

# North Carolina Citizens' Perception of Crime and Victimization Survey 1999

RESPONDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 [CALLBACKS: REQUEST BY NAME - ALWAYS BEGIN WITH INTRODUCTION.]

919-555-1212 ID: 00000  
 GEO NUMBER: 000

ID Number (1-5)  
 GEO # (6-8)

**INTERVIEW START TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_ :

**INTERVIEW END TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_ :

CONTACT STATUS													
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
TIME													
DATE													
STATUS													

S C	AM	ANSWERING MACHINE	DL	DEAF / LANGUAGE	OS	OUT OF SERVICE
T O	BG	BUSINESS / GOVERNMENT	FX	FAX / MODEM / TDD	PC	PARTIALLY COMPLETED
A D	BS	BUSY SIGNAL	HI	HOUSEHOLD INELIGIBLE	RF	REFUSED
T E	CB	CALL BACK	IN	INSTITUTIONALIZED	TI	TERMINATED INTERVIEW
U S	CI	COMPLETED INTERVIEW	NA	NO ANSWER	WN	WRONG NUMBER
S	CL	CAN'T LOCATE	NL	NO LISTING		

## I N T E R V I E W

Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_, and I'm calling from a research unit at North Carolina State University. We are working with the Governor's Crime Commission to study issues related to crime in our state. This survey will take just a few minutes to complete.

Have I reached \_\_\_\_\_ [number called]?

May I please speak with the... TARGET ORDER TO OBTAIN RESPONDENTS:

1.  Adult Male in your household who most recently celebrated his birthday?
2.  Adult Male head of your household?
3.  Adult Female in your household who most recently celebrated her birthday?
4.  Adult Female head of your household?

All of the information provided by respondents to this survey will be strictly confidential. Again, your participation should only take a few minutes. The first question I have is...

A. How old were you on your last birthday? Age \_\_\_\_\_ (9-10)

UNDER 18, REPEAT SELECTION PROCEDURE. REPEAT INTRODUCTION.  
 NO ADULT (DORM, ETC.), CODE "HI" - THANK RESPONDENT - DISCONTINUE.

B. Does your household reside in NORTH CAROLINA? Yes.....1 (11)  
 No.....0

TEMP. RES. / VAC. PROP. / NOT IN NC, CODE "HI" - THANK RESPONDENT - DISCONTINUE.

C. RECORD RESPONDENT'S GENDER. Male.....1 (12)  
 Female.....2

**The following questions refer only to things that happened to YOU during 1998, that is, between January 1 and December 31, 1998.**

1.	Did anyone <u>take</u> something directly from you by using force, such as by a stick-up, mugging or threat?	Yes.....1 No ..... [GO TO Q3].....0	(13)
2.	[IF YES:] How many times did this type of incident occur to you in 1998?	NUMBER: ____	(14-15)
3.	Did anyone <u>try</u> to rob you by using force or by threatening to harm you (other than the incident already mentioned)?	Yes.....1 No ..... [GO TO Q5].....0	(16)
4.	[IF YES:] How many times did this type of incident occur to you in 1998?	NUMBER: ____	(17-18)
5.	Were you knifed, shot at, or attacked with some <u>other weapon</u> by anyone at all (other than the incidents already mentioned)?	Yes.....1 No ..... [GO TO Q8].....0	(19)
6.	[IF YES:] How many times did this type of incident occur to you in 1998?	NUMBER: ____	(20-21)
7.	[IF YES:] For [ <i>this / the most recent of these</i> ] incident(s), was it done by... [READ RESPONSES]	A stranger or unknown person, .....1 A casual acquaintance, .....2 A person well known to you but <u>not</u> a family member, or by ....3 A family member.....4	(22)
8.	Did anyone hit you, <u>attack you</u> or beat you up (other than any incidents already mentioned)?	Yes.....1 No ..... [GO TO Q11].....0	(23)
9.	[IF YES:] How many times did this type of incident occur to you in 1998?	NUMBER: ____	(24-25)
10.	[IF YES:] For [ <i>this / the most recent of these</i> ] incident(s), was it done by... [READ RESPONSES]	A stranger or unknown person, .....1 A casual acquaintance, .....2 A person well known to you but <u>not</u> a family member, or by ....3 A family member.....4	(26)
11.	Did anyone <u>threaten</u> to beat you up or threaten you with a knife, gun or some other weapon, not including telephone threats (other than any incident(s) already mentioned)?	Yes.....1 No ..... [GO TO Q14].....0	(27)
12.	[IF YES:] How many times did this type of incident occur to you in 1998?	NUMBER: ____	(28-29)
13.	[IF YES:] For [ <i>this / the most recent of these</i> ] incident(s), was it done by... [READ RESPONSES]	A stranger or unknown person, .....1 A casual acquaintance, .....2 A person well known to you but <u>not</u> a family member, or by ....3 A family member.....4	(30)

