

## NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMIZATION SURVEY

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U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

## FIELD REPRESENTATIVE'S INFORMATION CARD BOOKLET

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#### PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION

"The U.S. Census Bureau is conducting the National Crime Victimization Survey for the Bureau of Justice Statistics of the United States Department of Justice under the authority of Title 13, United States Code, Section 8. Section 9 of this law requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly confidential. The survey's purpose is to provide information on the kinds and amount of crime committed against households and individuals throughout the country. All survey information will be used for statistical purposes only. Also, Title 42, Section 3732, United States Code, authorizes the Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Justice, to collect information using this survey. Title 42, Sections 3789g and 3735, United States Code, also requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly confidential.

Participation in this survey is voluntary and there are no penalties for refusing to answer any questions. However, your cooperation is extremely important to help ensure the completeness and accuracy of this much needed information."

#### **COMMON QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTED ANSWERS**

#### What is this survey all about?

This survey, called the National Crime Victimization Survey, collects data measuring the kinds and amount of crime involving persons 12 years of age and older. Periodically, the survey includes such additional topics as crime in schools, hate crime, contacts with law enforcement, and crime in the workplace.

#### How was I selected for this survey?

Actually, we selected your living quarters, not you personally for this survey. We scientifically selected approximately 54,000 addresses across the country to represent the entire population. At each selected address, we interview household members age 12 and older. If your household should move away while your address is still in the survey, we would interview the new family that moves in.

#### Information about your participation

We are conducting this survey under the authority of Title 13, United States Code, Section 8. Section 9 of this law requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly confidential. We may use this information only for statistical purposes. Also, Title 42, Section 3732, United States Code, authorizes the Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Justice, to collect information using this survey. Title 42, Sections 3789g and 3735, United States code also requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly confidential.

## I thought that the U.S. Census Bureau operated only every 10 years, when they counted people. What is the U.S. Census Bureau doing now?

In addition to the decennial census, which is conducted every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau collects many different kinds of statistics. We conduct other censuses required by law on a regular basis, including the censuses of business and manufacturers and the census of state and local governments. Additionally, we collect data on a monthly basis to provide current information on such topics as labor force participation, retail and wholesale trade, various manufacturing activities, and trade statistics, as well as yearly surveys of business, manufacturing and governments, family income, and education.

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QUESTIONS (Left)

**SUGGESTED** 

DUCTIONS AND LISTING

**REMINDERS** 

INTRO-

(Right)

#### SUGGESTED INTRODUCTION FOR PERSONAL VISIT INTERVIEWS

"I'm (Your name) from the U.S. Census Bureau. Here is my identification. (Show ID card.) The Bureau is conducting a survey here and throughout the Nation to determine how often people are victims of crimes. Did you receive our letter?"

When you are not sure if the person who greets you at the door is at least 18 years of age, ask: "I need to talk to someone who is at least 18 years of age and knowledgeable about this household. Would that be you?"

#### SUGGESTED INTRODUCTION FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEWS

"I'm (Your name) from the U.S. Census Bureau. (verify address) The Bureau is conducting a survey here and throughout the Nation to determine how often people are victims of crimes. We contacted your household for this survey several months ago. I would like to talk to someone in the household who is at least 18 years of age and knowledgeable about this household? Would that be you?"

### **LISTING REMINDERS**

#### PERMIT SEGMENTS

- List by observation. Enter a dash (–) in column (2) for single units or enter the appropriate unit designations in column (2) for multi-units.
- Introduce yourself to a household member at a single-unit address or a knowledgeable person at a
  multi-unit address and verify that you have listed all units that use the basic address. Make
  corrections as necessary.

#### **EXAMPLES FOR VERIFYING THE LISTING**

**SINGLE UNIT ADDRESS** – Verify the listing with a household member by asking:

"What is your exact address? (Check that address given matches the address printed on the listing sheet.) I have listed one unit at (Read basic address). Are there other living quarters – either occupied or vacant – at this address?"

**MULTI-UNIT ADDRESS (Permit segments only) –** Verify the listing with a building superintendent, manager, rental agent, or other knowledgeable person, such as a long-time resident by saying:

"What is your exact address? (Check that address given matches the address on the listing sheet.) I have listed apartments \_\_\_\_\_through \_\_\_\_\_ at (Read basic address). Have I listed any units that are not used as living quarters? (PAUSE) Have I missed any living quarters – either occupied or vacant – which use the basic address (Read basic address)?"

- Explain in the "Footnotes" section any differences between number of units expected and number of units found.
- Complete the "Multi-units" section, if applicable.
- Complete the "Listed and Updated" section.

