

National General Social Survey Programme

Qusetionnaire 2008 B

1. Questionnaire ID: _____ (must be accord with questionnaire A)

2. Name of interviewee: _____ (must be accord with questionnaire A)

FF1.the starting time of Questionnaire B: [__|__]month[__|__]day[__|__]hour[__|__]min;
ending time: [__|__]hour[__|__]min

FF2.Total time for completing Questionnaire B : _____ (mins)

(Questionnaire B)

Part F: Attitude and Opinion

First, We would like to ask some questions about the opportunity for getting ahead.....

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F1. For each of these factors, how important do you think it is for getting ahead in life? [INEQ] (1)

	Essen- tial	Very Impor- tant	Fairly impor- tant	Not very impor- tant	Not impor- tant at all	Can't choose
a. how important is coming from a wealthy family?	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. how important is having well-educated parents?	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. how important is having a good education yourself?	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. how important is having ambition?	1	2	3	4	5	6
e. how important is hard work?	1	2	3	4	5	6
f. how important is knowing the right people?	1	2	3	4	5	6
g. how important is having political connections?	1	2	3	4	5	6
h. how important is giving bribes?	1	2	3	4	5	6
i. how important is a person's race?	1	2	3	4	5	6
j. how important is a person's religion?	1	2	3	4	5	6
K. how important is being born a man or a woman?	1	2	3	4	5	6

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F2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement? [INEQ] (2)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Dis- agree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
a. To get all the way to the top in China today, you have to be corrupt.	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. In our country, only students from the best secondary schools have a good chance to obtain a university education.	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. In our country, only the rich can afford the costs of attending university.	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. In our country, people have the same chances to enter university, regardless of their gender, ethnicity or social background.	1	2	3	4	5	6

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F3. Would you say that you earn...?(If you are not working now, please tell about your last job) [INEQ] (3)

- Much less than I deserve..... 1
 Less than I deserve 2
 What I deserve 3
 More than I deserve 4
 Much more than I deserve..... 5
 Never worked 6
 Can't choose..... 7

F4. We would like to know what you think people in these jobs actually earn. Please write in how much you think they usually earn each year before taxes. Many people are not exactly sure about this, but your best guess will be close enough. This may be difficult, but it is very important. So please try. (Please fill in the blanks with detailed numbers, with zero padding in high digit position; “unknown/unclear” is recorded as 9999998; “refused to answer” is recorded as 9999999) [INEQ] (4)

【Attention interviewers: please ask the interviewee about the pre-tax actual annual income for the following people. If the interviewee had problem giving annual income. The please ask about monthly income and calculate annual income based on 12 months】

Practitioner in the listed jobs	Yearly actual income before taxes
	[millions hundred thousands ten thousands thousands hundreds tens units]
a. About how much do you think a doctor in general practice earns?	[__ __ __ __ __ __ __] Yuan
b. How much do you think a chairman of a large national corporation earns?	[__ __ __ __ __ __ __] Yuan
c. How much do you think a shop assistant earns?	[__ __ __ __ __ __ __] Yuan
d. How much do you think an unskilled worker in a factory earns?	[__ __ __ __ __ __ __] Yuan
e. How much do you think a cabinet minister in the central government earns?	[__ __ __ __ __ __ __] Yuan

F5. Next, what do you think people in these jobs ought to be paid. How much do you think they should earn each year before taxes, regardless of what they actually get? (Please fill in the blanks with detailed numbers, with zero padding in high digit position; “unknown/unclear” is recorded as 9999998; “refused to answer” is recorded as 9999999) [INEQ] (5)

【Attention interviewers: please ask the interviewee about the pre-tax actual annual income for the following people. If the interviewee had problem giving annual income. The please ask about monthly income and calculate annual income based on 12 months】

Practitioner in the listed jobs	Yearly deserved income before taxes
	[millions hundred thousands ten thousands thousands hundreds tens units]
a. About how much do you think a doctor in general practice should earn?	[][][][][][][][] Yuan
b. How much do you think a chairman of a large national company should earn?	[][][][][][][][] Yuan
c. How much do you think a shop assistant earns?	[][][][][][][][] Yuan
d. How much do you think an unskilled worker in a factory earns?	[][][][][][][][] Yuan
e. How much do you think a cabinet minister in the central government earns?	[][][][][][][][] Yuan

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F6. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? [INEQ] (6)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Dis-Agree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
a. Differences in income in China are too large.	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. It is the responsibility of the government to reduce the differences in income between people with high incomes and those with low incomes.	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. The government should provide a decent standard of living for the unemployed.	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. The government should spend less on benefits for the poor.	1	2	3	4	5	6

