

**The Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study
(SURVEY OF NEW PARENTS)**

Mothers' Baseline Survey

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INTRODUCTION

RESPONSE CATEGORIES

There were three types of response sets used in the Fragile Families Survey.

- 1) The choices were read to the respondent (for this type of question possible response categories are in lower case).
- 2) Choices were presented to the respondent on a card (indicated by interviewer instructions).
- 3) Answers were coded by the interviewer into categories to best correspond to the answer of the respondent (possible response categories are in CAPS).

Questions in **BOLD** in the survey were interviewer check questions that summarized information previously gathered to facilitate skip pattern; they were not asked of the respondents.

Respondents who replied 'don't know', refused or were missing a response to a question that involved a skip pattern, were skipped from the subsequent question(s).

OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES

Free response questions (open-ended questions) were coded by CRCW staff. Codes were assigned by two CRCW staff members working independently and these codes were reconciled by a third staff member.

When appropriate, open-ended responses were recoded into the main response categories of the questions. Open-ended responses that did not fit into the existing response categories are recoded into new categories in the 100's range. Cases that indicate an "other" but do not provide an actual answer are coded simply as "Other, specify".

ANNOTATION OF QUESTIONNAIRE

This version of the questionnaire has been annotated to reflect changes to the instrument during fielding. We denoted new questions and changes to the skip pattern as (18-cities only).

Questions that were added during the fielding are coded as "not asked" (-5) for cases that were interviewed prior to the question being added to the instrument.

Most questions that were asked in only the first two cities were dropped from the public use file. Several questions, asked only in the first two cities, remain on the file because the measure a similar concept to new/changed questions asked in the other cities. The questions from the old questionnaire were named using an X in their prefix (i.e. MX1 and FX1) to indicate they have valid values for the first two cities only.

SECTION A. CHILD HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT

A1. NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

A2. NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

A3. Have you picked out (a name/names) for the (baby/babies) yet?

YES.....1 **(GO TO A3A)**

NO2 **(SKIP TO A4)**

SECTION A. CHILD HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT, Continued

A4. Are you currently married to the father of your new baby?

YES, MARRIED TO FATHER 1 (**GO TO A7**)

NO, NOT MARRIED TO FATHER..... 2 (**GO TO A5**)

FATHER UNKNOWN..... 3 (**GO TO A8**)

A5. Will the (baby/babies) have the father's last name?

YES..... 1

NO 2

DON'T KNOW-2

A6. Will the father's name be on the birth certificate?

YES..... 1

NO 2

DON'T KNOW-2

A7. Has [BABY'S FATHER] visited you in the hospital?

YES..... 1

NO 2

A8. When are you going home?

TODAY 1

TOMORROW 2

AFTER TOMORROW 3

DON'T KNOW-2

SECTION A. CHILD HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT, Continued

A9. Do you feel like you are ready to go home or would you rather stay longer?

READY TO GO HOME..... 1
RATHER STAY LONGER2

A10. INTERVIEWER: IS RESPONDENT MARRIED TO BABY'S FATHER?

YES, MARRIED 1 (**SKIP TO A12**)
NO, NOT MARRIED.....2 (**GO TO A11**)

A11. Who will the baby live with?

(Circle All That Apply)

A11A MOTHER 1
A11B FATHER2
A11C OTHER ADULT RELATIVES3
A11D NON-RELATIVES4

A12. Do you have any other biological children?

YES..... 1 (**GO TO A12A**)
NO2 (**SKIP TO A13**)

A12A. How many other biological children do you have?

WRITE IN NUMBER OF CHILDREN

SECTION A. CHILD HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT, Continued

A13. During the time you were pregnant, did you visit a doctor or other health care professional to check on the pregnancy?

YES..... 1 (**GO TO A13A**)

NO 2 (**SKIP TO A14**)

A13A. In which month of your pregnancy did you first see a doctor or other health care professional?

WRITE IN MONTH

A14. NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

SECTION A. CHILD HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT, Continued

A15. How are you paying for the baby's birth?

Medicaid	1
Private Insurance	2
Other, <i>not specified</i>	3

OTHER GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE....	101
SELF-PAY.....	102
UNINSURED/CHARITY	103
COMB. MEDICAID & PRIVATE	104

(Q. A16—18 cities only)

A16. Who (does/do) the (baby/babies) look like?

ME	1
BABY'S FATHER	2
RELATIVE OF MINE	3
RELATIVE OF [BABY'S FATHER]	4
OTHER, <i>NOT SPECIFIED</i>	5

DON'T KNOW	-2
BOTH PARENTS	101
THE BABY'S SIBLING(S)	102
HIMSELF/HERSELF	103
COMBINATION OF RELATIVES	104

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS

(Q. B0—18 cities only)

B0. INTERVIEWER: IS FATHER UNKNOWN?

YES.....1 **(SKIP TO SECT. C P. 21)**

NO2

B1. Now I'd like to ask you some questions about your relationship with [BABY'S FATHER].

How long did you know each other before you got pregnant?

B1A WRITE IN YEARS

B1B WRITE IN MONTHS

B2. INTERVIEWER: IS RESPONDENT MARRIED TO BABY'S FATHER?

