongly approve, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Adapted from NDB  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q20C  
**Question:** There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives: Elections and the National Legislature are abolished so that the President can decide everything?  
**Variable Label:** Q20c. Reject one-man rule  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Neither approve nor disapprove, 4=Approve, 5=Strongly approve, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q21  
**Question:** Which of these three statements is closest to your own opinion?  
Statement 1: Democracy is preferable to any other kind of government.  
Statement 2: In some circumstances, a non-democratic government can be preferable.  
Statement 3: For someone like me, it doesn’t matter what kind of government we have.  
**Variable Label:** Q21. Support for democracy  
**Values:** 1-3, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Statement 3: Doesn’t matter, 2=Statement 2: Sometimes non-democratic preferable, 3=Statement 1: Democracy preferable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Latinobarometer [LB]  
**Note:** Interviewer was instructed to “read the question in the language of the interview, but always read ‘democracy’ in English. Translate ‘democracy’ into local language only if respondent does not understand English term.”
**Question Number:** Q22  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: It is more important to have a government that can get things done, even if we have no influence over what it does.  
Statement 2: It is more important for citizens to be able to hold government accountable, even if that means it makes decisions more slowly.  
**Variable Label:** Q22. Govt gets things done vs. Govt accountable to citizens  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q23  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: In order for our country to do well, we should listen more to the wisdom of our elders.  
Statement 2: In order for our country to do well, we should listen more to fresh ideas from young people.  
**Variable Label:** Q23 Listen to wisdom of elders vs. fresh ideas from young people  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q24  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: We should choose our leaders in this country through regular, open and honest elections.  
Statement 2: Since elections sometimes produce bad results, we should adopt other methods for choosing this country’s leaders.  
**Variable Label:** Q24. Choose leaders through elections vs. other methods  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 2  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q25  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: Political parties create division and confusion; it is therefore unnecessary to have many political parties in Liberia.  
Statement 2: Many political parties are needed to make sure that Liberians have real choices in who governs them.  
**Variable Label:** Q25. Political parties divisive vs. many parties needed  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 2  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q26 – Not asked

**Question Number:** Q27 – Not asked

**Question Number:** Q28  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: Experts with specialized education or skills are needed to help make the most important decisions for our country.  
Statement 2: The people and their elected representatives know what is best; they do not need the advice of experts to run the country.  
**Variable Label:** Q28. Experts needed for most important decisions vs elected know best  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Question Number: Q29
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Parliament should ensure that the President explains to it on a regular basis how his government spends taxpayers' money.
Statement 2: The President should be able to devote his full attention to developing the country rather than wasting time justifying his actions.
Variable Label: Q29. President monitored by parliament vs. free to act on own
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q30
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Since the President was elected to lead the country, he should not be bound by laws or court decisions that he thinks are wrong.
Statement 2: The President must always obey the laws and the courts, even if he thinks they are wrong.
Variable Label: Q30. President free to act vs. obey the laws and courts
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: N/A
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q31 – Not asked

Question Number: Q32
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: A government that enjoys the support of the people should be free to do whatever the people want, even if it is outside the law.
Statement 2: The actions of any government, no matter how popular it is, must always follow the law.
Variable Label: Q32. Elected do whatever the people want vs bound by laws
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q33
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: The news media should constantly investigate and report on government mistakes and corruption.
Statement 2: Too much reporting on negative events, like government mistakes and corruption, only harms the country.
Variable Label: Q33. Media checks government vs. avoid negative reporting
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q34
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: The Constitution should limit the president to serving a maximum of two terms in office.
Statement 2: There should be no constitutional limit on how long the president can serve.
Variable Label: Q34. Presidential two term limit vs. no term limits
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?"

Question Number: Q35A
Question: Should there be a minimum age for candidates for president?
Variable Label: Q35a. Minimum age for candidate for president needed
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, no minimum, 1=Yes, should be a minimum, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q35B
Question: If yes, what should the minimum age be?
Variable Label: Q35b. Minimum age for candidates for president.
Values: 18-90, 997, 998, 999, -1
Value Labels: 997=Not applicable, 998=Refused, 999=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q35C
Question: Should there be a maximum age for candidates for president?
Variable Label: Q35c. Maximum age for candidate for president needed.
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, no maximum, 1=Yes, should be a maximum, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q35D
Question: If yes, what should the maximum age be?
Variable Label: Q35d. Maximum age for candidates for president
Values: 18-100, 997, 998, 999, -1
Value Labels: 997=Not applicable, 998=Refused, 999=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q36
Question: In your opinion how much of a democracy is Liberia today?
Variable Label: Q36. Extent of democracy
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, 98, -1
Value Labels: 1=Not a democracy, 2=A democracy, with major problems, 3=A democracy, but with minor problems, 4=A full democracy, 8=Do not understand question/do not understand what ‘democracy’ is, 9=Don’t know, 98=Refused, -1=Missing
Source: Ghana 97
Note: Interviewer was instructed to “read the question in the language of the interview, but always read ‘democracy’ in English. Translate ‘democracy’ into local language only if respondent does not understand English term.”

Question Number: Q37
Question: Overall, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in Liberia? Are you:
Variable Label: Q37. Satisfaction with democracy
Values: 0-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=The country is not a democracy, 1=Not at all satisfied, 2=Not very satisfied, 3=Fairly satisfied, 4=Very satisfied, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Eurobarometer
Note: Interviewer was instructed to “Read the question in the language of the interview, but always read ‘democracy’ in English. Translate ‘democracy’ into local language only if respondent does not understand English term.”
Question Number: Q38A
Question: How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Members of the House of Representatives?
Variable Label: Q38a. MPs listen
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 3

Question Number: Q38A1-LIB
Question: How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Members of the House of Representatives?
Variable Label: Q38a1-lib. Senators listen
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

Question Number: Q38B
Question: How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Members of local authority council?
Variable Label: Q38b. Local government councilors listen
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 3

Question Number: Q38C
Question: How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Traditional leaders?
Variable Label: Q38c. Traditional leaders listen
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q39A
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: The tax authorities always have the right to make people pay taxes.
Variable Label: Q39a. People must pay taxes
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q39B
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: Information held by public authorities is only for use by government officials; it should not have to be shared with the public.
Variable Label: Q39b. Government information for official use only
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q40A
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Does competition between political parties lead to violent conflict?
Variable Label: Q40a. How often party competition leads to conflict
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2
Question Number: Q40B
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Does the President ignore the courts and laws of this country?
Variable Label: Q40b. How often president ignores laws
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2

Question Number: Q40C
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Does the President ignore the National Legislature and just do what he wants?
Variable Label: Q40c. How often president ignores parliament
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q40D
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Do people have to be careful of what they say about politics?
Variable Label: Q40d. How often careful what you say
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q40E
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are people treated unequally under the law?
Variable Label: Q40e. How often people treated unequally
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2

Question Number: Q40F
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Do officials who commit crimes go unpunished?
Variable Label: Q40f. How often officials unpunished
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q40G
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Do ordinary people who break the law go unpunished?
Variable Label: Q40g. How often ordinary people unpunished
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q41A
Question: How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The President?
Variable Label: Q41a. Trust president
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing
Source: Zambia96

Question Number: Q41B
Question: How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The House of Representatives?
Variable Label: Q41b. Trust parliament/national assembly
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing

**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q41B1-LIB

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Senate?

**Variable Label:** Q41b1-lib. Trust Senate

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Question Number:** Q41C

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: National Elections Commission?

**Variable Label:** Q41c. Trust national electoral commission

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing

**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q41D

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Your County Authority?

**Variable Label:** Q41d. Trust your elected local government council

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing

**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q41E

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Ruling Party?

**Variable Label:** Q41e. Trust the ruling party

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing

**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q41F

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Opposition Political Parties?

**Variable Label:** Q41f. Trust opposition political parties

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing

**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q41G

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Police?

**Variable Label:** Q41g. Trust police

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing

**Source:** Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q41H

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Armed Forces of Liberia?
**Variable Label:** Q41h. Trust army  
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q41I  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Courts of law?  
**Variable Label:** Q41i. Trust courts of law  
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q41J  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Liberia Revenue Authority?  
**Variable Label:** Q41j. The tax/revenue office  
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** Q41K  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Traditional leaders?  
**Variable Label:** Q41k. Trust traditional leaders  
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q41L  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Religious leaders?  
**Variable Label:** Q41l. Trust religious leaders  
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q42A  
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The President and Officials in his Office?  
**Variable Label:** Q42a. Corruption: office of the Presidency  
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q42B  
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Members of the House of Representatives?  
**Variable Label:** Q42b. Corruption: Members of Parliament  
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB
**Question Number:** Q42B1-LIB
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Senators?
**Variable Label:** Q42b1-lib. Corruption Senators
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0= None, 1= Some of them, 2= Most of them, 3= All of them, 8= Refused, 9= Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1= Missing
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q42C
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Civil servants?
**Variable Label:** Q42c. Corruption: Civil servants
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0= None, 1= Some of them, 2= Most of them, 3= All of them, 8= Refused, 9= Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1= Missing
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4

**Question Number:** Q42D
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Members of your [local government council]?
**Variable Label:** Q42d. Corruption: local government councilors
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0= None, 1= Some of them, 2= Most of them, 3= All of them, 8= Refused, 9= Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1= Missing
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q42E
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Police?
**Variable Label:** Q42e. Corruption: police
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0= None, 1= Some of them, 2= Most of them, 3= All of them, 8= Refused, 9= Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1= Missing
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q42F
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Judges and Magistrates?
**Variable Label:** Q42f. Corruption: judges and magistrates
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0= None, 1= Some of them, 2= Most of them, 3= All of them, 8= Refused, 9= Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1= Missing
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q42G
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Tax officials, like officials from the Liberia Revenue Authority?
**Variable Label:** Q42g. Corruption: tax officials
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0= None, 1= Some of them, 2= Most of them, 3= All of them, 8= Refused, 9= Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1= Missing
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** Q42H
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: traditional leaders?
**Variable Label:** Q42h. Corruption: traditional leaders
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0= None, 1= Some of them, 2= Most of them, 3= All of them, 8= Refused, 9= Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1= Missing

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Question Number: Q42I
Question: How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Religious Leaders?
Variable Label: Q42i. Corruption: religious leaders
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q42J-LIB
Question: How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: County Superintendents?
Variable Label: Q42j-lib. Corruption: County superintendents
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

Question Number: Q43A
Question: In your opinion, over the past year, has the level of corruption in this country increased, decreased, or stayed the same?
Variable Label: Q43a. Level of corruption
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Increased a lot, 2=Increased somewhat, 3=Stayed the same, 4=Decreased somewhat, 5=Decreased a lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Transparency International
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q43B
Question: In this country, can ordinary people report incidents of corruption without fear, or do they risk retaliation or other negative consequences if they speak out?
Variable Label: Q43b. Ordinary people can report corruption without fear
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Can report without fear, 1=Risk retaliation or other negative consequences, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7

Question Number: Q44A
Question: Now I would like to talk to you about experiences that some people have in accessing certain essential government services. In the past 12 months have you had contact with a public school?
Variable Label: Q44a. Contact with public school
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7

Question Number: Q44B
Question: How easy or difficult was it to obtain the service you needed from teachers or school officials?
Variable Label: Q44b. Difficulty to obtain public school services
Values: 1-4, 7-9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very easy, 2=Easy, 3=Difficult, 4=Very difficult, 7=No contact, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6
Note: Interviewer was instructed: If respondent answered 1=Yes to part A, ask parts B and C. If respondent answered 0=No, 8=Refused or 9=Don’t know to part A, select 7=NA for parts B and C and continue to part D.

