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**Appendix B**

**QUESTIONNAIRE, EDITING, CODING**

**Questionnaire**

Interviews were taken by the Survey Research Center's trained field staff, during March and April 1960. Interviews with cross section respondents were taken using the questionnaire reproduced in this appendix.

Respondents in the supplementary sample had been interviewed one or two months earlier for the Survey of Consumer Finances and had already reported some of the information required by this study. Much of the previously reported information concerned income, a subject many respondents are reluctant to discuss. Therefore the reinterview questionnaire was shortened and most questions about income, as well as some questions about housing, employment, and head's education were omitted. This information was transcribed from the interview schedule of the Survey of Consumer Finances for each reinterview respondent, and was coded as a regular part of this study.

**Editing**

After interviews were received from the interviewing staff they were edited. This involved checking the responses for consistency, assigning missing data, and calculating financial measures such as net equity in an owned house, net rent, and several income concepts. Calculation of financial variables was simplified by the use of work sheets which indicated clearly what information was required for the calculation and how the calculation was to be carried out.

**Coding**

A second staff coded the information on the interviews. The information in each interview was summarized by means of numerical codes. The codes for each question were designed to provide mutually exclusive and logically exhaustive categories for describing the answers to each question. A decreasing fraction of interviews was double-coded and differences reconciled in order to assure uniform treatment. Altogether about 10 per cent were check coded. The editing process was checked in a similar fashion.

The codes were key punched, after which some of the complex variables were built by machine. Income measures, such as estimated income tax, which involved synthesizing many of the original responses and taking information from several places in the questionnaire were calculated during editing; measures which could be derived from the edited and coded data by simple computations were constructed by machine. Several demographic variables were combined by machine to form summary measures such as life cycle, number of children in the family, etc.

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### PATTERNS OF FAMILY CHANGE

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In this survey we are talking to people all over the country about their families, how they have changed from one generation to the next, and what plans they have for the future.

**A. First I'd like to know who lives here, 18 years of age and over?**

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**A12.** Are there any children under 18 living here with you (in SU covered by interview)?

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**A13.** Are they your sons or daughters or what?

**A14.** How old are they?

**Enter data on children at right**

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*If he (she) contributed less than one-half, he (she) is a separate spending unit. If "No", he (she) is not a separate spending unit. The main spending unit should be numbered "1". Please number all spending units. Fill out additional cover sheets (form A) for each secondary spending unit.

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A. DEMOGRAPHIC DATA (continued)

(ASK EVERYONE)

A16. Are you single, married, widowed, divorced, or separated?

- Single
- Married
- Widowed
- Divorced
- Separated

(SPECIFY WHETHER FIGURE INDICATES AGE OR YEAR)

A19. When were you married?

A20. When were you widowed?

A21. When were you divorced?

A22. When were you separated?

B. EDUCATION (continued)

(ASK ABOUT ELDEST SON - See B4, B5)

B1. Do you (HEAD) have any (other) children who don't live here, that is, including grown sons and daughters?

Yes

(Skip to Page 3, B4)

No

(IF CHILDREN IN SU, SKIP TO PAGE 4, B16)

(IF NO CHILDREN AT ALL, CONTINUE WITH B3)

B2. Do you expect to have any children?

Yes

No

(IF YES) B3. Do you think they will go to college?

(Skip to Page 6, B40)

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<th>B6. What is he (she) doing now?</th>
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<th>B12. Roughly speaking, about how much income do you think your eldest son earns each year?</th>
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### B. EDUCATION (continued)

(ASK ABOUT ANYONE UNDER 18 IN THIS SU - See A13)  
(ASK ABOUT ADULT SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE HEAD IN THIS SU - See Face Sheet)

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<th>B10. How many of the children living here are in grade school or high school?</th>
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<td>(IF ANY) B17. How many are in public schools?</td>
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<td>B18. How many have not started school yet?</td>
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(ASK IF B + C ACCOUNTS FOR ALL CHILDREN SKIP TO PAGE 5, B34)

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(IF CHILD IS NOT IN COLLEGE - See B19)

