

## 2011 REGIONAL QoL SURVEY QUESTIONS

### SECTION: OVERALL

OVERALL1. How long have you lived at your current residence?

1. Less than one year
2. 1-3 years
3. 3-5 years
4. 5-10 years
5. 10-20 years
6. More than 20 years
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

**[Programmer note: Stratum 1 = Allegheny County, Stratum 2 = the remaining 6 counties of Pittsburgh MSA, and Stratum 3 = the other 25 counties. In the following questions, Strata 1 and 2 are noted as "Southwestern Pennsylvania" -- Stratum 3 is not.]**

OVERALL2. How many years have you lived in the [Southwestern Pennsylvania] region?

1. Less than one year
2. 1-3 years
3. 3-5 years
4. 5-10 years
5. 10-20 years
6. More than 20 years
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

OVERALL3. Thinking about the overall quality of life in [Southwestern Pennsylvania / the region], how would you rate the region as a place to live? Would you say it is....

1. Excellent
2. Very Good
3. Good
4. Fair
5. Poor
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

OVERALL4. Would you say that the overall quality of life in [Southwestern Pennsylvania / the region] has improved, declined, or stayed about the same during the past few years?

1. Improved
2. Declined
3. Stayed about the same
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

OVERALL5. Now thinking about where you live, what community or local neighborhood do you live in?

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OVERALL6. How would you rate your neighborhood or local community as a place to live? Would you say it is....

1. Excellent
2. Very Good
3. Good
4. Fair
5. Poor
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## **SECTION: NEIGHBORHOOD**

NEIGHRD. Now we'd like to ask a few questions about your interactions with your neighbors.

NEIGH1. About how often do you talk to or visit with your immediate neighbors? Would you say...

1. Just about everyday
2. Several times a month
3. Once a month
4. Several times a year
5. Never
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

NEIGH2. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statement: "The people in my neighborhood are willing to help their neighbors." Do you...

1. Strongly agree
2. Somewhat agree
3. Somewhat disagree
4. Strongly disagree
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

NEIGH3. When thinking about the racial diversity in your own neighborhood or local community, would you say that it is...

1. Very diverse
2. Somewhat diverse
3. Not at all diverse
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

NEIGH4. How much of a problem, if any, do you think race relations are in your own neighborhood or local community? Would you say that they are...

1. A severe problem
2. A moderate problem
3. A minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

NEIGH5. How likely are you to move from your current residence within the next year? Would you say...

1. Very likely
2. Somewhat likely
3. Not at all likely
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

NEIGH6. Do you expect to be living in the [Southwestern Pennsylvania] region five years from now?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## **SECTION: ENVIRONMENT**

ENVIRRD. Now I'd like to ask some questions about environmental issues. I'd like for you to tell me how much of a problem, if any, you think there is with each of the following in your community...

ENVIR1. Would you say that air quality in your community is a...

1. Severe problem
2. Moderate problem
3. Minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR2. How about the quality of your drinking water? Would you say it is a...

1. Severe problem
2. Moderate problem
3. Minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR3. How about pollution in streams and rivers? [Would you say it is...]

1. Severe problem
2. Moderate problem
3. Minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR4RD. There has been a lot in the news recently about the natural gas drilling in the Marcellus Shale in Pennsylvania and surrounding states. There has been debate over the economic opportunities of drilling versus the threat to the environment, as well as to whether the companies doing the drilling should be taxed.

ENVIR4. First, how closely would you say you have been following the Marcellus Shale issue? Would you say you've been following it...

1. Very closely
2. Somewhat closely
3. A little bit
4. Not at all → skip to ENVIR6 / ENVIR7
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to ENVIR6 / ENVIR7
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to ENVIR6 / ENVIR7

ENVIR5. Where do you currently get information about Marcellus Shale activity? I'm going to read a list...please just tell me "yes" or "no" for each one. (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

01. Media such as newspaper, television, or radio
02. The Internet
03. Neighbors, friends, or relatives
04. Natural gas industry representatives
05. Cooperative extension or other educators
06. Landowner groups
07. Environmental regulatory agencies
08. Center for Healthy Environments and Communities
09. FracTracker.org
10. Other (SPECIFY)
11. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
12. REFUSED TO ANSWER

**[Programmer note: Randomize the order of ENVIR6 and ENVIR7]**

ENVIR6. [Even though you haven't been following it at all, I still need to ask...] To what extent do you think the Marcellus Shale represents an economic opportunity for this region? Do you think it represents...