### **MULTI-UNIT ADDRESS (Unit segments only)**

- Locate the unit designation for the the current NCVS sample and conduct the interview. Take additional action only if:
  - ▶ The expected number of units is between 2 and 4,
  - ▶ There are missing and/or duplicate unit designations to resolve, or
  - ▶ You cannot find the current sample unit(s).
- Refer to Form 11–8, Volume I, of the Listing and Coverage Manual: A Survival Guide for the Field Representative, for specific instructions for these three situations.

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## SUMMARY TABLE FOR DETERMINING WHO IS TO BE INCLUDED AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSEHOLD (Control Card Item 13c)

| A. PERSONS STAYING IN SAMPLE UNIT AT TIME OF INTERVIEW  | Includ     | er of |
|---|------------|-------|
| Any person in unit, including members of family, lodgers, servants,   | house      | nold  |
| <ol> <li>Visitors, etc.</li> <li>Ordinarily stay here all the time (sleep here)</li> <li>Here temporarily – no living quarters held for persons elsewhere</li> <li>Here temporarily – living quarters held for persons elsewhere</li> </ol>   | Yes<br>Yes | No    |
| In Armed Forces  1. Stationed in this locality, usually sleep here  2. Temporarily here on leave – stationed elsewhere  | Yes        | No    |
| Students         1. Living here attending school  | Yes<br>Yes | No    |
| B. ABSENT PERSONS WHO USUALLY LIVE HERE   |            |       |
| Inmates of specified institutions – Absent because inmate in a specified institution, regardless of whether or not living quarters held for person here   |            | No    |
| Persons temporarily absent on vacation, in general hospital, etc. (including veterans' facilities that are general hospitals) – Living quarters held here for person  | Yes        |       |
| Absent in connection with job  1. Living quarters held here for person – temporarily absent "while on the road" in connection with a job (e.g., traveling salespersons, railroad personnel, bus driver)  2. Living quarters held here and elsewhere for person but comes less often (e.g., construction engineers)  3. Living quarters held here at home for unmarried college student away from home during summer school vacation | Yes        | No    |
| In Armed Forces – Were members of this household at time of induction but currently stationed elsewhere   |            | No    |
| Students – Living away while attending school   |            | No    |
| Seamen – Living quarters held here for person   | Yes        |       |
| C. EXCEPTIONS AND DOUBTFUL CASES  |            |       |
| Person with two concurrent residences  1. Regularly sleep greater part of week in another locality  | Yes        | No    |
| Citizens of foreign countries temporarily in the United States  1. Living on premises of an Embassy, Ministry, Legation, Chancellery, or Consulate  2. Not living on premises of an Embassy, Ministry, etc. – a. If living and studying here and no usual place of residence elsewhere in the United States b. If living and working here and no usual place of   | Yes        | No    |
| residence elsewhere in the United States  | Yes        | No    |
| Student nurses living at school   |            | No    |

### HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS (Left)

## AGE CHART (Right)

## AGE VERIFICATION CHART (Control Card Item 17) (Do not use this chart after January 1, 2007)

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

In using this chart, determine age as follows: Locate the birth year of the person on the chart. If the person has not had a birthday as of the **last day of the month prior to the interview month**, the correct age will be shown in the "No" column. If the person has had a birthday, the correct age will be in the "Yes" column.

