

Appendix: Inter-coder Reliability Report

Table 1: Inter-coder Reliability for Descriptive Variables

Article Number	Coding Unit	Newspaper	Date	Word Count	Section	Date in Relation to Election
100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %

Table 2: Inter-coder Reliability for Variables Related to Sources

	Primary Identity	Race/Ethnicity	On Behalf	Sexual Orientation	Position Prop 8	Position Same Sex Marriage	Commentary on Race	Commentary about Whom	Total Words
Source 1	86.7 %	96.7 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	80.0 %	83.3 %	93.3 %	93.3 %	80.0 %
Source 2	93.3 %	96.7 %	93.3 %	93.3 %	80.0 %	83.3 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	93.3 %
Source 3	86.7 %	93.3 %	100.0 %	86.7 %	90.0 %	93.3 %	96.7 %	100.0 %	83.3 %
Source 4	86.7 %	93.3 %	93.3 %	86.7 %	93.3 %	93.3 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	80.0 %
Source 5	90.0 %	93.3 %	90.0 %	100.0 %	76.7 %	93.3 %	76.7 %	76.7 %	80.0 %

Table 3: Inter-coder Reliability for Variables Related to Article Content

Total # Sources	Discussion of Race	Discussion Of Whom	Discussion Of AAs
83.3 %	83.3 %	76.7 %	80.0 %

Table 4: Inter-coder Reliability for Variables Related to Dominate Frames and Article Tone

Dominant – Anti-Marriage	Dominant – Pro-Marriage	Overall Tone
76.7 %	73.3 %	66.7 %

Table 5: Inter-coder Reliability for Frame Variables

Will of Majority	One-man, One-woman	Protecting the Family	Immorality	Rights Counter	Critique of proponents	Protecting the Minority	Rights Frame	Tolerance	Comparison to Other Oppressions	Critique of Opponents
93.3 %	90.0 %	90.0 %	86.7 %	93.3 %	80.0 %	83.3 %	83.3 %	83.3 %	80.0 %	86.7 %