1. A significant economic opportunity for the region
2. A moderate economic opportunity for the region
3. Only a slight economic opportunity [for the region]
4. Very little or no economic opportunity [for the region]
5. NO OPINION / HAVEN'T THOUGHT ABOUT IT
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR7. [Even though you haven't been following it at all, I still need to ask...] To what extent do you think the Marcellus Shale represents a threat to the environment and public health of the region? Do you think it represents...

1. A significant threat to the environment and public health of the region
2. A moderate threat to the environment and public health of the region
3. Only a slight threat [to the environment and public health of the region]
4. Very little or no threat [to the environment and public health of the region]
5. NO OPINION / HAVEN'T THOUGHT ABOUT IT
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR8. Considering everything, how do you feel about natural gas extraction from the Marcellus Shale region? Do you...

1. Strongly oppose
2. Somewhat oppose
3. Neither oppose nor support
4. Somewhat support
5. Strongly support
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR9. Have you been affected personally from industry activities related to removing natural gas from the Marcellus Shale?

1. YES
2. NO → skip to ENVIR11
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to ENVIR11
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to ENVIR11

ENVIR10. How have you been affected? \_\_\_\_\_

ENVIR11. Have you or anyone in your family signed a lease with a natural gas company for rights to extract natural gas from land that you or someone in your family owns?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR12. Do you feel that state government oversight of the environment should...

1. Increase significantly
2. Increase somewhat
3. Remain the same
4. Decrease somewhat
5. Decrease significantly
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR13. Would you say that overall environmental quality in our region is...

1. Improving significantly
2. Improving somewhat
3. Remaining the same
4. Getting somewhat worse
5. Getting significantly worse
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR14. Do you regularly recycle newspaper, glass, or plastic?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR15. Do you have a fishing or hunting license?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ENVIR16. How would you rate the overall quality of public recreational areas in the region, such as parks, trails and playgrounds? Would you say they are...

1. Excellent
2. Very Good
3. Good
4. Fair
5. Poor
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## **SECTION: GOVERNMENT**

GOVRD. Now some questions about local government. Local governments are financially strapped and face difficult choices. Keeping limited resources in mind, should your local government increase spending, keep spending about the same amount, or decrease spending on the following....

GOV1. Public Safety

[Keeping limited resources in mind, should your local government increase spending, keep spending about the same amount, or decrease spending on public safety?]

1. Increase spending
2. Keep spending the same
3. Decrease spending
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

GOV2. Roads and infrastructure

[Keeping limited resources in mind, should your local government increase spending, keep spending about the same amount, or decrease spending on roads and infrastructure?]

1. Increase spending
2. Keep spending the same
3. Decrease spending
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

GOV3. Human Services

[Keeping limited resources in mind, should your local government increase spending, keep spending about the same amount, or decrease spending on human services?]

1. Increase spending
2. Keep spending the same
3. Decrease spending
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

GOV4. Parks and recreation

[Keeping limited resources in mind, should your local government increase spending, keep spending about the same amount, or decrease spending on parks and recreation?]

1. Increase spending
2. Keep spending the same
3. Decrease spending
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

GOV5. Schools

[Keeping limited resources in mind, should your local government increase spending, keep spending about the same amount, or decrease spending on schools?]

1. Increase spending
2. Keep spending the same
3. Decrease spending
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

GOV6. Economic development and job creation

[Keeping limited resources in mind, should your local government increase spending, keep spending about the same amount, or decrease spending on economic development and job creation?]

1. Increase spending
2. Keep spending the same
3. Decrease spending
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

GOV7. How strongly would you support or oppose the idea of merging your municipality with any neighboring municipality? Would you...

