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Questions from the Knowledge Network Core Adult Profile (including only questions whose data was included in the How Couples Meet dataset).

IntroQ1B: Today's questions focus on basic information about you and your household. The information you provide will be used in the future to select surveys that are best suited for you and others in your household.

First, we'd like to get an idea about your living situation.

**[pphouse]**

Q1. Which best describes the building where you live?

- A one-family house detached from any other house.....1
- A one-family house attached to one or more houses.....2
- A building with 2 or more apartments .....3
- A mobile home .....4
- Boat, RV, van, etc. ....5

**[pprent]**

Q2. Are your living quarters. . .

- Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household .....1
- Rented for cash .....2
- Occupied without payment of cash rent .....3

**[NUMBER BOX; RANGE 1-15; DO NOT ALLOW DECIMALS]**

**[pphouseholdsize]**

Q5. Including yourself, how many people currently live in your household at least 50% of the time?

**[SPACE]**

Please remember to include babies or small children, include unrelated individuals (such as roommates), and also include those now away traveling or in a hospital.

**[PROMPT IF NO RESPONSE TO Q5]**

It is very important for us to know how many people live in your household. This information is used to help make sure that results from the Panel are most

representative of the entire U.S. population. Please remember that all your responses are kept confidential. Thank you!

**[REPEAT Q5]**

**[IF ENTERS AN OUT OF RANGE NUMBER AT Q5, THE FOLLOWING QUESTION APPEARS]**

You said that \_\_\_\_ people live in your household. Is that correct?

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

**[IF NO, REPEAT Q5; IF YES, ACCEPT NUMBER AND CONTINUE]**

[pphhcomp11\_memberX\_age,  
pphhcomp11\_memberX\_gender,  
pphhcomp11\_memberX\_relationship]

**[IF Q5 > 1]**

**[GRID WITH SAME NUMBER OF LINES AS NUMBER IN Q5. COLUMN HEADINGS FOR “AGE”, “GENDER,” AND “RELATIONSHIP TO YOU.” DROP-DOWN MENU FOR GENDER AND RELATIONSHIP TO YOU. RANGE FOR AGE: 0 – 110]**

HHCOMP1.

Please tell us a little more about the people you share your household with.

**[SPACE]**

For each person in the household, enter the age on their last birthday, whether they are male or female, and how they are related to you. Start by entering the appropriate information for yourself.

**[IF AGE HAS PRE-EXISTING VALUE OF 18-110, REPOPULATE FIELD. IF GENDER HAS PRE-EXISTING VALUE OF 1-2, REPOPULATE FIELD. IF EITHER FIELD REPOPULATED, USE ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE]**

Please tell us a little more about the people you share your household with.

**[SPACE]**

For each person in the household, enter the age on their last birthday, whether they are male or female, and how they are related to you. Start by confirming the appropriate information for yourself. Please change if incorrect or incomplete.

**[IF Q5 =1]**

**[GRID. COLUMN HEADINGS FOR “AGE”, “GENDER”. RANGE FOR AGE: 0 – 110]**

Please enter your age on your last birthday and whether you are male or female in the spaces below.

**[IF AGE HAS PRE-EXISTING VALUE OF 18-110, REPOPULATE FIELD. IF GENDER HAS PRE-EXISTING VALUE OF 1-2, REPOPULATE FIELD. IF EITHER FIELD REPOPULATED, USE ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE]**

Please confirm your age on your last birthday and whether you are male or female in the spaces below. Please change if incorrect or incomplete.

It is very important that you provide basic information such as age, gender, and relationship for all members of your household. Please remember that all your responses are kept confidential. Thank you!

Household Member	Age	Gender 1. Male 2. Female	Relationship To You 1. Spouse 2. Child (biological, adopted, or stepchild) 3. Grandchild 4. Parent 5. Sibling 6. Other relative 7. Unmarried partner 8. Housemate/roommate 9. Other non-relative
Yourself			[EMPTY CELL]
Member 2			

**[IF AGE >35 ASK PARENT3.]**  
**[SP]**

PARENT3. Do you have any children, 18 years old or older, living outside the household?

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

It is very important that you provide basic information such as your date of birth. Please remember that all your responses are kept confidential. Thank you!

**[IF MONTH HAS PRE-EXISTING VALUE OF 1-12, REPOPULATE FIELD. IF DAY HAS PRE-EXISTING VALUE OF 1-31, REPOPULATE FIELD. IF YEAR HAS PRE-EXISTING VALUE OF 1900-1999, REPOPULATE FIELD. IF ANY FIELDS REPOPULATED, USE ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE]**

**[ppage]**

Please confirm your date of birth. Please change if incorrect or incomplete.

MM  DD  19YY

**[IF DOB FROM Q11 DOES NOT MATCH RESPONDENT AGE FROM HHCOMP1 OR HHCOMP2]**

AGECHECK. Your date of birth does not match the age you entered earlier. Please enter the correct information here.

My correct age is      **[NUMBER BOX: RANGE 18-110]**

I was born in the month of. . .

January.....	1
February.....	2
March .....	3
April .....	4
May.....	5
June.....	6
July.....	7
August .....	8
September.....	9
October.....	10
November.....	11
December.....	12

**[ppmarit]**

Q12. Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, never married, or living with a partner?

Married .....	1
Widowed.....	2
Divorced .....	3
Separated.....	4
Never married.....	5
Living with partner .....	6

**[pphispan]**

Q13. This is about Hispanic ethnicity. Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent?

**[IF Q13 HAS PRE-EXISTING VALUE OF 1-8, REPOPULATE FIELD AND USE ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE]**

This is about Hispanic ethnicity. Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent?  
Please confirm and change if incorrect.

No, I am not.....	1
Yes, Mexican, Mexican-American	

Chicano.....	2
Yes, Puerto Rican .....	3
Yes, Cuban.....	4
Yes, Central American .....	5
Yes, South American.....	6
Yes, Caribbean.....	7
Yes, Other	
Spanish/Hispanic/Latino.....	8

**[PROMPT IF NO RESPONSE TO Q13 ]**

Information about any possible Hispanic ethnicity is very important. We greatly appreciate your response to this question.

**[REPEAT Q13]**

**[INTRO SCREEN]**

INTRO Q14. Please indicate what you consider your racial background to be. We greatly appreciate your effort to describe your background using the standard categories provided. These race categories may not fully describe you, but they do match those used by the Census Bureau. It helps us to compare KnowledgePanel membership to the U.S. population.

**[pprace\_ ]**

Q14. Please check one or more categories below to indicate what **race(s)** you consider yourself to be.

- 1 White
- 2 Black or African American
- 3 American Indian or Alaska Native – *Type in name of enrolled or principal tribe.* **[TEXT BOX]**

**[SPACE]**

- 4 Asian Indian
- 5 Chinese
- 6 Filipino
- 7 Japanese
- 8 Korean
- 9 Vietnamese
- 10 Other Asian – *Type in race* **[TEXT BOX]**

**[SPACE]**

- 11 Native Hawaiian
- 12 Guamanian or Chamorro
- 13 Samoan
- 14 Other Pacific Islander – *Type in race* **[TEXT BOX]**

**[SPACE]**

- 15 Some other race – *Type in race* **[TEXT BOX]**

**[IF NO RESPONSE TO Q14, PROMPT UP TO 2 TIMES]**

Information about your racial background is very important to us. We greatly appreciate your response and will keep it strictly confidential.

**[REPEAT Q14]**

**[ASK Q14A IF 2 OR MORE RACES CHECKED IN Q14]**

**[SP]**

**[ppq14arace]**

Q14A. Which of these races do you identify with most closely?

**[LIST ALL RACES CHECKED IN Q14, INCLUDING OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES]**

**[ASK Q141 IF "YES, MEXICAN, MEXICAN-AMERICAN, CHICANO," "YES, PUERTO RICAN," "YES, CUBAN," "YES, CENTRAL AMERICAN," "YES, SOUTH AMERICAN," "YES, CARIBBEAN," "YES, OTHER SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO" CHECKED IN Q13; ELSE SKIP TO Q15]**



Questions from the Knowledge Network Public Affairs Profile (including only questions whose data was included in the How Couples Meet dataset).

**[pppartyid3]**

Q7. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a...

- |                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Republican                           | 1 |
| Democrat                             | 2 |
| Independent                          | 3 |
| Another party, please specify: _____ | 4 |
| No preference                        | 5 |

**[papglb\_friend]**

Q22. Do you have any friends or relatives who you know to be gay, lesbian, or bisexual?

