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**The Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study
(SURVEY OF NEW PARENTS)**

Fathers' Baseline Survey

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INTRODUCTION

RESPONSE CATEGORIES

There were three types of response sets used in the Fragile Families Survey.

- 1) The choices were read to the respondent (for this type of question possible response categories are in lower case).
- 2) Choices were presented to the respondent on a card (indicated by interviewer instructions).
- 3) Answers were coded by the interviewer into categories to best correspond to the answer of the respondent (possible response categories are in CAPS).

Questions in **BOLD** in the survey were interviewer check questions that summarized information previously gathered to facilitate skip pattern; they were not asked of the respondents.

Respondents who replied 'don't know', refused or were missing a response to a question that involved a skip pattern, were skipped from the subsequent question(s).

OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES

Free response questions (open-ended questions) were coded by CRCW staff. Codes were assigned by two CRCW staff members working independently and these codes were reconciled by a third staff member.

When appropriate, open-ended responses were recoded into the main response categories of the questions. Open-ended responses that did not fit into the existing response categories are recoded into new categories in the 100's range. Cases that indicate an "other" but do not provide an actual answer are coded simply as "Other, specify".

ANNOTATION OF QUESTIONNAIRE

This version of the questionnaire has been annotated to reflect changes to the instrument during fielding. We denoted new questions and changes to the skip pattern as (18-cities only).

Questions that were added during the fielding are coded as "not asked" (-5) for cases that were interviewed prior to the question being added to the instrument.

Most questions that were asked in only the first two cities were dropped from the public use file. Several questions, asked only in the first two cities, remain on the file because the measure a similar concept to new/changed questions asked in the other cities. The questions from the old questionnaire were named using an X in their prefix (i.e. MX1 and FX1) to indicate they have valid values for the first two cities only.

SECTION A. CHILD HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT

A1. NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

A2. Were you present at the birth?

YES..... 1
NO 2

A3. Have you held the [baby/babies]?

YES..... 1
NO 2

A4. Will the (baby/babies) have your last name?

YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW -2

A4A. Did you want the [baby/babies] to have your last name?

YES..... 1 (SKIP to A5)
NO 2 (SKIP to A4A)
DON'T KNOW -2

SECTION A. CHILD HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT, Continued

A5. Will your name be on the birth certificate?

- YES..... 1 (SKIP TO A6)
NO 2 (GO TO A5A)
DON'T KNOW-2

A5A. Did you want to have your name on the birth certificate?

- YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW-2

A6. Do you have any other biological children?

- YES..... 1 (GO TO A6A)
NO 2 (SKIP TO A7)

A6A. How many other biological children?

WRITE IN NUMBER OF BIOLOGICAL CHILDREN

(18 CITIES ONLY – 2 CITIES NOT ASKED)

A7. Who (does/do) the (baby/babies) look like?

- ME 1
BABY'S MOTHER..... 2
RELATIVE OF MINE 3
RELATIVE OF [BABY'S MOTHER] 4
OTHER, *not specified* 5

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- BOTH PARENTS 101
THE BABY'S SIBLING(S) 102
HIMSELF/HERSELF 103
COMBINATION OF RELATIVES 104
DON'T KNOW -2

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS

B1. Now I'd like to ask you some questions about your relationship with [BABY'S MOTHER].

How long did you know each other before [BABY'S MOTHER] got pregnant?

B1A *WRITE IN YEARS* **B1B** *WRITE IN MONTH*

B2. Are you currently married to the mother of your new baby?

YES, MARRIED TO MOTHER 1 (**SKIP TO B22 ON P.14**)

NO, NOT MARRIED TO MOTHER.....2

B3. Which of the following statements best describes your current relationship with [BABY'S MOTHER]? (HAND CARD 1)

We are romantically involved
on a steady basis. 1 (**SKIP TO B8 ON P. 6**)

We are involved in an on-again
and off-again relationship. 2 (**SKIP TO B8 ON P. 6**)

We are just friends. 3

We hardly ever talk to each other. 4

We never talk to each other 5

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR RESPONDENTS WHO ARE NOT ROMANTICALLY INVOLVED

(Q. B4—18 cities only)

B4. Why did your romantic relationship with [BABY'S MOTHER] end?

(Circle All That Apply)

- B4A** FINANCIAL REASONS (DON'T HAVE WORK, MONEY) 1
- B4B** DISTANCE (DON'T LIVE IN SAME TOWN)..... 2
- B4C** INCARCERATION 3
- B4D** RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON'T GET ALONG,
TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH,
JUST FRIENDS, DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER
WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT) 4
- B4E** DRUG PROBLEM..... 5
- B4F** VIOLENCE, ABUSE 6
- B4G** OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED 7
-

B5. I'm going to read you some things that couples often do together. Tell me which ones you and [BABY'S MOTHER] did during **the last month** you were together.