14.	Did anyone break in, or try to break in, to your car or truck, your home or some other building on your property?	Yes.....1 No.....[GO TO Q17].....0	(31)
15.	[IF YES:] How many times did this type of incident occur to you in 1998?	NUMBER: _____	(32-33)
16.	[IF YES:] For [this / the most recent of these] incident(s), was it done by... [READ RESPONSES]	A stranger or unknown person, .....1 A casual acquaintance, .....2 A person well known to you but <u>not</u> a family member, or by ....3 A family member.....4	(34)

**IF RESPONDANT IS MALE... GO TO QUESTION 20.**

17.	[WOMEN ONLY] Did anyone force you, or attempt to force you, to have <u>sexual intercourse</u> with them?	Yes.....1 No.....[GO TO Q20].....0	(35)
18.	[IF YES:] How many times did this type of incident occur to you in 1998?	NUMBER: _____	(36-37)
19.	[IF YES:] For [this / the most recent of these] incident(s), was it done by... [READ RESPONSES]	A stranger or unknown person, .....1 A casual acquaintance, .....2 A person well known to you but <u>not</u> a family member, or by ....3 A family member.....4	(38)

20.	During the <b>past three years</b> , do you believe the number of violent crimes in your community has... [READ RESPONSES]	Increased,.....3 Stayed the same, or.....2 Decreased? .....1	(39)
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21.	During the <b>next three years</b> , do you believe the number of violent crimes in your community will... [READ RESPONSES]	Increase,.....3 Stay about the same, or .....2 Decrease? .....1	(40)
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22.	Do you think that the schools in your community are generally... [READ RESPONSES]	Safe places,.....3 Unsafe places, or .....1 No more or less safe than other public areas?.....2	(41)
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23.	Do you know of anyone that has been a victim of domestic violence within the past year?	Yes.....1 No.....0	(42)
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24.	Does your police department or sheriff's office operate a community policing project in your community?	Yes.....1 No.....0 Uncertain / Don't know.....8	(43)
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25.	If you have school-aged children (ages 6-18), living with you in your household, have they been the victim of school violence?	Yes.....1 No.....0 No school-aged children.....6 Uncertain / Don't know.....8	(44)
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For each of the next statements, please respond with one of the following categories: “*strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree*” to best indicate your response to each statement.

	<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Don't know No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	
26. When I am away from home, I worry about the safety of my property.....	5	4	3	2	1	(45)
27. I worry a great deal about my personal safety from crime or criminals.....	5	4	3	2	1	(46)
28. In my own home, I'm not safe from people who want to take what I have. ....	5	4	3	2	1	(47)
29. I feel safe going anywhere in my community or neighborhood in the daytime.....	5	4	3	2	1	(48)
30. I feel safe going anywhere in my community or neighborhood after dark. ....	5	4	3	2	1	(49)
31. Crime is more serious than the TV and newspapers say.....	5	4	3	2	1	(50)
32. Law enforcement officers treat all suspects the same. ....	5	4	3	2	1	(51)
33. Courts are concerned with the defendant's constitutional rights.....	5	4	3	2	1	(52)
34. Juries are biased and unfair when it comes to deciding cases.....	5	4	3	2	1	(53)
35. The criminal justice system in North Carolina is effective in controlling crime. ....	5	4	3	2	1	(54)