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| Yes, friends.....                                | 1 |
| Yes, relatives .....                             | 2 |
| Yes, both friends and relatives .....            | 3 |
| No.....  | 4 |
| I would prefer to not answer this question ..... | 3 |

**[papglb\_status]**

Q23. Are you yourself gay, lesbian, or bisexual?

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| Yes .....  | 1 |
| No.....  | 2 |
| I would prefer to not answer this question ..... | 3 |

**[papevangelical]**

Q26a. Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian?

- |           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Yes ..... | 1 |
| No.....   | 2 |

**[papreligion]**

Q26. What is your religion?

**[DO NOT ROTATE]**

Baptist—any denomination .....	1
Protestant (e.g., Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Episcopal).....	2
Catholic.....	3
Mormon .....	4
Jewish.....	5
Muslim .....	6
Hindu .....	7
Buddhist.....	8
Pentecostal .....	9
Eastern Orthodox.....	10
Other Christian.....	11
Other non-Christian, please specify: .....	12
None .....	13

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[SP; PROMPT ONCE]

[IF SKIPPED, TERMINATE]

S1. Are you married?

Answer "yes" even if the government may not recognize your marriage. If you are not married but have another form of union, such as civil union or domestic partnership, answer "no." We will ask about civil unions later in the survey.

Yes, I am Married ..... 1 [SKIP TO Q3]

No, I am not Married ..... 2

[If S1=2, ask S2]

[SP; PROMPT TWICE]

[IF SKIPPED, TERMINATE]

S2. Do you have a boyfriend, a girlfriend, a sexual partner or a romantic partner? By sexual partner we mean someone you have intimate physical contact with, beyond kissing and holding hands.

Yes, I have a sexual partner (boyfriend or girlfriend) ..... 1

I have a romantic partner who is not yet a sexual partner ..... 2

No, I am single, with no boyfriend, no girlfriend and no romantic or sexual partner ..... 3 [TERMINATE]

[TEXTBOX]

[PROMPT ONCE TO SAY "We would like to have the name of your ["spouse" if S1=1 OR "boyfriend/girlfriend" if S1≠1] so that we can make sure we are asking about the same person in the questions that follow. You may also enter his/her nickname or initials in place of a name."

SECOND PROMPT TO SAY: "We need the first name, or at least the nickname or initials of your spouse (if married) or partner (if unmarried). The name will not be reported to researchers. The name helps us make sure we are asking about the same person in the questions that follow."]

[NOTE TO PROGRAMMER: If Q3 is refused, TERMINATE.]

Q3. What is your [Insert "spouse's (that is, your husband's or wife's)" if S1=1 OR "boyfriend's/girlfriend's" if S1≠1] first name?

[NOTE TO PROGRAMMER: If S2=1 or 2, insert the following: "If you have several romantic or sexual partners, please name the partner who is most important to you."]

The name will not be reported to the researchers. The name helps us make sure we are asking about the same person in the questions that follow.

**[NOTE TO PROGRAMMER: Please create data-only variable “Partner\_Name” and insert in following questions. If Q3 is refused and S1=1, please insert “your spouse” for Q4.]**

**[SP]**

Next are questions about [Partner\_Name] and the family [Partner\_Name] grew up with.

Q4. Is [Partner\_Name] Male or Female?

[Partner\_Name] is Male ..... 1  
 [Partner\_Name] is Female ..... 2  
 [Partner\_Name] is Other, please specify  
**[TEXTBOX]** ..... 3

**[if xLGB=1 OR Q4=PPGENDER, ask Q5]**

**[SP]**

Q5. Is [Partner\_Name] the same gender as you?

Yes, we are a same-sex couple ..... 1  
 No, we are an opposite-sex couple ..... 2

**[SP]**

Q6A. Is [Partner\_Name] Latino or Hispanic? (Select one)

No (Not Latino or Hispanic) ..... 1  
 Yes, Mexican, Mexican American,  
 Chicano ..... 2  
 Yes, Puerto Rican ..... 3  
 Yes, Cuban ..... 4  
 Yes, Other Latino/Hispanic ..... 5

**[SP]**

Q6B. What is [Partner\_Name]’s race? (Select one)

White ..... 1  
 Black or African American ..... 2  
 American Indian, Aleut, or Eskimo ..... 3  
 Asian or Pacific Islander ..... 4  
 Other (please specify) **[TEXTBOX]** ..... 5

**[SP]**

Q7A. Would [Partner\_Name] describe [if Q4=1, insert “himself”; if Q4=2, insert “herself”; if Q4 is skipped, insert “themselves”] as a born-again or Evangelical Christian?

Yes ..... 1

[SP]

Q7B. What is [Partner\_Name]'s religion?

Baptist - any denomination.....	1
Protestant (e.g. Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Episcopal).....	2
Catholic .....	3
Mormon .....	4
Jewish .....	5
Muslim.....	6
Hindu.....	7
Buddhist .....	8
Pentecostal .....	9
Eastern Orthodox .....	10
Other Christian .....	11
Other Non-Christian, please specify .....	12
None.....	13

**[SP]**

Q8A. Is [Partner\_Name]'s religion today the same as [Partner\_Name]'s religion when [If Q4=1, insert "he was"; if Q4=2, insert "she was"; if Q4 is skipped, insert "they were"] 16 years old?

Yes, the same ..... 1  
No, [Partner\_Name] has changed  
religions ..... 2

**[If Q8A=2, ask Q8B]**

**[SP]**

Q8B. What was [Partner\_Name]'s religion when [If Q4=1, insert "he was"; if Q4=2, insert "she was"; if Q4 is skipped, insert "they were"] 16 years old?

Baptist - any denomination ..... 1  
Protestant (e.g. Methodist, Lutheran,  
Presbyterian, Episcopal) ..... 2  
Catholic ..... 3  
Mormon ..... 4  
Jewish ..... 5  
Muslim ..... 6  
Hindu ..... 7  
Buddhist ..... 8  
Pentecostal ..... 9  
Eastern Orthodox ..... 10  
Other Christian ..... 11  
Other Non-Christian, please specify ..... 12  
None ..... 13

**[NUMBER BOX, 10-99]**

Q9. How old is [Partner\_Name]?

**[SP]**

Q10. What is the highest level of schooling [Partner\_Name] has completed?

No formal education .....	1
1 <sup>st</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	2
5 <sup>th</sup> or 6 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	3
7 <sup>th</sup> or 8 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	4
9 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	5
10 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	6
11 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	7
12 <sup>th</sup> grade no diploma .....	8
HS graduate or GED .....	9
Some college, no degree .....	10
Associate degree .....	11
Bachelor's degree .....	12
Master's degree .....	13
Professional or Doctorate degree .....	14

**[SP]**

Q11. What is the highest level of schooling [Partner\_Name]'s MOTHER has completed?

If you are not sure, make your best guess.

No formal education .....	1
1 <sup>st</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	2
5 <sup>th</sup> or 6 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	3
7 <sup>th</sup> or 8 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	4
9 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	5
10 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	6
11 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	7
12 <sup>th</sup> grade no diploma .....	8
HS graduate or GED .....	9
Some college, no degree .....	10
Associate degree .....	11
Bachelor's degree .....	12
Master's degree .....	13
Professional or Doctorate degree .....	14

**[SP]**

Q12. Generally speaking, does [Partner\_Name] think of [if Q4=1, insert "himself"; if Q4=2, insert "herself"; if Q4 is skipped, insert "themselves"] as:

Republican .....	1
Democrat.....	2
Independent .....	3
Another party, please specify .....	4
No preference .....	5

**[SP]**

Next are a few questions about you, and the family you grew up with.

Q13A. Is your religion today the same as your religion when you were 16 years old?

Yes, the same .....	1
No, I have changed religions.....	2

**[If Q13A=2, ask Q13B]**

**[SP]**

Q13B. What was your religion when you were 16 years old?

Baptist - any denomination.....	1
Protestant (e.g. Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Episcopal).....	2
Catholic .....	3
Mormon .....	4
Jewish .....	5
Muslim.....	6
Hindu.....	7
Buddhist .....	8
Pentecostal .....	9
Eastern Orthodox .....	10
Other Christian .....	11
Other Non-Christian, please specify .....	12
None.....	13

**[SP]**

Q14. What is the highest level of schooling YOUR MOTHER has completed?