- | | YES | NO |
|--|-----|----|
| B5A. Visited with friends? | 1 | 2 |
| B5B. Went out to a movie, sporting event,
or some other entertainment? | 1 | 2 |
| B5C. Ate out in a restaurant? | 1 | 2 |
| B5D. Helped each other solve a problem? | 1 | 2 |

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B6. The following is a list of subjects on which couples often have disagreements. When you and [BABY'S MOTHER] were last together, how often, if at all, did you have open disagreements about:

	OFTEN	SOMETIMES	NEVER
B6A. Money? Would you say it was often, sometimes, or never?	1	2	3
B6B. Spending time together?	1	2	3
B6C. Sex?.....	1	2	3
B6D. The pregnancy?	1	2	3
B6E. Drinking or drug use ?	1	2	3
B6F. Being faithful?.....	1	2	3

(Q. B7—18 cities only)

B7. Thinking about your past relationship with [BABY'S MOTHER], how often would you say that:

	OFTEN	SOMETIMES	NEVER
B7A. She was fair and willing to compromise when you had a disagreement, would you say often, sometimes, or never?	1	2	3
B7B. She hit or slapped you when he was angry?	1	2	3
B7C. She expressed affection or love for you?.....	1	2	3
B7D. She insulted or criticized you or your ideas?	1	2	3
B7E. She encouraged or helped you to do things that were important to you?	1	2	3

INTERVIEWER: GO TO B14 ON P. 11

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR PARENTS WHO ARE ROMANTICALLY INVOLVED

(Q. B8—18 cities only)

B8. Are you and [BABY'S MOTHER] living together now?

YES..... 1 **(GO TO Q.B10 ON P. 8)**

NO2

(Q. B9—18 cities only)

B9. Do you and [BABY'S MOTHER] have plans to live together or marry in the future?

YES..... 1 **(SKIP TO B9B)**

NO2

(Q. B9A—18 cities only)

B9A. What are the reasons you and [BABY'S MOTHER] are not planning to live together (or get married)?

(Circle All That Apply)

- B9A1** NO NEED TO MARRY (ALREADY A COUPLE, JUST LIKE MARRIED, DON'T APPROVE OF MARRIAGE) 1
- B9A2** TIMING PROBLEM (HAVEN'T SET DATE, WAITING FOR BABY, FOR DIVORCE, FOR GRADUATION, PLANNING WEDDING) 2
- B9A3** FINANCIAL REASONS (DON'T HAVE WORK, MONEY, CAN'T AFFORD WEDDING)..... 3
- B9A4** DISTANCE (DON'T LIVE IN SAME TOWN)..... 4
- B9A5** INCARCERATION 5
- B9A6** HOUSING REASONS (NO PLACE TO LIVE) 6
- B9A7** RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON'T GET ALONG, TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH, JUST FRIENDS, DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT) 7
- B9A8** DRUG PROBLEM..... 8
- B9A9** VIOLENCE, ABUSE..... 9
- B9A10** HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT IT (NO REASON, DON'T KNOW) ... 10
- B9A11** OTHER, *NOT SPECIFIED* 11

FATHER IN OTHER RELATIONSHIP/MARRIED..... 101

INTERVIEWER: SKIP TO B11 ON P. 10

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

(Q. B9B—18 cities only)

B9B. What are the reasons you and [BABY’S MOTHER] are not living together (or married) now?

(Circle All That Apply)

B9B1	NO NEED TO MARRY (ALREADY A COUPLE, JUST LIKE MARRIED, DON’T APPROVE OF MARRIAGE)	1
B9B2	TIMING PROBLEM (HAVEN’T SET DATE, WAITING FOR BABY, FOR DIVORCE, FOR GRADUATION, PLANNING WEDDING)	2
B9B3	FINANCIAL REASONS (DON’T HAVE WORK, MONEY, CAN’T AFFORD WEDDING).....	3
B9B4	DISTANCE (DON’T LIVE IN SAME TOWN).....	4
B9B5	INCARCERATION	5
B9B6	HOUSING REASONS (NO PLACE TO LIVE)	6
B9B7	RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON’T GET ALONG, TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH, JUST FRIENDS, DON’T KNOW EACH OTHER WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT)	7
B9B8	DRUG PROBLEM.....	8
B9B9	VIOLENCE, ABUSE	9
B9B10	HAVEN’T TALKED ABOUT IT (NO REASON, DON’T KNOW).....	10
B9B11	OTHER, <i>NOT SPECIFIED</i>	11
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INTERVIEWER: SKIP TO B11 ON P. 10

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR FATHERS WHO ARE LIVING WITH BABY'S MOTHER

(Q. B10—18 cities only)

B10. Do you and [BABY'S MOTHER] have plans to marry in the future?

- YES..... 1 **(SKIP TO B10B)**
NO2

(Q. B10A—18 cities only)

B10A. What are the reasons you and [BABY'S MOTHER] are not planning to get married?

(Circle All That Apply)

- B10A1** NO NEED TO MARRY (ALREADY A COUPLE, JUST LIKE MARRIED, DON'T APPROVE OF MARRIAGE) 1
- B10A2** TIMING PROBLEM (HAVEN'T SET DATE, WAITING FOR BABY, FOR DIVORCE, FOR GRADUATION, PLANNING WEDDING) 2
- B10A3** FINANCIAL REASONS (DON'T HAVE WORK, MONEY, CAN'T AFFORD WEDDING)..... 3
- B10A4** DISTANCE (DON'T LIVE IN SAME TOWN)..... 4
- B10A5** INCARCERATION 5
- B10A6** HOUSING REASONS (NO PLACE TO LIVE) 6
- B10A7** RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON'T GET ALONG, TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH, JUST FRIENDS, DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT) 7
- B10A8** DRUG PROBLEM..... 8
- B10A9** VIOLENCE, ABUSE 9
- B10A10** HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT IT (NO REASON, DON'T KNOW)..... 10
- B10A11** OTHER, *NOT SPECIFIED* 11
-
- MOTHER/FATHER MARRIED TO SOMEONE ELSE 101

INTERVIEWER: SKIP TO B11 ON P. 10

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B10B. What are the reasons you and [BABY'S MOTHER] are not married now?

