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INTRODUCTION: Hello, I'm _____ calling from The Center for Survey Research at Rutgers University. We are conducting an important survey about life in communities across central New Jersey.

So that all types of people are represented in our survey, may I please speak to the person 18 years or older living in your household who last had a birthday? (IF SELECTED RESPONDENT NOT AT HOME, ARRANGE A CALLBACK.)

(INTERVIEWER: YOU MAY MENTION THAT "NO ONE WILL TRY TO SELL YOU ANYTHING OR ASK FOR A DONATION" AS NECESSARY TO RESPOND TO INQUIRIES OR TO KEEP THE RESPONDENT ON THE PHONE.)

NOTE: The study is sponsored by the Princeton Area Community Foundation and the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation [INTERVIEWER: ALTERNATE WHICH FOUNDATION IS LISTED FIRST]

NOTE: If respondent asks, s/he may call the project director, Dr. Marc Weiner at Rutgers University, with further questions at 732-932-4101 x617

- 1 Continue with person on the phone
- 2 New person coming to the phone
- 3 Selected respondent is not at home
- 4 RETURN TO DISPO

INTERVIEWER: CALLBACK SHOULD ASK FOR:
Whom should we ask for when we call back? (Just a first name will do.)

<RNAME> [STRING] _ _ _ _ _

PROGRAMMER: DISPLAY RNAME ON INTRO SCREEN FOR CALLBACK

SECOND INTRODUCTION: Hello, I'm _____ calling from The Center for Survey Research at Rutgers University. We are conducting an important survey about life in communities across central New Jersey.

- 1 Continue
- 2 RETURN TO DISPO

INTERVIEWER: RECORD R's GENDER
(IF NECESSARY SAY: I am recording that you are a male/female.)
(854)

- <GENDER>
- 1 Male
 - 2 Female

QUESTIONNAIRE

2B. Just to be certain we are calling in the right area, what county do you live in?

- 1 Mercer – Ask Q2C.1
- 2 Somerset – Ask Q2C.2
- 3 Middlesex – Ask Q2C.3
- 4 Hunterdon – TERMINATE (Screen-out, 2B County)
- 5 Other (RECORD VERBATIM) – TERMINATE (Screen-out, 2B County)
- 8 Don't know – TERMINATE (Screen-out, 2B County)
- 9 Refused - TERMINATE (Screen-out, 2B County)

2C.1. And in which city or town do you live?

1. Chambersburg (section of Trenton)
2. East Windsor
3. Ewing (Township of)
4. Glen Afton (section of Trenton)
5. Hamilton (Township)
6. Hightstown (Borough of)
7. Hiltonia (section of Trenton)
8. Hopewell (Borough)
9. Hopewell (Township)
10. Lawrence (Township)
11. Mill Hill (section of Trenton)
12. Pennington
13. Princeton (Borough)
14. Princeton (Township)
15. Trenton
16. Washington (Township)
17. West Trenton (Section of Ewing)
18. West Windsor (Township)
- 97 Other (RECORD VERBATIM)
- 98 (VOL) Don't Know
- 99 (VOL) Refused

SKIP TO Q3

2C.2. And in which city or town do you live?

[INTERVIEWER: If respondent names a neighborhood or area not on the list probe: "Is that considered part of either Montgomery Township, which includes the neighborhoods of Belle Mead and Skillman, Rocky Hill Borough, or the Kingston part of Franklin Township?" If "Yes" ask which one and enter punches 1,2 or 3. If "No" enter punch 4. Other Specify and terminate. If respondent says "Princeton" probe "Is that Belle Mead or Skillman?]

1. Montgomery Township (includes neighborhoods of Belle Mead and Skillman) – SKIP TO Q3
2. Rocky Hill Borough – SKIP TO Q3
3. Kingston part of Franklin Township – SKIP TO Q3
4. Other (RECORD VERBATIM) – TERMINATE (Screen-out 2C.2)
8. (VOL) Don't Know – TERMINATE (DK/REF 2C.2)
9. (VOL) Refused – TERMINATE (DK/REF 2C.2)

2C.3 And in which city or town do you live?

