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	TOTAL	REGION			EDUCATION			IDEOLOGY			PARTY AFFILIATION			BORN-AGAIN			GENDER	
		CHICAGO CITY	CHICAGO SUBURBS	DOWN-STATE	H.S. OR LESS	SOME COLLEGE	COLLEGE +	LIBERAL	MODERAT	CONSER-VATIVE	DEM	IND	REP	YES	NO	NON-CHRISTN	MALE	FEMALE
		(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)
Base	1000	200	500	300	161	327	507	346	287	332	481	132	304	164	539	284	474	526
Warmer because of human activity	565 57%	137 69% <sup>CD</sup>	291 58% <sup>D</sup>	137 46%	73 45%	174 53%	318 63% <sup>EF</sup>	284 82% <sup>IJ</sup>	165 57% <sup>J</sup>	93 28%	364 76% <sup>LM</sup>	68 52% <sup>M</sup>	90 30%	63 38%	291 54% <sup>N</sup>	207 73% <sup>NO</sup>	263 55%	302 57%
Warmer because of natural patterns	252 25%	33 17%	129 26% <sup>B</sup>	90 30% <sup>B</sup>	38 24%	81 25%	132 26%	35 10%	68 24% <sup>H</sup>	146 44% <sup>HI</sup>	63 13%	36 27% <sup>K</sup>	135 44% <sup>KL</sup>	49 30% <sup>P</sup>	156 29% <sup>P</sup>	42 15%	133 28% <sup>R</sup>	119 23%
No evidence that the earth is getting warmer	118 12%	18 9%	51 10%	49 16% <sup>BC</sup>	28 17% <sup>G</sup>	50 15% <sup>G</sup>	38 7%	17 5%	35 12% <sup>H</sup>	64 19% <sup>HI</sup>	27 6%	15 11% <sup>K</sup>	64 21% <sup>KL</sup>	36 22% <sup>OP</sup>	62 12% <sup>P</sup>	19 7%	54 11%	64 12%
None of the above	19 2%	1 1%	9 2%	9 3%	4 2%	7 2%	7 1%	2 1%	4 1%	11 3% <sup>H</sup>	6 1%	6 5% <sup>K</sup>	6 2%	4 2%	9 2%	4 1%	7 1%	12 2%
Don't know/Refused	46 5%	11 6%	20 4%	15 5%	18 11% <sup>FG</sup>	15 5%	12 2%	8 2%	15 5%	18 5% <sup>H</sup>	21 4%	7 5%	9 3%	12 7%	21 4%	12 4%	17 4%	29 6%
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	TOTAL	<35	35-50	51-65	66+	WHITE	BLACK	HIS-PANIC	OTHER	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+	FULL-TIME	PART-TIME	RETIRED	NOT EMPLOYD	PRIVATE	GOV/NON PROFIT
	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)	
Base	1000	133	197	332	279	710	134	46*	69*	257	268	315	488	86*	312	100	286	171
Warmer because of human activity	565 57%	88 66%DE	131 66%DE	184 55%E	131 47%	381 54%	85 63%F	30 65%	44 64%	138 54%	153 57%	207 66%JK	301 62%OP	57 66%OP	149 48%	50 50%	182 64%	112 65%
Warmer because of natural patterns	252 25%	32 24%	41 21%	90 27%	77 28%	200 28%G	21 16%	11 24%	15 22%	62 24%	70 26%	75 24%	119 24%	22 26%	82 26%	27 27%	66 23%	45 26%
No evidence that the earth is getting warmer	118 12%	9 7%	17 9%	38 11%	45 16%BC	92 13%	12 9%	2 4%	5 7%	37 14%L	30 11%	26 8%	45 9%	6 7%	51 16%MN	14 14%	26 9%	8 5%
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		YES	NO	YES	NO
		(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
Base	1000	607	393	235	752
Warmer because of human activity	565 57%	329 54%	236 60%	134 57%	425 57%
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