YES, MARRIED1 **(SKIP TO B22 ON P. 18)**

NO, NOT MARRIED.....2

B3. Which of the following statements best describes your current relationship with [BABY'S FATHER]? (HAND CARD 1)

We are romantically involved
on a steady basis.1 **(SKIP TO B8 ON P. 10)**

We are involved in an on-again
and off-again relationship.2 **(SKIP TO B8 ON P. 10)**

We are just friends.3

We hardly ever talk to each other.4

We never talk to each other5

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR MOTHERS WHO ARE NOT ROMANTICALLY INVOLVED WITH BABY'S FATHER

B4. Why did your romantic relationship with [BABY'S FATHER] end?

(Circle All That Apply)

- | | | |
|------------|--|-----|
| B4A | FINANCIAL REASONS (DON'T HAVE WORK, MONEY) | 1 |
| B4B | DISTANCE (DON'T LIVE IN SAME TOWN) | 2 |
| B4C | INCARCERATION | 3 |
| B4D | RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON'T GET ALONG,
TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH,
JUST FRIENDS, DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER
WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT) | 4 |
| B4E | DRUG PROBLEM | 5 |
| B4F | VIOLENCE, ABUSE | 6 |
| B4G | OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED | 7 |
| _____ | | |
| | MOTHER OR FATHER INVOLVED WITH
SOMEONE ELSE | 101 |
| | PREGNANCY | 102 |

B5. I'm going to read you some things that couples often do together. Tell me which ones you and [BABY'S FATHER] did during **the last month** you were together.

- | | YES | NO |
|--|-----|----|
| B5A. Visited with friends? | 1 | 2 |
| B5B. Went out to a movie, sporting event,
or some other entertainment? | 1 | 2 |
| B5C. Ate out in a restaurant? | 1 | 2 |
| B5D. Helped each other solve a problem? | 1 | 2 |

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B6. The following is a list of subjects on which couples often have disagreements. When you and [BABY'S FATHER] were last together, how often, if at all, did you have open disagreements about:

	OFTEN	SOMETIMES	NEVER
B6A. Money? Would you say it was often, sometimes, or never?	1	2	3
B6B. Spending time together?	1	2	3
B6C. Sex?	1	2	3
B6D. The pregnancy?	1	2	3
B6E. Drinking or drug use ?	1	2	3
B6F. Being faithful?.....	1	2	3

(Q. B7—18 cities only)

B7. Thinking about your past relationship with [BABY'S FATHER], how often would you say that:

	OFTEN	SOMETIMES	NEVER
B7A. He was fair and willing to compromise when you had a disagreement, would you say often, sometimes, or never?	1	2	3
B7B. He hit or slapped you when he was angry?.....	1	2	3
B7C. He expressed affection or love for you?	1	2	3
B7D. He insulted or criticized you or your ideas? ...	1	2	3
B7E. He encouraged or helped you to do things that were important to you?	1	2	3

INTERVIEWER: GO TO B14 ON PAGE 15

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR MOTHERS WHO ARE ROMANTICALLY INVOLVED WITH BABY'S FATHER

(Q. B8—18 cities only)

B8. Are you and [BABY'S FATHER] living together now?

YES..... 1 (GO TO Q.B10 ON P. 12)

NO2

(Q. B9—18 cities only)

B9. Do you and [BABY'S FATHER] have plans to live together or marry in the future?

YES..... 1 (GO TO Q.B9B ON P. 11)

NO2

(Q. B9A—18 cities only)

B9A. What are the reasons you and [BABY'S FATHER] are not planning to live together (or get married)?

(Circle All That Apply)

- B9A1** NO NEED TO MARRY (ALREADY A COUPLE, JUST LIKE MARRIED, DON'T APPROVE OF MARRIAGE) 1
- B9A2** TIMING PROBLEM (HAVEN'T SET DATE, WAITING FOR BABY, FOR DIVORCE, FOR GRADUATION, PLANNING WEDDING) 2
- B9A3** FINANCIAL REASONS (DON'T HAVE WORK, MONEY, CAN'T AFFORD WEDDING)..... 3
- B9A4** DISTANCE (DON'T LIVE IN SAME TOWN)..... 4
- B9A5** INCARCERATION 5
- B9A6** HOUSING REASONS (NO PLACE TO LIVE) 6
- B9A7** RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON'T GET ALONG, TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH, JUST FRIENDS, DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT) 7
- B9A8** DRUG PROBLEM 8
- B9A9** VIOLENCE, ABUSE 9
- B9A10** HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT IT (NO REASON, DON'T KNOW)..... 10
- B9A11** OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED 11

FATHER IN OTHER RELATIONSHIP/MARRIED..... 101

INTERVIEWER: GO TO B11 ON PAGE 14

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

(Q. B9B—18 cities only)

B9B. What are the reasons you and [BABY'S FATHER] are not living together (or married) now?