No formal education .....	1
1 <sup>st</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	2
5 <sup>th</sup> or 6 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	3
7 <sup>th</sup> or 8 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	4
9 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	5
10 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	6
11 <sup>th</sup> grade .....	7
12 <sup>th</sup> grade no diploma .....	8
HS graduate or GED .....	9
Some college, no degree .....	10
Associate degree .....	11
Bachelor's degree .....	12
Master's degree .....	13
Professional or Doctorate degree .....	14



[SP]

Between the time you were born and when you were 16 years old, where did you spend the most time living?

Q15A1. Country (list USA first)

United States.....	1
Cambodia.....	2
Canada.....	3
China.....	4
Colombia.....	5
Cuba.....	6
Dominican Republic.....	7
Ecuador.....	8
El Salvador.....	9
Former Yugoslavia.....	10
France.....	11
Germany.....	12
Great Britain.....	13
Greece.....	14
Guatemala.....	15
Guyana.....	16
Haiti.....	17
Honduras.....	18
Hungary.....	19
India.....	20
Iran.....	21
Ireland.....	22
Italy.....	23
Jamaica.....	24
Japan.....	25
Korea.....	26
Laos.....	27
Mexico.....	28
Nicaragua.....	29
Peru.....	30
Philippines.....	31
Poland.....	32
Portugal.....	33
Russia.....	34
Taiwan.....	35
Thailand.....	36
Trinidad and Tobago.....	37
Vietnam.....	38
Another country, please specify [TEXTBOX].....	39

**[If Country=USA, ask Q15A2]**

Q15A2. Between the time you were born and when you were 16 years old, in what state or U.S. territory did you spend the most time living?

Alabama .....	1
Alaska .....	2
Arizona .....	3
Arkansas .....	4
California .....	5
Colorado.....	6
Connecticut .....	7
Delaware .....	8
Washington, D.C. ....	9
Florida .....	10
Georgia .....	11
Hawaii .....	12
Idaho .....	13
Illinois .....	14
Indiana .....	15
Iowa.....	16
Kansas .....	17
Kentucky .....	18
Louisiana.....	19
Maine .....	20
Maryland .....	21
Massachusetts .....	22
Michigan.....	23
Minnesota.....	24
Mississippi.....	25
Missouri.....	26
Montana .....	27
Nebraska.....	28
Nevada.....	29
New Hampshire.....	30
New Jersey .....	31
New Mexico.....	32
New York.....	33
North Carolina .....	34
North Dakota .....	35
Ohio.....	36
Oklahoma.....	37
Oregon .....	
Pennsylvania.....	38
Rhode Island .....	39
South Carolina .....	40
South Dakota .....	41
Tennessee .....	42
Texas .....	43
Utah.....	44
Vermont.....	45
Virginia .....	46
Washington State.....	47
West Virginia .....	48
Wisconsin.....	49

Wyoming .....	50
Guam .....	51
Northern Mariana Islands .....	52
Puerto Rico .....	53
United States Virgin Islands .....	54

**[TEXTBOX]**

Q15A3. Between the time you were born and when you were 16 years old, in what city or town did you spend the most time living?

**[NUMBER BOX, 0-50]**

Q16. How many of your relatives do you see in person at least once a month? Include parents, brothers and sisters, uncles, aunts, cousins, grandparents, or others.

Do \*not\* include the people who live with you.

**[If S1=1, ask Q17A]**

**[SP]**

Q17A. Including your current marriage, how many times have you been married?

Once (this is my first marriage) .....	1
Twice .....	2
Three times .....	3
Four or more times .....	4

**[If S1=2, ask Q17B]**

**[SP]**

Q17B. How many times have you been married?

Never married .....	0
Once .....	1
Twice .....	2
Three times .....	3
Four or more times .....	4

[if ppgender=2, ask Q17C.]  
[SP]

Q17C. What Gender are you most attracted to, sexually?

- I am sexually attracted only to men..... 1
- I am mostly sexually attracted to men, less often sexually  
attracted to women ..... 2
- I am equally sexually attracted to men and women ..... 3
- I am mostly sexually attracted to women, less often sexually  
attracted to men ..... 4
- I am sexually attracted only to women ..... 5

[if ppgender=1, ask Q17D.]  
[SP]

Q17D. What Gender are you most attracted to, sexually?

- I am sexually attracted only to women ..... 1
- I am mostly sexually attracted to women, less often sexually  
attracted to men ..... 2
- I am equally sexually attracted to men and women ..... 3
- I am mostly sexually attracted to men, less often sexually  
attracted to women ..... 4
- I am sexually attracted only to men..... 5

[If (S1≠1) OR (S1=1 or 2 AND Q5=1), ask Q18A]  
[MP]

Next are a few questions about you and [Partner\_Name].

Some couples who are not married have formal legal agreements, such as Domestic Partnerships or Civil Unions, that recognize their commitment to each other as a couple.

Q18A. Do you and [Partner\_Name] have:

- Domestic Partnership ..... 1
- Civil Union ..... 2
- No, we do not have a Domestic  
Partnership or Civil Union .....3[SP]

**[If Q18A=1 or 2 or both, ask Q18B]**

**[TEXT BOX]**

Q18B. Where (what city and state) does your civil union or domestic partnership with [Partner\_Name] come from (include country if outside the US)?

**[If S1=1 AND Q5=1, ask Q18C]**

**[TEXTBOX]**

Q18C. Where (what city and state) did you marry [Partner\_Name] (include country if outside the US)?

**[SP]**

Q19. Are you currently living with [Partner\_Name]?

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

**[If Q19=2, ask Q20]**

**[SP]**

Q20. Have you ever lived together with [Partner\_Name]?

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

**[NUMBER BOX, 0 to ppage]**

Q21A. How old were you when you first met [Partner\_Name]?

**[NUMBER BOX, Q21A answer to ppage]**

Q21B. How old were you when your romantic relationship with [Partner\_Name] began?

**[If Q19=1 or Q20=1, ask Q21C]**

**[NUMBER BOX, Q21A answer to ppage]**

Q21C. How old were you when you first lived together with [Partner\_Name]?

**[If S1=1, ask Q21D]**

**[NUMBER BOX, Q21B answer to ppage]**

Q21D. How old were you when you married [Partner\_Name]?

**[If Q18A=1 or 2, ask Q21E]**

**[NUMBER BOX, Q21A answer to ppage]**

Q21E. How old were you when you joined in domestic partnership or civil union with [Partner\_Name]?

**[If Q21B is within 3 years of PPAGE (+/- 3 years), ask Q22]**

Q22. How long have you been in a romantic relationship with [Partner\_Name]? Consider the time from when your relationship first began, up to today.

Less than one month.....	1
1-3 months .....	2
4-6months .....	3
7months – 1 year .....	4
more than 1 year, less than 2 years .....	5
more than 2 years, less than 3 years .....	6
3 years or more .....	7

**[SP]**

Q23. Between you and [Partner\_Name], who earned more income in 2008:

I earned more .....	1
We earned about the same amount.....	2
[Partner_Name] earned more .....	3

[TEXT BOX]

[PROMPT TWICE; first prompt should say, "Please add more details, we want to understand your story." SECOND PROMPT: If response is less than 100 characters, the second response will say: "Is there anything else you could add? Every detail helps us."]

Q24. Please write the story of how you and [Partner\_Name] first met and got to know one another and be sure to describe "how" and "where" you first met.

[SP]

Q25. Did you and [Partner\_Name] attend the same high school?

Same High School ..... 1  
Different High School ..... 2

[If PPEDUC  $\geq$  10 AND Q10  $\geq$  10, ask Q26]

[SP]

Q26. Did you and [Partner\_Name] attend the same college or university?

Attended same college or university ..... 1  
Did not attend same college or university ..... 2

[SP]

Q27. Did you and [Partner\_Name] grow up in the same city or town?

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

[SP]

Q28. Did your parents know [Partner\_Name]'s parents before you met [Partner\_Name]?

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

[SP]

Q29. Which of your parents are alive today:

Father and mother..... 1

Father only .....	2
Mother only .....	3
Neither father nor mother are alive .....	4

[If Q29=1-3, ask Q30]

[SP]

[Note to programmer: Please program so that if Q29=1, insert “They approve”, “They neither approve nor disapprove”, “They disapprove”, and “They do” in the answer options. If Q29=2, insert “He approves”, “He neither approves nor disapproves”, “He disapproves”, and “He does”. If Q29=3, insert “She approves”, “She neither approves nor disapproves”, “She disapproves”, and “She does”]

Q30. How does your [if Q29=1, “father and mother”/ if Q29=2,”father”/ if Q29=3, “mother”]  
feel about [Partner\_Name]?