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<td>B22. What kind of business is that in?</td>
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<td>B23. How many weeks did he (she) work last year?</td>
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(IF NOT WORKING)

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<td>B24. How is it that he (she) is not working?</td>
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<td>B25. Did he (she) do any work for pay last year?</td>
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<td>(IF YES) B26. How many weeks did he (she) work?</td>
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<td>B27. How many grades of school did he (she) finish?</td>
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<td>(IF COMPLETED 12 GRADES) B28. Did he (she) go to college?</td>
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<td>(IF YES) B29. Did he (she) get a college degree?</td>
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*SONS OR DAUGHTERS OF HEAD OVER 25 YEARS OF AGE, OR CHILDREN UNDER 25 WHO ARE NOT ACCOUNTED FOR IN B + C.*

### B. EDUCATION (continued)

(IF CHILD IS IN COLLEGE - See B19)

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<td>B31. Does he (she) stay at home or live at the college or what?</td>
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<td>B32. About how many months was he (she) in college in 1959?</td>
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<td>B33. During 1959 how much do you think it cost you for his (her) education, including tuition, books, (living expenses away from home), and transportion?</td>
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(ASK IF 1) CHILDREN 20 OR UNDER IN THIS SU [B16, 18, 19])

2) CHILDREN OF HEAD, 20 OR UNDER, IN SECONDARY SUB'S [SeeFace Sheet]  
3) CHILDREN OF HEAD LIVING ELSEWHERE, 20 OR UNDER (B6)

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(IF ANY CHILDREN MAY GO TO COLLEGE)

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<td>B36. How do you expect their (his, her) college education will be financed?</td>
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<td>B37. Do you think your children (son) (daughter) will go away to college, or will they (he) (she) live at home, or both?</td>
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<td>B38. Do you think any of your children (your son) (your daughter) will be going to a state-supported college?</td>
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<td>B39. To what extent do you expect your children (your son) (your daughter) to support themselves (himself) (herself) in college?</td>
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B. EDUCATION (continued)

B40. How much education do you think children ought to get these days?

B41. Why is that? (What does it depend on?)

B42. Part of the costs of college are now paid for out of tax funds, and part by college students and their families. Do you think that tax funds should cover more of the costs than they do now, or less, or what?

B43. Should tax money be used to support only those with ability, only those who have financial need, or should everyone be supported?

B44. We're interested in how people compare occupations. How do you think most people would feel if a boy of theirs chose each of these types of work?

SHOW CARD 1

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C. HOUSING

C1. Now I have a few questions about your home. Do you (SU) own this home or pay rent or what?

[CONTINUE WITH C2]

Pays rent

Neither owns nor rents

(IF OWNS OR IS BUYING)

C2. Could you tell me what the present value of this house (farm) is? I mean about what would it bring if you sold it today? $________

C3. About how much do you think it would cost you to rent a house about like the one you live in? $________

C4. How much do you pay in property taxes on this house every year, including city, county, and school taxes? $________

C5. Do you have a mortgage, a land contract, or any other debt on this property?

(IF YES) C6. Approximately how much do you owe on this property altogether? $________

(SKIP TO PAGE 8, C17)

C7. How much rent do you pay a month? $________

C8. Do you pay for water, electricity, gas, or heat?

(IF YES) C9. How much did you pay last year altogether? $________

C10. Do you rent this place furnished or unfurnished? Furnished or Unfurnished

(SKIP TO PAGE 8, C17)

(IF NEITHER OWNS NOR RENTS)

C11. How is that?

C12. Do you help with the mortgage payments, or pay some of the utilities or anything like that?

(IF YES) C13. How much did you pay last year? $________

C14. Who pays the property taxes?

(IF R [SU] PAYS) C15. How much did you pay last year for property taxes? $________

(IF PRIMARY SU)

C16. Could you tell me about what this house (apartment) would rent for? $________
(ASK EVERYONE)

C17. Did you spend any of your own time repairing or improving this house (apartment) last year?  
[Yes]  [No]

(If Yes) C18. What did you do?

