1970 Questionnaire

The 1970 census was taken principally by means of a separate questionnaire (a 9 1/2" X 10 7/8" booklet) for each household, completed by the respondent.

Instructions

Population inquiries 2-8 were asked for all persons. The remaining questions were asked on a sample basis: some at every fifth household (15 percent), others at every twentieth household (5 percent), and some at both (20 percent).

Except for questions on Spanish origin or descent, citizenship, year of immigration, vocational training completed, presence and duration of disability, and activity 5 years ago, the 1970 population items were comparable to those in 1960.

All answers were designed for self-identification on the part of the respondent, but the enumerator was allowed to fill in blanks by observation when this was possible. For item 4 (color or race), it was assumed that the respondent's relatives living in the unit were also of the same race unless the census taker learned otherwise. The enumerator's manual included a long list of possible written-in entries and how they were to be classified: For example, "Chicano," "LaRaza," "Mexican American," "Moslem," or "Brown" were to be changed to White, while "Brown (Negro)" would be considered as Negro or Black for census purposes.

Although not specified on the questionnaire, the enumerator was instructed to limit question 25 (children ever born) to mothers who were or had been married unless a son or daughter had been listed.

The housing items were part of the household questionnaire. Except for the elimination of the inquiries on condition and land used for farming, and the addition of items on dishwashers and second homes, the 1970 housing items were much the same as those used in 1960.

The 1970 definition of a housing unit specified "complete kitchen facilities" rather than just cooking equipment as in 1960.

Question A and H1 through H12 were asked for all housing units, and H13 through H30 on a sample basis only. At vacant units, the enumerator completed only those items marked with a double underscore.
The 15-percent and 5-percent forms contain a pair of facing pages for each person in the household (as listed on page 2). Shown on each pair of pages in the 15-percent form are the questions designated as 15-percent here on pages 6, 7, and 8; shown on each pair of pages in the 5-percent form are the questions designated as 5-percent here on pages 6, 7, and 8.

**Name of person on line**

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13a. Where was this person born? If born in hospital, give State or country where mother lived; if born outside U.S., see instructions sheet; distinguish Northern Ireland from Ireland (Eire).
- [ ] This State
- [ ] OR
  - (Name of State or foreign country, if Puerto Ricans, Guam, etc.)

14. What country was his father born in?
- [ ] United States
- [ ] OR
  - (Name of foreign country, if Puerto Rican, Guam, etc.)

15. What country was his mother born in?
- [ ] United States
- [ ] OR
  - (Name of foreign country, if Puerto Rican, Guam, etc.)

16. For persons born in a foreign country—
- a. Is this person naturalized?
  - [ ] Yes, naturalized
  - [ ] No, alien
  - [ ] Born abroad of American parents

- b. When did he come to the United States to stay?
  - [ ] 1965 to 70
  - [ ] 1950 to 54
  - [ ] 1925 to 24

17. What language, other than English, was spoken in this person's home when he was a child? Fill one circle.
- [ ] Spanish
- [ ] Other—
  - [ ] French
  - [ ] German
  - [ ] None, English only

18. When did this person move into this house (or apartment)? Fill circle for date of last move.
- [ ] 1969 or 70
- [ ] 1965 or 66
- [ ] 1949 or earlier
- [ ] 1966
- [ ] 1960 to 64
- [ ] 1945 to 49
- [ ] 1915 to 24
- [ ] 1955 to 59
- [ ] 1935 to 44
- [ ] Before 1915

19a. Did he live in this house on April 1, 1965? If in college or Armed Forces in April 1965, report place of residence there.
- [ ] Born April 1965 or later
- [ ] Yes, this house
- [ ] No, different house

- b. Where did he live on April 1, 1965?
  - [ ] State, foreign country, U.S. possession, etc.
  - [ ] County
  - [ ] Inside the limits of a city, town, village, etc.
    - [ ] Yes
    - [ ] No
  - [ ] If "Yes," name of city, town, village, etc.

20. Since February 1, 1970, has this person attended regular school or college at any time? Count nursery school, kindergarten, and school which leads to an elementary school certificate, high school diploma, or college degree.
- [ ] No
- [ ] Yes, public
- [ ] Yes, parochial
- [ ] Yes, other private

21. What is the highest grade (or year) of regular school he has ever attended?
- Fill one circle. If now attending, mark grade he is in.
  - [ ] Never attended school—Skipped to 25
  - [ ] Nursery school—Kindergarten
  - [ ] Elementary through high school (grade or year)
    - [ ] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
    - [ ] 9 10 11 12
  - [ ] College (academic year)
    - [ ] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
    - [ ] 8 or more