[INTERVIEWER: If respondent names a neighborhood or area not on the list probe: "Is that considered part of either Cranbury Township, Plainsboro Township, or South Brunswick Township?" If "Yes" ask which one and enter punches 1,2 or 3. If "No" enter punch 4. Other Specify and terminate]

1. Cranbury Township
2. Plainsboro Township
3. South Brunswick Township
4. Other (RECORD VERBATIM) – TERMINATE (Screen-out 2C.3)
8. (VOL) Don't Know – TERMINATE (DK/REF 2C.3)
9. (VOL) Refused – TERMINATE (DK/REF 2C.3)

3. And what is your ZIP code?

<ZIP> _ _ _ _ _

- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

5A. We'd like to know how important various things are to your sense of who you are. When you think about yourself, how important is (DIMENSION) to your sense of who you are? (Very important, moderately important, slightly important, or not at all important)

[RANDOMIZE ORDER]

5A1 ...your OCCUPATION? (IF NECESSARY: By occupation I mean any activities you are engaged in)

<IMPOCCUP>

- 1 Very important
- 2 Moderately important
- 3 Slightly important
- 4 Not at all important
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

5A2 ...your PLACE OF RESIDENCE,...

<IMPRESID>

- 1 Very important
- 2 Moderately important
- 3 Slightly important
- 4 Not at all important
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

5A3 ...your ETHNIC OR RACIAL BACKGROUND...

<IMPETH>

- 1 Very important
- 2 Moderately important
- 3 Slightly important
- 4 Not at all important
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

- 5A4 Your RELIGION (if any)...
<IMPWRK>
1 Very important
2 Moderately important
3 Slightly important
4 Not at all important
5 Not relevant (not religious)
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

- 5A5 Being an American...
<IMPAMER>
1 Very important
2 Moderately important
3 Slightly important
4 Not at all important
5 Not relevant (not American)
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

6. I'd like to ask you some questions about how you view other people. Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?

- <TRUST>
1 People can be trusted
2 You can't be too careful
3 (VOLUNTEERED) Depends
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

7. Next, we'd like to know how much you trust different groups of people. First, think about (GROUP). Generally speaking, would you say that you can trust them a lot, some, only a little, or not at all?

RANDOMIZE WITHIN 2 BLOCKS

BLOCK 1 IS 7A-7F1

BLOCK 2 IS 7G-7J

ASK BLOCK 1 THEN BLOCK 2

(GROUP:)

- 7A. People in your neighborhood
(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

- <TRNEI>
1 Trust them a lot
2 Trust them some
3 Trust them only a little
4 Trust them not at all
5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

7B. (How about) People you work with (would you say that you can trust them a lot, some, only a little, or not at all?)

(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

<TRWRK>

- 1 Trust them a lot
- 2 Trust them some
- 3 Trust them only a little
- 4 Trust them not at all
- 5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

7C. People at your church or place of worship

(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

<TRREL>

- 1 Trust them a lot
- 2 Trust them some
- 3 Trust them only a little
- 4 Trust them not at all
- 5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

7D. People who work in the stores where you shop

(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

<TRSHOP>

- 1 Trust them a lot
- 2 Trust them some
- 3 Trust them only a little
- 4 Trust them not at all
- 5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

7F. The police in your local community

(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

<TRCOP>

- 1 Trust them a lot
- 2 Trust them some
- 3 Trust them only a little
- 4 Trust them not at all
- 5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

7F1. The people who hold office in your local government

(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

<TRCOP>

- 1 Trust them a lot
- 2 Trust them some
- 3 Trust them only a little
- 4 Trust them not at all
- 5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

7G. (How about) White people
(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

(932)

<TRWHT>

- 1 Trust them a lot
- 2 Trust them some
- 3 Trust them only a little
- 4 Trust them not at all
- 5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

