

Table W2. Elements of Supreme Court Support

Name of Item	Number and Dates of Administration	Correlation of Item with Final Series
Supreme Court Confidence I (Louis Harris and Associates)	22 (1974.2-1993.1)	0.944
Supreme Court Confidence (National Opinion Research Center)	17 (1973.1-1994.1)	0.862
Supreme Court Confidence I (Gallup Organization)	11 (1973.1-1993.1)	0.949
Supreme Court Confidence (CBS News/New York Times, et. al.)	8 (1981.1-1991.2)	0.852
Supreme Court Job Approval (ABC News/Washington Post, et al.)	4 (1986.1-1991.2)	0.920
Supreme Court Confidence II (Gallup Organization)	4 (1981.2-1986.2)	0.990
Supreme Court Confidence (Opinion Research Corporation)	4 (1977.1-1983.1)	0.908
Supreme Court Rating (Gallup Organization)	3 (1973.2-1987.2)	0.971
Opinion of the Supreme Court I (Gallup Organization, et. al.)	3 (1987.1-1990.1)	0.932
Feeling Thermometer (National Election Studies)	3 (1980.2-1988.2)	0.932
Opinion of the Supreme Court (Princeton Survey Research Assoc.)	2 (1991.2-1993.1)	0.998
Supreme Court Confidence III (Gallup Organization)	2 (1980.2-1981.2)	1.000
Opinion of the Supreme Court II (Gallup Organization)	2 (1989.1-1991.1)	1.000
Supreme Court Ethics (Opinion Research Corporation)	2 (1975.2-1977.1)	1.000
Supreme Court Rating (Peter Hart & Breglio Research Companies)	2 (1992.1-1992.2)	1.000
Supreme Court Confidence IV (Gallup Organization)	2 (1974.1-1976.1)	0.000
Supreme Court Confidence II (Louis Harris and Associates)	2 (1973.1-1973.2)	-1.000

Note. Each correlation coefficient may be interpreted as the item's factor loading; its square as its communality estimate. Items with negative correlations do not contribute to the final measure. See Table W1 for exact question wordings.