| Vacuat binth                                 | Bir                              | thday in 20 | 06?                              | Vacuat hinth   | Bi                                     | rthday in 20 | 006?                             |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Year of birth                                | No                               | AGE         | Yes                              | Year of birth  | No                                     | AGE          | Yes                              |
| 1914<br>1915<br>1916<br>1917<br>1918         | 91<br>90<br>89<br>88<br>87       |             | 92<br>91<br>90<br>89<br>88       | 1960<br>1961<br>1962<br>1963<br>1964                 | 45<br>44<br>43<br>42<br>41             |              | 46<br>45<br>44<br>43<br>42       |
| 1919<br>1920<br>1921<br>1922<br>1923         | 86<br>85<br>84<br>83<br>82       |             | 87<br>86<br>85<br>84<br>83       | 1965<br>1966<br>1967<br>1968<br>1969                 | 40<br>39<br>38<br>37<br>36             |              | 41<br>40<br>39<br>38<br>37       |
| 1924<br>1925<br>1926<br>1927<br>1928         | 81<br>80<br>79<br>78<br>77       |             | 82<br>81<br>80<br>79<br>78       | 1970<br>1971<br>1972<br>1973<br>1974                 | 35<br>34<br>33<br>32<br>31             |              | 36<br>35<br>34<br>33<br>32       |
| 1929<br>1930<br>1931<br>1932<br>1933         | 76<br>75<br>74<br>73<br>72       |             | 77<br>76<br>75<br>74<br>73       | 1975<br>1976<br>1977<br>1978<br>1979                 | 30<br>29<br>28<br>27<br>26             |              | 31<br>30<br>29<br>28<br>27       |
| 1934<br>1935<br>1936<br>1937<br>1938         | 71<br>70<br>69<br>68<br>67       |             | 72<br>71<br>70<br>69<br>68       | 1980<br>1981<br>1982<br>1983<br>1984                 | 25<br>24<br>23<br>22<br>21             |              | 26<br>25<br>24<br>23<br>22       |
| 1939<br>1940<br>1941<br>1942<br>1943         | 66<br>65<br>64<br>63<br>62       |             | 67<br>66<br>65<br>64<br>63       | 1985<br>1986<br>1987<br>1988<br>1989                 | 20<br>19<br>18<br>17<br>16             |              | 21<br>20<br>19<br>18<br>17       |
| 1944<br>1945<br>1946<br>1947<br>1948         | 61<br>60<br>59<br>58<br>57       |             | 62<br>61<br>60<br>59<br>58       | 1990<br>1991<br>1992<br>1993<br>1994                 | 15<br>14<br>13<br>12<br>11             |              | 16<br>15<br>14<br>13<br>12       |
| 1949<br>1950<br>1951<br>1952<br>1953         | 56<br>55<br>54<br>53<br>52       |             | 57<br>56<br>55<br>54<br>53       | 1995<br>1996<br>1997<br>1998<br>1999                 | 10<br>09<br>08<br>07<br>06             |              | 11<br>10<br>09<br>08<br>07       |
| 1954<br>1955<br>1956<br>1957<br>1958<br>1959 | 51<br>50<br>49<br>48<br>47<br>46 |             | 52<br>51<br>50<br>49<br>48<br>47 | 2000<br>2001<br>2002<br>2003<br>2004<br>2005<br>2006 | 05<br>04<br>03<br>02<br>01<br>00<br>NA |              | 06<br>05<br>04<br>03<br>02<br>01 |

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## **HISPANIC ORIGIN**

(Control Card Item 23)

## Is anyone living here Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino? Include people of the following origins –

Mexican

Mexican-American

Chicano

Puerto Rican

Cuban

Cuban-American

Central or South American (Spanish Countries)

Other Spanish origin

## **RACE**

(Control Card Item 24)

# Please choose one or more races that each person in this household considers him/herself to be.

White

Black or African American

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian (Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean, Asian Indian, Vietnamese, or other Asian)

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

HISPANIC ORIGIN (Left)

RACE (Right)

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## **TABLE OF EDUCATION CODES**

(Control Card Item 21)

| Code  | Grade or year   |
|-------|---|
| Oue   | Glade of year   |
| 00    | Never attended, preschool, kindergarten                                   |
|       | Elementary  |
| 01    | First Grade   |
| 02    | Second Grade  |
| 03    | Third Grade   |
| 04    | Fourth Grade  |
| 05    | Fifth Grade   |
| 06    | Sixth Grade   |
| 07    | Seventh Grade   |
| 08    | Eighth Grade  |
|       |   |
|       | High School   |
| 09    | Ninth Grade (Freshman)  |
| 10    | Tenth Grade (Sophomore)   |
| 11    | Eleventh Grade (Junior)   |
| 27    | Twelfth Grade (Senior) - NO DIPLOMA                                       |
| 28    | Twelfth Grade (Senior) - High School Graduate - DIPLOMA or the equivalent |
|       |   |
|       | College (Academic)  |
| 40    | Some college – NO DEGREE  |
| 41    | Associate's degree  |
| 42    | Bachelor's degree (ex: BA, AB, BS)  |
| 43    | Master's degree (ex: MA, MS, Meng, MSW, MBA)                              |
| 44    | Professional School degree (ex: MD, DDS, DVM, LLB, JD)                    |
| 45    | Doctorate degree (ex: PhD, EdD)   |
|       |   |
| oxdot |   |

## **EMPLOYMENT**

(NCVS-1 Item 48a)