C19. How much do you think you saved by doing it yourself?  

(If No) C20. How long have you lived in this house (apartment)?

C21. Do you feel that you have settled down to stay here in this house (apartment), or do you plan to move?

(If Plans to Move or May Move)

C22. Why is that? (What does it depend on?)

(ASK IN ALL INTERVIEWS WITH SECONDARY SPENDING UNITS - See A9)

C27. Do you share your living and eating arrangements with others in this house (apartment)?

(If Yes) C28. Tell me about it.

(If No) C29. How do you get to your room - do you have a private or separate entrance, or do you have to pass through some other rooms?

(If Passes through Other Rooms)

C30. Is there cooking equipment here for your own private use?  
[Yes]  [No]

(SKIP TO PAGE 10, E1)
### E. FAMILY HISTORY

Now I'd like to ask a few questions about your experiences in past years.

**E1. Where did you grow up?**

(Specify State, if U.S.; Country, if Foreign)

**E2. Was that on a farm or in a large city or small town or what?**

- Farm
- Small town
- Large city
- Other

(Specify)

**E3. How many brothers and sisters did you have?**

- Brothers
- Sisters

**E4. How many grades of school did you finish?**

| None | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |

**E5. Have you had other schooling?**

- Yes
- No

**E6. What other schooling have you had?**

Type of schooling:  (College, secretarial, business, etc.)

(If Any College)

**E7. Do you have a college degree?**

- Yes
- No

**E8. Were your grades (marks) above or below the grades of most of your classmates?**

**E9. How old were you when you left school?**  (Specify whether age or year)

**E10. After you left school, when did you get your first full-time regular job?**  (Specify whether age or year)

(If head never worked, skip to page 11, E15)

(If head has worked)

**E11. What kind of a job was it?**  (What did you do?)

**E12. Since you got your first regular job, how many states have you lived in (not including your experience while in military service)?**

(If one)  **E13. Since your first regular job, have you ever lived more than 100 miles from here?**

- Yes
- No

(If two, or more)  **E14. Where was that?**

(If head not married, skip to page 11, E21)

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### E. FAMILY HISTORY (continued)

(If now married - See A18)

**E15. How about your wife where did she grow up?**  (Specify State, if U.S.; Country, if Foreign)

**E16. Was that on a farm or in a large city or small town or what?**

- Farm
- Small town
- Large city
- Other

**E17. How many grades of school did she finish?**

| None | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |

(If Yes)  **E18. Did she have other schooling?**

- Yes
- No

**E19. What other schooling did she have?**

Type of schooling:  (College, secretarial, business, etc.)

(If Any College)

**E20. Did she get a college degree?**

- Yes
- No

(Ask about head's father)

**E21. Where did your father grow up?**

(Specify State, if U.S.; Country if Foreign)

**E22. How many grades of school did he finish?**

| None | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |

(If none, or don't know)  **E23. Could he read and write?**

- Yes
- No

(If completed 13 grades)  **E24. Did he go to college?**

- Yes
- No

(If Yes)  **E25. Did he get a college degree?**

- Yes
- No

**E26. What would you say his usual occupation was while you were in grade school?**

**E27. Did he work for himself or for someone else or what?**

**E28. Was his church preference Protestant, Catholic, or Jewish?**

- Protestant
- Roman Catholic
- Jewish
- Other

(Specify)

(If Protestant)  **E29. What denomination was that?**

(If Jewish)  **E30. Was that orthodox, conservative or reform?**

**E31. Did he attend religious services regularly, occasionally, or not at all?**

- Regularly
- Occasionally
- Not at all
G. OCCUPATION

Now we would like to ask you some questions about your job.

G1. What is your occupation? What sort of work do you do?

[Employed] (Specify job) (SKIP TO PAGE 13, G17)

[Unemployed] G2. What kind of work do you do when you work? (Specify job)

G3. What kind of business is that in? (SKIP TO PAGE 14, G38)

[Retired] G4. What kind of work did you do when you worked? (Specify job)

G5. What kind of business was that in? (CONTINUE WITH G5)

[Student] (CONTINUE WITH G5)

[Housewife] (SKIP TO G8)

(IF READ IS RETIRED OR A STUDENT)

G6. Did you do any work for pay in 1959? Yes No (SKIP TO PAGE 16, G32)

(IF YES) G7. What did you do?

