

Appendix, ““I Don’t Know What to Believe:” Media Distrust and Opinion Formation during the COVID-19 Pandemic” (IRB#: IRB19-0618)

Table A1. Detailed Participant Profiles, With Pseudonyms

<i>Pseudonym</i>	<i>Party ID</i>	<i>If I/DK, Leans R or D</i>	<i>Level of Political Engagement</i>	<i>Gender</i>
Iverson				
Renne	R		1	F
Luke	D		2	M
Rose	D		3	F
Isabelle	D		3	F
Colton	I	Leans R	2	M
Brenda	D		2	F
Bill	R		4	M
Quinn	DK		1	F
Danny	I	Leans D	3	M
Sybil	R		3	F
Danielle	D		2	F
Sam	DK		1	F
Tonja	I	Leans D	1	F
Kate	D		3	F
Jamie	D		4	F
Lorraine	I	Leans D	2	F
Isaac	D		4	M
Carl	D		4	M
Peter	I	Leans R	3	M
Spencer	D		3	M
Kayce	D		1	F
Elaine	D		2	F
Barbara	D		3	F
Christopher	I	Leans D	4	M

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Meriville				
Katherine	R		3	F
Sophy	R		3	F
Fred	R		3	M
Emma	D		3	F
Veronica	R		2	F
Patty	R		2	F
Linda	R		2	F
Cal	R		3	M
Jacob	I	Leans D	3	M
Shane	R		1	M
Kyle	D		2	M
Hugh	I	Leans D	4	M
Travis	D		4	M
Marie	D		1	F
Abigail	R		1	F
Todd	I	Leans D	4	M
Patrick	D		4	M
Kevin	D		3	M
Larry	R		4	M
Mallory	R		2	F
Ted	R		3	M
Sherry	R		3	F
Beth	R		2	F
Rob	I	Leans R	4	M
Art	R		4	M
Kelly	R		1	F
Amy	I	Leans R	1	F
Harriett	R		4	F
Shannon	R		1	F
Ken	R		1	M

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Williston				
Doug	I	Leans D	4	M
Tim	R		4	M
Tina	D		3	F
Heather	D		4	F
Mary	D		3	F
Rob	D		3	M
Karen	D		3	F
Cynthia	I	Leans D	2	F
Dave	I	Leans D	2	M
Ken	D		4	M
Amanda	D		4	F
Shawn	D		4	M
Michelle	D		3	F
Jeff	R		4	M
Scott	I	Leans R	2	M
Scott	I	Leans R	2	M
Nate	R		2	M
Rich	R		4	M
Ray	D		3	M
Paul	R		2	M
Keith	R		4	M
Melissa	R		2	F
Courtney	R		2	F
Zack	D		3	M
Jennifer	R		2	F
Ashley	D		1	F
Will	I	Leans D	3	M
Angela	D		3	F
Kim	D		4	F
Tyler	I	Leans R	4	M
Ben	I	Leans D	2	M
Jared	R		2	M

Table A2. Questions about Trust in Political Information during COVID-19

<p>Have you found any source particularly trustworthy about the pandemic?</p> <p>How trustworthy do you find the media in reporting about the pandemic? <i>(If low trust)</i> Do you worry the media is inaccurately reporting the data, or are you worried about “spin”?</p> <p>How trustworthy do you find the federal government in reporting data about the pandemic? <i>(If low trust)</i> Are you worried the government is deliberately misreporting something, or do you think it’s inaccurate because of human error?</p> <p>How might you go about figuring out if the vaccine is safe to take?</p> <p>Will you trust Dr. Fauci, the FDA, or President Trump?</p>