## Which of the following best describes your job? Medical Profession - As a -1 Physician <sub>2</sub> Nurse 3 Technician 4 Other - Specify **Mental Health Services Field - Are your duties -**<sup>5</sup> Professional (Social worker/psychiatrist) 6 ☐ Custodial care ¬ □ Other – Specify \_\_\_\_\_ Teaching Profession - Were you employed in a -8 Preschool <sub>9</sub> Elementary <sub>10</sub> Junior high or middle school 11 High school 12 College or university 13 Technical or industrial school 14 Special education facility 15 Other – Specify Law Enforcement or Security Field - Were you employed as a -16 Law enforcement officer 17 ☐ Prison or jail guard 18 Security guard 19 Other – Specify Retail Sales - Were you employed as a -20 Convenience or liquor store clerk 21 Gas station attendant 22 Bartender 23 Other - Specify Transportation Field - Were you employed as a -24 Bus driver 25 Taxi cab driver 26 Other – Specify 27 Something else -Specify \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATION CODE TABLE (Left)

EMPLOYMENT (Right)

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## CHECKLIST FOR DETERMINING REFERENCE PERIOD FOR INTERVIEWING

|   | Question   | Refer to      | Action   |
|---|--|---------------|--|
| SECTI   | ON A: BEGINNING DATE OF THE  | REFERENCE     | PERIOD FOR HOUSEHOLD RESPONDEN   |
|   | as the household interviewed last  | CC item 30    | If YES, go to question 2.  |
| inte  | erview period? That is, 6 months ago?  |               | If <b>NO</b> , use the first day of the month 6 months prior to this interview month as the beginning date of the reference period for all persons in the household.               |
| inte<br>hou   | the household respondent <b>this</b> erview period the same as the usehold respondent <b>last</b> interview    | CC item 30(c) | Line number entered in item 30(c) is same as line number of current household respondent:  |
| pei   | riod (6 months ago)?   |               | If YES or BLANK, go to question 3.   |
|   |  |               | If NO, skip to question 4.   |
|   | what date was this household   | CC item 25b   | Was a date entered in item 25b?  |
|   | pondent interviewed <b>last</b> interview riod (6 months ago)?   |               | If <b>YES</b> , use that date as the beginning date of the reference period.   |
|   |  |               | If <b>NO</b> or <b>BLANK</b> , use the first day of the mont 6 months prior to this interview period as the beginning date of the reference period for the household respondent.   |
| <b>4.</b> On  | what date was the previous   | CC item 25b   | Was a date entered in item 25b?  |
| household respondent interviewed las interview period (6 months ago)? | usehold respondent interviewed <b>last</b> erview period (6 months ago)?                                       |               | If <b>YES</b> , use that date as the beginning date of the reference period for the current household respondent.  |
|   |  |               | If date is <b>BLANK</b> , use the first day of the mon 6 months prior to this interview period as the beginning date of the reference period for the current household respondent. |
| SECTI   | ON B: BEGINNING DATE OF THE<br>HOUSEHOLD RESPONDEN   |               | PERIOD FOR PERSONS OTHER THAN  |
| <b>5</b> . Are  | e there other persons in the   | CC item 13a   | If YES, go to question 6.  |
| hou   | usehold in addition to the usehold respondent?   |               | If <b>NO</b> , no need to determine reference period.  |
|   | the person a Type Z noninterview this erview period?   |               | If <b>YES</b> , no need to determine reference period  |
|   |  |               | If NO, go to question 7.   |
| las   | as the person a Type Z noninterview t interview period or is the month pered in item 25b more than 6 months o? | CC item 25b   | If <b>YES</b> or <b>BLANK</b> , use the first day of the month 6 months prior to this interview month a the beginning date of the reference period.                                |
|   |  |               | If <b>NO</b> , use the date entered in item 25b as the beginning date of the reference period.   |

For all household persons, including the household respondent, the ending date of the reference period is always the day prior to the current interview date.

## EXAMPLE OF REFERENCE PERIODS FOR NCVS

Examples of reference periods for all household members, including the household respondent, when the current interview date is January 4, 2006.

| Line Number<br>and Current HH<br>Respondent<br>(a) | Interview Date<br>(cc item 25b)<br>and HH Respondent<br>Last Enumeration<br>(cc item 30c)<br>(b) | Current Enumeration<br>Reference Period<br>(c) |
|--|--|--|
| 01   | 07-03-2005   | 07-03-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 02 HR  | 07-01-2005 HR  | 07-01-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 03   | 07-03-2005   | 07-03-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 01 HR  | blank HR   | 07-01-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 02   | 07-05-2004 (More than 6  | 07-01-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 03   | 07-03-2004 months ago)   | 07-01-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 01   | blank  | 07-01-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 02   | 07-06-2005   | 07-06-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 03 HR  | 07-02-2005 HR  | 07-02-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 01 HR  | 07-10-2005   | 07-02-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 02   | 07-02-2005 HR  | 07-02-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 03   | 07-05-2005   | 07-05-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 04   | 07-03-2005   | 07-03-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 01 HR  | 07-10-2005 (Can't  | 07-01-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 02   | 07-02-2005 determine   | 07-02-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 03   | 07-06-2005 previous  | 07-06-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |
| 04   | 07-03-2005 HH Resp.)   | 07-03-2005 to 01-03-2006                       |