Question Number: Q44C
Question: And how often, if ever, did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a teacher or school official in order to get the services you needed from the schools?
Variable Label: Q44c. Pay bribe for public school services  
Values: 0-3, 7-9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No contact, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6

Question Number: Q44D  
Question: In the past 12 months have you had contact with a public clinic or hospital?  
Variable Label: Q44d. Contact with public clinic or hospital  
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7

Question Number: Q44E  
Question: How easy or difficult was it to obtain the medical care you needed?  
Variable Label: Q44e. Difficulty to obtain medical care  
Values: 1-4, 7-9, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Very easy, 2=Easy, 3=Difficult, 4=Very difficult, 7=No contact, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6

Note: Interviewer was instructed: If respondent answered 1=Yes to part D, ask parts E and F. If respondent answered 0=No, 8=Refused or 9=Don’t know to part D, select 7=NA for parts E and F and continue to part G.

Question Number: Q44F  
Question: And how often, if ever, did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a health worker or clinic or hospital staff in order to get the medical care you needed?  
Variable Label: Q44f. Pay bribe for medical care  
Values: 0-3, 7-9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No contact, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6

Question Number: Q44G  
Question: In the past 12 months have you tried to get an identity document like a birth certificate, driver’s license, passport or voter’s card, or a permit, from government?  
Variable Label: Q44g. Tried to obtain identity document  
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7

Question Number: Q44H  
Question: How easy or difficult was it to obtain the document you needed?  
Variable Label: Q44h. Difficulty to obtain identity document  
Values: 1-4, 7-9, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Very easy, 2=Easy, 3=Difficult, 4=Very difficult, 7=No contact, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6

Note: Interviewer was instructed: If respondent answered 1=Yes to part G, ask parts H and I. If respondent answered 0=No, 8=Refused or 9=Don’t know to part G, select 7=NA for parts H and I and continue to part J.

Question Number: Q44I  
Question: And how often, if ever, did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a government official in order to get the document you needed?  
Variable Label: Q44i. Pay bribe for identity document  
Values: 0-3, 7-9, -1  
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No contact, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6
Question Number: Q44J
Question: In the past 12 months have you requested assistance from the police?
Variable Label: Q44J. Requested police assistance
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7

Question Number: Q44K
Question: How easy or difficult was it to obtain the assistance you needed?
Variable Label: Q44K. Difficulty to obtain police assistance
Values: 1-4, 7-9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very easy, 2=Easy, 3=Difficult, 4=Very difficult, 7=No contact, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6
Note: Interviewer was instructed: If respondent answered 1=Yes to part J, ask parts K and L. If respondent answered 0=No, 8=Refused or 9=Don’t know to part J, select 7=NA for parts K and L and continue to part M.

Question Number: Q44L
Question: And how often, if ever, did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a police officer in order to get the assistance you needed.
Variable Label: Q44L. Pay bribe to receive police assistance
Values: 0-3, 7-9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No contact, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6

Question Number: Q44M
Question: In the past 12 months, how often have you encountered the police in other situations, like at checkpoints, during identity checks or traffic stops, or during an investigation?
Variable Label: Q44M. Contact with police in other situations
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7

Question Number: Q44N
Question: How often, if ever did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a police officer in order to avoid a problem during one of these encounters.
Variable Label: Q44N. Pay bribe to avoid problem with police
Values: 0-3, 7-9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No contact, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer was instructed: If respondent answered 0=Never, 8=Refused or 9=Don’t know to part M, select 7=NA for part N and continue to Q45. Otherwise ask:

Question Number: Q45
Question: Now let us talk about the tax system in this country. Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: It is better to pay higher taxes if it means that there will be more services provided by government.
Statement 2: It is better to pay lower taxes, even if it means there will be fewer services provided by government.
Variable Label: Q45. Higher taxes with more govt services vs. lower taxes with fewer govt services.
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”
**Question Number:** Q46A
**Question:** Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to do each of the following: To find out what taxes and fees you are supposed to pay to the government?
**Variable Label:** Q46a. Difficulty to find out what taxes or fees to pay
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very easy, 2=Easy, 3=Difficult, 4=Very difficult, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q46B
**Question:** Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to do each of the following: To find out how government uses the revenues from people’s taxes and fees?
**Variable Label:** Q46b. Difficulty to find out how government uses tax revenues.
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very easy, 2=Easy, 3=Difficult, 4=Very difficult, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q46C
**Question:** Do you think that the amount of taxes that ordinary people in Liberia are required to pay to the government is too little, too much, or about the right amount?
**Variable Label:** Q46c. Amount ordinary people taxed too much
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Far too little, 2=Somewhat too little, 3=About the right amount, 4=Somewhat too much, 5=Far too much, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q46D
**Question:** Do you think that the amount of taxes that rich people in Liberia are required to pay to the government is too little, too much, or about the right amount?
**Variable Label:** Q46d. Taxes for the rich: too little, too much, or about the right amount.
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Far too little, 2=Somewhat too little, 3=About the right amount, 4=Somewhat too much, 5=Far too much, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q47A – Not asked

**Question Number:** Q47B
**Question:** Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements: It is fair to tax rich people at a higher rate than ordinary people in order to help pay for government programs to benefit the poor.
**Variable Label:** Q47b. Fairness of high taxes for the rich to help the poor.
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q47C
**Question:** Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements: The government usually uses the tax revenues it collects for the well-being of citizens.
**Variable Label:** Q47c. Taxes used by government for the well-being of citizens.
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.
Question Number: Q47D
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country, do people avoid paying the taxes that they owe the government?
Variable Label: Q47d. People avoid paying taxes
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q48pt1
Question: In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?
Variable Label: Q48pt1. Most important problems – 1st response
Values: 0-33, 9995, 9998, 9999, -1
Value Labels: 0=Nothing/no problems, 1=Management of the economy, 2=Wages, incomes, and salaries, 3=Unemployment, 4=Poverty/destitution, 5=Rates and taxes, 6=Loans/credit, 7=Farming/agriculture, 8=Food shortage/famine, 9=Drought, 10=Land, 11=Transportation, 12=Communications, 13=Infrastructure/roads, 14=Education, 15=Housing, 16=Electricity, 17=Water supply, 18=Orphans/street children/homeless children, 19=Services (other), 20=Health, 21=AIDS, 22=Sickness/disease, 23=Crime and security, 24=Corruption, 25=Political violence, 26=Political instability/political divisions/ethnic tensions, 27=Discrimination/inequality, 28=Gender issues/women’s rights, 29=Democracy/political rights, 30=War (international), 31=Civil War, 32=Agricultural marketing, 33=Climate change, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer was instructed to “Accept up to three answers. If respondent offers more than three options, ask ‘Which three of these are the most important?’; if respondent offers one or two answers, ask ‘Anything else?’”

Question Number: Q48pt1OTHER
Question: In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?
Variable Label: Q48pt1other. MIP – 1st response (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q48pt2
Question: In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?
Variable Label: Q48pt2. Most important problems – 2nd response
Values: 1-33, 9995, 9996, -1
Value Labels: 1=Management of the economy, 2=Wages, income and salaries, 3=Unemployment, 4=Poverty/destitution, 5=Rates and taxes, 6=Loans/credit, 7=Farming/agriculture, 8=Food shortage/famine, 9=Drought, 10=Land, 11=Transportation, 12=Communications, 13=Infrastructure/roads, 14=Education, 15=Housing, 16=Electricity, 17=Water supply, 18=Orphans/street children/homeless children, 19=Services (other), 20=Health, 21=AIDS, 22=Sickness/disease, 23=Crime and security, 24=Corruption, 25=Political violence, 26=Political instability/political divisions/ethnic tensions, 27=Discrimination/inequality, 28=Gender issues/women’s rights, 29=Democracy/political rights, 30=War (international), 31=Civil War, 32=Agricultural marketing, 33=Climate change, 9995=Other, 9996=No further reply, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer was instructed to “Accept up to three answers. If respondent offers more than three options, ask ‘Which three of these are the most important?’; if respondent offers one or two answers, ask ‘Anything else?’”

Question Number: Q48pt2OTHER
Question: In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?
Variable Label: Q48pt2other. MIP – 2nd response (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: SAB
Question Number: Q48pt3
Question: In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?
Variable Label: Q48pt3. Most important problems – 3rd response
Values: 1-3, 9995, 9996, -1
Value Labels: 1=Management of the economy, 2=Wages, income and salaries, 3=Unemployment, 4=Poverty/destitution, 5=Rates and taxes, 6=Loans/credit, 7=Farming/agriculture, 8=Food shortage/famine, 9=Drought, 10=Land, 11=Transportation, 12=Communications, 13=Infrastructure/roads, 14=Education, 15=Housing, 16=Electricity, 17=Water supply, 18=Orphans/street children/homeless children, 19=Services (other), 20=Health, 21=AIDS, 22=Sickness/disease, 23=Crime and security, 24=Corruption, 25=Political violence, 26=Political instability/political divisions/ethnic tensions, 27=Discrimination/inequality, 28=Gender issues/women's rights, 29=Democracy/political rights, 30=War (international), 31=Civil War, 32=Agricultural marketing, 33=Climate change, 9995=Other, 9996=No further reply, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer was instructed to “Accept up to three answers. If respondent offers more than three options, ask ‘Which three of these are the most important?’; if respondent offers one or two answers, ask ‘Anything else?’”