(SKIP TO PAGE 15, G46)

(IF READ IS HOUSEWIFE)

G8. Have you ever had a (regular) job? Yes No

(IF YES)

G9. What did you do?

G10. How many years did you work altogether (including years that you worked before you got married)?

(IF HOUSEWIFE UNDER 65 - See Face Sheet)

G11. Do you think you would be able to find a job easily? Yes No

G12. Why is that?

G13. What about the future, do you think that you will go to work sometime at a regular job? Yes No

G14. Why is that?

G15. Did you do any work for pay in 1959? Yes No (SKIP TO PAGE 16)

(IF YES) G16. What did you do?

(SKIP TO PAGE 15, G46)

G. OCCUPATION (continued)

(IF READ IS WORKING)

G17. What kind of business is that in?

G18. Do you work for yourself or someone else or what?

MAIN JOB: Self Someone else

G19. Do you have more than one job? (IF YES)

Yes No

G20. What is the other job?

G21. What kind of business is that in?

G22. On your second job, do you work for yourself or someone else, or what?

SECOND JOB: Self Someone else

(See G20)

(IF SELF-EMPLOYED IN ANY JOB)

G23. Do you employ other people? Yes No

(IF YES)

G24. About how many? (Specify months or years)

G25. How long have you been in this kind of work? (Specify months or years)

G26. Does it bring in a steady income, or does it vary from year to year? (IF INCOME VARIES)

G27. Why is that?

(IF SELF-EMPLOYED ON MAIN JOB, SKIP TO PAGE 15, G46)

(ASK ABOUT READ'S MAIN JOB, IF WORKS FOR SOMEONE ELSE - See G18)

G28. About how many other people work where you do? 1 - 2 3 - 9 10 - 99 100 or more

G29. Do you supervise other people? Yes No

G30. About how long have you been with your present employer? (Specify months or years)

G31. Does your work bring in a steady income, or does it vary from year to year? (IF INCOME VARIES)

G32. How is that?

G33. What would you say are your chances for promotion or getting ahead?

G34. Why is that?
G. OCCUPATION (continued)

(ASK ABOUT HEAD'S MAIN JOB IF WORKS FOR SOMEONE ELSE - See G19) (continued)

G35. If they had to cut down in your organization, would you be among the first to be laid off or the last or what?

G36. If you should lose your present job, what would you say were your chances of finding another job that paid about the same?

G37. Why is that?

G38. Have you been unemployed in the last 5 years?  Yes  No

(CONTINUE WITH G39)

(GO TO G39 IF NEVER EMPLOYED OR WORKS FOR SOMEONE ELSE - See G1, G19)

G39. Some people are out of work for a time every year, others are unemployed every few years, and for still others, unemployment is quite unusual. How has it been in your (HEAD'S) case?

(IF NEVER UNEMPLOYED, SKIP TO G44)

(IF UNEMPLOYED AT SOME TIME IN PAST 5 YEARS - See G1, G19)

G40. Did you receive unemployment compensation at some time during the past 5 years?  Yes  No

(IF NO)

G41. How did it happen that you didn't get it?

(IF YES)

G42. Did your unemployment benefits run out at any time during the past 5 years?  Yes  No

(IF YES) G43. When was that?  (Months and years)

G44. Do you think unemployment compensation payments should be higher, lower, or the same as they are now?

G45. Why do you think so?

G46. In 1959, how many weeks did you work full time (including paid vacations and sick leave)?

(IF LESS THAN 49 WEEKS)

G47. How about the weeks you didn't work full time, were you working part-time, unable to find work, ill, or what?  Reasons

Number of Weeks

G48. How many weeks were you (working part-time, unable to find work, etc.)

(IF WORKED AT ALL)

G49. About how many hours a week did you usually work last year (while you were working) (at all jobs)?  hours per week

(All other sub's skip to page 18)

G50. What arrangements do you have for taking care of the children while you are at work?