[They approve/He approves/She approves] of your relationship with [Partner_Name] .....	1
[They neither approve nor disapprove /He neither approves nor disapproves /She neither approves nor disapproves] of your relationship with [Partner_Name] .....	2
[They disapprove/He disapproves/She disapproves] of your relationship with [Partner_Name] .....	3
[They do/He does/She does] not know [Partner_Name] .....	4



[MP]

Q31. Where did you meet [Partner\_Name]? Choose all that apply.

- Work..... 1
- School ..... 2
- Church/Church Activity..... 3
- Personal Ads/Dating Service via the  
Internet..... 4
- Vacation/Business Trip ..... 5
- Bar/Nightclub/Dance club..... 6
- Social Organization/health  
club/gym/volunteer-service activity ..... 7
- Private Party..... 8
- Other (Specify) [TEXTBOX]..... 9

[SP]

[NOTE TO PROGRAMMER: (For answer option only) Please replace “your” with “my” for all inserts (your husband; your wife; your spouse)

Q32. Did you use an internet service to meet [Partner\_Name]?

- No, I did not meet [Partner\_Name] through the  
internet..... 1
- Yes, a social networking site (like Facebook or  
Myspace)..... 2
- Yes, an internet dating or matchmaking site (like  
eHarmony or match.com) ..... 3
- Yes, an internet classified advertising site (like  
Craigslist)..... 4
- Yes, an internet chat room..... 5
- Yes, a different kind of internet service..... 6

[MP]

Q33. Who introduced you to [Partner\_Name]? Choose all that apply.

- Family..... 1
- Mutual friends or acquaintances ..... 2
- Co-workers..... 3
- Classmates ..... 4
- Neighbors..... 5
- Introduced self or partner introduced self..... 6
- Other (please specify) [TEXTBOX]..... 7

[SP]

Q34. In general, how would you describe the quality of your relationship with [Partner\_Name]?

- Excellent..... 1
- Good ..... 2
- Fair ..... 3
- Poor..... 4
- Very Poor ..... 5

[TEXTBOX]

Q35. In your own words, explain why your relationship with [Partner\_Name] is **[Enter selected response from Q34]**:

**Couples Survey: Followup 1**  
**- Questionnaire -**

The X-variables are traits identified from the prior Main Survey

**w2\_Xmarry:** single choice; 1=married, 2=partnered

**w2\_Xss [same-sex couples]:** single choice; 1=yes, 2=no

**XNameP:** text [this variable is not part of the public dataset]

**[If w2\_xMarry =1]**

Hello. We are doing a very brief follow-up survey about couples, and we really appreciate your participation. We are interested in changes in your marital status since last year. Last year you told us you were married to [XNameP].

**[If w2\_xMarry =1]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w2\_Q1: Are you still married to [XNameP]?

- 1        yes
- 2        no

**[TERMINATE IF w2\_Q1 IS REFUSED]**

**[If w2\_xMarry =1 AND w2\_Q1=1]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w2\_Q2: Are you currently living with [XNameP]?

- 1        yes
- 2        no

**[SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

**[If w2\_xMarry =1 AND w2\_Q1=2]**

**[SP]**

w2\_Q3: How did your marriage to [XNameP] end?

- 1        divorce
- 2        separation with no divorce
- 3        [XNameP] passed away, is deceased

**[If w2\_Q3=3, SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

**[If w2\_xMarry =1 AND w2\_Q3=1,2]**

**[SP]**

w2\_Q4: Between you and [XNameP], who wanted the [IF w2\_Q3=1: divorce/ IF w2\_Q3=2: separation] more?

- 1 I wanted the [IF w2\_Q3=1: divorce/ IF w2\_Q3=2: separation] more.
- 2 [xNameP] wanted the [IF w2\_Q3=1: divorce/ IF w2\_Q3=2: separation] more.
- 3 We both equally wanted the [IF w2\_Q3=1: divorce/ IF w2\_Q3=2: separation].

**[SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

**[If w2\_xMarry =2]**

Hello. We are doing a very brief follow-up survey about couples, and we really appreciate your participation. We are interested in changes in your relationship status since last year. Last year you told us you were in a romantic relationship with [xNameP].

**[If w2\_xMarry =2]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w2\_Q5: Are you still in a romantic relationship with [xNameP]?

- 1 yes
- 2 no

**[TERMINATE IF w2\_Q5 IS REFUSED]**

**[IF w2\_xMarry =2 AND Q5=1]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w2\_Q6: Are you currently living with [xNameP]?

- 1 yes
- 2 no

**[IF w2\_xMarry =2 AND w2\_Q5=1]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w2\_Q7: In the past 12 months, have you and [xNameP] gotten married?

- 1 yes, married [xNameP]
- 2 no, did not marry [xNameP]

**[IF w2\_xMarry =2 AND XSS = 1 and w2\_Q5=1]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w2\_Q8: In the past 12 months, have you and [xNameP] gotten a formal domestic partnership or civil union?

- 1 No, we have not gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement
- 2 Yes, we have gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement

**[SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

**[IF w2\_xMarry =2 AND w2\_Q5=2]**

**[SP]**

w2\_Q9: How did your relationship with [xNameP] end?

- 1 we broke up
- 2 [xNameP] passed away, is deceased
- 3 Other (please describe) **[text box]**

**[IF w2\_Q9=2, SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

**[IF w2\_xMarry =2 AND w2\_Q9=1,3]**

**[SP]**

w2\_Q10: Between you and [xNameP], who wanted more to break up?

- 1 I wanted to break up more
- 2 [xNameP] wanted to break up more
- 3 We both equally wanted to break up

**[Standard KN close]**

Couples Survey: Wave 3  
January 2011  
- Questionnaire -

**[PROGRAMMER NOTE: The range for w3\_xyear is (2009, 2010). The range for w3\_xmonth is (2,3,4,5,6).]**

**[If w3\_xmarry=1]**

**[DISPLAY]**

Hello. We are doing a very brief follow-up survey about couples, and we really appreciate your participation. We are interested in changes in your marital status since **[if w3\_xlast=1: last year if w3\_xlast=2: two years ago]**. **[if w3\_xlast=1: Last year if w3\_xlast=2: Two years ago]** you told us you were married to **[xNameP]**.

**[If w3\_xmarry =1]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w3\_q1. Are you still married to **[XNameP]**?

1        yes

2        no

**[TERMINATE IF w3\_q1 IS REFUSED]**

**[If w3\_q1=1]**

**[SP; PROMPT ONCE]**

w3\_q2. Are you currently living with **[XNameP]**?

1        yes

2        no

**[SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

**[If w3\_q1=2]**

**[SP]**

w3\_q3. How did your marriage to **[XNameP]** end?

1        divorce

2        separation with no divorce

3        **[XNameP]** passed away, is deceased

**[If w3\_q3=3, SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

[If w3\_q3=1,2]

[SP]

w3\_q4. Between you and [XNameP], who wanted the [IF w3\_q3=1: divorce ; IF w3\_q3=2: separation] more?

- 1 I wanted the [IF w3\_q3=1: divorce IF w3\_q3=2: separation] more.
- 2 [xNameP] wanted the [IF w3\_q3=1: divorce IF w3\_q3=2: separation] more.
- 3 We both equally wanted the [IF w3\_q3=1: divorce IF w3\_q3=2: separation].

[If w3\_q3=1,2]

[DROP-DOWN. FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE xYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER XYEAR/XMONTH COMBINATION. FOR EXAMPLE, IF XYEAR=2010 AND XMONTH=5, PLEASE ONLY SHOW MAY TO CURRENT MONTH. SOME RESPONDENTS WILL GET ALL THE MONTHS; FOR EXAMPLE, IF XYEAR=2009 AND XMONTH=3, RESPONDENTS WILL SEE ALL MONTHS]

[IF REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT: "Please enter both year and month below."]

w3\_mbtiming. When did you get [IF w3\_q3=1: divorced IF w3\_q3=2: separated] from [XnameP]? You last told us you were [IF w3\_q3=1: married IF w3\_q3=2: in a relationship] with [XnameP] in [w3\_xmonth] [w3\_xyear].

