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The tables below present both the unweighted and weighted (in gray) results from the open-ended coding. Only codable responses are included in the tables below — responses that could not be coded were excluded from further analysis. The weighted results apply respondents' individual survey weight that was calculated using several demographic and personal characteristics, including age, sex, education and macroregion.

Several of the open-ended categories also include subsets. For example, for the question about differences between news and journalism, categories within the "news + ..." section were graded only if the responses were initially assigned the binary "news +" code. Similarly, for the open-ended items for traits of producers of journalism, the "neutral, impartial and objective" category was a subset of the "ethical standards" category — if a response was graded as "objective" it was also included in the broader "ethical standards" category. Importantly, open-ended responses could also receive multiple across the range of categories for both questions.

Differences between journalism and news:

Process & Product:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	31	5%	603	34	6%	592
Brazil	20	4%	467	15	4%	415
South Africa	32	11%	300	30	10%	292
United States	61	11%	536	58	11%	524

Different Medium:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	14	2%	603	11	2%	592
Brazil	17	4%	467	20	5%	416
South Africa	11	4%	300	13	4%	293
United States	9	2%	536	8	1%	524

Corporate vs. Individual:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	36	6%	603	35	6%	592
Brazil	2	<1%	467	1	<1%	415
South Africa	3	1%	300	1	<1%	292
United States	17	3%	536	17	3%	524

Different Topics:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	38	6%	603	46	8%	592
Brazil	11	2%	467	17	4%	416
South Africa	17	6%	300	18	6%	293
United States	50	9%	536	49	9%	524

Sensationalism & Exaggeration:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	23	4%	603	21	3%	593
Brazil	14	3%	467	10	2%	415
South Africa	6	2%	300	3	1%	292
United States	10	2%	536	10	2%	524

News +

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	467	77%	603	451	76%	592
Brazil	348	75%	467	289	70%	416
South Africa	136	45%	300	117	40%	292
United States	439	82%	536	429	82%	523

News + Breadth:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	23	4%	603	29	5%	593
Brazil	8	2%	467	8	2%	416
South Africa	2	1%	300	1	<1%	292
United States	12	2%	536	11	2%	524

News + Context:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	136	23%	603	125	21%	592
Brazil	69	15%	467	55	13%	415
South Africa	32	11%	300	23	8%	292
United States	141	26%	536	141	27%	524

News + Rigor:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	147	24%	603	141	24%	592
Brazil	112	24%	467	88	21%	415
South Africa	65	22%	300	58	20%	293
United States	120	22%	536	123	23%	524

News + Opinion:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	188	31%	603	169	29%	592
Brazil	107	23%	467	75	18%	416
South Africa	18	6%	300	14	5%	292
United States	178	33%	536	164	31%	524

News + Opinion (Neutral-to-Positive):

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	117	19%	603	99	17%	592
Brazil	29	6%	467	22	5%	416
South Africa	10	3%	300	8	3%	292
United States	96	18%	536	95	18%	525

News + Opinion (Negative):

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	71	12%	603	70	12%	592
Brazil	78	17%	467	53	13%	416
South Africa	8	3%	300	6	2%	292
United States	82	15%	536	70	13%	525

News + Facts:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	47	8%	603	45	8%	592
Brazil	77	16%	467	76	18%	415
South Africa	26	9%	300	21	7%	293
United States	50	9%	536	51	10%	525

News + Storytelling:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	38	6%	603	38	6%	592
Brazil	7	2%	467	7	2%	415
South Africa	12	4%	300	10	3%	292
United States	38	7%	536	41	8%	524

Traits of producers of journalism:

Journalism producers rely on verifiable facts:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	195	24%	816	187	23%	798
Brazil	183	25%	726	137	22%	628
South Africa	89	15%	606	74	13%	587
United States	233	31%	742	224	31%	725

Journalism producers DO NOT rely on verifiable facts:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	36	4%	816	37	5%	798
Brazil	29	4%	726	23	4%	628
South Africa	24	4%	606	30	5%	587
United States	39	5%	742	38	5%	725

Journalism producers have clear ethical standards:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	376	46%	816	358	45%	797
Brazil	277	38%	726	241	38%	628
South Africa	123	20%	606	103	18%	585
United States	343	46%	742	319	44%	726

Journalism producers DO NOT have clear ethical standards:

·	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	99	12%	816	98	12%	797
Brazil	111	15%	726	73	12%	628
South Africa	28	5%	606	30	5%	585
United States	108	15%	742	102	14%	726

Journalism producers are neutral, impartial, objective and fair:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	135	17%	816	132	17%	798
Brazil	91	13%	726	61	10%	628
South Africa	26	4%	606	19	3%	585
United States	189	25%	742	173	24%	725

Journalism producers are NOT neutral, impartial, objective and fair:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	70	9%	816	71	9%	798
Brazil	91	13%	726	58	9%	628
South Africa	13	2%	606	14	2%	585
United States	103	14%	742	98	13%	725

Journalism producers are analytical:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	90	11%	816	82	10%	797
Brazil	31	4%	726	22	4%	627
South Africa	65	11%	606	58	10%	586
United States	69	9%	742	69	10%	725

Journalism producers have "grit" and work hard:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	85	10%	816	87	11%	798
Brazil	61	8%	726	70	11%	627
South Africa	109	18%	606	99	17%	585
United States	95	13%	742	98	14%	725

Journalism producers have mental acumen:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	120	15%	816	130	16%	798
Brazil	84	12%	726	77	12%	628
South Africa	115	19%	606	125	21%	586
United States	99	13%	742	101	14%	726

Journalism producers can communicate complicated topics clearly:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	105	13%	816	104	13%	798
Brazil	75	10%	726	71	11%	627
South Africa	103	17%	606	94	16%	586
United States	70	9%	742	72	10%	725

Journalism producers provide work that is timely and proximate:

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	31	4%	816	29	4%	798
Brazil	26	4%	726	22	3%	628
South Africa	41	7%	606	40	7%	586
United States	24	3%	742	24	3%	725

Overall valence (positive):

	Unweighted Frequency	Unweighted %	Unweighted Total	Weighted Frequency	Weighted %	Weighted Total
Australia	688	84%	816	667	84%	798
Brazil	578	80%	726	529	84%	627
South Africa	546	90%	606	523	89%	585
United States	605	82%	742	596	82%	725