1. Strongly support
2. Moderately support
3. Neither support nor oppose
4. Moderately oppose
5. Strongly oppose
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

GOV8. How often do you vote?

1. In every election
2. In every general election
3. In every Presidential election.
4. Rarely
5. You don't vote
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

GOV9. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent, or something else?

1. Democrat
2. Republican
3. Independent
4. Something else / Other (SPECIFY)
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

GOV10. Generally speaking, would you consider yourself to be a liberal, a conservative, or a moderate?

1. Liberal
2. Conservative
3. Moderate
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## **SECTION: ARTS**

ARTSRD. Now a few questions about cultural and leisure activities.

ARTS1. During the past year, about how many times have you visited a local museum or gallery or attended an art or cultural event, such as a play, concert, festival, reading or film? Would you say...

1. None
2. 1-2 times → skip to ARTS3RD
3. 3-5 times → skip to ARTS3RD
4. 6-10 times → skip to ARTS3RD
5. 11-20 times → skip to ARTS3RD
6. More than 20 times → skip to ARTS3RD
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to ARTS3RD
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to ARTS3RD

ARTS2. Why haven't you visited or attended any of these? Was it because... [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]

1. You're not interested
2. It's too expensive
3. You don't have time
4. Lack of awareness
5. Lack of transportation
6. Some other reason (SPECIFY)
7. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
8. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ARTS3RD. Now we'd like to ask you about your participation in and support of the arts during the past year.

ARTS3. During the last 12 months, did you do any arts and crafts work, painting, drawing, sculpture, or printmaking activities?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER



ARTS4. During the last 12 months, outside of work or school, did you do any creative writing such as stories, poems or plays?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ARTS5. During the last 12 months, did you write, compose music or play a musical instrument?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ARTS6. During the last 12 months, did you sing in a choir, band or other performance, or do any dancing such as ballet, modern, folk, or tap?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ARTS7. During the past year, have you made any donations or have you volunteered your time to arts or cultural organizations?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ARTS8. In your opinion, how important is arts education in schools? Would you say it is...

1. Not important
2. Somewhat important
3. Very important
4. Extremely important
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ARTS9. How would you rate the overall quality of the region's arts and cultural opportunities? Would you say...

1. Excellent
2. Very Good
3. Good
4. Fair
5. Poor
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## SECTION: TRANSPORTATION

TRANSRD. Now we will ask a few questions about transportation issues. Please tell me how much of a problem, if any, you think there is with each of the following in the region. The first one is...

TRANS1. Road and bridge quality

How much of a problem, if any, do you think there is with road and bridge quality in the region? Would you say....

1. A severe problem
2. A moderate problem
3. A minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

TRANS2. Traffic congestion

[How much of a problem, if any, do you think there is with traffic congestion in the region? Would you say....]

1. A severe problem
2. A moderate problem
3. A minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

TRANS3. Availability of public transit

[How much of a problem, if any, do you think there is with the availability of public transit in the region? Would you say....]

1. A severe problem
2. A moderate problem
3. A minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

TRANS4. Availability of nonstop flight destinations at Greater Pittsburgh International Airport

[How much of a problem, if any, do you think there is with the availability of nonstop flight destinations at Greater Pittsburgh International Airport? Would you say....]

1. A severe problem
2. A moderate problem
3. A minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

TRANS5. Availability of safe and dedicated bicycling and pedestrian routes

[How much of a problem, if any, do you think there is with the availability of safe and dedicated bicycling and pedestrian routes in the region? Would you say....]

1. A severe problem
2. A moderate problem
3. A minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

TRANS6. How often do you use public transit?

1. 5 days a week or more
2. At least once a week
3. At least once a month
4. Less than once a month
5. Never
6. Public transit is not available
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

TRANS7. Are you satisfied with the public transit available to you?

1. YES → skip to TRANS9
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to TRANS9
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to TRANS9

TRANS8. Why are you dissatisfied with the public transit available to you? \_\_\_\_\_

[NOT ASKED IF PERSON LIVES IN PGH]

TRANS9. How often do you travel in and around the City of Pittsburgh? Would you say...