G51. (If not clear) How much does this cost you per month?  $

(SKIP TO PAGE 18)
G. OCCUPATION (continued)

(IF HEAD IS MARRIED, EVEN IF HEAD IS RETIRED)

GS2. What about your wife, is she working or earning any money now?

Yes  No  (SKIP TO PAGE 17, GS1)

(IF YES, WIFE WORKS)

GS3. What sort of work does she do?

GS4. What kind of business is that in?

GS5. How many weeks did she work either full-time or part-time last year?

GS6. How many hours a week did she usually work when she was working last year?

(IF SHE HAS CHILDREN UNDER AGE 12 - See Face Sheet)

GS7. What arrangements do you have for taking care of the children while you and your wife are both at work?

GS8. (IF NOT CLEAR) How much does this cost you per month?

GS9. How many years has she been working altogether (including years before she got married)?

GS10. What are her plans, how long will she keep on working?

(SKIP TO PAGE 17, GS9)

G. OCCUPATION (continued)

(IF NO, WIFE DOES NOT WORK - See GS2)

GS1. Did she ever have a job?

Yes  No

(IF YES)

GS2. What did she do?

GS3. What kind of business was that in?

GS4. How many years did she work altogether (including years that she worked before she got married)?

GS5. If she wanted to work would she be able to find a job easily?

GS6. Why is that?

GS7. What about the future, do you think she will go to work sometime at a regular job?

Yes  No

GS8. Why is that?

(ASK IF HEAD IS MARRIED)

GS9. There are many wives who have jobs these days. Do you think it is a good thing for a wife to work, or a bad thing, or what?

G70. Why do you say so? (What does it depend on?)

(IF CHILDREN MENTIONED IN G70)

G71. What if there are no children at home to be cared for?
H. INCOME

In this survey all over the country we are trying to get an accurate picture of people's financial situation. One thing we need to know is the income of all the people we interview.

(IF HEAD IS NOT A FARMER ASK H7)

H1. Did you receive any income from crops you placed under commodity credit loans, or from soil bank payments?

Commodity Credit Loans | Soil Bank | Both | Neither

H2. What were your total receipts from farming in 1959 (including commodity credit loans and soil bank payments)? $__________

H3. What were your total operating expenses, not counting living expenses or income taxes? $__________

H4. Does that include any investments in things that will last for a while, like tractors, trucks, equipment or buildings? Yes | No

(IF YES) H5. How much went for things like that? $__________

H6. How much is the livestock and equipment that you own on this farm worth?

(SHOW CARD II)


(ASK EVERYONE)

H7. Did you own a business any time in 1959, or did you have a financial interest in any business enterprise?

Yes (CONTINUE WITH H8) | No (SKIP TO PAGE 20, H34)

(IF YES)

H8. What sort of business is it?

H9. Are you the sole owner, or is it a partnership, or what?

(IF A PARTNER - H10-17 REFER TO HEAD'S SHARE ONLY)

H10. Is it a corporation or an unincorporated business or do you have an interest in both kinds?

Corporation | Unincorporated Business | Both kinds | Don't know

(CONTINUE WITH H11)

H11. Did your business make a profit or a loss in 1959?

Profit or broke even | Loss

H12. Did you (or your wife) take anything out of the business as salary or living expenses or profit in 1959?

Yes | No

(IF YES) H13. How much did you take out in 1959? $__________

H14. In addition, did you leave any profit in the business?

Yes | No

(IF YES) H15. How much did you leave in, I mean profits before deducting income taxes? $__________

(SKIP TO H10)

H16. How much was your loss in 1959? $__________

H17. Did you (or your wife) take anything out of the business as salary or living expenses in 1959?

Yes | No

(IF YES) H18. How much did you take out in 1959? $__________

(CONTINUE WITH H10)

H19. Does the business owe any money for business improvements, new equipment, new buildings and things like that?

Yes | No

H20. Did you pay off any money in 1959 that you owed on things like that?

