APPENDIX D: RECODES

Recoding was done on questions when the original data format seemed inappropriate, awkward, or too liberal in its use of columns. Some questions which were originally designed as two column questions were recoded into one when the responses indicated that the second column was unnecessary. Other variables were recoded into their desired final format. Education, for example, required several questions to elicit adequate information for the final recoded two variable formats (years of schooling and degrees received).

The following section includes for each variable: the major reason for recoding; the method of recoding; and the question as it appeared on the questionnaire. This section includes all variables which are referred to by [RECODE] in the codebook. The question number, listed under each variable, indicates where the recoded question can be found in the codebook.

AGE RECODE

(Q. 13; Cols. 92-93)

Intent of Recode

In an attempt to maximize the validity of the responses, the interviewer asked for the date of birth rather than the age of the respondent. This format, however, necessitated a recode into the more workable two-column code of exact age.

Method of Recode

The respondent's age was calculated by subtracting the year of birth from the survey year. The results of the subtraction were entered into Cols. 92 and 93. Ages of 90 and over were recoded into 89.

Original Question

13. 1972-1975
In what year were you born?

1976-2004
What is your date of birth? 
| | | | | | ||
MONTH DAY YEAR

EDUCATION RECODE

(Qs. 15-22, 492-493; Cols. 97-108, 1910-1912)

Intent of Recode

The education data, as originally designed, were to consist of two independent variables. The first, a continuous variable, would represent the number of years in school, and the second, an ordinal variable, would indicate degrees actually received. Ease of handling and a desire to make use of continuous data where present motivated this two-variable design. Certain alterations to this design were made to facilitate the interviewing process. Recoding was then necessary to reconcile the data with the original design.
Method of Recode

For the continuous variable, years of schooling, the exact number of years was coded for 00 to 12 years for questions 15-22A and 13-20 for questions 15-22C. These data were combined into one continuous scale. For the second variable, degrees received, the degree marked represents the highest degree actually received. The variables for degrees and years of schooling were independently collected and coded—one was not generated from the other.

Blanks in the original data, denoting "not applicable," have been recoded to '97' for the years of schooling variable and '7' for the degrees received variable. This was done for the convenience of persons who use computer programs which read blanks as zeros.

Original Question

While only the "Father's education" question is shown, Mother's, Spouse's, Respondent's, and Respondent's First Spouse's education were collected with the same question format.

What is the highest grade in elementary school or high school that your (father/FATHER SUBSTITUTE) finished and got credit for? CODE EXACT GRADE.

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IF FINISHED 9TH - 12TH GRADE, OR D.K.:

A. Did he ever get a high school diploma or a GED certificate?

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B. Did he ever complete one or more years of college for credit—not including schooling such as business college, technical or vocational school?

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IF YES TO B:

(1) How many years did he complete?

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(2) Does he have any college degrees?

- Yes . . [ASK (3)] .  1
- No . . . . . . . .  2
- Don't know . . . .  8

(3) IF YES TO (2): What degree or degrees? CODE HIGHEST DEGREE EarnED

- Associate/Junior college .  2
- Bachelor's . . . . . .  3
- Graduate . . . . . . .  4
- Don't know . . . . . .  8

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STATE OF ORIGIN RECODE
(Q. 26; Col. 112)

Intent of Recode

Although the place of residence at age 16 was collected and coded for the state level, it was recoded for three reasons: (1) anonymity was seen as a potential problem in rural areas, where occupational and residential characteristics might make it possible to reconstruct the identity of a respondent; (2) comparability with the information on place of interview is made possible by the recode, since place of interview is coded by region only; and (3) recoding provides for the relative ease of handling one digit of information rather than two.

Method of Recode

Using the component parts drawn from the nine-part Bureau of the Census regional classification, states of origin were recoded into regions. The state components are listed at Q. 26. The only necessary modification was the addition of the number zero to represent the foreign born.

Original Question

2. In what state or foreign country were you living when you were 16 years old?

REFER TO STATE CODES BELOW AND ENTER CODE NUMBER IN BOX . . .

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GEOGRAPHIC MOBILITY RECODE
(Q. 26A; Col. 113)

Intent of Recode

This recode utilizes the information on state of residence at age 16, which was collected but not directly available for the reasons mentioned above. The recoded index provides a measure of geographic mobility which integrates the information on the city and state of interview with that of the city and state of residence at age 16.

Methods of Recode

If the state mentioned as residence at age 16 was the same as the state of interview, the interviewer was instructed to ask whether the city of early residence was also the same. If the respondent indicated that it was, these data were coded as 1. If the state of residence at age 16 was not the same as the state of interview, a code of 3 was used.

Original Question

IF STATE NAMED IS SAME STATE R. LIVES IN NOW, ASK A:

A. When you were 16 years old, were you living in this same (city/town/county)?

   Yes.........................................................1
   No.........................................................2

HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION RECODE
(Q. 34A-D; Cols. 125-130)

1975

Intent of Recode

Half of the sample for the 1975 General Social Survey was a full probability sample, with predesignated respondents (See Appendix A: Sampling Design). For this portion of the sample, Household Enumeration Forms were completed for the chosen households prior to selection of the actual respondent. The questionnaires for the block quota half of the sample were therefore modified in order to obtain information comparable to that on the Household Enumeration Form. The data thus collected were recoded in order to conform in format to the household composition variables of previous General Social Surveys.

Method of Recode

The information collected about each household member was used to obtain the number of residents in each age group.

Original Question

A number of questions were asked about each household member. Those used in computing the variables on the General Social Survey are:

2) Please tell me the names of the people who usually live in this household?

3) Have we forgotten anyone: such as babies or small children; roomers; people who usually live here but are away temporarily—on business trips, vacations, temporarily in a hospital, and so on?

5) What is (PERSON)'s relationship to (HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD)?
7) How old was (HEAD/PERSON) on (his/her) last birthday?

9) Are any of the people we have listed staying somewhere else right now?

IF YES:

10) Who is staying somewhere else right now?

11) Where is (PERSON) living right now: is (PERSON) staying at another household; is (he/she) traveling; is (he/she) in some institution or dormitory—like at college, or in a hospital or somewhere; or what?

1977-2004

Household composition was determined as in 1975, but relationship to respondent was asked in questionnaire instead of being taken from Q. 5 in the Household Enumeration Form.

Original Question

Now I would like you to think about the people who live in this household. Please include any persons who usually live here but are away temporarily—on business, on vacation, or in a general hospital—and include all babies and small children. Do not include college students who are living away at college, persons stationed away from here in the Armed Forces, or persons away in institutions.

Is everyone in the household related to you in some way?

YES...........................1
NO..................(ASK A)..............2

A. IF NO: How many persons in the household are not related to you in any way?

SRC NEW BELT CODE
(Q. 52B; Col. 165)

Intent of Recode

The SRC belt code (a coding system originally devised to describe rings around a metropolitan area and to categorize places by size and type simultaneously) first appeared in an article written by Bernard Laserwitz (American Sociological Review, v. 25, no. 2, 1960), and has been used subsequently in several SRC surveys. Its use was discontinued in 1971 because of difficulties particularly evident in the operationalization of "adjacent and outlying areas." For this study, however, we have revised the SRC belt code for users who might find such a variable useful. The new SRC belt code utilizes "name of place" information contained in the sampling units of the NORC Field Department.

Method of Recode

This recode assigns codes to the place of interview. City characteristics were determined by reference to the rank ordering of SMSAs in the Statistical Abstract of the United States, 1972, Table 20. Suburb characteristics were determined by reference to the urbanized map in the U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1970 Census of Population, Number of Inhabitants, Series PC (1) -A. The "other urban" codes were assigned on the basis of county characteristics found in Table 10 of the 1970 Census of Population, Number of Inhabitants. For cases from the 1980 and 1990 frames analogous tables from the 1980 or 1990 Census were used.
PARTY AFFILIATION RECODE  
(Q. 56; Col. 240)

Intent of Recode

The question was recoded so that it would match the Michigan Survey Research Center’s presentation of the data.

Method of Recoding

The recode considers both the party affiliation and the subjective intensity of that party affiliation in the assignment of new codes.

Original Question

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

   Republican (ASK A) ............1  
   Democrat (ASK A) ..............2  
   Independent (ASK B) ..........3  
   Other (SPECIFY AND ASK B) ....4  
   No Preference (ASK B) ........8

A. IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT: Would you call yourself a strong (Republican/Democrat) or not a very strong (Republica

   Strong................................1  
   Not very strong......................2

B. IF INDEPENDENT NO PREFERENCE, OR OTHER: Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?

   Republican.........................3  
   Democratic.........................4  
   Neither...............................8

QUALITIES FOR CHILDREN RECODE  
(Q. 167A-M; Cols. 612-624)

Intent of Recode

The codes were assigned to the responses so that they formed an ordinal scale ranging from the "one most desirable" to the "one least desirable."

Method of Recode

Qualities not chosen as one of the three most desirable or the three least important were simply assigned the code (3).

Original Question

1. Which three qualities listed on this card would you say are the most desirable for a child to have?  
   CIRCLE THREE CODES ONLY IN COLUMN A.

2. Which one of these three is the most desirable of all? READ THE THREE R. CHOSE.  CODE ONE ONLY IN COLUMN B.
3. All of the qualities listed on this card may be desirable, but could you tell me which three you consider least important? CIRCLE THREE CODES ONLY COLUMN C.

4. And which one of these three is least important at all? READ THE THREE R. CHOSE. CODE ONE ONLY IN COLUMN D.

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(Same format through M.

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QUALITIES FOR CHILD RECODE  
(Q. 168A-M; Cols. 625-637)

Recoded same as Q. 167 above

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TRAUMA RECODES  
(Qs. 268-278; Cols. 992-1013)

Intent of Recodes

For user convenience, the information on traumatic events has been presented in a condensed and abridged format. Users interested in the unabridged data should contact the GSS project staff at NORC 1155 East 60th Street, Chicago, Ill. 60637.