7H. What about African Americans or Blacks?
(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

<TRBLK>

- 1 Trust them a lot
- 2 Trust them some
- 3 Trust them only a little
- 4 Trust them not at all
- 5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

7I. What about Asian people?
(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

<TRASN>

- 1 Trust them a lot
- 2 Trust them some
- 3 Trust them only a little
- 4 Trust them not at all
- 5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

7J. How about Hispanics or Latinos?
(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

<TRHIS>

- 1 Trust them a lot
- 2 Trust them some
- 3 Trust them only a little
- 4 Trust them not at all
- 5 (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

9. All things considered, how satisfied are you with your life as a whole nowadays? Please answer using a scale where 1 means extremely dissatisfied and 10 means extremely satisfied. You may use any number in between 1 and 10

<LIFESAT>

[Record number] _____

88 DK

99 Refused

10. And how would you describe your overall state of health these days? Would you say it is excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?

<HEALTH>

1 Excellent

2 Very Good

3 Good

4 Fair

5 Poor

8 Don't Know

9 Refused

- 11A. How likely do you think it is that you may be the victim of a crime in the next 12 months? (very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely or very unlikely)

<ROBCHANC>

1 Very likely

2 Somewhat Likely

3 Somewhat Unlikely

4 Very Unlikely

5 (VOLUNTEERED) Neither/Depends

8 Don't Know

9 Refused

12. How many years have you lived in your community? (IF NECESSARY, PROMPT WITH CATEGORIES)

<LIVCOM>

1 Less than one year

2 One to five years

3 Six to ten years

4 Eleven to twenty years

5 More than twenty years

6 All my life

8 Don't know

9 Refused

14. Overall, how would you rate your community as a place to live — excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

<QOL>

1 Excellent

2 Good

3 Only Fair

4 Poor

8 Don't Know

9 Refused

15. Do you or your family own the place where you are living now, or do you rent?

<OWN>

- 1 Own
- 2 Rent
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

16. Overall, how much impact do you think PEOPLE LIKE YOU can have in making your community a better place to live — no impact at all, a small impact, a moderate impact, or a big impact?

<EFFCOM>

- 1 No impact at all
- 2 A small impact
- 3 A moderate impact
- 4 A big impact
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

17. Next I'd like to ask you a few questions about television and newspapers. How many days in the past week did you read a daily newspaper? (IF NECESSARY: Your best estimate is fine)

<PAPER>

VALID RANGE 0-7

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- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

18. How many hours do you spend watching TV (television) IN A TYPICAL WEEK? By TV or television we mean broadcast TV, cable TV, videos, DVDs, or anything you watch on your television. (IF NECESSARY: By a week, we mean 7 days.) (IF NECESSARY PROBE WITH CATEGORIES)

<TVHRS>

- 1 None
- 2 Less than 1 hour
- 3 1 to 5 hours
- 4 6 to10 hours
- 5 11 to 20 hours
- 6 more than 20 hours
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

19. How many hours do you spend using the Internet or email IN A TYPICAL WEEK, not counting the times you do so for work. (IF NECESSARY: By a week, we mean 7 days.) (IF NECESSARY PROBE WITH CATEGORIES)

<WWWTIME>

- 1 None
- 2 Less than 1 hour
- 3 1 to 5 hours
- 4 6 to10 hours
- 5 11 to 20 hours
- 6 more than 20 hours
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

21. My next questions are about public affairs. How interested are you in politics and national affairs? Are you very interested, somewhat interested, only slightly interested, or not at all interested?

<POLINT>

- 1 Very interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Only slightly interested
- 4 Not at all interested
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

27. Thinking POLITICALLY AND SOCIALLY, how would you describe your own general outlook--as being very conservative, moderately conservative, middle-of-the-road, moderately liberal or very liberal?