[Prompt Once]

Year: 2009  
2010  
2011

[Prompt Once]

Month: January  
February  
March  
April  
May  
June  
July  
August  
September  
October  
November  
December

[IF w3\_xmarry=1 SKIP TO KN CLOSE]

[If xmarry =2]

[DISPLAY]

Hello. We are doing a very brief follow-up survey about couples, and we really appreciate your participation. We are interested in changes in your relationship status since [if xlast=1: last year if xlast=2, two years ago]. [if w3\_xlast=1: Last year if w3\_xlast=2: Two years ago] you told us you were in a romantic relationship with [xNameP].

[If w3\_xmarry =2]

[SP; PROMPT ONCE]

w3\_q5. Are you still in a romantic relationship with [xNameP]?

- 1 yes
- 2 no

[TERMINATE IF w3\_q5 IS REFUSED]

[IF w3\_q5=1]

[SP; PROMPT ONCE]

w3\_q6. Are you currently living with [xNameP]?

- 1 yes
- 2 no

[IF w3\_q5=1]

[SP; PROMPT ONCE]

w3\_q7. In the past [if xlast=1: year if xlast=2: two years], have you and [xNameP] gotten married?

- 1 yes, married [xNameP]
- 2 no, did not marry [xNameP]

[IF w3\_q5=1 AND w3\_xtype=2, SKIP TO KN CLOSE]

[IF w3\_xmarry =2 AND w3\_xtype=1 AND w3\_q7=1]

[TEXT BOX]

xssmar\_where. Where (what city and state) did you marry [XNameP] (include country if outside the US)?

[IF w3\_xmarry=2 AND w3\_xss=1 AND w3\_q7=2]

[SP]

[PROMPT ONCE]

w3\_q8. In the past [if xlast=1: year if xlast=2: two years], have you and [xNameP] gotten a formal domestic partnership or civil union?

- 1 No, we have not gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement
- 2 Yes, we have gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement

[IF w3\_q8=2]

[TEXT BOX]

xssdp\_where. Where (what city and state) does your civil union or domestic partnership with [xNameP] come from (include country if outside the US)?

[IF w3\_q5=1, SKIP TO KN CLOSE]



**[IF w3\_xmarry=2 AND w3\_q5=2]**

**[SP]**

w3\_q9. How did your relationship with **[xNameP]** end?

- 1 We broke up
- 2 **[xNameP]** passed away, is deceased
- 3 Other (please describe) **[text box]**

**[IF w3\_q9=2, SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

**[IF w3\_xmarry=2 AND w3\_q9=1,3]**

**[SP]**

w3\_q10. Between you and **[xNameP]**, who wanted more to break up?

- 1 I wanted to break up more
- 2 **[xNameP]** wanted to break up more
- 3 We both equally wanted to break up

**[If w3\_xmarry=2 AND w3\_q9=1,3]**

**[DROP-DOWN. FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE xYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER XYEAR/XMONTH COMBINATION. FOR EXAMPLE, IF XYEAR=2010 AND XMONTH=5, PLEASE ONLY SHOW MAY TO CURRENT MONTH. SOME RESPONDENTS WILL GET ALL THE MONTHS; FOR EXAMPLE, IF XYEAR=2009 AND XMONTH=3, RESPONDENTS WILL SEE ALL MONTHS]**

**[IF REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT: "Please enter both year and month below."]**

w3\_nonmbtming. When did you break up with **[XnameP]**? You last told us you were in a relationship with **[XnameP]** in **[w3\_xmonth]** **[w3\_xyear]**.

**[Prompt Once]**

Year: 2009  
2010  
2011

**[Prompt Once]**

Month: January  
February  
March  
April  
May  
June  
July  
August  
September  
October  
November  
December

**[Standard KN close]**

How Couples Meet Survey Wave 4  
February 2013  
- Questionnaire -

**Note to HCMST data users: Open-ended questions (with text responses) are not included in the public HCMST data wave 4 supplement. In the future, redacted versions of the text variables will be made available as restricted data available from ICPSR.**

**[MARRIED RESPONDENT SECTION]**  
**[PLEASE INSERT STANFORD LOGO CENTER]**  
**[DISPLAY]**  
**[INSERT TITLE CENTER: "The Stanford Couples Study"]**

**[IF XMARRY=1]**  
**[DISPLAY: image and title on same page]**  
Hello. We are doing a very brief follow-up survey about couples, and we really appreciate your participation. We are interested in changes in your marital status since **[IF xlast=1: last year / IF wxlast=2: two years ago / IF xlast=3: three years ago / IF xlast=4: four years ago]**. **[IF xlast=1: Last year, / IF xlast=2: Two years ago, / IF xlast=3: Three years ago, / IF xlast=4: Four years ago,]** you told us you were married to **[xnamep]**.

**[IF XMARRY =1]**  
**[SP]**  
**[PROMPT ONCE]**  
w4\_q1. Are you still married to **[w4\_xnamep]**?

- 1      yes
- 2      no

**[TERMINATE IF w4\_q1 IS REFUSED]**

**[IF w4\_q1=1]**  
**[SP]**  
**[PROMPT ONCE]**  
w4\_q2. Are you currently living with **[xnamep]**?

- 1      yes
- 2      no

**[IF w4\_q1=1]**  
**[SP]**  
w4\_quality.      In general, how would you describe the quality of your relationship with **[xnamep]**?

Excellent..... 1  
Good..... 2

Fair ..... 3  
Poor ..... 4  
Very Poor..... 5

[IF w4\_q1=1]  
[LARGE TEXTBOX]  
[PROMPT ONCE]

w4\_quality\_text. In your own words, explain why your relationship with [xnamep] is [ENTER  
SELECTED RESPONSE FROM W4\_QUALITY]:

[IF w4\_q1=1]  
[SP]

w4\_attractive. The next two questions are about how you perceive yourself and your spouse.

[SPACE]

How attractive are you?

very attractive.....1  
moderately attractive.....2  
slightly attractive.....3  
not at all attractive.....4

[IF w4\_q1=1]

w4\_attractive\_partner. How attractive is [xnamep]?

very attractive.....1  
moderately attractive.....2  
slightly attractive.....3  
not at all attractive.....4

[SKIP TO KN CLOSE]

[IF w4\_q1=2]

[SP]

w4\_q3. How did your marriage to [xnamep] end?

- 1 divorce
- 2 separation with no divorce
- 3 [xnamep] passed away, is deceased

[IF w4\_q3=3, SKIP TO KN CLOSE]

[IF w4\_q3=1,2]

[SP]

w4\_q4. Between you and [xnamep], who wanted the [IF w4\_q3=1: divorce / IF w4\_q3=2: separation] more?

- 1 I wanted the [IF w4\_q3=1: divorce / IF w4\_q3=2: separation] more.
- 2 [xnamep] wanted the [IF w4\_q3=1: divorce / IF w4\_q3=2: separation] more.
- 3 We both equally wanted the [IF w4\_q3=1: divorce / IF w4\_q3=2: separation].

[IF w4\_q1=2 and w4\_q3 ≠ 3]

[LARGE TEXTBOX]

[PROMPT ONCE]

w4\_why\_broke\_up. In your own words, explain why your relationship with [xnamep] ended:

[IF w4\_xmarry=1 and w4\_q3=1,2]

PROMPT ONCE IS MISSING; THEN CUSTOM PROMPT: " PLEASE SELECT [if missing xyear insert = A YEAR / if missing xmonth insert = A MONTH].

[DROP-DOWN; FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE XYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER XYEAR/XMONTH COMBINATION DO NOT ALLOW RESPONDENT TO SELECT A DATE PAST THE CURRENT XMONTH/XYEAR].

[IF EITHER/BOTH MONTH AND YEAR REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT: Please enter both year and month below.]

w4\_mbtiming. When did you get [IF w4\_q3=1: divorced / IF w4\_q3=2: separated] from [xnamep]? You last told us you were married with [xnamep] in [xmonth], [xyear].