Method of Recodes

In the following detailed description of the trauma recodes the user is directed to the full, original wording of the trauma questions.

A. DIVORCE5 (Col. 992)  
If 21.B.1, 21.B.2, 21.C.1, and 21.C.2 equal "No" then DIVORCE5 equals punch "0."  
If 21.B.1 or 21.C.1 equal "Yes" and 21.B.2 or 21.C.2 equal "Yes," then DIVORCE5 equals punch "3."  

B. DIVREL1 (Col. 993)  
Sum of relatives coded in 22.A.1.

C. DIVREL4 (Col. 994)  
Sum of relatives coded in 22.B.1.
TRAUMA RECODES (Continued)

D. UNEMP5 (Col. 995)
If 28 equals "No" or 28.A and 28.B equal "No," then UNEMP5 equals punch "0."
If 28.A equals "No" and 28.B equals "Yes" and 28.B.1 equals "No," then UNEMP5 equals punch "1."

E. UNREL1 (Col. 996)
Sum of relatives coded in 29.A.1.

F. UNREL4 (Col. 997)
Sum of relatives coded in 30.A.1.

G. HOSDIS5 (Col. 998)
If 88.A, 88.B, 89.A, and 89.B equals "No," then HOSDIS5 equals punch "0."
If 88.A and 88.B equal "No" and 89.A or 89.B equals "Yes," then HOSDIS5 equals punch "1."
If 88.A or 88.B equal "Yes" and 89.A and 89.B equal "No," then HOSDIS5 equals punch "2."
If 88.A or 88.B equal "Yes" and 89.A or 89.B equal "Yes," then HOSDIS5 equals punch "3."
If 88.A or 88.B equal "9" and the other equals "No," then HOSDIS5 equals punch "9."
If 89.A or 89.B equal "9" and the other equals "No," then HOSDIS5 equals punch "9."
If 88.A and 88.B equal "9," then HOSDIS5 equals punch "9."
If 89.A and 89.B equal "9," then HOSDIS5 equals punch "9."

H. HOSREL1 (Col. 999)
Sum of relatives coded in 88.C.1.

I. HOSREL4 (Col. 1000)
Sum of relatives coded in 89.C.1.

J. DEATH5 (Col. 1001)
If 90 equals "No" or 90.A and 90.B equal "No," then DEATH5 equals punch "0."
If 90.A equals "No" and sum of relatives coded in 90.B.1 equals one, then DEATH5 equals punch "1."
If 90.A equals "No" and the sum of relatives coded in 90.B.1 equals two or more, then DEATH5 equals punch "2."
If the sum of relatives coded in 90.A.1 equals one and 90.B equals "No," then DEATH5 equals punch "3."
If the sum of relatives coded in 90.A.1 equals one and the sum of relatives coded in 90.B.1 equals one, then DEATH5 equals punch "4."
If the sum of relatives coded in 90.A.1 equals one and the sum of relatives coded in 90.B.1 equals two or more, then DEATH5 equals punch "5."
If the sum of relatives coded in 90.A.1 equals two or more and 90.B equals "No," then DEATH5 equals punch "6."
If the sum of relatives coded in 90.A.1 equals two or more and the sum of relatives coded in 90.B.1 equals one, then DEATH5 equals punch "7."
TRAUMA RECODES (Continued)

If the sum of relatives coded in 90.A.1 equals two or more and the sum of relatives coded in 90.B.1 equals two or more, then DEATH5 equals punch "8."
If 90, 90.A, or 90.B equals "9," then DEATH5 equals punch "9."

K. DEATH16 (Col. 1002)
Sum of relatives coded in 90.C.1.

L. PADEATH (Col. 1003)
If father alive when respondent was 16 years old (FAMILY16 equal "1," "2," "4," and some "0," or if FAMILY16 equals "3," "5," or some "0," and FAMDISF16 is not equal to "1," and father not coded in 90.A.1, 90.B.1, or 90.C.1, then PADEATH equals punch "0."
If FAMILY16 equals "3," "5," or some "0" and FAMDISF16 equals 1, then PADEATH equals punch "1."
If father coded in 90.C.1, then PADEATH equals punch "2."
If father coded in 90.B.1, then PADEATH equals punch "3."
If father coded in 90.A.1, then PADEATH equals punch "4."
If FAMILY16 equals "6," "7," "8," and some "0" and father not coded in 90.A.1, 90.B.1, or 90.C.1, then
PADEATH equals punch "8."
If father not coded in 90.A.1, 90.B.1 or 90.C.1 and 90.A, 90.B, or 90.C equals "9" and father alive when respondent 16 years old, then PADEATH equal punch "9."
If father not coded in 90.A.1, 90.B.1, or 90.C.1 and FAMILY16 equals "9," then PADEATH equals punch "9."
If father not coded in 90.A.1, 90.B.1, or 90.C.1 and FAMILY16 equals "3," or "5" and FAMDISF16 equals "9," then PADEATH equals punch "9."

M. MADEATH (Col. 1004)
Coded in an analogous manner to PADEATH.

N. CHLDDTH (Col. 1005)
If CHILDS greater than zero and child and child's husband or wife not coded in 90.A.1, 90.B.1 or 90.C.1, then CHLDDTH equals punch "0."
If CHILDS greater than zero, and child or child's husband or wife coded in 90.C.1 and not coded in 90.B.1 and 90.A.1,then CHLDDTH equals punch "1."
If CHILDS greater than zero and child or child's husband or wife coded in 90.B.1 and not coded in 90.A.1, then CHLDDTH equals punch "2."
If CHILDS greater than zero and child or child's husband/wife coded in 90.A.1, then CHLDDTH equals punch "3."
If CHILDS equals zero, then CHLDDTH equals punch "Blank."
If CHILDS equals "9" and child or child's husband or wife not coded in 90.A.1, 90.B.1, or 90.C.1, then
CHLDDTH equals punch "9."
If CHILDS greater than zero and 90.C equals "9" and child or child's husband not coded in 90.B.1 or 90.A.1, then CHLDDTH equals punch "9."
If CHILDS greater than zero and 90.B equals "9" and child or child's husband not coded in 90.A.1, then
CHLDDTH equals punch "9."
If CHILDS greater than zero and 90.A equals "9," then CHLDDTH equals punch "9."

O. SIBDEATH (Col. 1006)
Coded in an analogous manner to CHLDDTH.

P. SPDEATH (Col. 1007)
Coded in an analogous manner to CHLDDTH (e.g., if MARITAL equals "never married" then SPDEATH equals "Blank").

Q. TRAUMA1 (Col. 1008)
TRAUMA RECODES (Continued)

Number of traumas happening to respondent last year (count one if DIVORCE5 equals "2" or "3,"
HOSDIS5 equals "2" or "3," DEATH5 equals "3, 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8," and UNEMP5 equals "3, 4, 5, 6,
7, or 8.")

If DIVORCE5, UNEMP5, HOSDIS5, or DEATH5 equals "9," then TRAUMA1 equals "9."

R. TRAUMA5 (Col. 1009)
Number of traumas happening to respondent during last five years (count one each if DIVORCE5 or
HOSDIS5 equals "1, 2, or 3" or DEATH5 or UNEMP5 equals "1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8").

If DIVORCE5, UNEMP5, HOSDIS5, or DEATH5 equals "9," then TRAUMA5 equals "9."

S. TRAREL1 (Col. 1010)
Number of traumas happening to respondent's relatives during the last year (count one each if DIVREL1,
UNREL1, or HOSREL1 greater than zero).

If DIVREL1, UNREL1, or HOSREL1 equals "9," then TRAREL1 equals "9."

T. TRAREL5 (Col. 1011)
Number of traumas happening to respondent's relatives during the last five years.
If DIVREL1 or DIVREL4 greater than zero, then TRAREL5 counts 1.
If HOSREL1 or HOSREL4 greater than zero, then TRAREL5 counts 1.
If UNREL1 or UNREL4 greater than zero, then TRAREL5 counts 1.
If DIVREL1 and/or DIVREL4 equals "9" and the other equals "0," then TRAREL5 equals "9."
If HOSREL1 and/or HOSREL4 equals "9" and the other equals "0," then TRAREL5 equals "9."
If UNREL1 and/or UNREL4 equals "9" and the other equals "0," then TRAREL5 equals "9."

U. TRATOT1 (Col. 1012)
Sum of TRAUMA1 and TRAREL1. If either TRAUMA1 or TRAREL1 equals "9," then TRATOT1 equals
"9."

V. TRATOT5 (Col. 1013)
Sum of TRAUMA5 and TRAREL5. If either TRAUMA5 or TRAREL5 equals "9," then TRATOT5 equals
"9."

21*. Are you currently—married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

Married... (ASK A & B).............1
Widowed... (ASK A & B).............2
Divorced... (ASK A & C).............3
Separated... (ASK A & C).............4
Never married (GO TO Q.22)........5

IF EVER MARRIED:

A. How old were you when you first married?

ENTER EXACT AGE: [___]

B. ASK ONLY IF CURRENTLY MARRIED OR WIDOWED:
Have you ever been divorced or legally separated?

Yes (ASK [1]).........................1
No (GO TO Q. 22)....................2
TRAUMA RECODES (Continued)

IF YES TO B:
[1] Did you obtain a divorce or separation during the past 12 months, that is since (Feb./Mar.) 1977?
   Yes (ASK [2]) ............................1
   No (ASK [2]) ............................2

[2] Did you (also) obtain a divorce or separation during the period 1973 through (Feb./Mar.) 1977?
   Yes (GO TO Q. 22) ............................1
   No (GO TO Q. 22) ............................2

C. IF DIVORCED OR SEPARATED:
[1] Did you obtain a divorce or separation during the past 12 months, that is since (Feb./Mar.) 1977?
   Yes (ASK [2]) ............................1
   No (ASK [2]) ............................2

[2] Did you (also) obtain a divorce or separation during the period 1973 through (Feb./Mar.) 1977?
   Yes ...........................................1
   No ...........................................2

*Example from 1978 GSS.

