

FOOD SECURITY - FSQ

BOX 0

CHECK ITEM FSQ.005:

IF THIS IS THE FIRST NHANES FAMILY IN THE HOUSEHOLD, CONTINUE.
OTHERWISE, GO TO END OF SECTION.

BOX 1

CHECK ITEM FSQ.025Anew:

IF TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME \geq FOUR TIMES THE POVERTY GUIDELINE
FOR THAT HOUSEHOLD, GO TO BOX 6.
OTHERWISE, CONTINUE WITH FSQ.030.

BOX 1A

SPECIAL SPECS FOR TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME:

- 1) IF ONLY 1 NHANES FAMILY –
 - A) IF A NUMERIC VALUE IS GIVEN FOR ALL INQ.200, THEN TOTAL INQ.200 FOR ALL CPS FAMILIES TO GET THE TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME;
 - B) IF RANGES (INQ.230) ARE GIVEN FOR ALL CPS FAMILIES, THEN TOTAL THE LOWEST AMOUNT IN EACH RANGE IN INQ.230 FOR EACH CPS FAMILY TO GET THE TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME;
 - C) IF BOTH NUMERIC VALUES (INQ.200) AND RANGES (INQ.230) ARE GIVEN, THEN TOTAL THE EXACT NUMERIC VALUES FROM INQ.200 WITH THE LOWEST AMOUNT IN EACH RANGE FROM INQ.230 FOR ALL CPS FAMILIES TO GET THE TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME;
 - D) IF BOTH THE NUMERIC VALUE (INQ.200) AND RANGE (INQ.230) ARE DON'T KNOW (CODE 9) OR REFUSED (CODE 7) FOR ANY OF THE CPS FAMILIES, THEN TOTAL THE AVAILABLE NUMERIC VALUES (INQ.200) AND THE LOWEST AMOUNTS IN EACH AVAILABLE RANGE (INQ.230);
 - IF THE RESULT IS \geq FOUR TIMES THE POVERTY GUIDELINE FOR THAT HOUSEHOLD, TREAT THE TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME AS \geq FOUR TIMES THE POVERTY GUIDELINE FOR THAT HOUSEHOLD;
 - IF THE RESULT IS $<$ FOUR TIMES THE POVERTY GUIDELINE FOR THAT HOUSEHOLD OR DK/REF (9/7), TREAT THE TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME AS DK/REF (9/7).
- 2) IF MORE THAN 1 NHANES FAMILY –
 - A) IF THE TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS A NUMERIC VALUE (INQ.200), USE THAT VALUE;
 - B) IF THE TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS A RANGE (INQ.230), USE THE LOWEST AMOUNT IN THAT RANGE;
 - C) IF THE TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS DK/REF (9/7), THEN TOTAL THE AVAILABLE NUMERIC VALUES (INQ.200) AND THE LOWEST AMOUNT FOR EACH AVAILABLE RANGE (INQ.230) FOR EACH CPS FAMILY;
 - IF THE RESULT IS \geq FOUR TIMES THE POVERTY GUIDELINE FOR THAT HOUSEHOLD, TREAT THE TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME AS \geq FOUR TIMES THE POVERTY GUIDELINE FOR THAT HOUSEHOLD;

FOR **2002**, FOUR TIMES THE POVERTY GUIDELINE FOR EACH HOUSEHOLD SIZE IS: 1: \$34,360; 2: \$46,660; 3: \$58,520; 4: \$70,600; 5: \$82,680; 6: \$94,760; 7: \$106,840; 8: \$118,920. FOR EACH ADDITIONAL PERSON, ADD \$12,080.

FSQ.031

Now I am going to read you several statements that people have made about their food situation. For these statements, please tell me whether the statement was **often** true, **sometimes** true, or **never** true for {you/your household} in the **last 12 months**, that is since last {DISPLAY CURRENT MONTH}.

CAPI INSTRUCTION:

CHECK SCREENER: ASK D AND E ONLY IF THERE IS AT LEAST 1 CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD WHO IS <= 17 (OR IN THE AGE RANGE THAT INCLUDES OR IS LESS THAN THE ONE THAT INCLUDES 17).

DISPLAY INSTRUCTIONS FOR {YOU/YOUR HOUSEHOLD}:

IF ONLY ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD, DISPLAY "YOU".

IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD, DISPLAY "YOUR HOUSEHOLD".

DISPLAY INSTRUCTIONS FOR {I/WE}, {MY/OUR} AND {I WAS/WE WERE}:

IF ONLY ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD, DISPLAY "I" AND "MY".

IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD, DISPLAY "WE" AND "OUR".

DISPLAY INSTRUCTIONS FOR {NAME/THE CHILDREN}:

IF ONLY ONE CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD AGE <=17, DISPLAY CHILD'S FIRST NAME.

IF MORE THAN ONE CHILD IN HOUSEHOLD AGE <=17, DISPLAY "THE CHILDREN".

RESPONSES: OFTEN TRUE = 1, SOMETIMES TRUE = 2, NEVER TRUE = 3, REFUSED = 7, DON'T KNOW = 9

- a. **{I/we} worried whether {my/our} food would run out before {I/we} got money to buy more.** _____
- b. **the food that {I/we} bought just didn't last, and {I/we} didn't have money to get more.** _____
- c. **{I/we} couldn't afford to eat balanced meals.** _____
- d. **(I/we) relied on only a few kinds of low-cost foods to feed {NAME/the children} because (I was/we were) running out of money to buy food.** _____
- e. **(I/we) couldn't feed {NAME/the children} a balanced meal, because (I/we) couldn't afford that.** _____

BOX 2

CHECK ITEM FSQ.038A:

IF THE RESPONSE TO FSQ.031 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D' OR 'E' IS 'OFTEN TRUE' (CODE 1) OR 'SOMETIMES TRUE' (CODE 2), CONTINUE.

OTHERWISE, GO TO FSQ.150.

BOX 3

CHECK ITEM FSQ.039:

IF THERE IS AT LEAST 1 CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD WHO IS <= 17 (OR IN THE AGE RANGE THAT INCLUDES OR IS LESS THAN THE ONE THAT INCLUDES 17), CONTINUE WITH ITEM F.

OTHERWISE, GO TO FSQ.040.

- f. **{NAME was/the children were} not eating enough because (I/we) just couldn't afford enough food.** _____

FSQ.040 In the **last 12 months**, since last {DISPLAY CURRENT MONTH}, did {you/you or other adults in your household} **ever** cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

- YES 1
- NO 2 (FSQ.060)
- REFUSED 7 (FSQ.060)
- DON'T KNOW 9 (FSQ.060)

FSQ.051 How often did this happen?

- almost every month, 1
- some months but not every month, or 2
- in only 1 or 2 months? 3
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

FSQ.060 In the **last 12 months**, did you **ever** eat **less** than you felt you should because there wasn't enough money to buy food?

- YES 1
- NO 2
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

FSQ.070 [In the **last 12 months**], were you **ever** hungry but didn't eat because you couldn't afford enough food?

- YES 1
- NO 2
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

FSQ.080 [In the **last 12 months**], did you lose weight because you didn't have enough money for food?

- YES 1
- NO 2
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

BOX 5A

CHECK ITEM FSQ.086:
IF FSQ.031F IS OFTEN TRUE (CODE 1) OR SOMETIMES TRUE (CODE 2), OR IF 'YES' (CODE 1) IN FSQ.040, FSQ.060, FSQ.070, OR FSQ.080, CONTINUE.
OTHERWISE, GO TO FSQ.150.

FSQ.091 [In the **last 12 months**], did {you/you or other adults in your household} **ever** not eat for a whole day because there wasn't enough money for food?

- YES 1
- NO 2 (BOX 4A)
- REFUSED 7 (BOX 4A)
- DON'T KNOW 9 (BOX 4A)

FSQ.101 How often did this happen?

- almost every month, 1
- some months but not every month, or 2
- in only 1 or 2 months? 3
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

BOX 4A

CHECK ITEM FSQ.085A:
IF THERE IS AT LEAST 1 CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD WHO IS <= 17 (OR IN THE AGE RANGE THAT INCLUDES OR IS LESS THAN THE ONE THAT INCLUDES 17), CONTINUE.
OTHERWISE, GO TO FSQ.150.

FSQ.110 The next questions are about children living in the household who are under 18 years old.

In the **last 12 months**, since {DISPLAY CURRENT MONTH} of last year, did you **ever** cut the size of {CHILD'S NAME's/any of the children's} meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

CAPI INSTRUCTION:
IF ONLY 1 CHILD IN HOUSEHOLD IS <= 17, DISPLAY CHILD'S NAME.