(Circle All That Apply)

B9B1	NO NEED TO MARRY (ALREADY A COUPLE, JUST LIKE MARRIED, DON'T APPROVE OF MARRIAGE)	1
B9B2	TIMING PROBLEM (HAVEN'T SET DATE, WAITING FOR BABY, FOR DIVORCE, FOR GRADUATION, PLANNING WEDDING)	2
B9B3	FINANCIAL REASONS (DON'T HAVE WORK, MONEY, CAN'T AFFORD WEDDING).....	3
B9B4	DISTANCE (DON'T LIVE IN SAME TOWN).....	4
B9B5	INCARCERATION	5
B9B6	HOUSING REASONS (NO PLACE TO LIVE)	6
B9B7	RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON'T GET ALONG, TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH, JUST FRIENDS, DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT)	7
B9B8	DRUG PROBLEM	8
B9B9	VIOLENCE, ABUSE	9
B9B10	HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT IT (NO REASON, DON'T KNOW).....	10
B9B11	OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED	11

	FATHER IN OTHER RELATIONSHIP/MARRIED.....	101
	LEGAL/RESIDENCY PROBLEMS	102

INTERVIEWER: GO TO B11 ON PAGE 14

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR MOTHERS WHO ARE LIVING WITH BABY'S FATHER

B10. Do you and [BABY'S FATHER] have plans to marry in the future?

YES..... 1 **(SKIP TO B10B)**

NO2

(Q. B10A—18 cities only)

B10A. What are the reasons you and [BABY'S FATHER] are not planning to get married?

(Circle All That Apply)

B10A1 NO NEED TO MARRY (ALREADY A COUPLE, JUST LIKE MARRIED, DON'T APPROVE OF MARRIAGE) 1

B10A2 TIMING PROBLEM (HAVEN'T SET DATE, WAITING FOR BABY, FOR DIVORCE, FOR GRADUATION, PLANNING WEDDING) 2

B10A3 FINANCIAL REASONS (DON'T HAVE WORK, MONEY, CAN'T AFFORD WEDDING)..... 3

B10A4 DISTANCE (DON'T LIVE IN SAME TOWN)..... 4

B10A5 INCARCERATION 5

B10A6 HOUSING REASONS (NO PLACE TO LIVE) 6

B10A7 RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON'T GET ALONG, TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH, JUST FRIENDS, DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT) 7

B10A8 DRUG PROBLEM 8

B10A9 VIOLENCE, ABUSE 9

B10A10 HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT IT (NO REASON, DON'T KNOW)..... 10

B10A11 OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED 11

MOTHER/FATHER MARRIED TO SOMEONE ELSE 101

LEGAL/RESIDENCY PROBLEMS 102

INTERVIEWER: SKIP TO B11

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

(Q. B10B—18 cities only)

B10B. What are the reasons you and [BABY'S FATHER] are not married now?

(Circle All That Apply)

B10B1	NO NEED TO MARRY (ALREADY A COUPLE, JUST LIKE MARRIED, DON'T APPROVE OF MARRIAGE)	1
B10B2	TIMING PROBLEM (HAVEN'T SET DATE, WAITING FOR BABY, FOR DIVORCE, FOR GRADUATION, PLANNING WEDDING)	2
B10B3	FINANCIAL REASONS (DON'T HAVE WORK, MONEY, CAN'T AFFORD WEDDING).....	3
B10B4	DISTANCE (DON'T LIVE IN SAME TOWN).....	4
B10B5	INCARCERATION	5
B10B6	HOUSING REASONS (NO PLACE TO LIVE)	6
B10B7	RELATIONSHIP REASONS (DON'T GET ALONG, TOO YOUNG, NOT IN LOVE, NOT MATURE ENOUGH, JUST FRIENDS, DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER WELL ENOUGH, TOO DIFFERENT)	7
B10B8	DRUG PROBLEM	8
B10B9	VIOLENCE, ABUSE	9
B10B10	HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT IT (NO REASON, DON'T KNOW).....	10
B10B11	OTHER, <i>NOT SPECIFIED</i>	11
	MOTHER/FATHER MARRIED TO SOMEONE ELSE	101
	LEGAL/RESIDENCY PROBLEMS	102

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR MOTHERS WHO ARE IN A ROMANTIC OR "ON AGAIN, OFF AGAIN" RELATIONSHIP

B11. I'm going to read you some things that couples often do together. Tell me which ones you and [BABY'S FATHER] have done together in **the past month**.

	YES	NO
B11A. Visited with friends?	1	2
B11B. Gone out to a movie, sporting event, or some other entertainment?	1	2
B11C. Ate out in a restaurant?.....	1	2
B11D. Helped each other solve a problem?.....	1	2

(Q. B12—18 cities only)

B12. The following is a list of subjects on which couples often have disagreements. How often, if at all, in **the last month** have you and [BABY'S FATHER] had disagreements about each of the following:

	OFTEN	SOMETIMES	NEVER
B12A. Money? Would you say often, sometimes, or never?	1	2	3
B12B. Spending time together?	1	2	3
B12C. Sex?	1	2	3
B12D. The pregnancy?.....	1	2	3
B12E. Drinking or drug use ?.....	1	2	3
B12F. Being faithful?	1	2	3

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B13. Thinking about your relationship with [BABY'S FATHER], how often would you say that:

OFTEN SOMETIMES NEVER

B13A. He is fair and willing to compromise when you have a disagreement? Would you say often, sometimes, or never? 1..... 2 3

B13B. He hits or slaps you when he is angry?..... 1..... 2 3

B13C. He expresses affection or love for you? 1..... 2 3

B13D. He insults or criticizes you or your ideas? 1..... 2 3

B13E. He encourages or helps you to do things that are important to you? 1..... 2 3

QUESTIONS FOR ALL UNMARRIED MOTHERS

B14. What do you think the chances are that you will marry [BABY'S FATHER] in the future?