ASK EVERYONE:

22. A. During the past twelve months, that is since (Feb./Mar.) 1977, were any of these people divorced or legally separated?

   Yes (ASK [1]) ................................1
   No (GO TO B) ................................2

IF YES:
[1] Who was that? (Anyone else?) CODE ALL THAT APPLY:
   Husband or wife ............................1
   Father .......................................2
   Mother ......................................3
   Father-in-law ................................4
   Mother-in-law ..............................5
   Child ........................................6
   Child’s husband or wife ....................1
   Brother or sister ...........................2
   Brother or sister-in-law ....................3

B. At any time during the period 1973 through (Feb./Mar.) 1977 were any of the people listed on this card divorced or legally separated?

   Yes (ASK [1]) ................................1
   No (GO TO Q. 23) ............................2
TRAUMA RECODES (Continued)

IF YES:
[1] Who was that? (Anyone else?) CODE ALL THAT APPLY:

- Husband or wife: 1
- Father: 2
- Mother: 3
- Father-in-law: 4
- Mother-in-law: 5
- Child: 6
- Child’s husband or wife: 1
- Brother or sister: 2
- Brother or sister-in-law: 3

ASK EVERYONE:

28. At any time during the last ten years, have you been unemployed and looking for work for as long as a month?

- Yes ...... (GO TO A) ............ 1
- No ...... (GO TO Q. 29) ............ 2
- Don’t know (GO TO Q. 29) ............ 8

IF YES TO Q. 28:

A. During the past twelve months, that is since (Feb./Mar.) 1977, were you employed and looking for work for as long as a month?

- Yes ......(GO TO [1]) ............ 1
- No ......(GO TO B) ............ 2

IF YES TO A:

[1] When that happened, were you the main earner in your household, that is, the person making the highest income?

- Yes ......(GO TO B) ............ 1
- No ......(GO TO B) ............ 2

B. Now I would like you to think about a longer period of time. At any time during the years between 1973 and (Feb./Mar.) 1977, were you unemployed and looking for work for as long as a month?

- Yes ......(GO TO [1]) ............ 1
- No ......(GO TO Q. 29) ............ 2

IF YES TO B:

[1] When that happened, were you the main earner in your household, that is, the person making the highest income?

- Yes ................. 1
- No ................. 2
TRIUMA RECODES (Continued)

29. A. During the past twelve months, that is since (Feb./Mar.) 1977, were any of these people unemployed and looking for work for as long as a month?

Yes ...... (GO TO [1]) ......... 1
No ...... (GO TO Q. 30) ......... 2

IF YES:

[1] Who was that? (Anyone else?) CODE ALL THAT APPLY:

Husband or wife ......................... 1
Father ...................................... 2
Mother .................................... 3
Father-in-law ............................. 4
Mother-in-law .......................... 5
Child ..................................... 6
Child's husband or wife .............. 1
Brother or sister ......................... 2
Brother or sister-in-law .......... 3

FOR EACH PERSON NAMED IN A:

B. When that happened was (NAME EACH PERSON CODED IN PART A) the main earner in his/her household?

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TRIUMA RECODES (Continued)

30. A. Now I would like you to think about a longer period of time. At any time during the years 1973 through (Feb./Mar.) 1977, were any of the people listed on this card unemployed and looking for work for as long as a month?

   Yes ...(GO TO [1]).....1  
   No ....(GO TO Q. 31)....2

IF YES:
[1] Who was that? (Anyone else?) CODE ALL THAT APPLY:

   Husband or wife.................1  
   Father............................2  
   Mother............................3  
   Father-in-law....................4  
   Mother-in-law....................5  
   Child.............................6  
   Child’s husband or wife........1  
   Brother or sister...............2  
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FOR EACH PERSON NAMED IN A:

B. When that happened was (NAME EACH PERSON CODED IN PART A) the main earner in his/her household?

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TRAUMA RECODES (Continued)

88. Now I am going to ask about some things that happen in families. First, I am going to ask you about illnesses.

A. During the past twelve months, that is since (Feb./Mar.) 1977, have you, yourself, been a patient in a hospital, sanitorium, convalescent or nursing home (apart from having a baby)?

Yes .......................... 1
No ............................ 2

B. During the past twelve months, were you unable to work at your job or carry on your regular activities for one month or more because of illness or injury?

Yes .......................... 1
No ............................ 2

C. During the past twelve months, that is since (Feb./Mar.) 1977, have any of these people been a patient in a hospital, sanitorium, convalescent or nursing home (apart from having a baby), or been unable to work or carry out their regular activities for a month or more because of illness or injury?

Yes .... (ASK [1]) ............... 1
No .... (GO TO Q. 89) .......... 2

[1] IF YES TO C: Who was that? (Anyone else?) CODE ALL THAT APPLY.

Husband or wife .................. 1
Father ............................. 2
Mother ........................... 3
Father-in-law ..................... 4
Mother-in-law ................... 5
Child ............................. 6
Child's husband or wife ....... 1
Brother or sister ................. 2
Brother or sister-in-law ........ 3

89. A. Now I would like to know about a longer period of time. At any time during the years 1973 through (Feb./Mar.) 1977, were you a patient in a hospital, sanitorium, convalescent or nursing home (apart from having a baby)?

Yes ............................. 1
No ............................... 2

B. During the same years, 1973 through (Feb./Mar.) 1977, were you unable to work at your regular job or carry on your regular activities for one month or more because of illness or injury?

Yes ............................. 1
No ............................... 2
TRAUMA RECODES (Continued)

C. At any time during the years 1973 through (Feb./Mar.) 1977, were any these people a patient in a hospital, sanatorium, convalescent or nursing home (apart from having a baby), or been unable to work or to carry out their regular activities for month or more because of illness or injury? Please include everybody who was in your family in those years.

Yes........(ASK [1])............1
No........(GO TO Q. 90)...........2

[1] IF YES TO C: Who was that? (Anybody else?) CODE ALL THAT APPLY.

Husband or wife.................1
Father............................2
Mother............................3
Father-in-law.....................4
Mother-in-law....................5
Child............................6
Child's husband or wife........1
Brother or sister.............2
Brother or sister-in-law......3

90. Since the time that you were 16, did any of the people listed on this card die?

Yes........(ASK A)...............1
No........(GO TO Q. 91).........2

A. IF YES: Did any deaths occur during the past year, that is since (Feb./Mar.) 1977?

Yes........(ASK [1])............1
No........(GO TO B).............2

[1] IF YES TO A: Who was that? (Anybody else?) CODE ALL THAT APPLY.

Husband or wife.................1
Father............................2
Mother............................3
Father-in-law.....................4
Mother-in-law....................5
Child............................6
Child's husband or wife........1
Brother or sister.............2
Brother or sister-in-law......3

ASK EVERYONE:

B. Now, thinking about a little longer period of time, during the years from 1973 through (Feb./Mar.) 1977, did any deaths occur during those years?

Yes........(ASK [1])............1
No........(GO TO C).............2
TRAUMA RECODES (Continued)

[1] IF YES TO B: Who was that? (Anyone else?) CODE ALL THAT APPLY.

- Husband or wife......................1
- Father................................2
- Mother................................3
- Father-in-law.........................4
- Mother-in-law.........................5
- Child.................................6
- Child's husband or wife..........1
- Brother or sister...............2
- Brother or sister-in-law........3

ASK ONLY IF R IS 21 YEARS OR MORE. IF R IS UNDER 21 YEARS, OR IF IN DOUBT,
GO TO Q. 91.

C. And between the time that you were 16 years old and 1973, did any deaths occur?

- Yes ..... (ASK [1]).............1
- No ..... (GO TO Q. 91).......2

[1] IF YES TO C: Who was that? (Anyone else?) CODE ALL THAT APPLY.

- Husband or wife......................1
- Father................................2
- Mother................................3
- Father-in-law.........................4
- Mother-in-law.........................5
- Child.................................6
- Child's husband or wife..........1
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- Brother or sister-in-law........3

NETWORK CLOSENESS RECODE
(Q. 315; Cols. 1125-1134)

315. IF LESS THAN 5 NAMES MENTIONED CROSS OUT UNUSED BOXES.

Please think about the relations between the people you just mentioned. Some of them may be total strangers in the sense that they wouldn't recognize each other if they bumped into each other on the street. Others may be especially close, as close or closer to each other as they are to you.

First, think about NAME 1 and NAME 2. ASK Q.315 FOR FIRST PAIR.

A. Are ____________ and ________ total strangers?

- IF YES..............ASK Q.315A FOR NEXT PAIR DOWN
- IF NO..............ASK Q.315B

B. Are they especially close? PROBE: As close or closer to each other as they are to you.

- IF YES..............ASK Q.315A FOR NEXT PAIR DOWN
- IF NO..............ASK Q.315B FOR NEXT PAIR DOWN


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**Intent of Recode**

To simplify analysis, mutually exclusive dichotomies were collapsed into a single three-point scale.

**Method of Recode**

A response of "yes" to part A became code 3, "total strangers." A response of "no" to part A and "no" to B became code 2, "neither close nor strangers." A response of "yes" to part B became code 1, "especially close."

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**ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP RECODE**  
(Q. 328A-Q; Cols. 1238-1255)

**Intent of Recode**

For user convenience, the total number of organizations has been computed.