- YES 1
- NO 2
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

FSQ.120 [In the **last 12 months**], did {CHILD'S NAME/any of the children} **ever** skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

CAPI INSTRUCTION:
IF ONLY 1 CHILD IN HOUSEHOLD <= 17, DISPLAY CHILD'S NAME.

- YES 1
- NO 2 (FSQ.140)
- REFUSED 7 (FSQ.140)
- DON'T KNOW 9 (FSQ.140)

FSQ.131 How often did this happen?

- almost every month, 1
- some months but not every month, or 2
- in only 1 or 2 months? 3
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

FSQ.140 In the **last 12 months**, {was CHILD'S NAME/were the children} **ever** hungry but you just couldn't afford more food?

CAPI INSTRUCTION:

IF ONLY 1 CHILD IN HOUSEHOLD IS <= 17, DISPLAY CHILD'S NAME.

- YES 1
- NO 2
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

FSQ.145 [In the **last 12 months**], did {CHILD'S NAME/any of the children} **ever** not eat for a whole day because there wasn't enough money for food?

CAPI INSTRUCTION:

IF ONLY 1 CHILD IN HOUSEHOLD IS <= 17, DISPLAY CHILD'S NAME.

- YES 1
- NO 2
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

FSQ.150 In the **last 12 months**, did {you/you or any member of your household} **ever** get emergency food from a church, a food pantry, or a food bank, or eat in a soup kitchen?

- YES 1
- NO 2
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

BOX 6

CHECK ITEM FSQ.155B:

IF THERE IS AT LEAST 1 CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD WHO IS <=5 (OR IN THE AGE RANGE THAT INCLUDES OR IS LESS THAN THE ONE THAT INCLUDES 5) OR THERE IS A FEMALE IN THE HOUSEHOLD WHO IS BETWEEN 12 AND 59 (OR IN THE AGE RANGE THAT INCLUDES OR IS GREATER THAN THE ONE THAT INCLUDES 12 **AND** IN THE AGE RANGE THAT INCLUDES OR IS LESS THAN THE ONE THAT INCLUDES 59), CONTINUE.
OTHERWISE, GO TO FSQ.170.

FSQ.162 [In the **last 12 months**], did {you/you or any member of your household} receive benefits from the WIC program, that is, the Women, Infants and Children program?

- YES 1
- NO 2
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

FSQ.170 [In the **last 12 months**], were {you/you or any members of your household} authorized to receive Food Stamps [which includes a food stamp card or voucher, or cash grants from the state for food]?

AN AUTHORIZED PERSON IS ONE WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON A CERTIFICATION CARD

- YES 1
- NO 2 (END OF SECTION)
- REFUSED 7 (END OF SECTION)
- DON'T KNOW 9 (END OF SECTION)

BOX 7

CHECK ITEM FSQ.175:
IF ONLY ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD, FLAG PERSON AS RECEIVING FOOD STAMPS IN FSQ.180 AND GO TO BOX 8 (ASK FSQ.190 AND FSQ.200 FOR THIS PERSON).
OTHERWISE, CONTINUE.

FSQ.180 Who was authorized to receive Food Stamps?
PROBE: Anyone else?

CAPI INSTRUCTION:
DISPLAY NAMES OF ALL **HOUSEHOLD** MEMBERS.

SELECT NAME(S) FROM ROSTER

- REFUSED 7 (END OF SECTION)
- DON'T KNOW 9 (END OF SECTION)

BOX 8

LOOP 1:
ASK FSQ.190 AND FSQ.200 FOR EACH PERSON FLAGGED IN FSQ.180 AS RECEIVING FOOD STAMPS.

FSQ.190 In the **last 12 months**, about how many months {were you/was PERSON NAME} authorized to receive Food Stamps?

IF LESS THAN 1 MONTH, ENTER 1

ENTER NUMBER OF MONTHS

REFUSED 77
DON'T KNOW 99

FSQ.200 {Are you/Is PERSON NAME} **now** authorized to receive Food Stamps?

YES 1
NO 2
REFUSED 7
DON'T KNOW 9

BOX 9

END LOOP 1:
ASK FSQ.190 AND FSQ.200 FOR NEXT PERSON.
IF NO NEXT PERSON, GO TO END OF SECTION.