<IDEO>

- 1 Very conservative
- 2 Moderately conservative
- 3 Middle-of-the-road
- 4 Moderately liberal
- 5 Very Liberal
- 6 (VOLUNTEERED) Something else
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

27A. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, Democrat, Independent, or what?

<PARTYID>

- 1 Republican
- 2 Democrat
- 3 Independent
- 4 Other
- 5 No Preference
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

29. I want to change subjects now and ask about the groups and organizations you may be involved with. First, what is your religious preference? Is it Protestant, Catholic, another type of Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, some other religion, or no religion?

<RELIG>

- 1 Protestant (IF NECESSARY: Baptist, Episcopal, Jehovah's Witness, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopalian, Pentecostal, Church of Christ)
- 2 Catholic
- 3 Another type of Christian
- 4 Jewish
- 5 Muslim
- 6 Hindu
- 7 Buddhist

- 8 Some other religion
- 9 No religion SKIP TO 33

- 88 Don't know
- 99 Refused SKIP TO 33

30. Are you a MEMBER of a local church, synagogue, or other religious or spiritual community?

<RELMEM>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

31. Not including weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services? (IF NECESSARY PROBE WITH CATEGORIES)

<RELATEND>

- 1 Every week (or more often)
- 2 Almost every week
- 3 Once or twice a month
- 4 A few times per year
- 5 Less often than that
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

32. In the past 12 months, have you taken part in any sort of activity with people at your church or place of worship other than attending services? This might include teaching Sunday school, serving on a committee, attending choir rehearsal, retreat, or other things.

<RELPART1>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33. Now I'd like to ask about other kinds of groups and organizations. I'm going to read a list; just answer YES if you have been involved in the past 12 months with this kind of group. (BEGIN LIST) (NOTE: SCHOOL YEAR INVOLVEMENT/SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD BE INCLUDED.)

PROGRAMMING: RANDOM ORDER A-Q, KEEPING K-M TOGETHER, KEEPING N-O TOGETHER

33A. (How about) (IF Q30=1 DISPLAY: Besides your local place of worship,) Any organization affiliated with religion, such as the Knights of Columbus or B'nai B'rith (BA-NAY BRITH), or a bible study group?

<GRPREL>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33B. (How about) An adult sports club or league, or an outdoor activity club.

<GRPSPORT>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33C. (How about) A youth organization like youth sports leagues, the scouts, 4-H clubs, and Boys & Girls Clubs.

<GRPYOUTH>

1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know
9 Refused

33D. (How about) A parents' association, like the PTA or PTO, or other school support or service groups.

<GRPPTA>

1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know
9 Refused

33E. (How about) A veteran's group.

<GRPVET>

1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know
9 Refused

33F. (How about) A neighborhood association, like a block association, a homeowner or tenant association, or a crime watch group.

<GRPNEI>

1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know
9 Refused

33G. (How about) Clubs or organizations for senior citizens or older people.

<GRPELD>

1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know
9 Refused

33H. (How about) A charity or social welfare organization that provides services in such fields as health or service to the needy.

<GRPSOC>

1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know
9 Refused

33I. (How about) A labor union.

<GRPLAB>

1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know
9 Refused

33J. (How about) A professional, trade, farm, or business association.

<GRPPROF>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33K. (How about) Service clubs or fraternal organizations
(INTERVIEWER READ ONLY IF NECESSARY: such as the Lions, Sons of Italy, Project Hospitality, or Kiwanis or a local women's club or a college fraternity or sorority)
(NOTE: Includes Alumni Organizations)

<GRPFRAT>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33L. (How about) Ethnic, nationality, or civil rights organizations, such as the National Organization for Women, the Mexican American Legal Defense or the NAACP?

<GRPETH>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33M. (How about) Other public interest groups, political action groups, political clubs, or party committees.

<GRPPOL>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33N. (How about) A literary, art, discussion or study group OR a musical, dancing, or singing group.

<GRPART>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33O. (How about) Any other hobby, investment, or garden clubs or societies.