Yes | No

(IF YES)

H21. Some people think of money used to pay off business debts as part of the expenses of their business and some think of it as profit used to increase the value of their business. Did you count this money you paid off in 1959 as a business expense or as part of profit?

Business expenses | Profit

(IF BUSINESS EXPENSES)

H22. How much did you reduce your business debt during 1959? $__________

H23. How much is your share in the business worth? (SHOW CARD II)

H. INCOME (continued)

(ASK EVERYONE)

H24. How much did you (HEAD) receive from wages and salaries
in 1959, that is before deductions for taxes of anything? 

H25. In addition to this did you have any income from bonuses,
overtime, and commissions?

(IF YES) H26. How much was that?

H27. Did you receive any (other) income from:

(IF "YES" TO ANY ITEM)

H28. How much was your
income from (SOURCE) after allowing for
expenses?

(ENTER AMOUNT AT RIGHT)

H29. How about:

a) interest ...........................................

b) dividends ........................................

c) trust fund or royalties ..........................

d) veteran's pension, veteran's school
    allotment, serviceman's family allotment ...........

e) unemployment compensation .....................

f) Social Security ..................................

g) other retirement pay,
pensions, annuities: ................................

h) alimony, regular contributions
   from family or others: ..........................

i) public welfare, other
government aid ...................................

NOTE TO INTERVIEWER:
LEAVE NO BLANK SPACES,
ENTER ZERO IF NO INCOME
FROM A GIVEN SOURCE

(IF SINGLE PERSON SU SKIP TO PAGE 23, H33)

H. INCOME (continued)

(ASK ABOUT WIFE OF HEAD)

H30. Did your wife have any income during 1959? 

(IF YES)

H31. Was it from
wages, salary, a
business or what?

H32. How much was the
income for 1959?

(SOURCE: A B C D)

(IF NO ONE ELSE LIVING IN SU, SKIP TO PAGE 23, H53)

(ASK ABOUT ANYONE UNDER 18 IN THIS SU - See A13)
(ASK ABOUT ADULT SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE HEAD IN THE SU - See Face Sheet)

AGE:

H33. Did have any
     income in 1959?

(IF YES)

H34. Was it from wages, salary,
a business, or what?

H35. How much was the income
     for 1959?

H36. Did he (she) have any other
     income during 1959?

H37. What was it from?

H38. How much was it for 1959?

(IF NO ONE ELSE LIVING IN SU, SKIP TO PAGE 23, H53)
### H. INCOME (continued)

(ASK EVERYONE)

H53. Did you (SU) grow any of your own food in a vegetable plot or anything like that?  

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H54. Do you think you saved more than $50 on your food bills this way?

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H55. About how much did you save by growing your own food?

(If don’t know) $  

H56. Approximately what fraction of your food for the year did you grow?

H57. Did any of you (SU) get any medical care at reduced fees, as a veteran or in a free clinic or some other way during 1969?

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H58. If it hadn’t been free, would it have cost more than $100?

| Yes | No |

H59. Would it have cost more than $200?

| Yes | No |

H60. Would it have cost more than $50?

| Yes | No |

H61. What medical care did you get free or at reduced fees?

H62. Did you (SU) get more than $50 of food and clothing or large gifts free in 1969?

| Yes | No |

H63. Tell me about it.

H64. Where was it from?

H65. Did you get any thing else?

H66. What would you say it added up to in dollar value altogether? $
H. INCOME (continued)

ASK EVERYONE

H77. Have you had an illness, physical condition, or nervous condition which limits the type of work or the amount of work you can do?

(WORK REFERS TO JOBS OR HOUSEWORK)

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H78. How would you describe this condition?

H79. How does it limit your work?

H80. Were there some public or private agencies which helped you get ready for a job after you became sick or injured?

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H81. What kind of help did you receive?

H82. Are you satisfied with the help you received?

H83. From what agencies did you receive help?

(IF SINGLE PERSON SU, SKIP TO PAGE 26, II)

H84. Is there anyone else living here whose work or schooling is limited by some illness, physical condition, or nervous condition?