Question Number: Q48pt3OTHER
Question: In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?
Variable Label: Q48pt3other. MIP – 3rd response (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q49A
Question: If the government decided to make people pay more taxes in order to support programs to help young people, would you support this decision or oppose it?
Variable Label: Q49a. More taxes to support youth programs
Values: 1-6, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly oppose, 2=Somewhat oppose, 3=Neither support nor oppose, 4=Somewhat support, 5=Strongly support, 6=It depends (e.g., on size of the increase), 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q49B
Question: If the government could increase its spending on programs to help young people, which of the following areas do you think should be the highest priority for additional investment?
Variable Label: Q49b. Priorities for government investment in youth programs
Values: 0-6, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=None of the above/Some other program, 1=Job creation, 2=Education, 3=Jobs training, 4=Business loans, 5=Social services for youth, for example to improve health and prevent drug abuse, 6=Government should not increase its spending on programs to help young people, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q50A
Question: Now let’s speak about the performance of the present government of this country. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Managing the economy?
Variable Label: Q50a. Handling managing the economy
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q50B
Question: How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Improving the living standards of the poor?
**Variable Label:** Q50b. Handling improving living standards of the poor  
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q50C  
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Creating jobs?  
**Variable Label:** Q50c. Handling creating jobs  
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing  
**Source:** NDB  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q50D  
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Keeping prices stable?  
**Variable Label:** Q50d. Handling keeping prices stable  
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing  
**Source:** NDB  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q50E  
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Narrowing gaps between rich and poor?  
**Variable Label:** Q50e. Handling narrowing gaps between rich and poor  
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q50F  
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Reducing crime?  
**Variable Label:** Q50f. Handling reducing crime  
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing  
**Source:** NDB  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q50G  
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Improving basic health services?  
**Variable Label:** Q50g. Handling improving basic health services  
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing  
**Source:** NDB  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q50H  
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Addressing educational needs?
Variable Label: Q50h. Handling addressing educational needs
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: NDB
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q50I
Question: How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Providing water and sanitation services?
Variable Label: Q50i. Handling providing water and sanitation services
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q50J
Question: How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Fighting corruption in government?
Variable Label: Q50j. Handling fighting corruption in government
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q50K
Question: How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Maintaining roads and bridges?
Variable Label: Q50k. Handling maintaining roads and bridges
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q50L
Question: How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Providing a reliable supply of electricity?
Variable Label: Q50l. Handling providing a reliable supply of electricity
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q50M
Question: How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Preventing or resolving violent conflict?
Variable Label: Q50m. Handling preventing or resolving violent conflict
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q50N
Question: How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Addressing the needs of young people?
Variable Label: Q50n. Handling addressing needs of young people
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q50O
Question: How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Protecting rights and promoting opportunities for disabled people?
Variable Label: Q50o. Handling protecting rights and promoting opportunities for disabled
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q51A
Question: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the following people have performed their jobs over the past 12 months, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: President George Weah?
Variable Label: Q51a. Performance: President
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Approve, 4=Strongly approve, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q51B
Question: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the following people have performed their jobs over the past 12 months, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Your Member of the House of Representatives?
Variable Label: Q51b. Performance: MP/National Assembly rep
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Approve, 4=Strongly approve, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q51B1-LIB
Question: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the following people have performed their jobs over the past 12 months, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Your Senator?
Variable Label: Q51b1-lib. Performance: Your Senator
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Approve, 4=Strongly approve, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q51C – Not asked

Question Number: Q51D
Question: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the following people have performed their jobs over the past twelve months, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Your traditional leader?
Variable Label: Q51d. Performance: traditional leader
Values: 1-4, 7-9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Approve, 4=Strongly approve, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.
**Question Number:** Q51E-LIB

**Question:** Do you approve or disapprove of the way the following people have performed their jobs over the past 12 months, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Your County Superintendent?

**Variable Label:** Q51e-lib. Performance: Your county superintendent

**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Approve, 4=Strongly approve, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

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**Question Number:** Q52A

**Question:** Who should be responsible for: Making sure that, once elected, Members of the House of Representatives do their jobs?

**Variable Label:** Q52a. Who responsible: MPs do jobs

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=The President/Executive, 1=The Parliament/County Assembly, 2=Their political party, 3=The voters, 4=No one, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

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**Question Number:** Q52B

**Question:** Who should be responsible for: Making sure that, once elected, the president does his job?

**Variable Label:** Q52b. Who responsible: president does job?

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=The President/Executive, 1=The Parliament/County Assembly, 2=Their political party, 3=The voters, 4=No one, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

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**Question Number:** Q53A – Not asked

**Question Number:** Q53A1-LIB

**Question:** Think about how elections work in practice in this country. How well do elections: Ensure that Senators reflect the views of voters?

**Variable Label:** Q53a. Elections ensure voters' views are reflected

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all well, 1=Not very well, 2=Well, 3=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 6

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**Question Number:** Q53B

**Question:** Think about how elections work in practice in this country. How well do elections: Enable voters to remove from office leaders who do not do what the people want?

**Variable Label:** Q53b. Elections enable voters to remove leaders from office.

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all well, 1=Not very well, 2=Well, 3=Very well, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 6

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**Question Number:** Q53C

**Question:** How often do you think that communities that do not vote for the ruling party suffer negative consequences, such as lack of government support for local services or development projects?

**Variable Label:** Q53c. Communities suffer when not voting for ruling party

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 4=Always, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

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**Question Number:** Q54A

**Question:** In any society, people will sometimes disagree with one another. These disagreements occasionally escalate into physical violence. Please tell me whether, in the past two years, you have ever personally feared any of the following types of violence? [If yes] Have you actually personally experienced this type of violence in the past two years? Violence among people in your neighbourhood or village?

**Variable Label:** Q54a. Feared violence in neighbourhood

**Values:** 0-2, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=No, never, 1=Yes, feared but didn’t experience, 2=Yes, feared and experienced, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7

**Question Number:** Q54B

**Question:** In any society, people will sometimes disagree with one another. These disagreements occasionally escalate into physical violence. Please tell me whether, in the past two years, you have ever personally feared any of the following types of violence? *(If yes) Have you actually personally experienced this type of violence in the past two years? Violence at a political rally or public protest?*

**Variable Label:** Q54b. Feared violence during political event or public protest

**Values:** 0-2, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=No, never, 1=Yes, feared but didn’t experience, 2=Yes, feared and experienced, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7

**Question Number:** Q54C – Not asked

**Question Number:** Q55A

**Question:** Now let us talk about the media and how you get information about politics and other issues. How often do you get news from the following sources: Radio?

**Variable Label:** Q55a. Radio news

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q55B

**Question:** How often do you get news from the following sources: Television?

**Variable Label:** Q55b. Television news

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q55C

**Question:** How often do you get news from the following sources: Print newspapers?

**Variable Label:** Q55c. Newspaper news

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q55D

**Question:** How often do you get news from the following sources: Internet?

**Variable Label:** Q55d. Internet news

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q55E

**Question:** How often do you get news from the following sources: Social media such as Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp or others?

**Variable Label:** Q55e. Social media news

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5
Question Number: Q56
Question: In your opinion, how free is the news media in this country to report and comment on the news without censorship or interference by the government?
Variable Label: Q56. News media free of censorship by the government
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0= Not at all free, 1= Not very free, 2= Somewhat free, 3= Completely free, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q57A
Question: Please tell me how often, in this country, you think people from each of the following groups spread information that they know is false: government officials?
Variable Label: Q57a. Spread false information: government officials
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1-Rarely, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q57B
Question: Please tell me how often, in this country, you think people from each of the following groups spread information that they know is false: politicians and political parties?
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1-Rarely, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q57C
Question: Please tell me how often, in this country, you think people from each of the following groups spread information that they know is false: news media and journalists?
Variable Label: Q57c. Spread false information: news media and journalists.
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1-Rarely, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q57D
Question: Please tell me how often, in this country, you think people from each of the following groups spread information that they know is false: social media users?
Variable Label: Q57d. Spread false information: social media users.
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1-Rarely, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q57E
Question: Please tell me how often, in this country, you think people from each of the following groups spread information that they know is false: activists and interest groups?
Variable Label: Q57e. Spread false information: activists and interest groups.
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1-Rarely, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q58A
Question: Let’s talk about whether the government should be able to limit the sharing of news, information, or opinions on radio and TV, in newspapers, or on the internet and social media. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree that the government should be able to limit or prohibit sharing of: News or information that is false.
Variable Label: Q58a. Government prohibits: news or information that is false
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.
Question Number: Q58B
Question: Please tell me whether you agree or disagree that the government should be able to limit or prohibit sharing of: News, information, or opinions that the government disapproves of.
Variable Label: Q58b. Government prohibits: news, information, or opinions that the government disapproves of.
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q58C
Question: Please tell me whether you agree or disagree that the government should be able to limit or prohibit sharing of: News, information, or opinions that criticize or insult the president.
Variable Label: Q58c. Government prohibits: news, information, or opinions that criticize or insult the president.
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q58D
Question: Please tell me whether you agree or disagree that the government should be able to limit or prohibit sharing of: Hate speech, that is, news, information, or opinions designed to attack or vilify certain groups in society.
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q59A
Question: Have you heard about social media, for example, Facebook, Twitter, and WhatsApp?
Variable Label: Q59a. Heard about social media
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q59B
Question: Regardless of whether you personally use social media yourself, please tell me whether you agree or disagree that social media: Makes people more informed about current events?
Variable Label: Q59b. Social media: makes people more informed about current events
Values: 1-5, 7, 8, 9 -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refuse, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion. Interviewer was instructed: If the answer to Q59A was “0=No or” “9=Don’t know,” select 7=NA for all parts B-F and continue to Q60.

Question Number: Q59C
Question: Regardless of whether you personally use social media yourself, please tell me whether you agree or disagree that social media: Makes people more likely to believe false news?
Variable Label: Q59c. Social media: makes people more likely to believe false news.
Values: 1-5, 7, 8, 9 -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refuse, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

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**Question Number:** Q59D
**Question:** Regardless of whether you personally use social media yourself, please tell me whether you agree or disagree that social media: Helps people have more impact on political processes?
**Variable Label:** Q59d. Social media: helps people have more impact on political processes.
**Values:** 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refuse, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion. Interviewer was instructed: If the answer to Q59A was “0=No or” “9=Don’t know,” , select 7=NA for all parts B-F and continue to Q60.

**Question Number:** Q59E
**Question:** Regardless of whether you personally use social media yourself, please tell me whether you agree or disagree that social media: Makes people more intolerant of those who have different political opinions?
**Variable Label:** Q59e. Social media: makes people more intolerant.
**Values:** 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refuse, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion. Interviewer was instructed: If the answer to Q59A was “0=No or” “9=Don’t know,” , select 7=NA for all parts B-F and continue to Q60.

