Project GATE Public Use Dataset Application Form and Survey Waves 1, 2 and 3 December 2009

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Introduction

The Project GATE (Growing America Through Entrepreneurship) demonstration, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor, was designed to evaluate the impact of offering tuition-free entrepreneurship training services on various labor market outcomes. These outcomes included: formation of small businesses, self-employment status, earnings from self-employment as well as from wage and salary employment, and use of the Unemployment Insurance program.

Project GATE was implemented in three states (Maine, Minnesota, and Pennsylvania) and accepted applicants for random assignment into Treatment or Control groups from September 2003 through July 2005. Treatment Group members were offered entrepreneurship assessment and training services free of charge, while Control Group members were not offered any assistance in starting or expanding their own businesses.

Follow-up surveys were administered in three waves, at approximately 6, 18, and 60 months, respectively, after random assignment:

| Survey Wave | Months After Random Assignment |
|-------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | 6 |
| 2 | 18 |
| 3 | 60 |

The public use dataset for Project GATE consists of four separate SAS datasets (SAS9.2) accompanying by SAS format catalogs. When reading the data, please refer to SAS format catalogs specific for each file:

- 1. **application.sas7bdat** with **format_appl.sas7bcat**. This file contains data from the Application Form, as well as the variable named treatment which indicates whether the individual was in the Treatment Group or the Control Group, and the variable named date_random_assignment which provides the date of random assignment.
- 2. **wave1. sas7bdat** with **formats_w1_w2.sas7bcat**. This file contains data from Wave 1 of the follow-up survey.
- 3. **wave2. sas7bdat** with **formats_w1_w2.sas7bcat**. This file contains data from Wave 2 of the follow-up survey.
- 4. **wave3. sas7bdat** with **formats_w3.sas7bcat**. This file contains data from Wave 3 of the follow-up survey.

Supporting documents are in the Appendices.

- Appendix A contains the Application Form for Project GATE.
- **Appendix B** contains a paper version of the CATI survey instrument used in Wave 1 and Wave 2. These survey instruments were virtually identical. The only difference was that in some questions, the respondent was asked about events (such as businesses started or jobs held) since a certain previous date. On the Wave 1 survey, the previous date was the date of random assignment; on the Wave 2 survey, the previous date was the date of the Wave 1 survey.
- **Appendix C** contains a paper version of the CATI survey instrument used in Wave 3. This survey instrument differed slightly from Waves 1 and 2; some questions were

modified, added, or deleted.

• **Appendix D** contains a listing that maps questions on the Application Form to variables in application.sas7bdat.

Codebooks

Codebooks for these four datasets are provided in separate documents. Each codebook lists the variable name, the survey question it corresponds to, a brief description of the variable, the value label, valid values of the variable, the count showing how many observations had each value, and variable statistics. There are several kinds of statistics:

- For categorical variables, the percent of observations having each possible value is shown.
- For date variables, the earliest and latest dates are shown.
- For continuous variables, the mean value, the minimum value, the maximum value, and the standard deviation are shown.

Naming Scheme for Variables

The Wave 3 survey follows a particular naming scheme for the variable names. The first character represents the section in the questionnaire. For example, *b* represents section B in the questionnaire; this section contains business-related questions. The next three characters represent an abbreviation of the question pertaining to the variable. For example, *rsn* denotes "reason" and *hlp* denotes "help". The next character, if it exists, is used to distinguish among multiple variables created from the same question. For example, the variable named *bsala* represents the amount of salary which the respondent took from the business (a number such as \$1,000), while the variable named *bsalu* represents the timing unit of these earnings (for example, "per week" or "per month"). Suffixes on the variable name such as _a, _b, etc. represent dummy variables created from multiple choice questions. In such multiple choice questions, the choices might be labeled "a", "b", etc. in the survey instrument. Suffixes such as _b1, _b2,..., _b4 and _j1, _j2,..., _j5 represent business and job number respectively. That is, some questions asked about information on up to four businesses, while other questions asked about information on up to 5 different wage and salary jobs. Finally w1, w2 and w3 represent the wave of the variable.

Variables which appeared in all three waves of the survey follow the above naming scheme. Some variables in the Wave 1 and Wave 2 survey instruments did not appear in the Wave 3 survey instrument. These variables follow a different naming scheme, where the first letters of the variable name are wI_{-} or $w2_{-}$, indicating the wave, and subsequent letters are more descriptive of the variable meaning than the above naming scheme. We have maintained these two separate naming schemes in order to readily distinguish those variables which appear in all three survey instruments.

There are two schemes for coding *don't know* and *refused* responses. In Wave1, Wave2, and Wave3, *don't know* responses are coded as "-2" and *refused* are coded as "-3". In the application data, *don't know* and *refused* are coded together as "-4". The difference in coding is caused by the fact that in the Application questionnaire, *don't know* and *refused* are not possible answers, nevertheless some respondents choose to answer some questions.

Findings from the impact evaluation using data from the first two waves of the survey were published in May 2008¹. Findings from the impact evaluation using data from all three waves will be published by the U.S. Department of Labor in 2010.

Key Variables

Unique Identifier. The variable used to uniquely identify individual GATE participants is *gateid*. This identifier is included in all three datasets: the application form; the Wave 1 survey; and the Wave 2 survey. *Gateid* consists of two letters representing the state in which the participant resided (MN, PA, or ME) followed by a four-digit number, for example "MN1234". This variable can be used to merge data from the three datasets.

Evaluation Group. Each individual who was eligible for GATE and who submitted a completed Application Form was randomly assigned to either the Treatment Group or the Control Group. The variable named *treatment* has value 1 if the individual was in the Treatment Group, or 0 if the individual was in the Control Group. This variable is in the survey datasets.

Date of Random Assignment. Each individual's date of random assignment is critical because it determines when the individual becomes eligible for each of the follow-up surveys and it also serves as a starting point for measuring subsequent labor market outcomes. The variable is named *date_random_assignment* and it appears in the Application dataset.

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¹ Growing America Through Entrepreneurship: Findings from the Evaluation of Project GATE. Jacob Benus, Sheena McConnell, Jeanne Bellotti, Theodore Shen, Kenneth Fortson, and Daver Kahvecioglu. May 2008.

Application Form

Individuals who were interested in Project GATE were invited to a group Orientation Session to learn more about the project and about entrepreneurship in general. After completing the Orientation Session, interested individuals were given a nine-page Application Form and were instructed to fill out the form and mail it to the evaluation contractor. Data from the Application Form are available in the Application dataset.

After receiving each Application Form, the evaluation contractor checked the form for completeness. Individuals who submitted an Application Form that proposed an illegal business idea were disqualified from participation in Project GATE. The only other requirements for eligiblity for GATE participation were (a) that the applicant was at least 18 years old as of the date of random assignment; and (b) the applicant was lawfully able to work in the United States. The viability of the proposed business idea and the applicant's qualifications to start or expand a business had no bearing whatsoever on eligibility.

Once an applicant was deemed eligible for participation in Project GATE, the applicant was randomly assigned to either the Treatment Group or the Control Group. Random assignment was performed using a computer program utilizing a random number generator. Each eligible applicant has a 50% chance of being assigned to the Treatment Group and a 50% chance of being assigned to the Control Group.

Random assignment typically occurred within 3 days after receipt of the completed Application Form. For this reason, data on the Application Form may be considered to be baseline information, describing the applicant's characteristics immediately prior to random assignment.

Procedure for Cleaning Application Form Data

Double data entry. The data from each Application Form were entered into a central database using a double data entry system. For each Application Form, one data entry staff member entered the data from the Application Form into the database, then another data entry staff member entered the data from the same Application Form into the database. The double data entry program compared the data entered by the two individuals for each question and produced a report identifying the questions on the Application Form where the two staff members entered different responses. For each question identified on this report, a third, supervisory staff member reviewed the Application Form to determine the correct response and then entered that correct response into the database. A double data entry system makes two underlying assumptions:

- 1. If both data entry staff members enter the same response for a given question into the database, then that response is the actual response that the applicant wrote on the Application Form.
- 2. If the two data entry staff members enter different responses into the database, then one of those responses is incorrect (and sometimes, both responses are incorrect).

Data validation. In the user interface of the double data entry system as well as in the database itself, data validation checks were implemented in order to increase the level of cleanliness of the data.

Backcoded variables. Some questions included an "Other/Specify" category. In these questions, if this category was marked, the applicant or survey respondent was asked to specify a description elaborating on the choice of "Other". This description was recorded verbatim. In some cases, a review of the verbatim responses revealed certain categories of responses that were made by numerous individuals. In such cases, additional categories were added to the original set of categories on the Application Form or survey instrument.

Application Form Questions Omitted from the Public Use Dataset

To protect the privacy of the GATE participants, responses to some of the questions in the survey instruments are omitted from the public use dataset. These include not only personal identifiers but also responses recorded verbatim.

The questions in the Application Form which are omitted from the public use dataset are:

Background Section

- Q1. First name, middle initial, last name
- O2. Address
- Q3. Email address
- Q4. Social Security Number
- Q5. Date of Birth (however, an integer age as of the date of random assignment, derived from the date of birth, is provided in the public use dataset)
- Q7. Home phone number
- Q8. Cell phone number
- Q9. Other phone number
- Q11. Ethnicity. This variable was a verbatim coding.
- Q38. Type of company most recently employed at. This was a verbatim coding.
- Q39. Job title at company of most recent employment.

Business Idea Section

Q1. Description of the applicant's business idea

Follow-up Surveys

To protect the privacy of the GATE participants, responses to some of the questions in the survey instruments are omitted from the public use dataset.

Survey Questions Omitted for Privacy

The questions in the survey instruments which are omitted from the public use dataset are:

Wave1 & Wave2:

- B5a. What organizations provided these classes, workshops, or seminars?
- B8a. What organizations provided you with counseling or technical assistance?
- B11a. What organizations provided a peer support group?
- B14a. What organizations provided you with a mentor?
- B16. What were they?
- B16a. What organizations provided you with these other services?
- B33a. In what other ways did these services help you?
- C5. Please tell me about your (most recent/next) self-employment experience. What was the name of the business?
- C5a. What other businesses have you owned since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)?
- C6. When did you <u>start</u> operating this business as the owner? [The survey asked for the month, day, and year, but the day is omitted from the public use dataset.]
- C7. When did you <u>stop</u> operating this business as the owner? [The survey asked for the month, day, and year, but the day is omitted from the public use dataset.]
- C10. What (is/was) the main product or activity of this business? RECORD VERBATIM
- C36c. What was the source of these grants? RECORD VERBATIM
- C41. What is the zip code where your business (is/was) located?
- D7. What is the name of the employer?
- D8. When did you <u>start</u> working for (EMPLOYER)? [The survey asked for the month, day, and year, but the day is omitted from the public use dataset.]
- D9. When did you stop working for (EMPLOYER)? [The survey asked for the month, day, and year, but the day is omitted from the public use dataset.]
- D10. What kind of company (is/was) (EMPLOYER)? What (do/did) they make, sell, or do?
- D11. What (do/did) you do there? PROBE: What (is/was) your job title?

Wave3:

- B4: Name of organization providing SE training
- B8: Name of organization providing SE counseling
- B12: Name of organization providing peer support group
- B16: Name of organization providing mentor
- B18: Description of other SE services last 12 months

B19: Name of organization providing other SE services

B26: How SE services helped in other ways in last 12 months

B31: Would help: description of other

C4: Name of Business

C5. When did you <u>start</u> operating this business as the owner? [The survey asked for the month, day, and year, but the day is omitted from the public use dataset.]

C6. When did you <u>stop</u> operating this business as the owner? [The survey asked for the month, day, and year, but the day is omitted from the public use dataset.]

C9: Main product or activity of Business

C52: Source of grants Business

C57: Zipcode where Business was located

D5: Name of employer

D7. When did you <u>start</u> working for (EMPLOYER)? [The survey asked for the month, day, and year, but the day is omitted from the public use dataset.]

D8. When did you stop working for (EMPLOYER)? [The survey asked for the month, day, and year, but the day is omitted from the public use dataset.]

D9: Employer product/service D10: Job description/job title

In addition, a number of questions in the surveys have "Other (Specify)" as a choice. When the respondent responded with "Other", the survey interviewer was asked to record the value provided by the respondent verbatim. The public use dataset records the fact that the response was "Other", but omits all of the associated verbatim responses in order to protect the respondent's privacy. The questions with "Other (Specify)" where the verbatim "Specify" responses are omitted are:

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Wave1 & Wave2:

B2, B21, B35, B37, C1, C8, C9, C17, C18C, C21, C26, C32, C33, C34, C39, C40, C48, C49, C51A, C54, C56, D4, D12, D17, D19, D21

Wave3:

B22, B29, B31, C7, C8, C16, C20, C26, C33, C39, C44, C46, C55, C56, C61, C62, C64, C67, D2, D11, D16, D17, D21, D23, D25, F9

Appendix A. Application Form

Each individual who completed a GATE Orientation Session was offered a 9-page paper GATE Application Form to fill out and mail to the evaluation contractor. The Application Form follows.