(WORK REFERS TO JOBS OR HOUSEWORK)

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IF YES

H85. Who is that?

RELATION TO HEAD:

H86. How would you describe his (her) condition?

H87. How does it limit his (her) work (for schooling)?

(IF AGED 18 OR OVER)

H88. Were there some public or private agencies which helped him (her) get ready for a job after he (she) became sick or injured?

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H89. What kind of help did he (she) receive?

H90. From what agencies did he (she) receive help?

(IF UNDER 18 YEARS OLD)

H91. Is he (she) now receiving a special education or training program because of his (her) condition?

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Now we have some questions on the ways people use their money.

11. Did you pay out any money to help support anyone in 1959; that is, friends, parents, children, or relatives, or did you pay alimony or anything like that?  
   **Yes**   **No**

(IF YES)

12. Who was it? I mean how are they related to you?  
13. How much did this amount to in 1959?  
14. Is anyone not living here depending on you for more than half of his support?  
   (IF YES) 15. Is it just one person, or two or what?  
16. Did you give your friends or relatives more than $50 of food, clothing, or large gifts?  
   **Yes**   **No**

(IF YES)

17. Who was it, I mean, how are they related to you?  
18. How much would you say this was worth?  

19. Now, what about the church or religious organizations, would you say that in the course of the year you contributed more than $25 altogether to the church or religious organizations?  
   **Yes**   **No**

(IF YES) 20. About how much did you contribute?  

21. How about donations to other organizations, did you give more than $25 altogether to things like Community Chest, schools, cancer or heart associations, and so forth?  
   **Yes**   **No**

(IF YES) 22. About how much did you contribute altogether to such organizations?  

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J. RESERVES

J1. Do you people (SU) have Blue Cross or other hospitalization insurance?  
   **Yes**   **No**

(IF YES)

J2. Does it cover everyone (in SU)?  
   **Yes**   **No**

J3. How about savings in banks or savings and loan associations or government bonds, do you people (SU) have as much as $1,000 altogether in savings?  

(IF YES)

J4. Do you have as much as $5,000?  
   **Yes**   **No**

(IF NO)

J5. Do you have as much as $500?  
   **Yes**   **No**

J6. Was there a time in the past five years when you had $500 or more?  
   **Yes**   **No**

J7. Some people feel that they can make pretty definite plans for their lives for the next few years. Others feel that they aren't in a position to plan ahead. How about you? Do you feel able to plan ahead or not?

J8. Why?

J9. Do you plan ahead as to what your next major expenditures will be, or do you buy things when you have to have them?

J10. Some people say that people get ahead by their own hard work; others say that lucky breaks or help from other people are more important. What do you think about this?
J. RESERVES (continued)

J11. Some older people move in with their children, others try hard to keep a separate household even when it means piling on expenses. Do you think it is a good idea or a bad idea for older people to live with their children?

J12. Why is that? (What does it depend on?)

J13. If the older people don’t have enough money, do you think their relatives should support them, or should the government take care of them, or what?

J14. Why do you say so?

K. RETIREMENT

[IF HEAD IS RETIRED – See G1]

Now I’d like to ask you a few questions about your retirement.

K1. How long has it been since you were last working full time at your regular job?

(Years)

K2. Had you planned to retire then, or did you have to change your plans?

(If change) K3. Why was that?

K4. When you retired, did you have more savings than you have now, or less?

More     Same      Less

(If more) K5. What fraction of your savings have you used?

(SKIP TO PAGE 30, L1)

[IF HEAD NOT RETIRED – See G1]

K6. A few years from now, would you think you and your family will have a better income than you have now, or will you be in about the same situation, or in a less satisfactory situation?

(If “Better” K7. Why do you say so?
Or “Worse”)

K8. Do you think you may have to help take care of your parents (or your wife’s parents), or do more for them, sometime in the future? Yes No

(If Yes) K9. What do you think you might do?

[IF HEAD UNDER 30, SKIP TO PAGE 30, L1]

[IF HEAD IS 30 OR OVER – See Face Sheet]

K10. What about retirement, when do you think you will stop working altogether? (Give year or age.)

