A) Support versus state population size

Estimated support for gay marriage (as of 2015)

State population (in thousands)

National opinion

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B) Simulated utility as a function of sensitivity

Simulated aggregate shift in voter utility

Aggregate utility increases

Aggregate utility declines

Ratio of sensitivity (α) of supporters/opponents

C) Simulated utility over time

Simulated aggregate shift in voter utility

Aggregate utility increases

Aggregate utility declines

No externalities

Constant externalities

Externalities correlated with overall opinion

1995   2000   2005   2010   2015