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Unweighted Total	150	53	78	12	7	118	15	17	13	25	37	43	24	55	71	46	52	33	19	10	5	14	24	17	23	57	115	35	
Weighted Total	150	71	60	13	6	123	9	18	17	32	38	36	24	51	76	42	54	34	21	10	5	11	22	15	23	64	117	33	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
I would support the immediate introduction of a statutory register of lobbyists																													
Agree	96	30	51	12	2	79	6	12	11	19	23	25	19	36	42	31	30	19	16	7	5	9	18	12	13	33	78	18	
	64%	43%	86%	94%	36%	64%	65%	66%	67%	59%	62%	69%	81%	70%	55%	73%	56%	57%	79%	71%	100%	83%	80%	77%	55%	52%	67%	55%	
Disagree	30	22	5	1	2	25	2	3	4	6	11	5	-	12	18	3	17	8	1	-	-	2	4	4	10	11	24	6	
	20%	31%	8%	6%	32%	20%	18%	17%	22%	18%	29%	12%	-	23%	23%	7%	32%	24%	6%	-	-	17%	16%	23%	42%	17%	20%	17%	
No opinion	24	18	4	-	2	19	2	3	2	7	3	7	4	3	16	8	7	6	3	3	-	-	1	-	1	20	15	9	
	16%	26%	6%	-	32%	16%	18%	17%	11%	23%	9%	18%	19%	7%	21%	20%	12%	19%	14%	29%	-	-	4%	-	2%	31%	13%	27%	
Any statutory register of lobbyists should log all contact between lobbyists and ministers																													
Agree	99	31	53	12	2	79	6	14	13	19	21	26	18	40	40	26	34	22	16	7	4	9	20	13	13	33	78	21	
	66%	44%	88%	94%	36%	64%	65%	77%	78%	59%	56%	71%	78%	78%	53%	63%	62%	66%	79%	71%	86%	77%	89%	83%	58%	52%	67%	62%	
Disagree	30	25	2	1	2	27	1	2	2	6	12	7	-	7	23	10	13	6	1	-	-	1	2	2	10	16	26	4	
	20%	35%	3%	6%	32%	22%	9%	12%	11%	19%	32%	19%	-	14%	30%	23%	24%	19%	6%	-	-	11%	8%	12%	42%	24%	22%	12%	
No opinion	22	14	5	-	2	17	2	2	2	7	4	4	5	4	12	6	8	5	3	3	1	1	1	1	-	15	13	9	
	14%	20%	8%	-	32%	14%	27%	12%	11%	22%	12%	10%	22%	8%	16%	14%	14%	15%	14%	29%	14%	12%	4%	5%	-	24%	11%	26%	
Any statutory register of lobbyists should log the fees derived from lobbying that are paid to them																													
Agree	88	29	45	11	2	73	5	10	14	16	21	21	14	34	40	27	29	18	14	6	5	9	12	10	15	32	70	18	
	58%	41%	76%	85%	36%	59%	58%	55%	83%	50%	57%	58%	59%	67%	53%	65%	53%	53%	68%	56%	100%	77%	55%	66%	66%	50%	60%	54%	
Disagree	39	27	8	1	2	34	1	3	3	10	12	9	4	13	22	7	19	9	4	2	-	2	8	5	8	14	33	5	
	26%	39%	13%	9%	32%	28%	15%	17%	17%	31%	32%	26%	18%	25%	29%	17%	35%	26%	17%	15%	-	18%	37%	34%	34%	22%	28%	16%	
No opinion	24	14	6	1	2	16	2	5	-	6	4	6	5	4	14	8	6	7	3	3	-	1	2	-	-	18	14	10	
	16%	20%	11%	6%	32%	13%	27%	28%	-	19%	11%	16%	23%	8%	18%	18%	11%	21%	14%	29%	-	6%	9%	-	-	28%	12%	29%	
Lobbying is a legitimate activity that improves the democratic process																													
Agree	121	61	44	11	6	98	9	14	14	25	29	29	18	39	64	33	43	27	17	7	1	10	18	12	18	54	97	24	