**Question Number:** Q59F
**Question:** Overall, do you think that the effects of social media on society are mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven’t you heard enough to say?
**Variable Label:** Q59f. Effects of social media on society
**Values:** 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very negative, 2=Somewhat negative, 3=Neither positive nor negative, 4=Somewhat positive, 5=Very positive, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion. Interviewer was instructed: If the answer to Q59A was “0=No or” “9=Don’t know,” , select 7=NA for all parts B-F and continue to Q60.

**Question Number:** Q60
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Unrestricted access to the Internet and social media helps people to be more informed and active citizens, and should be protected.
Statement 2: Information shared on the Internet and social media is dividing Liberians, so access should be regulated by government.
**Variable Label:** Q60. Unrestricted access to the Internet vs regulated access
**Values:** 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q61
**Question:** Now let’s talk about how our country should relate to other countries in West Africa and the world. Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: People living in West Africa should be able to move freely across international borders in order to trade or work in other countries.
Statement 2: In order to protect their own citizens, governments should limit the cross-border movement of people and goods.
**Variable Label:** Q61. Free movement in region vs limit cross-border movement.
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.
Value Labels: Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q62

Question: In your opinion, how easy or difficult is it for people in West Africa to cross international borders in order to work or trade in other countries, or haven’t you heard enough to say?

Variable Label: Q62. Difficulty to move across borders

Values: 1-4, 7-9, -1

Value Labels: 1=Very difficult, 2=Difficult, 3=Easy, 4=Very easy, 7=Never try, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

Source: Afrobarometer Round 6

Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q63

Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2. Statement 1: It is important that as an independent nation, we finance development from our own resources, even if it means paying more taxes. Statement 2: We should use external loans for the development of the country, even if it increases our indebtedness to foreign countries and institutions.

Variable Label: Q63. Finance development from own resources vs use external loans.

Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1

Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking, “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q64A

Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2. Statement 1: When other countries give loans or development assistance to Liberia, they should enforce strict requirements on how the funds are spent. Statement 2: When other countries give Liberia loans or development assistance, they should allow our government to make its own decisions about how to use the resources.

Variable Label: Q64a. Loans tied to strict requirements by lenders vs government decides

Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1

Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking, “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q64B

Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2. Statement 1: When other countries give loans or development assistance to Liberia, they should enforce strict requirements to make sure our government promotes democracy and respects human rights. Statement 2: Even if other countries give Liberia loans or development assistance, our government should make its own decisions about democracy and human rights.

Variable Label: Q64b. Loans tied to promotion of democracy and human rights vs government decides about democracy and human rights.

Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1

Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking, “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q65A

Question: To your knowledge, does China give loans or development assistance to our country’s government, or haven’t you had a chance to hear about this?

Variable Label: Q65a. Country receives loans or development assistance from China

Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Question Number: Q65B
Question: Do you think that our government is required to repay China for the loans and development assistance it provides to Liberia, or haven’t you heard enough to say?
Variable Label: Q65b. Government required to repay China for loans.
Values: 0, 1, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer was instructed that if the response to Q65A was 0=No or 9=DK they should select code 7=Not applicable.

Question Number: Q65C
Question: Do you think our government has borrowed too much money from China, or haven’t you heard enough to say?
Variable Label: Q64c. Government borrowed too much money from China
Values: 0, 1, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer was instructed that if the response to Q65A was 0=No or 9=DK they should select code 7=Not applicable.

Question Number: Q65D
Question: When the government of China gives loans or development assistance to Liberia, do you think they put more requirements or fewer requirements on our government compared to other donor countries, or haven’t you heard enough to say?
Variable Label: Q65d. Requirements on loans and assistance from China.
Values: 0, 4, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Far fewer requirements, 1=Somewhat fewer requirements, 2=About the same number of requirements, 3=Somewhat more requirements, 4=Many more requirements, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q66
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2. Statement 1: In order to develop, our country must rely on trade with the rest of the world, including by opening our borders to foreign imports.
Statement 2: In order to develop, our country must rely on local production and protect local producers from foreign competition.
Variable Label: Q66. Open trade for development vs protection of local producers.
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q67
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2. Statement 1: The government should only allow citizens and companies of our own country to trade in consumer goods, even if this means we will have fewer goods or higher prices.
Statement 2: The government should continue to permit foreigners and foreign corporations to set up retail shops in this country to ensure we have a wide choice of low-cost consumer goods.
Variable Label: Q67. Limit trade in consumer goods to nationals vs allow foreigners to trade
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.
**Question Number:** Q68
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2. Statement 1: Communities are stronger when they are made up of people from different ethnic groups, races, or religions. Statement 2: Communities are stronger when they are made up of people who are similar to each other, that is, people from the same ethnic group, race, or religion.

**Variable Label:** Q68. Diverse communities stronger vs similar communities stronger.

**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

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**Question Number:** Q69A
**Question:** In your opinion, which of the following countries, if any, would be the best model for the future development of our country, or is there some other country in Africa or elsewhere, that should be our model?

**Variable Label:** Q69a. Best model for the future development

**Values:** 0-7, 380-382, 9995, 9998, 9999, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=None of these, 1=United States, 2=China, 4=Rwanda, 5=South Africa, 6=Ethiopia, 7=We should follow our own country’s model, 8=Refused, 380=Ghana, 381=Japan, 382=Nigeria, 9995=Other country, 9998=Refused, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** Q69AOTHER
**Question:** In your opinion, which of the following countries, if any, would be the best model for the future development of our country, or is there some other country in Africa or elsewhere, that should be our model?

**Variable Label:** Q69aother. Best model for the future development (verbatim)

**Values:** String variable

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

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**Question Number:** Q69B
**Question:** How much influence do you think China’s economic activities in Liberia have on our economy, or haven’t you heard enough to say?

**Variable Label:** Q69b. Influence of China on country

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=A little, 2=Some, 3=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** Q70A
**Question:** In general, do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following organizations on Liberia is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven’t you heard enough to say? African Union

**Variable Label:** Q70a. Influence of organization: African Union

**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very negative, 2=Somewhat negative, 3=Neither positive nor negative, 4=Somewhat positive, 5=Very positive, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

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**Question Number:** Q70B
**Question:** In general, do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following organizations on Liberia is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven’t you heard enough to say? ECOWAS

**Variable Label:** Q70b. Influence of organization: ECOWAS

**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very negative, 2=Somewhat negative, 3=Neither positive nor negative, 4=Somewhat positive, 5=Very positive, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.
**Question Number:** Q70C  
**Question:** In general, do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following organizations on Liberia is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven’t you heard enough to say? United Nations agencies  
**Variable Label:** Q70c. Influence of organization: United Nations agencies.  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very negative, 2=Somewhat negative, 3=Neither positive nor negative, 4=Somewhat positive, 5=Very positive, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q70D1-LIB  
**Question:** And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Liberia is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven’t you heard enough to say? Japan  
**Variable Label:** Q70d1-lib. Influence of country: Japan  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very negative, 2=Somewhat negative, 3=Neither positive nor negative, 4=Somewhat positive, 5=Very positive, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q70E  
**Question:** And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Liberia is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven’t you heard enough to say? China  
**Variable Label:** Q70e. Influence of country: China.  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very negative, 2=Somewhat negative, 3=Neither positive nor negative, 4=Somewhat positive, 5=Very positive, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q70F  
**Question:** And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Liberia is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven’t you heard enough to say? United States  
**Variable Label:** Q70f. Influence of country: United States.  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very negative, 2=Somewhat negative, 3=Neither positive nor negative, 4=Somewhat positive, 5=Very positive, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q70G  
**Question:** And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Liberia is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven’t you heard enough to say? Nigeria  
**Variable Label:** Q70g. Influence of country: Nigeria  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very negative, 2=Somewhat negative, 3=Neither positive nor negative, 4=Somewhat positive, 5=Very positive, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q70H  
**Question:** And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Liberia is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven’t you heard enough to say? Russia

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Variable Label: Q70h. Influence of country: Russia
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very negative, 2=Somewhat negative, 3=Neither positive nor negative, 4=Somewhat positive, 5=Very positive, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion

Question Number: Q71
Question: In thinking about the future of the next generation in our country, which of these international languages, if any, do you think is most important for young people to learn?
Variable Label: Q71. Most important languages for next generation to learn
Values: 0-6, 95, 98, 99, -1
Value Labels: 0=None of these/No international language needed, 1=English, 2=French, 3=Portuguese, 4=Arabic, 5=Chinese, 6=Kiswahili, 95=Other, 98=Refused, 99=Don't know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q71OTHER
Question: In thinking about the future of the next generation in our country, which of these international languages, if any, do you think is most important for young people to learn?
Variable Label: Q71other. Most important languages for next generation to learn (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q72A
Question: Have you heard about climate change, or haven’t you had the chance to hear about this yet?
Variable Label: Q72a. Heard about climate change
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7

Question Number: Q72B
Question: Do you think climate change is making life in Liberia better or worse, or haven’t you heard enough to say?
Variable Label: Q72b. Climate change: affecting country
Values: 1-5, 7-9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Much better, 2=Somewhat better, 3=Neither/no change/about the same, 4=Somewhat worse, 5=Much worse, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion. Interviewer was instructed to select 7=Not applicable if the response to Q72A was 0=No or 9=Don’t know.

Question Number: Q73
Question: Let’s talk for a moment about the kind of society you would like to have in this country. Some people say that, in order to enjoy security from violence in our society, we must limit the amount of freedom that citizens are allowed to enjoy. Others say that political liberty is too important to sacrifice and must always be maintained, even if it threatens the security of the country.
Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Even if faced with threats to public security, people should be free to move about the country at any time of day or night.
Statement 2: When faced with threats to public security, the government should be able to impose curfews and set up special roadblocks to prevent people from moving around.
Variable Label: Q73. Free to move when public security threatened vs impose curfews
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking, “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q74
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Government should be able to monitor private communications, for example on mobile phones, to make sure that people are not plotting violence.
Statement 2: People should have the right to communicate in private without a government agency reading or listening to what they are saying.

**Variable Label:** Q74. Government should monitor private communication vs right to privacy  
**Values:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking, “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q75  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2. Statement 1: Freedom of religion and worship are absolute, meaning that government should never limit what is said in a place of worship. Statement 2: Government should have the power to regulate what is said in places of worship, especially if preachers or congregants threaten public security.

**Variable Label:** Q75. Absolute freedom of religion vs government regulates what is said  
**Values:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking, “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q76-LIB  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2. Statement 1: Citizens should be required to get permission from government before organizing any protest. Statement 2: Engaging in organized protest is the democratic right of all citizens and they should be free to do so without seeking permission from the government.

**Variable Label:** Q76-lib. Govt permission needed to protest vs democratic right to protest  
**Values:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Question Number:** Q77A-LIB  
**Question:** Please tell me whether you disagree or agree with each of the following statements about our experiences with public protests in Liberia, or whether you haven’t heard enough about it to say: Public protests are an effective way to influence political leaders and policies.

