A0. INTRO.
Now I have some questions about your background.

A1. In what month, day, and year were you born?

   A1. MONTH:
   01. JAN  02. FEB  03. MAR  04. APR  05. MAY  06. JUN  07. JUL
   08. AUG  09. SEP 10. OCT 11. NOV 12. DEC 98. DK  99. RF
   __________

   A1a. DAY
   __________

   A1b. YEAR
   __________

A1c. An important part of this study is understanding how people make
decisions during different stages of life. In order to ask the correct
sequence of questions for your interview, we need to have a general age
range.

   Are you 65 years of age or older?

   [IWER: IF R DOES NOT RESPOND, ENTER YOUR BEST ESTIMATE OF WHETHER R IS
   65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. USE CODES 4 OR 5 TO RECORD YOUR ESTIMATE IF R
   REFUSES.]
   __________

   4. IWER REPORTS: 65+  5. IWER REPORTS: NOT 65

   NOTE: R OR IWER MUST ANSWER THIS QUESTION. 'DON'T KNOW' OR 'REFUSE' ARE
   NOT ACCEPTABLE RESPONSES. IF R GIVES AGE (A1c=3), IT JUMPS BACK A
   SCREEN WHERE IWER IS TO CALCULATE THE YEAR OF BIRTH AND ENTER IT,
   ATTEMPTING TO VERIFY IT WITH R.
Ale BRANCHPOINT: IF WE KNOW R’s SPOUSE’s/PARTNER’s YEAR OF BIRTH or R IS NOT (MARRIED OR PARTNERED), GO TO A2 BRANCHPOINT

Ale. IWER, READ INTRO IF NECESSARY:
(An important part of this study is understanding how people make decisions during different stages of life. In order to do this,) we (also) need a general age range for your [husband/wife/partner].

Is [he/she] 65 years of age or older?

[IWER: IF R DOES NOT RESPOND, ENTER YOUR BEST ESTIMATE OF WHETHER R’S SPOUSE/PARTNER IS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. USE CODES 4 OR 5 TO RECORD YOUR ESTIMATE IF R REFUSES.]

1. R REPORTS: 65+ 2. R REPORTS: NOT 65

4. IWER REPORTS: 65+ 5. IWER REPORTS: NOT 65

NOTE: R OR IWER MUST ANSWER THIS QUESTION. ‘DON’T KNOW’ OR ‘REFUSE’ ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE RESPONSES.

A2 BRANCHPOINT: IF THIS IS A REINTERVIEW R and R WAS INTERVIEWED IN THE LAST WAVE (1998/1999), GO TO A4g

IF THIS IS A REINTERVIEW R, GO TO A4a

A2. Were you born in the United States?

1. YES 5. NO 8. DK 9. RF

GO TO A2b GO TO A3

A2a. In what state were you born?

STATE

97. OTHER COUNTRY (SPECIFY) 98. DK 99. RF

NOTE: THE IWER SELECTS FROM A MENU OF STATE NAMES, INCLUDING WASHINGTON, D.C., AND PUERTO RICO.

A2b BRANCHPOINT: IF R WAS BORN IN U.S. (A2=1), GO TO A3

A2b. In what country were you born?

COUNTRY

DK RF
A2c. In about what year did you first come to live in the United States?

[IWER: USE 9996 IN 'YEAR' IF R SAYS HE/SHE WAS NOT BORN OUTSIDE OF THE U.S.]

A2c. YEAR  A2d. YEARS AGO  A2e. AT AGE

A2f. BRANCHPOINT: IF R SAYS S/HE WAS NOT BORN OUTSIDE OF THE U.S. (A2c=9996), GO TO A3

A2f. Did you ever leave the U.S. after that for a period of a year or more?

[IWER: IF R ASKS, EXCLUDE ANY TIME SPENT OUT OF THE COUNTRY FOR U.S. MILITARY SERVICE]

1. YES  5. NO  8. DK  9. RF

GO TO A3

A2g. What is the most recent year you returned to live in the U.S.?

A2g. YEAR  A2h. YEARS AGO  A2j. AT AGE

A2k. Altogether, for how many years after you first came to live in the United States have you lived outside of this country?

NUMBER YEARS LIVED OUTSIDE U.S.

DK  RF

A3. What is the highest grade of school or year of college you completed?

0 NO FORMAL EDUCATION  1-11 GRADES  12 HIGH SCHOOL

13-15 SOME COLLEGE  16 COLLEGE GRAD  17 POST COLLEGE (17+ YEARS)

GO TO A3b BRANCHPOINT

97 OTHER  DK  RF
A3a. Did you get a high school diploma or pass a high school equivalency test?

1. YES, DIPLOMA  2. YES, EQUIVALENCY [GED]  5. NO  8. DK  9. RF

A3b. (Did you get a college degree?)