**Method of Recode**

If a respondent answered a "No" to all of the organizational items, Cols. 1254-1255 were code "00." If a respondent answered "Yes" to any organizations, the total number of "Yes" responses was counted and put in Cols. 1254-1255.

**Original Question**

Question presented in the codebook is as it appeared in the questionnaire.

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**SIMILARITIES RECODE**  
(Qs. 489A-H, Cols. 1897-1904)

**Intent of Recode**

The recode provides an approximate scale to measure and compare respondents' general reasoning abilities in categorizing and/or comparing two objects.
Method of Recode

Each item is scored 2, 1, or 0, depending on the degree of understanding expressed and the quality of the response. The general criteria for scores of 2, 1, and 0 for any item are as follows:

2 POINTS - any general classification which is primarily pertinent for both members of the pair ("An eye and an ear are sense organs," "A poem and a statue are works of art").

1 POINT - any specific property or function which is common to both and constitutes a relevant similarity ("An egg and a seed both have shells,"  "A poem and a statue stir feelings"). Also give 1 point to less pertinent, but correct, general classifications ("An eye and an ear are parts of the body,"  "Air and water contain oxygen").

0 POINTS - specific properties of each member of the pair, generalizations which are incorrect or not pertinent, differences between the members of the pair, or clearly wrong responses.

The degree of abstraction of the subject's response is an important determinant of the score. That is why pertinent general categorizations are given 2 points, while the naming of one or more common properties or functions of the members of a pair (a more concrete problem-solving approach) merits only 1 point. Thus, stating that a dog and a lion (Item 2) are "Animals" (their general category) earns a higher score than saying "They both have tails" (a property common to each). On the other hand, stating that an orange and a banana (Item 1) are "Fruit" earns more credit than stating that both are "Foods": while the category of "fruit" is less general than that of "food," it is the more pertinent category. Calling work and play (Item 12) "Basic activities" is less concrete (and hence worth a higher score) than "Things people do."

Of course, even a relatively concrete approach to solving the items ("A dog and a lion both have tails") requires the subject to abstract something similar about the members of the pair. Some subjects are unable to do this and may respond to each member separately rather than to the pair as a whole ("you see with your eyes and hear with your ears"). Although such a response is a true statement, it is scored 0 since it tells how the members of the pair are dissimilar rather than how they are similar.

If a subject gives multiple acceptable responses to an item, score the best response. If a subject gives multiple responses to an item and one or more of the responses are incorrect (i.e., would be scored 0 if given alone), ask, Which one is it? and score according to the subject's decision.

Examples of responses earning 2, 1, and 0 points follow for some items.

Items and Sample Responses

1. Orange-banana

   2 POINTS - Fruit.
   1 POINT - Food...To eat...Have peels...Same color...Grow...Contain vitamins.
   0 POINTS - Round...Same shape...Contain calories.

2. Dog-lion

   2 POINTS - Animals...Mammals.
   1 POINT - Have legs (fur,tails)...They bite.
   0 POINTS - Look alike...A lion growls, a dog barks...Dangerous...Belong to same species (Q).\(^1\)

\(^1\)When the notation ",(Q)" appears in the scoring rules, this indicates that the response preceding the (Q) should be queried.
12. **Work-play**

2 POINTS - Basic human activities...Things that all people do...Activities valued by society...Give value to living...Both require effort for success.

1 POINT - Things you do (Q)...Human activities (Q)...Keep you busy...Ways to spend your time...Use up energy...Things done during the course of the day...Can get enjoyment from both.

0 POINTS - Must do both of them...Necessities of life...Keep you out of trouble...You do them with other people...Keep you from being depressed (Q).

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**PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES**
(Qs. 647, 665-666, 669A-B, D-E; Cols. 2652-2666, 2733-2784, 2794-2819, 2821-2846)

PROBFIX1-3 (Cols. 2652-2657), BRKDDO1-3 (Cols. 2803-2808), and MNILDO1-3 (Cols. 2830-2835)

I. **Denial**

11. I would try to forget about it, not think about it

II. **Displacement**

21. Hostility. (Not directed at source of problem) I would get mad, irritable, take it out on someone else (R’s response is not coded here if R’s problem would involve another person, and R would get angry at that person. In such a case, (63) is coded.)

22. Would engage in activity. I would go for a walk; I would read a book; I would get busy with something else; I would try to get engrossed in something else to take my mind off it (here is coded any activity which R would engage in which does no directly deal with the problem, but may relieve some of the anxiety about it—unless medications, pills, etc., which are coded (61).)

23. Would seek release from awareness. Would get drunk, take a drink, take dope.

24. Would seek release from awareness. Would go to sleep (response is not coded here if R says, “I would go to sleep in order to get refreshed and be able to handle the problem better afterwards.”)

25. Fantasy Action. R would think about magical type solutions to problems or would imagine problems don’t exist. I would imagine myself as the president of the company and then nobody could criticize me

III. **Passive Reaction**

31. Nothing. I would do nothing, wouldn’t do anything; there wouldn’t be much to do about it; there would be nothing to do; I would just let things take their course; I would just hope for the best; would just give up

IV. **Passive Reaction - Problem still salient**

41. Worry. I would worry about it, I would fret over it; would just keep on worrying, thinking about it; I would keep on worrying till things work out

V. **Passive Reaction - Religious**

51. I would pray. Would turn to prayer; would trust in the lord (going to minister is not coded here; in such case, (82) is coded. If NA whether (51) or (82) should be coded, as turn to the church, go to the church, read the Bible, the scriptures or inspirational literature, (51) is coded.)
VI. Reactions which are not clearly coping or denial

61. Would take medications. Tranquilizers, Aspirins, etc. - any medication treating physical symptoms and tensions (if prescribed by a doctor, response is coded here and also under (82).)

62. Would pull myself together; exercise self-control (NA whether this is attempt to deny and forget the problem - coded under (11) - or prelude to attempts to solve the problem - coded in the (70s))

63. Expressions of hostility directed at person seen as source of problem (if would not be directed at source of problem, (21) is coded.)

64. Palliative measures which would “cope” with a problem defined in physical or general terms, but would “deny” and/or “displace” specific “personal problems” - attempts to reduce immediate pressures and tensions. Take a vacation; would take it easier, try to relax a little more (except those responses coded in (61))

65. Meditation

66. Faith or confidence in self; strength; fortitude

67. Social comparison; R better off than other; seeing others that are worse off than me.

68. Emphasis on positive aspects of life; optimism; sense of humor; positive view of life.

69. Other reactions which are not clearly coping or denial

VII. Coping Reaction - Independent

71. Self-assessment, thought would be mode of problem-solving attempts. I would try to figure out what is wrong; see what the problem is, who is at fault (if whether (71) or (72), (72) is coded)

72. Immediate action would be mode of problem-solving. Would solve it; just keep on trying; would do something about it (if NA whether (71) or (72), (72) is coded.)

73. Would cope with interpersonal problem by talking it over with person involved. (if person not involved or if NA whether person involved or not, (81) is coded.) Would talk it over with spouse if marriage problem. (Note. Specific person is not coded in SOURCES OF HELP)

74. Permanent situational limitation of sphere of activity would be mode of problem-solving; I’d get another job; I’d move to another city (temporary situational changes such as “I’d take a vacation” should be coded under (64).)

75. Permanent interpersonal limitation of sphere of activity would be mode of problem-solving, would eliminate and/or change relationships seen as causing problem (change friends; get a divorce)

VIII. Coping Reaction - Outside help sought

81. Talking it over with INFORMAL SOURCE(S) -- family, friends, neighbors, etc. (unless coping with interpersonal problems by talking it over with person involved, in which case, code 73. talk it over with someone, talk with _____ about it; also code here general mentions of person(s). e.g., spending time with, being with family, friends, “my parents,” “my wife,” etc.; if NA whether 81 or 82, code 81. (specific people or institutions are coded ahead in SOURCES).

82. Talk it over with FORMAL SOURCE(S) -- doctor, lawyer, clergyman, psychiatrist, psychologist, counselor, etc.; include “got professional help,” etc.; if source of help is both a formal AND informal source code 82; if NA whether 81 or 82, code 81.

83. Admit self/be admitted to/was admitted to mental hospital, psychiatric ward, etc.

IX. Missing Data

98. DK; it would never happen to me; wouldn’t know what to do

99. NA

BK INAP., No further mention

PROBHL1-3 (Cols. 2658-2668), BRKDHLP1-3 (Cols. 2809-2811), and MNILHLP1-3 (Cols. 2836-2844)

I. Family is source of help

100. Spouse only family member mentioned

101. Child(ren) only family member(s) mentioned

102. Father only family member mentioned; father-in-law

103. Mother only family member mentioned; mother-in-law
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104. Brother only family member mentioned
105. Sister only family member mentioned
106. “Family” (particular family member no specified)
107. Parents; father and mother
108. Any other combination of family members (e.g., wife and children; wife and parents; father and
    aunt); my relatives
109. Any other specific family member mentioned, if only one family member is mentioned; e.g., aunt,
    uncle; a relative

II. Non-professional, non-family persons
200. Friend(s), neighbor(s), acquaintance(s) is mentioned
201. Particular friend, neighbor, acquaintance is mentioned (unless work associate or boss, in which
    case (202) or (203) is coded). I would speak to my friend Mary; there’s another person I respect
    very much - I’d talk to him (if NA whether R has a particular person(s) in mind, (200) is coded.)
202. Fellow worker, work associate(s) is mentioned
203. Supervisor, boss is mentioned
290. Other non-professional, non-family person(s)

III. Self-help groups
300. Alcoholics Anonymous
301. Lonely hearts club
302. Fraternal organizations
303. Parent-teacher organizations
304. Recovery Inc.
390. Other self-help groups