GROWING AMERICA THROUGH ENTREPRENEURSHIP (Project GATE)



APPLICATION PACKET

Please answer <u>all</u> questions on this application packet. The information collected in this application packet will be kept completely confidential and used only for research and training purposes. **You need to complete the entire packet, but your answers will not affect your chances of being selected for Project GATE services.** There are no right or wrong answers. Your answers are important to help improve Project GATE.

Please make and keep a copy of this application packet for future reference. If chosen to receive Project GATE services, you may want to share a copy with business counselors.

The application has four sections:

- **BACKGROUND INFORMATION.** This section tells us about your family situation and work history.
- BUSINESS IDEA. This section tells us about your business idea.
- **CONTACT INFORMATION.** This section asks for information that may be used to try to contact you later for our follow-up surveys.
- PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT. This last section of the application packet explains the selection process for Project GATE and the types of information we will collect from participants. By signing this application, you are verifying that you satisfy the eligibility requirements for the demonstration and understand the conditions of the program. This section must be signed for you to participate in Project GATE.

MAIL YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Project GATE P.O. Box 1138 Columbia, MD 21044

A SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE IS PROVIDED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL 1-866-677-GATE (4283).

| | BACKGROUNI | DINFORMATION |
|----------------|--|--|
| Dat | e of Application: _ / / | |
| Ple | ase Print Clearly. Use pen only. | |
| 1. Firs | t Name Middle Initial Last Name | 9. Is there another phone number where you can be reached? |
| 2. | Address Apt. # | (_)- _ - - - Area Code Ext. _ _ |
| | City State Zip Code | That number belongs to: |
| 3. | E-mail address: O None | MARK ONE 1 ☐ Friend 2 ☐ Relative 3 ☐ Neighbor |
| 4. | Social Security Number: | 4 □ Landlord 5 □ Employer |
| 5. | Date of Birth: _ _ / _ / _ / _ Year | 10. Do you consider yourself: MARK ALL THAT APPLY |
| 6. | Sex: 1 ☐ Male 2 ☐ Female | 1 □ White and Hispanic/Latino 2 □ White and not Hispanic/Latino |
| 7. | Home Phone Number: 0 ☐ Mark this box if you do not have a phone at home then SKIP TO Q.8 (_ _)- _ _ - _ Area Code | Black and Hispanic/Latino Black and not Hispanic/Latino American Indian or Alaskan Native Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander |
| | Whose name is that phone listed in? | 7 □ Asian 8 □ OTHER (Specify) |
| | First Name/Last Name 1 My own name | 11. What is your ancestry or ethnic origin? (For example, Italian, Korean, Haitian, Mexican, Ukrainian, etc.) |
| 8. | Cell Phone Number: 0 □ None (_ _)- _ - - Area Code | |

| 12. W | hat is your primary language? | 16. | How many children live with you? |
|--------|---|-----|---|
| M | ARK ONE | | NUMBER OF CHILDREN |
| 1 | □ English | | |
| 2 | ☐ Spanish | 17. | What is your marital status right now? |
| 3 | □ French | | MARK ONE |
| 4 | □ Mandarin | | 1 ☐ Married |
| 5 | □ Tagalog | | 2 ☐ Separated |
| 6 | □ Somali | | 3 ☐ Divorced |
| 7 | □ Hindi | | 4 ☐ Widowed |
| 8 | □ Vietnamese | | 5 ☐ Never married |
| 9 | ☐ Hmong | | |
| 10 | □ Amharic | 18. | In the last 12 months, what was your total |
| 11 | □ Cambodian | | household income from all sources before taxes and deductions? Please include income from |
| 12 | □ Russian | | yourself as well as all members of your |
| 13 | □ Arabic | | household. |
| 14 | □ Orominga | | o □ None |
| 15 | □ OTHER (Specify) | | ₁ ☐ Under \$10,000 |
| | | | 2 🗆 \$10,000 - \$14,999 |
| | | | з 🗆 \$15,000 - \$24,999 |
| | hat is the highest grade of regular school you ave completed: | | 4 🗆 \$25,000 - \$34,999 |
| 110 | ve <u>completed</u> . | | ₅ □ \$35,000 - \$49,999 |
| İ | CIRCLE ONE NUMBER | | 6 🗆 \$50,000 - \$74,999 |
| | or less 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 or more | | ⁷ □ \$75,000 - \$99,000 |
| Ele | ementary and High School After High School | | ₈ □ \$100,000 or above |
| | | | |
| Livino | Situation | 19. | In what country were you born? |
| Living | , onduiton | | 1 □ U.S. |
| | cluding yourself, how many people usually | | ² □ Other (Specify): |
| | ve with you? Please include babies, small nildren, people who are not related to you, and | | - |
| pe | eople who are temporarily away. | | |
| | _ NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN HOUSEHOLD | 20. | Are you a citizen or national of the United States? |
| 15. D | o you have any children under 18 years of age, | | ₁ ☐ Yes |
| | ho live with you? | | o □ No |
| | clude your own or adopted children, foster, or | | |
| st | epchildren. | 21. | Do you have any disability or serious health problem that makes it difficult for you to work? |
| 1 [| □ Yes | | problem that makes it difficult for you to work? |
| о [| ା No ର୍ଷ୍ଟ GO TO Q .17 | | 1 ☐ Yes |
| | | l | ₀ □ No |
| | 1 | 2 | |

| Self-Employment | | 20 | Would you say this business (was/is) a financial |
|-----------------|--|-------|---|
| 22. | Have you ever been self-employed (owned your | 29. | success? |
| | own business)? | | ₁ ☐ Yes |
| | 1 ☐ Yes | | o □ No |
| | ₀ □ No ৠ GO TO Q.31 | | |
| | | 30. | What was the largest number of employees the business employed, excluding yourself? |
| 23. | Thinking back to all the times you were self- employed, how many years have you been self- employed? | | NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES |
| | NUMBER OF YEARS | 31. | Have any close relatives or friends ever been self-employed or owned a business? |
| | If less than 1 year | | ı □ Yes |
| | NUMBER OF MONTHS | | ₀ □ No Ⅺ GO TO Q.33 |
| | I1 | | |
| 24. | Thinking about your current or most recent business, what did you make, sell, or do? | 32. | Did you ever work for these relatives or friends at this business? |
| | | | ₁ ☐ Yes |
| | | | o □ No |
| | | | |
| | | Other | Work Experiences |
| 25. | When did you start that business? | Other | Work Experiences |
| | START DATE: _ / / _ Year | 33. | Are you working for someone else now where you receive an hourly wage or salary? |
| | Month Day Teal | | 1 ☐ Yes 🌣 GO TO Q.38 |
| | | _ | - ₀ □ No |
| 26. | When did you stop doing that business? | | |
| | STOP DATE: / / | 34. | What are you doing now? |
| | Month Day Year | | MARK ALL THAT APPLY |
| | Our doing business | | 1 ☐ Self-employed |
| | | | $_2$ \square Looking for work |
| 27. | In the last 12 months, how many weeks were | | ₃ ☐ In school/training program |
| | you self-employed? | | $_4$ \square Taking care of a family member |
| | NUMBER OF WEEKS | | ₅ ☐ Retired |
| | | | 6 ☐ OTHER (Specify) |
| | | | |
| 28. | How many hours per week (do/did) you usually work at this business? | | |
| | _ HOURS PER WEEK | 35. | Have you <u>ever</u> worked for someone else where you received an hourly wage or a salary? |
| | | | 1 ☐ Yes 🌣 GO TO Q.36 |
| | | | ₀ □ No ঽ GO TO Q.45 |
| | | | |

| 36. | When did your last job end? / Month Year | 41. How many hours per week (do/did) you usually work? NUMBER OF HOURS |
|-----|---|---|
| 37. | Why did you stop working at this job? | 42. In the last 12 months, how many weeks did you work for someone else? |
| | MARK ONE 1 □ Laid off | NUMBER OF WEEKS |
| | 2 ☐ Business/plant closed | 43. Have you ever worked in a managerial capacity |
| | $_3\square$ Temporary or seasonal job ended | in any job, for someone else? |
| | ₄ □ Fired | 1 □ Yes |
| | 5 Retired | ₀ □ No ঽ GO TO Q.45 |
| | G □ Quit to start working for selfQuit for family reasons | ↓ |
| | 8 □ Quit for other reason (Specify) | 44. How many years have you worked in a managerial capacity? |
| | | NUMBER OF YEARS |
| 38 | | |
| | What kind of company (is/was) this? What do | |
| 00. | What kind of company (is/was) this? What do they make, sell, or do? | Other Information |
| 00. | | Other Information 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any of the following programs? |
| | | 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any |
| | they make, sell, or do? | 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any of the following programs? |
| | What (do/did) you do there? What (is/was) your | 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any of the following programs? MARK ALL THAT APPLY |
| | What (do/did) you do there? What (is/was) your | 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any of the following programs? MARK ALL THAT APPLY 1 □ TANF / MFIP (Cash Assistance) 2 □ SSI (Supplemental Security Income) 3 □ General Assistance |
| 39. | What (do/did) you do there? What (is/was) your job title? | 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any of the following programs? MARK ALL THAT APPLY 1 □ TANF / MFIP (Cash Assistance) 2 □ SSI (Supplemental Security Income) 3 □ General Assistance 4 □ Food Stamps |
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| 39. | What (do/did) you do there? What (is/was) your job title? What is your current or most recent rate of pay before taxes and deductions? | 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any of the following programs? MARK ALL THAT APPLY 1 □ TANF / MFIP (Cash Assistance) 2 □ SSI (Supplemental Security Income) 3 □ General Assistance 4 □ Food Stamps 5 □ Social Security benefits |
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| 39. | What (do/did) you do there? What (is/was) your job title? What is your current or most recent rate of pay before taxes and deductions? \$, _ . | 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any of the following programs? MARK ALL THAT APPLY 1 ☐ TANF / MFIP (Cash Assistance) 2 ☐ SSI (Supplemental Security Income) 3 ☐ General Assistance 4 ☐ Food Stamps 5 ☐ Social Security benefits 6 ☐ Other (Specify): |
| 39. | What (do/did) you do there? What (is/was) your job title? What is your current or most recent rate of pay before taxes and deductions? \$ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ 1 Per hour 2 Per week | 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any of the following programs? MARK ALL THAT APPLY 1 □ TANF / MFIP (Cash Assistance) 2 □ SSI (Supplemental Security Income) 3 □ General Assistance 4 □ Food Stamps 5 □ Social Security benefits 6 □ Other (Specify): 46. Are you currently receiving Unemployment |
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| 39. | What (do/did) you do there? What (is/was) your job title? What is your current or most recent rate of pay before taxes and deductions? \$ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ 1 | 45. Are you currently receiving assistance from any of the following programs? MARK ALL THAT APPLY 1 |

| 48. | How supportive is your family in your attempt to start or grow a business? 1 □ Very supportive 2 □ Fairly supportive 3 □ Neither supportive nor unsupportive 4 □ Fairly unsupportive 5 □ Not supportive | | q. I have a sense of humor r. I am not prepared to risk my savings for my business s. I am willing to lower my standard of living while my business gets started _ t. I get sick often u. I often find more than one solution to a problem |
|-----|--|--------------|--|
| 49. | The following statements describe opinions people have about themselves. Please tell me whether this is (1) very true, (2) somewhat true, (3) neither true nor untrue, (4) somewhat untrue, or (5) very untrue for you. Please write a number from 1 to 5 next to each item. a. I enjoy working independently b. I finish projects even if they involve a great deal of work | | Do you currently have responsibility for the care of children or other family members during the day? 1 □ Yes 0 □ No |
| | c. I am willing to work long hours for my business, even if it involves 12 or more hours a day, six or seven days a week d. I have innovative ideas e. I often take the initiative to start things f. If something "can't be done," I find a way g. I'm only willing to take a risk if I am sure everything will work out h. I can handle challenges and persist during difficult times i. I communicate easily with people who have different types of personalities | | Do you currently have a plan for child care while you are working on your business? 1 Yes 0 No Do you currently have YES NO a. a working car? |
| | j. I take advice from others k. I'm a good motivator I. I have clearly defined long and short term goals m. I often miss deadlines n. I am an organized person o. I have a difficult time making up my mind p. I work well under pressure | ↓ 54. | Do you have a credit history? 1 ☐ Yes 0 ☐ No 🌣 GO TO Q.55 Do you have any problems with your credit history? 1 ☐ Yes 0 ☐ No |