1. YES  5. NO  8. DK  9. RF

GO TO A4a

A3c. (What is the highest degree you have earned?)

1. LESS THAN BACHELORS  2. BACHELORS  3. MASTERS/MBA  4. LAW  5. PHD

6. MD  7. OTHER (SPECIFY)  8. DK  9. RF

A4a. Consider your health while you were growing up, from birth to age 16.

Would you say that your health during that time was excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?

1. EXCELLENT  2. VERY GOOD  3. GOOD  4. FAIR

5. POOR  8. DK  9. RF

A4b. Now think about your family when you were growing up, from birth to age 16.

Would you say your family during that time was pretty well off financially, about average, or poor?

1. PRETTY WELL OFF FINANCIALLY  3. ABOUT AVERAGE  5. POOR  6. IT VARIED (VOL)  8. DK  9. RF

A4c. While you were growing up, before age 16, did financial difficulties ever cause you or your family to move to a different place?

1. YES  5. NO  8. DK  9. RF
A4d. Before age 16, was there a time when you or your family received help from relatives because of financial difficulties?

1. YES  5. NO  8. DK  9. RF

A4e. Before age 16, was there a time of several months or more when your father had no job?

[IWER: IF R MENTIONS NEVER LIVING WITH FATHER WHEN GROWING UP, CHOOSE CODE 7. IF R MENTIONS THAT FATHER NEVER WORKED OR WAS ALWAYS DISABLED, CHOOSE CODE 6.]

1. YES  5. NO  6. FATHER NEVER WORKED/ALWAYS DISABLED (VOL)  7. NEVER LIVED WITH FATHER/FATHER WAS NOT ALIVE (VOL)  8. DK  9. RF

GO TO A4g

A4f. What was your father's occupation when you were age 16?

[IWER: PROBE]

What kind of work did he do? What activities did he do at work?

FATHER'S OCCUPATION

DK  RF

A4g. Did you ever live in the same household with a grandparent for a year or more before age 17?

[IWER: INCLUDE R LIVING WITH A GRANDPARENT OR A GRANDPARENT LIVING WITH R]

1. YES  5. NO  8. DK  9. RF

A5 BRANCHPOINT: IF THIS IS A REINTERVIEW R and R WAS INTERVIEWED IN THE LAST WAVE {1998/1999}, GO TO A25 BRANCHPOINT

IF R {NEVER LIVED WITH FATHER/FATHER WAS NOT ALIVE} (A4e=7), GO TO A6

A5. What is the highest grade of school your father completed?

0 NO FORMAL EDUCATION  1-11 GRADES  12 HIGH SCHOOL

13-15 SOME COLLEGE  16 COLLEGE GRAD  17 POST COLLEGE (17+ YEARS)

97 OTHER  DK  RF
### A6. And what is the highest grade of school your mother completed?

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### A7 BRANCHPOINT: IF THIS IS A REINTERVIEW R, GO TO A25 BRANCHPOINT

### A7. Do you consider yourself Hispanic or Latino?

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[GO TO A8]

### A7a. Would you say you are Mexican American, Puerto Rican, Cuban American or something else?

[IWER: CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY]

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### A8. Do you consider yourself primarily white or Caucasian, Black or African American, American Indian, or Asian, or something else?

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A9. IF REINTERVIEW R:
I need to clarify some aspects of family history.
How many children have [you fathered/you given birth to]? Please don't count miscarriages or still-births, or adopted or step-children for this question.

OTHERWISE:
How many children have [you fathered/you given birth to]? Please don't count miscarriages or still-births, or adopted or step-children for this question.

NUMBER OF CHILDREN

NONE DK RF

GO TO A10

A9a. IF ONE CHILD (A9=1):
Is that child alive today?
[IWER: IF R RESPONDS YES, TYPE 1 AND PRESS ENTER. TYPE 0 IF R RESPONDS NO.]

IF MORE THAN ONE CHILD (A9>1):
How many of them are still living?

NUMBER LIVING

DK RF

A10. Have you ever served in the active military of the United States?

1. YES 5. NO 8. DK 9. RF

GO TO A25 BRANCHPOINT

A10a. During what years were you in active service?

A10a. FROM:

DK RF

A10b. TO:

DK RF

A10c. Do you have a disability connected with military service?

1. YES 5. NO 8. DK 9. RF
A25 BRANCHPOINT: IF THIS IS A NEW INTERVIEW R, GO TO A26a BRANCHPOINT

IF R IS IN A NURSING HOME (CS11=1) and DOES NOT REPORT THAT HAS A RESIDENCE OUTSIDE OF THE NURSING HOME (CS26 NOT 1),
GO TO A36b

IF R DID NOT CHANGE MAIN RESIDENCE SINCE R's LAST IW,
GO TO A36b

A25. In what year did you move to your current home in MAIN RESIDENCE [CITY/CITY & STATE]?  