(HAND CARD 1A)

- No chance..... 1
- A little chance..... 2
- A 50-50 chance..... 3
- A pretty good chance, or 4
- An almost certain chance 5 (**SKIP TO B15**)

(Q. B14A—18 cities only)

B14A. What do you think the chances are that you will ever marry someone?

(HAND CARD 1A)

- No chance..... 1
- A little chance..... 2
- A 50-50 chance..... 3
- A pretty good chance, or 4
- An almost certain chance 5

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B15. For each of the following areas, please tell me how you think your life might be different if you were married to [BABY'S FATHER] now. Would you say that:
(HAND CARD 1B)

MUCH SOMEWHAT THE SOMEWHAT MUCH DON'T
WORSE WORSE SAME BETTER BETTER KNOW

B15A. Your financial security would be much worse, somewhat worse, the same, somewhat better, or much better?5 43.....21..... -2

B15B. How about your overall happiness?5 43.....21..... -2

B15C. Freedom to do what you want?5 43.....21..... -2

B15D. Your control over money? ...5 43.....21..... -2

B15E. Your sex life?5 43.....21..... -2

B15F. Your relations with your parents?5 43.....21..... -2

B16. During your pregnancy, did [BABY'S FATHER] give you money or buy things for the baby/babies?

YES.....1

NO2

B17. Did [BABY'S FATHER] help you in other ways, such as providing transportation to the pre-natal clinic or helping with chores?

YES.....1

NO2

B18. Do you want [BABY'S FATHER] to be involved in raising your child (children) in the coming years?

YES..... 1

NO 2

DON'T KNOW-2

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B19. Does [BABY'S FATHER] want to be involved in raising your child in the coming years?

- YES..... 1
NO 2
FATHER DOES NOT KNOW
ABOUT BABY 3
DON'T KNOW.....-2
-

(Q. B20—18 cities only)

B20. INTERVIEWER: ARE MOTHER AND FATHER LIVING TOGETHER?

- YES..... 1 (GO TO B26 ON P. 20)
NO2
-

(Q. B21-B21A—18 cities only)

B21. Has [BABY'S FATHER] told you that he will provide financial support for the baby during the coming year?

- YES.....1
NO2 (GO TO B26 ON P. 20)

B21A. About how much money per month did he say he would provide?

WRITE IN DOLLAR AMOUNT

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INTERVIEWER: GO TO B26 ON P. 20

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR MARRIED MOTHERS ONLY

B22. I'm going to read you some things that couples often do together. Tell me which ones you and [BABY'S FATHER] have done together in **the past month**.

	YES	NO
B22A. Visited with friends?.....	1	2
B22B. Gone out to a movie, sporting event, or some other entertainment?	1	2
B22C. Ate out in a restaurant?.....	1	2
B22D. Helped each other solve a problem?.....	1	2

B23. The following is a list of subjects on which couples often have disagreements. How often, if at all, in **the last month** have you and [BABY'S FATHER] had disagreements about each of the following:

	OFTEN	SOMETIMES	NEVER
B23A. Money? Would you say often, sometimes, or never?.....	1	2	3
B23B. Spending time together?.....	1	2	3
B23C. Sex?	1	2	3
B23D. The pregnancy?.....	1	2	3
B23E. Drinking or drug use?.....	1	2	3
B23F. Being faithful?	1	2	3

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

B24. For each of the following areas, please tell me how you think your life might be different if you were not married to [BABY'S FATHER] now. Would you say that:
(HAND CARD 1B)

MUCH WORSE SOMEWHAT WORSE THE SAME SOMEWHAT BETTER MUCH BETTER DON'T KNOW

- B24A.** Your financial security would be much worse, somewhat worse, the same, somewhat better, or much better?5 43..... 21..... -2
- B24B.** How about your overall happiness?.....5 43..... 21..... -2
- B24C.** Freedom to do what you want?5 43..... 21..... -2
- B24D.** Your control over money? ...5 43..... 21..... -2
- B24E.** Your sex life?5 43..... 21..... -2
- B24F.** Your relations with your parents?5 43..... 21..... -2

(Q. B25A-B25E—18 Cities Only)

B25. Thinking about your relationship with [BABY'S FATHER], how often would you say that:

OFTEN SOMETIMES NEVER

- B25A.** He is fair and willing to compromise when you have a disagreement? Would you say often, sometimes, or never?1..... 2 3
- B25B.** He hits or slaps you when he is angry?.....1..... 2 3
- B25C.** He expresses affection or love for you?1..... 2 3
- B25D.** He insults or criticizes you or your ideas?1..... 2 3
- B25E.** He encourages or helps you to do things that are important to you?1..... 2 3

SECTION B. FATHER-MOTHER RELATIONSHIPS, Continued

QUESTIONS FOR ALL MOTHERS

B26. After you found out you were pregnant, would you say your relationship with [BABY'S FATHER] got better, worse, or stayed the same?