1. 5 days a week or more
2. At least once a week
3. At least once a month
4. Less than once a month or never → skip to next section
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to next section
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to next section

TRANS10. Why do you usually travel to the City of Pittsburgh? Do you go for... [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]

1. Work or business
2. Arts and culture
3. Entertainment, events and sports
4. Shopping
5. Education or medical services
6. Some other reason (SPECIFY)
7. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
8. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## SECTION: EDUCATION

EDUCRD. Next, I want to ask you about the schools in your community. The first few questions ask about your general impressions of the public schools in your local community. We'd like to hear your opinions even if you don't currently have children attending public schools.

EDUC1. In your view, how adequate or inadequate are the financial resources available for the public schools in your local community? Would you say the financial resources are...

1. Completely adequate
2. Generally adequate
3. Generally inadequate
4. Completely inadequate
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

EDUC2. How would you rate the safety of the public schools in your local community? Would you say they are...

1. Very safe
2. Somewhat safe
3. Somewhat unsafe
4. Very unsafe
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

EDUC3. Do you have any children under the age of 18 who currently live in your household?

1. YES
2. NO → skip to EDUC7
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to EDUC7
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to EDUC7

EDUC4. Do you have any children attending a public school or a private school? If so, which type of school?

1. YES, PUBLIC SCHOOL
2. YES, PRIVATE SCHOOL
3. YES, BOTH TYPES
4. NO, NO CHILDREN ATTENDING EITHER → skip to EDUC7
5. OTHER (SPECIFY) → skip to EDUC7
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to EDUC7
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to EDUC7

EDUC5. How would you rate the overall quality of education that your children are receiving? Would you say it is...

1. Excellent
2. Very Good
3. Good
4. Fair
5. Poor
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

EDUC6. In the past two years, have you visited your child's school for a parent conference or been a member of the PTA or similar parent organization?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

EDUC7. In the past two years, have you attended a school board meeting?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

**[Programmer note: If no kids under 18 in household, skip to EDUC10]**

EDUC8. Do you regularly use any form of day care for any of your children? This includes family members, friends, in-home care and professional child care facilities.

1. YES
2. NO → skip to EDUC10
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to EDUC10
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to EDUC10

EDUC9. How much of a problem, if any, has it been for you to find quality day care that you can trust? Has it been...

1. A severe problem
2. A moderate problem
3. A minor problem
4. Not a problem at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

EDUC10. Do you feel that the emphasis placed on statewide test scores in public schools is...

1. Very appropriate
2. Somewhat appropriate
3. Somewhat inappropriate
4. Very inappropriate
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

EDUC11. If education funding had to be reduced, which one of the following would you most favor reduced spending on? **(Programmer note: Randomize order of options 1 through 4)**

1. Athletics /After school programs
2. Buildings and facilities
3. Transportation
4. School personnel, that is, teachers and administrators
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

EDUC12. Would you support merging your school district with any of its neighboring school districts?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## **SECTION: PUBLIC SAFETY**

SAFERD. Now I'd like to ask a few questions dealing with crime, the police, and public safety in your immediate neighborhood or community.

SAFE1. In general, how do you think your neighborhood compares with other neighborhoods in the area with regard to the amount of crime? Do you think it has more crime than other neighborhoods, about the same amount of crime, or less crime?

1. More crime
2. About the same
3. Less crime
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

SAFE2. Comparing safety in your neighborhood now with safety a year ago, is there now...

1. More crime
2. About the same amount of crime
3. Less crime
4. NO OPINION -- HAVEN'T LIVED IN NEIGHBORHOOD FOR 1 YEAR
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

SAFE3. In terms of personal experience with crime, during the past year, have you been the victim of a property crime? That is, have you had money or property stolen, property vandalized, your home broken into, or a car stolen?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

SAFE4. How about violent crime? During the past year, have you been the victim of a personal assault, a robbery involving the use of force or a weapon, or some other type of attack?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

SAFE5. How would you rate the police in your community in terms of giving protection to people in your neighborhood? Would you say they do an...

