### Form NCVS-1

#### NCVS-1 BASIC SCREEN QUESTIONNAIRE

**Purpose**: The NCVS-1 Basic Screen Questionnaire is used to collect data on crime victimization

**U.S. Department of Commerce**: Economics and Statistics Administration

**U.S. Census Bureau**: National Crime Victimization Survey

**OMB No.**: 1121-0111

**NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMIZATION SURVEY**

### 12a. Household Income

- **Monthly Income**
  - Less than $5,000
  - $5,000 - $7,499
  - $7,500 - $9,999
  - $10,000 - $12,499
  - $12,500 - $14,999
  - $15,000 - $17,499
  - $17,500 - $19,999
  - $20,000 - $24,999
  - $25,000 - $29,999
  - $30,000 - $34,999

- **Monthly Rent**
  - Less than $500
  - $500 - $749
  - $750 - $999
  - $1,000 - $1,249
  - $1,250 - $1,499

- **Net Cash Income**
  - Less than $5,000
  - $5,000 - $7,499
  - $7,500 - $9,999
  - $10,000 - $12,499
  - $12,500 - $14,999
  - $15,000 - $17,499

**Notes**: Public housing only.

### 12b. College/University

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**Notes**: Not public housing.

### 12d. Manager Verification of Public Housing

**Able to verify**

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**Notes**: Not public housing.

### 12e. American Indian Reservation or American Indian Lands

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### 13. Proxy Information - Fill for all proxy interviews

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**Reason**

- 1. Never available
- 2. Refused
- 3. Physically/mentally unable to answer
- 4. TA and no proxy available
- 5. Other
- 6. Office use only

### 14. Type Z noninterview

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**Codes for item 14b**

- 1. Never available
- 2. Refused
- 3. Physically/mentally unable to answer
- 4. TA and no proxy available
- 5. Other
- 6. Office use only

### 15a. Household members 12 years of age and OVER

**Total number**

1. **Number of Type Z noninterview household members**
   - 2 years of age and OVER
   - 2. Total number
   - 3. Total number

### 15d. Crime Incident Reports filled

**Total number of NCVS-2s filed**

1. **Total number**
   - 2. Total number

### 16. Changes in Household Composition

- **Line No.**
- **Reason (Enter code)**

**Notes**: Only enter changes discovered during the current enumeration.

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**Form**: NCVS-1

**Date**: (07-01-2008)

**Implementation**: NCVS-1 BASIC SCREEN QUESTIONNAIRE

**Reason**

- 1. Never available
- 2. Refused
- 3. Physically/mentally unable to answer
- 4. TA and no proxy available
- 5. Other
- 6. Office use only

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RESPONDENT'S PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

17. Name of respondent
   Last
   First

18. Type of interview
   Line No.
   - Per. - Self-respondent
   - Tel. - Self-respondent
   - Per. - Proxy
   - Tel. - Proxy

19. Line No.

20. Relationship to reference person

21. Age last Birthday

22a. Marital status THIS survey period
   - Married
   - Widowed
   - Divorced
   - Separated
   - Never married
   (from previous enumeration)

22b. Marital status LAST survey period
   - Married
   - Widowed
   - Divorced
   - Separated
   - Never married
   - Not interviewed last survey period

23. Sex
   - M
   - F

24. Armed Forces Member
   - Yes
   - No

25. Educational attainment
   - Regular school
   - College/University
   - Trade school
   - Vocational school
   - None of the above schools

26. Attending School
   - Yes
   - No

27. Hispanic Origin
   - White
   - Black/African American
   - American Indian/Alaska Native
   - Asian
   - Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

28. Race
   - Mark all that apply

29. Date of interview

30. Month

31. Day

32. Year

MOBILITY QUESTIONS

33a. Before we get to the crime questions, I have some questions that are helpful in studying where and why crimes occur.

Ask or verify:

How long have you lived at this address?
(Enter 0 if less than 1 year.)

33b. Age

33c. How many months?

33d. Have you lived here...

33e. Altogether, how many times have you moved in the last 5 years, that is, since ____________, 20___?