IV. Professional, non-mental health specialists
400. Clergymen
401. Family Physician
402. Physician-specialist (non-mental health)
403. Doctor -- Non-psychiatrist; family doctor not specified; type of doctor not specified
404. Other medical type specialists. Chiropractor; osteopath
405. Public health nurse
406. Teacher or principal
407. Visiting teacher, other teaching specialists
408. Lawyer
409. Policeman, court, judge
480. Other professional non-mental health specialists
490. Professional help, NA which kind
499. Professional help, NA what kind

V. Professional, mental health specialists
(Note. If R gives a specific person in a professional agency, both codes in the 500's and 600's series are
  coded.)
500. Psychiatrist; psychoanalyst
502. Psychologist
503. Social worker
504. Vocational counselor
505. Marriage counselor
506. Counselor; NA specific kind
507. Rehabilitation specialist. Occupational therapist; speech therapist
508. Any “illegitimate” mental health specialist - astrologer, palmist, fortune teller, medium
509. Other professional mental health specialists
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

590. Other professional mental health specialist

VI. Professional Agencies
(Note. If R give a specific person in a professional agency, both codes in the 500's and 600's series are coded.)
600. Social welfare agency; specifically related to welfare, giving economic aid; departments of welfare of city, state
601. Social Service agencies; e.g., family service agency, Catholic charities
602. Child guidance clinic
603. Vocational guidance center, employment bureau
604. Hospital. NA what clinic or ward
605. Hospital. Mental institution
606. Hospital. Mental hygiene clinic; outpatient mental health unit
607. Mental hygiene clinic, not related or NA if related to hospital
608. Rehabilitation center; speech clinic
610. Substance abuse agency
690. Other professional agency

VIII. Other
700. Church or church group
800. Other

IX. Missing data
910. R doesn't mention taking problem to anyone; no more mentions
980. DK whom I’d talk to, but would talk to someone
998. DK whom I’d talk to, but would talk to someone
999 REFUSED
BK INAP., R doesn’t mention taking problem to anyone; no further mentions

BRKDWY1-3 (Cols. 2794-2802) and MNILWHY1-3 (Cols. 2821-2829)

I External Situation
10. Financial condition. loss of money, not having enough money, too man debts
11. Housing condition. cramped, poor quarters
12. R’s physical health. physical illness, physical disability, chronic conditions (R’s Mental illness is coded in the 30s series)
13. Other persons physical health. someone close to R has chronic illness, other illness, physical disabilities causing nervous breakdown (14) is coded if another person’s mental health problem. death is coded (15).
14. Other person mental health problem. someone close to R has mental disturbance (A psychotic episode) [code relationship]
15. Death of someone close to R
16. Physical separation (not death or illness) from someone close to R. when my husband was away in service; when my children were living in foster home
17. R’s relocation to a strange place. when we were living in XXXXX for a while
18. work-related tension. overwork overtired from strain of business. business worries, working too hard (if R specifically sees himself as to blame for work failure, (37) is coded)
19. Other external situations precipitating nervous breakdown

II Interpersonal situation -- Relationship or other person blamed
(Note. if an interpersonal problem precipitating nervous breakdown was perceived by R to reflect his own inadequacy, codes in the 30s series are used. If not ascertainable whether codes in the 20s or the 30s series should be used, the 20s series is coded.)
21. Getting along in marriage, quarrel with spouse, etc.
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

22. Getting along with children. my children talk back to me, get me nervous
23. Getting along with family (NA children or spouse), home problems.
24. Getting along with relatives other than above, arguments with in-laws, parents, siblings, etc.
25. Getting along with opposite sex (not family members), problem with fiancé(e), dating
26. Getting along with friends same sex as R or NA sex, disagreement with a friend
27. Other interpersonal situations precipitating nervous breakdown

III Self Inadequacies (Fault is seen in R)
31. R’s sexual problem - (all references to sexual problems, unless specified as a problem of the other person or in the relationship re coded here)
32. R’s problems related to menopause
33. R’s interpersonal inadequacy -- related to marriage. I wasn’t a good wife
34. R’s interpersonal inadequacy -- related to children. couldn’t handle the children any more (If depression after childbirth, it is coded 36)
35. R’s interpersonal inadequacy -- related to getting along with people other than spouse or children.
   I’m very nervous whenever I’m with people
36. Depression after birth of children
37. Work-related failures. I felt I had failed at my job (if R does not see fault for business, job failures a personal, it is coded 18).
38. Inadequacies related to alcohol or drug abuse
39. Other personal inadequacies

IV General, Nervous breakdown — precipitating cause NA
(All General descriptions of R’s state.)
41. R feels upset often, worried often, overwhelmed by things, couldn’t face problems, just giving up

VIII Other
80. Other precipitating condition for nervous breakdown

NOTE. THE FOLLOWING CODES USED BY AVTMH CODERS FOR A DEPRESSION QUESTION WERE ALSO USED HERE TO CODE THE CAUSES BECAUSE THEY WERE MORE TO THE POINT FOR SOME RESPONDENTS. When codes below were the same as codes above, we used the codes above. Codes below could be recoded to codes above.

I. ECONOMIC AND MATERIAL MATTERS.

FINANCIAL OR MATERIAL SITUATION (NON-RESIDENTIAL)
101. Poor or declining financial status. not having enough money; too many debts; paying bills (if problem stated in terms of business, code 206)
102. Trouble with loan, mortgage, receiving notification of foreclosure, letter of indebtedness, property repossessed or wages garnished
103. Loss of assets. loss of money, property (non-residential), stock, etc.
104. Theft or destruction of property (non-residential). robbery, vandalism, crimes against R’s property
109. Other specific non-residential financial or material matters that happened to R (or R’s spouse)
111. Bad financial or material situation of R’s child(ren), stepchild(ren), child(ren) in-law
112. Bad financial or material situation of R’s parent(s), stepparent(s), parent(s) in-law
113. Bad financial or material situation of R’s sibling(s), step sibling(s), sibling(s) in-law
119. Bad financial or material situation of someone other than R (or spouse) and persons codable in 111-113.

HOUSING — PLACE OF RESIDENCE
121. Moved to or lives in poor (worse) house or apartment
122. Moved to or lives in poor (worse) neighborhood
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

123. Dislocation or relocation. moved to new (strange) neighborhood, town, or country; changes in residence other than 121 or 122
124. Damage to residence (house or apartment); fire, vandalism, weather, etc
129. Other specific residence related matters that happened to R (or R’s spouse)
131. Bad thing concerning residence that happened to R’s child(ren), child(ren) in-law
132. Bad things concerning residence that happened to R’s parent(s), stepparent(s), parent(s) in-law
133. Bad things concerning residence that happened to R’s sibling(s), step sibling(s), sibling(s) in-law
139. Bad things concerning residence that happened to someone other than R (or spouse) and persons codable in 131-133.

WORK-RELATED MATTERS
200. Problems finding a job. couldn’t (can’t) find work
201. Quit job
202. Laid off
203. Fired
204. Unemployed or lost job (no specific reference to quitting, being laid off or fired)
205. Retired from job or major life occupation
206. Business problems. poor or declining business
207. Business failure
210. General statements about negative events at work. “don’t like my job”, etc
211. Failed to receive promotion, better job, desired job
212. Job demotion, demoted or changed to poorer job or employer, less responsible job
213. Trouble with boss or supervisor
214. Trouble with co-workers. (code here any interpersonal difficulties at work with no specific mention of boss or supervisor)
215. Work-related failure. failed at job
216. Work-related tension. overwork, time pressures, working too hard, etc
217. Poor or deteriorating (Physical) work conditions. health, safety, danger, distance, hours
219. Other specific work-related matters that happened to R (or spouse)
221. Bad things related to work that happened to R’s child(ren), stepchild(ren), child(ren)-in-law
222. Bad things related to work that happened to R’s parent(s), stepparent(s), parent(s)-in-law
223. Bad things related to work that happened to R’s sibling(s), step sibling(s), sibling(s)-in-law
229. Bad things related to work that happened to someone other than R (or Spouse) and persons codable in 221-223

III SCHOOL-RELATED MATTERS
300. General Statements about negative events related to school
301. Admission problems or failure. not accepted at desired school, training program
302. Failure in school, training program; flunked a test, course.; other failures in school
303. Changed schools
304. School-related pressures; meeting deadlines, pressures of studying, papers, exams; working too hard
309. Other specific school-related matters -- R ONLY
310. Bad things related to school that happened to R’s spouse
311. Bad things related to school that happened to R’s child(ren), stepchild(ren), child(ren)-in-law
319. Bad things related to school that happened to someone other than R and persons codable in 310-311

IV LEGAL DIFFICULTIES
400. Legal Problem(s) -- General, NA what kind
401. Involved in court action, lawsuit, legal action
402. Arrested or convicted of crime, violation of law
403. Detained in jail or correctional institution
404. Legal aspects of divorce, custody of children cited
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

- Loss of driver’s license
- Other specific legal problems that happened to R ONLY
- Legal difficulties involving R’s SPOUSE
- Legal difficulties involving R’s child(ren), step-child(ren), child(ren)-in-law
- Legal difficulties involving someone other than R and persons codable in 410-411

