

Lynn and Angela:

Please forward these questions to the appropriate folks at BJS for a response. I would like to hear back from them by Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.

Shelly

1. Given the break in series for the main NCVS, what is the BJS plan for describing these data in historical context?
2. Given the schedule for reporting to Congress, it appears that this survey would be better conducted during the first ½ of the year rather than the second. Why is it on the current schedule?
3. Given the break in series and the schedule, what quality assurance plans are in place to ensure that the very preliminary data reported to Congress are done so accurately?
4. Given the anticipated response rate, please provide BJS's nonresponse bias analysis plan.
5. Part B describes the bounding interview in a manner that appears outdated, given the new NCVS procedures for using those data as the first interview. Please update.
6. Is the policy to not accept proxy interviews for PPCS the same or different from NCVS? If different, why?
7. In reference to Item 3, Part B, how does the interviewer obtain characteristics of noninterview persons and households?
8. Since this survey is not self-administered, why is all of the PRA and confidentiality information written on the questionnaire in a manner that appears to be excluded from the interviewer script? Please provide all materials, including advance letters or FAQs, used to provide PRA and confidentiality information to respondents of the PPCS.