- BETTER..... 1
WORSE 2
STAYED THE SAME 3
DON'T KNOW.....-2
-

B27. When you found out you were pregnant, did you think about having an abortion?

- YES.....1
NO2
-

(Q. B28—18 cities only)

B28. Did [BABY'S FATHER] suggest that you have an abortion?

- YES.....1
NO2

SECTION C. FATHERHOOD

C1. Fathers do many things for their children. Please tell me how important each of the following activities is to you:

VERY SOMEWHAT NOT DON'T
IMPORTANT IMPORTANT IMPORTANT KNOW

- C1A.** Provide regular financial support?
Is this very important, somewhat important, or not important? 12.....3 -2
- C1B.** Teach child about life? 12.....3 -2
- C1C.** Provide direct care, such as feeding, dressing, and child care? 12.....3 -2
- C1D.** Show love and affection to the child? 12.....3 -2
- C1E.** Provide protection for the child? 12.....3 -2
- C1F.** Serve as an authority figure and discipline the child? 12.....3 -2

C2. Which of these (HAND CARD 2) is the most important to you for a father to do for his child(ren)?

(Circle Only One)

- Provide regular financial support 1
- Teach child about life2
- Provide direct care, such as feeding, dressing, and child care3
- Show love and affection to the child4
- Provide protection for the child5
- Serve as an authority figure and discipline the child6

SECTION C. FATHERHOOD, Continued

C2A. Which of these (HAND CARD 2) is the least important to you for a father to do for his child(ren)?

(Circle Only One)

Provide regular financial support 1

Teach child about life 2

Provide direct care, such as feeding,
dressing, and child care 3

Show love and affection to the child 4

Provide protection for the child 5

Serve as an authority figure and
discipline the child 6

C3. Now I'd like to ask you some questions about the rights and obligations of fathers who live apart from their children. If a father provides financial support to the mother, do you think he should have the right to:

YES **NO**

C3A. See his child on a regular basis 1 2

C3B. Make decisions about how the child is raised 1 2

C4. If a father **can** afford to provide financial support but does not, do you think he should have the right to:

YES **NO**

C4A. See his child on a regular basis 1 2

C4B. Make decisions about how the child is raised 1 2

C5. If a father **cannot** afford to provide financial support, do you think he should have the right to:

YES **NO**

C5A. See his child on a regular basis 1 2

C5B. Make decisions about how the child is raised 1 2

SECTION C. FATHERHOOD, Continued

C6. If a mother has a new partner, do you think the baby's father should be required to provide financial support to his baby?

YES.....1

NO2

C7. If the father has a new baby with another partner, do you think he should be required to provide support to his children from a previous relationship?

YES.....1

NO2

SECTION D. MARRIAGE ATTITUDES

D1. For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree:

INTERVIEWER: ACCEPT “DON’T KNOW” ONLY AFTER REPEATING THE STATEMENT AND THE RESPONSE CATEGORIES (HAND CARD 3)

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW
D1A. The main advantage of marriage is that it gives financial security.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1B. All in all, there are more advantages to being single than to being married. ...	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1C. A mother living alone can bring up her child as well as a married couple.	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1D. It is better for a couple to get married than to just live together.	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1E. It is better for children if their parents are married.	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D1F. Living together is just the same as being married.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2

SECTION D. MARRIAGE ATTITUDES, Continued

D2. How important do you think the following qualities are for a successful marriage?

	VERY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	DON'T KNOW
D2A. Having the same friends? Do you think it is very important, somewhat important, or not important?	1	2	3	-2
D2B. The husband having a steady job?.....	1	2	3	-2
D2C. The wife having a steady job?.....	1	2	3	-2
D2D. Being of the same race/ethnicgroup?	1	2	3	-2
D2E. Having good sex	1	2	3	-2
D2F. Having the same religious beliefs?	1	2	3	-2
D2G. The husband and wife being emotionally mature?	1	2	3	-2

SECTION D. MARRIAGE ATTITUDES, Continued

D3. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements: (HAND CARD 3)

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DON'T DISAGREE	KNOW
D3A. The important decisions in the family should be made by the man of the house.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3B. When there are children in the family, parents should stay together even if they don't get along.	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3C. It is much better for everyone if the man earns the main living and the woman takes care of the home and family	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3D. In a dating relationship, a man is largely out to take advantage of a woman.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3E. Men cannot be trusted to be faithful	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3F. It is more important for a man to spend time with his family than to work as many hours as he can.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2
D3G. Fathers play a more important role in raising boys than in raising girls.....	4.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	-2

SECTION E. RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTENDED KIN

E1. I'd like to make a list of the people other than you who currently live in your household. Please give me their first names and how they are related to you. Then please tell me whether the person is male or female, their age, and whether or not he or she is usually employed. Please start by giving the name of the oldest person currently living in your household. **IF R LIVES ALONE, WRITE "NONE" IN THE NAME COLUMN AND CODE 0 IN THE RELATIONSHIP COLUMN.**

INTERVIEWER: USE CODES BELOW TO RECORD RELATIONSHIP IN TABLE

- NONE (RESPONDENT LIVES ALONE)..... 0
- MOTHER (BABY'S GRANDMOTHER) 1
- FATHER (BABY'S GRANDFATHER)..... 2
- PARTNER/HUSBAND/BOYFRIEND 3
- OTHER ADULT FRIEND OR RELATIVE 4
- CHILD/STEP-CHILD/FOSTER CHILD 5
- OTHER CHILD (NIECE, NEPHEW, FRIEND) 6
- OTHER 7

(Each variable in the HH roster is represented by a letter. Each HH member is represented by a number. For example: M1E1B2 will represent the relationship code for the second HH member.)

