

Background Survey in English
Questionnaire on Statistical Background, Computer Use, Internet Experience

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Demographics

1. What is your age? _____
 2. Are you male or female? _____
 3. What is your level of education?
 - ___ grade school
 - ___ some high school
 - ___ high school degree
 - ___ some college
 - ___ 2-year college degree
 - ___ 4-year college degree
 - ___ some postgraduate study (e.g., M.A., M.B.A., J.D., Ph.D., M.D., programs)
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Computer Experience

1. Do you use a computer at home, at work, or both?
(Check all that apply.)
 - ___ Home
 - ___ Work
 - ___ Somewhere else, such as school, library, etc.
2. If you have a computer at home,
 - a. What kind of modem do you use at home?
 - ___ Dial-up
 - ___ Cable
 - ___ DSL
 - ___ Wireless (Wi-Fi)
 - ___ Other _____
 - ___ Don't know _____
 - b. Which browser do you typically use at home? Please indicate the version if you can recall it.
 - ___ Firefox
 - ___ Internet Explorer
 - ___ Netscape
 - ___ Other _____
 - ___ Don't know _____
 - c. What operating system does your home computer run in?
 - ___ MAC OS
 - ___ Windows 95
 - ___ Windows 2000
 - ___ Windows XP
 - ___ Windows Vista
 - ___ Other _____

Don't know

3. On average, about how many hours do you spend on the Internet per day?

- 0 hours
- 1-3 hours
- 4-6 hours
- 7 or more hours

4. Please rate your overall experience with the following:

Circle one number.

	No experience					Very experienced			
Computers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Internet	1	2	4	5	5	6	7	8	9

5. What computer applications do you use?

Mark (X) for all that apply

- E-mail
- Internet
- Word processing (MS-Word, WordPerfect, etc.)
- Spreadsheets (Excel, Lotus, Quattro, etc.)
- Accounting or tax software
- Engineering, scientific, or statistical software
- Other applications, please specify _____

For the following questions, please circle one number.

	Comfortable			Not Comfortable	
6. How <i>comfortable</i> are you in learning to navigate new Web sites?	1	2	3	4	5
7. Computer windows can be minimized, resized, and scrolled through. How <i>comfortable</i> are you in manipulating a window?	1	2	3	4	5
8. How <i>comfortable</i> are you using, and navigating through the Internet?	1	2	3	4	5
	Never			Very Often	
9. How <i>often</i> do you work with any type of data through a computer?	1	2	3	4	5
10. How <i>often</i> do you perform complex analyses of data using a computer?	1	2	3	4	5
11. How <i>often</i> do you use the Internet or Web sites to find information? (e.g., printed reports, news articles, data tables, blogs, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
	Not familiar			Very familiar	
12. How <i>familiar</i> are you with the Census (terms, data, etc)?	1	2	3	4	5
13. How <i>familiar</i> are you with the current American Community Survey (ACS) and American FactFinder (AFF) sites (terms, data, etc.)?	1	2	3	4	5