<GRPHOB>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33P. (How about) A support group or self-help program for people with specific illnesses, disabilities, problems, or addictions, or for their families.

<GRPSELF>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

33Q. Are you involved in any group that meets only over the internet.

<GRPWWW>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

IF 30 = 2 (NO) OR 9 (REFUSED) AND 33A-Q = 2 (NO) OR 9 (REFUSED), SKIP TO 35A [BECAUSE R INVOLVED WITH NO GROUPS]

35. In the past twelve months, have you served as an officer or served on a committee of any local club or organization?

<OFFICER>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

35A In the past twelve months, have you served as an officer or member on a local government board, commission, council or committee?

<SRVGOV>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Don't Know
- 4 Refused

(IF NECESSARY: Whether *elected, appointed, or volunteer*)

35B In the past twelve months, have you served as an officer or member on a board or committee for a non-profit organization?

< SRVNONP >

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Don't Know
- 4 Refused

39. Many obstacles keep people from becoming as involved with their community as they would like. Thinking about your own life, are there any obstacles or barriers that make it difficult for you to be as involved with your community as you would like, or not?

<BARRIER>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No SKIP TO 40
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused SKIP TO 40

I'd like you to tell me whether each of the following is a very important obstacle, somewhat important or not an obstacle at all.

[RANDOMIZE A1 – F]

(How about...)

39a1. An inflexible or demanding work schedule (If Necessary: "Is this obstacle a (READ LIST))

<BARJOB1>

- 1 Very important obstacle
- 2 Somewhat important obstacle or
- 3 Not at all important obstacle
- 4 (VOL) Not applicable
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

(How about...)

39a2. Family related commitments (If Necessary: "Is this obstacle a (READ LIST))

(IF NECESSARY: By family related commitments we mean things like inadequate childcare or eldercare)

<BARJOB2>

- 1 Very important obstacle
- 2 Somewhat important obstacle or
- 3 Not at all important obstacle
- 4 (VOL) Not applicable
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

(How about...)

39b. Inadequate transportation (If Necessary: "Is this obstacle a (READ LIST))

<BARCAR>

- 1 Very important obstacle
- 2 Somewhat important obstacle or
- 3 Not at all important obstacle
- 4 (VOL) Not applicable
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

(How about...)

39C Feeling unwelcome (If Necessary: "Is this obstacle a (READ LIST))

<BARWELC>

- 1 Very important obstacle
- 2 Somewhat important obstacle or
- 3 Not at all important obstacle
- 4 (VOL) Not applicable
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

(How about...)

39D Concerns for your safety (If Necessary: "Is this obstacle a (READ LIST))

<BARSAFE>

- 1 Very important obstacle
- 2 Somewhat important obstacle or
- 3 Not at all important obstacle
- 4 (VOL) Not applicable
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

(How about...)

39E Lack of information or Not knowing how to begin (If Necessary: "Is this obstacle a (READ LIST))

<BARINFO>

- 1 Very important obstacle
- 2 Somewhat important obstacle or
- 3 Not at all important obstacle
- 4 (VOL) Not applicable
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

(How about...)

39F Feeling that you can't make a difference (If Necessary: "Is this obstacle a (READ LIST))

<BAREFF>

- 1 Very important obstacle
- 2 Somewhat important obstacle or
- 3 Not at all important obstacle
- 4 (VOL) Not applicable
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

40. Next, I would like to ask a few questions about work. We'd like to know if you are working now, temporarily laid off, or if you are unemployed, retired, permanently disabled, a homemaker, a student, or what

<LABOR>

- 1 Working SKIP TO 41
- 2 Temporarily laid off SKIP TO 45
- 3 Unemployed SKIP TO 45
- 4 Retired
- 5 Permanently Disabled SKIP TO 45
- 6 Homemaker
- 7 Student
- 8 Don't Know SKIP TO 45
- 9 Refused SKIP TO 45

40A. Are you doing any work for pay at the present time?