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GO TO A26a BRANCHPOINT

A25a BRANCHPOINT: IF R MOVED MORE THAN TWO YEARS AGO (per A25), GO TO A25b BRANCHPOINT

A25a. In what month was that?

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A25b BRANCHPOINT: IF R MOVED BEFORE 1995 (A25 NOT 1995-2001), GO TO A26a BRANCHPOINT

A25b. What were your reasons for moving to (your present home in) MAIN RESIDENCE [CITY/CITY & STATE]?

[IWER: CHOOSE UP TO TWO REASONS]

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<th>2. NEAR OR WITH OTHER RELATIVES/FRIENDS</th>
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<td>7. LARGER HOME</td>
<td>8. WORK OR RETIREMENT RELATED</td>
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<td>9. CHANGE IN MARITAL STATUS</td>
<td>97. OTHER (SPECIFY)</td>
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A26a. Have you always lived in or around MAIN RESIDENCE [CITY/CITY & STATE]?

1. YES 5. NO 8. DK 9. RF

A26b. IF KNOW YEAR R MOVED TO CURRENT RESIDENCE (A25):
Before you moved to MAIN RESIDENCE [CITY/CITY & STATE] in YEAR (A25),
had you ever lived there before?

IF KNOW HOW MANY YEARS R HAS LIVED AT CURRENT RESIDENCE (CS33A):
Before you moved to MAIN RESIDENCE [CITY/CITY & STATE] YEARS AT
CURRENT RESIDENCE (CS33A) years ago, had you ever lived there before?

OTHERWISE:
Before you moved to MAIN RESIDENCE [CITY/CITY & STATE], had you ever
lived there before?

1. YES 5. NO 8. DK 9. RF

GO TO A27 BRANCHPOINT

A26c. BRANCHPOINT: IF THIS IS THE SECOND R and R LIVES IN NURSING HOME
(CS11=1), GO TO A27 BRANCHPOINT
A26c. IF R {IS LIVING IN NURSING HOME OR OTHER HEALTH FACILITY (CS11=1)} and
{DID NOT REPORT HAVING A HOME AT SAME ADDRESS AS R's LAST IW
(CS27 NOT 1)}:
Altogether, about how many years did you live in or around R's LAST IW
MAIN RESIDENCE CITY?

OTHERWISE:
Altogether, about how many years (have you lived/did you live) in or
around MAIN RESIDENCE [CITY/CITY & STATE]?

| A26c. NUMBER YEARS | A26c. SINCE YEAR | 96. ALWAYS LIVED AROUND HERE/HERE | DK | RF |

A27. In what state or country did you live most of the time you were [in
grade school/in high school/about age 10]?

| 97. OTHER COUNTRY (SPECIFY) | 98. DK | 99. RF |

NOTE: THE IWER SELECTS FROM A MENU OF STATE NAMES, INCLUDING WASHINGTON,
D.C., AND PUERTO RICO.

A28. Were you living in a rural area most of the time when you were [in grade
school/in high school/about age 10]?

1. YES    5. NO    8. DK    9. RF

A36. What is your religious preference; Is it Protestant, Catholic, Jewish,
some other religion, or do you have no preference?

1.PROTESTANT

2.CATHOLIC

3.JEWISH

4.NO PREFERENCE

7.OTHER (SPECIFY)

8. DK    9.RF

GO TO A36b

A36a. What denomination is that?

| DK | RF |

DENOMINATION
A36b. How important would you say religion is in your life; is it very important, somewhat important, or not too important?

1. VERY IMPORTANT  3. SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT  5. NOT TOO IMPORTANT  8. DK  9. RF

A37 BRANCHPOINT: IF THIS IS A REINTERVIEW R, GO TO A40 BRANCHPOINT

A37. Is English the language you usually speak at home?

1. YES  5. NO  8. DK  9. RF

A40 BRANCHPOINT: IF THIS IS A NEW INTERVIEW R, GO TO A43 BRANCHPOINT

A40. Sometimes marital situations are not entirely clear from what we've asked so far. Please bear with me for a few more questions on this.

Did you have a marriage start after R's LAST IW MONTH, YEAR?

1. YES  5. NO  8. DK  9. RF

GO TO A41

A40a. In what month and year were you married?

A40a. MONTH:

01. JAN  02. FEB  03. MAR  04. APR  05. MAY  06. JUN  07. JUL

08. AUG  09. SEP  10. OCT  11. NOV  12. DEC  98. DK  99. RF

A40c. YEAR

A41. Did you divorce or become widowed since R's LAST IW MONTH, YEAR?