1. Excellent job
2. Very good job
3. Good job
4. Fair job
5. Poor job
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

SAFE6. Which of the following best describes the general approach you believe we ought to take with people convicted of crimes? **[Programmer note: Randomize options 1 & 3 – leave options 2, 8, and 9 in same position]**

1. Emphasize rehabilitation to prepare them for reentry into society
2. Emphasize a mixture of rehabilitation and shorter prison terms
3. Emphasize longer prison terms
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

SAFE7. Do you support reduced incarceration of non-violent offenders in order to reduce costs?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## SECTION: HOUSING

HOUSERD. Now a few questions about your current housing situation.

HOUSE1. Do you or your family own the place where you currently live, do you rent, or other?

1. Own
2. Rent
3. Other (SPECIFY)
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

HOUSE2. How would you rate the overall physical or structural condition of the house or apartment in which you live? Would you say the condition is...

1. Excellent
2. Very Good
3. Good
4. Fair
5. Poor
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

HOUSE3. What about the condition of the other houses or buildings in your neighborhood? Would you say that, in general, the physical condition of surrounding houses and buildings is...

1. Excellent
2. Very Good
3. Good
4. Fair
5. Poor
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## **SECTION: ECONOMY**

ECONRD. Continuing with some questions about your personal economic situation, employment status, and the economy more generally...

ECON1. How often does your household have difficulty paying for basic necessities like monthly rent or mortgage, food, and utilities?

1. Never
2. Rarely
3. Sometimes
4. Often
5. Always
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ECON2. In the past 3 years, has your household's financial situation...

1. Gotten significantly better
2. Gotten somewhat better
3. Stayed about the same
4. Gotten somewhat worse
5. Gotten significantly worse
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ECON3. Thinking about the national economy, would you say that over the next year the nation's economy will...

1. Get much better
2. Get somewhat better
3. Stay about the same
4. Get somewhat worse
5. Get much worse
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER



ECON4. Thinking about the local or regional economy, would you say that over the next year the region's economy will...

1. Get much better
2. Get somewhat better
3. Stay about the same
4. Get somewhat worse
5. Get much worse
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ECON5. Thinking about your own economic situation, would you say that over the next year your economic situation will...

1. Get much better
2. Get somewhat better
3. Stay about the same
4. Get somewhat worse
5. Get much worse
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ECON6. Are you currently employed either full or part time?

1. YES
2. NO → skip to ECON8
3. RETIRED → skip to ECON18
4. DISABLED → skip to ECON18
5. UNABLE TO WORK → skip to ECON18
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to ECON18
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to ECON18

ECON7. How many hours per week do you USUALLY work at your main job? Would you say...

1. 35 hours or more per week → skip to ECON12
2. Less than 35 hours per week → skip to ECON12
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to ECON12
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to ECON12

ECON8. Do you currently want a full time job?

1. YES → skip to ECON10
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to ECON10
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to ECON10

ECON9. What is the main reason you do not want to work full time? \_\_\_\_\_

**[Programmer note: skip to ECON18]**

ECON10. Are you looking for work at this time?

1. YES → skip ECON18
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW → skip ECON18
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip ECON18

ECON11. What is the main reason you are not looking for work? \_\_\_\_\_

**[Programmer note: skip to ECON18]**

ECON12. Are you employed in the private sector, the public sector, or a non-profit?

1. Private
2. Public → skip to ECON14
3. Non-profit → skip to ECON14
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to ECON14
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to ECON14

ECON13 Are you self-employed?

1. Self-Employed
2. Work for someone else
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ECON14. Are you a member of a union?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ECON15. How long is your average one-way commute to work, in minutes? \_\_\_\_\_ MINUTES

ECON16. How do you usually get to work?

1. Private car, truck, or van
2. Public transit
3. Motorcycle
4. Bicycle or walking
5. Work at home
6. Other (SPECIFY)
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ECON17. How easy would it be for you to find a job with another employer in the area that offers the same income and fringe benefits you have now?

1. Very easy
2. Fairly easy
3. Not too easy
4. Not easy at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

ECON18. Are you currently a full- or part-time student at a community college, a 4-year college/university, or a technical/ trade/professional school?