				ASK ONLY IF RELATION IS 14 OR OLDER.	
A. NAME	(USE CODES FROM ABOVE) B. RELATIONSHIP	C. SEX		[RELATION] E. USUALLY EMPLOYED?	
		M	F	Yes	No
<i>Not provided</i>		1	2	1	2
		1	2	1	2
		1	2	1	2
		1	2	1	2
		1	2	1	2
		1	2	1	2
		1	2	1	2
		1	2	1	2

SECTION E. RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTENDED KIN, Continued

- E2.** Now I'd like to ask you questions about your family. Were you living with both of your biological parents when you were age 15?
- YES..... 1
- NO2

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- E3.** During your pregnancy, did you receive any of the following types of support from anyone besides [BABY'S FATHER]? Did you receive....
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- E3A.** Financial assistance of any kind
- YES1
- NO2

- E3B.** IF YES: ASK: Who gave you the support?
(Circle All That Apply)

- E3B1** MOTHER 1
- E3B2** FATHER2
- E3B3** OTHER RELATIVES.....3
- E3B4** BABY'S FATHER'S FAM...4
- E3B5** OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED..... 5

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- OTHER GOVT. ASSISTANCE . 101
- FRIENDS 102
-

- E3C.** A place to live
- YES1
- NO2

- E3D.** IF YES: ASK: Who gave you the support?
(Circle All That Apply)

- E3D1** MOTHER 1
- E3D2** FATHER2
- E3D3** OTHER RELATIVES.....3
- E3D4** BABY'S FATHER'S FAM...4
- E3D5** OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED.....5

-
- OTHER GOVT. ASSISTANCE . 101
- FRIENDS 102
-

SECTION E. RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTENDED KIN, Continued

E3E. Child care

YES1
 NO2

E3F. IF YES: ASK: Who gave you the support?

(Circle All That Apply)

E3F1 MOTHER 1
E3F2 FATHER2
E3F3 OTHER RELATIVES..... 3
E3F4 BABY'S FATHER'S FAM. ...4
E3F5 OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED 5

OTHER GOVT. ASSISTANCE . 101
 FRIENDS 102

E4. During the next year, if you needed help, could you count on someone in your family to:

	YES	NO
E4A. Loan you \$200?	1	2
E4B. Provide a place to live?	1	2
E4C. Help with babysitting or child care?	1	2

SECTION F. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS

F1. Now I would like to ask you some questions about your neighborhood and the city you live in.

How long have you lived in your neighborhood?

F1A NUMBER OF YEARS **F1B** NUMBER OF MONTHS

F1C ALL MY LIFE 99

F2. Is the home or apartment where you currently reside.....

Owned or being bought by
someone in your family? 1

Rented? 2

F3. Do you live in a public housing project?

YES..... 1

NO 2

F4. Is the federal, state, or local government helping to pay for your rent?

YES..... 1

NO 2

F5. How safe are the streets around your home at night? Would you say they are very safe, safe, unsafe, or very unsafe?

VERY SAFE 1

SAFE 2

UNSAFE 3

VERY UNSAFE 4

SECTION F. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS, Continued

(Q. F6—18 cities only)

F6. About how often do you attend religious services?

Once a week or more.....	1
Several times a month.....	2
Several times a year	3
Hardly ever.....	4
Not at all.....	5

F7. What is your religious preference [IF NECESSARY: Is it Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, some other religion, no religion?]

NO RELIGION	1
PROTESTANT	2
CATHOLIC.....	3
JEWISH	4
MUSLIM.....	5
CHRISTIAN.....	6
BAPTIST	7
CHURCH OF CHRIST	8
EPISCOPALIAN.....	9
JEHOVAH'S WITNESS.....	10
LUTHERAN.....	11
METHODIST.....	12
PRESBYTERIAN	13
OTHER, <i>NOT SPECIFIED</i>	14
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PENTACOSTAL.....	101
CONSERVATIVE OTHER.....	102
LIBERAL OTHER.....	103
CONSERVATIVE PROTESTANT	104

SECTION F. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS, Continued

F8. Now I'd like to ask you some questions about welfare and child support policies in your city. Can a mother receive welfare if she is married and living with her husband?

YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW-2

F9 . Can a mother receive welfare if she is **not** married and lives with her baby's father?

YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW-2

F10. How many months or years in total can a mother receive welfare?

F10A NUMBER OF YEARS **F10B** NUMBER OF MONTHS
DON'T KNOW-2

F11. How long can a mother receive welfare before she is required to work?