BUSINESS OPERATED FROM SAMPLE ADDRESS (Ask of Household Respondent Only)

34. Does anyone in this household operate a business from this address?
   - Yes: ASK 35
   - No: SKIP to 36a

35. If this is a PERSONAL visit - Fill by observation.
   If this is a TELEPHONE contact - Ask.

Is there a sign on the premises or some other indication to the general public that a business is operated from this address?
   - Yes (Recognizable business)
   - No (Unrecognizable business)
### RESPONDENT’S SCREEN QUESTIONS

| 36a. | I'm going to read some examples that will give you an idea of the kinds of crimes this study covers. As I go through them, tell me if any of these happened to you in the last 6 months, that is since __________ ______, 20____. Was something belonging to YOU stolen, such as - Read each category. (a) Things that you carry, like luggage, a wallet, purse, briefcase book - (b) Clothing, jewelry, or cellphone - (c) Bicycle or sports equipment - (d) Things in your home - like a TV, stereo, or tools - (e) Things outside your home such as a garden hose or lawn furniture - (Asked of Household Respondent only) (f) Things belonging to children in the household - (Asked of Household Respondent only) (g) Things from a vehicle, such as a package, groceries, camera, or CDs - OR (h) Did anyone ATTEMPT to steal anything belonging to you? Ask only if necessary Did any incidents of this type happen to you? | 36a | 36b. | How many times? | 36b | 36c. | What happened? | 36c | 37a. (Asked of Household Respondent Only) (Other than any incidents already mentioned,) has anyone - Read each category. (a) Broken in or ATTEMPTED to break into your home by forcing a door or window, pushing past someone, jimmying a lock, cutting a screen, or entering through an open door or window? (b) Has anyone illegally gotten in or tried to get into a garage, shed, or storage room? OR (c) Illegally gotten in or tried to get into a hotel or motel room or vacation home where you were staying? Ask only if necessary Did any incidents of this type happen to you? | 37a | 37b. (Asked of Household Respondent Only) | 37b | 37c. (Asked of Household Respondent Only) | 37c | Notes |
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38. (Asked of Household Respondent Only)

What was the TOTAL number of cars, vans, trucks, motorcycles, or other motor vehicles owned by you or any other member of this household during the last 6 months? Include those you no longer own.

39a. (Asked of Household Respondent Only)

During the last 6 months, (other than any incidents already mentioned,) (was the vehicle/were any of the vehicles) -

(a) Stolen or used without permission?
(b) Did anyone steal any parts such as a tire, car stereo, hubcap, or battery?
(c) Did anyone steal any gas from (it/them)?

OR

(d) Did anyone ATTEMPT to steal any vehicle or parts attached to (it/them)?

Ask only if necessary

Did any incidents of this type happen to you?

39b. (Asked of Household Respondent Only)

How many times?

39c. (Asked of Household Respondent Only)

What happened?

40a. (Other than any incidents already mentioned,) since __________ ________, 20__, were you attacked or threatened OR did you have something stolen from you -

(a) At home including the porch or yard -
(b) At or near a friend's, relative's, or neighbor's home -
(c) At work or school -
(d) In places such as a storage shed or laundry room, a shopping mall, restaurant, bank, or airport -
(e) While riding in any vehicle -
(f) On the street or in a parking lot -
(g) At such places as a party, theater, gym, picnic area, bowling lanes, or while fishing or hunting -

OR

(h) Did anyone ATTEMPT to attack or ATTEMPT to steal anything belonging to you from any of these places?

Ask only if necessary

Did any incidents of this type happen to you?

40b. How many times?

40c. What happened?
**RESPONDENT’S SCREEN QUESTIONS**

**41a.**
(Other than any incidents already mentioned,) has anyone attacked or threatened you in any of these ways -

(Exclude telephone threats) -

- [ ] With any weapon, for instance, a gun or knife -
- [ ] With anything like a baseball bat, frying pan, scissors, or stick -
- [ ] By something thrown, such as a rock or bottle -
- [ ] Include any grabbing, punching, or choking,
- [ ] Any rape, attempted rape or other type of sexual attack -
- [ ] Any face to face threats -

**OR**
- [ ] Any attack or threat or use of force by anyone at all? Please mention it even if you are not certain it was a crime.

Ask only if necessary

Did any incidents of this type happen to you?

1. Yes - ASK 41b
2. No - SKIP to 42a

**41b.**
How many times?

Number of times (41b)

**41c.**
What happened?

Briefly describe incident(s)

**42a.**
People often don’t think of incidents committed by someone they know. (Other than any incidents already mentioned,) did you have something stolen from you OR were you attacked or threatened by -

(Exclude telephone threats) -

Read each category.

- [ ] Someone at work or school -
- [ ] A neighbor or friend -
- [ ] A relative or family member -
- [ ] Any other person you’ve met or known?

Ask only if necessary

Did any incidents of this type happen to you?

