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 → NEXT PAGE, C3

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

$_____

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C2a. Would you say it was:

1. Less than $200
2. $200 – $399
3. $400 – $599
4. $600 – $799
5. $800 – $999
6. $1000 or more

C3. Did anyone else in your household have a job or work for pay last month?

1. YES	5. NO → NEXT PAGE, C5

C4. Thinking of everyone besides yourself who worked last month, how much money did they earn altogether last month?

$_____
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C4a. Would you say it was:

1. Less than $200
2. $200 – $399
3. $400 – $599
4. $600 – $799
5. $800 – $999
6. $1000 or more

C5. In (prior month), did you (or your husband/partner) 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. ADC or FIP	1. YES → $ _____ 5. NO 8. DK
b. Food Stamps or Food Stamp cashout	1. YES → $ _____ 5. NO 8. DK
c. Child support – including any child support that you, your child, or 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
e. Unemployment Insurance or Worker's Compensation?	1. YES → $ _____ 5. NO 8. DK
f. Foster child payments?	1. YES → $ _____ 5. NO 8. DK

g. Any money from other members of your household to help pay for living expenses?	1. YES → 5. NO 8. DK	$ _____
h. Any money from family or friends outside the household to help pay for living expenses?	1. YES → 5. NO 8. DK	$ _____
j. Any other sources of income you haven't already mentioned?	1. YES → 5. NO 8. DK	$ _____

C7. Do you yourself have any private or employer provided health insurance?

1. YES	5. NO

C8. Are you yourself covered by Medicaid, Medicare or any other health insurance?

1. YES	5. NO

C9. Are your children covered by Medicaid, Medicare, or any other health insurance?

1. YES	5. NO

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

1. YES	5. NO

C11. Did you do any work for pay in 1996?

1. YES	5. NO → GO TO C12

C11a. Including paid vacation, how many weeks did you work in 1996?

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

C11b. How much did you earn before taxes, from all jobs in 1996?

$ _____

C12. What was your total household income in 1996 from all sources before taxes?

$ _____
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C12a. Would you say it was:

1. $1 – $4,999
2. $5,000 – $7,499
3. $7,500 – $9,999
4. $10,000 – $12,499
5. $12,500 – $14,999
6. $15,000 – $19,999
7. $20,000 or more

C13. Do you own or have the regular use of a car?

1. YES	5. NO

C14. Do you have a valid driver’s license?

1. YES	5. NO

C15. (RB, P. 5) 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 (often, sometimes, or never)?			
e. Did odd jobs, like sewing or laundry?			
f. Pawned or sold personal possessions?			
g. Taken food or items from stores without paying for them?			
h. Searched in trash cans for things you could use or sell?			
j. Asked for spare change or begged for work?			
k. Engaged in any illegal activity?			
m. Sold food stamps or traded them for something else?			

C16. (RB, P. 6) 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

C17. (RB, P. 7) 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

C18. (RB, STILL ON P. 7) In the next two months, how much do you anticipate having to reduce your standard of living to the bare necessities in life – 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

C19. (NOT USING RB) Which of the following best describes the amount of food your household has to eat – 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	7. REFUSED

C20. Has your gas or electricity been turned off at any time in the last year because you couldn't afford to pay the bill?

1. YES	5. NO

C21. Have you been evicted in the last year?

1. YES	5. NO

C22. Have you ever been homeless in the last year?

1. YES	5. NO → GO TO C24

C23. 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. In the last year 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

Now I'd like to ask you about the periods you received cash assistance from ADC or FIP.

C25. In how many years total have you received ADC or FIP since you turned 18?

_____ # OF YEARS

C26. Have you ever been sanctioned, that is, was your monthly check reduced, because your worker said you failed to comply with welfare program rules?

1. YES	5. NO → GO TO C27

C26a. Did you ever stop receiving checks because of these sanctions?

1. YES	5. NO

C27. Did your family ever receive ADC when you were growing up?

1. YES	5. NO → NEXT PAGE, SECTION D

C27a. About how much of the time before you turned 18 did your family receive ADC – just briefly, less than half the time, about half the time, most of the time, or almost all of the time?

1. JUST BRIEFLY	2. LESS THAN HALF THE TIME	3. ABOUT HALF THE TIME	4. MOST OF THE TIME	5. ALMOST ALL OF THE TIME