**Variable Label:** Q77a-lib. Protests effectively influence leaders/policies  
**Values:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Question Number:** Q77B-LIB  
**Question:** Please tell me whether you disagree or agree with each of the following statements about our experiences with public protests in Liberia, or whether you haven’t heard enough about it to say: Public protests are too disruptive and sometimes violent and should be avoided.

**Variable Label:** Q77b-lib. Protests too disruptive and violent  
**Values:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Question Number:** Q77C-LIB  
**Question:** Please tell me whether you disagree or agree with each of the following statements about our experiences with public protests in Liberia, or whether you haven’t heard enough about it to say: In general, protestors in this country are peaceful and law abiding.

**Variable Label:** Q77c-lib. Protestors are peaceful/law-abiding
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

Question Number: Q77D-LIB
Question: Please tell me whether you disagree or agree with each of the following statements about our experiences with public protests in Liberia, or whether you haven’t heard enough about it to say: The police often use excessive force when responding to protests.
Variable Label: Q77d-lib. Police use excessive force at protests
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

Question Number: Q77E-LIB
Question: Based on our experience in Liberia, when violence occurs during public protests, do you think it is usually the fault of the protesters or the police, or both?
Variable Label: Q77e-lib. Protest violence police/protestors fault
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

Question Number: Q78A-LIB
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: County superintendents should be directly elected by voters.
Statement 2: The President should continue to appoint county superintendents.
Variable Label: Q78a-lib. County superintendents voted for vs appointed by president
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

Question Number: Q78B-LIB
Question: Please tell me whether you disagree or agree with each of the following statements: Each county should be given a share of the revenue collected by central government in that county.
Variable Label: Q78b-lib. County should get share of revenue collected
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

Question Number: Q78C-LIB
Question: Please tell me whether you disagree or agree with each of the following statements: If county administrations are given more resources, citizens can count on them to use the resources wisely to improve local development and access to services.
Variable Label: Q78c-lib. More county resources will lead to development and services
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

Question Number: Q79A-LIB
Question: Have you heard that Liberia may conduct a national referendum in December of this year?
Variable Label: Q79a-lib. Heard about December 2020 referendum
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia
**Question Number:** Q79B-LIB  
**Question:** How likely is it that you will vote if a national referendum is held in December 2020?  
**Variable Label:** Q79b-lib. Likelihood of voting in December 2020 referendum  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all likely, 1=Not very likely, 2=Somewhat likely, 3=Very likely, 7=Not registered to vote, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Question Number:** Q80A-LIB  
**Question:** We would like to know your opinion about some of the issues that the public will vote on in the referendum. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following proposed changes to the Liberian Constitution, or whether you haven't heard enough about it to say: The constitution should be changed to allow Liberians to hold dual citizenship with another country.  
**Variable Label:** Q80a-lib. Constitution should allow dual citizenship  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Question Number:** Q80B-LIB  
**Question:** We would like to know your opinion about some of the issues that the public will vote on in the referendum. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following proposed changes to the Liberian Constitution, or whether you haven't heard enough about it to say: The constitution should be changed to reduce the length of the term in office for the president and vice president from 6 years to 5 years.  
**Variable Label:** Q80b-lib. Constitution should reduce president/vice president terms  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Question Number:** Q80C-LIB  
**Question:** We would like to know your opinion about some of the issues that the public will vote on in the referendum. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following proposed changes to the Liberian Constitution, or whether you haven't heard enough about it to say: The Constitution should be changed to reduce the tenure of Senators from 9 years to 7 years.  
**Variable Label:** Q80c-lib. Constitution should reduce senate term  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Question Number:** Q80D-LIB  
**Question:** We would like to know your opinion about some of the issues that the public will vote on in the referendum. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following proposed changes to the Liberian Constitution, or whether you haven't heard enough about it to say: The Constitution should be changed to reduce the tenure of members of the House of Representatives from 6 years to 5 years.  
**Variable Label:** Q80d-lib. Constitution should reduce house of representative term  
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

**Question Number:** Q80E-LIB  
**Question:** We would like to know your opinion about some of the issues that the public will vote on in the referendum. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following proposed changes to the Liberian Constitution, or whether you haven't heard enough about it to say: The constitution should be changed to require Liberia's general elections to be held in November of each election year rather than October.  
**Variable Label:** Q80e-lib. Constitution should change election month to November
Question Number: Q81
Question: Let's go back to talking about you. What is your ethnic community, cultural group or tribe?
Variable Label: Q81. Ethnic community, cultural group or tribe
Values: 1, 380-396, 9990, 9995, 9998, 9999, -1
Value Labels: 1=English, 380=Bassa, 381=Belle, 382=Dei, 383=Gbandi, 384=Gio, 385=Gola, 386=Grebo, 387=Kissi, 388=Kpelle, 389=Krahn, 390=Kru, 391=Lorma, 392=Mandingo, 393=Mano, 394=Mende, 395=Val, 9990=Liberian only or doesn’t think of self in those terms, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8 in Liberia

Note: Interviewer was instructed: "Do NOT read options. Code from response. If respondent does not identify any group on this question – that is, if they REFUSE to answer (9998), DON’T KNOW (9999) or mention "Liberian only (9990)"– then select 7=Not applicable for Q82A and Q82B and continue to Q82C."

Question Number: Q81OTHER
Question: Let us get back to talking about you. What is your ethnic community, cultural group or tribe?
Variable Label: Q81other. Ethnic community, cultural group or tribe (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q82A
Question: How often, if ever, are ___________s [R’s Ethnic Group] treated unfairly by the government?
Variable Label: Q82a. Ethnic group treated unfairly
Values: 0-3, 7-9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer was instructed: "If response to Q81 was 9990=Liberia only, 9998=Refused, or 9999=DK, select 7 = Not applicable for Q82A and Q82B and continue to Q82C."

Question Number: Q82B
Question: Let us suppose that you had to choose between being a Liberian and being a ________ [R’s Ethnic Group]. Which of the following statements best expresses your feelings?
Variable Label: Q82b. Ethnic or national identity
Values: 1-5, 7-9, -1
Value Labels: 1=I feel only (R’s ethnic group), 2=I feel more (R’s ethnic group) than Liberian, 3=I feel equally Liberian and (R’s ethnic group), 4=I feel more Liberian than (R’s ethnic group), 5=I feel only Liberian, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer was instructed: "[If response to Q81 was 9990=Liberia only, 9998=Refused, or 9999=DK, select 7 = Not applicable for Q82B and continue to Q82C."

Question Number: Q82C
Question: Do you feel comfortable: speaking your mother tongue in public?
Variable Label: Q82c. Comfortable: speaking mother tongue in public
Values: 0, 1, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: For code 7=Not applicable, interviewers were instructed: “Use only if respondent volunteers e.g. that they do not speak their mother tongue, or that they do not have a traditional or cultural dress.”

Question Number: Q82D
Question: Do you feel comfortable: wearing your traditional or cultural dress in public?
Variable Label: Q82d. Comfortable: wearing traditional or cultural dress in public
Values: 0, 1, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: For code 7=Not applicable, interviewers were instructed: “Use only if respondent volunteers e.g. that they do not speak their mother tongue, or that they do not have a traditional or cultural dress.”

Question Number: Q83
Question: Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you must be very careful in dealing with people?
Variable Label: Q83. Most people can be trusted
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Must be very careful, 1=Most people can be trusted, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q84A
Question: In the past year, how often, if ever, have you personally been treated unfairly by other Liberia based on: your economic status, that is, how rich or poor you are?
Variable Label: Q84a. Experienced unfair treatment based on economic status.
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q84B
Question: In the past year, how often, if ever, have you personally been treated unfairly by other Liberia based on: your religion?
Variable Label: Q84b. Experienced unfair treatment based on religion.
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q84C
Question: In the past year, how often, if ever, have you personally been treated unfairly by other Liberia based on: your ethnicity?
Variable Label: Q84c. Experienced unfair treatment based on ethnicity.
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 8=Refused, 9=Don't know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q85
Question: Liberia are very diverse. They come from different religions, ethnic groups, political parties, and economic and social backgrounds. Overall, would you say that there is more that unites all Liberia as one people, or more that divides them?
Variable Label: Q85. Unity of people in country
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Much more that divides us, 2=Somewhat more that divides us, 3=Somewhat more that unites us, 4=Much more that unites us, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q86A
Question: For each of the following types of people, please tell me whether you would like having people from this group as neighbours, dislike it, or not care: People of a different religion.
Variable Label: Q86a. Neighbours: people of different religion
Values: 1-5, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly dislike, 2=Somewhat dislike, 3=Would not care, 4=Somewhat like, 5=Strongly like, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 6
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q86B

**Question:** For each of the following types of people, please tell me whether you would like having people from this group as neighbours, dislike it, or not care: People from other ethnic groups.

**Variable Label:** Q86b. Neighbours: people of different ethnicity

**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly dislike, 2=Somewhat dislike, 3=Would not care, 4=Somewhat like, 5=Strongly like, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 6

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q86C

**Question:** For each of the following types of people, please tell me whether you would like having people from this group as neighbours, dislike it, or not care: Homosexuals.

**Variable Label:** Q86c. Neighbours: homosexuals

**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly dislike, 2=Somewhat dislike, 3=Would not care, 4=Somewhat like, 5=Strongly like, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 6

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q86D

**Question:** For each of the following types of people, please tell me whether you would like having people from this group as neighbours, dislike it, or not care: Immigrants or foreign workers.

**Variable Label:** Q86d. Neighbours: immigrants and foreign workers

**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly dislike, 2=Somewhat dislike, 3=Would not care, 4=Somewhat like, 5=Strongly like, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 6

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q86E

**Question:** For each of the following types of people, please tell me whether you would like having people from this group as neighbours, dislike it, or not care: People who support a different political party

**Variable Label:** Q86e. Neighbours: people who support a different political party.

**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly dislike, 2=Somewhat dislike, 3=Would not care, 4=Somewhat like, 5=Strongly like, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 6

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q87A

**Question:** Now let’s talk about traditional leaders and their role in politics and government in this country. How much influence do traditional leaders currently have in each of the following areas: Governing your local community?

