SECTION C: INCOME AND WELFARE

C1. Now I have some questions about the various sources of income your household now receives. Again, I want to assure you that none of your answers will be discussed with anyone.

Please remind me, in (prior month), did you have a job or do any work for pay?

1. YES

5. NO → GO TO C3

C2. Last month, how much did you earn in total from all your jobs, before taxes and other deductions were taken out?

$_____
GO TO C3

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C2a. (RB, P. 5) Would you say that last month your earnings were:

01. Less than $200	02. $200 - $399	03. $400 - $599
04. $600 - $799	05. $800 - $1199	06. $1200 - $1599
07. $1600 - $1999	08. $2000 OR MORE	

C3. Did anyone else living here have a job or work for pay last month?

1. YES

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5. NO → NEXT PAGE, C5

C4. Thinking of everyone besides yourself who worked last month, how much money did they earn altogether last month before taxes or other deductions were taken out?

$_____
GO TO C5

DK/REFUSED

C4a. (RB, still on P. 5) Would you say last month their earnings were:

01. Less than $200	02. $200 - $399	03. $400 - $599
04. $600 - $799	05. $800 - $1199	06. $1200 - $1599
07. $1600 - $1999	08. $2000 OR MORE	

C5. In (prior month), did you or anyone else living here receive money from any of the following sources? If you did receive any money, please tell me how much you received in (prior month).

	C6. How much did you receive in (prior month)?
a. Food Stamps, Food Stamps on the Bridge Card, or Food Stamp cashout? 1. YES → / 5. NO / 8. DK	$ _____
b. ADC or FIP? 1. YES → / 5. NO / 8. DK → NEXT PAGE, C5c	$ _____ → C6b. Was any of your FIP payment vendored, that is, was any of the amount paid directly to cover rent or utilities? 1. YES / 5. NO / 8. DK

	C6. How much did you receive in (prior month)?
c. Child support – including any child support that you, your child, other household members received directly from the father or from the welfare or child support agency?	1. YES → $ _____ 5. NO 8. DK
d. Aid for the disabled, such as Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or Social Security (SSA) or any other kind of private or government pension?	1. YES → $ _____ 5. NO 8. DK
1. YES mployment Insurance or ker's Compensation?	$ _____ 5. NO 8. DK
f. Any money from other members of your household to help pay for living expenses?	1. YES → $ _____ 5. NO 8. DK
g. Any money from family or friends outside the household to help pay for living expenses?	1. YES → $ _____ 5. NO 8. DK
h. Any other sources of income you haven't already mentioned?	1. YES → $ _____ 5. NO 8. DK NEXT PAGE, C10

C10. Did you receive any benefits last month from WIC - the Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program?

1. YES	5. NO

C11. Please remind me, did you do any work for pay in 2000?

1. YES	5. NO → NEXT PAGE, C12

C11a. Including paid vacation, how many weeks did you work in 2000?

_____ # OF WEEKS | 52. ALL YEAR | 98. DK

C11b. How much in total did you yourself earn before taxes, from all jobs in 2000?

$ _____
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DK/REFUSED

C11c. (RB, P. 6) Would you say your annual earnings were:

01. $1 - $1,999	06. $10,000 - $12,499
02. $2,000 - $3,999	07. $12,500 - $14,999
03. $4,000 - $4,999	08. $15,000 - $17,499
04. $5,000 - $7,499	09. $17,500 - $19,999
05. $7,500 - $9,999	10. $20,000 OR MORE

C12. What was the total income in 2000 for you and all other people living here from all sources, including food stamp payments and child support, before taxes?

$ _____
GO TO C13

DK/REFUSED

C12a. (RB, [STILL ON] P.6) Would you say your household's total annual income was:

01. $1 - $1,999	06. $10,000 - $12,499
02. $2,000 - $3,999	07. $12,500 - $14,999
03. $4,000 - $4,999	08. $15,000 - $17,499
04. $5,000 - $7,499	09. $17,500 - $19,999
05. $7,500 - $9,999	10. $20,000 OR MORE

C13. Did you receive a federal tax refund for 2000?

1. YES

5. NO

6. [IF VOL:] DID NOT FILE RETURN

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C13a. Did you receive the Earned Income Tax Credit?

1. YES

5. NO

8. DK

C13b. What was the total amount of your federal refund?

$ _____

C14. (RB, P. 7) I'm going to read you a list of things that people might do when times are hard to make extra money or to get things they need. How often have you done the following things in the last six months—often, sometimes, or never?

	OFTEN (1)	SOMETIMES (2)	NEVER (3)
a. Baby-sat for pay - often, sometimes, or never?			
b. Did housekeeping for other people?			
c. Styled hair or did nails for pay?			
d. Sold things such as crafts or cosmetics out of your house, or did odd jobs, like yard work or painting? (often, sometimes, or never)?			
e. Pawned or sold personal possessions?			
f. Provided plasma or blood for cash?			
g. Engaged in any illegal activity?			
h. Sold food stamps or traded them for something else?			

C15. (RB, P. 8) How difficult is it for you to live on your total household income right now - not at all difficult, a little difficult, somewhat difficult, very difficult, or extremely difficult?

1. NOT AT ALL DIFFICULT	2. A LITTLE DIFFICULT	3. SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT	4. VERY DIFFICULT	5.EXTREMELY DIFFICULT

C16. (RB, P. 9) In the next two months, how much do you anticipate that you and your family will experience actual hardships such as inadequate housing, food, or medical care - not at all, a little, some, pretty much, or a great deal?