(Circle All That Apply)

B10B1 NO NEED TO MARRY (ALREADY A COUPLE, JUST LIKE MARRIED, DON'T APPROVE OF MARRIAGE)	1
B10B2 TIMING PROBLEM (HAVEN'T SET DATE, WAITING FOR BABY, FOR DIVORCE, FOR GRADUATION, PLANNING WEDDING)	2
B10B3 FINANCIAL REASONS (DON'T HAVE WORK, MONEY, CAN'T AFFORD WEDDING).....	3
B10B4 DISTANCE (DON'T LIVE IN SAME TOWN).....	4
B10B5 INCARCERATION	5
B10B6 HOUSING REASONS (NO PLACE TO LIVE)	6
B10B7 RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON'T GET ALONG, TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH, JUST FRIENDS, DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT)	7
B10B8 DRUG PROBLEM	8
B10B9 VIOLENCE, ABUSE	9
B10B10 HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT IT (NO REASON, DON'T KNOW).....	10
B10B11 OTHER, <i>NOT SPECIFIED</i>	11
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SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR FATHERS WHO ARE IN A ROMANTIC OR “ON AGAIN, OFF AGAIN” RELATIONSHIP

(Q. B11—18 cities only)

B11. I’m going to read you some things that couples often do together. Tell me which ones you and [BABY’S MOTHER] have done together in **the past month**.

	YES	NO
B11A. Visited with friends?	1	2
B11B. Gone out to a movie, sporting event, or some other entertainment?	1	2
B11C. Ate out in a restaurant?.....	1	2
B11D. Helped each other solve a problem?.....	1	2

(Q. B12—18 cities only)

B12. The following is a list of subjects on which couples often have disagreements. How often, if at all, in **the last month** have you and [BABY’S MOTHER] had disagreements about each of the following:

	OFTEN	SOMETIMES	NEVER
B12A. Money? Would you say often, sometimes, or never?.....	1	2	3
B12B. Spending time together?.....	1	2	3
B12C. Sex?	1	2	3
B12D. The pregnancy?.....	1	2	3
B12E. Drinking or drug use ?.....	1	2	3
B12F. Being faithful?	1	2	3

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B13. Thinking about your relationship with [BABY'S MOTHER], how often would you say that:

OFTEN SOMETIMES NEVER

- B13A.** She is fair and willing to compromise when you have a disagreement? Would you say often, sometimes, or never? 1.....2 3
- B13B.** She hits or slaps you when she is angry? 1.....2 3
- B13C.** She expresses affection or love for you? 1.....2 3
- B13D.** She insults or criticizes you or your ideas? 1.....2 3
- B13E.** She encourages or helps you to do things that are important to you? 1.....2 3
-

QUESTIONS FOR ALL UNMARRIED FATHERS

B14. What do you think the chances are that you will marry [BABY'S MOTHER] in the future?
(HAND CARD 2)

- No chance..... 1
- A little chance.....2
- A 50-50 chance.....3
- A pretty good chance, or4
- An almost certain chance5 (**SKIP TO B15**)

(Q. B12—18 cities only)

B14A. What do you think the chances are that you will ever marry someone?
(HAND CARD 2)

- No chance..... 1
- A little chance.....2
- A 50-50 chance.....3
- A pretty good chance, or4
- An almost certain chance5

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B15. For each of the following areas, please tell me how you think your life might be different if you were married to [BABY'S MOTHER] now. Would you say that:
(HAND CARD 3)

MUCH SOMEWHAT THE SOMEWHAT MUCH DON'T
WORSE WORSE SAME BETTER BETTER KNOW

- B15A.** Your financial security would be much worse, somewhat worse, the same, somewhat better, or much better?5 4.....3 21..... -2
- B15B.** How about your overall happiness?.....5 4.....3 21..... -2
- B15C.** Freedom to do what you want?.....5 4.....3 21..... -2
- B15D.** Your control over money? ...5 4.....3 21..... -2
- B15E.** Your sex life?5 4.....3 21..... -2
- B15F.** Your relations with your parents?5 4.....3 21..... -2

B16. During [BABY'S MOTHER'S] pregnancy, did you give her money to buy things for the baby/babies?

- YES.....1
- NO2

B17. Did you help in other ways, such as providing transportation to the pre-natal clinic or helping with chores?

- YES.....1
- NO2

B18. Do you want to be involved in raising your child (children) in the coming years?

- YES..... 1
- NO 2
- DON'T KNOW-2

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B19. Does [BABY'S MOTHER] want you to be involved in raising your child in the coming years?

YES..... 1

NO 2

DON'T KNOW.....-2

(Q. B20—18 cities only)

B20. INTERVIEWER: ARE MOTHER AND FATHER LIVING TOGETHER?

YES..... 1 (GO TO B26 ON P. 16)

NO2

(Q. B21—18 cities only)

B21. Have you told [BABY'S MOTHER] that you will provide financial support for the baby during the coming year?

YES..... 1

NO2 (GO TO B26 ON P. 16)

(Q. B21A—18 cities only)

B21A. About how much money per month did you say you would provide?

WRITE IN DOLLAR AMOUNT

,

INTERVIEWER: GO TO B26 ON P. 16

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR MARRIED FATHERS ONLY

B22. I'm going to read you some things that couples often do together. Tell me which ones you and [BABY'S MOTHER] have done together in **the past month**.