**Variable Label:** Q87a. Influence of traditional leaders: governing your local community

**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=None, 2=A small amount, 3=Some, 4=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4

**Question Number:** Q87B

**Question:** How much influence do traditional leaders currently have in each of the following areas: Allocating land?

**Variable Label:** Q87b. Influence of traditional leaders: allocating land.

**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=None, 2=A small amount, 3=Some, 4=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Question Number:** Q87C
**Question:** How much influence do traditional leaders currently have in each of the following areas: Influencing how people in their communities vote?
**Variable Label:** Q87c. Influence of traditional leaders: influencing how people in their communities vote
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=None, 2=A small amount, 3=Some, 4=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** Q87D
**Question:** How much influence do traditional leaders currently have in each of the following areas: Solving local disputes?
**Variable Label:** Q87d. Influence of traditional leaders: solving local disputes.
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=None, 2=A small amount, 3=Some, 4=A lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** Q87E
**Question:** Do you think that the amount of influence traditional leaders have in governing your local community should increase, stay the same, or decrease?
**Variable Label:** Q87e. Traditional leaders: amount of influence on governing local community.
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Decrease a lot, 2=Decrease somewhat, 3=Stay the same, 4=Increase somewhat, 5=Increase a lot, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q88
**Question:** Which of these statements is closest to your own opinion?
Statement 1: Traditional leaders mostly look out for what is best for the people in their communities.
Statement 2: Traditional leaders mostly serve the interests of politicians and government officials.
Statement 3: Traditional leaders mostly look out for their own personal interests.
**Variable Label:** Q88. Whom do traditional leaders serve
**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=Do not agree with any of these statements, 1=Statement 3, 2=Statement 2, 3=Statement 1, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q89A
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Traditional leaders have a better grasp of political issues than ordinary people; they should give their people advice about how to vote.
Statement 2: Traditional leaders should stay out of politics and leave people to make their own decisions about how to vote.
**Variable Label:** Q89a. Traditional leaders advise on vote vs stay out of politics.
**Values:** 1-5, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q89B – Not asked

**Question Number:** Q90
**Question:** Some people think that because traditional leaders are not elected, they are bad for democracy, but other people think that traditional leaders can work together with elected leaders to make democracy work better. What about you? Do you think that traditional leaders strengthen democracy, weaken democracy, or don’t make a difference?
**Variable Label:** Q90. Traditional leaders bad for democracy
**Values:** 1-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Weaken democracy, 2=Don’t make a difference, 3=Strengthen democracy, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-1
Question: Now I would like to ask you some questions about the COVID-19 pandemic that has been affecting our country and the world since early 2020. How well informed would you say you are about the coronavirus, or the COVID-19 pandemic, and efforts to combat it? Would you consider yourself:
Variable Label: COV-1. Informed about COVID-19
Values: 0-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Haven’t heard of COVID-19, 1=Not at all informed, 2=Not very well informed, 3=Somewhat well informed, 4=Very well informed, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-2
Question: Please tell me if you personally or any other member of your household have been affected in any of the following ways by the COVID-19 pandemic: Became ill with COVID-19.
Values: 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Yes, 2=No, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-3
Question: Please tell me if you personally or any other member of your household have been affected in any of the following ways by the COVID-19 pandemic: Temporarily or permanently lost a job, business or primary source of income.
Variable Label: COV-3. Lost income because of COVID-19
Values: 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Yes, 2=No, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-4 – Not asked

Question Number: COV-5
Question: How easy or difficult was it for you and your household to comply with the lockdown or curfew restrictions imposed by the government?
Variable Label: COV-5. Ease of compliance with COVID-19 lockdown/curfew
Values: 0-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Did not comply, 1=Very difficult, 2=Difficult, 3=Neither easy nor difficult, 4=Easy, 5=Very easy, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-6
Question: Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statement: Even if the lockdown or curfew had negative impacts on the economy and people’s livelihoods, it was necessary to limit the spread of COVID-19.
Variable Label: COV-6. Lockdown/curfew necessary to limit COVID-19 spread
Values: 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-7 – Not asked

Question Number: COV-8
Question: Did you support or oppose the government’s decision to close schools in an effort to limit the spread of COVID-19?
Variable Label: COV-8. Support school closure due to COVID-19
Values: 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly oppose, 2=Somewhat oppose, 3=Neither support nor oppose, 4=Somewhat support, 5=Strongly support, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** COV-9

**Question:** In your opinion, was the period during which schools were closed too long or too short?

**Variable Label:** COV-9. Length of COVID-19 school closure appropriate

**Values:** 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Much too long, 2=Somewhat too long, 3=About right length, 4=Somewhat too short, 5=Much too short, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** COV-10

**Question:** Since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, have you or your household received any assistance from government, like food, cash payments, relief from bill payments, or other assistance that you were not normally receiving before the pandemic?

**Variable Label:** COV-10. Received COVID-19 relief assistance

**Values:** 0, 1, 7, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** COV-11

**Question:** Do you think that the benefits of government programs to support people during the COVID-19 pandemic, for example through food packages or cash payments, have been distributed fairly, or that the distribution was unfair, for example by favoring certain groups or regions?

**Variable Label:** COV-11. COVID-19 relief assistance fairly distributed

**Values:** 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very unfairly, 2=Somewhat unfairly, 3=Neither fair nor unfair, 4=Somewhat fairly, 5=Very fairly, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** COV-12

**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government has handled the following matters since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, or haven’t you heard enough to say? Managing the response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Variable Label:** COV-12. Handling managing COVID-19 response

**Values:** 1-4, 7, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** COV-13

**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government has handled the following matters since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, or haven’t you heard enough to say? Keeping the public informed about COVID-19.

**Variable Label:** COV-13. Handling keeping public informed about COVID-19

**Values:** 1-4, 7, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** COV-14

**Question:** How much do you trust the official statistics provided by government on the number of infections and deaths due to the COVID-19 pandemic?

**Variable Label:** COV-14. Trust govt COVID-19 statistics

**Values:** 1-4, 7, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Not at all, 2=A little bit, 3=Somewhat, 4=Very a lot, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8
Question Number: COV-15
Question: Considering all of the funds and resources that were available to the government for combatting and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, how much do you think was lost or stolen due to corruption among government officials?
Variable Label: COV-15. Level of COVID-19 corruption
Values: 1-4, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=A lot, 2=Some, 3=A little, 4=None, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-16
Question: How much do you trust the government to ensure that any vaccine for COVID-19 that is developed or offered to Liberian citizens is safe before it is used in this country?
Variable Label: COV-16. Trust govt to ensure safety of COVID-19 vaccine
Values: 1-4, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Not at all, 2=Just a little, 3=A little, 4=A lot, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-17
Question: If a vaccine for COVID-19 becomes available and the government says it is safe, how likely are you to try to get vaccinated?
Variable Label: COV-17. Likelihood of getting COVID-19 vaccination
Values: 1-4, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very unlikely, 2=Somewhat unlikely, 3=Somewhat likely, 4=Very likely, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-18
Question: Some people think that prayer is an effective way to alter events in the world. Others put more faith in science to solve problems. Some people believe in both. What about you? Do you think that prayer is more effective or less effective than a vaccine would be in preventing COVID-19 infection?
Variable Label: COV-18. Prayer more effective than COVID-19 vaccine
Values: 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Much more effective, 2=Somewhat more effective, 3=About the same effectiveness, 4=Somewhat less effective, 5=Much less effective, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-19
Question: Looking ahead, how serious of a problem do you think the COVID-19 pandemic will be for Liberia over the next six months?
Variable Label: COV-19. Seriousness of COVID-19 over next 6 months
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Not at all serious, 2=Not very serious, 3=Somewhat serious, 4=Very serious, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: COV-20
Question: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Our government needs to invest more of our health resources in special preparations to respond to health emergencies like COVID-19, even if it means fewer resources are available for other health services.
Variable Label: COV-20. More investment for health emergencies
Values: 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
**Question Number:** COV-21  
**Question:** When the country is facing a public health emergency like the COVID-19 pandemic, do you agree or disagree that it is justified for the government to temporarily limit democracy or democratic freedoms by taking the following measures? Censoring media reporting.  
**Variable Label:** COV-21. Censor media during pandemic  
**Values:** 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:**  
1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree,  
7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** COV-22  
**Question:** When the country is facing a public health emergency like the COVID-19 pandemic, do you agree or disagree that it is justified for the government to temporarily limit democracy or democratic freedoms by taking the following measures? Using the police and security forces to enforce public health mandates like lockdown orders, mask requirements, or restrictions on public gatherings.  
**Variable Label:** COV-22. Armed forces/police enforce public health measures  
**Values:** 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:**  
1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree,  
7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** COV-23  
**Question:** When the country is facing a public health emergency like the COVID-19 pandemic, do you agree or disagree that it is justified for the government to temporarily limit democracy or democratic freedoms by taking the following measures? Postponing elections or limiting political campaigning.  
**Variable Label:** COV-23. Postpone elections/limit campaigns during pandemic  
**Values:** 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:**  
1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree,  
7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** COV-24  
**Question:** In some countries, people have been worried that governments and politicians are trying to take advantage of the COVID-19 pandemic to increase their wealth or power, or to permanently restrict freedoms or political competition. What about you? How worried are you, if at all, that the following things are taking place or might take place in Liberia: Politicians are using the pandemic as an opportunity to increase their power and authority.  
**Variable Label:** COV-24. Politicians take advantage of COVID-19 pandemic  
**Values:** 1-4, 7, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:**  
1=Not at all worried, 2=Not very worried, 3=Somewhat worried, 4=Very worried, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 8

**Question Number:** Q91A  
**Question:** Do you feel close to any particular political party?  
**Variable Label:** Q91a. Close to political party  
**Values:** 0, 1, 8, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:**  
0=No, does not feel close to any party, 1=Yes, feels close to a party, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** Zambia 96

**Question Number:** Q91B  
**Question:** Which party is that?  
**Variable Label:** Q91b. Which party  
**Values:** 380-410, 9995, 9997-9999, -1  
**Value Labels:**  
Source: Zambia 96
Note: Interviewer was instructed to select code 9997=Not applicable if the response to Q91A was 0=No, 9=Don’t know, or 8=Refused to answer.

Question Number: Q91BOTHER
Question: Which party is that?
Variable Label: Q91bother. Which party (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: Zambia 96

Question Number: Q92A
Question: Which of these things do you personally own? [If no, ask:] Does anyone else in your household own one: Radio?
Variable Label: Q92a. Own radio
Values: 0-2, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No one in household owns, 1=Yes, someone else in household owns, 2=Yes, personally owns, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 3

Question Number: Q92B
Question: Which of these things do you personally own? [If no, ask:] Does anyone else in your household own one: Television?
Variable Label: Q92b. Own television
Values: 0-2, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No one in household owns, 1=Yes, someone else in household owns, 2=Yes, personally owns, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 3

Question Number: Q92C
Question: Which of these things do you personally own? [If no, ask:] Does anyone else in your household own one: Motor vehicle or motorcycle?
Variable Label: Q92c. Own motor vehicle, car, or motorcycle
Values: 0-2, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No one in household owns, 1=Yes, someone else in household owns, 2=Yes, personally owns, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 3

Question Number: Q92D
Question: Which of these things do you personally own? [If no, ask:] Does anyone else in your household own one: Computer?
Variable Label: Q92d. Own computer
Values: 0-2, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No one in household owns, 1=Yes, someone else in household owns, 2=Yes, personally owns, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 3

Question Number: Q92E
Question: Which of these things do you personally own? [If no, ask:] Does anyone else in your household own one: Bank account?
Variable Label: Q92e. Own bank account
Values: 0-2, 8, 9, -1
**Value Labels:**
0=No one in household owns, 1=Yes, someone else in household owns, 2=Yes, personally owns, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Question Number:** Q92F

**Question:** Which of these things do you personally own? [If no, ask:] Does anyone else in your household own one: Mobile phone?