36. Have you taken any special measures to protect your home, automobile, or other possessions such as purchasing alarm systems, dead-bolt locks, motion activated lights or any other precautions?	Yes.....	1	(55)
	No .....	0	

37. Are you an active participant in a neighborhood watch or any other program designed to prevent or reduce crime in your community?	Yes.....	1	(56)
	No .....	0	

38. Are you employed either full or part-time?	Yes.....	1	(57)
	No .....	[GO TO Q41].....0	

39. [IF YES:] Which of the following best describes your occupation? [READ RESPONSES]	Medical Profession .....	1	(58)
	Mental health services field .....	2	
	Teaching profession .....	3	
	Law enforcement or security field .....	4	
	Retail sales .....	5	
	Transportation field.....	6	
	Some other field.....	7	

40. [IF YES:] While working at your job do you work mostly in a... [READ RESPONSES]	City,.....	1	(59)
	Suburban area, .....	2	
	Rural area, or.....	3	
	A combination of the three?.....	4	

The following questions are for demographic purposes. [REMINDE OF ANONYMITY AND CONFIDENTIALITY]

41. What is your marital status? Are you...?	Married .....	1	(60)
	Widowed .....	2	
	Divorced .....	3	
	Separated, or.....	4	
	Never Been Married .....	5	
	<i>Don't know</i> .....	8	
	<i>Refused</i> .....	9	

42A. What is your race? Would you say you are... [READ RESPONSES]	White, .....	01	(61-62)
	Black or African American, .....	02	
	Asian or Pacific Islander, .....	03	
	Native American or American Indian, Alaska Native, or .....	04	
	Some other race? [SPECIFY] _____ [ED. CODE] _____		
	<i>Don't know</i> .....	98	
	<i>Refused</i> .....	99	

42B. Are you of Spanish or Hispanic origin?	Yes.....	1	(63)
	No .....	0	
	<i>Don't know</i> .....	8	
	<i>Refused</i> .....	9	

43. Do you have any children or other dependents living with you?	Yes.....	1	(64)
	No.....	0	

44. What is the highest level of education you have completed?	Some Grade School.....	01	(65-66)
	Some High School.....	02	
	Completed high school or equivalent.....	03	
	Some college, vocational school.....	04	
	Completed a vocational training program.....	05	
	Completed a <u>two</u> -year college degree.....	06	
	Completed a <u>four</u> -year college degree.....	07	
	Completed a graduate or professional degree....	08	
	<i>Don't know</i> .....	98	
<i>Refused</i> .....	99		

45. Which of the following categories best represents your total combined household income for 1998?  [START WITH PROMPT:] Would it be above or below \$20,000?  [READ APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES:] Would it be...	Less than \$5,000.....	01	(67-68)
	\$5,000 - \$7,499.....	02	
	\$7,500 - \$9,999.....	03	
	\$10,000 - \$12,499.....	04	
	\$12,500 - \$14,999.....	05	
	\$15,000 - \$17,499.....	06	
	\$17,500 - \$19,999.....	07	
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	\$20,000 - \$24,999.....	08	
	\$25,000 - \$29,999.....	09	
	\$30,000 - \$34,999.....	10	
	\$35,000 - \$39,999.....	11	
	\$40,000 - \$49,999.....	12	
	\$50,000 - \$74,999.....	13	
	\$75,000 or more.....	14	
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<i>Don't know</i> .....	98		
<i>Refused</i> .....	99		

46. What county do you live in? County: _____	[ED. CODE] ____ _	(69-71)
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47. What is your zip code?	ZIP CODE: ____ _	(72-76)
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48. In years, how long have you lived in your current residence?	YEARS: ____ _	(77-78)
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49. In what year were you born?	BIRTH YEAR: <b>19</b> ____ _	(79-80)
	<i>Refused</i> .....99	

That's all the questions I have for you. Do you have any questions or comments for me?  
[IF NO:] Thank-you. Good-bye.