[Prompt Once]

Year: 2009

2010  
2011  
2012  
2013

**[Prompt Once]**

Month: January  
February  
March  
April  
May  
June  
July  
August  
September  
October  
November  
December

**[IF w4\_xmarry=2 and w4\_q3=1,2]**

**[SP]**

w4\_attractive. How attractive are you?

very attractive.....	1
moderately attractive.....	2
slightly attractive.....	3
not at all attractive.....	4

**[IF xmarry=1 SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

[UNMARRIED RESPONDENT SECTION]

[PLEASE INSERT STANFORD LOGO CENTER]

[DISPLAY]

[INSERT TITLE CENTER: "The Stanford Couples Study"]

[IF xmarry =2]

[DISPLAY: image and title on same page]

Hello. We are doing a very brief follow-up survey about couples, and we really appreciate your participation. We are interested in changes in your relationship status since [IF xlast=1: last year / IF xlast=2: two years ago / IF xlast=3: three years ago / if xlast=4: four years ago]. [IF xlast=1: Last year, / IF xlast=2: Two years ago, / IF xlast=3: Three years ago, / IF xlast=4: Four years ago,] you told us you were in a romantic relationship with [xnamep].

[IF xmarry =2]

[SP; PROMPT ONCE]

w4\_q5. Are you still in a romantic relationship with [xnamep]?

- 1      yes
- 2      no

[TERMINATE IF w4\_q5 IS REFUSED]

[IF w4\_q5=1]

[SP; PROMPT ONCE]

w4\_q6. Are you currently living with [xnamep]?

- 1      yes
- 2      no

[IF w4\_q5=1]

[SP]

w4\_quality.      In general, how would you describe the quality of your relationship with [xnamep]?

- Excellent..... 1
- Good..... 2
- Fair ..... 3
- Poor ..... 4
- Very Poor..... 5

[IF w4\_q5=1]

[LARGE TEXTBOX]

[PROMPT ONCE]

w4\_quality\_text. In your own words, explain why your relationship with [xnamep] is [ENTER  
SELECTED RESPONSE FROM W4\_QUALITY]:

**[PROGRAMMER NOTE: QUESTIONS W4\_ATTRACTIVE AND W4\_ATTRACTIVE\_PARTNER WERE NOT DELETED JUST MOVED AFTER W4\_CIVTIMING ITEM.]**

**[IF xmarry=2 and w4\_q5=1]**

**[SP; PROMPT ONCE]**

w4\_q7. In the past **[IF xlast=1: year / IF xlast=2: two years / IF xlast=3: three years / IF xlast=4: four years]**, have you and **[xnamep]** gotten married?

- 1      yes, married **[xnamep]**
- 2      no, did not marry **[xnamep]**

**[IF xmarry =2 AND w4\_q7=1]**

**[MEDIUM TEXT BOX]**

w4\_xssmar\_where. Where (what city and state) did you marry **[xnamep]** (include country if outside the US)?

[IF w4\_q7=1]

**PROMPT ONCE IS MISSING; THEN CUSTOM PROMPT:** " Please select [IF MISSING XYEAR INSERT = a year / IF MISSING XMONTH INSERT = a month].

**[DROP-DOWN; FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE xYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER XYEAR/XMONTH COMBINATION DO NOT ALLOW RESPONDENT TO SELECT A DATE PAST THE CURRENT XMOTH/XYEAR].**

**[IF EITHER/BOTH MONTH AND YEAR REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT:** Please enter both year and month below.]

w4\_martiming. When did you get married with [xnamep]? We last contacted you in [xmonth], [xyear].

**[Prompt Once]**

Year: 2009  
2010  
2011  
2012  
2013

**[Prompt Once]**

Month: January  
February  
March  
April  
May  
June  
July  
August  
September  
October  
November  
December

**[IF xmarry=2 AND xcivil=0 AND w4\_q7=2 AND xtype=1]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w4\_q8. In the past [IF xlast=1: year / IF xlast=2: two years / IF xlast=3: three years / IF xlast=4: four years], have you and [xnamep] gotten a formal domestic partnership or civil union?

- 1 No, we have not gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement
- 2 Yes, we have gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement

**[IF xmarry=2 AND xcivil=0 AND w4\_q7=2 AND xtype=2]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**



w4\_q8. In the past **four years**, have you and **[xnamep]** gotten a formal domestic partnership or civil union?

- 1 No, we have not gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement
- 2 Yes, we have gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement

**[IF w4\_q8=2]**  
**[MEDIUMTEXT BOX]**

w4\_xssdp\_where. Where (what city and state) does your civil union or domestic partnership with **[xnamep]** come from (include country if outside the US)?

**[IF w4\_q8=2 AND xtype=1]**  
**[PROMPT ONCE IF MISSING; THEN CUSTOM PROMPT: " Please select [IF MISSING XYEAR INSERT = a year / IF MISSING XMONTH INSERT = a month].**

**[DROP-DOWN; FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE xYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER XYEAR/XMONTH COMBINATION DO NOT ALLOW RESPONDENT TO SELECT A DATE PAST THE CURRENT XMOTH/XYEAR].**

**[IF EITHER/BOTH MONTH AND YEAR REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT: Please enter both year and month below.]**

w4\_civtiming. When did you get a domestic partnership or civil union agreement with **[xnamep]**? We last contacted you in **[xmonth]**, **[xyear]**.

**[Prompt Once]**

Year: 2009  
2010  
2011  
2012  
2013

**[Prompt Once]**

Month: January  
February  
March  
April  
May  
June  
July  
August

September  
October  
November  
December

**[IF w4\_q8=2 AND xtype=2]**

**[PROMPT ONCE IF MISSING: CUSTOM PROMPT: " Please select [IF MISSING XYEAR INSERT = a year / IF MISSING XMONTH INSERT = a month].**

**[DROP-DOWN; FOR (XYEAR) PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT RESPONDENTS CAN SELECT ALL YEARS STARTING FROM XYEAR 2009. FOR THE YEAR 2009 APPLY FILTER FOR MONTHS BASED ON (XWAVE1MO) ONLY THE MONTHS EQUAL TO OR AFTER (/XMONTH1MO) WILL BE DISPLAYED.FORTHE YEARS 2010,2011,2012 DISPLAY ALL MONTHS.DO NOT ALLOW RESPONDENT TO SELECT A DATE PAST THE CURRENT XMOTH/XYEAR].**

**[CLIENT NOTE: THE HETEROSEXUAL RESPONDENTS HAVE NOT BEEN ASKED ABOUT CIVIL UNIONS SINCE WAVE 1 IN 2009].**

**[IF EITHER/BOTH MONTH AND YEAR REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT: Please enter both year and month below.]**

w4\_civtiming. When did you get a domestic partnership or civil union agreement with **[xnamep]**? We last asked you about civil unions and domestic partnerships in **[xwave1mo]** 2009.

**[Prompt Once]**

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**[IF w4\_q5=1]**

**[SP]**

w4\_attractive. The next two questions are about how you perceive yourself and your partner.

**[SPACE]**

How attractive are you?

very attractive.....	1
moderately attractive.....	2
slightly attractive.....	3
not at all attractive.....	4

**[IF w4\_q5=1]**

**[SP]**

w4\_attractive\_partner

How attractive is **[xnamep]**?

very attractive.....	1
moderately attractive.....	2
slightly attractive.....	3
not at all attractive.....	4

**[IF w4\_q5=1, SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

**[IF xmarry=2 AND w4\_q5=2]**

**[SP]**

w4\_q9. How did your relationship with **[xnamep]** end?

- 1 We broke up
- 2 **[xnamep]** passed away, is deceased

**[IF w4\_q9=2, SKIP TO KN CLOSE]**

**[IF xmarry=2 AND w4\_q9 ≠ 2]**

**[SP]**

w4\_q10. Between you and **[xnamep]**, who wanted more to break up?

- 1 I wanted to break up more
- 2 **[xnamep]** wanted to break up more
- 3 We both equally wanted to break up

**[IF w4\_q5=2 and w4\_q9 ≠ 2]**

**[LARGE TEXTBOX]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w4\_why\_broke\_up. In your own words, explain why your relationship with **[xnamep]** ended:

**[If xmarry=2 AND w4\_q9#2]**

**[PROMPT ONCE IF MISSING; THEN CUSTOM PROMPT"** Please select **[IF MISSING XYEAR INSERT = a year / IF MISSING XMONTH INSERT = a month].**

**[DROP-DOWN; FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE xYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER XYEAR/XMONTH COMBINATION. DO NOT ALLOW DISPLAY OF A MONTH/YEAR COMBO THAT IS PRIOR TO THE XMONTH/XYEAR COMBO. DO NOT ALLOW RESPONDENT TO SELECT A DATE PAST THE CURRENT XMOTH/XYEAR].**

**[IF EITHER/BOTH MONTH AND YEAR REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT:** Please enter both year and month below.]

w4\_nonmbtming. When did you break up with **[xnamep]**? You last told us you were in a relationship with **[xnamep]** in **[xmonth]**, **[xyear]**.