**Variable Label:** Q92f. Own mobile phone

**Values:** 0-2, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:**
0=No one in household owns, 1=Yes, someone else in household owns, 2=Yes, personally owns, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Question Number:** Q92G

**Question:** Does your phone have access to the internet?

**Variable Label:** Q92g. Mobile phone access to internet

**Values:** 0, 1, 7-9, -1

**Value Labels:**
0=No, does not have internet access, 1=Yes, has internet access, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Note:** Interviewer was instructed to ask this question if the respondent answered “Yes, personally owns” to Q92F and to select 7=Not applicable if they did not.

**Question Number:** Q92H

**Question:** How often do you use: A mobile phone?

**Variable Label:** Q92h. How often use a mobile phone

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:**
0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4

**Question Number:** Q92I

**Question:** How often do you use: The Internet?

**Variable Label:** Q92i. How often use the internet

**Values:** 0-4, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:**
0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4

**Question Number:** Q93A

**Question:** What is your main source of water for household use?

**Variable Label:** Q93a. Source of water for household use

**Values:** 1-13, 95, 98, 99, -1

**Value Labels:**
Piped water into dwelling, 2=Piped water into yard, plot or compound, 3=Public tap or standpipe, 4=Tubewell or borehole, 5=Protected dug well, 6=Unprotected dug well, 7=Protected spring, 8=Unprotected spring, 9=Rainwater collection, 10=Bottled water, 11=Purchased from a cart with a small tank or drum, 12=Purchased from a tanker truck, 13=Surface water, like a river, dam, lake, pone, stream, canal or irrigation channel, 95=Other, 98=Refused, 99=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** UNICEF

**Question Number:** Q93B

**Question:** Do you have a toilet, water closet or latrine available for your use? [If yes] Is it inside your house, inside your compound, or outside your compound, or is there none available?

**Variable Label:** Q93b. Location of toilet or latrine

**Values:** 0-3, 8, 9, -1

**Value Labels:**
0=No, none available, 1=Yes, inside the house, 2=Yes, inside the compound, 3=Yes, outside the compound, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5
Question Number: Q94A
Question: Do you have an electric connection to your home from the Liberia Electricity Corporation or LEC?
Variable Label: Q94a. Electric connection from national power grid.
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer was instructed: “If it is 100% clear that there is no electricity supply to the home, e.g. in an unserved rural area, do not ask this question. Just select 0=No electricity supply and continue to the next question.”

Question Number: Q94B
Question: How often is electricity actually available from this connection?
Variable Label: Q94b. Electricity available from mains.
Values: 1-5, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Never, 2=Occasionally, 3=About half of the time, 4=Most of the time, 5=All of the time, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer was instructed to select code 7=Not applicable if the response to Q94A was 0=No or 9=Don’t know.

Question Number: Q94C
Question: Does your house use electric power from any source other than the Liberia Electricity Corporation or LEC?
Variable Label: Q94c. Electricity available other than mains
Values: 0, 1, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8

Question Number: Q94D
Question: What is the source of the electricity for this connection?
Variable Label: Q94d. Source of electricity other than mains
Values: 1-6, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, -1
Value Labels: 1=Batteries or power bank, 2=Generator, 3=Solar panels, 4=Wind power, 5=Hydro power, 6=Biogas, 95=Other, 96=Multiple sources, 97=Not applicable, 98=Refused, 99=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer was instructed to select code 97=Not applicable if the response to Q94C was 0=No or 9=Don’t know.

Question Number: Q94E
Question: Is the electricity source owned by your household, or does it come from outside of your household?
Variable Label: Q94e. Own electricity source
Values: 1-3, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Owned by household, 2=Owned outside household, 3=Get power from sources both within and outside of household, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer was instructed to select code 7=Not applicable if the response to Q94C was 0=No or 9=Don’t know.

Question Number: Q95A
Question: Do you have a job that pays a cash income? [If yes, ask] Is it full-time or part-time? [If no, ask:] Are you presently looking for a job?
Variable Label: Q95a. Employment status
Values: 0-3, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, not looking, 1=No, looking, 2=Yes, part time, 3=Yes, full time, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Question Number: Q95B
Question: If you have paid employment, that is, regular employment for which you receive something like an hourly wage or a regular salary, are you required to pay an income tax, that is, a tax deducted from your wages by your employer?
Variable Label: Q95b. Required to pay an income tax
Values: 0, 1, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, am not required to pay, 1=Yes, am required to pay, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer was instructed: “If respondent answered 0=No (not looking), 1=No (looking), or 9=DK to Q95A, select 7=Not applicable for this question and continue to Q95C.”

Question Number: Q95C
Question: What is your main occupation? [If unemployed, retired, or disabled, ask:] What was your last main occupation?
Variable Label: Q95c. Occupation of respondent
Values: 0-12, 9995, 9998, 9999, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never had a job, 1=Student, 2=Housewife/homemaker, 3=Agriculture/farming/fishing/forestry, 4=Trader/hawker/vendor, 5=Retail/shop, 6=Unskilled manual worker, 7=Artisan or skilled manual worker, 8=Clerical or secretarial, 9=Supervisor/foreman/senior manager, 10=Security services, 11=Mid-level professional, 12=Upper-level professional, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing.
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q95COTHER
Question: What is your main occupation? [If unemployed, retired, or disabled, ask:] What was your last main occupation?
Variable Label: Q95cother. Occupation of respondent (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q95D
Question: [If respondent has an occupation, i.e. responses on Q95B other than 0=Never had a job, 1=Student, 2=Housewife / Homemaker, ask:] Do you work for yourself, for someone else in the private sector or the non-governmental sector, or for government? [If respondent indicated in previous question that they were unemployed, retired or disabled, ask:] In your last job, did you work for yourself, for someone else in the private sector or the non-governmental sector, or for government?
Variable Label: Q95d. Employer of respondent
Values: 1-4, 7-9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Works for self, 2=Private sector, 3=Non-governmental organizations or civil society sector, 4=Government, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer was instructed to select code 7=Not applicable if answer to Q95B was 0=never had a job, 1= student, or 2=homemaker.

Question Number: Q96A
Question: What is the main way that decisions are made about how to use any money that you have or earn, for example from a job, a business, selling things or other activities?
Variable Label: Q96a. Who decides how money is used?
Values: 1-9, -1
Value Labels: 1=You make the decisions yourself, 2=Your spouse makes the decisions, 3=You make the decisions jointly with your spouse, 4=You make the decisions jointly with other family members, 5=Other family members make the decisions without you, 6=None of the above/Some other response, 7=Not applicable, no earnings, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7

Question Number: Q96B
Question: Who is the head of this household, that is, the person who has primary responsibility for making decisions on behalf of the household?
Variable Label: Head of household
Values: 1-12, 98, 99, -1
Value Labels: 1=You (respondent), 2=Respondent’s spouse, 3=Respondent’s father, 4=Respondent’s mother, 5=Respondent’s son, 6=Respondent’s daughter, 7=Respondent’s grandfather, 8=Respondent’s grandmother, 9=Another male relative, 10=Another female relative, 11=Someone else, 12=More than one person, 98=Refused, 99=Don’t know, -1=Missing

Source: Afrobarometer Round 7

Question Number: Q96C
Question: If respondent is not the head of household, i.e. if the response to 96B was NOT 1=You (respondent) or 99=Don’t know, ask: What is the main occupation of the head of the household? [If unemployed, retired or disabled, ask:] What was his/her last main occupation?
Variable Label: Q96c. Occupation of head of household
Values: 0-12, 95, 97-99, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never had a job, 1=Student, 2=Housewife/homemaker, 3=Agriculture/farming/fishing/forestry, 4=Trader/hawker/vendor, 5=Retail/shop, 6=Unskilled manual worker, 7=Artisan or skilled manual worker, 8=Clerical or secretarial, 9=Supervisor/foreman/senior manager, 10=Security services, 11=Mid-level professional, 12=Upper-level professional, 95=Other, 97=Not applicable (respondent is head of household), 98=Refused, 99=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 7
Note: Interviewer was instructed to ask this question only if the response to Q96A was not 1=You (respondent) or 99=Don’t know and to select 97=Not applicable if it was.

Question Number: Q97
Question: What is your highest level of education?
Variable Label: Q97. Education of respondent
Values: 0-9, 98, 99, -1
Value Labels: 0=No formal schooling, 1=Informal schooling only (including Koranic schooling), 2=Some primary schooling, 3=Primary school completed, 4=Intermediate school or some secondary school/high school, 5=Secondary school/high school completed, 6=Post-secondary qualifications, other than university, 7=Some university, 8=University completed, 9=Post-graduate, 98=Refused, 99=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q98A
Question: What is your religion, if any?
Variable Label: Q98. Religion of respondent
Values: 0-34, 9995, 9998, 9999, -1
Value Labels: 0=None, 1=Christian only (i.e., respondent says only “Christian,” without identifying a specific sub-group), 2=Roman Catholic, 3=Orthodox, 4=Coptic, 5=Anglican, 6=Lutheran, 7=Methodist, 8=Presbyterian, 9=Baptist, 10=Quaker/Friends, 11=Mennonite, 12=Evangelical, 13=Pentecostal (e.g., “Born again” and/or “saved”), 14=Independent (e.g., “African Independent Church”), 15=Jehovah’s Witness, 16=Seventh-day Adventist, 17=Mormon, 18=Ismaeli, 19=Ismaeli, 20=Ismaili Brotherhood, 21=Mouridiya Brotherhood, 22=Iqama, 23=Qadiriya Brotherhood, 24=Shia, 25=Traditional/ethnic religion, 26=Hindi, 27=Hindu, 28=Agnostic (Do not know if there is a God), 29=Atheist (Do not believe in a God), 30=Dutch Reformed, 31=Calvinist, 32=Church of Christ, 33=Jew, 34=Jewish, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q98AOTHER
Question: What is your religion, if any?
Variable Label: Q98aother. Religion of respondent (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q98B
Question: How often, if ever, are __________s [Respondent’s religious group] treated unfairly by government?
Variable Label: Q98b. Religious groups treated unfairly by government
Values: 0-3, 7, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 7=Not applicable, 8=Refused, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 8
Note: Interviewer was instructed: “If respondent did not identify any religion on Q98A – that is, if they said 0=None, 9998=Refused, or 9999=Don’t know – then select 7 = Not applicable for Q98B and continue to Q99.”