1. No, not a student
2. Student at Community college
3. Student at a 4-year college/university
4. Student at a technical/trade/professional school
8. DON'T KNOW

## SECTION: HEALTH

HLTHRD. Now we would like to switch topics a little bit and talk briefly about your own physical health, and any problems you may have been having recently.

HLTH1. Overall, how would you rate your health?

1. Excellent
2. Very Good
3. Good
4. Fair
5. Poor
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

HLTH2. During the past month, how would describe your stress level? Would you say you have had...

1. No stress
2. Mild stress
3. Moderate stress
4. Severe stress
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

HLTH3. Do you have any kind of health care coverage, including health insurance, prepaid plans such as HMOs, or government plans such as Medicare?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

HLTH4 . Was there a time during the last 12 months when you needed to see a doctor but could not because of the cost?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

**[Programmer note: The following is a fallback for questions about height and weight (can program in a HELP screen): "One way to learn a lot about a person's general health status is to know their height and weight. We know this is somewhat personal, but we'd really appreciate your honesty, and we want to reassure you that this is an anonymous survey and that all data will be kept strictly confidential."]**

HLTH5A. How tall are you without shoes? (FEET PORTION OF HEIGHT) \_\_\_\_\_

HLTH5B. [How tall are you without shoes?] (INCHES PORTION OF HEIGHT) \_\_\_\_\_

HLTH6. How much do you weigh without shoes? (IN POUNDS) \_\_\_\_\_

HLTH7. Do you now smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all?

1. Every day
2. Some days
3. Not at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

HLTH8. People may provide regular care or assistance to someone who has a long-term illness or disability. During the past month, did you provide any such care to a family member or friend?

1. YES
2. NO → skip to next section
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER → skip to next section
9. REFUSED → skip to next section

HLTH9. What is your relationship to the person you cared for? Are you taking care of ...

01. Your mother or mother-in-law
02. Your father or father-in-law
03. Your wife
04. Your husband
05. Your daughter or daughter-in-law
06. Your son or son-in-law
07. Some other relative (SPECIFY)
08. A non-relative (SPECIFY)
88. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
99. REFUSED

HLTH10. What is the major or primary health problem of the person you cared for?

01. Heart disease
02. Cancer
03. Stroke
04. Diabetes
05. Dementia or Alzheimer's
06. Arthritis or rheumatism
07. Lung disease or emphysema
08. Cerebral palsy
09. Hypertension
10. Some other disease or condition (SPECIFY)
88. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
99. REFUSED

HLTH11. About how many hours per week do you provide care?

1. 8 hours or less per week
2. 9 to 19 hours per week
3. 20 to 39 hours per week
4. 40 or more hours per week
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED

HLTH12. How long have you been providing care?

1. 3 months or less
2. 4 to 12 months
3. 13 to 24 months
4. 25 months to 5 years
5. more than 5 years
8. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
9. REFUSED

## **SECTION: RELIGION**

RELIGRD. Now a few questions about religion.

RELIG1. What is your current religious preference?

1. NONE
2. PROTESTANT
3. CATHOLIC
4. JEWISH
5. MUSLIM
6. OTHER (SPECIFY)
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

RELIG2. How often do you usually attend religious services, meetings and/or activities?

1. Every day or nearly every day
2. At least once a week
3. At least once a month
4. A few times a year
5. Never
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

RELIG3. To what extent do you consider yourself a spiritual person? Would you say you are...

1. Very spiritual
2. Moderately spiritual
3. Slightly spiritual
4. Not spiritual at all
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## **SECTION: HAPPINESS**

HAPPYRD. Now a few questions about how you feel about life in general.

HAPPY1. All things considered, how satisfied would you say you are with life these days? Please tell me on a scale from 1 to 10 where 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," and 10 means "Very satisfied." \_\_\_\_\_ (rating)

HAPPY2. Taking all things together on a scale of 1 to 10, how happy would you say you are? Here, one means "Very Unhappy" and 10 means "Very Happy." \_\_\_\_\_ (rating)

## **SECTION: INTERNET**

NETRD. Now a few questions about use of technology and social media.

