

**S1 Table.** Chi-square test results of independence for six trending issues and baseline (data from Knight Foundation 2019)

Issues	Segment	Percent	Chi-square	df	p-value
Baseline	Extreme	35			
	Moderate	65			
Hurricane	Extreme	18.5	6.702	1	0.010*
	Moderate	81.5			
North Korea	Extreme	22	4.147	1	0.042*
	Moderate	78			
Mueller Investigation	Extreme	34	0.089	1	0.765
	Moderate	66			
Sexual Harassment	Extreme	26	1.911	1	0.167
	Moderate	74			
White nationalism	Extreme	20	5.643	1	0.018*
	Moderate	80			
Mass shootings	Extreme	30	0.570	1	0.450
	Moderate	70			

\* $p < 0.05$ . Extreme: Extreme Left and Extreme Right; Moderate: Center Left and Center Right

## References

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