1. Yes - ASK 42b
2. No - SKIP to 43a

**42b.**
How many times?

Number of times (42b)

**42c.**
What happened?

Briefly describe incident(s)

Notes
### RESPONDENT’S SCREEN QUESTIONS

**43a.**
Incidents involving forced or unwanted sexual acts are often difficult to talk about. (Other than any incidents already mentioned,) have you been forced or coerced to engage in unwanted sexual activity by -

Read each category.

(a) Someone you didn’t know -
(b) A casual acquaintance -

OR

(c) Someone you know well?
Ask only if necessary

Did any incidents of this type happen to you?

| 1 | Yes - ASK 43b |
| 2 | No - SKIP to 44a |

**43a.**
How many times?

**43c.**
What happened?

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**44a.**
During the last 6 months, (other than any incidents already mentioned,) did you call the police to report something that happened to YOU which you thought was a crime?

| 1 | Yes - ASK 44b |
| 2 | No - SKIP to 45a |

**44b.**
What happened?

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**44c.**
Are you attacked or threatened, or was something stolen or an attempt made to steal something that belonged to you or another household member?

**44d.**
How many times?

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Notes
### RESPONDENT'S SCREEN QUESTIONS

**45a.**
During the last 6 months, (other than any incidents already mentioned,) did anything which you thought was a crime happen to YOU, but you did NOT report to the police?

- **Yes** - ASK 45b
- **No** - If HHLD Respondent ASK 46, Else SKIP to 71

**45b.**
What happened?

Briefly describe incident(s)

**45c.**
CHECK ITEM C

If not sure ask:

Were you attacked or threatened, or was something stolen or an attempt made to steal something that belonged to you or another household member?

- **Yes** - ASK 45d
- **No** - If HHLD Respondent ASK 46, Else SKIP to 71

**45d.**
How many times?

Number of times (45d) - If HHLD Respondent ASK 46, Else SKIP to 71

### HOUSEHOLD RESPONDENT'S IDENTITY THEFT QUESTIONS (Ask of Household Respondent Only)

**46.**
The next few questions are related to identity theft. They refer to episodes of identity theft discovered by you or anyone in your household during the last 6 months.

**47.**
Since __________ ______, 20__, have you or anyone in your household discovered that someone -

(a) Used or attempted to use any existing credit cards or credit card numbers without permission to place charges on an account? ........

(b) Used or attempted to use any existing accounts other than a credit card account - for example, a wireless telephone account, bank account, debit/check cards - without the account holder’s permission to run up charges or to take money from accounts? ......................

(c) Used or attempted to use personal information without permission to obtain NEW credit cards or loans, run up debts, open other accounts, or otherwise commit theft, fraud, or some other crime?..............

**48.**
How many times is box 1 (Yes) marked in 47?

- **One or more times** - ASK 49
- **None (no entries of “Yes”)** - SKIP to 71

**49.**
Was the misuse of - (the credit card account(s)/any existing account(s) other than credit cards/personal information or new account(s)) one episode or more than one episode of identity theft?

- **One** - SKIP to 51a
- **More than one** - ASK 50

**50.**
Did these episodes of identity theft occur separately or at the same time?

- **Separately** - ASK 51
- **At the same time** - SKIP to 51a

**51.**
Which episode of identity theft was most recently discovered?

- **Credit card account(s)**
- **Existing accounts other than credit card accounts**
- **Personal information or new accounts**

**52.**
Earlier you told me someone misused (the credit card account(s)/any existing account(s) other than credit cards/personal information or new account(s)). I would like you to think about all of these types of misuse during the last SIX months.
53a. How do you think the personal information was obtained? (For example, was it lost or stolen from a wallet, stolen from the postal mail or garbage, or obtained in some other way?)

1. It was lost/It was stolen from respondent's or another household member's wallet or checkbook
2. It was stolen from a place where the respondent or other household member stored it (home, office, car, etc.)
3. Someone stole it from respondent's or another household member's postal mail
4. Someone stole it from respondent's or another household member's garbage
5. Someone stole it during a purchase or other transaction
6. Someone changed respondent's or another household member's address at the post office
7. Someone hacked into respondent's or another household member's computer
8. Respondent or another household member responded to a scam email/phone call
9. Stolen from personnel files where respondent or another household member works
10. From an office/company that had respondent's or another household member's personal information in its files
11. Obtained some other way - Specify: ASK 53b

53b. How was the personal information obtained in some other way?

Specify

54. Since __________ , 20 ____, what is the approximate total dollar value of what someone obtained while misusing your or another household member’s personal information? Include the value of goods, services, credit, loans, cash, and anything else the person may have obtained.

Record the estimated amount. If the respondent provides a range, ask the respondent to provide their best estimate.

If total is $1,000 or more, probe: I just want to verify that the total amount is $ 00 in amount respondent mentioned.