22. Did he finish the highest grade (or year) he attended?
- Fill one circle. If now attending, mark grade he is in.
  - [ ] Now attending this grade (or year)
  - [ ] Finished this grade (or year)
  - [ ] Did not finish this grade (or year)

23. When was this person born?
- [ ] Born before 1956
- [ ] Born April 1956 or later

24. If this person has ever been married—
- a. Has this person been married more than once?
  - [ ] Once
  - [ ] More than once

- b. When did he get married? When did he get married for the first time?
  - [ ] Month Year
  - [ ] Month Year

25. If this is a girl or a woman—
- How many babies has she ever had, not counting stillbirths?
  - [ ] None
  - [ ] One
  - [ ] Two
  - [ ] Three
  - [ ] Four
  - [ ] More

  - Do you want her stepchildren or children she has adopted?
  - [ ] Yes
  - [ ] No

26. If this is a man—
- a. Has he ever served in the Army, Navy, or other Armed Forces of the United States?
  - [ ] Yes
  - [ ] No

- b. Was it during—Fill the circle for period of service.
  - Vietnam Conflict (Since Aug. 1954)
  - Korean War (June 25, 1950 to Jan. 1955)
  - World War II (Sept. 1940 to July 1947)
  - World War I (April 1917 to Nov. 1918)
  - Any other time
27a. Has this person ever completed a vocational training program?
For example, in high school; as an apprentice; in school of business, nursing, or trade; technical institutes; or Armed Forces schools.

- Yes
- No—Skip to 28

b. What was his main field of vocational training? Fill one circle.
- Business, office work
- Nursing, other health fields
- Trades and crafts (craftsmen, electricians, machinists, etc.)
- Engineering or science technician; draftsman
- Agriculture or home economics
- Other field—Specify

28a. Does this person have a health or physical condition which limits the kind or amount of work he can do at a job?
If 65 years old or over, skip to question 29.

- Yes
- No

b. Does his health or physical condition keep him from holding any job at all?

- Yes
- No

c. If "Yes" in a or b—How long has he been limited in his ability to work?
- Less than 6 months
- 6 to 11 months
- 1 to 2 years
- 2 to 3 years
- 3 to 4 years
- 4 to 5 years
- 5 to 9 years
- 10 years or more

QUESTIONS 29 THROUGH 41 ARE FOR ALL PERSONS BORN BEFORE APRIL 1934 INCLUDING HOUSEWIVES, STUDENTS, OR DISABLED PERSONS AS WELL AS PART-TIME OR FULL-TIME WORKERS

29a. Did this person work at any time last week?
- Yes—Fill circle if this person did full or part-time work. (Count part-time work such as a Saturday job, delivering papers, or helping without pay in a family business or farm; and active duty in the Armed Forces)
- No—Fill circle if this person did not work, or did only own housework, school work, or volunteer work.

29b. How many hours did he work last week (at all jobs)?
Subtract any time off and add overtime or extra hours worked.
- 1 to 14 hours
- 15 to 29 hours
- 30 to 34 hours
- 35 to 39 hours
- 40 hours or more

30. Does this person have a job or business from which he was temporarily absent or on layoff last week?
- Yes
- No

31a. Has he been looking for work during the past 4 weeks?
- Yes
- No—Skip to 32

b. Was there any reason why he could not take a job last week?
- Yes, already has a job
- Yes, because of this person's temporary illness
- Yes, for other reasons (in school, etc.)
- No, could have taken a job

32. When did he last work at all, even for a few days?
- In 1970
- In 1969
- In 1968
- In 1967
- In 1966
- In 1965 or earlier
- Never worked
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**33. Industry**
- For whom did he work? If now on active duty in the Armed Forces, print "AF" and skip to question 35.
  - [ ] Name of company, business, organization, or other employer: __________________________
  - What kind of business or industry was this? Describe activity at location where employed.
    - [ ] Manufacturing
    - [ ] Retail trade
    - [ ] Wholesale trade
    - [ ] Other (agriculture, construction, service, government, etc.)

**34. Occupation**
- What kind of work was he doing?
  - [ ] TV repairman, typing machine operator, salesperson, civil engineer, farmer, nurse, mail clerk, printer, pressmen, clerks, building toward, finishes concrete

**35. Was this person?**
- [ ] Employee of private company, business, or individual, for wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, or tips from all jobs
- [ ] Federal government employee
- [ ] State government employee
- [ ] Local government employee (city, county, etc.)
- [ ] Self-employed in own business, professional practice, or farm
  - Own business not incorporated
  - Own business incorporated
  - Working without pay in family business or farm

**36. In April 1965, what State did this person live in?**
- [ ] This State
- [ ] Other (Name of State or foreign country, or Puerto Rico, etc.)