	81%	86%	74%	82%	86%	79%	96%	81%	81%	78%	78%	81%	76%	77%	84%	80%	80%	81%	83%	71%	12%	91%	80%	81%	81%	86%	83%	72%	
Disagree	11	1	7	2	*	9	*	1	1	2	2	4	2	5	4	3	6	1	-	1	1	1	2	1	3	2	7	4	
	7%	2%	11%	18%	6%	8%	4%	5%	6%	8%	5%	11%	10%	10%	5%	8%	11%	4%	-	14%	21%	9%	8%	4%	11%	4%	6%	13%	

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No opinion	18	9	9	-	1	16	-	2	2	4	6	3	3	7	8	5	5	5	3	1	3	-	3	2	2	7	13	5
	12%	12%	15%	-	8%	13%	-	14%	13%	14%	17%	8%	14%	13%	11%	12%	8%	15%	17%	15%	68%	-	12%	15%	8%	11%	11%	16%
Lobbying firms deliberately obstruct access to politicians in order to profit from the legislative process																												
Agree	15	3	12	1	-	12	1	2	3	-	4	6	2	7	7	6	3	2	4	1	1	2	4	2	2	3	11	4
	10%	4%	19%	7%	-	10%	13%	11%	19%	-	9%	15%	7%	13%	9%	15%	6%	5%	20%	13%	22%	18%	20%	10%	10%	4%	10%	13%
Disagree	96	52	31	8	5	80	6	10	10	20	27	23	11	31	54	26	35	22	14	2	1	9	9	11	16	48	77	20
	64%	74%	52%	58%	84%	65%	66%	56%	62%	61%	72%	62%	48%	60%	72%	61%	65%	66%	66%	22%	12%	82%	40%	72%	72%	76%	65%	60%
No opinion	38	16	17	5	1	31	2	6	3	12	7	8	10	13	14	10	16	10	3	7	3	-	9	3	4	13	29	9
	26%	22%	29%	35%	16%	25%	21%	33%	19%	39%	18%	22%	45%	26%	19%	24%	29%	29%	15%	65%	66%	-	40%	18%	18%	20%	25%	28%
Most lobbyists that I deal with are highly professional																												
Agree	115	54	45	10	6	92	7	16	13	25	26	28	18	37	60	34	42	24	15	5	2	8	17	13	19	50	92	23
	77%	77%	76%	72%	94%	75%	75%	89%	77%	78%	70%	76%	76%	73%	79%	81%	78%	72%	72%	49%	46%	74%	78%	83%	86%	79%	79%	68%
Disagree	13	8	4	1	-	12	1	-	3	1	5	3	1	6	6	2	5	4	1	2	-	1	2	2	2	4	7	6
	9%	11%	8%	8%	-	10%	15%	-	17%	3%	14%	8%	5%	12%	8%	6%	10%	12%	6%	23%	-	11%	8%	12%	8%	7%	6%	18%
No opinion	22	9	10	3	*	19	1	2	1	6	6	6	5	7	10	6	6	5	5	3	3	2	3	1	1	9	17	4
	15%	12%	17%	20%	6%	15%	10%	11%	6%	18%	16%	16%	20%	14%	13%	14%	12%	16%	22%	29%	54%	15%	14%	5%	6%	15%	15%	13%
Lobbying companies should be banned																												
Agree	3	-	2	1	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	2	1	1	1	1	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	3	1
	2%	-	3%	11%	-	3%	-	-	-	4%	-	5%	6%	3%	1%	3%	4%	-	-	14%	-	6%	-	-	3%	1%	2%	2%
Disagree	130	65	46	12	6	106	8	16	15	28	36	27	18	44	68	37	45	30	18	7	4	10	17	15	20	58	104	26
	86%	92%	78%	89%	94%	86%	87%	89%	87%	86%	96%	75%	76%	86%	90%	88%	83%	89%	88%	71%	78%	84%	77%	96%	87%	91%	89%	78%
No opinion	17	5	11	-	*	14	1	2	2	3	1	7	4	6	7	4	7	4	2	1	1	1	5	1	2	5	10	6
	11%	8%	19%	-	6%	11%	13%	11%	13%	9%	4%	20%	18%	11%	9%	9%	13%	11%	12%	15%	22%	9%	23%	4%	10%	8%	9%	20%