	YES	NO
B22A. Visited with friends?	1	2
B22B. Gone out to a movie, sporting event, or some other entertainment?	1	2
B22C. Ate out in a restaurant?	1	2
B22D. Helped each other solve a problem?	1	2

B23. The following is a list of subjects on which couples often have disagreements. How often, if at all, in **the last month** have you and [BABY'S MOTHER] had disagreements about each of the following:

	OFTEN	SOMETIMES	NEVER
B23A. Money? Would you say often, sometimes, or never?	1	2	3
B23B. Spending time together?	1	2	3
B23C. Sex?	1	2	3
B23D. The pregnancy?	1	2	3
B23E. Drinking or drug use?	1	2	3
B23F. Being faithful?	1	2	3

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B24. For each of the following areas, please tell me how you think your life might be different if you were not married to [BABY'S MOTHER] now. Would you say that:
(HAND CARD 3)

MUCH SOMEWHAT THE SOMEWHAT MUCH DON'T
WORSE WORSE SAME BETTER BETTER KNOW

- B24A.** Your financial security would be much worse, somewhat worse, the same, somewhat better, or much better?5 43 21 -2
- B24B.** How about your overall happiness?.....5 43 21 -2
- B24C.** Freedom to do what you want?5 43 21 -2
- B24D.** Your control over money?...5 43 21 -2
- B24E.** Your sex life?5 43 21 -2
- B24F.** Your relations with your parents?5 43 21 -2

(Q. B25A-B25E—18 Cities Only)

B25. Thinking about your relationship with [BABY'S MOTHER], how often would you say that:

OFTEN SOMETIMES NEVER

- B25A.** She is fair and willing to compromise when you have a disagreement? Would you say often, sometimes, or never? 12 3
- B25B.** She hits or slaps you when he is angry? 12 3
- B25C.** She expresses affection or love for you? 12 3
- B25D.** She insults or criticizes you or your ideas? 12 3
- B25E.** She encourages or helps you to do things that are important to you? 12 3

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR ALL FATHERS

B26. After you found out she was pregnant, would you say your relationship with [BABY'S MOTHER] got better, worse, or stayed the same?

BETTER..... 1
WORSE 2
STAYED THE SAME 3
DON'T KNOW-2

B27. When you found out [BABY'S MOTHER] was pregnant, did you think about her having an abortion?

YES.....1
NO2

(Q. B28—18 Cities Only)

B28. Did you suggest that she have an abortion?

YES.....1
NO2

SECTION C. FATHERHOOD

C1. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements: (HAND CARD 4)

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW
C1A. Being a father and raising children is one of the most fulfilling experiences a man can have.....	4	3	2	1	-2
C1A. I want people to know that I have a new child.....	4	3	2	1	-2
C1C Not being a part of my child's life would be one of the worst things that could happen to me.....	4	3	2	1	-2

C2. Fathers do many things for their children. Please tell me how important each of the following activities is to you:

	VERY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	DON'T KNOW
C2A. Provide regular financial support? Is this very important, somewhat important, or not important?	1	2	3	-2
C2B. Teach child about life?	1	2	3	-2
C2C. Provide direct care, such as feeding, dressing, and child care? .	1	2	3	-2
C2D. Show love and affection to the child?	1	2	3	-2
C2E. Provide protection for the child?	1	2	3	-2
C2F. Serve as an authority figure and discipline the child?	1	2	3	-2

SECTION C. FATHERHOOD, Continued

C3. Which of these (HAND CARD 5) is the most important to you?

(Circle Only One)

- Provide regular financial support 1
- Teach child about life 2
- Provide direct care, such as feeding,
dressing, and child care 3
- Show love and affection to the child 4
- Provide protection for the child 5
- Serve as an authority figure and
discipline the child 6

C3A. Which of these (HAND CARD 5) is the least important to you?

(Circle Only One)

- Provide regular financial support 1
- Teach child about life 2
- Provide direct care, such as feeding,
dressing, and child care 3
- Show love and affection to the child 4
- Provide protection for the child 5
- Serve as an authority figure and
discipline the child 6

C4. Now I'd like to ask you some questions about the rights and obligations of fathers who live apart from their children. If a father provides financial support to the mother, do you think he should have the right to:

- | | YES | NO |
|--|-----|----|
| C4A. See his child on a regular basis | 1 | 2 |
| C4B. Make decisions about how the child is raised | 1 | 2 |

SECTION C. FATHERHOOD, Continued

C5. If a father can afford to provide financial support but does not, do you think he should have the right to:

	YES	NO
C5A. See his child on a regular basis	1	2
C5B. Make decisions about how the child is raised	1	2

C6. If a father cannot afford to provide financial support, do you think he should have the right to:

	YES	NO
C6A. See his child on a regular basis	1	2
C6B. Make decisions about how the child is raised	1	2

C7. If a mother has a new partner, do you think the baby's father should be required to provide financial support to his baby?

YES..... 1
NO2

C8. If the father has a new baby with another partner, do you think he should be required to provide support to his children from a previous relationship?

YES..... 1
NO2

SECTION D. MARRIAGE ATTITUDES

D1. For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree:

INTERVIEWER: ACCEPT “DON’T KNOW” ONLY AFTER REPEATING THE STATEMENT AND THE RESPONSE CATEGORIES (HAND CARD 4)

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW
D1A. The main advantage of marriage is that it gives financial security.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1B. All in all, there are more advantages to being single than to being married. ...	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1C. A mother living alone can bring up her child as well as a married couple.	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1D. It is better for a couple to get married than to just live together.	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1E. It is better for children if their parents are married.	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1F. Living together is just the same as being married.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2

SECTION D. MARRIAGE ATTITUDES, Continued

D2. How important do you think the following qualities are for a successful marriage?