**37. In April 1965, was this person?**
- [ ] Working at a job or business (full or part-time)
- [ ] In the Armed Forces
- [ ] Attending college

**38. If "Yes" for "Working at a job or business" in question 37—**
- What kind of business or industry was this?

**39a. Last year (1969), did this person work at all, even for a few days?**
- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No—Skip to 41

**40. Earnings in 1969—**
- Fill parts a, b, and c for everyone who worked any time in 1969 even if he had no income.
  - If exact amount is not known, give best estimate

**41. Income other than earnings in 1969—**
- Fill parts a, b, and c.
  - Include interest, dividends, rents, royalties, or other regular payments (see instructions sheet)
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80, 15, and 5 percent (100 percent)

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<td>o A cooperative or condominium which is owned or being bought by you or by someone else in this household?</td>
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<td>o Rented for cash rent?</td>
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<td>o Occupied without payment of cash rent?</td>
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H10b. Is this building a one-family house? | |
| o Yes, a one-family house | |
| o No, a building for 2 or more families or a mobile home or trailer | |

H11. If you live in a one-family house which you own or are buying— | |
| What is the value of this property; that is, how much do you think this property (house and lot) would sell for if it were for sale? | |
| o Less than $5,000 | |
| o $5,000 to $7,499 | |
| o $7,500 to $9,999 | |
| o $10,000 to $12,499 | |
| o $12,500 to $14,999 | |
| o $15,000 to $17,499 | |
| o $17,500 to $19,999 | |
| o $20,000 to $24,999 | |
| o $25,000 to $34,999 | |
| o $35,000 to $49,999 | |
| o $50,000 or more | |

H12. Answer this question if you pay rent for your living quarters. | |
| a. If rent is paid by the month— | |
| What is the monthly rent? | |
| Write amount here | | (Nearest dollar) |

H13. Do you have complete kitchen facilities? | |
| Complete kitchen facilities are a sink with piped water, a range or cook stove, and a refrigerator. | |
| o Yes, for this household only | |
| o Yes, but also used by another household | |
| o No complete kitchen facilities for this household | |

H14. How many rooms do you have in your living quarters? | |
| Do not count bathrooms, porches, balconies, foyers, halls, or half-rooms. | |
| 1 room | |
| 2 rooms | |
| 3 rooms | |
| 4 rooms | |
| 5 rooms | |

H15. Is there hot and cold piped water in this building? | |
| o Yes, hot and cold piped water in this building | |
| o No, only cold piped water in this building | |
| o No piped water in this building | |

H16. Do you have a flush toilet? | |
| o Yes, for this household only | |
| o Yes, but also used by another household | |
| o No flush toilet | |

H17. Do you have a bathtub or shower? | |
| o Yes, for this household only | |
| o Yes, but also used by another household | |
| o No bathtub or shower | |

H18. Is there a basement in this building? | |
| o Yes | |
| o No, built on a concrete slab | |
| o No, built in another way (include mobile homes and trailers) | |

H11b. If "Yes"—Is this house on a place of 10 acres or more, or is any part of this property used as a commercial establishment or medical office? | |
| o Yes, 10 acres or more | |
| o Yes, commercial establishment or medical office | |
| o No, none of the above | |
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### H24a. How many stories (floors) are in this building?
- 1 to 3 stories
- 4 to 6 stories
- 7 to 12 stories
- 13 stories or more

### H25a. Which fuel is used most for cooking?
- Gas
- Electrical

### H25b. Which fuel is used most for house heating?
- Gas
- Electrical

### H25c. Which fuel is used most for water heating?
- Gas
- Electrical

### H26. How many bedrooms do you have?
- No bedroom
- 1 bedroom
- 2 bedrooms
- 3 bedrooms
- 4 bedrooms
- 5 bedrooms or more

### H27a. Do you have a clothes washing machine?
- Yes, automatic or semi-automatic
- Yes, wringer or separate spinner
- No

### H27b. Do you have a clothes dryer?
- Yes, electrically heated
- Yes, gas heated
- No

### H27c. Do you have a dishwasher (built-in or portable)?
- Yes
- No

### H27d. Do you have a home food freezer which is separate from your refrigerator?
- Yes
- No

### H28a. Do you have a television set?
- Yes, one set
- Yes, two or more sets
- No

### H28b. Is any set equipped to receive UHF broadcasts, that is, channels 14 to 83?
- Yes
- No

### H29. Do you have a battery-operated radio?
- Yes, one or more
- No

### H30. Do you (or any member of your household) own a second home or other living quarters which you occupy sometime during the year?
- Yes
- No