NET1. Do you use the internet, at least occasionally?

1. YES
2. NO → skip to next section
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to next section
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to next section

NET2. Do you ever use the internet to use a social networking site like MySpace, Facebook or LinkedIn.com?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## **SECTION: DEMOGRAPHICS**

DEMORD. To finish, just a few more questions for statistical purposes.

AGE. What is your age now? (IN YEARS) \_\_\_\_\_

SEX. INTERVIEWER: RECORD PERSON'S SEX

1. MALE
2. FEMALE

MARSTAT. What is your current marital status? Are you...

1. Married/living as married
2. Divorced or separated
3. Widowed
4. Single/never married
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

HISP. Are you of Hispanic or Latino descent?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

RACE. What is your race? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

1. Caucasian/White
2. Asian/Pacific Islander
3. Native American
4. Black or African-American
5. OTHER (SPECIFY)
6. DON'T KNOW
7. REFUSED

EDUC. What is the highest level of education you have completed? DO NOT READ RESPONSES

01. Eighth grade or less
02. Some high school
03. High school graduate or GED
04. Some college, no degree
05. Associate's degree, occupational
06. Associate's degree, academic
07. Bachelor's degree
08. Master's degree
09. Professional degree
10. Doctoral degree
88. DON'T KNOW / NO ANSWER
99. REFUSED TO ANSWER

INCOME. Which of the following best describes your household's total yearly income? Please just stop me when I get to the category that applies to you.

1. Under \$25,000
2. \$25,000 to just under \$50,000
3. \$50,000 to just under \$75,000
4. \$75,000 to just under \$100,000
5. \$100,000 to just under \$150,000
6. \$150,000 or More
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

HHNUM. Including you, how many people currently live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

**[Programmer note: Skip to VET is HHNUM is 1.]**

HHADLTS. Including you, how many adults, age 18 and older, currently live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

VET. Are you a veteran?

1. YES
2. NO
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## **SECTION: STATISTICAL WEIGHTING (LANDLINE STUDY)**

HAVECELL. Is this landline phone your only phone or do you also have a cell phone? By cellular telephone, we mean a telephone that is mobile and usable outside of your neighborhood.

1. Landline phone is only phone → skip to GEOG1
2. Also have a cell phone
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to GEOG1
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to GEOG1

USEMOST. Of all the telephone calls that you receive, are...

1. All or almost all calls received on a cell phone
2. Some calls received on a cell phone and some received on regular landline phone
3. Very few or no calls received on a cell phone
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## SECTION: STATISTICAL WEIGHTING (CELL STUDY)

HAVELL. Is this cell phone your only phone or do you have a regular landline telephone at your residence? By regular landline telephone, we mean a telephone in a home that is connected to outside telephone lines through a cable, a cord, or an Internet connection and is used for making or receiving calls. (Fallback: FIOS and home Internet are considered landline phones.)

1. Cell phone is only phone → skip to GEOG1
2. Also have a landline phone
8. DON'T KNOW → skip to GEOG1
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER → skip to GEOG1

USEMOST. Of all the telephone calls that you receive, are...

1. All or almost all calls received on a cell phone
2. Some calls received on a cell phone and some received on regular landline phone
3. Very few or no calls received on a cell phone
8. DON'T KNOW
9. REFUSED TO ANSWER

## SECTION: GEOGRAPHY

GEOG1. What is the zipcode at your home address? \_\_\_\_\_

GEOG2RD. In order for us to compare your answers to publicly available data about your community, we would also like to ask you for the name of your street and the name of the nearest cross-street.

GEOG2. What is the name of your street? \_\_\_\_\_

GEOG3. What is the name of the nearest cross-street? \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION: CLOSING

[CELL Study only]

ATHOME. We're interested in knowing where people are when they do our survey. Are you currently at your residence?

1. YES → skip to FINALQ
2. NO / DK / REF

[CELL Study only]

WHEREAT. Where are you? Are you shopping, in a restaurant, walking somewhere, etc.? \_\_\_\_\_

FINALQ. Do you have any additional comments about the quality of life in the region that you would like to add before we end? \_\_\_\_\_