V
INTERPERSONAL SITUATION

- Loneliness, Isolation -- general, interpersonal troubles or difficulties
- Troubles with Family (NA whether spouse or children), getting along with family; family
  problems, home problems; family quarrels or arguments
- Troubles with spouse, getting along in marriage; troubles, quarrels with spouse, fighting, arguing
  or other interpersonal problems with husband or wife.
- Troubles with child(ren); getting along with children; raising children; children talk back, won’t
  mind me, get me nervous.
- Troubles with parent(s) or in-law(s), getting along with mother/father or mother/father -in-law
- Troubles with relative(s) or family member(s) other than above, e.g., argument with sibling(s),
  grandparent(s), etc.
- Troubles with friend(s) of opposite sex (not family members), getting along with
  girlfriend(s)/boyfriend(s), fiancé(e); problems with dating, etc.
- Troubles with friend(s) of same sex as R or NA sex. getting along with friend(s); disagreements,
  arguments or fights with friend(s) (if people at work, code 214)
- (Unwanted) pregnancy of R, wife or girlfriend
- Other specific interpersonal troubles or difficulties of R
- Interpersonal difficulties of R’s child(ren), step-child(ren), child(ren)-in-law, in-law problems of
  R’s children
- Interpersonal difficulties of R’s Parents (s), step-parent(s), parent(s)-in-law, e.g., R’s parents don’t
  get along
- Interpersonal difficulties of R’s sibling(s), sibling(s)-in-law, e.g., marriage problems of R’s
  brother
- Interpersonal difficulties of someone other than R (or spouse) and persons codable in 511-513

DISRUPTION OR TERMINATION OF RELATIONSHIP

(NOTE. Disruptions or terminations due to death or illness are coded under VI and VII)

- Physical separation from spouse. When my husband and I were apart; when I (he) was away in the
  service; away from wife; if separation due to marital discord, code 523; if NA whether 520 or 523,
  code 523)
- Physical separation from child(ren). child(ren) were living in foster home, R divorced, separated
  from wife and children; when children grew up, married, left home (if separation due to discord or
  troubles with child(ren), code 525; if NA whether 521 or 525, code 521)
- Physical separation from someone close to R, other than spouse or children; when my mother and
  I were separated, when my fiancé(e) and I were apart, etc.
- Marital separation, separation from spouse due to marital discord; legal separation for any reason;
  husband left me; got a separation
- Divorce. When I was divorced (if NA whether 523 or 524, code 523)
- Separation from child(ren) due to troubles or discord; child(ren) ran away, left home after
  disagreement, argument, etc.
- Breakup with friend(s) of opposite sex, broken engagement, breakup of someone dated (steadily);
  girlfriend left me
- Breakup with friend(s) of same sex as R or NA sex
- Disruption or termination of relationship not included above
- Disruption or termination of love relationship of R’s child(ren), step-child(ren), child(ren)-in-law
- Disruption or termination of love relationship of R’s Parents (s), step-parent(s), parent(s)-in-law
- Disruption or termination of love relationship of R’s sibling(s), step-sibling(s), sibling(s)-in-law
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

539. Disruption or termination of love relationship of someone other than R (or spouse) and persons
codable in 531-533

GAIN OF HOUSEHOLD OR FAMILY MEMBER(S)
540. Birth of (unwanted) child(ren); took on responsibility for raising (additional) child
541. Parent(s) or parent(s)-in-law moved in with R
542. Other relative(s) or family member(s) moved in with R
549. Other gain of household or family member
559. Gain of household member by someone other than R (or spouse)
599. Other interpersonal matters

VI DEATH OF SOME ONE CLOSE
600. Death of someone close -- NA who, e.g. a death (see also 15)
610. Death of family member -- NA which one
611. Widowed. death of spouse
612. Death of child(ren), stepchild(ren)
613. Death of unborn child. stillbirth, miscarriage (abortion is coded in Section VII, with category
depending on specific circumstances)
614. Death of Parent(s), stepparent(s), parent(s)-in-law
615. Death of Grandparent(s)
616. Death of Sibling(s) step-sibling(s)
619. Death of Other specific relative(s) or family member(s), including combinations of 611-616
620. Death of close friend or neighbor
630. Death of pet
649. Other death of someone close to R (or R’s spouse)
659. Death of someone close affecting person other than R (or spouse)

VII PHYSICAL HEALTH OR INJURY
700. Poor Health or sickness of R -- not further specified or NA whether 701, 702, or 703
701. Serious Physical illness of R, major operation, tuberculosis, cancer, heart disease (attack), kidney
disease, etc.; any hospitalization for physical illness
702. Chronic condition or disability of R (if clearly from accident or injury, code 703). high blood
pressure, arthritis, asthma, diabetes, etc.
703. Frequent Minor illness of R. influenza, physical aches, headaches, bad back, hemorrhoids, minor
operation, etc.
704. Serious accident or injury to R. auto accident, fall, burn, back injury, broken neck, etc.
705. Accident or injury to R -- not further specified or NA whether 704
709. Other health-related problems of R
710. Physical illness of R’s spouse
711. Accident or injury of R’s spouse
719. Other health-related problems of R’s spouse
720. Physical illness of R’s child(ren), stepchild(ren)
721. Accident or injury of R’s child(ren), stepchild(ren)
729. Other health-related problems of R’s child(ren), stepchild(ren)
730. Physical illness of R’s Parent(s), stepparent(s), parent(s)-in-law
731. Accident or injury of R’s Parent(s), stepparent(s), parent(s)-in-law
739. Other health-related problems of R’s Parent(s), stepparent(s), parent(s)-in-law
749. Health-related problems of someone other than R or persons codable in

VIII MENTAL HEALTH OR ADJUSTMENT
800. Personal or adjustment problems -- general. not further specified
801. Tired all the time. can’t seem to do things; hard for me to keep up with things
802. Neurotic problem; fears, phobias; nervousness, worried anxiety
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

803. Mood Disturbances. unhappiness, depression, hopelessness, boredom, ennui
804. Self-doubt, confusion regarding self-identity, insecurity
805. Indecision, aimlessness, loss of direction
806. Substance abuse problems. alcohol, drugs, etc
807. Onset or recurrence of mental illness. was in an institution; mental disturbance, psychotic episode, nervous breakdown
809. Other specific psychological disturbances
810. Mental illness or adjustment problems of R’s spouse
811. Mental illness or adjustment problems of R’s child(ren), stepchild(ren), child(ren)-in-law
812. Mental illness or adjustment problems of R’s Parent(s), stepparent(s), parent(s)-in-law
813. Mental illness or adjustment problems of R’s Sibling(s) step-sibling(s), sibling(s)-in-law
819. Psychological disturbances or adjustment problems of someone other than R and persons codable in 810-813
997. Other
998. DK; Can’t remember
999. NA
BK INAP. No anticipated nervous breakdown, no second mention.

BRKDTIME (Col. 2818) and MNILTIE (Col. 2845)

1. R indicates that conditions causing nervous breakdown are presently salient for him
2. R indicates that conditions causing nervous breakdown were only in the past and do not presently affect R (not clear how far in past)
3. R indicates that conditions causing nervous breakdown were more than 5 years in the past and do not presently affect R
4. R indicates that conditions causing nervous breakdown were less than in the past and do not presently affect R (codes 3 and 4 were NOT used in 1957 & 1976 and could be collapsed into code 2)
9. NA whether conditions causing nervous breakdown are of past or present concern.
BK R says no breakdown

BRKDDUR (Col. 2819) and MNILDUR (Col. 2846)

Long-term
1. Long-term reaction (severe) -- extensive period mentioned in which R elaborates on a severe nervous feeling state. For months, I cried almost all the time
2. Long-term reaction (no very severe) -- extensive period mentioned in which R elaborates a minor nervous feeling state. In have felt blue every so often during the past ten years.
3. Long-term reaction (severity NA) -- extensive period mentioned in which R does not give enough elaborations to allow coder to code 1 or 2. I’ve been overworking for years.

Short-term
4. Short-term reaction (severe) -- a short period mentioned in which R elaborates on a severe nervous feeling state. I was in a state of shock the week after my parents died.
5. Short-term reaction (not very severe) -- A short period mentioned in which R elaborates a minor nervous feeling state. We had tornado warnings, I was a little concerned
6. Short-term reaction (severity NA). -- a short period mentioned in which R does not give enough elaboration to allow coder to code 4 or 5. When my mother died, I was upset.

NA Duration
7. Severe reaction, NA how long.
8. Not very severe reaction, NA how long.
9. NA severity and Length
BK R said no breakdown.
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

MNTLAS1-2 (Cols. 2733-2736) and BRKDAS1-2 (Cols. 2759-2762)

1. Psychoses, generally (not distinguished as 2 or 3)
2. Violent psychoses
3. Nonviolent psychoses
4. Neurasthenic neuroses
5. Neuroses (other than 4), emotional disturbances
6. Nervous breakdowns
7. Nerves, nervousness (when not clearly 5 or 6)
8. Mental deficiency
9. Psychopathic personalities
10. Some code of 1-13 is used but part of answer is unclassifiable
11. Other non-psychotic disorders
12. Non-psychotic mental illness, generally
13. Mental illness, generally (not distinguished as psychotic or non-psychotic)
14. Says doesn’t know at some point, but answers any way
15. Respondents only answer to entire question is don’t know, or the question is entirely unanswered in all dimensions
16. Includes a variety of diagnostic categories

17-22 For BRKDAS1-2 ONLY
17. It is (may be) a forerunner, beginning of mental illness, other than 2
18. It is (may be) a forerunner, beginning of psychosis, insanity
19. It is simply a euphemism for mental illness
20. It refers to temporary mental illness
21. It refers to the acute stage of mental illness
22. It is a vague, ill-defined, unscientific category (including don’t know because of impression of term)
99. No answer or no mention of included diagnoses

MNTLIMP1-3 (2836-2844) and BRKDIMP1-3 (Cols. 2763-2771)

101. Psychoses not distinguished as 2 or 3.
104. Neurasthenic neuroses (i.e., the most popular conception of nervous breakdown).
105. Neuroses other than 4.
106. Acute (momentary nerve storms, tensions, or persistent nervousness
107. Psychotropic personalities; social deviants; exaggerated eccentrics.
108. Simple mental deficiency.
109. Non-psychotic, but otherwise unclassifiable.
110. Can’t tell whether psychotic or non-psychotic.
111. Other non-psychotic disorders
112. Some code of 100-110 is used, but part of answer is unclassifiable.
999. Non enough data to make this judgment

MNTLSYM1-3 (Cols. 2746-2754) and BRKDSYM1-3 (Cols. 2772-2780)

201. Extreme, excessive.
202. Unstable, changeable, capricious.
203. Unpredictable, impulsive, erratic.
204. Unreliable, undependable.
205. Uncontrolled, lacking self-control.
206. “Childish, “immature” (i.e., probably means 48/7 or 48/8, but doesn’t say so).
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

207. Irrational, inexplicable, illogical, unreasonable.
210. SOCIALLY deviant behavior, general (DOUBLE CODE WHEN SO STATED).
211. PERSONALLY deviant behavior, general (DOUBLE CODE WHEN SO STATED).
212. Disordered, abnormal, unspecified.
299. No use of general characteristics.