	VERY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	DON'T KNOW
D2A. Having the same friends? Do you think it is very important, somewhat important, or not important?	1.....	2.....	3	-2
D2B. The husband having a steady job?.....	1.....	2.....	3	-2
D2C. The wife having a steady job?	1.....	2.....	3	-2
D2D. Being of the same race/ethnic group?	1.....	2.....	3	-2
D2E. Having good sex	1.....	2.....	3	-2
D2F. Having the same religious beliefs?	1.....	2.....	3	-2
D2G. The husband and wife being emotionally mature?	1.....	2.....	3	-2

SECTION D. MARRIAGE ATTITUDES, Continued

D3. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements: (HAND CARD 4)

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DON'T DISAGREE	KNOW
D3A. The important decisions in the family should be made by the man of the house.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3B. When there are children in the family, parents should stay together even if they don't get along.	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3C. It is much better for everyone if the man earns the main living and the woman takes care of the home and family	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3D. In a dating relationship, a woman is largely out to take advantage of a man.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3E. Women cannot be trusted to be faithful	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3F. It is more important for a man to spend time with his family than to work as many hours as he can.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3G. Fathers play a more important role in raising boys than in raising girls.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2

SECTION E. RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTENDED KIN

E1. I'd like to make a list of the people other than you who currently live in your household. Please give me their first names and how they are related to you. Then please tell me whether the person is male or female, their age, and whether or not he or she is usually employed. Please start by giving the name of the oldest person currently living in your household. **IF R LIVES ALONE, WRITE "NONE" IN THE NAME COLUMN AND CODE 0 IN THE RELATIONSHIP COLUMN.**

INTERVIEWER: USE CODES BELOW TO RECORD RELATIONSHIP IN TABLE

- NONE (RESPONDENT LIVES ALONE)..... 0
- MOTHER (BABY'S GRANDMOTHER) 1
- FATHER (BABY'S GRANDFATHER)..... 2
- PARTNER/WIFE/GIRLFRIEND..... 3
- OTHER ADULT FRIEND OR RELATIVE 4
- CHILD/STEP-CHILD/FOSTER CHILD 5
- OTHER CHILD (NIECE, NEPHEW, FRIEND) 6
- OTHER 7

(Each variable in the HH roster is represented by a letter. Each HH member is represented by a number. F1E1B2 will represent the relationship code for the second HH member.)

				ASK ONLY IF RELATION IS 14 OR OLDER.		
A. NAME	(USE CODES FROM ABOVE) B. RELATIONSHIP	C. SEX		D. AGE	[RELATION] E. USUALLY EMPLOYED?	
		M	F		YES	No
<i>Not provided</i>		1	2		1	2
		1	2		1	2
		1	2		1	2
		1	2		1	2
		1	2		1	2
		1	2		1	2
		1	2		1	2
		1	2		1	2

SECTION E. RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTENDED KIN, Continued

E2. Now I'd like to ask you questions about your family. Were you living with both of your biological parents when you were age 15?

- YES..... 1
- NO2

E3. How involved in raising you was your biological father? Would you say he was....

- Very involved 1
- Somewhat involved2
- Not at all involved.....3
- NEVER KNEW MY FATHER.....4

E4. Was there another man who was like a father to you when you were growing up?

- YES..... 1 **(GO TO E4A)**
- NO2 **(SKIP TO E5)**

E4A. Who was this person?

- STEPFATHER 1
- FOSTER FATHER 2
- UNCLE..... 3
- GRANDFATHER..... 4
- COUSIN 5
- MINISTER..... 6
- TEACHER..... 7
- NEIGHBOR..... 8
- OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED 9
- _____
- BROTHER 10
- MOTHER'S BOYFRIEND..... 101
- GODFATHER 102
- FRIEND OF MOTHER OR FATHER 103

SECTION E. RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTENDED KIN, Continued

E5. When you think about the kind of father you want to be, what person do you think of? [READ EACH CATEGORY]

Your real father	1
The man who was like a father to you	2
Some other man, <i>specify relationship</i>	3
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Someone on TV or in a movie, <i>SPECIFY WHO</i>	4
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OTHER, <i>SPECIFY</i>	5
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UNCLE.....	101
GRANDFATHER.....	102
FRIEND	103
MYSELF	104
OWN IDEA.....	105
BILL COSBY	106

SECTION E. RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTENDED KIN, Continued

E6. During [BABY'S MOTHER'S] pregnancy, did you receive any of the following types of support from anyone besides [BABY'S MOTHER]? Did you receive....

E6A. Financial assistance of any kind
 YES1
 NO.....2

E6B. IF YES: ASK: Who gave you the support?
(Circle All That Apply)

E6B1 MOTHER 1
E6B2 FATHER2
E6B3 OTHER RELATIVES..... 3
E6B4 BABY'S MOM'S FAMILY 4
E6B5 OTHER, *NOT SPECIFIED*.....5

MEDICAID..... 101
 WIC 102
 WELFARE 103
 FRIENDS 104

E6C. A place to live
 YES1
 NO.....2

E6D. IF YES: ASK: Who gave you the support?
(Circle All That Apply)

E6D1 MOTHER 1
E6D2 FATHER2
E6D3 OTHER RELATIVES..... 3
E6D4 BABY'S MOM'S FAMILY 4
E6D5 OTHER, *NOT SPECIFIED*.....5

FRIEND..... 101

E7. During the next year, if you needed help, could you count on someone in your family to:

	YES	NO
E7A. Loan you \$200?	1	2
E7B. Provide a place to live?	1	2

SECTION F. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS

F1. Now I would like to ask you some questions about your neighborhood and the city you live in.