F11A NUMBER OF YEARS **F11B** NUMBER OF MONTHS
DON'T KNOW-2

SECTION F. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS, Continued

F12. Can a judge make a father pay child support, even if he wanted an abortion?

YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW-2

F13. Can a blood test prove whether a man is really the father of the child?

YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW-2

F14. Has anyone at the hospital talked to you or given you information about establishing paternity?

YES.....1
NO2

F15. If a man gets a woman pregnant and doesn't want to marry her, how likely is it that he will be required to pay child support for the child. Would you say there is:
(HAND CARD 1A)

No chance.....1
A little chance.....2
A 50-50 chance.....3
A pretty good chance, or4
An almost certain chance5

SECTION G. HEALTH AND HEALTH BEHAVIOR

G1. Now I have some questions about your health. In general, how is your health?

Would you say it is...

- Excellent 1
 - Very good.....2
 - Good.....3
 - Fair.....4
 - Poor5
-

G2. During your pregnancy, about how often did you drink alcoholic beverages? (HAND CARD 4)

- NEARLY EVERY DAY 1
 - SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK.....2
 - SEVERAL TIMES A MONTH3
 - LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH.....4
 - NEVER5
-

G3. During your pregnancy, about how often did you use drugs such as marijuana, crack cocaine, or heroin? (HAND CARD 4)

- NEARLY EVERY DAY 1
 - SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK.....2
 - SEVERAL TIMES A MONTH3
 - LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH.....4
 - NEVER5
-

G4. During your pregnancy, how many cigarettes did you smoke? Did you smoke...

- 2 or more packs a day..... 1
- 1 or more but less than 2.....2
- Less than 1 pack a day3
- None4

SECTION G. HEALTH AND HEALTH BEHAVIOR, Continued

G5. In the past year, has drinking or using drugs ever interfered with your work on a job or with your personal relationships?

YES.....1
NO2

G6. Have you ever sought help for or been treated for drug or alcohol problems?

YES.....1
NO2

SECTION H. DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS

H1. NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

H2. Were you born in the United States?

YES..... 1 (GO TO H2A)

NO 2 (SKIP TO H2B)

H2A. NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

H2B. In what country or territory were you born?

COUNTRY/TERRITORY _____

AFRICA 1

ASIA 2

EUROPE..... 3

LATIN AMERICA 4

NON-LATIN AMERICA..... 5

H2C. In what year did you first come to the United States to live?

WRITE IN YEAR

SECTION H. DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS, Continued

H3. Which of these categories best describes your race? (HAND CARD 5)

White.....	1
Black, African-American.....	2
Asian or Pacific Islander.....	3
American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut.....	4
Other, not specified.....	5

Hispanic.....	101
DON'T KNOW.....	-2

H3A. Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent?

YES.....	1
NO.....	2 (GO TO I1)
DON'T KNOW.....	-2

H3B. Are you Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or other Hispanic?

MEXICAN, MEXICAN-AMERICAN?.....	1
PUERTO RICAN?.....	2
CUBAN?.....	3
OTHER HISPANIC/LATINO, NOT SPECIFIED.....	4

CENTRAL AMERICAN/CARIBBEAN.....	101
SOUTH AMERICA.....	102
SPAIN/OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRY.....	103
DON'T KNOW.....	-2

SECTION I. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

I1. Now I'd like to ask some questions about your education and work experience. What is the highest grade or year of regular school that you have completed? (HAND CARD 6)

- No formal schooling 1
 - 8th grade or less 2
 - Some high school (Grades 9,10,11, & 12) 3
 - High school diploma (Completed 12th grade) .. 4
 - G.E.D. 5
 - Some college or 2 year degree 6
 - Technical or trade school 7
 - Bachelor's degree 8
 - Graduate or professional school..... 9
-

I2. In what month and year did you last work at a regular job lasting two consecutive weeks or more for which you received a regular paycheck, either full- or part-time?

I2I MONTH **I2II** YEAR (GO TO I2A)

I2III NEVER WORKED FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS 1 (SKIP TO I2D)

I2A. When you last worked, how many hours per week did you work?

HOURS PER WEEK

I2B. About how much did you earn?

WRITE IN TOTAL AMOUNT ,.

SECTION I. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT, Continued

I2C. Was that:

- Per hour? 1
- Per day? 2
- Per week? 3
- Per month? 4
- Per year? 5
- Other, not specified 6

BI-WEEKLY 101

I2D. Do you expect to work during the next year?

- YES..... 1
- NO 2
- DON'T KNOW-2

(Q. I2D1—18 Cities Only)

I2D1 INTERVIEWER: IS FATHER UNKNOWN?

- YES..... 1 (GO TO SECTION J ON P. 47)
- NO2

I3. Now I would like to ask some questions about [BABY'S FATHER]'s education and employment.

What is the highest grade or year of regular school that [BABY'S FATHER] has completed? (HAND CARD 6)

- No formal schooling 1
- 8th grade or less 2
- Some high school (Grades 9,10,11, & 12) 3
- High school diploma (Completed 12th grade) .. 4
- G.E.D. 5
- Some college or 2 year degree 6
- Technical or trade school 7
- Bachelor's degree 8
- Graduate or professional school..... 9
- DON'T KNOW-2

SECTION I. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT, Continued

14. Which of these categories best describes [BABY'S FATHER's] race?
(HAND CARD 5)

- White..... 1
- Black, African-American 2
- Asian or Pacific Islander 3
- American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut..... 4
- Other..... 5
- DON'T KNOW-2

14A. Is [BABY'S FATHER] of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent?