**NOTE:** HR indicates the household respondent in each example.

CHECKLIST FOR DETERMINING REFERENCE PERIOD (Left)

EXAMPLE TABLE OF REFERENCE PERIODS (Right)

## 2005

## OHolidays

## ☐ Day to Begin NCVS Interviewing

| JANUARY FEBRUARY                      |                      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| SMTWTFS                               | SMTWTFS              |
| 1 2 3 4 5                             | 1 2 3 4 5            |
|                                       |                      |
|                                       |                      |
|                                       |                      |
|                                       | 27 28 29 30 31       |
| 27 20                                 | 27 20 20 00 01       |
|                                       |                      |
| MAY                                   | JUNE                 |
|                                       | S M T W T F S        |
|                                       | 1 2 3 4              |
|                                       | 5 6 7 8 9 10 11      |
| 15 16 17 19 10 20 21                  | 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 |
|                                       |                      |
|                                       |                      |
| 29 (30) 31                            | 26 27 28 29 30       |
|                                       |                      |
| Aligust                               | SEPTEMBER            |
|                                       | S M T W T F S        |
|                                       | 1 2 3                |
|                                       | 4 (5) 6 7 8 9 10     |
|                                       | 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 |
| 01 00 00 04 05 00 07                  | 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 |
|                                       | 25 26 27 28 29 30    |
| 28 29 30 31                           | 25 26 27 28 29 30    |
|                                       |                      |
| NOVEMBED                              | DECEMBER             |
|                                       | S M T W T F S        |
|                                       | 1 2 3                |
| 6 7 8 9 10 (11) 12                    | 4 5 6 7 8 9 10       |
|                                       |                      |
|                                       |                      |
| 13 14 15 16 17 18 19                  | 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 |
| 20 21 22 23 (24) 25 26                | 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 |
| 20 21 22 23 (24) 25 26<br>27 28 29 30 |                      |
|                                       | 1                    |

## OHolidays

| January 1              | New Year's Day     | September 5  | <br>Labor Day     |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| January 17 Martin Luth | er King's Birthday | October 10 . | <br>Columbus Day  |
| February 21            | Presidents' Day    | November 11  | <br>Veteran's Day |
| April 10               | Easter             | November 24  | <br>Thanksgiving  |
| May 30                 | . Memorial Day     | December 25  | <br>Christmas     |
| July 4                 | ndependence Day    |              |                   |

## 2006

## O Holidays

## $\hfill\Box$ Day to Begin NCVS Interviewing

| JANUARY   | FEBRUARY  | MARCH   |
|---|---|---|
| SMTWTFS   | S M T W T F S   | S M T W T F S   |
|   | 1 2 3 4   | 1 2 3 4   |
| 1 (2) 3 4 5 6 7   | 5 6 7 8 9 10 11   | 5 6 7 8 9 10 11   |
|   | 12 13 14 15 16 17 18  |   |
|   | 19(20) 21 22 23 24 25   |   |
| 22 23 24 25 26 27 28  |   | 26 27 28 29 30 31   |
| 29 30 31  |   |   |
|   |   |   |
| APRIL   | MAY   | JUNE  |
| SMTWTFS   | SMTWTFS   | SMTWTFS   |
| 1   | 1 2 3 4 5 6   | 1 2 3   |
| 2 3 4 5 6 7 8   | 7 8 9 10 11 12 13   | 4 5 6 7 8 9 10  |
| 9 10 11 12 13 14 15   | 14 15 16 17 18 19 20  | 11 12 13 14 15 16 17  |
| (16) 17 18 19 20 21 22  | 21 22 23 24 25 26 27  | 18 19 20 21 22 23 24  |
| 23 24 25 26 27 28 29  | 28 (29) 30 31   | 25 26 27 28 29 30   |
| 30  |   |   |
|   |   |   |
|   | AUGUST  | AFRIENDER   |
| JULY  | AUGUST  | SEPTEMBER C. M. T. W. T. F. C.  |
| SMTWTFS   | S M T W T F S   | S M T W T F S   |
| S M T W T F S   | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5  | S M T W T F S   |
| S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12   | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  |
| S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15  | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19  | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16   |
| S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22   | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26   | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23  |
| S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29  | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26   | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16   |
| S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22   | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26   | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23  |
| S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31  | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31  | S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30   |
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## OHolidays

| January 1              | . New Year's Day    |   |
|------------------------|---------------------|---|
| January 16 Martin Lutl | her King's Birthday | ( |
| February 20            | . Presidents' Day   |   |
| April 16               | Easter              |   |
| May 29                 | Memorial Day        |   |
| July 4                 | Independence Day    |   |
|                        |                     |   |

| September 4 | Labor Day     |
|-------------|---------------|
| October 9   | Columbus Day  |
| November 11 | Veteran's Day |
| November 23 | Thanksgiving  |
| December 25 | Christmas     |