VIOLENCE
301. (Violent) sex crimes (SEE ALSO CODE 51/9).
302. Homicidal tendencies, impulses.
303. Violence against other people, other than 1, 2.
304. Suicidal tendencies, impulses.
305. Destructiveness, violence against property.
306. Violence, general and unspecified.

EXTREME EMOTIONAL EXPRESSIONS
308. Temper tantrums, raging, screaming.
309. (Senseless, excessive) laughter.
310. (Senseless, excessive) weeping.
311. Hysteric, general and not classifiable as 8, 9, or 0.
399. No mention of symptoms of these types.

APPEARANCE, SPEECH, MANNERISMS
401. Peculiar facial expression.
402. Peculiarities in posture, walk.
403. Neglect of personal appearance.
404. Other signs in external appearance.

SPEECH MANNERISMS
405. Talking to self.
406. Mutism, refusal to talk.
407. Too little talking, taciturnity.
408. Excessive talking, verbosity.
409. Retarded speech.
410. Rapid speech.
411. Inappropriate, incoherent talk. wild talk
412. Other speech disturbances.
499. No mention of symptoms of these types.

OTHER BEHAVIORS AND PHYSICALS MANNERISM MANIFESTATIONS
501. Tense, jumpy, restless, unable to relax.
502. Tremors, trembling, shaking, twitching.
503. Stuporous; trance-like states.
504. Fainting.
505. Wandering, running away;
506. Infantile behavior, regression (ONLY WHEN CLEAR-CUT; SEE ALSO CODE 8/6).
507. Specific examples of bizarre (completely uninterpretable) behavior.
508. Criminality, delinquency.
509. Sexual deviations.
511. (Excessive) drinking; alcoholism.
512. Specific examples of culturally-exceptional behavior, other than 8-X.
599. No mention of symptoms of these types.
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

IMPAIRMENTS OF HEALTH, PHYSICAL WELL-BEING
601. Loss of appetite, weight.
602. Insomnia.
603. Headaches.
604. Dizziness, nausea.
605. Digestive disturbances, other than 4.
606. Circulatory (cardio-vascular) disturbances and manifestations.
607. Respiratory disturbances.
608. Other specific psychosomatic reactions.

GENERAL
609. (Physical) (chronic) fatigue, exhaustion.
610. (Physical malaise; physical weakness, collapse (SEE ALSO CODES 54/X, 54/Y).
611. (Physical) malfunctioning of nervous system, vague (DOUBLE-CODE WHEN SO STATED).
612. (Psychosomatic) manifestations in physical illness, general and unspecified.
699. No mention of symptoms of this type.

DISTORTIONS OF REALITY
701. Hallucinations.
702. Delusions, other than persecution.
703. Delusions of persecution (ONLY WHEN CLEAR-CUT. OTHERWISE CODE 53/4).
704. Distrust, suspicion; paranoid, persecutory trends; ideas of reference (SEE ALSO CODES 52/0, 54/3, 54/4, 54/6).
705. Hypochondriacal tendencies, preoccupation with own health.
706. Disordered imagination, vague and unspecified.
707. Clouding of reality.
708. (Excessive) fantasizing; withdrawal from, break with reality (WHEN EXTREME, SEE CODES 53/9, 55/8, 56/3).
709. Inability to accept, face, adjust to reality, life (“Escapism”, Maladjustment”)
710. Lack of perspective; impaired judgement (SEE ALSO CODE 55/4).
711. (Conscious) falsification, lying, misrepresentation (SEE ALSO CODE 55/0).
712. Reality distortions, general and unspecified.
799. No mention of symptoms of this type

DISORDERED SELF-CONCEPT
801. Egocentric, selfish, (excessively) demanding.
802. Self-important, boastful, self-assertive.
803. Self-righteous; self-justifying, obstinate, stubborn, (“projecting blame”).
804. Critical, dissatisfied, complaining.
805. Self-accusatory, self-blaming, self-punishing, “masochistic”.
806. Self-pitying, martyred; feelings of rejection.
807. Insecure, lack of self-confidence.
808. Submissive, dependent, indecisive.
809. Self-centered talk.
810. Lack of self-insight.
811. Functional impairment (SEE ALSO 52/0, 54/Y)
812. (Complete) inability to function, when not clearly 52/0.
899. No manifestations of this type mentioned.

MOOD DISTURBANCES
901. Outgoing, extroverted, elated.
902. Worried, fearful, anxious. (SEE ALSO CODES 53/4, 53/5 54/7)
903. Nightmares, disturbing dreams.
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

904. Irritable, excitable, sensitive, easily upset (SEE ALSO 55/5).
905. Hostile, aggressive, difficult to get along with. (SEE ALSO 49/8, 55/4).
906. Unhappy, depressed.
907. Defeated, beaten; surrendering, giving up; (feeling of inadequacy, self-doubt).
908. Withdrawn (SEE ALSO 55/0, 55/X).
909. Socially ill at ease.
910. Secretive, self-concealing (“undoing”, “compensatory”).
911. Apathy, indifference, lack of initiative (“disenchantment with life”).
912. Emotionally inhibited, repressed, inaccessible.
999. No symptoms mentioned.

DISORDERED THOUGHT, INTELLECT, COGNITION
921. Loss of memory; major disorders of memory (including disorientation) (WHEN CLEAR-CUT; SEE ALSO CODE 56/3).
922. Intellectual retardation, lack of comprehension (SEE ALSO CODE 56/3).
923. Distracted, absent-minded; forgetful, unable to concentrate.
924. Brooding, preoccupied.
925. Obsessive, compulsive (“fanatic”).

MNTLOTH (Cols. 2755-2758) and BRKDOTH (Cols. 2781-2784)

1001. Mentions having been “insane,” psychotic personally.
1002. Mentions own mental illness in 656C, but can’t classify into 1001,1003,1004
1003. Mentions being (having been) neurotic personally
1004. Mentions having had a nervous breakdown personally (including all such references in Q6)
1005. Mentions own emotional disturbance short of mental illness (DO NOT CODE IF 1001-1004 can be coded). sometimes I fell I may be mentally ill myself; I get so mad I’m afraid I’m going crazy; I almost had a nervous breakdown myself; etc.

REFERENCE TO FAMILY, FRIENDS
1006. Mentions family members, friends having been “insane”, psychotic. my sister is just coming out after two years (ie, any reference to institutionalization for mental illness is classified here); a friend of mine is in the state hospital, etc.
1007. Mentions family members, friends being (having been) mentally ill in 656C, but can’t classify into 1006,1008,1010.
1008. Mentions family members, friends being (having been) neurotic.
1010. Mentions family members, friends having nervous breakdowns (including any references in Q6.)
1011. Mentions emotional disturbances of family members, friends short of mental illness.

DENIAL OF CONTACT, FAMILIARITY
1101. Denies personal contact with the “insane”, psychotic. I’ve never seen anyone who was insane, so I don’t know; I’ve never known anyone like that (in context of psychotic symptoms); etc.
1102. Denies personal contact with mentally ill in 656C, but can’t classify in to 1101, 1103, 1104. I ain’t seen anyone who was mentally ill; I’ve never been around a mentally ill person to any great extent; I’ve never seen on (in unclassifiable symptom context); etc
1103. Denies personal contact with the neurotic. I’ve never run into anyone who was really psychoneurotic; I’ve never know anyone like that (in the context of neurotic symptoms); etc.
1104. Denies personal contact with nervous breakdowns (including any such denial in Q6). I never say anyone with a nervous breakdown; etc.
1105. Denies personal contact with MI, not classifiable above.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CODES
1106. Denies general familiarity with insanity psychosis (DO NOT CODE IF 1 IS CODED). I don’t know much about the subject of insanity; etc.
PRELIMINARY MENTAL HEALTH RECODES (Continued)

1107. Denies general familiarity with mental illness in 656C, but can’t classify into 7,9,X (1106,1108,1109)
1108. Denies general familiarity with neurosis (DO NOT CODE IF 3 IS CODED)
1109. Denies general familiarity with nervous breakdowns, (including any such denial in 656A)
1110. Denies general familiarity with MI, not classifiable above