<LABOR2>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No SKIP TO 45
- 8 Don't know SKIP TO 45
- 9 Refused SKIP TO 45

41. About how many hours do you work in the average week? Count everything, including extra jobs or paid work you do at home.

(INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF RESPONSE IS 96 OR GREATER, ENTER 96)

<WRKTIME>

VALID RANGE 0 to 96

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- 98 Don't know
- 99 Refused

44. On a typical day (IF NECESSARY: when you do go to your workplace), about how long does it take you to get to work?

TYPE IN NUMBER OF HOURS

<COMMUTE1>

VALID RANGE 0 to 5 HOURS

HOURS: ____

TYPE IN NUMBER OF MINUTES

<COMMUTE2>

VALID RANGE 0 to 360 MINUTES

MINUTES: ____ ____ ____

IN DATASET CONVERT FROM HOURS AND/OR MINUTES TO HOURS USING 2 DECIMAL PLACES
<COMMUTE>

____. ____ ____

- 8 Don't know
9 Refused

45. We are interested in how people are getting along financially these days. So far as you and your family are concerned, would you say that you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, or not at all satisfied with your present financial situation?

<ECONSAT>

- 1 Very satisfied
2 Somewhat satisfied
3 Not at all satisfied
8 Don't know
9 Refused

46. Now, I want to ask you some questions about family, friends, and neighbors. First, I'd like you to describe your household. Are you currently married, in a civil union, domestic partnership, or committed living relationship, separated, divorced, widowed, or never married?

<MARITAL>

- 1 Currently married
2 Civil union
3 Domestic partnership
4 Committed living relationship
5 Separated
6 Divorced
7 Widowed
8 Never Married

9 Refused

47. How many children, aged 17 or younger, live in your household?

<KIDS>

VALID RANGE 0-20

- 98 Don't know
99 Refused

IF <KIDS>=0 SKIP TO 48

47A. And how many of these children are ~~six~~ three years old or older?

<KIDS_6>

VALID RANGE 0-20 BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO <KIDS>

--
98 Don't know
99 Refused

48. Including yourself, how many adults live in your household?

(INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF RESPONSE IS 10 OR GREATER, ENTER 10)

<SKID>

VALID RANGE 1-10

--
98 Don't know
99 Refused

51. Next I have a few questions about your IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORS. These are the 10 or 20 households that live closest to you. About how often do you talk to or visit with your immediate neighbors — just about everyday, several times a week, several times a month, once a month, several times a year, once a year or less, or never?

<NEISOC>

1 Just about everyday
2 Several times a week
3 Several times a month
4 Once a month
5 Several times a year
6 Once a year or less
7 Never
8 Don't know
9 Refused

53. Now, how about friends? About how many CLOSE FRIENDS do you have these days? These are people you feel at ease with, can talk to about private matters, or call on for help. Would you say that you have no close friends, one or two, three to five, six to ten, or more than that?

<FRIENDS>

1 No close friends
2 1-2 close friends
3 3-5 close friends
4 6-10 close friends
5 More than 10 close friends
8 Don't know
9 Refused

55. Thinking now about everyone that you would count as a PERSONAL FRIEND, not just your closest friends—do you have a personal friend who...

RANDOMIZE WITHIN 2 BLOCKS, FOLLOWED BY Q55K THEN Q55E

BLOCK 1 IS Q55A-Q55D

BLOCK 2 IS Q55F-Q55J

ASK BLOCK 1 THEN ASK BLOCK 2, THEN Q55K, Q55E

PROGRAMMING: PARTS A-K IN RANDOM ORDER

55A (Do you have a personal friend who) Owns their own business?

<BBUS>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55B. (Do you have a personal friend who) Is a manual worker? (IF NECESSARY: Works in a factory, as a truck driver, or as a laborer.)

<BWORKER>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55C. (Do you have a personal friend who) Has been on welfare?

<BWELF>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55D. (Do you have a personal friend who) Owns a vacation home?