Applicant's Name:_

| 55. | Is there someone else in your family who works for pay and will support you while you start or grow your business? |
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| _ | -1 □ Yes |
| | ₀ □ No 沟 GO TO Q.57 |
| ¥ 56 | On average, what is their total weekly earnings? |
| 50. | |
| | \$ _ _ , _ _ AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS |
| 57. | Do you currently have health insurance coverage? |
| | ₁ ☐ Yes |
| | ₀ □ No শ্ব GO TO NEXT PAGE |
| | |
| 58. | Does this insurance come from |
| | 1 ☐ your employer |
| | 2 ☐ a family member's employer |
| | $_3$ \square Medicaid or another public health insurance |
| | 4 ☐ OTHER (Specify) |
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Applicant's Name:

| | BUSINESS IDEA | | | |
|----|---|------|--|---------------------------|
| 1. | Please briefly describe the business you want to start or grow | 6. | Will this business build on you developed while pursu | |
| | to start or grow | | ₁ ☐ Yes | |
| | | | o □ No | |
| | | 7. | Do you plan to operate this home? | s business out of your |
| | | | ₁ ☐ Yes SKIP TO Q.9 | |
| | | | ₀ □ No | |
| | | | | |
| | | 8. | Do you have a location in r business? | mind for your |
| | | | ¹ □ Yes | |
| | | | o □ No | |
| | | 9. | Have you written a formal I business? | business plan for this |
| | | | ₁ □ Yes | |
| | | | o □ No | |
| _ | | | | |
| 2. | Are you already operating this business? | 10. | People are interested in be | ing self-employed for |
| | ₁ □ Yes | | different reasons. Which of important reasons for your | |
| | ₀ □ No སྡ GO TO Q.4 | | apply. | r riease iliaik ali tilat |
| | | I | | |
| 3. | For how long have you operated the business? | | | |
| | LENGTH | a. T | o obtain more income | |
| | | b. T | o be your own boss | |
| | 1 ☐ Months 2 ☐ Years | | o pursue specific | |
| 4. | Have you ever operated another business similar to the one you propose to start or grow? | | o use a specific talent or alents | |
| | 1 ☐ Yes | | For more flexibility in your work schedule | |
| | o □ No | f. T | o work at home | |
| 5. | Will this business build on skills or knowledge you developed while working for someone else? | _ | o realize a long held | |
| | ı □ Yes | h. T | o avoid unemployment | |
| | □ No | i. | OTHER (Specify) | |
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CONTACT INFORMATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION

| 1. APPL | ICANT'S N | IAME (LAST, FIR | ST, MIDDLE INITIAL |): 2. | SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER |
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| | | | | <u>-</u> | - - - |
| | | | CONTACT INFOR | MATION - RELATI | VES AND FRIENDS |
| INSTRUCTIONS how to contact y if possible. | S: In the spousix mor | pace below, please oths from now. We | e provide the name, ac will only contact thes | ddress, and phone e people if we ha | e number of three close relatives or friends who are likely to know we trouble contacting you directly. Please complete all three boxes |
| 1. NAME | E AND ADI | DRESS OF RELAT | TIVE OR FRIEND | | |
| NAME: Last | | | First | | Middle |
| ADDRESS: Nur | mber and s | treet name | | | Apt. No. |
| City | | | State | | ZIP Code |
| RELATIONSHIP | TO APPL | ICANT: | | | |
| TELEPHONE: | Home | () _Area Code | | Number | Whose name is this phone listed in? |
| | Work | / wea oode | | Number | E-mail Address: |
| | VVOIK | Area Code | | Number | - |
| 2. NAME | E AND ADI | DRESS OF RELAT | TIVE OR FRIEND | | |
| NAME: Last | | | First | | Middle |
| ADDRESS: Nur | mber and s | treet name | | | Apt. No. |
| City | | | State | | ZIP Code |
| RELATIONSHIP | TO APPL | ICANT: | | | |
| TELEPHONE: | Home | | | | Whose name is this phone listed in? |
| | | Area Code | | Number | E-mail Address: |
| | Work | () _ | | Number | |
| 3. NAME | E AND ADI | DRESS OF RELAT | ΓIVE OR FRIEND | Number | |
| NAME: Last | | | First | | Middle |
| | | | | | |
| ADDRESS: Nur | mber and s | treet name | | | Apt. No. |
| City | | | State | | ZIP Code |
| RELATIONSHIP | P TO APPL | ICANT: | | | |
| TELEPHONE: | Home | ()_ | | | Whose name is this phone listed in? |
| | | Area Code | | Number | E-mail Address: |
| | Work | () _Area Code | | Number | |
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PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The U.S. Department of Labor has asked IMPAQ International, an independent research firm, to find out if the GATE Program helps people become self-employed. Over the next few years they will be studying the program and looking at peoples' experiences before, during, and after being part of the program. This agreement asks you to confirm that you meet the eligibility requirements for GATE and consent to participate in the Study.

To be eligible for GATE, you must:

| • | Have attended a GATE orientation. | Please tell us when | you attended the | orientation: |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------|
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|__|_| / |__| / |__| |__| Month Day Year

- Have a legal business idea
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Be a U.S. citizen or national of the U.S., lawfully admitted permanent resident, or other immigrant authorized to work in the U.S

In addition, you must agree to be part of the Study to apply for GATE services:

- GATE does not have space for everyone. A lottery or random drawing will decide whether you will be able to enter the program.
- IMPAQ International will ask to interview you about six months from now and again after eighteen
 months. Although these interviews are extremely important for the study, your participation in them
 is voluntary and will not affect your participation in the Project GATE.
- As part of the Study, IMPAQ International will gather and use information about you from GATE program and state agency records on service use, earnings, and Unemployment Insurance benefit receipt.
- Information gathered for the Study will only be used for evaluating the program. All information will be kept strictly confidential, unless the law requires disclosure or you request otherwise in writing.

I have read, or have had this form read to me. I confirm that I meet the eligibility requirements and agree to participate in the Study.

| Name (Please Print) | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| - - Social Security Number | |
| Signature of Applicant | Date |

Appendix B. Survey Instrument, Waves 1 and 2

The three follow-up surveys were administered to members of both the Treatment Group and the Control Group. The Wave 1 survey was administered approximately 6 to 8 months after random assignment. The Wave 2 survey was administered approximately 18 to 20 months after random assignment. Both waves used the same survey instrument, with slight modification in question wording only in some questions where "since random assignment" on the Wave 1 Survey was replaced with "since the first survey" or similar wording in the Wave 2 Survey. The paper version of the survey instrument used in Wave 1 and 2 follows. The Wave 3 survey instrument is shown in Appendix C.

Project GATE Follow-up Survey

| SECTION A | · INTRO | ODUCTIO | N/SCREENER |
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(Section A verifies the identity of the individual whom the survey interviewer is talking with on the phone.)

SECTION B: SELF-EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

The next series of questions are about self-employment services.

B0. **[FOR CONTROL GROUP MEMBERS ONLY]** Have you, a business partner, or a family member received any GATE services?

| YES | 01 |
|------------|--------------|
| NO | |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO B3 |
| REFUSED | 3 <u></u> |

B0a. **PROGRAMMER**:

THIS IS A 6-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW OR AN 18-MONTH FOLLOW-UP
WITHOUT A COMPLETED 6-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW . GO TO B1

THIS IS AN 18-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW WITH A COMPLETED 6-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW. GO TO B3

B1. Prior to when you applied for the Growing America Through Entrepreneurship (GATE) program on (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE), did you participate in any self-employment services or programs to help you start or grow your own business? Services or programs could include classes, workshops, seminars, one-on-one counseling or technical assistance, a peer support or networking group, or mentoring.

| YES | 01 |
|------------|---------------|
| NO | |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO B3 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

| B2. | Prior to applying for the GATE program on (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE), what |
|----------|---|
| types of | self-employment services or programs did you participate in? Did you participate in |

| | | YES | NO | DON'T KNOW | REFUSED |
|----|--|-----|----|---------------|---------|
| a. | classes, workshops or seminars? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| b. | one-on-one counseling or technical assistance? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| C. | a peer support/networking group? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| d. | mentoring? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| e. | Any other types of self employment programs? (SPECIFY) | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |

| B3. | Since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you |
|----------|---|
| attended | any classes, workshops, or seminars on topics related to your business? |

| YES | 01 |
|------------|--------------|
| NO | |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO B6 |
| REFUSED | |

B4. How many individual sessions of these classes, workshops, or seminars did you attend?

| NUMBER OF CLASSES/SESSIONS | |
|----------------------------|----|
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | -3 |

B5. On average, how long were the individual sessions of these classes, workshops, or seminars?

| LENGTH | |
|------------|----|
| MINUTES | 01 |
| HOURS | 02 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

B5a. What organizations provided these classes, workshops, or seminars?

| | (Code all that apply) (Options/Drop down list for other responses work force centers) | | | | |
|------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | NAME(S) | | | | |
| | Other Specify | 94 | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | | | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | | | |
| | | n (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF e-on-one counseling or technical assistance on | | | |
| | YES | 01 | | | |
| | NO | 00 ¬ | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO B9 | | | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | | | |
| B7. | How many one-on-one counseling or to since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE | echnical assistance sessions have you attended E/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? | | | |
| | _ NUMBER OF SESSION | NS | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | | | |
| | REFUSED | 3 → GO TO B8a | | | |
| B8. | On average, how long did each one-or last? | n-one counseling or technical assistance sessior | | | |
| | LENGTH | | | | |
| | MINUTES | 01 | | | |
| | HOURS | 02 | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | | | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | | | |
| В8а. | What organizations provided you with (Code all that apply) (Options/Drop do | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | Other Specify | | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | | | |
| | DEELIGED | 3 | | | |

| attended self-emp | l any pèer | support group for self-employed persons or p | | ,, |
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| | PROBE: | By this we mean groups of individuals who a start a business who meet to share ideas, str | | |
| | NO DO | S | 00 — 2 | → GO TO B12 |
| B10. | | y support group sessions have you attended s TE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? | since (RAN | IDOM ASSIGNMENT |
| | | N'T KNOW | | |
| B11. | MIN HOI DOI | ge, how long did each of these sessions last? LENGTH NUTES URS N'T KNOW FUSED | 01 02 2 | |
| B11a. | What organizations provided a peer support group? (Code all that apply) (Options/Drop down list for other organizations for peer pressure groups) NAME(S) | | | |
| | DO | er Specify N'T KNOW FUSED | 2 | |

| B12. | Since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST I worked with an experienced business-owner or someone mentor? | |
|-------|---|-------------------------------|
| | YES | 01 |
| | NO | 00 ¬ |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO B15 |
| | REFUSED | 3 — |
| B13. | About how many meetings, in total, have you had with a n ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? | nentor since (RANDOM |
| | NUMBER OF MEETINGS | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 → GO TO B14a |
| B14. | On average, how long did each of these meetings last? | |
| | LENGTH | |
| | MINUTES | 01 |
| | HOURS | 02 |
| | DON'T KNOW | |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| B14a. | What organizations provided you with a mentor? (Code all that apply) (Options/Drop down list for other orgmentor) | anizations that could provide |
| | NAME(S) | |
| | Other Specify | 0.4 |
| | Other Specify DON'T KNOW | |
| | | |
| | REFUSED | 3 |

| B15. | Since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you received any other types of self-employment services that we haven't already talked about? | | | | |
|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | YES01 | | | | |
| | NO00 ¬ | | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO B17 | | | | |
| | REFUSED3 —— | | | | |
| B16. | What were they? | | | | |
| | RECORD VERBATIM | | | | |
| B16a. | What organizations provided you with these other services? (Code all that apply) (Options/Drop down list for other organizations that could provide services) | | | | |
| | NAME(S) | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | Other Specify94 | | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | | | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | | | |
| B16b. | PROGRAMMER: IF B3, B6, B9, B12 or B15 = 1, GO TO B17. OTHERWISE GO TO B20. | | | | |
| D.1- | | | | | |
| B17. | Thinking about all the services you have received since applying to the GATE Program (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), about how much did you pay in total for these services? | | | | |
| | \$ _, _ TOTAL AMOUNT | | | | |
| | Services were free01 | | | | |
| | Paid for services02 | | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | | | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | | | |
| B18. | NO B18 IN THIS VERSION | | | | |

| Why didn't you participate in any self-employ | ment services or programs? |
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| | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY |
| DIDN'T THINK SERVICES WOULD | |
| BE HELPFUL | 01 |
| SERVICES LOCATED TOO FAR AWA | Y02 |
| TIMES INCONVENIENT | 03 |
| DIDN'T WANT TO WAIT FOR CLASSI | ES |
| TO BEGIN | 04 |
| DECIDED TO POSTPONE SELF-EMP | LOYMENT05 |
| DECIDED NOT TO PURSUE SELF-EN | MPLOYMENT |
| AT ALL | 06 |
| TOO BUSY | 07 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY) | 08 |
| | |

REFUSED-3 —

→ GO TO B26

NO B19 IN THIS VERSION

B19.

| Did you receive help writing your business plan from someone in a self-employment program? Please include a counselor, a mentor, or someone in a support group or workshop. | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| YES | 01 | | | |
| NO | 00 ¬ | | | |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO B26 | | | |
| REFUSED | 3 — | | | |
| PROGRAMMER: IF SAMPLE MEMBER IS IN TREATME IF SAMPLE MEMBER IS IN CONTROL | | | | |
| Did the GATE Program provide any help ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST II | o writing your business plan since (RANDOM NTERVIEW)? | | | |
| YES | 01 | | | |
| NO | 00 | | | |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 | | | |
| REFUSED | 3 | | | |
| Since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/applied for a business loan? | DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you | | | |
| YES | 01 | | | |
| NO | | | | |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO B31a | | | |
| REFUSED | 3 — | | | |
| | | | | |
| To how many different institutions or pro (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE | | | | |
| | OF LAST INTERVIEW)? | | | |
| (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE | OF LAST INTERVIEW)? | | | |

| B28. | Did you apply for a loan from the Small Business Administration (SBA) since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)]? | | | | |
|------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | YES01 | | | | |
| | NO00 | | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | | | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | | | |
| B29. | When applying for loans, did you receive any help from someone in a self-employment program? | | | | |
| | YES01 | | | | |
| | NO00 ¬ | | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO B31a | | | | |
| | REFUSED3 — | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| B30. | PROGRAMMER: IF SAMPLE MEMBER IS TREATMENT GROUP, GO TO B31. IF SAMPLE MEMBER IS NOT IN TREATMENT GROUP, GO TO B31a. | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| B31. | Did the GATE Program provide any of this help? | | | | |
| | YES01 | | | | |
| | NO00 | | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | | | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | | | |
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B31a. **PROGRAMMER:**

IF B3, B6, B9, B12 AND B15 = 0, d OR r, GO TO B36. OTHERWISE CONTINUE.

PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF B23 = YES SKIP B32a

B32. I am going to read a list of ways self-employment services may have helped you. Did self employment services help you a lot, somewhat, or not at all in . . .

| | | A LOT | SOME- WHAT | NOT AT ALL | DON'T KNOW | REFUSED |
|----|--|----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------|
| a. | Developing a business plan | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| b. | Applying for loans | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| C. | Deciding whether to pursue self- employment | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| d. | Refining your business idea | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| e. | Dealing with credit issues | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| f. | Developing your marketing strategy | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| g. | Dealing with legal issues | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| h. | Dealing with accounting issues | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| i. | Hiring and dealing with employees | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| j. | Networking | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| k. | Using computers and other technology | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| I. | Dealing with clients | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| m. | Providing psychological support | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |

| B33. | Are there other | ways in which | self-employment | services may | have helped y | ou? |
|------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|-----|
|------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|-----|

| YES | 01 |
|------------|---------------|
| NO | 00 ¬ |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO B34 |
| REFUSED | -3 —J |

B33a. In what other ways did these services help you?

| B34. | Thinking about all of the self-employment services that you have received since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), how would you the overall usefulness of the services you have received? Were they | | | /IEW), how would you rate | |
|-------|---|---|--|--|--|
| | Very useful, | | | 01 | |
| | | eful, | | | |
| | Not very usefu | l, or | | 03 | |
| | Not at all usefu | الـ | | 04 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | | | 3 | |
| B34a. | PROGRAMMER: | SELF-EMPLOYME FOLLOWING QUE B15)? IF SO, INSI | ENT SERVICE? DESTIONS EQUAL SERT NAMES OF SE | RE THAN ONE TYPE OF O AT LEAST TWO OF THE '01" (B3, B6, B9, B12, OR EERVICES INTO B35. IF CEIVED, GO TO B36. | |
| B35. | You mentioned previously that since applying to the GATE Program (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), you had received (NAMES OF SELF-EMPLOYMENT SERVICES RECEIVED). Please tell me which one service has been most useful to you. | | | | |
| | CLASSES OR | WORKSHOPS | | 01 | |
| | | COUNSELING OF | | 02 | |
| | PEER SUPPO | RT/NETWORKING | GROUP | 03 | |
| | MENTORING | | | 04 | |
| | OTHER (SPE | CIFY) | | 05 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | | | 3 | |
| B36. | Are there any service have helped you in s | | | eive enough of that could ? | |
| | YES | | | 01 | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
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B37. What services would have been useful to you?

CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY

| CLASSES OR WORKSHOPS | 01 |
|---|----|
| ONE-ON-ONE COUNSELING OR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE | 02 |
| PEER SUPPORT/NETWORKING GROUP | 03 |
| MENTORING | 04 |
| LOANS | 05 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY) | 06 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | -3 |

SECTION C: SELF-EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

C0. **PROGRAMMER:**

THIS IS A 6-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW OR AN 18-MONTH FOLLOW-UP WITHOUT A COMPLETED 6-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW. → CONTINUE TO C1

THIS IS AN 18-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW WITH A COMPLETED

6-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW. GO TO C4

C1. The next series of questions are about your experiences with self-employment. Why were you interested in being self-employed?

PROBE: Were there any other reasons?

CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY

| TO INCREASE INCOME | 01 |
|--|----|
| COULD NOT GET A JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE | 02 |
| WANTED TO BE MY OWN BOSS/ TIRED OF WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE | 03 |
| TO GET WORK NOT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE IN THE JOB MARKET | 04 |
| FLEXIBILITY IN DAILY SCHEDULE | 05 |
| POTENTIAL TO CAPITALIZE ON ONE'S EXISTING SKILLS | 06 |
| TO HAVE MORE FREEDOM TO MEET FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES | 07 |
| TO BRING NEW IDEAS TO THE MARKETPLACE/ TO MEET A NEED IN THE COMMUNITY | 80 |
| BEING SELF-EMPLOYED WAS ALWAYS MY DREAM | 09 |
| EARLY RETIREMENT | 10 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY) | 11 |
| DON'T KNOW | -2 |
| DEELIGED | 2 |

| C2. | Prior to applying for the GATE Program in (Figure 1) been self-employed, that is, owned your own | | DATE), had you |
|------|---|---|----------------|
| | YES | 01 | |
| | NO | 00 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO C4 |
| | REFUSED | | |
| C2a. | Prior to applying for the GATE Program in (Financy businesses had you owned? | RANDOM ASSIGNMENT | DATE), how |
| | _ NUMBER OF BUSINESSES | | |
| | NONE | 00 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | |
| | REFUSED | | |
| C3. | Thinking about the time you were self-emplo DATE), about how long, in total, were you se RECORD LENGTH AND CODE TIME UNIT | elf-employed? | SSIGNMENT |
| | LENGTH | | |
| | WEEKS | 01 | |
| | MONTHS | 02 | |
| | YEARS | 03 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | | |
| C4. | Since applying to the GATE Program in (FLAST INTERVIEW) have you been self-emp | | |
| | YES | 01 | |
| | NO | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | → GO TO C55 |
| | REFUSED | | 00 10 000 |
| C4a. | Are you currently self-employed? | | |
| | YES | 01 | |
| | NO | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | |
| | REFUSED | | |
| C4b. | How many businesses have you owned sinc INTERVIEW)? Please include all businesses LAST INTERVIEW) that you still own and alsowned since (RA DATE/DATE OF LAST INT | s owned prior to (RA DAT so include all businesses | TE/DATE OF |
| | _ NUMBER OF BUSINESSES | | |
| | NONE | 00 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | |
| | REFUSED | - -3 | |

| | CURRENT/MOST RECENT | SECOND |
|---|--|--|
| C5. The next questions are about the business(es) | BUSINESS | BUSINESS |
| you have owned since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW). | NAME OF BUSINESS | NAME OF BUSINESS |
| Please tell me about your (most recent/) self- employment experience. What was the name of the business? | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED2 | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| RECORD NAME OF BUSINESS ACROSS THE TOP OF THE GRID <u>FIRST</u> . THEN ASK C6-C20a <u>DOWN</u> FOR EACH BUSINESS. | | |
| C5a. What other businesses have you owned since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? | | |
| RECORD AS NEXT BUSINESS IN COLUMN HEADER | | |
| C6. In what month and year did you start operating (THIS BUSINESS) as the owner? If DK PROBE FOR BEST ESTIMATE | / _ _ _ MONTH YEAR | _ / MONTH YEAR |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| C7. In what month and year did you stop | | |
| operating (THIS BUSINESS) as the owner? | / MONTH YEAR | / MONTH YEAR |
| IF DK, PROBE FOR ESTIMATE | MONTH YEAR | MONTH YEAR |
| | STILL OPERATING BUSINESS(GO TO C10)96 DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | STILL OPERATING BUSINESS(GO TO C10)96 DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| C8. Why did you stop operating (THIS | CIDCLE ALL THAT ADDLY | CIDCLE ALL THAT ADDLY |
| BUŚINEŚS) as the owner? ` | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| C9. What did you do when you stopped operating | REFUSED3 CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY | REFUSED3 CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY |
| (THIS BUSINESS) as the owner? | TOOK JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE01 | TOOK JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE01 |
| | STARTED ANOTHER BUSINESS | STARTED ANOTHER BUSINESS |
| | TOOK CARE OF CHILD, FAMILY MEMBER, OR SICK RELATIVE | TOOK CARE OF CHILD, FAMILY MEMBER, OR SICK RELATIVE |
| | RETIRED | RETIRED |
| | WAS SICK | WAS SICK |
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| | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |

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| STILL OPERATING BUSINESS(GO TO C10)96 | STILL OPERATING BUSINESS(GO TO C10)96 | STILL OPERATING BUSINESS(GO TO C10)96 |
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| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
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| CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY |
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| INCOME01 GOT A BETTER OPPORTUNITY02 | INCOME01 GOT A BETTER OPPORTUNITY02 | INCOME 01 GOT A BETTER OPPORTUNITY 02 |
| HOURS TOO LONG03 | HOURS TOO LONG | HOURS TOO LONG |
| INCOME TOO UNCERTAIN04 | INCOME TOO UNCERTAIN04 | INCOME TOO UNCERTAIN |
| ILLNESS/DISABILITY05 | ILLNESS/DISABILITY05 | ILLNESS/DISABILITY |
| PERSONAL REASONS06 | PERSONAL REASONS06 | PERSONAL REASONS 06 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY)07 | OTHER (SPECIFY)07 | OTHER (SPECIFY)07 |
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| REFUSED3 | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY |
| TOOK JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE | TOOK JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE | TOOK JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE |
| ELSE01 | ELSE01 | ELSE01 |
| STARTED ANOTHER BUSINESS02 | STARTED ANOTHER BUSINESS02 | STARTED ANOTHER BUSINESS |
| LOOKED FOR WORK | LOOKED FOR WORK | LOOKED FOR WORK |
| PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION/ TRAINING PROGRAM04 | TRAINING PROGRAM04 | PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION/ TRAINING PROGRAM04 |
| TOOK CARE OF CHILD, FAMILY MEMBER, | TOOK CARE OF CHILD, FAMILY MEMBER, | TOOK CARE OF CHILD, FAMILY MEMBER, |
| OR SICK RELATIVE05 | OR SICK RELATIVE | OR SICK RELATIVE |
| RETIRED | RETIRED | RETIRED |
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| | CURRENT/MOST RECENT BUSINESS | SECOND BUSINESS |
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| C10. What is/was the main product or activity (OF THIS BUSINESS)? RECORD VERBATIM | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| C11. Do/Did you work for just one client when you owned (THIS BUSINESS)? | YES | YES |
| C12. On average, how much are/were the monthly receipts or sales for (THIS BUSINESS)? | \$, | |
| IF DK, PROBE FOR ESTIMATE | AMOUNT GIVEN (LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO \$999,999 | |
| C13. On average, how much are/were the monthly expenses for (THIS BUSINESS)? Please include any payments to yourself or your family members. IF DK, PROBE FOR ESTIMATE | \$ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | |
| C14. How many hours do/did you usually work in an average week at (THIS BUSINESS)? Please include any time you spend/spent working at home. | _ NUMBER OF HOURS DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | _ NUMBER OF HOURS DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| C15. What percent of your total household income is/was produced as a result of (THIS BUSINESS)? When thinking about your total household income please consider income from your spouse or other immediate family members living with you. | _ PERCENT ALL | _ PERCENT ALL |
| C16. Do/Did you pay yourself a regular salary from (THIS BUSINESS)? | YES | YES |

| C17. Before taxes and other deductions, how much do/did you pay yourself from (THIS BUSINESS)? Do not include | \$ _, . | \$ <u> </u> , <u> </u> . <u> </u> |
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| bonuses, profit distributions or any | WEEK01 | WEEK01 |
| owner draws you may have taken. | MONTHLY02 | MONTHLY02 |
| If R does not volunteer ASK: Was that per | YEAR03 | YEAR03 |
| month, per year, or some other time | EVERY TWO WEEKS04 | EVERY TWO WEEKS 04 |
| period? | TWICE A MONTH (BI-MONTHLY) | TWICE A MONTH |
| | 06 | 06 |
| | HOUR07 | HOUR07 |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY)08 | OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |

