

7. FISHER IS FISHING FROM:

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |  | Rocky Point |
| 2 | Dock | 6 | Rocky Pavement |
| 3 | Jetty/Groin | 7 | Other: |
| 4 | Sandy/Rocky Beach |  |  |

Good [morning, afternoon, evening]. How are you? My name is [First name], and I'm talking to fishers today to learn how important fishing is to them and to collect information about their catch. Participation is voluntary and your individual answers will be treated as confidential in accordance with NOAA Administrative Order 216-100 and section 402(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1881, et seq.). At the end of the study, the information collected will be reported for the group as a whole. We can skip any questions that you do not want to answer. The survey will take $\mathbf{7}$ to $\mathbf{1 0}$ minutes. Could I ask you some questions about fishing? [Agreed: Great, thank you.] [Refused: Okay, thank you for your time. Have a good day.]
8. We are primarily interested in getting information about fishing that is for fun, sport, or for the personal use of fish. We don't want to collect information about fishing for commercial uses because this information is already gathered on commercial catch reports or trip ticket forms. Will you be reporting today's catch on a commercial catch report or trip ticket form?

9. How long have you been fishing here today? That is, how many hours have you spent with your gear in the water?
[Surveyor: Probe to nearest half hour.]


Number of hours to nearest half hour
10. How many additional hours do you expect to fish from this site today? That is, how many more hours will you have your gear in the water? [Surveyor: Probe to nearest half hour.]

11. Have you fished at any other location today or do you plan to fish at another location today?

| 1 | $\square$ Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | $\square$ No |
| 9 | $\square$ Refused |

12. What type of gear did you primarily use today?

| 1 | Handline | 6 | Snare |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Rod and Reel | 7 | Hand |
| 3 | Dip net, A-frame | 8 | Other: |
| 4 | Cast net | 98 | Don't Know |
| 5 | Spear | 99 | Refused |

13. Were you fishing for any particular kinds of fish today? If yes, what kinds?
1st Target


2nd Target

$111111 \square$ Anything/No particular species
99999 Refused
14. Did you catch any fish while you were fishing that I might be able to look at?

15. Did you catch these fish yourself or did someone else catch some of them?

| 1 | All caught by fisher | Go to Q18 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | Other contributors | Go to Q16 |

16. Can you separate out your individual catch?

17. How many fishers, including yourself, have their catch here? Please do not include anyone who did not catch fish. Only count those fishers who have their catch here.


18. UNAVAILABLE CATCH. Did you land any fish that are not here for me to look at? For example, any that you may have thrown back or used for bait? Please tell me about only the fish that you caught yourself.
[Surveyor: Do not read the list of responses for disposition of fish; simply record the respondent's answers.]


Now that we've looked at your fish, could I ask you just a few more questions? Answers to these questions will help us to better understand how important recreational, personal use fishing is to fishers and their households on St. Croix. Information collected with these questions will only be reported for the whole fishing community. In other words, at the end of the study, the information will be grouped together for everyone that we survey. We will not share a person's individual responses with anyone.

## 20. What year were you born?

$\square$ Refused: code 9999
21. Do you live primarily in the U.S. Virgin Islands? That is, do you live in the U.S. Virgin Islands for 6 or more months out of each year?

| 1 |  | Yes |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 |  | No |
| 9 |  | Refused |


22. What is your island of residence?

| 1 |  | St. Croix |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 |  | St. Thomas |
| 3 | St. John |  |
| 4 |  | Water Island |
|  |  | Refused |

23. What is your zip code?

24. Where were you born?

| 1 | St. Croix | 10 | St. Lucia |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | St. John | 11 | Trinidad/Tobago |
| 3 | St. Thomas | 12 | Other Caribbean |
| 4 | Puerto Rico | 13 | Mainland U.S.A. |
| 5 | Anguilla | 14 | Another U.S. island |
| 6 | Antigua/Barbuda | 15 | Other foreign |
| 7 | Dominica |  | country |
| 8 | Dominican Repub. | 98 | Don't Know |
| 9 | St. Kitts-Nevis | 99 | Refused |


25. Have you been interviewed previously by one of our survey staff in the past [\# of months study has been underway] months?

26. Are you satisfied with the number of access points available for shoreline fishing?

27. What is your main reason for fishing?
[Surveyor: Please read the list of responses and check the response chosen by the respondent.]

| 1 | For sport |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | For food |
| 3 | To be outdoors |
| 4 | To have fun or relax |
| 5 | To teach younger generations about fishing |
| 6 | To spend time with friends and family |
| 7 | Other: |
| 9 | Refused |

28. In a typical week, approximately what percentage of your household's food comes from personal-use fishing or gathering other food from the sea? [Surveyor: Do not read the list of responses; simply check the response category that reflects the respondent's answer.]

| 1 | 0\% to 9\% |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 10\% to 24\% |
| 3 | 25\% to 49\% |
| 4 | 50\% to 74\% |
| 5 | 75\% to 100\% |
| 8 | Don't know |
| 9 | Refused |

29. How many people presently live in your household, including yourself?

30. How many children, meaning people under the age of 16 , presently live in your household?
$\square \square$ Number of persons in household
$99 \square$ Refused
31. How many people in your household, including yourself, engaged in fishing for recreation or personal use of fish at least once in the past three months?

32. What is your current employment status?
[Surveyor: Do not read the list of responses; simply check the response that reflects the respondent's answer.]

| 1 | Full-time employment |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Part-time employment |
| 3 | Self-employed |
| 4 | Student |
| 5 | Retired |
| 6 | Unemployed |
| 7 | Other: |
| 9 | Refused |

33. Could you estimate for me your household's typical monthly income? That is, could you estimate the combined monthly income for everyone who works for pay in your household?
[Surveyor: Provide respondent with income category card and mark the response selected by the respondent.]

| 1 | \$0 to \$999 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | \$1000 to \$1,999 |
| 3 | \$2,000 to \$3,999 |
| 4 | \$4,000 to \$5,999 |
| 5 | \$6,000 or more |
| 8 | Don't know |
| 9 | Refused |

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