

We're a nation of "Family Guy" and "NCIS" states

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We are not a nation of red states and blue states. We are a nation of "Family Guy" cqstates and "NCIS" cqstates.

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That may be a bit extreme, but it does summarize the personality types engaged in the current round of culture wars we call election-year politics.

In this poll-crazy season, a new survey has determined which TV shows are most watched by supporters of each presidential candidate, and the results are intriguing.

Turns out, supporters of Barack Obama are more likely to be fans of "Family Guy," "Two and a Half Men" and "Bones."

Supporters of John McCain are more likely to be fans of "NCIS," "CSI: Miami" and "Survivor."

Will these results swing the election? Let's give voters a tad more credit for decision-making than that. More likely they'll give columnists some demographic fat to chew. Still, it's valuable information if you are inclined to stereotype members of the opposing political party.

Democrats can now claim that McCain supporters enjoy violence, poorly acted crime shows and nasty

reality contests.

Republicans can claim that Obama supporters like raunchy cartoons, sitcoms loaded with innuendo and forensic dramas built on sexual tension.

The poll-takers say the results give them insight into how to reach the country's undecided voters. Heads up, political advertising gurus.

According to E-Poll Market Research in Encino, Calif., the TV show where Obama ads could affect the highest percentage of undecided voters is "Two and a Half Men." The Charlie Sheen-Jon Cryer comedy apparently has the highest percentage of "undecideds" among those shows embraced by a high percentage of Obama supporters.

Similarly, the TV show where McCain ads could impact the highest percentage of undecided voters is "C.S.I.: Miami," which has the highest percentage of undecideds of all shows embraced by a high percentage of McCain supporters.

Researchers say the source, FastTrack Television Aug. 18-22, 2008, was compiled from a statistically valid sample of 1,000 viewers age 18-54.

"NCIS" (that's Navy Criminal Investigative Service) is the earnest Mark Harmon crime show in its sixth season that this week investigates the mysterious suicide of a Navy lieutenant aboard an aircraft carrier in an episode titled "Agent Afloat."

"Family Guy" is the satirical Seth MacFarlane animated comedy in its seventh season that this week offers an episode titled "Love Blactually."

Go figure.

By the way, the series most mentioned as a favorite by both Obama and McCain supporters was "House,"

proving that good taste sometimes does prevail.

"Breaking Bad" marathon

AMC will follow its surprise Emmy win with a marathon of "Breaking Bad" episodes next week in hopes of enticing newcomers. The seven episodes of the first season will air back-to-back on Wednesday, Oct. 1, beginning at 6 p.m.

Emmy winner Bryan Cranston portrays Walter White, a high school chemistry teacher whose boring life is suddenly invigorated when he gets a dire medical diagnosis and decides to become a drug dealer in order to leave his family financially secure.

Dave Navarro on IFC

Rocker Dave Navarro is a guest on "Z Rock" Sunday at 9:30 p.m. on IFC. The 10-episode semi-scripted comedy follows a group of musicians leading a double life: by night, a hard-partying rock band; by day a kids' birthday party band.

"The Mtn." basketball

A total of 102 men's and women's basketball games will be available nationally from Centennial-based Mountain West Sports Network, many on Saturdays starting in November. Check their website for schedules.

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