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| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
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| ALL | | ALL |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
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| YES01 | YES01 | YES01 |
| NO(GO TO C18)00 | NO(GO TO C18)00 | NO (GO TO C18) |
| DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18)2 | DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18)2 | DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18)2 |
| REFUSED(GO TO C18)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18)3 |
| * <u> </u> | \$ _ , . _ . _ | \$ <u> </u> |
| WEEK 01 | WEEK01 | WEEK01 |
| MONTHLY | MONTHLY | MONTHLY02 |
| YEAR | YEAR | YEAR |
| EVERY TWO WEEKS | EVERY TWO WEEKS | EVERY TWO WEEKS |
| TWICE A MONTH | TWICE A MONTH | TWICE A MONTH05 |
| DAY | DAY | DAY |
| 06 | 06 | 06 |
| HOUR 07 | HOUR07 | HOUR07 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY) 08 | OTHER (SPECIFY) | OTHER (SPECIFY)08 |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |

| | | MOST RECENT BUSINESS | SECOND BUSINESS |
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| C18. | C18. Have you taken or received | YES01 | YES01 |
| | any other income payments from (THIS BUSINESS), | NO(GO TO C18b)00 | NO(GO TO C18b)00 |
| | including bonuses, profit | DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18b)2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | distribution, or owners draw? | REFUSED(GO TO C18b) | REFUSED(GO TO C18b)3 |
| | | (30 10 0105) | (CO 10 0100) |
| C18a. | Before taxes and other deductions, what was the total amount of these payments? | \$ _, | \$, - _ - |
| | IF DK, PROBE FOR ESTIMATE | AMOUNT GIVEN (LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO \$999,99901 | AMOUNT GIVEN (LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO \$999,99901 |
| | | MORE THAN 999,99902 | MORE THAN 999,99902 |
| | | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| | | REFUSED3 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | | | REFUSED3 |
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| C18b. | Do/Did you pay a spouse, | YES01 | YES01 |
| | domestic partner, or other relative living in your | NO(GO TO C18d)00 | NO(GO TO C18d)00 |
| | household a regular salary | DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18d)2 | DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18d)2 |
| | from (THIS BUSINESS)? | REFUSED(GO TO C18d)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18d)3 |
| C18c. | Before taxes and other deductions, how much do/did you pay them from (THIS | \$ _ , . _ . _ | \$ _ , _ - - |
| | BUSINESS)? Do not include | WEEK 01 | WEEK01 |
| | bonuses, profit distributions, or any draws you may have | MONTHLY | MONTHLY |
| | given them. | YEAR 03 EVERY TWO WEEKS 04 | YEAR |
| | If R does not volunteer ask: | TWICE A MONTH | TWICE A MONTH05 |
| | Is/Was that per week, per | DAY | DAY |
| | month, per year, or some other time period? | HOUR07 | HOUR07 |
| | other time period: | OTHER (SPECIFY)08 | OTHER (SPECIFY)08 |
| | | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| | | | |
| C18d. | Has a spouse, domestic | YES01 | YES01 |
| | partner, or other close relative living in your household | NO(GO TO C18f)00 | NO(GO TO C18f)00 |
| | received any other income | DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18f)2 | DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18f)2 |
| | payments from your business, including bonuses, profit | REFUSED(GO TO C18f)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18f)3 |
| | distributions or owner's draw? | | |
| C18e. | Before taxes and other deductions, what was the total amount of these payments? | \$ _ , | \$, |
| | IF DK, PROBE FOR ESTIMATE | AMOUNT GIVEN (LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO \$999,99901 | AMOUNT GIVEN (LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO \$999,99901 |
| | | MORE THAN 999,99902 | MORE THAN 999,99902 |
| | | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |

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| YES | YES01 | YES01 |
| NO(GO TO C18b) 00 | NO(GO TO C18b)00 | NO (GO TO C18b)00 |
| DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18b)2 | DON'T KNOW(GO TO C18b)2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED(GO TO C18b)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18b)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18b)3 |
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| MORE THAN 999,99902 | MORE THAN 999,99902 | MORE THAN 999,99902 |
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| REFUSED(GO TO C18d)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18d)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18d)3 |
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| YEAR | YEAR03 | YEAR03 |
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| TWICE A MONTH | TWICE A MONTH05 | TWICE A MONTH05 |
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| YES | YES01 | YES01 |
| NO(GO TO C18f)00 | NO(GO TO C18f)00 | NO(GO TO C18f)00 |
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| REFUSED(GO TO C18f)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18f)3 | REFUSED(GO TO C18f)3 |
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| MORE THAN 999,99902 | MORE THAN 999,99902 | MORE THAN 999,99902 |
| DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |

| | | MOST RECENT BUSINESS | SECOND BUSINESS |
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| C18f. | PROGRAMMER: CHECK QUESTION C7. IS SM STILL OPERATING BUSINESS? | YES | |
| C19. | Did you sell (THIS BUSINESS? | YES | |
| C20. | How much did you sell (THIS BUSINESS) for? | \$ _ , AMOUNT GIVEN (LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO \$99,999,999 | |
| C20a. | PROGRAMMER: CHECK QUESTION C4b. IS THERE ANOTHER PERIOD OF SELF- EMPLOYMENT? | YES(GO TO C6, COLUMN 2) | YES(GO TO C6, COLUMN 3)01 NO(CONTINUE)00 |

| THIRD BUSINESS | FOURTH BUSINESS | FIFTH BUSINESS |
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| YES(GO TO C6, | YES(GO TO C6, | |
| COLUMN 4) 01 | COLUMN 5)01 | |
| NO (CONTINUE) 00 | NO00 | CONTINUE |

| C21. | The next questions are about your most recent business that is [NAME OF BUSINESS IN C5, FIRST COLUMN]. Is/Was your business structured as a sole proprietorship, a partnership, a corporation, or a cooperative? | | |
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| | SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP | 01 → GO TO C23 | |
| | PARTNERSHIP | 02 | |
| | CORPORATION | 03 | |
| | COOPERATIVE | 04 | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | 05 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |
| C22. | What percent of (THIS BUSINESS) do/did you own? | | |
| | PERCENT | | |
| | ALL | 100 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |
| C22a. | Do/Did any members of your immediate family own part | of (THIS BUSINESS)? | |
| | YES | 01 | |
| | NO | 00 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO C23 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 — | |
| C22b. | What percent of (THIS BUSINESS) do/did they own? | | |
| | _ PERCENT | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |
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| C23. | Did you start (THIS BUSINESS) from scratch, or did you acquire it from someone else? | | |
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| | STARTED FROM SCRATCHACQUIRED FROM SOMEONE ELSE/OTHER ENTITYDON'T KNOW | 02 2 | |
| C24. | Did you buy (THIS BUSINESS)? | | |
| | YES NO DON'T KNOW REFUSED | 00 → GO TO C26 | |
| C25. | How much did you pay for it? | | |
| | \$ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | 02 | |
| C26. | How did you acquire ownership of (THIS BUSINESS)? | | |
| | RECEIVED TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP/GIFT | 01 | |
| | INHERITED | | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | 03 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |

| C27. | Have you invested any of your own money into (THIS BUSINESS) since (RA DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? Please do not include money borrowed or otherwise received from relatives. |
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| | YES01 |
| | NO |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO C29 REFUSED3 |
| | REF03ED3 —— |
| C28. | Since (RA DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), how much of your own money have you invested in (THIS BUSINESS)? |
| | IF DK, PROBE FOR ESTIMATE |
| | \$ <u> </u> , |
| | Amount Given (Less THAN OR EQUAL TO \$99,999,999.)01 |
| | More than \$99,999,999.)02 |
| | Don't Know2 |
| | Refused3 |
| C29. | Since (RA DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), did you borrow any money for (THIS BUSINESS)? |
| | YES01 |
| | NO00 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO C37 |
| | REFUSED3———-3 |
| C30. | How much have you borrowed for (THIS BUSINESS)? |
| | \$ <u> </u> |
| | Amount Given (Less THAN OR EQUAL TO \$99,999,999.)01 |
| | More than \$99,999,999.)02 |
| | Don't Know2 |
| | Refused3 |
| C31. | Did you obtain a personal loan, a business loan, or both? |
| | PERSONAL LOAN01 |
| | BUSINESS LOAN02 → GO TO C33 |
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| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| C32. | What was the source of your personal loan? Was it(READ CATEGPRIES) |
| | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY |
| | A credit card,01 |
| | A home mortgage or home equity line of credit,02 |
| | A family member, or03 |
| | A friend?04 |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY)05 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| C32a. | What was the total amount of (this <u>personal</u> loan/these personal loans)? |
| | \$, AMOUNT |
| | Amount Given (Less THAN OR EQUAL TO \$99,999,999.)01 |
| | More than \$99,999,999.)02 |
| | Don't Know2 |
| | Refused3 |
| C32.0. | PROGRAMMER: IF 31 ≠ 3 then skip to C32b. OTHERWISE CONTINUE. |
| C32b. | What was the interest rate for (this loan/the largest loan you obtained)? |
| | _ . PERCENT |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| C32c. <u>AND</u> C | What was the length of (this loan/the largest loan you obtained)? RECORD LENGTH ODE TIME UNIT. |
| | LENGTH |
| | WEEKS01 |

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| | Refused | 3 |
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| C32d. | IF C31=01 GO TO C36a; OTHERWISE CONTINUE | |
| C33. | From what source did you receive your business loan? | |
| | | E ALL THAT APPLY |
| | A BANK OR CREDIT UNION | 01 |
| | SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA) | 02 |
| | ANOTHER GOVERNMENT LOAN | 03 |
| | INVESTMENT COMPANY | 04 |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | 05 |
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| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
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| C33a. | PROGRAMMER: | |
| | IF C33=02, CONTINUE; OTHERWISE, GO TO C34a. | |
| | | |
| C34. | Was the Small Business Administration loan an SBA Mi | icroloan, an SBA-guaranteed |
| | loan, a 504 Certified Development Company loan, or a Companies loan? | Small Business Investment |
| | SBA MICROLOAN | 01 |
| | SBA-GUARANTEED LOAN | 02 |
| | 504 CERTIFIED DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LOAN | 03 |
| | SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT | |
| | COMPANIES LOAN | 04 |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | 05 |
| | | <u></u> |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |

| C34.0. | PROGRAMMER: IF 31 ≠ 3 then skip to C35. OTHERWISE CONTINUE. | |
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| C34a. | What was the total amount of this business loan or loans? If multiple loans for this business, report sum of all loans below. | |
| | \$ _ _ , _ AMOUNT | |
| | Amount Given (Less THAN OR EQUAL TO \$99,999,999.)01 | |
| | More than \$99,999,999.)02 | |
| | Don't Know2 | |
| | Refused3 | |
| C35. | What was the interest rate for (this loan/the largest loan you obtained)? | |
| | _ . PERCENT | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| | REFUSED3 | |
| C36. | What was the length of (the loan/the largest loan you obtained)? RECORD LENG AND CODE TIME UNIT. | ТН |
| | _ LENGTH | |
| | WEEKS01 | |
| | MONTHS02 | |
| | YEARS03 | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| | REFUSED3 | |
| C36a. | Did you receive any grants to start your business? | |
| | YES01 | |
| | NO00 — | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO C3 | 7 |
| | REFUSED3 | |
| C36b. | What was the total amount of these grants? | |
| | \$ <u> </u> ₉ <u> </u> | |

| | Amount Given (Less THAN OR EQUAL TO \$99,999,999.)01 More than \$99,999,999.)02 Don't Know2 |
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| | Refused3 |
| C36c. | What was the source of these grants? |
| | RECORD VERBATIM: |
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| C37. | Apart from any of your own money, money you borrowed, or grants you received since (RA DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), did you use any <u>other</u> sources of capital, such as gifts from family members or friends, or the sale of another business, to start or grow (THIS BUSINESS)? |
| | YES01 |
| | NO00 — |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO C40 |
| | REFUSED33 |
| C38. | Altogether, how much did you receive from these sources since (RA DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? |
| | \$ <u> </u> , |
| | Amount Given (Less THAN OR EQUAL TO \$99,999,999.)01 |
| | More than \$99,999,999.)02 |
| | Don't Know2 |
| | Refused3 |
| C39. | What were these other sources of capital? |
| | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY |
| | GIFTS FROM FAMILY MEMBERS01 |
| | GIFTS FROM FRIENDS02 |
| | SALE OF ANOTHER BUSINESS03 |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY)04 |

| DON'T KNOW | -2 |
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| REFUSED | -3 |

| C40. | Where is your (current/most recent) business loc commercially available space, or some other place (IF ASKED): An incubator is space provided to self-employment assistance organizations. | ce? |
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| | HOME | 01 |
| | INCUBATOR | 02 |
| | COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE SPACE | 03 |
| | SOME OTHER PLACE (SPECIFY) | 04 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| C41. | What is the zip code where your business, (THIS | BUSINESS), is/was located? |
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| | DON'T KNOWREFUSED | |
| C42. | PROGRAMMER: | |
| | IF C4a=01, CONTINUE; OTHERWISE, GO TO | C52. |
| C43. | The next questions, are about (all of) the busines is the total number of employees that currently w exclude yourself, but include paid family member | ork in your business(es)? Please |
| | _ NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES | |
| | NONE | 00 — |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 GO TO C49 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| C44. | How many of these employees are working 35 or are working less than 35 hours per week in (this IF RESPONDENT SAYS "NONE," CODE 00. | |
| | NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EMPLO | DYEES |
| | _ NUMBER OF PART-TIME EMPLO | OYEES |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |

| | REFUSED | | | 3 | | |
|------|---|---------|-------------|----------|----------|---------|
| C45. | How many of your immediate family mem include yourself. | ibers w | ork in this | business | ? Please | do not |
| | _ NUMBER | | | | | |
| | NONE | | | 00 | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | | 2 | | |
| | REFUSED | | | 3 | | |
| C46. | What is this business's current monthly pa | ayroll? | | | | |
| | \$, PAYRO | LL AM | OUNT | | | |
| | Amount Given (Less THAN OR EQ | UAL TO | C \$999,99 | 9.) | 01 | |
| | More than \$999,999.) | | | | 02 | |
| | Don't Know | | | | 2 | |
| | Refused | | | | 3 | 3 |
| C47. | Does this amount include payments to yourself? | | | | | |
| | YES | | | 01 | | |
| | NO | | | 00 | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | | 2 | | |
| | REFUSED | | | 3 | | |
| C48. | Next, I will read a list of benefits that som employees, some of your employees, or i | | | | | |
| | 1 | COI | DE ALL, S | SOME, O | R NONE F | OR EACH |
| | | ALL | SOME | NONE | KNOW | REFUSED |
| a. | paid sick leave? | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| b. | paid vacation? | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| C. | paid holidays? | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| d. | health insurance or membership in an | 04 | 00 | 02 | 2 | 2 |
| e. | HMO or PPO plan?retirement or pension benefits, a 401K | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |
| С. | plan? | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 |

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02

02

03

03

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life insurance?.....

any other benefits? (SPECIFY).....

f.