**[Prompt Once]**

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**[IF xmarry=2 and w4\_q5=2]**

**[SP]**

w4\_attractive. How attractive are you?

very attractive.....	1
moderately attractive.....	2
slightly attractive.....	3
not at all attractive.....	4

[INSERT KN CLOSE]

## How Couples Meet Survey Wave 5

October 2014

- Questionnaire -

[PROGRAM NOTE: PLEASE NOTE, ADDITIONAL REVISIONS TO THE SURVEY WILL BE PROVIDED. IN ADDITION TO PIPING IN TEXT BASED ON SAMVAR VALUES, WE WILL ALSO BE PROVIDING A LOOKUP TABLE BY MNO. IF RESPONDENT MNOS ARE FOUND ON THIS TABLE, TEXT INSERTS SHOULD BE DETERMINED BY THE LOOK UP TABLE VARIABLES]

CREATE DATA-ONLY VARIABLE PANEL.

IF MNO<1000000000 PANEL=1: KN PANEL MEMBER

IF MNO>1000000000 PANEL=2: OFFPANEL

[MARRIED RESPONDENT SECTION]

[PLEASE INSERT STANFORD LOGO CENTER]

[DISPLAY]

[INSERT TITLE CENTER: "The Stanford Couples Study"]

[IF W5\_XMARRY=1]

[DISPLAY: image and title on same page]

Hello. We are doing a very brief follow-up survey about couples, and we really appreciate your participation. We are interested in changes in your marital status since [IF w5\_xlast=1: last year / IF ww5\_xlast=2: two years ago / IF w5\_xlast=3: three years ago / IF w5\_xlast=4: four years ago/ IF w5\_xlast=5: five years ago]. [IF w5\_xlast=1: Last year, / IF w5\_xlast=2: Two years ago, / IF w5\_xlast=3: Three years ago, / IF w5\_xlast=4: Four years ago,/IF w5\_xlast=5: Five years ago,] you told us you were married to [w5\_xnamep].

[IF W5\_XMARRY =1]

[SP]

[PROMPT ONCE]

w5\_q1. Are you still married to [w5\_xnamep]?

- 1      yes
- 2      no

[TERMINATE IF w5\_q1 IS REFUSED]

[IF w5\_q1=1]

[SP]

[PROMPT ONCE]

w5\_q2. Are you currently living with [w5\_xnamep]?

- 1      yes
- 2      no

[IF w5\_q1=1]

[SP]

w5\_sex\_frequency. During the last 12 months, about how often did you have sex with [w5\_xnamep]? Was it...

- 1      Once a day or more

- 2 3 to 6 times a week
- 3 Once or twice a week
- 4 2 to 3 times a month
- 5 Once a month or less

[IF w5\_q1=1]

[SP]

**w5\_p\_monogamy.** Do you expect **[w5\_xnamep]** to have sexual activity only with you?

- 1 Yes, I expect that **[w5\_xnamep]** will only have sex with me
- 2 No, I expect **[w5\_xnamep]** to have sex with other people besides me

[If w5\_p\_monogamy=2]

[Medium Textbox]

w5\_p\_nonmonogamy\_exp. When and why do you expect **[w5\_xnamep]** to have sex with other people?

[IF w5\_q1=1]

[SP]

**w5\_identity.** Do you think of yourself as

- 1 heterosexual or straight
- 2 gay
- 3 lesbian
- 4 bisexual
- 5 Something else [text box]

[If w5\_q1=1 AND (w5\_identity=2 or w5\_identity=3 or w5\_identity=4)]

[SP]

**w5\_outness.** Thinking about the important people in your life, how many are aware that you are [if w5\_identity=2: gay] [if w5\_identity=3: a lesbian] [if w5\_identity=4: bisexual]?

- 1 All or most of them
- 2 Some of them
- 3 Only a few of them
- 4 None of them

[If w5\_q1=1, SKIP TO VSOCONTACT IF PANEL = 2]

[If w5\_q1=1, SKIP TO STANDARD CLOSE IF PANEL = 1]

**[IF w5\_q1=2]**

**[SP]**

w5\_q3. How did your marriage to **[w5\_xnamep]** end?

- 1 divorce
- 2 separation with no divorce
- 3 **[w5\_xnamep]** passed away, is deceased

**[IF w5\_q3=3, SKIP TO VSOCONTACT IF PANEL = 2]**

**[IF w5\_q3=3, SKIP TO STANDARD CLOSE IF PANEL = 1]**

**[IF w5\_q3=1,2]**

**[SP]**

w5\_q4. Between you and **[w5\_xnamep]**, who wanted the **[IF w5\_q3=1: divorce / IF w5\_q3=2: separation]** more?

- 1 I wanted the **[IF w5\_q3=1: divorce / IF w5\_q3=2: separation]** more.
- 2 **[w5\_xnamep]** wanted the **[IF w5\_q3=1: divorce / IF w5\_q3=2: separation]** more.
- 3 We both equally wanted the **[IF w5\_q3=1: divorce / IF w5\_q3=2: separation]**.

**[IF w5\_q1=2 and w5\_q3 =1,2]**

**[LARGE TEXTBOX]**

[PROMPT TWICE; first prompt should say, "Please add more details, we want to understand your story." SECOND PROMPT: "Is

there anything else you could add? Every detail helps us."]

[PROGRAM NOTE: Only show Second Prompt if text box has less than 100 characters entered in it]

w5\_why\_broke\_up. In your own words, explain why your relationship with **[w5\_xnamep]** ended:

**[IF w5\_xmarry=1 and w5\_q3=1,2]**

PROMPT ONCE IS MISSING; THEN CUSTOM PROMPT: " PLEASE SELECT [if missing w5\_xyear insert = A YEAR / if missing w5\_xmonth insert = A MONTH].

**[DROP-DOWN; FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE W5\_XYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER W5\_XYEAR/W5\_XMONTH COMBINATION DO NOT ALLOW RESPONDENT TO SELECT A DATE PAST THE CURRENT XMOTH/W5\_XYEAR].**

**[IF EITHER/BOTH MONTH AND YEAR REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT:** Please enter both year and month below.]



w5\_mbtiming. When did you get **[IF w5\_q3=1: divorced / IF w5\_q3=2: separated]** from **[w5\_xnamep]**? You last told us you were married with **[w5\_xnamep]** in **[w5\_xmonth]**, **[w5\_xyear]**.

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**[IF w5\_q1=2]**

**[SP]**

w5\_identity\_1. Do you think of yourself as

- 1 heterosexual or straight
- 2 gay
- 3 lesbian
- 4 bisexual
- 5 Something else [specify with small text box]

**[If w5\_q1=2 AND (w5\_identity=2 or w5\_identity=3 or w5\_identity=4) ]**

**[SP]**

w5\_outness\_1. Thinking about the important people in your life, how many are aware that you are [if w5\_identity=2: gay] [if w5\_identity=3: a lesbian] [if w5\_identity=4: bisexual]?

- 1 All or most of them
- 2 Some of them
- 3 Only a few of them
- 4 None of them

**[IF w5\_xmarry=1 SKIP TO VSOCONTACT IF PANEL = 2]**

**[IF w5\_xmarry=1 SKIP TO STANDARD CLOSE IF PANEL = 1]**

**[UNMARRIED RESPONDENT SECTION]**

[PLEASE INSERT STANFORD LOGO CENTER]

[DISPLAY]

[INSERT TITLE CENTER: "The Stanford Couples Study"]

[IF w5\_xmarry =2]

[DISPLAY: image and title on same page]

Hello. We are doing a very brief follow-up survey about couples, and we really appreciate your participation. We are interested in changes in your relationship status since [IF w5\_xlast=1: last year / IF w5\_xlast=2: two years ago / IF w5\_xlast=3: three years ago / if w5\_xlast=4: four years ago/ if w5\_xlast=5: five years ago]. [IF w5\_xlast=1: Last year, / IF w5\_xlast=2: Two years ago, / IF w5\_xlast=3: Three years ago, / IF w5\_xlast=4: Four years ago, / IF w5\_xlast=5: Five years ago,] you told us you were in a romantic relationship with [w5\_xnamep].

