

Brief Education and Employment Survey for the Chicago Longitudinal Study

Introduction:

Hello. My name is [interviewer name]. I'm calling from the University of Wisconsin Survey Center on behalf of the Chicago Longitudinal Study. This project is conducted in collaboration with the Chicago Public Schools. May I please speak to (R's name)?

(My name is [interviewer name]. I'm calling from the University of Wisconsin Survey Center on behalf of the Chicago Longitudinal Study. This project is conducted in collaboration with the Chicago Public Schools.) We will ask you a few questions about your educational and work experiences. You should have received a letter about this important study. You may remember being a part of this study during your years in the Child-Parent Center Program and other early childhood program in the Chicago schools. This is a short interview that will only take a few minutes.

Before we begin, I need to tell you a few things: The information you give me will be confidential. It will be used for statistical analysis only, and information that would identify you will not be released. Your participation is voluntary. If we come to a question you do not wish to answer, let me know and we will go to the next question.

Do you have any questions before we begin?

(IF YOU REACH AN INFORMANT ONLY) Have I reached the correct telephone # for (R's name)?

(IF NOT) Do you have a current # and address for him/her?

(IF THIS IS THE CORRECT #) What would be the best time to reach him/her?

CASEID: _____

Date: ____/____/____
mm / dd / yy

Target Youth's Name: _____
First Last

Student ID Number: _____

Relation to Target Youth:

- 0 Respondent is target youth
- 1 Mother
- 2 Father
- 3 Other female relative, specify relation _____
- 4 Other male relative, specify relation _____
- 5 Relative , unidentified

Education

First, I'd like to review how far you've gone in school.

SQ1A.1 Did you graduate from high school, get a GED, or neither?

- 1 Graduated
from
High school

SQ1a.2 In what month and year did you graduate from high school?

MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ1a.3 In what school and city did you graduate?

SCHOOL _____

CITY _____

(INTERVIEWER: GO TO SQ4)

- 2 Got a GED

SQ1b When (In what month and year) did you get your GED?

MONTH _____ YEAR _____

(INTERVIEWER: GO TO SQ2)

- 3 Neither

(INTERVIEWER: GO TO SQ3)

SQ2 If GED completed:

SQ2.a In what city did you get your GED?

SCHOOL _____

CITY _____

SQ2.b What grade were you in when you left school, prior to getting your GED?

GRADE _____

SQ2.c In what month and year did you last attend school?

MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ3 IF you DID NOT COMPLETE HIGH SCHOOL or a GED:

SQ3a How many grades of school did you finish? _____

(IF NOT STATED, ASK: 6 7 8 9 10 11 12)

SQ3b In what month and year did you last attend school?

MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ3c.1 Are you planning on attending school in the future?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 8 DON'T KNOW
- 9 REFUSED

SQ3c.2 If so, when?

MONTH: _____ YEAR _____

SQ3d If so, what type of school do you plan to attend?

- 1 4 Year School
- 2 2 Year School
- 3 Business/Trade School
- 4 GED
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure

SQ4 Have you ever attended a trade school or college since you completed or left high school?

- 0 No
- 1 YES, to pursue post-secondary degree (INTERVIEWER: GO TO SQ6)
- 2 Yes, to pursue GED or High School Diploma
- 3 Yes, to pursue post-sec degree without graduation or GED
- 4 Job Corps

SQ5 IF YES, list them as follows. Start with the most recent.

Most Recent School

SQ5a.1a What is the name of the school that you most recently attended?

School Name: _____

SQ5a.1b In which state is the school that you most recently attended?

State: _____

SQ5a.2a In what month and year did you begin attending this school?

Begin date of attendance: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ5a.2b In what month and year did you stop attending this school?

End date of attendance: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ5a.3 How many semesters have you completed at this school?

Number of semesters completed _____

SQ5a.4 What type of school is it?

School Type:

- 1 4 Year School
- 2 2 Year School
- 3 Business/trade school
- 4 School Grants Variety of Degrees
- 5 Alternative School
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure

SQ5a.5 Did you attend this school full-time or part time?

- 1 Full Time
- 2 Part Time
- 3 Varied
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure

SQ5b Did the respondent attend a second most recent school?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

2nd Most recent school

SQ5a.1a What is the name of the second most recent school?

School Name: _____

SQ5b.1b In which state is the second most recent school?

State _____

SQ5b.2a In what month and year did you begin attending this school?

Begin date of attendance: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ5b.2b In what month and year did you stop attending this school?

End date of attendance: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ5b.3 How many semesters have you completed at this school?

Number of semesters complete _____

SQ5b.4 What type of school is it?

School Type:

- 1 4 Year School
- 2 2 Year School
- 3 Business/trade school
- 4 School Grants Variety of Degrees
- 5 Alternative School
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure

SQ5b.5 Did you attend this school full-time or part time?

- 1 Full Time
- 2 Part Time
- 3 Varied
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure

SQ6 What kind of degree are you working towards in your present school?

- 1 Vocational/Trade School
- 2 Associate
- 3 BA/BS
- 4 GED
- 5 High School Diploma
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure

SQ6A Are you currently a student?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure

(INTERVIEWER: GO TO SQ7)

SQ7 How far do you plan to go in school?