MISCELLANEOUS VIEWPOINTS

1201. References to sympathy, pity for the mentally-ill. I’m heart-sick for them; I feel awfully sorry for them; the first thing I would think of is my sorrow for them; it’s a pathetic affliction; etc.
1202. References to stigmatizing, avoiding the mentally ill. I’d feel sorry for one, but I’d rather not be around someone like that (code 1 also); etc.
1203. Reference to fear, shock, horror, distress over mental illness; it’s worse than other illnesses; it’s worse than physical illness; I hope it never happens to me; etc
1204. Denial of stigmatizing mental illness. its just another type of sickness with no special stigma attached to it. I am more broad-minded than most and don’t look at it as a terrible thing; etc
1205. References to concern for; seriousness, importance of problem of mental illness; I was going to mention this as most serious disease for I fell psychoneurosis is more serious, more of an ignored thing than anything else; its very serious, of course, and there should be as much done as possible to prevent it as well as to help it; I’m awfully interested in the subject to see what can be done for people like this; etc.
1206. References to relativeness of mental health (other than definitions in terms of deviant behavior or references to mental illness being of different degrees). who, after all, is completely sane? Everyone has some sort of neurotic tendencies; a perfectly normal person is very rare; we all have quirks and there is no definite line between those mentally ill and not; etc
1207. References to (relative) undetectability of mental illness. this illness is almost unnoticeable; it’s hard to tell that they are mentally sick; there are cases where you are hardly able to detect that he was mentally ill, most cases you can’t tell that a person is insane, apart from the criminally insane; until you get to know a person closely any kind of mental illness is hard to detect except by a medical man trained in that line; you have to know them pretty well to know their ways; you’d never suspect it until they crack up unless you have studied in this field to make you recognize such a person; this illness is almost unnoticeable; etc.
1208. References to relative incurability of mental illness; it gives me a shock when I hear the term because I found out it is more or less incurable (code 3 also); I don’t think they have a cure for mentally sick people; mental illness is harder to treat than anything else’ it means a long slow process for recovery; usually it means that there is very little hope of recovery; etc.
1209. References to mental illness, generally, involving an organic base; it’s an illness of the brain; the part of their brain that helps them plan ahead has been injured or damaged; mental illness is a sickness, a disease, not something that happens from over-exertion like a nervous breakdown; etc.
1210. References to mental illness, generally, excluding illnesses with an organic basis; a whole range of symptomatic behavior where there is no identifiable organic cause are included in the term; etc.
1211. Use of colloquial terms—”crazy, bonkers, nuts, looney”
1212. Indicates knowledge that it is not socially desirable to stigmatize mentally ill (I shouldn’t feel this way, but...; thank goodness people are not more accepting of mental illness)
1213. References to other people, or most people, stigmatizing mentally ill
1214. They need help, they should be helped, etc.

FREEDOM RECODE
(Qs. 821A-C, 822A-C; Cols. 3567-3578)

Intent of Recode

To codify open ended responses by category or type of freedom, either in definition or experience, to allow for use in the context of research.
Method of Recode

Responses were assigned a number based on categories of freedom. FREEMNS1-3 is a recoded response to the main subject mentioned under the first free response question. FREEEXP1-3 is a recoded response to the main experiences mentioned under the second free response question.

FREEMNS1-3 (Cols. 3567-3572)

WANT
1. Any variant of the positive statement “Doing what I want”

AUTONOMY
2. Self-realization, being different, self-control, etc.

CHOICES
3. Having choices, making decisions

RIGHTS
4. Includes religion and speech

MOVEMENT
5. Includes movement and travel

NEGATIVE
6. Not being a slave or a subordinate, subject to discrimination, or police or government harassment; no obligations (emphasis on negativity of statement)

CITIZEN
7. Political participation or rhetorical references to American traditions or “American Dream”

SECURITY
8. Economic security and independence, including having a good job, not being in debt, self-employment, etc

OTHER
9.

NO ANSWER/ DON’T KNOW
98.

FREEEXP1-3 (Cols. 3573-3578)

MOVING
1. Includes movement, driving, and travel

LEISURE
2. Recreation, being in nature, enjoyable activity

SOCIAL
3. Social engagements and commitments including family, spouses, helping others; includes institutional commitments

NEGATIVE
4. No obligations, being alone, leaving family, moving out, being divorced, leaving institution; independence in a negative sense

INNER
5. Includes spiritual and religious freedoms

CHOICES
6. Variant of “making choices” or “doing what I want to do”

CITIZEN
7. Political participation, expressing one’s views, simply being an American or comparing America with other nations

SECURITY
8. Economic Security and independence, including having a good job, not being in debt, self-employment, owning own home, etc
OTHER
9.
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW
98.

Original Question

First open ended question: “The next questions are about freedom in America today. Freedom means many different things to people. When you think about freedom, what comes to mind? Can you tell me in a couple of sentences what freedom means to you? PROBE: Is there anything else that freedom means to you?”

Second open ended question: “What experiences in your life make you feel most free? PROBE AS NEEDED: Are there times in your life when you feel especially free? ASK IF NECESSARY: Can you give me an example of an experience that makes you feel really free?”

ETHNICITY RECODE
(Qs. 1456-1459; Cols. 6234-6251)

Intent of Recode

The ethnicity data, as originally collected, represent responses to two separate questions. One set of columns was used if the respondent was able to name one country of ancestral origin, and a different set was used if the respondent named more than one and chose one of them. If the respondent named more than one but was unable to choose between them, no summary ancestral origin was assigned. The question was recoded for two reasons: the data format was potentially cumbersome, and it was anticipated that some users would be interested in summary ancestral identification regardless of the method used to obtain that information. Therefore, summary ancestry and method of response were recoded as two separate variables. The first two columns (cols. 6234-6235) contain country of ancestry if provided, the next six columns the first (cols. 6236-6237), second (cols. 6238-6239), and third (cols. 6240-6241) ethnicity mentioned (if any mention) and the ninth column (col. 6242) describes the conditions under which ancestry was given; i.e., volunteered as a first choice, given in response to a forced choice question, or not provided at all. Spouse’s ethnicity is coded in a similar fashion.

Method of Recode

If only one country was provided as the country of ancestry, that country was listed as summary ethnicity in the first two columns, and the method of response, "names only one country," was coded as 1 in the third column. If the respondent named more than one country, he was asked to choose between them. The country chosen was considered the ethnicity, and the method of response, "names two or more countries and chooses one," was coded as 2. If more than one country was named and the respondent was unable to choose between them, no country was assigned as summary ethnicity, and "names two or more countries but can't choose" was coded as 3. If the respondent was unable to list any countries, no summary ethnicity was assigned and the method of response, "unable to name countries," was coded as 4.

Original Question

1345. From what countries or part of the world did your ancestors come?

IF SINGLE COUNTRY IS NAMED, REFER TO NATIONAL CODES BELOW, AND ENTER CODE NUMBER IN BOXES:

_______
If more than one country is named, refer to national codes below. Code up to 3 responses and then ask A...  

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A. If more than one country named: Which one of these countries do you feel closer to?

If one country named, refer to codes below, and enter code number in box:

If can't decide on one country, enter code 88.

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**NATIONAL CODES**

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**HISPANIC RECODE**  
(Q. 1461; Cols. 6256-6257)

**Intent of Recode**

This variable combines two questions intended to address the Hispanic-ethnic heritage of all survey respondents. In line with the 2000 Census, this question was asked before the race questions to reduce the number of respondents replying “Hispanic” to their race.

**Method of Recode**

The filter question was asked of all respondents. Respondents who answered “no” to the filter question were automatically coded 1 on HISPANIC. Respondents who answered “yes” to the filter were given a hand card and asked the follow-up question. The hand card offered four options: 1) Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano/Chicana; 2) Puerto Rican; 3) Cuban; 4) Other Hispanic, please specify. Closed responses were coded accordingly. Open responses were tallied and appear in the final variable.
To reconcile inconsistencies of response and to give further information, HISPANIC was checked against race and ethnicity variables. If an ethnicity variable provided more information than the questions here, HISPANIC was updated accordingly.

Original Question

1461. IF R IS FEMALE, READ LATINA; IF MALE, READ LATINO.

HISPANIC RECODE (Continued)

Are you Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino/Latina?

Yes...................(ASK A).........................1
No ...............(GO TO Q. 1462)..................2

A. Which group are you from?

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WORK SCHEDULE RECODE
(Qs. 1354, 1356; Cols. 5469, 5471)

Intent of Recode

This question was included in the questionnaire by the NORC Sampling Department as a check on sample representativeness. Although collected for this purpose, we thought the information might be of interest to some users. Since the original seven-column code was too cumbersome for analytic purposes, the information was recoded, concentrating on the distinction between those working a regular week and those working mainly weekends.

Method of Recode

The work pattern of each respondent who worked full-time (35 hours or more) was examined and the pattern was recoded according to the following categories: a regular Monday through Friday week; a Monday through Friday plus Saturday or Sunday week; mainly weekends; or a week without a set schedule. The punches and marginals for this recode are in Column 5469 for the respondent and in Column 5471 for the spouse.

Original Question

1354. & 1356. What days of the week do you normally work? CODE ALL THAT APPLY.

| Monday.........................1 |
| Tuesday......................2 |
| Wednesday..................3 |
| Thursday...................4 |
| Friday.......................5 |
| Saturday....................6 |
| Sunday........................7 |
| No set schedule, varies........8 |
VOCABULARY TEST
(Q. 1472A-K; Cols. 6281-6292)

Intent of Recode

A ten-item word test was administered to respondents; as indicated in the previous usage appendix, the ten items were selected from the twenty-item Gallup-Thorndike verbal intelligence Form A. This test, developed by R.L. Thorndike and Irving Lorge for use in survey research, appeared on Gallup surveys of the early 1940's. Reliability coefficients range from .80 to .85.

To minimize the admittedly small possibility that some form of publicity would affect the public's knowledge of the words included in the test, they are not reported here.

Method of Recode

For each of the ten words, there were five words (meanings) from which the respondent could choose. Each answer was scored as correct or incorrect, and the number of correct responses was summed. Respondents who did not attempt the test or who did not attempt a particular item are coded "99", No Answer.

Columns 6291-6292 provide the total number of words correct. Respondents who declined to guess on any of the words were given a score of "99".

Original Question

The original question had ten words appearing in a format identical to that of the example—Beast.

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ASTROLOGICAL SIGN RECODE
(Q. 1514; Cols. 6607-6608)

Intent of Recode

For users interested in examining astrological properties, birth date was recoded into the twelve signs of the zodiac.

Method of Recode

Birth date was mapped according to the following recode.

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Original Question
See Age Recode.