1. YES, DIVORCED/ANNULLED  2. YES, WIDOWED  5. NO  8. DK  9. RF

GO TO A43 BRANCHPOINT
A41a. In what month and year did you [divorce/become widowed]?

A41a. MONTH:

- 01. JAN
- 02. FEB
- 03. MAR
- 04. APR
- 05. MAY
- 06. JUN
- 07. JUL
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- 12. DEC
- 98. DK
- 99. RF

A41b. YEAR

A43 BRANCHPOINT: IF WE KNOW FROM COVERSCREEN QUESTIONS THAT R IS CURRENTLY {MARRIED or {SEPARATED (CS15a=2)}}, GO TO A44 BRANCHPOINT

A43. Just to clarify, are you currently separated, divorced, widowed, or have you never been married?

- 3. SEPARATED
- 4. DIVORCED
- 5. WIDOWED
- 6. NEVER MARRIED
- 7. OTHER (SPECIFY)
- 8. DK
- 9. RF

A44 BRANCHPOINT: IF THIS IS A REINTERVIEW R, GO TO A42 (A ASSIST, AFTER A48c)

IF R NEVER MARRIED, GO TO A42 (A ASSIST, AFTER A48c)

A44. Altogether, how many times have you been married (including your current marriage)?

- 1. ONCE
- 2. TWICE
- 3. THREE TIMES
- 4. FOUR OR MORE
- 8. DK
- 9. RF

A45. In what year did your (first) marriage begin?

YEAR

DK RF

GO TO A45b

A45a. In what month was that?

- 01. JAN
- 02. FEB
- 03. MAR
- 04. APR
- 05. MAY
- 06. JUN
- 07. JUL
- 08. AUG
- 09. SEP
- 10. OCT
- 11. NOV
- 12. DEC
- 98. DK
- 99. RF
A45b. Did that marriage end in divorce or were you widowed?

4. DIVORCED  5. WIDOWED  97. OTHER (SPECIFY)  8. DK  9. RF

A45c. About how many years did that marriage last?

____________  DK  RF  YEARS

A46. In what year did your second marriage begin?

____________  DK  RF  YEAR

A46a. In what month was that?

01. JAN  02. FEB  03. MAR  04. APR  05. MAY
06. JUN  07. JUL  08. AUG  09. SEP  10. OCT
11. NOV  12. DEC  98. DK  99. RF

A46b. Did that marriage end in divorce or were you widowed?

4. DIVORCED  5. WIDOWED  97. OTHER (SPECIFY)  8. DK  9. RF
A46c. About how many years did that marriage last?

________________________  
YEARS  

A47 BRANCHPOINT: IF R HAS BEEN MARRIED ONLY 3 TIMES (A44=3), GO TO A48

A47. In what year did your third marriage begin?

________________________  
YEAR

GO TO A47b

A47a. In what month was that?

01. JAN 02. FEB 03. MAR 04. APR 05. MAY

06. JUN 07. JUL 08. AUG 09. SEP 10. OCT

11. NOV 12. DEC 98. DK 99. RF

A47b. Did that marriage end in divorce or were you widowed?

4. DIVORCED 5. WIDOWED 97. OTHER (SPECIFY)

8. DK 9. RF

A47c. About how many years did that marriage last?

________________________  
YEARS

A48 BRANCHPOINT: IF R MARRIED ONLY ONCE (A44=1), GO TO A42 (A ASSIST, AFTER A48c)
A48. IF R IS PART OF A MARRIED COUPLE:
In what year did your current marriage begin?

OTHERWISE:
In what year did you marry most recently?

___ YEAR

DK RF

GO TO A48b
BRANCHPOINT

A48a. In what month was that?

01. JAN 02. FEB 03. MAR 04. APR 05. MAY 06. JUN 07. JUL
08. AUG 09. SEP 10. OCT 11. NOV 12. DEC 98. DK 99. RF

A48b BRANCHPOINT: IF R IS CURRENTLY {MARRIED or SEPARATED}, GO TO A42 (A ASSIST, AFTER A48c)
IF R IS CURRENTLY {DIVORCED or WIDOWED}, GO TO A48c

A48b. Did that marriage end in divorce or were you widowed?

4. DIVORCED 5. WIDOWED 97. OTHER (SPECIFY) 8. DK 9. RF

A48c. About how many years did that marriage last?

___ YEAR

DK RF

A42. A ASSIST
IWER: HOW OFTEN DID R RECEIVE ASSISTANCE WITH ANSWERS IN SECTION A — DEMOGRAPHICS?

1. NEVER 2. A FEW TIMES 3. MOST OR ALL OF THE TIME 4. THE SECTION WAS DONE BY A PROXY REPORTER

GO TO SECTION B