2005 CALENDAR AND HOLIDAYS (Left)

2006 CALENDAR AND HOLIDAYS (Right)

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| CONTROL CARD ITEMS TO FILL BY ENUMERATION PERIOD |   |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| Enumeration period                               | Control Card items to fill                                      |  |  |
| 1  | All applicable items  |  |  |
| 2  | 5, 14, 17, 22, 25b, 25c, and 30                                 |  |  |
| 3  | 5, 8a, 14, 17, 21, 22, 25b, 25c,<br>28, and 30                  |  |  |
| 4  | 5, 14, 17, 22, 25b, 25c, and 30                                 |  |  |
| 5  | 5, 8a, 8d (if applicable), 14, 17, 21, 22, 25b, 25c, 28, and 30 |  |  |
| 6  | 5, 14, 17, 22, 25b, 25c, and 30                                 |  |  |
| 7  | 5, 8a, 14, 17, 21, 22, 25b, 25c,<br>28, and 30                  |  |  |

## CONTROL CARD ITEMS TO VERIFY OR FILL EVERY ENUMERATION, IF APPLICABLE

- Verify items 6b and c, 8b and 13c and 26a-26g each enumeration period.
- Also, fill items 12, 20, 25a, 32, and 33, if applicable.
- Refer to Part B, Chapter 1, of the Interviewing Manual for Field Representatives (NCVS-550) for detailed instructions on filling all Control Card items.

## **HOUSEHOLD INCOME**

(Control Card Item 28)

## Which category represents the TOTAL HOUSEHOLD income during the past 12 months?

- **1.** Less than \$ 5,000
- **2.** \$ 5,000 to \$ 7,499
- **3.** \$ 7,500 to \$ 9,999
- **4.** \$10,000 to \$12,499
- **5.** \$12,500 to \$14,999
- **6.** \$15,000 to \$17,499
- **7.** \$17,500 to \$19,999
- **8.** \$20,000 to \$24,999
- **9.** \$25,000 to \$29,999
- **10.** \$30,000 to \$34,999
- **11.** \$35,000 to \$39,999
- **12.** \$40,000 to \$49,999
- **13.** \$50,000 to \$74,999
- **14.** \$75,000 and over

CONTROL CARD ITEMS (Left)

HOUSEHOLD INCOME (Right)

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#### **QUICK REFERENCE**

## 1. NCVS-2 Items 88 – 89, What to Include/Exclude as Theft/Attempted Theft

#### a. INCLUDE

- items belonging to any member of the household, regardless of age, taken in a burglary or household theft.
- items belonging to any member of the household 12 years of age or older.
- items regardless of value (for example, accept thefts of "worthless" and "priceless" items).
- items that are the **personal property** of an individual household member.
- items that belong to the entire household.
- items that belong to an **unrecognizable business**. (Refer to NCVS-1 items 34 –35 on page 2.)

#### **b.** EXCLUDE

- items that belong to a recognizable business in the sample unit, even if the business is owned by a household member.
- items that belong to some other **commercial establishment**, even if the business is owned by a household member.
- items belonging to the owner of a house, apartment, or room that a household member was renting at the time of the incident.
- items belonging to a **nonhousehold member**.
- items that the respondent or another household member had borrowed from a nonhousehold member.
- items **loaned to a friend**, neighbor, etc., and not returned. (However, if someone stole the items **from** the friend, neighbor, etc., **include** the items.)
- items belonging to a household member under age 12, taken in any type of crime other than a burglary or household theft.

## 2. Filling NCVS-2 Check Item W, Summary, if Police Officers are the Offenders

When recording an incident in which a police officer was reported as the offender, include as much of the following information as possible in the Summary in NCVS-2 Check Item W:

#### whether the victim was arrested

- whether the victim pressed charges against the police officer
- a complete description of the police officer's actions
- a description of the victim's actions during the incident
- whether any property was confiscated by the police
- whether confiscated property was returned, kept as evidence, etc.
- if the police officer had a hand gun or a billy club
- if a gun or billy club was present, was it drawn or used
- whether the police officer was on or off duty

### **INTER-COMM SITUATIONS**

### You must send an INTER-COMM to your office in the following situations:

#### **Control Card**

- 1. You have interviewed a person you are not sure should be considered a household member (item 13c of the Control Card).
- 2. You are unsure how to classify Type of Living Quarters (items 11a-11d) on the Control Card.