How long have you lived in your neighborhood?

F1A NUMBER OF YEARS

F1B NUMBER OF MONTHS

F1C ALL MY LIFE.....1

F2. Is the home or apartment where you currently reside.....

Owned or being bought by
someone in your family?1

Rented?2

F3. Do you live in a public housing project?

YES.....1

NO2

F4. Is the federal, state, or local government helping to pay for your rent?

YES.....1

NO2

F5. How safe are the streets around your home at night? Would you say they are very safe, safe, unsafe, or very unsafe?

VERY SAFE1

SAFE2

UNSAFE3

VERY UNSAFE.....4

SECTION F. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS, Continued

F6. About how often do you attend religious services?

Once a week or more	1
Several times a month.....	2
Several times a year	3
Hardly ever.....	4
Not at all.....	5

F7. What is your religious preference [IF NECESSARY: Is it Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, some other religion, no religion?]

NO RELIGION	1
PROTESTANT	2
CATHOLIC.....	3
JEWISH	4
MUSLIM.....	5
CHRISTIAN.....	6
BAPTIST	7
CHURCH OF CHRIST	8
EPISCOPALIAN.....	9
JEHOVAH'S WITNESS.....	10
LUTHERAN.....	11
METHODIST	12
PRESBYTERIAN	13
OTHER, <i>NOT SPECIFIED</i>	14
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PENTACOSTAL.....	101
CONSERVATIVE OTHER.....	102
LIBERAL OTHER.....	103
CONSERVATIVE PROTESTANT	104

SECTION F. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS, Continued

F8. Now I'd like to ask you some questions about welfare and child support policies in your city. Can a mother receive welfare if she is married and living with her husband?

YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW.....-2

F9. Can a mother receive welfare if she is not married and lives with her baby's father?

YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW.....-2

F10. How many months or years in total can a mother receive welfare?

F10A NUMBER OF YEARS **F10B** NUMBER OF MONTHS
DON'T KNOW.....-2

F11. How long can a mother receive welfare before she is required to work?

F11A NUMBER OF YEARS **F11B** NUMBER OF MONTHS
DON'T KNOW.....-2

F12. Can a judge make a father pay child support even if he wanted an abortion?

YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW.....-2

SECTION F. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS, Continued

F13. Can a blood test prove whether a man is really the father of the child?

- YES..... 1
 - NO 2
 - DON'T KNOW-2
-

F14. Has anyone at the hospital talked to you or given you information about establishing paternity?

- YES..... 1
 - NO 2
-

F15. If a man gets a woman pregnant and doesn't want to marry her, how likely is it that he will be required to pay child support for the child. Would you say there is:
(HAND CARD 2)

- No chance..... 1
- A little chance..... 2
- A 50-50 chance..... 3
- A pretty good chance, or 4
- An almost certain chance 5

SECTION G. HEALTH AND HEALTH BEHAVIOR

G1. Now I have some questions about your health. In general, how is your health?
Would you say it is...

- Excellent 1
 - Very good.....2
 - Good.....3
 - Fair.....4
 - Poor5
-

G2. In the past **three months**, about how often did you drink alcoholic beverages?
(HAND CARD 6)

- NEARLY EVERY DAY 1
- SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK.....2
- SEVERAL TIMES A MONTH3
- LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH.....4
- NEVER5

G2A. In the **past three months**, was there ever a time when you had 3 or more drinks on the same day?

- YES.....1
 - NO2
-

G3. In the past **three months**, about how often did you use drugs such as marijuana, crack cocaine, or heroin? (HAND CARD 6)

- NEARLY EVERY DAY 1
- SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK.....2
- SEVERAL TIMES A MONTH3
- LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH.....4
- NEVER5

SECTION G. HEALTH AND HEALTH BEHAVIOR, Continued

G4. In the past three months, how many cigarettes did you smoke? Did you smoke...

- 2 or more packs a day..... 1
 - 1 or more but less than 2.....2
 - Less than 1 pack a day3
 - None4
-

G5. In the past year, has drinking or using drugs ever interfered with your work on a job or with your personal relationships?

- YES..... 1
 - NO2
-

G6. Have you ever sought help for or been treated for drug or alcohol problems?

- YES..... 1
 - NO2
-

G7. Next there are some questions about how you see yourself and your life. On the whole would you say that you are satisfied with yourself?

- YES..... 1
 - NO2
-

G8. Do you often feel that you are being pushed around in life?

- YES..... 1
- NO2

SECTION G. HEALTH AND HEALTH BEHAVIOR, Continued

(Q. G9A – G9L—18 Cities Only)

G9. Next is a list of the ways you might have felt or behaved during the past week. Please tell me, on how many days during the past week did you:

NUMBER OF DAYS IN PAST WEEK

- G9A.** Feel bothered by things that usually don't bother you? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9B.** Not feel like eating: your appetite was poor?..... 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9C.** Feel that you could not shake off the blues even with help from your friends? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9D.** Have trouble keeping your mind on what you were doing? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9E.** Feel depressed? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9F.** Feel that everything you did was an effort? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9G.** Feel fearful? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9H.** Sleep restlessly? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9I.** Talk less than usual? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9J.** Feel lonely? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9K.** Feel sad? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7
- G9L.** Feel you could not get going? 0..... 12 3..... 45 6..... 7

SECTION H. DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS

H1. NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

H2. Were you born in the United States?