[IF w5\_xmarry =2]

[SP; PROMPT ONCE]

w5\_q5. Are you still in a romantic relationship with [w5\_xnamep]?

- 1      yes
- 2      no

[TERMINATE IF w5\_q5 IS REFUSED]

[IF w5\_q5=1]

[SP; PROMPT ONCE]

w5\_q6. Are you currently living with [w5\_xnamep]?

- 1      yes
- 2      no

[IF w5\_xmarry=2 and w5\_q5=1]

[SP; PROMPT ONCE]

w5\_q7. In the past [IF w5\_xlast=1: year / IF w5\_xlast=2: two years / IF w5\_xlast=3: three years / IF w5\_xlast=4: four years / IF w5\_xlast=5: five years], have you and [w5\_xnamep] gotten married?

- 1      yes, married [w5\_xnamep]
- 2      no, did not marry [w5\_xnamep]

[IF w5\_xmarry =2 AND w5\_q7=1]

[MEDIUM TEXT BOX]

w5\_xssmar\_where. Where (what city and state) did you marry [w5\_xnamep] (include country if outside the US)?

[IF w5\_q7=1]

**PROMPT ONCE IS MISSING; THEN CUSTOM PROMPT:** " Please select [IF MISSING w5\_XYEAR INSERT = a year / IF MISSING w5\_XMONTH INSERT = a month].

**[DROP-DOWN; FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE w5\_XYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER w5\_XYEAR/w5\_XMONTH COMBINATION DO NOT ALLOW RESPONDENT TO SELECT A DATE PAST THE CURRENT XMONTH/W5\_XYEAR].**

**[IF EITHER/BOTH MONTH AND YEAR REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT:** Please enter both year and month below.]

w5\_martiming. When did you get married with [w5\_xnamep]? We last contacted you in [w5\_xmonth], [w5\_xyear].

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**[IF w5\_xmarry=2 AND w5\_xcivil=2 AND w5\_q7=2]**

**[SP]**

**[PROMPT ONCE]**

w5\_q8. Since [insert year from xcivyear, not in bold], have you and [w5\_xnamep] gotten a formal domestic partnership or civil union?

- 1 No, we have not gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement
- 2 Yes, we have gotten a domestic partnership or civil union agreement

**[IF w5\_q8=2]**

**[MEDIUMTEXT BOX]**

W5\_xssdp\_where. Where (what city and state) does your civil union or domestic partnership with [w5\_xnamep] come from (include country if outside the US)?

[IF w5\_q8=2]

[PROMPT ONCE IF MISSING; THEN CUSTOM PROMPT: " Please select [IF MISSING W5\_XCIVYEAR INSERT = a year / IF MISSING W5\_XCIVMON INSERT = a month].

[DROP-DOWN; FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE XCIVYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER XCIVYEAR/XCIVMON COMBINATION. DO NOT ALLOW RESPONDENT TO SELECT A DATE PAST THE CURRENT MONTH/YEAR].

[IF EITHER/BOTH MONTH AND YEAR REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT: Please enter both year and month below.]

w5\_civtiming. When did you get a domestic partnership or civil union agreement with [w5\_xnamep]? We last asked you about civil unions and domestic partnerships in [xcivmon], [xcivyear].

[Prompt Once]

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[IF w5\_q5=1]

[SP]

w5\_sex\_frequency. During the last 12 months, about how often did you have sex with [w5\_xnamep]? Was it...

- 1 Once a day or more
- 2 3 to 6 times a week

- 3 Once or twice a week
- 4 2 to 3 times a month
- 5 Once a month or less

[IF w5\_q5=1]

[SP]

**w5\_p\_monogamy.** Do you expect [w5\_xnamep] to have sexual activity only with you?

- 1 Yes, I expect that [w5\_xnamep] will **only have sex with me**
- 2 No, I expect [w5\_xnamep] to have sex with other people besides me

[If w5\_p\_monogamy=2]

[Medium Textbox]

w5\_p\_nonmonogamy\_exp. When and why do you expect [w5\_xnamep] to have sex with other people?

[IF w5\_q5=1]

[SP]

**w5\_identity\_2.** Do you think of yourself as

- 1 heterosexual or straight
- 2 gay
- 3 lesbian
- 4 bisexual
- 5 Something else [specify with small text box]

[If w5\_q5=1 AND (w5\_identity=2 or w5\_identity=3 or w5\_identity=4)]

[SP]

**w5\_outness\_2.** Thinking about the important people in your life, how many are aware that you are [if w5\_identity=2: gay] [if w5\_identity=3: a lesbian] [if w5\_identity=4: bisexual]?

- 1 All or most of them
- 2 Some of them
- 3 Only a few of them
- 4 None of them

[IF w5\_q5=1, SKIP TO VSOCONTACT IF PANEL = 2]

[IF w5\_q5=1, SKIP TO STANDARD CLOSE IF PANEL = 1]

[IF w5\_xmarry=2 AND w5\_q5=2]

[SP]

w5\_q9. How did your relationship with [w5\_xnamep] end?

- 1 We broke up
- 2 [w5\_xnamep] passed away, is deceased

[IF w5\_q9=2, SKIP TO VSOCONTACT IF PANEL = 2]

**[IF w5\_q9=2, SKIP TO STANDARD CLOSE IF PANEL = 1]**

**[IF w5\_xmarry=2 AND w5\_q5 = 2 and w5\_q9 = 1]**

**[SP]**

w5\_q10. Between you and **[w5\_xnamep]**, who wanted more to break up?

- 1 I wanted to break up more
- 2 **[w5\_xnamep]** wanted to break up more
- 3 We both equally wanted to break up

**[IF w5\_q5=2 and w5\_q9 = 1]**

[PROMPT TWICE; first prompt should say, "Please add more details, we want to understand your story." SECOND PROMPT: "Is

there anything else you could add? Every detail helps us."]

[PROGRAM NOTE: Only show Second Prompt if text box has less than 100 characters entered in it]

w5\_why\_broke\_up\_1. In your own words, explain why your relationship with **[w5\_xnamep]** ended:

**[If w5\_xmarry=2 AND w5\_q5=2 AND w5\_q9=1]**

**[PROMPT ONCE IF MISSING; THEN CUSTOM PROMPT"** Please select **[IF MISSING W5\_XYEAR INSERT = a year / IF MISSING W5\_XMONTH INSERT = a month]**.

**[DROP-DOWN; FOR YEAR, PLEASE USE w5\_XYEAR AS STARTING POINT, AND INCLUDE ONLY FOLLOWING YEARS IN THE RANGE. FOR MONTH RANGE, PLEASE HAVE THIS DYNAMICALLY LINKED TO YEAR SO THAT RESPONDENTS CAN ONLY SELECT YEAR AND MONTH THAT IS EQUAL TO OR AFTER W5\_XYEAR/W5\_XMONTH COMBINATION. DO NOT ALLOW DISPLAY OF A MONTH/YEAR COMBO THAT IS PRIOR TO THE W5\_XMONTH/W5\_XYEAR COMBO. DO NOT ALLOW RESPONDENT TO SELECT A DATE PAST THE CURRENT XMONTH/W5\_XYEAR].**

**[IF EITHER/BOTH MONTH AND YEAR REFUSED, INSERT FOLLOWING PROMPT:** Please enter both year and month below.]

w5\_nonmbtiming. When did you break up with **[w5\_xnamep]**? You last told us you were in a relationship with **[w5\_xnamep]** in **[w5\_xmonth]**, **[w5\_xyear]**.

**[Prompt Once]**

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**[Prompt Once]**

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**[IF w5\_q5=2]**

**[SP]**

**w5\_identity.** Do you think of yourself as

- 1 heterosexual or straight
- 2 gay
- 3 lesbian
- 4 bisexual
- 5 Something else [specify with small text box]

**[If w5\_q5=2 AND (w5\_identity=2 or w5\_identity=3 or w5\_identity=4)]**

**[SP]**

w5\_outness\_3. Thinking about the important people in your life, how many are aware that you are [if w5\_identity=2: gay] [if w5\_identity=3: a lesbian] [if w5\_identity=4: bisexual]?

- 1 All or most of them
- 2 Some of them
- 3 Only a few of them
- 4 None of them

**[INSERT CLOSE]**