#### **Noninterview**

- The manager of a hotel or other type of Group Quarters refuses to admit you, or an apartment manager refuses to admit you.
- 2. A unit is a Type A, B, or C noninterview.
- 3. You are unable to obtain interviews with some household member(s) in an interviewed household –Type Z noninterview(s).

#### **Listing Problems**

- 1. EXTRA units
- 2. Merged units
- 3. Basic address difficult to locate
- 4. Can't find basic address
- 5. Structure contains a range of house numbers
- 6. Replacement structure
- 7. Can't find segment boundaries (area segments only)
- 8. Extensive changes in the segment (area segments only)
- 9. Street name is incorrect (permit segments only)
- 10. House number has changed (permit segments only)
- Permit number for the structure on the listing sheet doesn't match (permit segments only)
- 12. Permit has been abandoned (permit segments only)
- 13. Basic address identifies or has been converted to a GQ (permit segments only)
- 14. GQ is seasonally closed
- 15. Regular housing unit converts to a GQ or GQ unit converts to a regular housing unit
- Expected and actual number of GQ units disagree using the register of units listing method (GQ segments only)
- 17. Expected and actual number of GQ persons disagree using the register of persons listing method (GQ segments only)

#### Other

- 1. You have accepted a proxy interview for a household member who is physically/mentally unable to answer or who is temporarily absent.
- 2. Any problems you are unsure how to handle.

NCVS-2 QUICK REFERENCE (Left)

INTER-COMM SITUATIONS (Right)

| Туре | NCVS-500  | NCVS-7   | NCVS-1   | INTER-COMM |
|------|---|--|--|------------|
| A    | Items 6a and 6b  Item 7a (if required – 1st only)  Item 7b (if required – 1st only)  Items 8c and 8d (if applicable)  Item 8e  Item 9  Item 10 (if applicable)  Items 11a, b, c, or d  Item 24 (If available; otherwise do not fill by observation).  Item 27c  Items 30b, d, e, f and h (if applicable)  Item 33 | Control number  Items 1 – 6  Item 7  (If available; otherwise do not fill by observation).  Items 8 – 11 |  | Required   |
| В    | Items 6a and 6b Item 7a (if required – 1st only) Item 7b (if required – 1st only) Item 9 Item 10 (if applicable) Items 11a, b, c, or d Item 27c Items 30b, d, e, f and h (if applicable) Item 33  | Control number Items 1 – 6, and 11   |  | Required   |
| C    | Items 6a and 6b Item 7b (if required – 1st only) Items 30b, d, e, f and h (if applicable) Item 33   | Control number Items 1, 5, and 6   |  | Required   |
| Z    | All applicable items  |  | Items 14a – b Item 15c Items 17 – 27 (Item 28 is no longer filled by observation). | Required   |

## **NCVS DEFINITION OF RAPE**

Forced sexual intercourse includes both psychological coercion as well as physical force. Forced sexual intercourse means vaginal, anal, or oral penetration by the offender(s). This category also includes incidents where the penetration is from a foreign object, such as a bottle.

ITEMS FILLED FOR NONINTER-VIEWS (Left)

NCVS DEFINITION OF RAPE (Right)

EDIT CHECKLIST (Pages 20–23)

## EDIT CHECKLIST FOR THE NCVS-500

## **INTERVIEWED HOUSEHOLDS**

- 1. First Period of Interview
  - **a.** Was a current Control Card used (See Enumeration Period Chart and Reference Period Information attachment in your current NCVS Field Representative's Memorandum for the most current form dates) or a previous version of the NCVS-500 with the following overlays:
    - Educational attainment
    - Hispanic origin/Race
    - OMB approval expiration date
    - Spanish language interview
    - Restricted access?
  - **b.** Are all applicable items filled on the Control Card? (See Part B, Chapter 5, of the NCVS-550 manual)
- 2. Subsequent Periods of Interview
  - **a.** Were items 8a, 21, and 28 updated? (1st, 3rd, 5th, and 7th periods only)
  - **b.** Was item 8b verified?
  - **c.** Was item 8d verified? (5th enumeration only, if applicable)
  - **d.** Was item 8e verified and transcribed to item 12e on the NCVS-1?
  - e. Were items 14 and 22 asked and 17 updated?
  - **f.** Were any changes in household composition noted in item 25a?
  - g. Was the date of interview updated in item 25b?
  - h. Was item 25c, "years lived at address" updated?
  - i. Were items 26a-26g verified?
  - j. Were items 29a and b filled for EXTRA units?
  - **k.** Were items 30b−e, g, and h filled, as appropriate?
  - L Were items 12 and 32 filled, if applicable?