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F7a. Do you think people with high incomes should pay a larger share of their income in taxes than those with low incomes, the same share, or a smaller share? [INEQ] (7a)

- Much larger share..... 1
Larger share 2
The same share 3
Smaller share 4
Much smaller share 5
Cannot choose 6

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F7b. Generally, how would you describe taxes in China today for those with high incomes? Taxes are... [INEQ] (7b)

- ...much too high..... 1
- ...too high.....2
- ...about right.....3
- ...too low4
- ...much too low5
- ...Cannot choose6

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F8a. Is it just or unjust – right or wrong - that people with higher incomes can buy better health care than people with lower incomes? [INEQ] (8a)

- Very just, definitely right..... 1
- Somewhat just, right.....2
- Neither just nor unjust, mixed feelings3
- Somewhat unjust, wrong4
- Very unjust, definitely wrong5
- Cannot choose6

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F8b. Is it just or unjust –right or wrong- that people with higher incomes can buy better education for their children than people with lower incomes? [INEQ] (8b)

- Very just, definitely right..... 1
- Somewhat just, right.....2
- Neither just nor unjust, mixed feelings3
- Somewhat unjust, wrong4
- Very unjust, definitely wrong5
- Cannot choose6

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F9. In all countries, there are differences or even conflicts between different social groups. In your opinion, in China how much conflict is there between different social groups? [INEQ] (9)

	Very strong conflicts	Strong conflicts	Not very strong conflicts	There are no conflicts	Cannot choose
a. Poor people and rich people	1	2	3	4	5
b. The working class and the middle class	1	2	3	4	5
c. Management and workers	1	2	3	4	5
d. People at the top of society and people at the bottom	1	2	3	4	5

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F10. In deciding how much people ought to earn, how important should each of these things be, in your opinion... [INEQ] (10)

	Essential	Very important	Fairly important	Not very important	Not important at all	Cannot choose

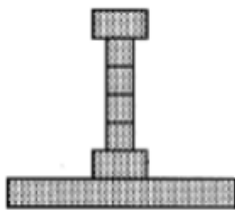
a. How much responsibility goes with the job	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. the number of years spent in education and training	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. what is needed to support a family	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. whether the person has children to support	1	2	3	4	5	6
e. how well he or she does the job	1	2	3	4	5	6
f. how hard he or she works at the job	1	2	3	4	5	6

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F11. Is your pay just? We are not asking about how much you earn or would like to earn - but what you feel is just given your skills and effort? [INEQ] (11)

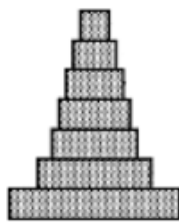
- Much less than is just..... 1
 A little less than is just..... 2
 About just for me..... 3
 A little more than is just..... 4
 Much more than is just..... 5
 Never had a job..... 6
 Cannot choose..... 7

F12. These five diagrams show different types of society. Please read the descriptions and look at the diagrams and decide which you think best describes [INEQ] (12).



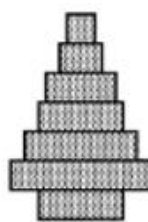
Type A

A small elite at the top, very few people in the middle and the great mass of people at the bottom.



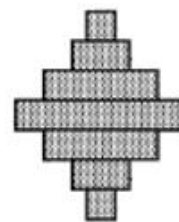
Type B

A society like a pyramid with a small elite at the top, more people in the middle, and most at the bottom.



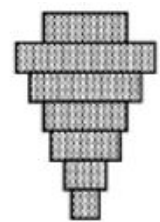
Type C

A pyramid except that just a few people are at the bottom.



Type D

A society with most people in the middle.



Type E

Many people near the top, and only a few near the bottom.

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F12a. First, what type of society is China's today – which diagram comes closest?

- Type A..... 1
 Type B..... 2
 Type C..... 3
 Type D..... 4
 Type E..... 5
 Cannot choose..... 6

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F12b. what type of society do you think China ought to be like... which do you prefer?