YES..... 1 (GO TO H2A)

NO 2 (SKIP TO H2B)

H2A. NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

H2B. In what country or territory were you born?

COUNTRY/TERRITORY _____

AFRICA..... 1

ASIA..... 2

EUROPE..... 3

LATIN AMERICA 4

NON-LATIN AMERICA..... 5

H2C. In what year did you first come to the United States to live?

WRITE IN YEAR

H3. Which of these categories best describes your race? (HAND CARD 7)

White..... 1

Black, African-American 2

Asian or Pacific Islander 3

American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut..... 4

Other, not specified 5

DON'T KNOW-2

SECTION I. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

I1. Now I'd like to ask some questions about your education and work experience. What is the highest grade or year of regular school that you have completed? (HAND CARD 8)

- No formal schooling 1
- 8th grade or less 2
- Some high school (Grades 9,10,11 & 12) 3
- High school diploma (Completed 12th grade) 4
- G.E.D. 5
- Some college or 2 year degree 6
- Technical or trade school 7
- Bachelor's degree 8
- Graduate or professional school..... 9

I2. Have you ever received skills training from a government-sponsored program such as JPTA or Job Corps?

- YES..... 1 **(GO TO I2A)**
- NO 2 **(SKIP TO I3)**

I2A. How long did you participate in this program?

I2A1 NUMBER OF YEARS **I2A2** NUMBER OF MONTHS

SECTION I. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT, Continued

I3. Have you ever attended a business college, vocational technical institute, or an apprenticeship program?

YES.....1 **(GO TO I3A)**

NO2 **(SKIP TO I4)**

I3A. How long did you attend this program?

I3A1 NUMBER OF YEARS

I3A2 NUMBER OF MONTHS

I4. Have you ever served in the military?

YES.....1

NO2

SECTION J. WORK ACTIVITIES

INTERVIEWER: INCLUDE WORK IN OWN

J1. Last week, did you do any regular work for pay?

YES.....1 **(SKIP TO J6)**

NO2

J2. Are you currently looking for a regular job?

YES.....1 **(GO TO J3)**

NO2 **(SKIP TO J3B)**

J3. How long have you been looking for work?

J3A. Is that...

Days,.....1

Weeks,.....2

Months,3

Years,4

SKIP TO J4

SECTION J. WORK ACTIVITIES, Continued

J3B. Why weren't you looking for work?

- ALREADY HAVE A JOB (ILL OR
ON TEMPORARY LAYOFF) 1 **(SKIP TO J6)**
IN SCHOOL 2 **(GO TO J4)**
DON'T WANT TO WORK..... 3 **(GO TO J4)**
DISABLED 4 **(SKIP TO J5)**
PERSONAL/FAMILY REASONS 5 **(GO TO J4)**
BELIEVE NO WORK AVAILABLE..... 6 **(GO TO J4)**
OTHER: NOT SPECIFIED 7 **(GO TO J4)**
-
- INCARCERATED 101
WAITING..... 102
SELF-EMPLOYED 103
RETIRED 104
OWN BUSINESS 8 **(SKIP TO J6)**
-

J4. What would the hourly wage have to be in order for you to take a job?

AMOUNT PER HOUR .

J5. In what month and year did you last work at a regular job lasting two consecutive weeks or more, for which you received a regular paycheck, either full or part-time?

J5A NUMBER OF YEARS **J5B** NUMBER OF MONTHS **(GO TO**

J6)

J5C NEVER WORKED FOR
TWO CONSECUTIVE WEKS1 **(SKIP TO J13)**

J6. Thinking about your current or most recent job, how many hours do/did you usually work per week?

**IF THE RESPONDENT HAS OR HAS HAD MORE THAN ONE JOB,
TELL HIM WE ARE INTERESTED IN HIS "MAIN JOB", THE ONE
AT WHICH HE USUALLY WORKS/WORKED THE MOST HOURS.**

HOURS PER WEEK

SECTION J. WORK ACTIVITIES, Continued

J7BC. What sort of work (do/did) you do in your current or most recent main job?

PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL	101
EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION/MANAGERIAL	102
SALES	103
ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT	104
PRECISION PRODUCTION/CRAFT/REPAIR.....	105
MACHINE OPER./ASSEMBLY/INSPECTION.....	106
TRANSPORTATION/MATERIAL MOVING	107
HANDLER/EQUIPMENT CLEANER/LABORER	108
SERVICE (NOT PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD).....	109
UNSPECIFIED	110
MILITARY	112
FARMING/AGRICULTURE	113
SELF-EMPLOYED	114
VARIOUS JOBS.....	115

(Q. J7A—18 Cities Only)

J7A. Do/did you work for yourself or for someone else?

Self.....	1
Someone else	2

SECTION J. WORK ACTIVITIES, Continued

J8. About how much did you earn?

WRITE IN TOTAL AMOUNT ,

J8A. What that:

- Per hour? 1
- Per day? 2
- Per week? 3
- Per month? 4
- Per year? 5
- Other, *not specified* 6

BI-WEEKLY 101

VARIABLE/NOT REGULAR 102

PER JOB ASSIGNMENT 104

J9. (Does/did) your employer provide insurance?