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C49. Now, please tell me if **you** receive these benefits through your business . . .

| | | CO | DE LES | OR NO FO | R EACH |
|----|---|-----|--------|----------|---------|
| | | | | DON'T | |
| | | YES | NO | KNOW | REFUSED |
| a. | paid sick leave? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| b. | paid vacation? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| C. | paid holidays? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| d. | health insurance or membership in an HMO or PPO plan? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| e. | retirement or Pension benefits, a 401K plan? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| f. | life insurance? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| g. | any other benefits? (SPECIFY) | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |

C50. PROGRAMMER:
IF C49d=00 GO TO C51. OTHERWISE, GO TO C52

C51. Do you have health insurance?

| YES | 01 |
|------------|---------------|
| NO | 00 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO C52 |
| REFUSED | -3 |

C51a. What is the source of that insurance?

| THROUGH SPOUSE'S INSURER | 01 |
|---|----|
| THROUGH YOUR EMPLOYER'S INSURER | 02 |
| THROUGH TRADE ASSOCIATION'S INSURER | 03 |
| THROUGH MEDICAID OR OTHER PUBLIC HEALTH INSURANCE | 04 |
| THROUGH A PRIVATE INSURER | 05 |
| THROUGH SOME OTHER SOURCE (SPECIFY) | |
| DON'T KNOW | |
| REFLISED | -3 |

C52. When you started this business, did you have health insurance coverage?

| | VEC | 04 |
|----------------|---|---------------------------------|
| | YES NO | |
| | DON'T KNOW | |
| | REFUSED | |
| | | |
| C53. | When you started this business, did other household m | nembers have any earnings? |
| | YES | 01 |
| | NO | |
| | DON'T KNOW | |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| C54. busine | What would you say were the most difficult challenges ss? | you faced when you started this |
| | CIRCLI | E ALL THAT APPLY |
| | PROBE: Any others? | |
| | LACK OF CAPITAL OR START-UP FUNDS | 01 |
| | AMOUNT OF TIME/WORK INVOLVED | 02 |
| | INSUFFICIENT SALES | 03 |
| | INSUFFICIENT CASH FLOW | 04 |
| | DIFFICULTIES HIRING QUALIFIED STAFF | 05 |
| | LOCAL COMPETITION | 06 |
| | BECOMING KNOWN/GETTING EXPOSURE | 07 |
| | TAXES | 08 |
| | INSURANCE | 09 |
| | REGULATIONS/LICENSES | 10 |
| | DEALING WITH CLIENTS | 11 |
| | UNCERTAINTY/CHANGING ECONOMY | |
| | FINDING A LOCATION | |
| | PROBLEMS WITH SUPPLY OF PRODUCT OR MATERIAL AVAILABILITY | 14 |
| | PERSONAL/FAMILY BARRIERS | 15 |
| | FINDING CLIENTS | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | 17 |
| | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFLISED | -3 |

GO TO D0

| C55. | At any time since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW) have |
|------|--|
| | you tried to start a business? |

| YES | 01 | |
|------------|----|------------|
| NO | |] |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO D0 |
| REFUSED | 3 | J |

C56. What would you say were the most difficult challenges you faced trying to start your own business?

CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY

| LACK OF CAPITAL OR START-UP FUNDS | 01 |
|--|----|
| AMOUNT OF TIME/WORK INVOLVED | 02 |
| INSUFFICIENT SALES | 03 |
| INSUFFICIENT CASH FLOW | 04 |
| DIFFICULTIES HIRING QUALIFIED STAFF | 05 |
| LOCAL COMPETITION | 06 |
| BECOMING KNOWN/GETTING EXPOSURE | 07 |
| TAXES | 8 |
| INSURANCE | 09 |
| REGULATIONS/LICENSES | 10 |
| DEALING WITH CLIENTS | 11 |
| UNCERTAINTY/CHANGING ECONOMY | 12 |
| FINDING A LOCATION | 13 |
| PROBLEMS WITH SUPPLY OF PRODUCT OR MATERIAL AVAILABILITY | 14 |
| PERSONAL/FAMILY BARRIERS | 15 |
| FINDING CLIENTS | 16 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY) | |
| DON'T KNOW | |
| DEFLISED | 3 |

SECTION D: EMPLOYMENT, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE

| D0. | PROGRAMMER: | | | |
|------|--|----|--|--|
| | THIS IS A 6-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW OR AN 18-MONTH FOLLOW-UP | | | |
| | WITHOUT A COMPLETED 6-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW. → GO TO D0a | | | |
| | THIS IS AN 18-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW WITH A COMPLETED | | | |
| | 6-MONTH FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW. GO TO D3 | | | |
| D0a. | The next questions are about jobs you have had where you worked for someone els | e. | | |
| | Prior to (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE), did you ever have a job where you work for someone else? Please include part-time and full-time jobs, and military service | | | |
| | YES01 | | | |
| | NO00 — | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO D3 REFUSED3 | | | |
| D1. | Prior to (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE), approximately, how long did you work, in total , on all jobs where you worked for someone else? | | | |
| | RECORD LENGTH AND CODE TIME UNIT | | | |
| | _ LENGTH | | | |
| | WEEKS01 | | | |
| | MONTHS02 | | | |
| | YEARS03 | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | | |
| D2. | How much of the (TIME IN D1) you worked for someone else prior to (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE) were you working as a manager? | | | |
| | If Asked: By manager we mean anyone who supervises other staff or oversees part of a business. | S | | |
| | IF Asked: By manager we mean anyone who supervises other staff or oversees par of a business. RECORD LENGTH AND CODE TIME UNIT. | ts | | |
| | _ LENGTH | | | |
| | NONE00 | | | |
| | WEEKS01 | | | |
| | MONTHS02 | | | |
| | YEARS03 | | | |

DON'T KNOW-2

REFUSED-3

| | The next questions are about full and part-time we held since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/Dorking for someone else. | |
|-----|--|---------------------------------------|
| | Are you currently working for someone else? | |
| | YES | 01→ GO TO D6 |
| | NO | 00 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| D4. | What are you currently doing? | OIDOLE ALL THAT ADDLY |
| | PROBE: Any others? | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY |
| | SELF-EMPLOYED | 01 |
| | TRYING TO START MY OWN BUSINES | S02 |
| | LOOKING FOR WORK | 03 |
| | PARTICIPATING IN EDUCATION OR | |
| | TRAINING PROGRAM | |
| | TAKING CARE OF CHILD/FAMILY MEM SICK RELATIVE | |
| | RETIRED | |
| | CURRENTLY ILL | |
| | NOTHING | |
| | INCARCERATED | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | |
| | DON'T KNOW | |
| | REFUSED | |
| D5. | Since (RA DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW) weeks or longer? Please include part-time and | |
| | YES | 01 → GO TO D7 |
| | NO | 00 — |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO D21h |
| | REFUSED | |
| D6. | Currently , how many different full- and part-time someone else? | e jobs do you have where you work for |
| | ONE | 01 |
| | TWO OR MORE | |
| | DON'T KNOW | |

REFUSED-3

| | | CURRENT/MOST RECENT JOB <u>01</u> | SECOND MOST RECENT JOB <u>02</u> |
|------|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| D7. | What is the name of the employer for whom you work the most hours/for whom you worked more than two weeks since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? | | |
| | INTERVIEWER: RECORD EMPLOYER/BUSINESS NAME FOR THIS JOB IN D7, COLUMN 1, AS JOB 1. THEN GO TO D7a. | | |
| | RECORD EMPLOYER NAME(S) ACROSS THE TOP OF THE GRID FIRST. THEN ASK D8-D21 DOWN FOR EACH JOB. | | |
| D7a. | Where else have you worked since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? Please include any (other current jobs whether), parttime or full-time jobs. | | |
| | PROBE: Where did you work before (LAST JOB)? | | |
| | MANDATORY PROBE: Where else have you worked? | | |
| | RECORD AS NEXT JOB IN COLUMN HEADER. | | |
| D8. | In what month and year did you start working for (EMPLOYER)? | START: _ / _ _ MONTH YEAR | START: |
| | RECORD MONTH AND YEAR. START DATE CAN BE BEFORE (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW) | MONTH YEAR DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | MONTH YEAR DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| | | | |
| D9. | In what month and year did you stop working for (EMPLOYER)? | STOP: / | STOP: |
| RECO | ORD MONTH AND YEAR. STOP DATE MUST COME AFTER (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW). | STILL AT JOB | STILL AT JOB96 DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| | | | |

| JOB <u> 03 </u> | JOB <u> 04 </u> | JOB <u> 05 </u> |
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| CTART. | CTART. | CTART. |
| START: _ _ _ MONTH YEAR DON'T KNOW2 | START: MONTH YEAR DON'T KNOW2 | START: _ _ / _ _ _ MONTH YEAR DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| STOP: _/ _ _ _ _ MONTH YEAR | STOP: _ / _ _ MONTH YEAR | STOP: _ / _ _ _ MONTH YEAR |
| STILL AT JOB96 DON'T KNOW92 | STILL AT JOB96 DON'T KNOW9 | STILL AT JOB96 DON'T KNOW96 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| | | |
| | | |

| | | CURRENT/MOST RECENT JOB 01 | SECOND MOST RECENT JOB 02 |
|------|---|--|--|
| D10. | What kind of company is/was (EMPLOYER)? What do/did they make, sell, or do? | | |
| | PROBE FOR TYPE OF PRODUCT OR SERVICE | | |
| | | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| D11. | What do/did you do there? | | |
| | PROBE: What is/was your job title? | | |
| | PROBE FOR CLEAR AND DESCRIPTIVE ACTIVITIES AND JOB TITLE | | |
| | JOB IIILE | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| D40 | Miliah afaha fallawina baat | | |
| DIZ. | Which of the following best describes your employment | an employee, working for pay at a private company,01 | an employee, working for pay at a private company,01 |
| | status at this job? Are/Were you | a local, state, federal | a local, state, federal |
| REAL | CATEGORIES | government employee,02 | government employee,02 |
| | | on active military duty, or03 | on active military duty, or03 |
| | | working without pay04 | working without pay04 |
| | | OTHER (SPECIFY)05 | OTHER (SPECIFY)05 |
| | | | |
| | | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| D13. | How many hours do/did you usually work in an average week at (EMPLOYER)? | _ HOURS PER WEEK | _ HOURS PER WEEK |
| | IF DK, PROBE FOR ESTIMATE | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | | REFUSED3 | REFUSED 9-3 |

| JOB <u> 03 </u> | JOB <u>04 </u> | JOB <u> 05 </u> |
|--|--|--|
| | | |
| DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| an employee, working for pay at a private company,01 | an employee, working for pay at a private company,01 | an employee, working for pay at a private company,01 |
| a local, state, federal government employee,02 | a local, state, federal government employee,02 | a local, state, federal government employee,02 |
| on active military duty, or03 | on active military duty, or03 | on active military duty, or03 |
| working without pay04 | working without pay04 | working without pay04 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY)05 | OTHER (SPECIFY)05 | OTHER (SPECIFY)05 |
| | | |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| _ HOURS PER WEEK | HOURS PER WEEK | _ HOURS PER WEEK |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |

| | | CURRENT/MOST RECENT JOB <u>01</u> | SECOND MOST RECENT JOB <u>02</u> |
|--------|--|---|---|
| D14. | INTERVIEWER: CHECK D12. IS CODE 04, "WORKING WITHOUT PAY," CIRCLED? | YES01 | YES01 |
| | | NO00 | NO00 |
| D15. | What is/was your current/most recent hourly rate of pay, before taxes and other deductions? | PER HOUR: \$ | PER HOUR: \$ |
| | ENTER DOLLARS AND CENTS. MUST ENTER DECIMAL POINT | HOUR0 1 DON'T KNOW OR NOT PAID BY HOUR2 | HOUR01 DON'T KNOW OR NOT PAID BY HOUR2 |
| | | PETITOED | REFUSED3 |
| D15a | Do/Did you receive any tips, | REFUSED -3 YES 01 | YES01 |
| 2.00. | bonuses, or commissions? | NO(GO TO D16)00 | NO(GO TO D16)00 |
| | | , , | , , |
| | | DON'T KNOW(GO TO D16)2 | DON'T KNOW (GO TO D16)2 |
| D15h | How much are these tips, bonuses, | REFUSED(GO TO D16)3 | REFUSED (GO TO D16)3 |
| D 100. | or commissions? | \$ _, | \$ <u> , </u> |
| | RECORD AMOUNT AND CODE | PER DAY01 | PER DAY01 |
| | THE UNIT. | PER WEEK02 | PER WEEK02 |
| | | ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS | ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS03 |
| | | TWICE A MONTH04 | TWICE A MONTH04 |
| | | PER MONTH05 | PER MONTH05 |
| | | PER YEAR06 | PER YEAR06 |
| | | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| D40 | What are house a serie (as most) | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| D16. | What are/were your (current/ most recent) weekly or monthly earnings, before taxes and other | \$ _, | \$ _, . _ |
| | deductions? Please include any tips, | PER DAY01 | PER DAY01 |
| | bonuses, or commissions. | PER WEEK02 | PER WEEK02 |
| | CIRCLE PAY PERIOD CODE. | ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS | ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS03 |
| | PROBE, PROBE FOR ESTIMATE | TWICE A MONTH04 | TWICE A MONTH04 |
| | TROBE, TROBE FOR ESTIMATE | PER MONTH05 | PER MONTH05 |
| | PROBE, IF PER JOB/PIECE/ | PER YEAR06 | PER YEAR06 |
| | UNIT: How much did you earn in a typical day? | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| | | | |
| D17. | Are/Were the following benefits | YES NO | <u>YES</u> <u>NO</u> |
| | available to you on your job at (EMPLOYER)? | a. Paid sick leave?01 00 | a. Paid sick leave? 01 00 |
| | READ CATEGORIES. | b. Paid vacation?01 00 | b. Paid vacation?01 00 |
| | CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR <u>EACH</u> . | c. Paid holidays?01 00 | c. Paid holidays?01 00 |
| | | d. Health insurance, or membership in an HMO or PPO plan? | d. Health insurance, or membership in an HMO or PPO plan? |
| | | e. Retirement, or pension benefits or a 401K plan? 01 00 | e. Retirement, or pension benefits or a 401K plan? 01 00 |
| | | f. Life insurance?01 00 | f. Life insurance?01 00 |
| | | g. Any other benefits? (SPECIFY) 01 00 | g. Any other benefits? (SPECIFY) 01 00 |
| | | DON'T KNOW2 | |

REFUSED.....-3 REFUSED.....-3

| JOB <u> 03 </u> | <u>JOB 04 </u> | <u>JOB 05 </u> |
|---|---|---|
| YES01 | YES(GO TO D18) 01 | YES (GO TO D18)01 |
| NO00 | NO00 | NO00 |
| PER HOUR: \$ _ _ . _ | PER HOUR: \$ _ _ . | PER HOUR: \$ _ _ . _ . |
| HOUR0 | HOUR0 | HOUR0 |
| 1 DON'T KNOW OR NOT PAID BY HOUR2 | 1 DON'T KNOW OR NOT PAID BY HOUR2 | 1 DON'T KNOW OR NOT PAID BY HOUR2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| YES01 | YES01 | YES01 |
| NO00 | NO00 | NO (GO TO D16)00 |
| DON'T KNOW(GO TO D16) 2 | DON'T KNOW(GO TO D16) 2 | DON'T KNOW (GO TO D16)2 |
| REFUSED(GO TO D16)3 | REFUSED(GO TO D16)3 | REFUSED(GO TO D16)3 |
| \$ _, | \$ _, | \$, |
| PER DAY01 | PER DAY01 | PER DAY01 |
| PER WEEK 02 | PER WEEK02 | PER WEEK02 |
| ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS03 | ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS03 | ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS |
| TWICE A MONTH04 | TWICE A MONTH04 | TWICE A MONTH04 |
| PER MONTH05 | PER MONTH | PER MONTH05 |
| PER YEAR06 | PER YEAR06 | PER YEAR06 |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| \$, . _ | \$, _ . . | \$ _, |
| PER DAY01 | PER DAY01 | PER DAY01 |
| PER WEEK02 | PER WEEK02 | PER WEEK02 |
| ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS03 | ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS03 | ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS |
| TWICE A MONTH04 | TWICE A MONTH04 | TWICE A MONTH04 |
| PER MONTH | PER MONTH | PER MONTH05 |
| PER YEAR06 | PER YEAR06 | PER YEAR06 |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| | | |
| YES NO | YES NO | YES NO |
| a. Paid sick leave?01 00 | a. Paid sick leave?01 00 | a. Paid sick leave? 01 00 |
| b. Paid vacation?01 00 | b. Paid vacation?01 00 | b. Paid vacation?01 00 |
| c. Paid holidays?01 00 | c. Paid holidays?01 00 | c. Paid holidays?01 00 |
| d. Health insurance, or membership in an | d. Health insurance, or membership in an | d. Health insurance, or membership in an |
| HMO or PPO plan?01 00 | HMO or PPO plan? 01 00 | HMO or PPO plan? 01 00 |
| e. Retirement, or pension benefits or a 401K plan?01 00 | e. Retirement, or pension benefits or a 401K plan?01 00 | e. Retirement, or pension benefits or a 401K plan?01 00 |
| f. Life insurance?01 00 | f. Life insurance? 01 00 | f. Life insurance?01 00 |
| g. Any other benefits? (SPECIFY)01 00 | g. Any other benefits? (SPECIFY) 01 00 | g. Any other benefits? (SPECIFY) 01 00 |
| | | |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |

REFUSED.......-3 REFUSED......-3 REFUSED......-3

| | | CURRENT/MOST RECENT JOB <u> 01 </u> | SECOND MOST RECENT JOB 02 |
|------|--|--|--|
| D18. | INTERVIEWER: CHECK D9. IS | YES01 | YES01 |
| | CODE n, "STILL AT THIS JOB," CIRCLED? | NO00 | NO00 |
| D19. | Why did you stop working at | QUIT01 | QUIT01 |
| | (EMPLOYER)? Did you quit, retire, were you laid off or fired, or | RETIRE02 | RETIRE02 |
| | did the period you were scheduled to work there end? | LAID OFF | LAID OFF03 |
| | PROBE: What reason were you | FIRED04 | FIRED04 |
| | given by your employer? | WORK PERIOD/TEMPORARY JOB ENDED05 | WORK PERIOD/TEMPORARY JOB ENDED05 |
| | CIRCLE ONE CODE ONLY. | | OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | | OTHER (SPECIFY)06 | OTHER (SPECIFY)06 |
| | | | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| D20. | When that job ended, did you | YES01 | YES01 |
| | receive severance pay? | NO00 | NO00 |
| | | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| D21. | When that job ended, what did you do? | TOOK ANOTHER JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE01 | TOOK ANOTHER JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE |
| | CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY. | STARTED A BUSINESS02 | STARTED A BUSINESS02 |
| | OROLL ALL MATATIES. | WORKED ON STARTING MY OWN BUSINESS03 | WORKED ON STARTING MY OWN BUSINESS |
| | | LOOKED FOR WORK04 | LOOKED FOR WORK04 |
| | | PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION/ TRAINING PROGRAM05 | PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION/ TRAINING PROGRAM |
| | | TOOK CARE OF CHILD/FAMILY MEMBER/SICK RELATIVE06 | TOOK CARE OF CHILD/FAMILY MEMBER/SICK RELATIVE06 |
| | | RETIRED07 | RETIRED 07 |
| | | WAS SICK08 | WAS SICK 08 |
| | | OTHER (SPECIFY)09 | OTHER (SPECIFY)09 |
| | | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| D21a | . INTERVIEWER: IS THERE | YES (GO TO D8, COLUMN 2) 01 | YES(GO TO D8, COLUMN 3) 01 |
| | ANOTHER JOB? CHECK D7. | NO00 | NO00 |

| JOB <u> 03 </u> | JOB <u> 04 </u> | JOB <u> 05 </u> |
|--|--|--|
| YES (GO TO D21a) 01 | YES(GO TO D21a) 01 | YES (GO TO D21a) 01 |
| NO00 | | NO00 |
| QUIT01 | QUIT01 | QUIT01 |
| RETIRE02 | RETIRE02 | RETIRE02 |
| LAID OFF03 | LAID OFF03 | LAID OFF03 |
| FIRED04 | FIRED04 | FIRED04 |
| WORK PERIOD/TEMPORARY JOB ENDED05 | WORK PERIOD/TEMPORARY JOB ENDED05 | WORK PERIOD/TEMPORARY JOB ENDED05 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY)06 | OTHER (SPECIFY)06 | OTHER (SPECIFY)06 |
| | | |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| YES01 | YES01 | YES01 |
| NO00 | NO00 | NO00 |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| TOOK ANOTHER JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE01 | TOOK ANOTHER JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE01 | TOOK ANOTHER JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE01 |
| STARTED A BUSINESS02 | STARTED A BUSINESS02 | STARTED A BUSINESS02 |
| WORKED ON STARTING MY OWN BUSINESS03 | WORKED ON STARTING MY OWN BUSINESS03 | WORKED ON STARTING MY OWN BUSINESS03 |
| LOOKED FOR WORK04 | LOOKED FOR WORK04 | LOOKED FOR WORK04 |
| PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION/ TRAINING PROGRAM05 | PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION/ TRAINING PROGRAM05 | PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION/ TRAINING PROGRAM05 |
| TOOK CARE OF CHILD/FAMILY MEMBER/SICK RELATIVE06 | TOOK CARE OF CHILD/FAMILY MEMBER/SICK RELATIVE06 | TOOK CARE OF CHILD/FAMILY MEMBER/SICK RELATIVE06 |
| RETIRED07 | RETIRED07 | RETIRED07 |
| WAS SICK08 | WAS SICK08 | WAS SICK |
| OTHER (SPECIFY)09 | OTHER (SPECIFY)09 | OTHER (SPECIFY)09 |
| DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 | DON'T KNOW2 |
| REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 | REFUSED3 |
| YES (GO TO D8, COLUMN 4) 01 | YES(GO TO D8, COLUMN 5) 01 | |
| NO00 | NO00 | CONTINUE |

| D22. | Thinking about all the work you do, whether for yourself or for someone else, how |
|------|---|
| | would you rate your overall satisfaction with your work? Would you say you are very |
| | satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with your |
| | work? |

| VERY SATISFIED | 01 |
|-----------------------|----|
| SOMEWHAT SATISFIED | 02 |
| SOMEWHAT DISSATISFIED | 03 |
| VERY DISSATISFIED | 04 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

SECTION E: INCOME SOURCES AND AMOUNTS

E1. Now I'd like you to think about your household's <u>total</u> income during the past twelve months. When answering these next questions please include income from self-employment, regular jobs and odd jobs, under-the-table jobs, Social Security, pensions, rent, interest, dividends, unemployment compensation, welfare, from food stamps, child support, and money from any other sources.

What was the total income of all members of your household, including yourself, from <u>all</u> sources before taxes and deductions during the past twelve months?

IF DK, PROBE FOR ESIMATE

| \$ <u> </u> , → GO TO E5 | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

E2. During the past twelve months, would you say your household income was less than \$30,000, or \$30,000 or more?

| LESS THAN \$30,000 | 01 → GO TO E4 |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| \$30,000 OR MORE | 02 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 — |
| REFUSED | -3 GO TO E5 |

E3. Would you say it was . . .

| from \$30,000 to under \$45,000 | 01 |
|---------------------------------|----|
| \$45,000 to under \$60,000 | 02 |
| \$60,000 to under \$75,000 | 03 |
| \$75,000 to under \$90,000 | 04 |
| \$90,000 to under \$105,000 | 05 |
| more than \$105,000 | 06 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

GO TO E5

| E4. | Would you say it was | |
|-----|--|---|
| | less than \$5,000 | 01 |
| | \$5,000 to under \$10,000 | 02 |
| | \$10,000 to under \$15,000 | 03 |
| | \$15,000 to under \$20,000 | 04 |
| | \$20,000 to under \$25,000 | 05 |
| | \$25,000 to under \$30,000 | 06 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| E5. | Since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE anyone else in your household received Unen Readjustment Allowances, or Trade Adjustme | nployment Compensation, Trade |
| | YES | 01 |
| | NO | 00 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO E8 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| E6. | Altogether, since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT Dhow many weeks did your household receive Readjustment Allowances, or Trade Adjustment Allowances, or Trade Adjustment Programment Progr | Unemployment Compensation or Trade nt Assistance? N)01 |
| E7. | On average, how much Unemployment Comp Allowances or Trade Adjustment Assistance of since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE | lid your household receive per month |
| | WEEKS | 01 |
| | MONTHS | 02 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | |

E8a. Next I am going to ask you if you or your household have received income from a variety of sources since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)?