- YES..... 1
- NO2 (GO TO I5)

14B. Is he Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or other Hispanic?

- MEXICAN, MEXICAN -AMERICAN? 1
 - PUERTO RICAN? 2
 - CUBAN? 3
 - OTHER HISPANIC/LATINO, NOT SPECIFIED ... 4
-
- CENTRAL AMERICAN/CARIBBEAN 101
 - SOUTH AMERICAN 102
 - DON'T KNOW -2

15. How old is [BABY'S FATHER]?

WRITE IN YEARS

- DON'T KNOW-2

SECTION I. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT, Continued

16. What was [BABY'S FATHER] doing most of last week—working at a regular job, going to school, or something else?

- WORKING AT A REGULAR JOB..... 1 **(SKIP TO I7)**
LOOKING FOR WORK 2
GOING TO SCHOOL 3
UNABLE TO WORK..... 4
OTHER, NOT SPECIFIED 5
-
- INCARCERATED 101
ON VACATION 102
DON'T KNOW -2

16A. In what month and year did he last work at a job lasting two consecutive weeks or more, either full or part-time, for which he received a regular paycheck?

16A1 MONTH **16A2** YEAR

- 16A3** NEVER WORKED FOR
TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS..... 1
DON'T KNOW -2

17. Does [BABY'S FATHER] engage in any activities, other than regular paid employment, in order to generate income, or in exchange for meals, clothing, a place to live, or other basic necessities?

- YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW-2

18. Does [BABY'S FATHER] have any physical or mental health condition that limits the kind or amount of work he can do?

- YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW-2

SECTION I. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT, Continued

19. Does [BABY'S FATHER] have problems such as keeping a job or getting along with family and friends because of alcohol or drug use?

YES..... 1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW-2

(Q. 110—18 Cities Only)

110. INTERVIEWER: IS BABY'S FATHER MARRIED TO OR LIVING WITH BABY'S MOTHER?

YES..... 1 SKIP TO J1
NO 2
DON'T KNOW-2

(Q. 111—18 Cities Only)

111. Where does [BABY'S FATHER] live most of the time?

He has his own place 1
He stays with his parent or other relative..... 2
He stays with friends 3
Other, not specified 4

INCARCERATED 101
OUT OF AREA/COUNTRY 102
MILITARY 103
DON'T KNOW -2

SECTION J. INCOME

J1. In the last 12 months, did you have income from any of the following sources?
(HAND CARD 7)

(Circle All That Apply)

- J1A** Earnings..... 1
- J1B** Public assistance, welfare,
or food stamps 2
- J1C** Unemployment insurance, workmen's
compensation, disability,
or social security benefits 3
- J1D** Family and friends..... 4
- J1E** None 5 (SKIP TO J3)

**J2. In the last 12 months, about how much did you receive from [READ ANSWERS
CHECKED IN J1]? (HAND CARD 7A) [ASK R TO GIVE AMOUNT FOR EACH
SOURCE CIRCLED IN J]**

- Under \$1,000 1
- \$1,000 to \$2,999 2
- \$3,000 to \$3,999 3
- \$4,000 to \$4,999 4
- \$5,000 to \$5,999 5
- \$6,000 to \$6,999 6
- \$7,000 to \$7,999 7
- \$8,000 to \$8,999 8
- \$9,000 to \$9,999 9
- \$10,000 to \$12,499 10
- \$12,500 to \$14,999 11
- \$15,000 to \$17,499 12
- \$17,500 to \$ 19,999 13
- \$20,000 to \$24,999 14
- \$25,000 or more..... 15
- REFUSED..... -1
- DON'T KNOW -2

SECTION J. INCOME, Continued

(Q. J2A-J2D—18 Cities Only)

Source

(ENTER NUMBER FROM HANDCARD 7A)

J2A. Earnings

J2B. Public Assistance, Welfare, etc.

J2C. Unemployment, Social Security, disability, etc.

J2D. Family and friends

In the version used in first two cities, we only ascertained total earnings (not by source). For these two cities only, total earnings is saved in the variable MX1J2.

SECTION J. INCOME, Continued

J3. Thinking about your income and the income of everyone else who lives with you, what was your total household income before taxes in the past 12 months?
(HAND CARD 7B)

Under \$5,000	1
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2
\$10,000 to \$14,999	3
\$15,000 to \$19,999	4
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5
\$25,000 to \$34,999	6
\$35,000 to \$49,999	7
\$50,000 to \$74,999	8
Greater than \$75,000	9
REFUSED	-1
DON'T KNOW	-2

(Q. J4—18 Cities Only)

J4. At the end of the month, do you usually have . . .

Some money left over	1
Just enough to make ends meet	2
Not enough to make ends meet	3

(Q. J5 -18 Cities Only)

J5. Do you own a car?

YES.....	1
NO	2