- Type A..... 1
 Type B..... 2
 Type C..... 3
 Type D..... 4
 Type E..... 5
 Cannot choose..... 6

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F13. **About how many books were there around your family's house when you were 14 years old?**
[INEQ] (15)

- None 1
- 1 or 2 2
- Around 10 3
- Around 20 4
- Around 50..... 5
- Around 100..... 6
- Around 200..... 7
- Around 500..... 8
- 1000 or more 9

F14a. **About how much money would be left if the home or apartment you and your spouse live in was sold, and any debts on it, such as a mortgage or personal loan, would have been paid off? Please give your best estimate.**[INEQ] (19a)

- Just debts..... 1
- Do not own a home 2
- Left [____|____|____|____|____|____|____] Yuan 3
- Can't choose..... 4

F14b. **About how much money would be left if you and your spouse converted to cash all savings, stocks, bonds you own, or financial assets, and then paid off any personal debts you have (not including any home loan)? Please give your best estimate.** [INEQ] (19b)

- Just debts..... 1
- Nothing 2
- Left [____|____|____|____|____|____|____]Yuan 3
- Can't choose..... 4

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F15. **Please think about you present job (or your last one if you don't have one now). If you compare this job to the job your father had when you were 14 years old, would you say that the level of status of your job is (or was)?** [INEQ] (21)

- Much higher than your father's 1
- Higher 2
- About equal 3
- Lower 4
- Much lower than your father's..... 5
- I never had a job 6
- I don't know what my father did when I was 14 years old / father did not have a job / never knew father / father deceased 7

Part G: Globalization

【Attention interviewer: in this section, you don't have to read out the words with underline】

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GA. Local Cultural activities

	Often	sometimes	Seldom	Never
GA1. Do you often watch Japanese cartoons?	1	2	3	4
GA2. Do you often watch Chinese-language movies?	1	2	3	4
GA3. Do you often watch Korean TV plays?	1	2	3	4

GB. East Asia Rules of conduct and the difference

GB1. Have you ever calculate the strokes of the characters when you name your baby? (fortuning-telling by analysing a Chinese character)

- Yes 1
 No..... 2
 Don't have a child 3

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GB2. Do you care about white day or black day under the special situations such as wedding, moving or funeral?

- Care very much 1
 Somewhat care 2
 Disregard 3
 Disregard at all 4

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GC. Friends' traits appreciated

GC1. To what extent do you think the importance about your friends' personality?

	Very important	Important	Common	Not important	Not important at all
a. honest	1	2	3	4	5
b. Responsible	1	2	3	4	5
c. wise	1	2	3	4	5
d. elegant	1	2	3	4	5
e. powerful	1	2	3	4	5
f. rich	1	2	3	4	5
g. loyal	1	2	3	4	5
h. warmhearted	1	2	3	4	5

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GD. Sense of worth

Do you agree or dis-agree the following statements?

GD1: Patriarchy /Gender role

	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	disagree	Strongly disagree
GD1a. It is more important for the wife to assist on her husband' s career than to pursue on her own career.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
GD1b. The authority of the father should be respected at home, in any event.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

GD2: Communication and coordination

	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	disagree	Strongly disagree
GD2a. It is not suitable to oppose majority's idea, even if one has different opinions.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
GD2b. In order to get along well with other people, one should not show his/her complain on them.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

GD3: Internal affinity

	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	disagree	Strongly disagree
GD3a. When the individual employs workers, even there is an unknown person who is suitable, the opportunity still should remain to one's relatives or friends.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
GD3b. I will feel proud if my countryman plays an important role in the society.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

GD4: Class/Power

	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	disagree	Strongly disagree
GD4a. The subordinate should obey the instructions from the boss, even he/she disagrees.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
GD4b. If our boss is capable, then all the decisions should be made by him/her.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

GD5: Risk avoidance

	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor	Somewhat disagree	disagree	Strongly disagree
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				disagree			
GD5a. It is more desirable to have a life of risk and opportunity than to have an ordinary and steady life.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
GD5b. If there is spare money, I will invest into something with high return even there is risk.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

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GE. Self-identity in East Asia (mainly refer to Korea, Japan, China mainland, Hongkong, Taiwan, etc.)

GE1. Do you have strong feelings in the following regions?

	Very much	some	A little	Not at all
GE1a. The city/town you live	1	2	3	4
GE1b. Your country	1	2	3	4
GE1c. Other East Asian countries (mainly refer to Korea, Japan)	1	2	3	4

GF. Recreational activities

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GF1. Do you like the forms of music below?

	Like very much	like	Neither like nor dislike	dislike	Not like at all
GF1a. Western classical music	1	2	3	4	5
GF1b. Rock'n'roll	1	2	3	4	5
GF1c. Jazz/Blues	1	2	3	4	5
GF1d. Pop music	1	2	3	4	5
GF1e. Native traditional poeras	1	2	3	4	5

GF2. When going abroad, Some people may be arranged sex-related activities (such as: shows or join in pornographic activities); In your friends, colleagues or neighbors, about how many of them will join in this kind of entertainments when going abroad?