1. NOT AT ALL	2. A LITTLE	3. SOME	4. PRETTY MUCH	5. A GREAT DEAL

C17. Has your gas or electricity been turned off since (W3 IW DATE) because you couldn't afford to pay the bill?

1. YES	5. NO

C18. Was there any time since (W3 IW DATE) that you needed to see a doctor or dentist but could not afford to go?

1. YES	5. NO

C19. Has your phone been disconnected, or have you gone without a phone at any time since (W3 IW DATE) because you could not afford to pay the bill?

1. YES	5. NO

C20. Did you or your children go without proper winter clothing at any time since (W3 IW DATE) because you could not afford it?

1. YES	5. NO

C21. Have you moved in with anyone since (W3 IW DATE) to share household expenses?

1. YES	5. NO

C22. Have you been evicted since (W3 IW DATE)?

1. YES	5. NO

C23. Have you ever been homeless since (W3 IW DATE)?

1. YES	5. NO → GO TO C24

C23a. How many days or weeks were you homeless?

_____ DAYS **OR** _____WEEKS

C24. Many people need some kind of help for food or shelter from private charities, community groups like churches, soup kitchens, or places like that. Since (W3 IW DATE) how often have you sought or received help from any of these groups or places - once a week or more, a few times a month, a few times a year, or never?

1. ONCE A WEEK OR MORE	2. FEW TIMES A MONTH	3. FEW TIMES A YEAR	4. NEVER

C25. How much do (you/ you and everyone else in your household) spend on food in an average week? Include food you purchase for your home, food delivered to your home and food you eat out.

$ _____ PER WEEK

C26. Which of these statements best describes the food eaten in your household in the last 12 months: enough to eat, sometimes not enough to eat, or often not enough to eat?

1. ENOUGH TO EAT	2. SOMETIMES NOT ENOUGH TO EAT	3. OFTEN NOT ENOUGH TO EAT

C27. (RB, P. 10) Now I'm going to read you several statements that people have made about their food situation. For these statements, please tell me whether the statement was <u>often</u>, <u>sometimes</u>, or <u>never true</u> for your household in the last 12 months.

	OFTEN TRUE (1)	SOMETIMES TRUE (2)	NEVER TRUE (3)
a. I worried whether food would run out before I got money to buy more – was that <u>often true</u>, <u>sometimes true</u>, or <u>never true</u>?			
b. The food that I bought just didn't last, and I didn't have money to get more.			
c. I couldn't afford to eat balanced meals.			
d. INTERVIEWER CHECKPOINT ☐ **1. CHILDREN UNDER 18 IN HH** ☐ **2. ALL OTHERS → GO TO C28**			
e. I relied on only a few kinds of low-cost food to feed my (child/children) because I was running out of money to buy food.			
f. I couldn't feed my (child/ children) a balanced meal, because I couldn't afford that.			
g. My (child was/children were) not eating enough because I just couldn't afford enough.			

C28. INTERVIEWER CHECKPOINT

☐ **1. ANY ITEM MARKED 'OFTEN' OR 'SOMETIMES' IN C27a-c; e-g**

☐ **2. ALL OTHERS → TURN TO P. 53, SECTION D**

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C29. In the last 12 months, did you or other adults in your household ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

1. YES	5. NO → GO TO C30

C29a. How often did this happen? Almost every month, some months but not every month, or in only 1 or 2 months.

1. ALMOST EVERY MONTH	2. SOME MONTHS BUT NOT EVERY MONTH	3. ONLY 1 OR 2 MONTHS

C30. In the last 12 months, did you ever eat less than you felt you should because there wasn't enough money to buy food?

1. YES	5. NO

C31. In the last 12 months were you ever hungry but didn't eat because you couldn't afford enough food?

1. YES	5. NO

C32. In the last 12 months, did you lose weight because you didn't have enough money for food?

1. YES	5. NO

C33. In the last 12 months did you or other adults in your household ever not eat for a whole day because there wasn't enough money for food?

1. YES	5. NO → GO TO C34

C33a. How often did this happen? Almost every month, some months but not every month, or in only 1 or 2 months?

1. ALMOST EVERY MONTH	2. SOME MONTHS BUT NOT EVERY MONTH	3. ONLY 1 OR 2 MONTHS

C34. INTERVIEWER CHECKPOINT

SEE COVERSHEET: P. 3, ITEM 15

☐ **1. CHILDREN UNDER 18 LIVING IN HOUSEHOLD**

☐ **2. ALL OTHERS → TURN TO P. 53, SECTION D**

C35. The next questions are about children living in the household who are under 18 years old. In the last 12 months, did you ever cut the size of your (child's/children's) meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

1. YES	5. NO

C36. In the last 12 months, did (your child/any of your children) ever skip a meal because there was not enough money for food?

1. YES	5. NO → GO TO C37

C36a. How often did this happen—almost every month, some months but not every month, or in only 1 or 2 months?

1. ALMOST EVERY MONTH	2. SOME MONTHS BUT NOT EVERY MONTH	3. ONLY 1 OR 2 MONTHS

C37. In the last 12 months, (was your child/ were your children) ever hungry but you just couldn't afford more food?

1. YES	5. NO

C38. In the last 12 months, did (your child /any of your children) ever not eat for a whole day because there wasn't enough money for food?

1. YES	5. NO