## EDIT CHECKLIST FOR THE NCVS-1 AND NCVS-1A

## INTERVIEWED HOUSEHOLDS

- **1.** Were current English or Spanish forms used (See Enumeration Period Chart and Reference Period Information attachment in your current NCVS Field Representative's Memorandum for the most current form dates)?
- 2. Is the control number correctly transcribed from the Control Card?
- **3.** Are items 1–4 and 13–16b completed (if necessary) and have items 5–12e been accurately transcribed from the Control Card?
- **4.** Are items 14a and 14b on the cover page filled for **every** Type Z person in the household?
- **5.** Does the number entered in item 15a on the cover page agree with the number of people represented on the inside of the NCVS-1 booklet and any additional NCVS-1As?
- **6.** Does the number entered in item 15c on the cover page agree with the number of Type Z noninterview household members 12 years of age and OVER represented on the inside of the NCVS-1 booklet and any additional NCVS-1As?
- **7.** Does the number entered in item 15d on the cover page agree with the number of incident reports filled excluding out-of-scope incidents?
- **8.** Were any entries in household composition (control card item 25a) for the current enumeration transcribed to item 16?
- **9.** Are all personal characteristics for each line number (items 17–27; item 28 **must be** asked and can no longer be filled by observation) filled whether the person is an interview or a Type Z noninterview?
- **10a.** Are all the household (36–46) and individual screen questions (36–45) for each interviewed household member 12+ marked Yes or No?
- **10b.** If the "Yes" box is marked in any of the screen questions 36–45 or Check Item F1, is number of times filled?
  - **11.** Are there complete NCVS-2 crime incident reports for each "number of times" entry recorded in Check Item G for every interviewed respondent in the household?
  - **12.** Were the identity theft questions (Items 45c–45l) completed for the household respondent?
  - **13.** If the "Yes" box is marked in screen question 46a, are items 46b–46e, Check Item F1, and items 46f–46k filled as needed?
  - **14.** Were all hate crime screen questions for the household respondent (items 46g–46k) filled if vandalism was reported in screen question 46a?
  - **15.** Was item 47c filled if item 47b was marked "Yes?"
  - **16.** Are all NCVS-1A forms for the household identified by the exact control number that is shown on the corresponding NCVS-1 form?

## EDIT CHECKLIST FOR THE NCVS-2

## **INTERVIEWED HOUSEHOLDS**

- **1.** Was the current English form or Spanish form used (See Enumeration Period Chart and Reference Period Information attachment in your current NCVS Field Representative's Memorandum for the most current form dates)?
- 2. Are NCVS-2 forms completed for each separate incident of crime reported in the screen questions for all interviewed persons 12+ in the household?
- **3.** Are line number, screen question number, and incident number items correctly filled on each NCVS-2?
- **4.** Are all NCVS-2 forms correctly identified by the complete control number of the corresponding NCVS-1 form?
- **5.** Were items 20a and 20b marked correctly according to the NCVS rules for "presence"?
- **6.** Were the employment questions (Items 138a–138f and Items 139–142) appropriately completed if box 1 was marked in item 135?
- **7.** Were the hate crime questions (Items 161–166) appropriately filled?
- 8. Were the disability questions (Items 167-173) appropriately filled?
- 9. Have you followed the skips correctly?
- **10.** Have you transcribed a description of all incidents to item 32 on the back of the Control Card?
- **11.** Was the reason for marking an incident "out-of-scope" written in the "Notes" space at the top of the first page of any applicable NCVS-2 crime incident reports?

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## EDIT CHECKLIST FOR THE NCVS-500 AND NCVS-7

## **NONINTERVIEWED HOUSEHOLDS**

### **NCVS-500**

- 1. Are items 6a and 6b filled?
- 2. Are items 7a and 7b filled, if required?
- **3.** Are items 8c, 8d, and 8e filled for Type A noninterviews?
- **4.** Is item 10 filled, if applicable?
- **5.** Is item 11 filled for Type A and B noninterviews?
- 6. Are items 30b, d, e, f, and h filled, as appropriate?
- 7. Is item 33 filled, if applicable?

## NCVS-7

- 1. Did you fill the full control number and items 1, 5, and 6?
- 2. Are items 2-4 and 11 filled for a Type A or B noninterview?
- 3. If Type A noninterview -
  - Is "reason" marked in item 6?
  - Is "race" marked in item 7 (only if available; otherwise **do not** fill by observation)?
  - Are items 8, 9, and 10 filled?