55a. Of this $_________, how much, if anything, did you or any other household member personally lose?

0 No loss - ASK 55b

55b. Just to confirm, you didn't have to pay anything?

1. Yes - ASK 57
2. No - GO BACK to 55a

56. Other than the cost you already told me about, how much, IF ANY, additional cost did you or any other household member incur? Include cost for such things as legal fees, payment of any fraudulent debts, and any miscellaneous expenses, such as postage, phone calls, or notary fees. Do not include lost wages.

Record the estimated amount.

If total is $1,000 or more, probe: I just want to verify that the total amount is $ 00 in amount respondent mentioned.

57. How much, IF ANY, cost did you or any other household member incur? Include cost for such things as legal fees, payment of any fraudulent debts, and any miscellaneous expenses, such as postage, phone calls, or notary fees. Do not include lost wages.

Record the estimated amount.

If total is $1,000 or more, probe: I just want to verify that the total amount is $ 00 in amount respondent mentioned.

Notes
### HOUSEHOLD RESPONDENT’S IDENTITY THEFT QUESTIONS (Ask of Household Respondent Only)

**58a.**
How long has it taken so far to clear up the financial and credit problems associated with the misuse of your or another household member's personal information?

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ASK 58b

**58b.**
During this (one day or less/more than a day, but less than a week/at least a week, but less than a month/one or two months/three to six months) period, how many hours did you or any other household member spend clearing up financial or credit problems?

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**59.**
Briefly summarize the identity theft that occurred against the respondent or another household member.

After completing 59, ASK 71

### RESPONDENT’S CHECK ITEMS D, E, AND G

**71.**
Who besides the respondent was present when the screen questions were asked? (If telephone interview, mark box 1 only.)

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If a Proxy interview, ASK 72, else SKIP to 73

**72.**
Did the person for whom this interview was taken help the proxy respondent answer any screen questions?

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**73.**
Is one or more crimes reported in 36b, 37b, 39b, 40b, 41b, 42b, 44d, or 45d?

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RESPONDENT'S EMPLOYMENT QUESTIONS

All incident reports must be completed before asking this series of questions.

74. CHECK ITEM M1
   Is the respondent 16 years or older?
   1 Yes - ASK 75a
   2 No - SKIP to 80

75a. Did you have a job or work at a business LAST WEEK? (Do not include volunteer work or work around the house.)
     (If farm or business operator in household, ask about unpaid work.)

75b. Ask or verify -
     Did you have a job or work at a business DURING THE LAST 6 MONTHS?

75c. Did that (job/work) last 2 consecutive weeks or more?

76a. Ask or verify -
     Which of the following best describes your job?
     Were you employed in the ...
     Read each category until respondent says "yes", then enter appropriate precode.

76b. Please specify the job not covered in answer categories 1-6 in 76a

76c. Employed in the Medical Profession
     As a -
     Read each category.

76d. Please specify employed in the medical profession as a -

76e. Employed in the Mental Health Services Field
     Are YOUR duties -
     Read each category.

76f. Please specify duties in the mental health services field.

Notes
**RESPONDENT'S EMPLOYMENT QUESTIONS**

76g. Employed in the Teaching Profession:
- Were you employed as a -
  - Read each category.

76h. Please specify employed in the teaching profession as a -

76i. Employed in the Law Enforcement or Security Field:
- Were you employed as a -
  - Read each category.

76j. Please specify employed in the law enforcement or security field as a -

76k. Employed in Retail Sales:
- Were you employed as a -
  - Read each category.

76l. Please specify employed in retail sales as a -

76m. Employed in the Transportation Field:
- Were you employed as a -
  - Read each category.

76n. Please specify employed in the transportation field as a -

**CHECK ITEM H2**

If 76a equals 7, enter 27 here, otherwise enter the number of the employment code entered in item 76c, 76e, 76g, 76i 76k, or 76m.

77. Ask or verify -
- Is your job with -
  - Read each category.

78. Are you employed by a college or university?

79. While working at your job, do you work mostly in -
  - Read each category.
**FIELD REPRESENTATIVE -- (Read to the Household Respondent Only)** If there are any household members under 18, tell the Household Respondent that you will be asking the same questions you just asked him/her.

**RESPONDENT’S CHECK ITEM I**

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<th>Is this the last household member to be interviewed?</th>
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<td>Yes - If Household Respondent finish collecting income and telephone information, then END interview. Otherwise END interview.</td>
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<td>No - GO TO question 33a for the next respondent. See note below before interviewing next household member.</td>
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**Notes**