- Many people..... 1
Some people..... 2
few people 3
None 4 → Go to GG1
I don' t know..... 5 → Go to GG1

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GF3. If there is, do you know in which countries they join in this kind of sex-related entertainments? (multiple choices)

- East Asian countries..... 1
Southeast Asian countries 2

Europe	3
North America	4
Other countries or regions(Please specify: _____)	5

GG. World knowledge

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GG1. Do you often discuss the international issues with your families, friends or other people?

Almost everyday	1
Several times a week	2
About once a week	3
About once a month	4
Several times a year.....	5
About once a year.....	6
Never	7

GH. Media Use

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GH1. What are the sources you obtain the world news from? (multiple choices)

Newspapers	1
Radio	2
TV	3
Internet	4
From other people	5
Other (Please specify: _____).....	6

G1. Cultural communication

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G11. Have you ever travelled in these countries or regions below?

G12. Do you know any persons in these countries or regions below? (local people)

country/region	I1.Travel		I2.People you know	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
1. Hongkong and Macao	1	2	1	2
2. Japan	1	2	1	2
3. Korea	1	2	1	2
4. Taiwan	1	2	1	2
5. South East Asia	1	2	1	2
6. Europe	1	2	1	2
7. North America	1	2	1	2

GJ. Social distance from people in other countries

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GJ1. What do you feel, if people from these countries or regions will be a partner in your life? Please answer for all the situations you can accept.

	Japanese		Korean		Taiwanese		People from Hongkong and Macao		Southeast Asian		European		North American	
	good	bad	good	bad	good	bad	good	bad	good	bad	good	bad	good	bad
GJ1a. work together with	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
GJ1b. become your neighbor	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
GJ1c. become your close relative due to marriage	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2

GK. International migration

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GK1. Do you think the number of foreigners working in China mainland should increase or decrease?

- Great increase 1
Some increase 2
Remain the same 3
Some decrease 4
Great decrease 5

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GK2. Do you think the number of foreign brides in China mainland should increase or decrease?

- Great increase 1
Some increase 2
Remain the same 3

Some decrease4

Great decrease5

GL.Attitude on globalization and nationalism

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GL1. We would like to know whether you agree or disagree on the following problem about interstate relations.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	disagree	Strongly disagree
GL1a. In order to protect our native economics, the import from foreign countries should be restricted.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
GL1b. Even if it will cause conflict with other countries, the benefit for our own country should be given priority.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
GL1c. It is harmful for our own culture if we continue having more contact with foreign movies, music or books.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

GM.Globalization overall evaluation

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GM1. The communication of people, goods and fund among countries and regions is always increasing. Do you think it is good or bad to the following aspects?

	Extremely good	Very good	good	Neither good nor bad	bad	Very bad	Extremely bad	Can' t choose
GM1a. China' s economics	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
GM1b. Job opportunities for Chinese people	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
GM1c. Environment	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

GN.Social Network

GN1. Approximately how many persons who are not your relatives do you contact with in a common day? (person-to-person contact, including telephone, email, internet, whether known or unknown people) [ESSA] (N3)

0.....	1
1-4persons	2
5-9persons	3
10-19persons	4
20-49persons	5
50-99persons	6
equal or more than 100persons.....	7

GN2. Approximately how many relatives (excluding family members who live with you) do you contact with in a common day? (person-to-person contact, including telephone, email, internet))
[ESSA] (N4)

0.....	1
1-4	2
5-9	3
10-19	4
20-49	5
50-99	6
Equal or more than 100	7

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GN3. As for the persons who are in contact with you as mentions in the above (GN1,GN2) two questions, is any of them working in the following jobs?[ESSA] (N5)

	Yes	No
a. representatives or government administrators	1	2
b. Managers	1	2
c. Professionals	1	2
d. Technicians or professional assistants	1	2
e. Office staffs	1	2
f. Service workers or Market sales staff	1	2
g. Agriculture technicians	1	2
h. Technician and related workers	1	2
i. Machine operators	1	2
j. Manual workers	1	2

GP.English fluency

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GP1.How would you evaluate the capabilities below?

	Very good	good	fair	poor	Very poor
GP1a.read essays in English newspapers	1	2	3	4	5
GP1b.talk with people in English	1	2	3	4	5
GP1c.Write a letter in English	1	2	3	4	5

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