- YES 1
- NO 2

SECTION J. WORK ACTIVITIES, Continued

J10. Some people work more than one job. About how much did you earn from all of your regular jobs in the last 12 months? (HAND CARD 9) Please do not count earnings from any “off-the-books” or “under-the-table” jobs.

- Under \$5,000 1
- \$5,000 to \$9,999 2
- \$10,000 to \$14,999 3
- \$15,000 to \$19,999 4
- \$20,000 to \$24,999 5
- \$25,000 to \$34,999 6
- \$35,000 to \$49,999 7
- \$50,000 to \$74,999 8
- Greater than \$75,000 9
- REFUSED -1
- DON'T KNOW -2
- DID NO REGULAR WORK 99 **(SKIP TO J13)**

(Q. J11—18 Cities Only)

J11. In the last 12 months, how many weeks did you spend working at your regular jobs?

NUMBER OF WEEKS

(Q. J12—18 Cities Only)

J12. When you were working at these jobs, about how many hours per week did you usually work?

NUMBER OF HOURS PER WEEK

SECTION J. WORK ACTIVITIES, Continued

J13. We are interested in finding out about some ways, other than regular work, in which people make a living. Please indicate whether, in the last twelve months, you engaged in any of the following activities in order to generate income, or in exchange for meals, clothing, a place to live, or other basic necessities?

		INTERVIEWER: FOR ACTIVITY CODED YES RECORD WEEKS FOR EACH	INTERVIEWER: FOR ACTIVITY CODED YES RECORD HOURS PER WEEK FOR EACH	INTERVIEWER: FOR ACTIVITY CODED YES CODE RESPONSE USING HAND CARD 11
J13A. Off the books or under the table work, such as household maintenance/repairs, providing transportation or other personal services, selling personal property.	YES . 1 NO ... 2 ↓	→ <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
J13B. Work in own business. <small>INTERVIEWER: INSTRUCT RESPONDENT NOT TO INCLUDE ACTIVITY ALREADY REPORTED</small> Specify type of business _____	YES . 1 NO ... 2 ↓	→ <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
J13C. Selling stolen goods, selling or delivering drugs, or other hustles.	YES . 1 NO ... 2 ↓	→ <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
J13D. Other: <i>not specified</i> _____ ARTISTS & ATHLETES 101 ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT 102 SALES 103 CONSTRUCTION & PRECISION TRADES ... 104 MILITARY..... 105 ENTERTAINMENT..... 106 TRANSPORTATION & DELIVERY 107 SERVICE OCCUPATIONS..... 108 ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 109 MECHANICS & REPAIRERS 110 REAL ESTATE/FINANCE 111 LANDSCAPING & AGRICULTURE..... 112 PROFESSIONAL 113 OTHER 114	YES . 1 NO ... 2	→ <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

SECTION K. INCOME

K1. In the last 12 months, did you have income from any of the following sources?
(HAND CARD 10)

(Circle All That Apply)

- K1A** Public assistance, welfare,
or food stamps 1
- K1B** Unemployment insurance, workmen's
compensation, disability,
or social security benefits 2
- K1C** Family and friends 3
- K1D** None 4 **(SKIP TO K3)**

K2. In the last 12 months, about how much did you receive from [READ ANSWERS
CHECKED IN J1]? (HAND CARD 11) [ASK R TO GIVE AMOUNT FOR EACH
SOURCE CIRCLED IN K]

- Under \$1,000 1
- \$1,000 to \$2,999 2
- \$3,000 to \$3,999 3
- \$4,000 to \$4,999 4
- \$5,000 to \$5,999 5
- \$6,000 to \$6,999 6
- \$7,000 to \$7,999 7
- \$8,000 to \$8,999 8
- \$9,000 to \$9,999 9
- \$10,000 to \$12,499 10
- \$12,500 to \$14,999 11
- \$15,000 to \$17,499 12
- \$17,500 to \$ 19,999 13
- \$20,000 to \$24,999 14
- \$25,000 or more 15
- REFUSED -1
- DON'T KNOW -2

SECTION K. INCOME, Continued

(Q. K2A-K2C—18 Cities Only)

Source	(ENTER NUMBER FROM HANDCARD 7A)
K2A. Public Assistance, Welfare, etc.	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
K2B. Unemployment, Social Security, disability, etc.	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
K2C. Family and friends	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>

In the version used in first two cities, we only ascertained total earnings (not by source). For these two cities only, total earnings is saved in the variable FX1J2.

K3. Thinking about your income and the income of everyone else who lives with you, what was your total household income before taxes in the past 12 months? (HAND CARD 9)

- Under \$5,000 1
- \$5,000 to \$9,999 2
- \$10,000 to \$14,999 3
- \$15,000 to \$19,999 4
- \$20,000 to \$24,999 5
- \$25,000 to \$34,999 6
- \$35,000 to \$49,999 7
- \$50,000 to \$74,999 8
- Greater than \$75,000 9
- REFUSED -1
- DON'T KNOW -2

(Q. K4—18 Cities Only)

K4. What are your monthly expenses for rent or mortgage?

WRITE IN TOTAL ,

K5. At the end of the month, do you usually have...

- Some money left over 1
- Just enough to make ends meet 2
- Not enough to make ends meet 3

(Q. K6—18 Cities Only)

K6. Do you own a car?

- YES..... 1

NO2