- 1 Some High School
- 2 High School Completion
- 3 Vocational or Trade School
- 4 Some College
- 5 Associate Degree
- 6 4-Year Degree (B.A./B.A./B.F.A.)
- 7 Master's Degree or Other Professional Degrees
- 8 Doctorate (Ph.D., M.D, J.D)
- 9 Does not plan to go back

Employment:

Next, we have a couple of questions about employment.

SQ8a Counting your last two jobs, how long have you been employed?

- 1 Never employed or employed for less than 1 month
- 2 Employed between 1 and 5 months
- 3 Employed between 6 and 11 months
- 4 Employed for 12 months or more
- 9 Missing or unknown

SQ8b Counting your last two jobs, have you been employed for a total of one month or more?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure
- 9 Missing or unknown

SQ8C What is your current employment status?

- 1 Employed full time
- 2 Employment part time
- 3 Laid off/On Strike
- 4 Not employed, looking for work
- 5 Not employed, not looking for work
- 6 Homemaker
- 7 Unable to work or Disabled
- 8 Never held a job
- 9 In jail
- 10 Armed services
- 11 Death

SQ9 Since you completed or left school, what type of jobs have you had? Let's start with the most recent one.

Most recent job

SQ9a.1 What is the name of your most recent job and the name of the company where you most recently worked?

Name of Job

Company

SQ9a.2a In what month and year did you begin working there?

Begin Date: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ9a.2b In what month and year did you stop working there?

End Date: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ9a.3 Do/did you work there full-time or part-time?

- 1 Full-time
- 2 Part-time
- 3 Varies
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure
- 9 Refused

SQ9a.4 How many hours do/did you work at this job?

Hours per week _____

SQ9a.5 What is/was your weekly pay?

Weekly pay \$ _____

SQ9a.6 Do/did you get health benefits from this employer?

- 0 No
- 1 Yes
- 2 Will receive after a certain period
- 3 Yes, but did not take them
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure
- 9 Refused

2nd most recent job

SQ9b Since you completed or left school, have you had a second most recent job?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

SQ9b.1 What is the name of your most recent job and the name of the company where you most recently worked?

Name of Job

Company

SQ9b.2a In what month and year did you begin working there?

Begin Date: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ9b.2b In what month and year did you stop working there?

End Date: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ9b.3 Did you work there full-time or part-time?

- 1 Full-time
- 2 Part-time
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure
- 9 Refused

SQ9b.4 How many hours did you work at this job?

Hours per week _____

SQ9b.5 What was your weekly pay?

Weekly pay \$ _____

SQ9b.6 Did you get health benefits from this employer?

- 0 No
- 1 YES
- 2 Will after a certain period
- 3 Yes, but did not take them
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure
- 9 Refused

3rd most recent job

SQ9c Since you completed or left school, have you had a third most recent job?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

SQ9c.1 What is the name of your most recent job and the name of the company where you most recently worked?

Name of Job _____

Company

SQ9c.2a In what month and year did you begin working there?

Begin Date: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ9c.2b In what month and year did you stop working there?

End Date: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ9c.3 Did you work there full time or part time?

- 1 Full-time
- 2 Part-time

SQ9c.4 How many hours did you work at this job?

Hours per week _____

SQ9c.5 What was your weekly pay?

Weekly pay \$ _____

SQ9c.6 Did you get health benefits from this employer?

- 0 No
- 1 Yes
- 2 Will receive after a certain period
- 3 Yes, but did not take them
- 4 Don't Know/Not Sure
- 5 Refused

4th most recent job

SQ9d Since you completed or left school, have you had a fourth most recent job?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

SQ9d.1 What is the name of your most recent job and the name of the company where you most recently worked?

Name of Job _____

Company _____

SQ9d.2a In what month and year did you begin working there?

Begin Date: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ9d.2b In what month and year did you stop working there?

End Date: MONTH _____ YEAR _____

SQ9d.3 Did you work there full-time or part-time?

- 1 Full-time
- 2 Part-time
- 8 Don't Know/Not Sure
- 9 Refused

SQ9d.4 How many hours did you work at this job?

Hours per week _____

SQ9d.5 What was your weekly pay?

Weekly pay \$ _____

SQ9d.6 Did you get health benefits from this employer?

- 0 No
- 1 Yes
- 2 Will receive after a certain period
- 3 Yes, but did not take them
- 8 Don't know/Not Sure
- 9 Refused

Last, what is the best address and phone number to get in touch with you and who would be the best person to contact if we can't reach you because you've moved or changed your telephone number?

Name of respondent

Alternate Contact Name - If possible

Street address

Alternate Street address

City

State

Zip

City

State

Zip

Phone number

Phone number

Conclusion:

We may also access administrative records on your participation in post-secondary education, such as college attendance records, and on your utilization of family social services in the future. Do we have your permission to do so? YES/NO

Thank you very much for helping us out on this important project. In a few months, we will get back in touch with you for a more in-depth interview over the telephone.

Interviewer Notes: