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As the American public reflected on the tenth anniversary of the close of the war in Vietnam, the Washington Post and ABC News conducted this survey of America's Vietnam-era veterans, probing their attitudes and opinions towards this country's costliest, most controversial, and longest war. Respondents evaluate the degree to which their overall military experience affected them personally, the types of social, economic and emotional difficulties they experienced after discharge, and the degree to which their difficulties have lessened over time. This survey also examines the degree to which veterans endorse the means by which the war was conducted and the military goals they pursued. Veterans who served in Vietnam are also asked about the frequency and type of wounds and injuries they received, their attitudes towards organized opposition to the war, their experience in situations in which Americans and Vietnamese were killed, and the impact of GI college benefits on their post-service experience.

The collection contains approximately 230 variables and the sample of 1,249 is comprised of individuals who served active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces between August 1964 and June 1975. It consists of 811 veterans of the war in Vietnam and 438 veterans of the Vietnam era who served their active duty elsewhere. Veterans of Vietnam were asked a longer, more detailed series of questions than were other Vietnam-era veterans. There are nine 80-column records of data for each of the 1,249 cases. Class III

PART I

Codebook

VARIABLE NAME

ID IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

CARD CARD NUMBER

ZONE TIME ZONE

VALUE LABEL

1	EASTERN
2	MIDWEST
3	MOUNTAIN
4	PACIFIC

FORM TYPE OF VETERAN--WAS VET IN VIETNAM AREA

VALUE LABEL

1	SE ASIA VET
2	OTHER VET

HRBEGUN HOUR INTERVIEW BEGAN

MINBEGUN MINUTE INTERVIEW BEGAN

HREND HOUR INTERVIEW ENDED

MINEND MINUTE INTERVIEW ENDED

MONTH MONTH OF INTERVIEW

DAY DAY OF INTERVIEW

ATTEMPT ATTEMPT INTERVIEW COMPLETED ON

Q1 SERVED ON ACTIVE DUTY AUG64-JUNE75

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

C M	NA-REFUSED
1	YES
2	NO
-1	INAP

Q2 IN U.S. ARMED FORCES IN SE ASIA

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	IN VIETNAM
2	OTHER SE ASIA
3	NOT IN SE ASIA
-1	INAP

Q2A IN U.S. ARMED FORCES IN VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0	NA-REFUSED
1	SERVED THERE
2	NOT THERE
-1	INAP

Q2B VOLUNTEERED-SERVED IN CAMBODIA

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0	NA-REFUSED
1	SERVED THERE
2	NOT VOLUNTEERED
-1	INAP

Q2C VOLUNTEERED-SERVED IN LAOS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0	NA-REFUSED
1	SERVED THERE
2	NOT VOLUNTEERED
-1	INAP

Q2D VOLUNTEERED-SERVED IN THAILAND

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0	NA-REFUSED
1	SERVED THERE
2	NOT VOLUNTEERED
-1	INAP

Q2E VOLUNTEERED-SERVED IN SOUTH CHINA SEA

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0	NA-REFUSED
1	SERVED THERE
2	NOT VOLUNTEERED
-1	INAP

Q2F VOLUNTEERED-SERVED IN SE ASIA-GENERAL

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0	NA-REFUSED
1	SERVED THERE
2	NOT VOLUNTEERED
-1	INAP

Q3 YEAR FIRST ARRIVED IN VIETNAM-SE ASIA

MISSING VALUES: 0, 88, 99

VALUE	LABEL
0, 88 M	NA-REFUSED
99 M	NOT SURE

Q4 YEAR LAST LEFT VIETNAM-SE ASIA

MISSING VALUES: 0, 88, 99

VALUE	LABEL
0, 88 M	NA-REFUSED
99 M	NOT SURE

Q5 TOTAL MONTHS IN VIETNAM-SE ASIA

MISSING VALUES: 0, 88, 99

VALUE	LABEL
0, 88 M	NA-REFUSED
99 M	NOT SURE

Q6 YEAR BEGAN ACTIVE DUTY IN MILITARY

88 M NA-REFUSED
99 M NOT SURE

Q7 YEAR ENDED ACTIVE DUTY IN MILITARY

MISSING VALUES: 0, 88, 99

VALUE LABEL

88 M NA-REFUSED
99 M NOT SURE

Q8 ENLIST OR DRAFTED

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 ENLISTED
2 DRAFTED
3 NATL GUARD-RESRV
-1 INAP

Q9 EMPLOYMENT WHEN ENTERED MILITARY

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 STILL IN SCHOOL
2 WORKING FULLTIME
3 UNEMPLOYED
4 WORKING PARTTIME
5 OTHER
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q10 BRANCH OF MILITARY

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	ARMY
2	NAVY
3	MARINES
4	AIR FORCE
5	COAST GUARD
6	OTHER

Q11 HIGHEST RANK ON ACTIVE DUTY

MISSING VALUES: 0, 88

VALUE	LABEL
1	E-1
2	E-2
3	E-3
4	E-4
5	E-5
6	E-6
7	E-7
8	E-8
9	E-9
51	O-1
52	O-2
53	O-3
54	O-4
55	O-5
56	O-6
57	O-7
58	O-8
59	O-9
60	O-10
71	W-1
72	W-2
73	W-3
74	W-4

Q12 MEMBER OF ANY VETERANS ORGANIZATION

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MEMBER
2	NOT MEMBER
-1	INAP

Q12A MEMBER--AMERICAN LEGION

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MEMBER
2	NOT MEMBER

Q12B MEMBER--AM VETS OF WWII,KOREA&VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MEMBER
2	NOT MEMBER
-1	INAP

Q12C MEMBER--DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MEMBER
2	NOT MEMBER
-1	INAP

Q12D MEMBER--VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MEMBER
2	NOT MEMBER
-1	INAP

Q12E MEMBER--VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

1	MEMBER
2	NOT MEMBER
-1	INAP

Q12F MEMBER--OTHER VETERANS ORGANIZATION

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MEMBER
2	NOT MEMBER
-1	INAP

Q12G MEMBER--OTHER VETERANS ORGANIZATION

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
1	FLEET RESERVE
2	N.C.O.
3	VVAF
4	AIR FORCE ASSN
5	RET OFFICERSA.
6	RET ENLISTED A.
7	RESERVE OFFICERS A.
8	VETERANS FOR AM
9	FRA
-1	INAP

Q12H MEMBER—OTHER VETERANS ORGANIZATION

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

0	NA-REFUSED
1	JEWISH WAR VETS
2	21ST MARINE DIV
3	CATHOLIC WAR VET
-1	INAP

Q12I

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

Q13

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
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0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	REPUBLICAN
2	DEMOCRAT
3	INDEPENDENT
4	OR WHAT
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q14

REGISTERED TO VOTE AT PRESENT ADDRESS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
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0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	REGISTERED
2	NOT REGISTERED
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q15 VOTED IN NOVEMBER 1984

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	YES
2	NO
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q16 CANDIDATE VOTED FOR IN NOV. 1984

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	REAGAN
2	MONDALE
3	OTHER
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q17 PRESENT EDUCATION STATUS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	8TH GRADE&LESS
2	SOME HIGH SCHOOL
3	HIGH SCHOOL GRAD
4	SOME COLLEGE
5	COLLEGE GRAD
6	POST-GRADUATE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q18

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	8TH GRADE&LESS
2	SOME HIGH SCHOOL
3	HIGH SCHOOL GRAD
4	SOME COLLEGE
5	COLLEGE GRAD
6	POST-GRADUATE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q19

YEAR BORN

MISSING VALUES: -1, 88

VALUE	LABEL
88 M	REFUSED
99	NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q20

SELF-IDENTIFIED SOCIAL CLASS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MIDDLE CLASS
2	WORKING CLASS
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q21 AREA OF RESIDENCE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	LARGE CITY
2	SUBURB OF CITY
3	SMALL TOWN
4	RURAL AREA
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q22 NUMBER OF TIMES MARRIED

0	ZERO
1	ONE
2	TWO
3	THREE
4	FOUR
5	FIVE
6	SIX
7	SEVEN OR MORE
8 M	NA-REFUSED
9	NOT SURE

Q23 MARITAL STATUS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MARRIED&W.SPOUSE
2	SEPARATED
3	DIVORCED
4	WIDOWED
5	NEVER MARRIED
-1	INAP

Q24 NUMBER OF CHILDREN

MISSING VALUES: 8, 9

VALUE	LABEL
0	ZERO
1	ONE
2	TWO
3	THREE
4	FOUR
5	FIVE
6	SIX
7	SEVEN OR MORE
8 M	NA-REFUSED
9 M	NOT SURE

Q25 PRESENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	EMPLOYD PARTTIME
2	EMPLOYD FULLTIME
3	UNEMPLOYED
4	LAID OFF
5	RETIRED
6	HOMEMAKER
7	STUDENT
-1	INAP

Q26 TIMES UNEMPLOYED SINCE JAN. 1980

VALUE	LABEL
88 M	REFUSED
99 M	NOT SURE

Q27 RACE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	WHITE HISPANIC
2	BLACK HISPANIC
3	OTHER HISPANIC
4	WHITE
5	BLACK
6	OTHER
-1	INAP

Q28 HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1984

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	UNDER \$8,000
2	\$8,000-\$11,999
4	\$20,000-\$29,999
5	\$30,000-\$49,999
6	\$50,000 PLUS
-1	INAP

Q29 TYPE OF DWELLING

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SINGLE FAMILY
2	APARTMENT-CONDO
3	OTHER TYPE
-1	INAP

Q30 OWN OR RENT RESIDENCE
MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	OWN
2	RENT
-1	INAP

Q31 WHY RENTS HOME

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	NOT INTERESTED
2	NOT IN POSITION
3	LOOKING TO BUY
9	NO OPINION

Q32 RESPONDENT'S PHYSICAL HEALTH

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	EXCELLENT
2	GOOD
3	NOT GOOD
4	POOR
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q33 RESPONDENT'S MENTAL HEALTH

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	EXCELLENT
2	GOOD
3	NOT GOOD
4	POOR
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q34 HAD COUNSELING OR PROFESSIONAL HELP

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
-1 INAP

Q35 OVERALL EFFECT OF VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 BENEFITTED
2 SET BACK
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q36A BEING IN VIETNAM BIGGEST EVENT OF LIFE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 DESCRIBES
2 DOESNT DESCRIBE
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q36B HAPPIER WHEN VET STATUS IS UNKNOWN

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 DESCRIBES
2 DOESNT DESCRIBE
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q36C OFTEN THINK OF DEATH&DYING IN VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0	NA-REFUSED
1	DESCRIBES
2	DOESNT DESCRIBE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q36D BOTHERED BY PEOPLE WHO AVOIDED VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	DESCRIBES
2	DOESNT DESCRIBE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q36E R OFTEN DREAMS R IS BACK IN VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	DESCRIBES
2	DOESNT DESCRIBE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q37 WHO SOUTH VIETNAMESE SUPPORTED AT TIME

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MOST FOR U.S.
2	FOR NORTH VIETN
3	MOST DIDNT CARE
4	DEPENDED
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q38A U.S. BOMBING OF NORTH VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	JUSTIFIED
2	NOT JUSTIFIED
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q38B U.S. USE OF NAPALM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	JUSTIFIED
2	NOT JUSTIFIED
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q38C U.S. USE OF CHEMICALS-DEFOLIANTS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	JUSTIFIED
2	NOT JUSTIFIED
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q38D U.S. DESTRUCTION OF VILLAGES

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	JUSTIFIED
2	NOT JUSTIFIED
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q39 HAD A CLEAR IDEA OF WHAT WAR WAS ABOUT

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	HAD CLEAR IDEA
2	NO CLEAR IDEA
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q40A COMBAT-UNIT FIRED ON THE ENEMY

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2 DOESNT DESCRIBE
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q40B COMBAT-AT FORWARD OBSERVAITON POST

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2 DOESNT DESCRIBE
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q40C COMBAT-UNIT RECEIVED INCOMING FIRE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2 DOESNT DESCRIBE
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q40D COMBAT-UNIT ENCOUNTERED MINES TRAPS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0 ,

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2	DOESNT DESCRIBE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q40E COMBAT-UNIT RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2	DOESNT DESCRIBE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q40F COMBAT-UNIT WAS AMBUSHED

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2	DOESNT DESCRIBE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q40G COMBAT-UNIT ENGAGED VIETCONG OR GUERILLA

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
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0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2	DOESNT DESCRIBE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q40H COMBAT-UNIT ENGAGED NVA FORCES

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
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0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2	DOESNT DESCRIBE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q40I COMBAT-FLEW IN PLANE HELICPTR MEDVAC

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
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0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2	DOESNT DESCRIBE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q41 WAS R PRESENT WHEN VIETNAMESE KILLED

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 YES
2 NO
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q42 HOW OFTEN R PRESENT IF VIETNAMESE KILLED

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 ONCE OR TWICE
2 A FEW TIMES
3 FAIRLY OFTEN
4 VERY OFTEN
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q43 WAS R PRESENT WHEN AMERICANS KILLED

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 YES
2 NO
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q44 HOW OFTEN R PRESENT IF AMERICANS KILLED

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	ONCE OR TWICE
2	A FEW TIMES
3	FAIRLY OFTEN
4	VERY OFTEN
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q45 DID R KILL OR THINK R KILLED SOMEONE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	YES
2	NO
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q46 WAS R WOUNDED IN VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	YES
2	NO
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q47 NATURE OF INJURIES IN VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	COMBAT RELATED
2	NOT COMBAT
3	BOTH
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q48 RECOVERY FROM INJURIES

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	YES
2	NO
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q49 ARE INJURIES A PROBLEM IN DAILY LIFE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	YES
2	NO
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q50 HOW SERIOUS ARE INJURIES NOW

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	VERY SERIOUS
2	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS
3	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q51 ARE CURRENT PROBLEMS DUE TO AGENT ORANGE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	YES
2	NO
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q52 MAJOR SERVICE-RELATED MEDICAL PROBLEMS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	YES
2	NO
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q53 CURRENT VA DISABILITY RATING

MISSING VALUES: 888, 999

VALUE	LABEL
0	NOT DISABLED
10	10%
20	20%
30	30%
40	40%
50	50%
60	60%
70	70%
80	80%
90	90%
100	100%
888 M	REFUSED
999 M	DK-NOT SURE

Q54A1 PROBLEM ON DISCHARGE-GETTING JOB

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SERIOUS PROBLEM
2	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q54B1 PROBLEM ON DISCHARGE-POOR HEALTH
MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SERIOUS PROBLEM
2	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q54C1 PROBLEM ON DISCHARGE-TOO LITTLE MONEY
MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SERIOUS PROBLEM
2	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q54D1 PROBLEM ON DISCHARGE-LONELINESS
MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SERIOUS PROBLEM
2	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q54E1 PROBLEM ON DISCHARGE-EXCESS DRINKING
MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SERIOUS PROBLEM
2	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q54F1 PROBLEM ON DISCHARGE-FAMILY & FRIENDS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 SERIOUS PROBLEM
2 NOT SERIOUS
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q54G1 PROBLEM ON DISCHARGE-EMOTIONAL STRAIN

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 SERIOUS PROBLEM
2 NOT SERIOUS
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q54H1 PROBLEM ON DISCHARGE-DRUG USE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 SERIOUS PROBLEM
2 NOT SERIOUS
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q55 U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN THE VIETNAM WAR

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 SHOULD NOT HAVE
2 SHOULD HAVE
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q56 U.S. USE OF MILITARY FORCE IN VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 MORE FORCE
2 LESS FORCE
3 RIGHT AMOUNT
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q57 COULD U.S. HAVE STOPPED COMMUNISTS IN SV

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 COULD HAVE
2 COULD NOT
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q58 DID VIEWS CHANGE ON Q57

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 VIEWS SAME THEN
2 CHANGED MIND
3 CHANGED 2+
4 TOO YOUNG
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q59 WESTMORELAND COMMANDER WHEN R IN VIETNAM

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	YES
2	NO
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q60 RATING OF WESTMORELAND

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	APPROVE
2	DISAPPROVE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q61 DID AMERICANS FIGHT IN WORTHWHILE CAUSE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	CAUSE WORTHWHILE
2	NOT WORTHWHILE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q62 DID U.S. HANDLING OF WAR MAKE R DISTRUST

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	DISTRUSTFUL
2	NOT DISTRUSTFUL
3	TOO YOUNG
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q63 TRUST OF LEADERS TODAY VS. DURING WAR

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MORE THAN THEN
2	LESS THAN THEN
3	ABOUT THE SAME
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q64 VIEWS OF ANTIWAR MOVEMENT AT THE TIME

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SUPPORTER
2	CRITIC
3	NEUTRAL THEN
4	CHANGED MIND
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q65 H.S.&COLLEGE TEACHING ABOUT V WAR

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	TAUGHT FAIRLY
2	TAUGHT UNFAIRLY
3	TAUGHT--DK
4	NOT TAUGHT
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q66 U.S. FUTURE INVOLVEMENT IN CONFLICT

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MORE LIKELY
2	LESS LIKELY
3	NO DIFFERENCE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q54A2 PROBLEM NOW-GETTING JOB

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SERIOUS PROBLEM
2	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q54B2 PROBLEM NOW-POOR HEALTH

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SERIOUS PROBLEM
2	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q54C2 PROBLEM NOW-TOO LITTLE MONEY

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SERIOUS PROBLEM
2	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q54D2 PROBLEM NOW-LONELINESS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	SERIOUS PROBLEM
2	NOT SERIOUS
9	DK-NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q54E2 PROBLEM NOW-EXCESS DRINKING

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 SERIOUS PROBLEM
2 NOT SERIOUS
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q54F2 PROBLEM NOW-FAMILY & FRIENDS

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 SERIOUS PROBLEM
2 NOT SERIOUS
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q54G2 PROBLEM NOW-EMOTIONAL STRAIN

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 SERIOUS PROBLEM
2 NOT SERIOUS
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q54H2 PROBLEM NOW-DRUG USE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 SERIOUS PROBLEM
2 NOT SERIOUS
9 DK-NOT SURE
-1 INAP

Q67 NATION BETTER OR WORSE FOR Q66

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 BETTER OFF
2 WORSE OFF
3 NO DIFFERENCE
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q68 RESPONDENT VS. PARENTS SAME AGE

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 BETTER OFF
2 NOT BETTER OFF
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q69 WORK HARD EVENTUALLY GET AHEAD

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 AGREE
2 DISAGREE
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q70 TRUST THE GOVERNMENT IN WASHINGTON

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE LABEL

0 M NA-REFUSED
1 ABOUT ALWAYS
2 MOST OF TIME
3 SOME OF TIME
4 NONE OF TIME
9 DK-NO OPINION
-1 INAP

Q71 REAGAN JOB APPROVAL RATING

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	APPROVE STRONGLY
2	APPROVE SOMEWHAT
3	DISAPPR SOMEWHAT
4	DISAPPR STRONGLY
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q72 REAGAN FOREIGN AFFAIRS RATING

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	APPROVE
2	DISAPPROVE
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q73 U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN CENTRAL AMERICA

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	HEADING FOR IT
2	WILL AVOID
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q74 SHOULD WE RETURN TO MILITARY DRAFT

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	RETURN TO DRAFT
2	NO DRAFT
9	DK-NO OPINION
-1	INAP

Q75 VISITED VIETNAM WAR MEMORIAL IN D.C.

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
0 M	NA-REFUSED
1	MALE
2	FEMALE
9	NOT SURE
-1	INAP

Q76 SEX

PRINT FORMAT: F8

WRITE FORMAT: F8

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

Q79 OK TO GIVE NAME TO REPORTER OR NOT

MISSING VALUES: -1, 0

VALUE	LABEL
1	OK TO GIVE
2	DONT GIVE NAME
-1	INAP

V1 ENLISTED

V2 DRAFTED

V3 ARMY

V4 NAVY

V5 MARINES

V6 AIRFORCE

V7 OFFICER

V8 ENLISTED

V9 CORPOR OR LESS

V10 SERGENT OR MORE ENL

V11	OTHER SE ASIA VET
V12	REP
V13	DEM
V14	IND
V15	REGISTER
V16	NOT REG
V17	HIGH SCH OR LESS
V18	SOME COLLEGE
V19	COLLEGE GRADUATE
V20	PRIOR - HS & LESS
V21	PRIOR - SOME COL
V22	PRIOR - COL GRAD
V23	40+
V24	37-39
V25	36-
V26	NON VIET THEATER

V27	MIDDLE CLASS
V28	WORKING CLASS
V29	LARGE CITY
V30	SUBURB OF CITY
V31	SMALL TOWN
V32	RURAL AREA
V33	MARRIED W.SPOUSE
V34	NOT MAR W.SPOUSE
V35	SEPARTD OR DIV
V36	EMPLOYD FULLTIME
V37	NOT EMP FULLTIME
V38	UNEMPLD 3 MO. +
V39	NOT UNE 3 MO. +
V40	WHITE
V41	BLACK

V42	\$19,999 OR LESS
V43	\$20,000-\$29,999
V44	\$30,000-\$49,999
V45	\$50,000 OR MORE
V46	BENEFITD
V47	SET BACK
V48	CLEAR IDEA
V49	NO CLEAR IDEA
V50	LIGHT COMBAT
V51	MODERATE COMBAT
V52	HEAVY COMBAT
V53	
V54	
V55	KILLED
V56	DID NOT KILL
V57	COMBAT WOUNDS

V58	NO COMB WOUNDS
V59	PROBLEM ANYWOUND
V60	VA RATING
V61	NO VA RATING
V62	STAY OUT VIETNAM
V63	SHD GET INVOLVD
V64	INVOLVED GE FORC
V65	MADE DISTRUST
V66	NOT MADE DISTRUS
V67	APPROVE REAGAN
V68	DISAPPRV REAGAN
V69	MALE
COMBAT1	EXPOSURE TO COMBAT
	VALUE LABEL
	0 NO EXPOSURE

AGE RESPONDENTS AGE IN 1985

I - 43

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
1	40+
2	37-39
3	36 &LESS

NEW11 RANK

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
1	ENLISTED
2	OFFICER

NEW11A RANK

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
1	CORPORAL~
2	SERGEANT+
3	OFFICER

NEW26 TIMES UNEMPL 3 MO+ SINCE 1980

MISSING VALUES: 99

VALUE	LABEL
0	ZERO
1	1+
99 M	MISSING

COMBAT EXPOSURE TO COMBAT SCALE

MISSING VALUES: 999

VALUE	LABEL
1	LIGHT
2	MODERATE
3	HEAVY

NEW47

NEW53

YEARS2 YEARS IN MILITARY

MISSING VALUES: 999

AGEENT AGE WHEN ENTERED VIETNAM-SE ASIA

MISSING VALUES: 999

AGEENT2 AGE WHEN ENTERED MILITARY

MISSING VALUES: 999

V70 IN MILI 3YRS-

V71 IN MILI 4YRS+

V72 TO VIET 17-20YR

V73 TO VIET 21-24YR

V74 TO VIET 25YR+

TEMP4

STUB1 YEAR ARRIVED IN VIETNAM-SE ASIA

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
1	1963&LES
2	1964
3	1965
4	1966
5	1967
6	1968
7	1969
8	1970
9	1971+

STUB2 YEAR LEFT VIETNAM-SE ASIA

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
1	1963&LES
2	1964
3	1965
4	1966
5	1967
6	1968
7	1969
8	1970
9	1971+

STUB3 MONTHS IN VIETNAM-SE ASIA

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
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1	1-9
2	10-17
3	18+

STUB4 YEARS IN ACTIVE DUTY IN MILITARY

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
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1	3 & LESS
2	4+ YEARS

STUB5 HIGHEST RANK

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
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1	E1-E4
2	E5-E9
3	OFFICER

STUB6 AGE

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
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1	26-33
2	34-44
3	45-55

STUB7 NUMBER OF TIMES MARRIED

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
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1	ONE
2	TWO
3	THREE
4	FOUR
5	FIVE
6	SIX
7	SEVEN+
9	ZERO

STUB8 NUMBER OF CHILDREN

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE	LABEL
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1	ONE
2	TWO
3	THREE
4	FOUR
5	FIVE
6	SIX
7	SEVEN+
9	ZERO

STUB9 VA DISABILITY RATING

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE LABEL

1	NONE
2	1-100%

STUB10 VA DISABILITY RATING

MISSING VALUES: 0

VALUE LABEL

1	NONE
2	1-49%
3	50-100%

PART II

Variable List

Data from the Washington Post/ABC News Survey of Vietnam-Era Veterans, 1985 are provided in card image form. They consist of 9, 80-column records for each of the 1249 respondents. Each variable is listed by name, record number beginning and ending column per variable, format, width of the variable, and number of decimal places. Columns 1 and 2 of each of the nine records contain the deck I.D. Part 1 of this codebook provides substantive information for each variable.

VARIABLE	REC	START	END	FORMAT	WIDTH	DEC
DECK ID (01)	1	1	2			
RESP ID	1	3	6	F	4	0
CARD	1	7	8	F	2	0
ZONE	1	9	10	F	2	0
FORM	1	11	12	F	2	0
HRBEGUN	1	13	20	F	8	0
MINBEGUN	1	21	28	F	8	0
HREND	1	29	36	F	8	0
MINEND	1	37	44	F	8	0
MONTH	1	45	48	F	4	0
DAY	1	49	52	F	4	0
ATTEMPT	1	53	56	F	4	0
Q1	1	57	58	F	2	0
Q2	1	59	60	F	2	0
Q2A	1	61	62	F	2	0
Q2B	1	63	64	F	2	0
Q2C	1	65	66	F	2	0
Q2D	1	67	68	F	2	0
Q2E	1	69	70	F	2	0
Q2F	1	71	72	F	2	0

VARIABLE	REC	START	END	FORMAT	WIDTH	DEC
DECK ID (02)	2	1	2			
RESP ID	2	3	6	F	4	0
Q3	2	7	8	F	2	0
Q4	2	9	10	F	2	0
Q5	2	11	12	F	2	0
Q6	2	13	14	F	2	0
Q7	2	15	16	F	2	0
Q8	2	17	18	F	2	0
Q9	2	19	20	F	2	0
Q10	2	21	22	F	2	0
Q11	2	23	24	F	2	0
Q12	2	25	26	F	2	0
Q12A	2	27	28	F	2	0
Q12B	2	29	30	F	2	0
Q12C	2	31	32	F	2	0
Q12D	2	33	34	F	2	0
Q12E	2	35	36	F	2	0
Q12F	2	37	38	F	2	0
Q12G	2	39	40	F	2	0
Q12H	2	41	42	F	2	0
Q12I	2	43	44	F	2	0
Q13	2	45	46	F	2	0
Q14	2	47	48	F	2	0
Q15	2	49	50	F	2	0
Q16	2	51	52	F	2	0
Q17	2	53	54	F	2	0
Q18	2	55	56	F	2	0
Q19	2	57	58	F	2	0
Q20	2	59	60	F	2	0
Q21	2	61	62	F	2	0
Q22	2	63	64	F	2	0
Q23	2	65	66	F	2	0
Q24	2	67	68	F	2	0
Q25	2	69	70	F	2	0
Q26	2	71	72	F	2	0
Q27	2	73	74	F	2	0
Q28	2	75	76	F	2	0

VARIABLE	REC	START	END	FORMAT	WIDTH	DEC
DECK ID (03)	3	1	2			
ID	3	3	6	F	4	0
Q29	3	7	8	F	2	0
Q30	3	9	10	F	2	0
Q31	3	11	12	F	2	0
Q32	3	13	14	F	2	0
Q33	3	15	16	F	2	0
Q34	3	17	18	F	2	0
Q35	3	19	20	F	2	0
Q36A	3	21	22	F	2	0
Q36B	3	23	24	F	2	0
Q36C	3	25	26	F	2	0
Q36D	3	27	28	F	2	0
Q36E	3	29	30	F	2	0
Q37	3	31	32	F	2	0
Q38A	3	33	34	F	2	0
Q38B	3	35	36	F	2	0
Q38C	3	37	38	F	2	0
Q38D	3	39	40	F	2	0
Q39	3	41	42	F	2	0
Q40A	3	43	44	F	2	0
Q40B	3	45	46	F	2	0
Q40C	3	47	48	F	2	0
Q40D	3	49	50	F	2	0
Q40E	3	51	52	F	2	0
Q40F	3	53	54	F	2	0
Q40G	3	55	56	F	2	0
Q40H	3	57	58	F	2	0
Q40I	3	59	60	F	2	0
Q41	3	61	62	F	2	0
Q42	3	63	64	F	2	0
Q43	3	65	66	F	2	0
Q44	3	67	68	F	2	0
Q45	3	69	70	F	2	0
Q46	3	71	72	F	2	0
Q47	3	73	74	F	2	0
Q48	3	75	76	F	2	0

VARIABLE	REC	START	END	FORMAT	WIDTH	DEC
DECK ID (04)	4	1	2			
ID	4	3	6	F	4	0
Q49	4	7	8	F	2	0
Q50	4	9	10	F	2	0
Q51	4	11	12	F	2	0
Q52	4	13	14	F	2	0
Q53	4	15	17	F	3	0
Q54A1	4	18	19	F	2	0
Q54B1	4	20	21	F	2	0
Q54C1	4	22	23	F	2	0
Q54D1	4	24	25	F	2	0
Q54E1	4	26	27	F	2	0
Q54F1	4	28	29	F	2	0
Q54G1	4	30	31	F	2	0
Q54H1	4	32	33	F	2	0
Q55	4	34	35	F	2	0
Q56	4	36	37	F	2	0
Q57	4	38	39	F	2	0
Q58	4	40	41	F	2	0
Q59	4	42	43	F	2	0
Q60	4	44	45	F	2	0
Q61	4	46	47	F	2	0
Q62	4	48	49	F	2	0
Q63	4	50	51	F	2	0
Q64	4	52	53	F	2	0
Q65	4	54	55	F	2	0
Q66	4	56	57	F	2	0
Q54A2	4	58	59	F	2	0
Q54B2	4	60	61	F	2	0
Q54C2	4	62	63	F	2	0
Q54D2	4	64	65	F	2	0
Q54E2	4	66	67	F	2	0
Q54F2	4	68	69	F	2	0
Q54G2	4	70	71	F	2	0
Q54H2	4	72	73	F	2	0
Q67	4	74	75	F	2	0

VARIABLE	REC	START	END	FORMAT	WIDTH	DEC
DECK ID (05)	5	1	2			
RESP ID	5	3	6	F	4	0
Q68	5	7	8	F	2	0
Q69	5	9	10	F	2	0
Q70	5	11	12	F	2	0
Q71	5	13	14	F	2	0
Q72	5	15	16	F	2	0
Q73	5	17	18	F	2	0
Q74	5	19	20	F	2	0
Q75	5	21	22	F	2	0
Q76	5	23	24	F	2	0
Q79	5	25	26	F	2	0
V1	5	27	29	F	3	0
V2	5	30	32	F	3	0
V3	5	33	35	F	3	0
V4	5	36	38	F	3	0
V5	5	39	41	F	3	0
V6	5	42	44	F	3	0
V7	5	45	47	F	3	0
V8	5	48	50	F	3	0
V9	5	51	53	F	3	0
V10	5	54	56	F	3	0
V11	5	57	59	F	3	0
V12	5	60	62	F	3	0
V13	5	63	65	F	3	0
V14	5	66	68	F	3	0
V15	5	69	71	F	3	0
V16	5	72	74	F	3	0

VARIABLE	REC	START	END	FORMAT	WIDTH	DEC
DECK ID (06)	6	1	2			
RESP ID	6	3	6	F	4	0
V17	6	7	9	F	3	0
V18	6	10	12	F	3	0
V19	6	13	15	F	3	0
V20	6	16	18	F	3	0
V21	6	19	21	F	3	0
V22	6	22	24	F	3	0
V23	6	25	27	F	3	0
V24	6	28	30	F	3	0
V25	6	31	33	F	3	0
V27	6	37	39	F	3	0
V28	6	40	42	F	3	0
V29	6	43	45	F	3	0
V30	6	46	48	F	3	0
V31	6	49	51	F	3	0
V32	6	52	54	F	3	0
V33	6	55	57	F	3	0
V34	6	58	60	F	3	0
V35	6	61	63	F	3	0
V36	6	64	66	F	3	0
V37	6	67	69	F	3	0
V38	6	70	72	F	3	0
V39	6	73	75	F	3	0

VARIABLE	REC	START	END	FORMAT	WIDTH	DEC
DECK ID (07)	7	1	2			
RESP ID	7	3	6	F	4	0
V40	7	7	9	F	3	0
V41	7	10	12	F	3	0
V42	7	13	15	F	3	0
V43	7	16	18	F	3	0
V44	7	19	21	F	3	0
V45	7	22	24	F	3	0
V46	7	25	27	F	3	0
V47	7	28	30	F	3	0
V48	7	31	33	F	3	0
V49	7	34	36	F	3	0
V50	7	37	39	F	3	0
V51	7	40	42	F	3	0
V52	7	43	45	F	3	0
V53	7	46	48	F	3	0
V54	7	49	51	F	3	0
V55	7	52	54	F	3	0
V56	7	55	57	F	3	0
V57	7	58	60	F	3	0
V58	7	61	63	F	3	0
V59	7	64	66	F	3	0
V60	7	67	69	F	3	0
V61	7	70	72	F	3	0
V62	7	73	75	F	3	0

VARIABLE	REC	START	END	FORMAT	WIDTH	DEC
DECK ID (08)	8	1	2			
ID	8	3	6	F	4	0
V63	8	7	9	F	3	0
V64	8	10	12	F	3	0
V65	8	13	15	F	3	0
V66	8	16	18	F	3	0
V67	8	19	21	F	3	0
V68	8	22	24	F	3	0
V69	8	25	27	F	3	0
COMBAT1	8	28	30	F	3	0
AGE	8	31	33	F	3	0
NEW11	8	34	36	F	3	0
NEW11A	8	37	39	F	3	0
NEW26	8	40	42	F	3	0
COMBAT	8	43	45	F	3	0
NEW47	8	46	48	F	3	0
NEW53	8	49	51	F	3	0
YEARS2	8	52	54	F	3	0
AGEENT	8	55	57	F	3	0
AGEENT2	8	58	60	F	3	0
V70	8	61	63	F	3	0
V71	8	64	66	F	3	0
V72	8	67	69	F	3	0

VARIABLE	REC	START	END	FORMAT	WIDTH	DEC
DECK ID (09)	9	1	2			
RESP ID	9	3	6	F	4	0
V73	9	7	9	F	3	0
V74	9	10	12	F	3	0
TEMP4	9	13	15	F	3	0
STUB1	9	16	18	F	3	0
STUB2	9	19	21	F	3	0
STUB3	9	22	24	F	3	0
STUB4	9	25	27	F	3	0
STUB5	9	28	30	F	3	0
STUB6	9	31	33	F	3	0
STUB7	9	34	36	F	3	0
STUB8	9	37	39	F	3	0
STUB9	9	40	42	F	3	0
STUB10	9	43	45	F	3	0

PART III

Questionnaires

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READ: Hello, I am . I am working on a
public opinion survey for The Washington Post.

1. Is there anybody in your immediate family, living in your house or someplace else, who was in the Armed Forces during the Vietnam War, from 1964 to 1975? By immediate family, I mean a brother, sister, mother, father, son or daughter, or you yourself.

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1=YES,RESPONDENT -----GO TO Q3.
2=YES,RESPONDENT & SOMEONE ELSE---GO TO Q2.
3=YES,SOMEONE ELSE-----GO TO Q2.
4=NO-----SKIP Q2, Q3 AND Q4.
9=NOT SURE-----SKIP Q2, Q3 AND Q4.
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP Q2, Q3 AND Q4.

2. (List relationship to respondent: brother, father, etc.)

3. We would like very much to get in touch with your (brother/father/etc.)
Can you please give me a phone number where he/she/they can be reached?

☐

1=YES-----RECORD PHONE NUMBERS AND PROBE: Anyone else?
2=NO
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

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4. (IF Q1 IS CODED 1 OR 2, ASK:) We will be calling you back in March to ask you a few questions about Vietnam. Can you please tell me when would be a good time for us to call you?
(PROBE FOR DAYS OF WEEK AND TIMES OF DAY)

NOTES TO INTERVIEWERS:

Serving in the Armed Forces means serving in the U.S. Armed Forces in Vietnam, or in any other place.

IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS THAT HE/SHE SERVED ONLY IN THE NATIONAL GUARD OR OTHER RESERVIST TYPE DUTY, ASK:
Was your National Guard or Military Reserve Unit ever called up for active duty in the regular Armed Forces, or were you ever called up for active duty, not counting the four to six months duty for initial training or yearly summer camp?

(IF RESPONDENT SAYS GUARD/RESERVE UNIT WAS NOT CALLED UP FOR ACTIVE DUTY, THEN RECORD "NO" AS THE ANSWER FOR Q1.)

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Card (5-1)

WASHINGTON POST - ABC NEWS
VETERANS SURVEY

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Time Zone: 1 Eastern
(6) 2 Midwest
3 Mountain
4 Pacific

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Form # (17)

1 = Long
2 = Short

READ: Hello, I am _____, and I am calling for the Washington Post - ABC News Poll. We are doing a survey with Veterans who served in the Armed Forces during the Vietnam Era. In doing our random telephone survey we contacted a member of your family, who suggested that we call you. We would like very much for you to participate in our study.

RESPONDENT'S NAME _____ TIME INTERVIEW:

WHO NOMINATED _____ Begun _____ (18-21)

Ended _____ (22-25)

Date _____ (26-29)

INTERVIEW

COMPLETED ON: 1 1st Attempt
2 2nd Attempt
3 3rd Attempt (30)
4 4th Attempt
5 5th Attempt

REFUSED _____ (Reason)

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-----"LONG FORM" QUESTIONNAIRE-----

3. What year did you first arrive in Vietnam/Southeast Asia?
(CODE TWO DIGITS, 1965=65, ETC., REFUSED=88, NOT SURE=99)
4. What year did you leave Vietnam/Southeast Asia for the last time?
(CODE TWO DIGITS, 1965=65, ETC., REFUSED=88, NOT SURE=99)
5. In all, about how many MONTHS were you in Vietnam/Southeast Asia?
(CODE TWO DIGITS, FIVE=05, ETC., REFUSED=88, NOT SURE=99)
6. What year did you begin active duty in the military?
(CODE TWO DIGITS, 1965=65, ETC., REFUSED=88, NOT SURE=99)
7. What year did you finish active duty for the last time?
(CODE TWO DIGITS, 1965=65, ETC., REFUSED=88, NOT SURE=99)
8. Did you enlist or were you drafted?
- 1=ENLISTED
2=DRAFTED
3=(VOL.) NATIONAL GUARD OR RESERVE UNIT CALLED UP
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
9. At the time you enlisted/were drafted, were you still in school, or were you working full time, or looking for work, or what?
- 1=STILL IN SCHOOL
2=WORKING FULL-TIME
3=LOOKING FOR WORK/UNEMPLOYED
4=(VOL.) WORKING PART-TIME, NOT IN SCHOOL
5=(VOL.) OTHER (RECORD VERBATIM)
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
10. In which branch of the military did you serve: the Army, the Navy, the Marine Corps, the Air Force, the Coast Guard, or what?
- 1=ARMY
2=NAVY
3=MARINE CORPS
4=AIR FORCE
5=COAST GUARD
6=(VOL.) OTHER -- CODE AND ALSO RECORD ANSWER VERBATIM
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
11. What was the highest rank you held while on active duty?
(RECORD VERBATIM: eg, Private, Airman, Seaman, Captain, etc., AND ASK:) What was your "E" or "O" rank? (RECORD VERBATIM)
12. Are you a member of any veterans' organization, or aren't you a member? (IF YES, ASK:) Which one or ones is that?
(RECORD VERBATIM AND CODE "1" FOR EACH ORGANIZATION THAT IS MENTIONED)
- 1=MEMBER OF VETERANS ORGANIZATION
2=NOT A MEMBER
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
13. In politics, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent or what?
- 1=REPUBLICAN
2=DEMOCRAT
3=INDEPENDENT
4=OR WHAT?
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

. Can you please tell me whether you are registered to vote at your present address?

1=REGISTERED
2=NOT REGISTERED
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

15. Did you vote in the November, 1984, presidential election when Ronald Reagan ran against Walter Mondale?

1=YES-----ASK Q16.
2=NO-----SKIP TO Q17.
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION-----SKIP TO Q17.
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q17.

16. (IF "YES" IN Q15, ASK:) Which candidate did you vote for, Reagan or Mondale?

1=REAGAN
2=MONDALE
3=OTHER
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

17. What was the last grade of school you have completed?
(IF SOME COLLEGE, ASK IF SCHOOL WAS A TECHNICAL SCHOOL. IF IT WAS, CODE 3 FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE)

1=8TH GRADE OR LESS
2=SOME HIGH SCHOOL
3=GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL
4=SOME COLLEGE
5=GRADUATE COLLEGE
6=POST-GRADUATE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

18. And before you went into the military, what was the last grade of school you completed?
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19. In what year were you born?
(CODE TWO DIGITS, 1949=49, ETC., REFUSED=98, NOT SURE=99)

20. When asked, most people say that they belong to either the middle class or the working class. If you had to make a choice, would you call yourself middle class or working class?

1=MIDDLE CLASS
2=WORKING CLASS
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

21. Would you describe the area in which you live as a large city, suburb of a large city, small town or rural area?

1=LARGE CITY
2=SUBURB OF A LARGE CITY
3=SMALL TOWN
4=RURAL AREA
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

How many times have you been married, if at all?

0=NEVER/ZERO-----SKIP TO Q24
1=ONE-----ASK Q23
2=TWO-----ASK Q23
3=THREE-----ASK Q23
4=FOUR-----ASK Q23
5=FIVE-----ASK Q23
6=SIX-----ASK Q23
7=SEVEN OR MORE-----ASK Q23

8=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q24
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE-----SKIP TO Q24

23. (IF MARRIED ONCE OR MORE, ASK:) Are you presently married and living with your spouse, separated, divorced or widowed?

1=MARRIED & LIVING WITH SPOUSE
2=SEPARATED
3=DIVORCED
4=WIDOWED
5=NEVER MARRIED
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

24. Do you have any children? (IF YES, ASK:) How many children is that?

0=NO CHILDREN/ZERO
1=ONE
2=TWO
3=THREE
4=FOUR
5=FIVE
6=SIX
7=SEVEN OR MORE

8=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
9=NOT SURE

25. At present, are you employed part-time or full-time or are you retired or something else?

1=EMPLOYED PART-TIME
2=EMPLOYED FULL-TIME
3=UNEMPLOYED
4=LAI D OFF
5=RETIRED
6=FULL-TIME HOMEMAKER
7=STUDENT
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

26. How many times, if any, have you been unemployed for more than three months at a time since January, 1967?
(CODE TWO DIGITS, FIVE=05, ETC., REFUSED=00, NOT SURE=99)

27. Are you of Hispanic origin or background? (IF YES, ASK:) Are you White Hispanic or Black Hispanic? (IF NO, ASK:) Are you White, Black or some other race?

1=WHITE HISPANIC
2=BLACK HISPANIC
3=HISPANIC (NO RACE GIVEN)

4=WHITE
5=BLACK
6=OTHER
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

If you added together the yearly incomes, before taxes, of all the members of your household for last year, 1984, would the total be:
 Under \$6,000....\$6,000 but less than \$12,000....\$12,000 but less than \$20,000\$20,000 but less than \$30,000....\$30,000 but less than \$50,000
 ... or more than \$50,000?

- 1=UNDER \$6,000
- 2=\$6,000 BUT LESS THAN \$12,000
- 3=\$12,000 BUT LESS THAN \$20,000
- 4=\$20,000 BUT LESS THAN \$30,000
- 5=\$30,000 BUT LESS THAN \$50,000
- 6=MORE THAN \$50,000
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

29. Do you live in a single family home...an apartment, condominium...or another type of dwelling?

- 1=SINGLE FAMILY HOME
- 2=APARTMENT/CONDOMINIUM
- 3=OTHER TYPE OF DWELLING
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

30. And are you or your family the owners, or are you renting?

- 1=OWNERS-----SKIP TO Q32
- 2=RENTING-----ASK Q31
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q32

31. (IF "RENTING" IN Q30, ASK:) Is that because you are not interested in owning a home, or because you are not in a position to own one right now?

- 1=NOT INTERESTED IN OWNING A HOME
- 2=NOT IN POSITION TO OWN ONE
- 3=(VOL.) AM LOOKING TO BUY A HOME
- 9=NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

32. On another subject: In thinking about a person's overall health, many doctors say it must be measured in both physical and mental terms. I'm going to ask you about each separately. First, how would you rate your physical health at the present time? Would you say that, compared to most people your age, your physical health is excellent, good, not good or poor?

- 1=EXCELLENT
- 2=GOOD
- 3=NOT GOOD
- 4=POOR
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

33. Next, how would you rate your mental health at the present time? Would you say that, compared to most people, your mental health is excellent, good, not good, or poor?

- 1=EXCELLENT-----SKIP TO Q35.
- 2=GOOD-----SKIP TO Q35.
- 3=NOT GOOD-----ASK Q34.
- 4=POOR-----ASK Q34.
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION-----SKIP TO Q35.
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q35.

34. (IF "NOT GOOD" OR "POOR" IN Q33, ASK:) Is that something you have had counseling or professional help for?

- 1=YES
- 2=NO
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

Overall, do you feel you personally benefited in the long run or were set back in the long run by having been in Vietnam?

1=PERSONALLY BENEFITTED
2=SET BACK
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

36. I'm going to read a few statements. For each, please tell me if that statement describes the way you feel or not?

- A) Being in the Vietnam War was the biggest event of my life up to now
- B) I'm happier when people don't know I'm a Vietnam veteran
- C) I often find myself still thinking about all the death and dying that went on in Vietnam
- D) What bothers me is all the people who avoided going to Vietnam
- E) I often dream I'm back in Vietnam.

CODES FOR Q36: 1=DESCRIBES WAY RESPONDENT FEELS
2=DOES NOT DESCRIBE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

37. At the time, did you think most of the South Vietnamese supported what the United States was trying to do, or did most of them support what the North Vietnamese were trying to do, or did most of them not care which side won?

1=MOST SUPPORTED U.S.
2=MOST SUPPORTED NORTH VIETNAMESE
3=MOST DID NOT CARE WHICH SIDE WON
4=(VOL.) SOME SUPPORTED ONE SIDE, SOME SUPPORTED THE OTHER
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

38. I'm going to mention some things that the United States did during Vietnam and ask whether you think they were justified because they were done in wartime or whether they were not justified.

- A) the bombing of North Vietnam
- B) the use of napalm
- C) the use of chemicals that destroyed trees and other vegetation
- D) the destruction of villages because some inhabitants were suspected of being Viet Cong or Viet Cong sympathizers?

CODES FOR Q38: 1=YES, WAS JUSTIFIED
2=NO, WAS NOT JUSTIFIED
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

39. Do you feel you have a clear idea of what the Vietnam war was all about, that is, what we were fighting for?

1=YES, HAD CLEAR IDEA
2=NO, DID NOT HAVE CLEAR IDEA
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

40. Please tell me if each of the following does or does not describe **your** activity in Vietnam or elsewhere in Southeast Asia? (READ EACH ITEM)

- A) You were part of a land or naval artillery unit which fired on the enemy
- B) You were stationed at a forward observation post
- C) You received incoming fire from enemy artillery, rockets or mortars
- D) Your unit patrol encountered mines or booby traps
- E) Your unit patrol received sniper or sapper fire
- F) Your unit patrol was ambushed
- G) Your unit patrol engaged the Vietcong or guerrilla troops in a firefight
- H) Your unit patrol engaged the NVA organized military forces in a firefight
- I) You flew in an airplane or helicopter in Vietnam as part of a combat assignment or Medvac unit.

CODES FOR Q40: 1=YES, DESCRIBES ACTIVITY
2=NO, DOES NOT DESCRIBE ACTIVITY
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

ere you yourself present when any Vietnamese were killed in Vietnam?

1=YES-----ASK Q42.
2=NO-----SKIP TO Q43.
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE-----SKIP TO Q43.
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q43.

42. (IF "YES" TO Q41, ASK:) Did you see that happen once or twice, a few times, fairly often, or very often?

1=ONCE OR TWICE
2=A FEW TIMES
3=FAIRLY OFTEN
4=VERY OFTEN
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

43. Were you yourself present when any Americans were killed in Vietnam?

1=YES-----ASK Q44.
2=NO-----SKIP TO Q45.
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE-----SKIP TO Q45.
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q45.

44. (IF "YES" TO Q43, ASK:) Did you see that happen once or twice, a few times, fairly often, or very often?

1=ONCE OR TWICE
2=A FEW TIMES
3=FAIRLY OFTEN
4=VERY OFTEN
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

45. If you don't mind me asking: Did you ever kill or think you killed someone in Vietnam?

1=YES
2=NO
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

46. Were you yourself ever wounded or injured in Vietnam?

1=YES-----ASK Q47.
2=NO-----SKIP TO Q52.
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE-----SKIP TO Q52.
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q52.

47. (IF "YES" TO Q46, ASK:) Is that combat-related wounds or injuries or not?

1=COMBAT-RELATED
2=NOT COMBAT-RELATED
3=(VOL.) BOTH
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

48. Did you recover fully, or not?

1=YES-----SKIP TO Q52.
2=NO-----ASK Q49.
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE-----SKIP TO Q52.
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q52.

49. (IF "NO" TO Q48, ASK:) Well, does it cause you problems in your everyday life today, or not?

1=YES-----ASK Q50.
2=NO-----SKIP TO Q52.
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE-----SKIP TO Q52.
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q52.

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(IF "YES" TO Q49, ASK:) Are those problems very serious, somewhat serious or not serious?

1=VERY SERIOUS
2=SCHEWAT SERIOUS
3=NOT SERIOUS
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

51. (IF "YES" TO Q49, ASK:) Would you say the problems you're having today are at least in part the result of being exposed to Agent Orange, or not?

1=YES
2=NO
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

52. Do you currently have any major service related medical problems or serious physical disabilities, or not?

1=YES
2=NO
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

53. Do you have a current VA disability rating?
(IF YES, ASK: What rating is that, in percent?)

(CODE THREE DIGITS: 000=NO RATING/NOT DISABLED
010=TEN PERCENT, ETC.

888=REFUSED
999=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE IF HAS RATING

54. I'm going to mention some problems that veterans may have had on returning to civilian life. For each, please tell me if it was a serious problem for you upon returning to civilian life, or not.

(AFTER EACH "YES," ASK:) Is that a serious problem for you now?

A) Getting a job
B) Poor physical health
C) Not having enough money to live on
D) Loneliness
E) Drinking too much
F) Difficulty getting along with family or friends
G) Emotional strain
H) Use of marijuana, heroin or other drugs

CODES FOR Q54:

IN BOTH COLUMNS ON ANSWER SHEET: 1=SERIOUS PROBLEM
2=NOT A SERIOUS PROBLEM
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

55. As you may know, the United States' military involvement in the Vietnam war ended ten years ago, in 1975. Some people think we should not have become militarily involved in Vietnam, while others think we should have. What is your opinion?

1=SHOULD NOT HAVE BECOME INVOLVED
2=SHOULD HAVE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

56. (IF "SHOULD HAVE" IN Q55, ASK:) Should we have used more military force, less military force, or did we use about the right amount?

1=MORE MILITARY FORCE
2=LESS MILITARY FORCE
3=USED ABOUT THE RIGHT AMOUNT
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

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. Could the United States have prevented by military force the communist takeover of South Vietnam or would the communist takeover have happened no matter how much military force we used?

1=COULD HAVE PREVENTED
2=COULD NOT HAVE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

58. Would you say you felt that way during the Vietnam war, or did your views change at one time or another?

1=FELT THAT WAY DURING THE WAR
2=VIEWS CHANGED ONCE
3=(VOL.) VIEWS CHANGED MORE THAN ONCE
4=(VOL.) TOO YOUNG TO SAY
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

59. Was William Westmoreland the commanding general of American forces while you were in Vietnam?

1=YES
2=NO
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

60. Would you say you approve or disapprove of the way Westmoreland handled his job as commanding general of American forces in Vietnam?

1=APPROVE
2=DISAPPROVE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

61. Overall, would you say the American troops in Vietnam fought in a worthwhile cause or not?

1=YES, CAUSE WAS WORTHWHILE
2=NO, CAUSE WAS NOT WORTHWHILE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

62. Would you say the U.S. handling of the Vietnam war tended to make you personally distrustful of our leaders in Washington at the time, or not?

1=YES, DISTRUSTFUL
2=NO, NOT DISTRUSTFUL
3=(VOL.) TOO YOUNG TO SAY
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

63. How about today: Would you say that you trust our leaders in Washington more than you trusted the leaders during the Vietnam war, less than you trusted them then, or about the same amount?

1=MORE THAN DURING VIETNAM
2=LESS THAN DURING VIETNAM
3=(VOL.) ABOUT THE SAME
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

64. Thinking back to the anti-war movement in the United States during the time of the Vietnam War. At that time, were you a supporter or a critic of the antiwar movement?

1=SUPPORTER
2=CRITIC
3=(VOL.) NEITHER NEUTRAL THEN
4=(VOL.) VIEWS CHANGED DURING THAT PERIOD
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

From what you know, do the high schools or colleges near where you live teach students about the Vietnam War or not? (IF YES, ASK:) What is your impression: are they teaching about the Vietnam War in a way you consider fair and accurate, or not?

- 1=TAUGHT...FAIR AND ACCURATE
- 2=TAUGHT...NOT FAIR AND ACCURATE
- 3=TAUGHT...NO OPINION ON HOW TAUGHT
- 4=NOT TAUGHT
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE IF TAUGHT
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

66. Looking ahead, do you think the U.S. is more likely or less likely to become involved in a major conflict because of our experience in the Vietnam War...or won't the Vietnam experience make any difference?

- 1=MORE LIKELY
- 2=LESS LIKELY
- 3=WON'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

67. Would you say the nation is better off because of that, worse off, or what?

- 1=BETTER OFF
- 2=WORSE OFF
- 3=(VOL.) MAKES NO DIFFERENCE
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

68. Think of your parents when they were your age. Would you say you are better off financially than they were, or not?

- 1=BETTER OFF
- 2=NOT BETTER OFF
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

69. Do you agree or disagree that it is true in this country that if you work hard, eventually you will get ahead?

- 1=AGREE
- 2=DISAGREE
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

70. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right--just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time? (Vol.) None of the time

- 1=JUST ABOUT ALWAYS
- 2=MOST OF THE TIME
- 3=ONLY SOME OF THE TIME
- 4=(VOL.) NONE OF THE TIME
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

71. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Ronald Reagan is handling his job as president? (STOP, GET ANSWER, THEN READ:) Is that approve/disapprove strongly or approve/disapprove somewhat?

(IF "DON'T KNOW," PROMPT WITE:) Just tell me what you think. There are no right or wrong answers.

- 1=APPROVE STRONGLY
- 2=APPROVE SOMEWHAT
- 3=DISAPPROVE SOMEWHAT
- 4=DISAPPROVE STRONGLY
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Reagan is handling - - - -

- 1=APPROVE
- 2=DISAPPROVE
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

73. Do you think the United States is heading for the same kind of involvement in Central America as it had in the Vietnam war or do you think the United States will avoid that kind of involvement this time?

- 1=HEADING FOR SOME KIND OF INVOLVEMENT
- 2=WILL AVOID
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

74. Do you think we should return to the military draft at this time or not?

- 1=YES, SHOULD RETURN TO DRAFT
- 2=NO
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

75. Have you ever visited the Vietnam War Memorial in Washington D.C.?

- 1=YES
- 2=NO
- 9=NOT SURE
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

76. RECORD, BUT DO NOT ASK:
RESPONDENT'S SEX:

- 1=MALE
- 2=FEMALE

77. Now, thinking again of what you did in Vietnam: can you please tell me in few words what your main assignment was there? (RECORD VERBATIM)

78. (RECORD OTHER COMMENTS VERBATIM IN ANSWER SHEET, IF GIVEN)

79. Thank you very much for your help. Sometimes reporters from The Washington Post or ABC News like to get in touch with people after we interview them in a poll. May I give your name and phone number to a reporter, in the event one wants to get in touch with you?

(IF PERMISSION GIVEN, RECORD NAME ON ANSWER SHEET)

- 1=YES, OK TO GIVE NAME
- 2=NO, NOT OK

BEFORE GOING ON TO NEXT INTERVIEW:

EDIT ANSWER SHEET:

- IS SEX FILLED IN?
- IS NAME RECORDED ON ANSWER SHEET, IF PERMISSION WAS GIVEN?
- IS CORRECT TELEPHONE NUMBER FILLED IN AND LEGIBLE?
- IS "COVER SHEET" ATTACHED TO "ANSWER SHEET"

-----"SHORT FORM" QUESTIONNAIRE-----

6. What year did you begin active duty in the military?
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 - 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
10. In which branch of the military did you serve: the Army, the Navy, the Marine Corps, the Air Force, the Coast Guard, or what?
- 1=ARMY
 - 2=NAVY
 - 3=MARINE CORPS
 - 4=AIR FORCE
 - 5=COAST GUARD
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 - 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
11. What was the highest rank you held while on active duty?
(RECORD VERBATIM: eg. Private, Airman, Seaman, Captain, etc., AND ASK: What was your "E" or "O" rank? (RECORD VERBATIM))
13. In politics, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat or Independent or what?
- 1=REPUBLICAN
 - 2=DEMOCRAT
 - 3=INDEPENDENT
 - 4=OR WHAT?
 - 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
 - 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
14. Can you please tell me whether you are registered to vote at your present address?
- 1=REGISTERED
 - 2=NOT REGISTERED
 - 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
 - 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
15. Did you vote in the November, 1964, presidential election when Ronald Reagan ran against Walter Mondale?
- 1=YES-----ASK Q16.
 - 2=NO-----SKIP TO Q17.
 - 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION-----SKIP TO Q17.
 - 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q17.
16. (IF "YES" IN Q15, ASK:) Which candidate did you vote for, Reagan or Mondale?
- 1=REAGAN
 - 2=MONDALE
 - 3=OTHER
 - 9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
 - 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

What was the last grade of school you have completed?
(IF SOME COLLEGE, ASK IF SCHOOL WAS A TECHNICAL SCHOOL. IF IT WAS,
CODE 3 FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE)

1=8TH GRADE OR LESS
2=SOME HIGH SCHOOL
3=GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL
4=SOME COLLEGE
5=GRADUATE COLLEGE
6=POST-GRADUATE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

18. And before you went into the military, what was the last grade of school you completed?

(IF SOME COLLEGE, ASK IF SCHOOL WAS A TECHNICAL SCHOOL. IF IT WAS,
CODE 3 FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE)

1=8TH GRADE OR LESS
2=SOME HIGH SCHOOL
3=GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL
4=SOME COLLEGE
5=GRADUATE COLLEGE
6=POST-GRADUATE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

19. In what year were you born?

(CODE TWO DIGITS, 1949=49, ETC., REFUSED=99, NOT SURE=99)

20. When asked, most people say that they belong to either the middle class or the working class. If you had to make a choice, would you call yourself middle class or working class?

1=MIDDLE CLASS
2=WORKING CLASS
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

21. Would you describe the area in which you live as a large city, suburb of a large city, small town or rural area?

1=LARGE CITY
2=SUBURB OF A LARGE CITY
3=SMALL TOWN
4=RURAL AREA
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

22. How many times have you been married, if at all?

0=NEVER/ZERO-----SKIP TO Q24
1=ONE-----ASK Q23
2=TWO-----ASK Q23
3=THREE-----ASK Q23
4=FOUR-----ASK Q23
5=FIVE-----ASK Q23
6=SIX-----ASK Q23
7=SEVEN OR MORE-----ASK Q23

8=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q24
9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE-----SKIP TO Q24

23. (IF MARRIED ONCE OR MORE, ASK:) Are you presently married and living with your spouse, separated, divorced or widowed?

1=MARRIED & LIVING WITH SPOUSE
2=SEPARATED
3=DIVORCED
4=WIDOWED
5=NEVER MARRIED
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

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24. Do you have any children? (IF YES, ASK:) How many children is that?

0=NO CHILDREN/ZERO
1=ONE
2=TWO
3=THREE
4=FOUR
5=FIVE
6=SIX
7=SEVEN OR MORE

8=NO ANSWER/REFUSED
9=NOT SURE

25. At present, are you employed part-time or full-time or are you retired or something else?

1=EMPLOYED PART-TIME
2=EMPLOYED FULL-TIME
3=UNEMPLOYED
4=LAID OFF
5=RETIRED
6=FULL-TIME HOME MAKER
7=STUDENT
8=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

26. How many times, if any, have you been unemployed for more than three months at a time since January, 1980?
(CODE TWO DIGITS, FIVE=25, ETC., REFUSED=88, NOT SURE=99)

27. Are you of Hispanic origin or background? (IF YES, ASK:) Are you White Hispanic or Black Hispanic? (IF NO, ASK:) Are you White, Black or some other race?

1=WHITE HISPANIC
2=BLACK HISPANIC
3=HISPANIC (NO RACE GIVEN)

4=WHITE
5=BLACK
6=OTHER
8=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

28. If you added together the yearly incomes, before taxes, of all the members of your household for last year, 1984, would the total be:
Under \$8,000....\$8,000 but less than \$12,000....\$12,000 but less than \$22,000\$22,000 but less than \$32,000....\$32,000 but less than \$52,000
... or more than \$52,000?

1=UNDER \$8,000
2=\$8,000 BUT LESS THAN \$12,000
3=\$12,000 BUT LESS THAN \$22,000
4=\$22,000 BUT LESS THAN \$32,000
5=\$32,000 BUT LESS THAN \$52,000
6=MORE THAN \$52,000
8=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

29. Do you live in a single family home...an apartment, condominium...or another type of dwelling?

1=SINGLE FAMILY HOME
2=APARTMENT/CONDOMINIUM
3=OTHER TYPE OF DWELLING
8=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

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. And are you or your family the owners, or are you renting?

1=OWNERS-----SKIP TO Q32
2=RENTING-----ASK Q31
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED-----SKIP TO Q32

31. (IF "RENTING" IN Q30, ASK:) Is that because you are not interested in owning a home, or because you are not in a position to own one right now?

1=NOT INTERESTED IN OWNING A HOME
2=NOT IN POSITION TO OWN ONE
3=(VOL.) AM LOOKING TO BUY A HOME
9=NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

35. Overall, do you feel you personally benefited in the long run or were set back in the long run by having been in the military service?

1=PERSONALLY BENEFITTED
2=SET BACK
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

55. As you may know, the United States' military involvement in the Vietnam war ended ten years ago, in 1975. Some people think we should not have become militarily involved in Vietnam, while others think we should have. What is your opinion?

1=SHOULD NOT HAVE BECOME INVOLVED
2=SHOULD HAVE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

61. Overall, would you say the American troops in Vietnam fought in a worthwhile cause or not?

1=YES, CAUSE WAS WORTHWHILE
2=NO, CAUSE WAS NOT WORTHWHILE
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

62. Would you say the U.S. handling of the Vietnam war tended to make you personally distrustful of our leaders in Washington at the time, or not?

1=YES, DISTRUSTFUL
2=NO, NOT DISTRUSTFUL
3=(VOL.) TOO YOUNG TO SAY
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

63. Now about today: Would you say that you trust our leaders in Washington more than you trusted the leaders during the Vietnam war, less than you trusted them then, or about the same amount?

1=MORE THAN DURING VIETNAM
2=LESS THAN DURING VIETNAM
3=(VOL.) ABOUT THE SAME
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

64. Thinking back to the anti-war movement in the United States during the time of the Vietnam War. At that time, were you a supporter or a critic of the antiwar movement?

1=SUPPORTER
2=CRITIC
3=(VOL.) NEITHER NEUTRAL THEN
4=(VOL.) VIEWS CHANGED DURING THAT PERIOD
9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

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From what you know, do the high schools or colleges near where you live teach students about the Vietnam War or not? (IF YES, ASK:) What is your impression: are they teaching about the Vietnam War in a way you consider fair and accurate, or not?

- 1=TAUGHT...FAIR AND ACCURATE
- 2=TAUGHT...NOT FAIR AND ACCURATE
- 3=TAUGHT...NO OPINION ON HOW TAUGHT
- 4=NOT TAUGHT
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE IF TAUGHT
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

66. Looking ahead, do you think the U.S. is more likely or less likely to become involved in a major conflict because of our experience in the Vietnam War...or won't the Vietnam experience make any difference?

- 1=MORE LIKELY
- 2=LESS LIKELY
- 3=CAN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

67. Would you say the nation is better off because of that, worse off, or what?

- 1=BETTER OFF
- 2=WORSE OFF
- 3=(VOL.) MAKES NO DIFFERENCE
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

68. Think of your parents when they were your age. Would you say you are better off financially than they were, or not?

- 1=BETTER OFF
- 2=NOT BETTER OFF
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

69. Do you agree or disagree that it is true in this country that if you work hard, eventually you will get ahead?

- 1=AGREE
- 2=DISAGREE
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

70. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right--just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time? (Vol.) None of the time

- 1=JUST ABOUT ALWAYS
- 2=MOST OF THE TIME
- 3=ONLY SOME OF THE TIME
- 4=(VOL.) NONE OF THE TIME
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

71. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Ronald Reagan is handling his job as president? (STOP. GET ANSWER, THEN READ:) Is that approve/disapprove strongly or approve/disapprove somewhat?

(IF "DON'T KNOW," PROMPT WITH:) Just tell me what you think. There are no right or wrong answers.

- 1=APPROVE STRONGLY
- 2=APPROVE SOMEWHAT
- 3=DISAPPROVE SOMEWHAT
- 4=DISAPPROVE STRONGLY
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

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72. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Reagan is handling foreign affairs?

- 1=APPROVE
- 2=DISAPPROVE
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

73. Do you think the United States is heading for the same kind of involvement in Central America as it had in the Vietnam war or do you think the United States will avoid that kind of involvement this time?

- 1=HEADING FOR SOME KIND OF INVOLVEMENT
- 2=WILL AVOID
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

74. Do you think we should return to the military draft at this time or not?

- 1=YES, SHOULD RETURN TO DRAFT
- 2=NO
- 9=DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

75. Have you ever visited the Vietnam War Memorial in Washington D.C.?

- 1=YES
- 2=NO
- 9=NOT SURE
- 0=NO ANSWER/REFUSED

76. RECORD, BUT DO NOT ASK:
RESPONDENT'S SEX:

- 1=MALE
- 2=FEMALE

77. Now, thinking again of what you did in ^{the} Military, can you please tell me in a few words what your main assignment was? (RECORD VERBATIM)

78. (RECORD OTHER COMMENTS VERBATIM IN ANSWER SHEET, IF GIVEN)

79. Thank you very much for your help. Sometimes reporters from The Washington Post or AEC News like to get in touch with people after we interview them in a poll. May I give your name and phone number to a reporter, in the event one wants to get in touch with you?

(IF PERMISSION GIVEN, RECORD NAME ON ANSWER SHEET)

- 1=YES, OK TO GIVE NAME
- 2=NO, NOT OK

BEFORE GOING ON TO NEXT INTERVIEW:

EDIT ANSWER SHEET: • IS SEX FILLED IN?
• IS NAME RECORDED ON ANSWER SHEET, IF PERMISSION WAS GIVEN?
• IS CORRECT TELEPHONE NUMBER FILLED IN AND LEGIBLE?
• IS "COVER SHEET" ATTACHED TO "ANSWER SHEET"?

END OF STORY

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