K11. Will you get Social Security, Railroad Retirement, or some other government pension? Yes No

(If head is married – See A9)

K12. Will your wife be eligible for Social Security benefits from her own work? Yes No

K13. What about other pensions or annuities, will you (or your wife) have anything like that? Yes No

K14. Do you think you will be able to get along all right when you retire, or do you think things may be difficult or what?

(If Not Clear) K15. Will your income be enough to live on?

K16. Do you have any other plans for what you will do when you retire? Yes No

(If Yes) K17. Tell me about them.
L. AFFILIATIONS

L1. Is your church preference Protestant, Catholic, or Jewish?

[Protestant]  Roman Catholic  Jewish  Other (Specify)

(IF PROTESTANT) L2. What denomination is that?

(IF JEWISH) L3. Is that orthodox, conservative, or reform?

L4. About how often do you usually attend religious services?

More than once a week  Once a week  2 - 3 times a month

Once a month  A few times a year or less  Never

L5. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

(IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT)

L6. Would you call yourself a strong (Republican) (Democrat) or a not very strong (Republican) (Democrat)?

Strong Republican  Not very strong Republican  Not very strong Democrat  Strong Democrat

(IF INDEPENDENT OR OTHER)

L7. Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic party?

Yes, Democrat  No, neither  Yes, Republican

L8. Do you belong to a labor union? Union? Yes  No

L9. Is anyone here a veteran? Yes  No

L10. Who?

M. INTERVIEWER: FILL OUT

M1. Race: White  Negro  Other (Specify)

M2. Length of interview: (Minutes)

M3. Number of calls: ______

M4. Who was present during the interview?

M5. How would you describe the interior (furniture, draperies, paint)?

Well kept up and in good condition  Fairly well kept up and in fair condition  Not kept up and in poor condition

M6. How would you describe the outside of the dwelling, the yard, etc.?

Well kept up and in good condition  Fairly well kept up and in fair condition  Not kept up and in poor condition

M7. This is a single D.U.  two-D.U. structure or duplex  structure originally built as an apartment house

converted house with 3 or more D.U.'s, or a rooming house  trailer  other

M8. Does the head speak English?

Fluently  haltingly, or with marked accent (difficult to understand)  Not at all

M9. Is the head alert and able to answer questions easily, or does he have difficulty understanding and answering?

Alert, answers easily  Has slight difficulty in understanding or answering  Has considerable difficulty in understanding and answering

M10. Did you notice any member of the family with a handicap not mentioned in the section on work limitation? Yes  No

(IF YES) M11. Who was it?

M12. What was the handicap?
Appendix C

ESTIMATES AND IMPUTATIONS

Budgetary Requirement

An estimate of annual cost of food, housing, clothing, and medical care for the unit based on average expenditures of low-to-moderate income families in New York City.1 Table 16-1 shows the estimates which were used in calculating the budgetary requirement for each unit.

Income Taxes

The estimated Federal income tax liability of the unit. In estimating the liability it is assumed that all husbands and wives file joint returns. Minors in the unit are assumed to file separate returns if they received $600 or more of taxable income. Deductions were estimated equal to the average deduction as a per cent of income used by persons in that income bracket who filed income tax returns.2 Special deductions and tax credits were calculated for units with over $500 of dividend income, but no estimate was made of the tax credit due to retired persons from their property income.

Index of Need for Achievement

A measure of a supposedly enduring personality trait—a disposition to strive for success. Attitudes and behavior interact with one another in ways difficult to untangle. Psychological factors which might be related to behavior, when classified according to their stability, range from volatile moods at one end of the scale to stable personality dispositions at the other. In a single cross section study, it is only the stable personality dispositions which can be assumed to affect behavior rather than to be determined by current behavior. It is also profitable to see whether certain attitudes are related to behavior, without prejudging the causal directions.

Among the various personality dispositions it is necessary to select a few, because with limited resources it is not possible to measure and test a large number of such variables. Recent work in the field of personality and motivation has pared down the long lists of motives to a few in the interest of quantifying them and testing