Question Number: Q99
Question: If presidential elections were held tomorrow, which [party’s candidate] would you vote for?
Variable Label: Q99. Vote for which party
Values: 380-411, 9995, 9997, 9999, -1
Source: Zambia 96

Question Number: Q99OTHER
Question: If presidential elections were held tomorrow, which [party’s candidate] would you vote for?
Variable Label: Q99other. Vote for which party (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: Zambia 96

Question Number: Q100
Question: Just one more question: Who do you think sent us to do this interview?
Variable Label: Q100. Perceived survey sponsor
Values: 0-10, 95, 98, 99, -1
Value Labels: 0=No one, 1=“Afrobarometer” or Center for Democratic Governance [i.e., the correct response], 2=Research company/Organization/Programme [but not AB or correct national partner], 3=Non-government or religious organization, 4=University/School/College, 5=Private company, 6=Media, 7=Political party or politician, 8=Government [including any government official, government agency or ministry, or any other part of government named by the respondent], 9=International organization or another country, 10=God, 95=Other, 98=Refused, 99=Don’t know, -1=Missing
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2
Note: Interviewer entered verbatim response.

Question Number: ENDTIME
Question: Time interview ended
Variable Label: Time interview ended
Note: Answered by interviewer. Entered hour and minute, 24-hour clock

Question Number: LENGTH
Question: Length of interview
Variable Label: Length of interview
Note: Answered by interviewer in minutes

Question Number: Q101
Question: Respondent’s gender
Variable Label: Q101. Gender of respondent
Values: 1, 2
Value Labels: 1=Male, 2=Female
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer
Question Number: Q102
Question: Respondent’s race
Variable Label: Q102. Race of respondent
Values: 1-6, 9995, 9999
Value Labels: 1=Black/African, 2=White/European, 3=Coloured/Mixed race, 4=Arab/Lebanese/North African, 5=South Asian (Indian, Pakistani, etc.), 6=East Asian (Chinese, Korean, Indonesian, etc.), 9995=Other, 9999=Don’t know
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q102OTHER
Question: Respondent’s race
Variable Label: Q102other. Race of respondent (verbatim)
Values: String variable
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q103
Question: What was the primary language used in the interview?
Variable Label: Q103. Language of interview
Values: 1, 380, 9995
Value Labels: 1=English, 380=Liberian English, 9995=Other
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q104
Question: In what type of shelter does the respondent live?
Variable Label: Q104. Type of shelter of respondent
Values: 1-5, 7, 8
Value Labels: 1=Non-traditional/formal house, 2=Traditional house/hut, 3=Temporary structure/shack, 4=Flat in a block of flats, 5=Single room in a larger dwelling structure or backyard, 7=Hostel in an industrial compound or farming compound, 8=Other
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q105
Question: What was the roof of the respondent’s home or shelter made of?
Variable Label: Q105. Roof of respondent’s home
Values: 1-10
Value Labels: 1=Metal, tin, or zinc, 2=Tiles, 3=Shingles, 4=Thatch or grass, 5=Plastic sheets, 6=Asbestos, 7=Multiple materials, 8=Concrete, 9=Some other material, 10=Could not tell/could not see
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q106
Question: Were there any other people immediately present who might be listening during the interview?
Variable Label: Q106. Others present
Values: 1-5
Value Labels: 1=No one, 2=Spouse only, 3=Children only, 4=A few others, 5=Small crowd
Source: Nigeria00
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q107A
Question: Did the respondent check with others for information to answer any question?
Variable Label: Q107a. Check with others
Values: 0, 1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes
Source: Nigeria00
Note: Answered by interviewer
Question Number: Q107B
Question: Do you think anyone influenced the respondent’s answers during the interview?
Variable Label: Q017b. Influence by others
Values: 0, 1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes
Source: SAB99
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q107C
Question: Were you approached by community and/or political party representatives?
Variable Label: Q107c. Approach by community/party representatives
Values: 0, 1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q107D
Question: Did you feel threatened during the interview?
Variable Label: Q107d. Feel threatened
Values: 0, 1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q107E
Question: Were you physically threatened during the interview?
Variable Label: Q107e. Physically threatened
Values: 0, 1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q108
Question: What proportion of the questions do you feel the respondent had difficulty answering?
Variable Label: Q108. Proportion difficulty answering
Values: 0-4
Value Labels: 0=None, 1=Few, 2=Some, 3=Most, 4=All
Source: Nigeria00
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110A
Question: What was the respondent’s attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: friendly, in between, or hostile?
Variable Label: Q110a. Respondent friendly
Values: 1-3
Value Labels: 1=Friendly, 2=In between, 3=Hostile
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110B
Question: What was the respondent’s attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: interested, in between, or bored?
Variable Label: Q110b. Respondent interested
Values: 1-3
Value Labels: 1=Interested, 2=In between, 3=Bored
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110C
Question: What was the respondent’s attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: cooperative, in between, or uncooperative?
Variable Label: Q110c. Respondent cooperative
Values: 1-3
Value Labels: 1=Cooperative, 2=In between, 3=Uncooperative
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110D
Question: What was the respondent's attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: patient, in between, or impatient?
Variable Label: Q110d. Respondent patient
Values: 1-3
Value Labels: 1=Patient, 2=In between, 3=Impatient
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110E
Question: What was the respondent's attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: at ease, in between, or suspicious?
Variable Label: Q110e. Respondent at ease
Values: 1-3
Value Labels: 1=At ease, 2=In between, 3=Suspicious
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110F
Question: What was the respondent's attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: honest, in between, or misleading?
Variable Label: Q110f. Respondent honest
Values: 1-3
Value Labels: 1=Honest, 2=In between, 3=Misleading
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q112
Question: Interviewer's number
Variable Label: Q112. Interviewer number
Values: LIB07-LIB26
Value Labels: String variable
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q113
Question: Interviewer's age
Variable Label: Q113. Interviewer's age
Values: 19-40
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q114
Question: Interviewer's gender
Variable Label: Q114. Interviewer's gender
Values: 1, 2
Value Labels: 1=Male, 2=Female
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q115
Question: Do you come from a rural or urban area?
Variable Label: Q115. Interviewer rural or urban
Values: 1, 2
Value Labels: 1=Rural, 2=Urban
**Question Number:** Q116
**Question:** Interviewer’s home language
**Variable Label:** Q116. Interviewer’s home language

**Values:**
- 1, 380-396, 9995, 9998, 9999

**Value Labels:**

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

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**Question Number:** Q117
**Question:** Interviewer’s ethnic group/tribe:
**Variable Label:** Q117. Interviewer’s ethnic group or tribe

**Values:**
- 1, 380-396, 9990, 9995, 9998, 9999

**Value Labels:**
- 1=English, 380=Kru, 381=Grebo, 382=Sapo, 383=Krahn, 384=Gio, 385=Mano, 386=Kpelle, 387=Lorma, 388=Mende, 389=Kissi, 390=Gbandi, 391=Mandingo, 392=Bassa, 393=Vai, 394=Gola, 395=Belle, 9990=Liberian only, or “doesn’t think of self in those terms”, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused, 9999=Don’t know

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

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**Question Number:** Q117 OTHER
**Question:** Interviewer’s ethnic group/tribe:
**Variable Label:** Q117 other. Interviewer’s ethnic group or tribe (verbatim)

**Values:** String variable

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

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**Question Number:** Q118
**Question:** Interviewer’s highest level of education
**Variable Label:** Q118. Interviewer’s education

**Values:** 3-9

**Value Labels:**
- 3=Primary school completed, 4=Some secondary school/high school, 5=Secondary school/high school completed, 6=Post-secondary qualifications, other than university, 7=Some university, 8=University completed, 9=Post graduate

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

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**Question Number:** Q119_1
**Question:** Which Liberian languages do you speak?
**Variable Label:** Q119. Other spoken languages- first

**Values:** 380-395, 9995

**Value Labels:**

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7

**Note:** Answered by interviewer. Interviewer was instructed to tick all that apply.

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**Question Number:** Q119_2
**Question:** Which Liberian languages do you speak?
**Variable Label:** Q119. Other spoken languages- second

**Values:** 380-395, 9995

**Value Labels:**

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7

**Note:** Answered by interviewer. Interviewer was instructed to tick all that apply.
**Question Number:** Q119_3  
**Question:** Which Liberian languages do you speak?  
**Variable Label:** Q119. Other spoken languages - third  
**Values:** 380-395, 9995  
**Value Labels:** 380=Kru, 381=Grebo, 382=Sapo, 383=Krahn, 384=Gio, 385=Mano, 386=Kpelle, 387=Lorma, 388=Mende, 389=Kissi, 390=Gbandi, 391=Mandingo, 392=Bassa, 393=Vai, 394=Gola, 395=Belle, 9995=Other  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer. Interviewer was instructed to tick all that apply.

**Question Number:** Q119_4  
**Question:** Which Liberian languages do you speak?  
**Variable Label:** Q119. Other spoken languages - fourth  
**Values:** 380-395, 9995  
**Value Labels:** 380=Kru, 381=Grebo, 382=Sapo, 383=Krahn, 384=Gio, 385=Mano, 386=Kpelle, 387=Lorma, 388=Mende, 389=Kissi, 390=Gbandi, 391=Mandingo, 392=Bassa, 393=Vai, 394=Gola, 395=Belle, 9995=Other  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer. Interviewer was instructed to tick all that apply.

**Question Number:** Q119 OTHER  
**Question:** Which Liberian languages do you speak?  
**Variable Label:** Q119other. Other spoken languages (verbatim)  
**Values:** String variable  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 7  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** withinwt_ea  
**Variable Label:** within country weighting factor, weights to EA level ("old AB withinwt")  
**Note:** The weighting variable adjusts the distribution of the sample based on individual selection probabilities (i.e., based on region, gender, urban-rural distribution, and size of household and enumeration area).

**Question Number:** withinwt_hh  
**Variable Label:** within country weighting factor, weights to HH level ("new AB withinwt")  
**Note:** The weighting variable adjusts the distribution of the sample based on individual selection probabilities (i.e., based on region, gender, urban-rural distribution, and size of household, enumeration area and ADULT_CT).

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