<BVACH>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55E. [coded to signify, has personal friend with a different religious orientation]

- (IF <RELIG>=1) (Do you have a personal friend who) Is not Protestant?
- (IF <RELIG>=2) (Do you have a personal friend who) Is not Catholic?
- (IF <RELIG>=3) (Do you have a personal friend who) Has a different religion than you?
- (IF <RELIG>=4) (Do you have a personal friend who) Is not Jewish?
- (IF <RELIG>=5) (Do you have a personal friend who) Is not Muslim?
- (IF <RELIG>=6) (Do you have a personal friend who) Is not Hindu?
- (IF <RELIG>=7) (Do you have a personal friend who) Is not Buddhist
- (IF <RELIG>>8) (Do you have a personal friend who) You consider to be religious?

<BREL>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55F. (Do you have a personal friend who) Is White?

<BWHT>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55G. (Do you have a personal friend who) Is Latino or Hispanic?

<BHISP>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55H. (Do you have a personal friend who) Is Asian?

<BASN>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55I. (Do you have a personal friend who) Is Black or African American?

<BBLK>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55J. (Do you have a personal friend who) Is Gay or Lesbian?

<BGAY>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

55K. (Do you have a personal friend who) You would describe as a community leader?

<BLEADER>

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

56. Now, I'm going to ask you how many times you may have done certain things in the past twelve months. For all of these, I want you just to give me your best guess, and don't worry that you might be off a little. About how many times in the past 12 months did you... [INSERT ACTIVITY]?

[PROGRAMMING: RANDOMIZE A-N]

56A. Attend a celebration, parade, or a local sports or art event in your community?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CPARADE>

VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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- 98 Don't Know
- 99 Refused

56B. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) Taken part in artistic activities with others such as singing, dancing, or acting with a group?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CARTIST>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

56C. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) played cards or board games with others?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CCARDS>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

56D. (How many times in the past 12 months have you) visited relatives in person or had them visit you?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CFAMVISI>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

56E. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) attended a club meeting?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CCLUBMET>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

56F. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) had friends over to your home?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CFRDVIST>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

56G. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) been in the home of a friend of a different race or had them in your home?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CFRDRAC>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

IF Q40 = 1 OR Q40A = 1 (R WORKS) ASK 56H - ALL OTHERS SKIP TO Q56I

56H. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) socialized with coworkers outside of work?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CJOBSOC>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

56I. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) hung out with friends at a park, shopping mall, or other public place?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CFRDHANG>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

56J. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) played a team sport?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CSOCSVRT>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

56L. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) attended any public meeting in which there was discussion of town or school affairs?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CPUBMEET>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

56M. (How many times in the past twelve months have you) been in the home of a neighbor?

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CNEIHOME>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

58. How many times in the past twelve months have you volunteered?

(IF NECESSARY: By volunteering, I mean any unpaid work you've done to help people besides your family and friends or people you work with.)
(IF NECESSARY: Count every time you did any volunteer work, no matter how much or little.)

(IF NEEDED: YOUR BEST ESTIMATE IS FINE.)
(NOTE: IF RANGE IS GIVEN, CODE MIDPOINT.)
(IF RESPONSE IF 53 OR GREATER, ENTER 53.)

<CVOLTIME>
VALID RANGE 0 to 53

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98 Don't Know
99 Refused

IF 0 OR 99, SKIP TO 60

59. I'm going to list some of the types of organizations where people do volunteer work. Just tell me whether you have done any volunteer work for each in the past twelve months.

PROGRAMMING RANDOMIZE A-F

(AS NECESSARY: "In the past twelve months have you done any volunteer work...")
59A (SKIP UNLESS RELMEM=1) For your place of worship

<VOLREL>
1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

(AS NECESSARY: "In the past twelve months have you done any volunteer work...")
59B For health care or fighting particular diseases

<VOLHEA>
1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

(AS NECESSARY: "In the past twelve months have you done any volunteer work...")
59C For school or youth programs

<VOLYOU>
1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

(AS NECESSARY: "In the past twelve months have you done any volunteer work...")
59D For any organization to help the poor or elderly

<VOLHUM>
1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

(AS NECESSARY: "In the past twelve months have you done any volunteer work...")
59E For any arts or cultural organizations

<VOLARTS>
1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

(AS NECESSARY: "In the past twelve months have you done any volunteer work...")
59F For any neighborhood or civic group

<VOLNEI>
1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't Know
9 Refused

60. Our last few questions are used to ensure that our sample for this survey accurately reflects the population as a whole. First, in what year were you born?

<BYEAR>

VALID RANGE 1895-1989

61. What is the highest grade of school or year of college you have completed?

<EDUC>

1	Less than high school (Grade 11 or less)	CONTINUE
2	High school diploma (including GED)	SKIP TO 62
3	Some college	SKIP TO 62
4	Assoc. degree (2 year) or specialized technical training	SKIP TO 62
5	Bachelor's degree	SKIP TO 62
6	Some graduate training	SKIP TO 62
7	Graduate or professional degree	SKIP TO 62
8	Don't know	SKIP TO 62
9	Refused	SKIP TO 62

61A. Do you have a GED or high school equivalency?

<EDUC2>

1	Yes
2	No
8	Don't know
9	Refused

62. Do you consider yourself Hispanic or Latino?

<HISPAN>

1	Yes
2	No
8	Don't know
9	Refused

63. Do you consider yourself to be primarily White, Black or African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, Native American, or some other race? (SINGLE MENTION)

<RACE>

1	White
2	African American or Black
3	Asian or Pacific Islander
4	Alaskan Native
5	Native American
6	Other (SPECIFY)
8	Don't know
9	Refused

63a. Do you also consider yourself to be part of another racial group? (IF NECESSARY: White, Black or African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, Native American, or some other race?) (MULTIPLE RECORD ANSWER PUNCHES 1-6 ONLY)

<RACE2>

- 1 Yes, White
- 2 Yes, African American or Black
- 3 Yes, Asian or Pacific Islander
- 4 Yes, Alaskan Native
- 5 Yes, Native American
- 6 Yes, Other (SPECIFY)
- 7 NO
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

64A. Were you born in the United States?

<BORNUS>

- 1 Yes SKIP TO 66A
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know SKIP TO 66A
- 9 Refused SKIP TO 66A

64B. How many years ago did you come to the United States?

<IMMIGUS>

VALID RANGE 0-90 Don't Know = 98 Refused = 99

(INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF RESPONSE IS "THIS YEAR" ENTER 0; IF RESPONSE IS 90 OR GREATER, ENTER 90); IF RESPONSE IS 2006 AND WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS, ENTER "1"

66A. If you added together the yearly incomes, before taxes, of all the members of your household for last year, 2006, would the total be: (READ LIST)

<YP_1>

- 1 Less than \$30,000 or
- 2 \$30,000 or more
- DO NOT READ BELOW---
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

IF <YP_1> = 2, SKIP TO 66C. IF <YP_1> = 8 or 9, SKIP TO END

66B. Would that be: (READ LIST)

<YP_2>

- 1 \$20,000 or less
- 2 Over \$20,000 but less than \$30,000
- DO NOT READ BELOW---
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

IF Q66B WAS ASKED, SKIP TO END

66C. Would that be: (READ LIST)

<YP_3>

- 1 \$30,000 but less than \$50,000
 - 2 \$50,000 but less than \$75,000
 - 3 \$75,000 but less than \$100,000
 - 4 \$100,000 but less than \$150,000
 - 5 \$150,000 or more
- DO NOT READ BELOW---
- 8 Don't Know
 - 9 Refused

CLOSING:

That's all my questions. I want to thank you very much for taking the time to talk with us. We will announce the results of this survey sometime in the next few months, we hope you look for the news story.