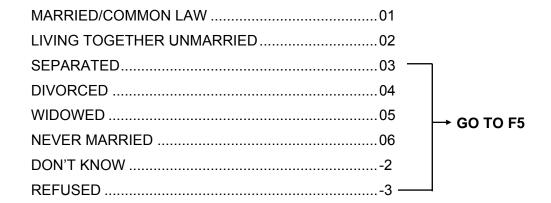
Have you or has anyone in your household received income **since** (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? **ASK AND RECORD RESPONSES. THEN ASK E8b-E8c FOR EACH "YES" RESPONSE IN E8a. If E8a=2 (ONE TIME PAYMENT ASK E8d**

| E8a. OTHER SOURCES OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME | YES | <u>NO</u> | ONE TIME PAYMENT | DON'T <u>KNOW</u> | REFUSED | E8b. Since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), how many months did you or your household receive (SOURCE)? | E8c. On average, how much (SOURCE) per month did you or your household receive since (RANDOM ASSIGNMENT DATE/DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? PLEASE ENTER WHOLE DOLAR AMOUNT ONLY | E8d. How much did you or someone in your household receive in (source) payments? PLEASE ENTER WHOLE DOLAR AMOUNT ONLY |
|---|-----|-----------|---------------------|----------------------|---------|---|---|--|
| . Social Security Retirement, Disability, or Survivors' benefits? | 01 | 00 | 02 | -2 | -3 | _ NUMBER OF MONTHS DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | \$ | \$ _ _ , _ _ DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| . Since applying to the GATE program in (RA Date/date of last interview) Other pensions, annuities, or other disability or retirement programs? | 01 | 00 | 02 | -2 | -3 | _ NUMBER OF MONTHS DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | If E8b=0 or Refused then skip | \$ _ , _ _ DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |

| . Cash welfare, including TANF (Minnesota Family Investment Program [MFIP]) benefits, General Assistance and Supplemental Security Income (SSI)? | 01 | 00 | 02 | -2 | -3 | _ NUMBER OF MONTHS DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | If E8b=0 or Refused then skip | \$ _ _ , _ _ DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
|--|----|----|----|----|----|---|-------------------------------|---|
| . Veteran's payments? | 01 | 00 | 02 | -2 | -3 | _ NUMBER OF MONTHS DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | If E8b=0 or Refused then skip | \$ _ _ , _ _ DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| . Food Stamps? | 01 | 00 | 02 | -2 | -3 | _ NUMBER OF MONTHS DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | If E8b=0 or Refused then skip | \$ _ , DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |

SECTION F: HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION, MARITAL STATUS, AND SPOUSE EMPLOYMENT

F1. Now, we'd like to ask a few general questions. What is your marital status?



F2. Is your (husband/wife/partner) currently working, either part-time or full-time, for pay? Please exclude any work (he/she) does for your business.

| YES | 01 | |
|------------|------|------------|
| NO | 00 - | \neg |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO F5 |
| REFUSED | _ | |

F3. How much does (he/she) usually make per week before taxes and other deductions? Please include tips, commissions, and regular overtime. INTERVIEWER: ACCEPT MOST CONVENIENT PAY PERIOD. IF NECESSARY, CONFIRM PAY PERIOD. ENTER AMOUNT, THEN CODE TIME PERIOD. \$|__|_| AMOUNT ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS......02 PER MONTH......04 PER YEAR05 DON'T KNOW-2 REFUSED-3 F4. How many hours a week on average does (she/he) work? |__|_| HOURS DON'T KNOW -2 REFUSED-3 F5. Including yourself, how many people are currently living in your household? Please include babies, small children, people who are not related to you and people who are temporarily away. |__| NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVES ALONE 95→Finish

DON'T KNOW-2
REFUSED-3

| F5a. | Do you have any children under 18 years of age who live with you over half the time? Please include your own and adopted children, foster-step-, or grandchildren. |
|------|--|
| | YES01 |
| | NO00 — |
| | DON'T KNOW2 \rightarrow GO TO G0 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| | |
| F5b. | How many children under 18 years of age live with you? |
| | NUMBER |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| | |
| | SECTION G: CONTACT INFORMATION |

(Section G asks the respondent for contact information including name, address, phone number, email address, and any plans for moving in the next year; also contact information of close friends or relatives.)

Appendix C. Survey Instrument, Wave 3

The Wave 3 survey was administered approximately 60 months after random assignment. It represents a slight modification of the Wave 1 and Wave 2 survey instrument.

SECTION A: INTRODUCTION/SCREENER

In this section, the caller introduced themselves, described the reason for calling and confirmed that they were speaking with the correct person.

SECTION B: SELF-EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

The next questions are about self-employment services you have received in the $\underline{\text{past } 12}$ $\underline{\text{months}}$.

| B1. | In the <u>past 12 months</u> , have you attended any classes, workshops, or seminars on topics related to your business? |
|-----|--|
| | YES01 |
| | NO00 ¬ |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO B5 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| B2. | How many individual sessions of these classes, workshops, or seminars have you attended in the past 12 months? |
| | NUMBER OF SESSIONS |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| B3. | On average, how long were the individual sessions of these classes, workshops, or seminars? |
| | _ LENGTH |
| | MINUTES01 |
| | HOURS02 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| B4. | What organization(s) provided these classes, workshops, or seminars? |
| | NAME(S) |
| | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| | |

| B5. | In the <u>past 12 months</u> , have you received any one-on-one counseling or technica assistance on starting or expanding your business? | ıl |
|-----|--|------|
| | YES01 | |
| | NO00 — | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO B9 | |
| | REFUSED3- | |
| B6. | How many counseling or technical assistance sessions have you attended in the <u>12 months</u> ? | oast |
| | _ NUMBER OF SESSIONS | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| | REFUSED3 | |
| B7. | On average, how long did each counseling or technical assistance session last? | |
| | _ LENGTH | |
| | MINUTES01 | |
| | HOURS02 | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| | REFUSED3 | |
| B8. | What organization(s) provided you with counseling or technical assistance? | |
| | NAME(S) | |
| | TVAIVIL(3) | |
| | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| | REFUSED3 | |
| | | |

| B9. | In the <u>past 12 months</u> , have you attended a peer support group for self-employed persons or persons interested in becoming self-employed? |
|------|--|
| | PROBE: A peer support group is a group of individuals who are self-employed or trying to start a business who meet to share ideas, strategies, and information. |
| | YES01 |
| | NO |
| | THE TOTAL THE TO |
| B10. | How many peer support group sessions have you attended in the past 12 months? |
| | _ NUMBER OF SESSIONS |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| B11. | On average, how long did each of these sessions last? |
| | _ LENGTH |
| | MINUTES01 |
| | HOURS02 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| B12. | What organization(s) provided a peer support group? |
| | NAME(S) |
| | |
| | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| | |
| | |
| | |

| B13. | In the <u>past 12 months</u> , have you worked with an experienced business owner or someone else who acted as your mentor? |
|------|---|
| | YES01 |
| | NO00 ¬ |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO B1 7 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| B14. | How many meetings have you had with a mentor in the past 12 months? |
| | NUMBER OF MEETINGS |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| B15. | On average, how long did each of these meetings last? |
| | LENGTH |
| | MINUTES01 |
| | HOURS02 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| B16. | What organization(s) provided you with a mentor? |
| | NAME(S) |
| | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| | 3025 |

| | PROGRAMMER: GO TO B23 | |
|------|---|---|
| | REFUSED3 | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| | SERVICES WERE FREE00 | |
| | \$ <u> , </u> TOTAL AMOUNT | |
| B21. | Thinking about all the self-employment services you have received in the <u>past 12</u> months, about how much did you pay in total for these services? | |
| B20. | PROGRAMMER: IF B1, B5, B9, B13 OR B17 = 1, GO TO B21. OTHERWISE GO TO B22. | |
| | REFUSED3 | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| | NAME(S) | |
| B19. | What organization(s) provided you with these other services? | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 | |
| | RECORD VERBATIM | |
| B18. | What were they? | |
| | REFUSED3——-3 | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO B20 | |
| | NO00 ¬ | |
| | YES01 | |
| D11. | that we haven't already talked about? | , |

B22. Why didn't you participate in any self-employment services or programs?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

| DIDN'T THINK SERVICES WOULD | |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| BE HELPFUL | 01 |
| SERVICES LOCATED TOO FAR AWAY | 02 |
| TIMES INCONVENIENT | 03 |
| DIDN'T WANT TO WAIT FOR CLASSES | |
| TO BEGIN | 04 |
| DECIDED TO POSTPONE SELF-EMPLOYMENT | 05 |
| DECIDED NOT TO PURSUE SELF-EMPLOYMENT | |
| AT ALL | 06 |
| TOO BUSY | 07 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY) | 08 |
| | _ |
| | |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

- B23. PROGRAMMER: IF B1, B5, B9, B13 AND B17 = 0, d OR r, GO TO B30. OTHERWISE CONTINUE.
- B24. I am going to read a list of ways self-employment services you received in the <u>past 12</u> <u>months</u> may have helped you. Please tell me whether self-employment services helped you a lot, somewhat, or not at all in . . .

PROBE: This includes self-employment services you received from any source.

| | | A LOT | SOME- WHAT | NOT AT ALL | DON'T KNOW | REFUSED | NOT APPLICABLE |
|----|--|----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------|-------------------|
| a. | Developing a business plan | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| b. | Applying for loans | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| C. | Deciding whether to pursue self- employment | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| d. | Refining your business idea | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| e. | Dealing with credit issues | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| f. | Developing your marketing strategy | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| g. | Dealing with legal issues | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| h. | Dealing with accounting issues | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| i. | Hiring and dealing with employees | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| j. | Networking | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |

| k. | Using computers and other technology | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
|----|--------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| l. | Dealing with clients | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| m. | Providing psychological support | 01 | 02 | 03 | -2 | -3 | 04 |
| | | | | | | | |

B25. Are there other ways in which self-employment services you received in the <u>past 12</u> months have helped you?

PROBE: Did the services help you in ways other than those we just mentioned?

| YES | 01 |
|------------|---------------|
| NO | 00 ¬ |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO B27 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

B26. In what other ways did these services help you?

| RECORD VERBATIM | | |
|-----------------|----|--|
| DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| REFUSED | -3 | |

B27. Thinking about all the self-employment services that you received in the <u>past 12</u> months, how would you rate the overall usefulness of the services? Were they . . .

| Very useful, | 01 |
|---------------------|----|
| Somewhat useful, | 02 |
| Not very useful, or | 03 |
| Not at all useful? | 04 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

B28. PROGRAMMER: HAS RESPONDENT RECEIVED MORE THAN ONE TYPE OF SELF-EMPLOYMENT SERVICE? DO AT LEAST TWO OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS EQUAL "01" (B1, B5, B9, B13, OR B17)? IF SO, INSERT NAMES OF SERVICES INTO B29. IF

NONE OR ONLY ONE SERVICE RECEIVED, GO TO B30.

| B29. | You mentioned that in the <u>past 12 months</u> you received (NAMES OF SELF-EMPLOYMENT SERVICES RECEIVED). Please tell me which one service has been most useful to you. | | | |
|------|---|--|--|--|
| | CLASSES OR WORKSHOPS01 | | | |
| | ONE-ON-ONE COUNSELING OR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE02 | | | |
| | PEER SUPPORT/NETWORKING GROUP03 | | | |
| | MENTORING04 | | | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY)05 | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | | |
| B30. | Are there any services that you didn't receive or didn't receive enough of that could have helped you in starting or growing your own business? | | | |
| | YES | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO B32 | | | |
| | REFUSED33 | | | |
| B31. | What services could have helped you? | | | |
| | CODE ALL THAT APPLY | | | |
| | CLASSES OR WORKSHOPS01 | | | |
| | ONE-ON-ONE COUNSELING OR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE02 | | | |
| | PEER SUPPORT/NETWORKING GROUP03 | | | |
| | MENTORING04 | | | |
| | LOANS05 | | | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY)06 | | | |
| | | | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | | |
| | | | | |

The next questions are about the time period since your last interview. B32. Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you developed or revised a written business plan? YES01 NO 00 _ DON'T KNOW-2 → GO TO B34 REFUSED-3 Did you receive help writing your business plan from someone in a self-employment B33. program? Please include a counselor, a mentor, or someone in a support group or workshop. YES01 DON'T KNOW-2 REFUSED-3 B34. Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you applied for a business loan? YES01 DON'T KNOW-2 → GO TO C1 REFUSED-3 B35. To how many different institutions or programs have you applied for business loans since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? _|__| NUMBER OF INSTITUTIONS DON'T KNOW-2 REFUSED-3

Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you applied for a business loan from the

Small Business Administration, or SBA?

B36.

| B37. | When applying for business loans, did employment program? | I you receive any help from someone in a self- |
|------|---|--|
| | YES | 01 |
| | NO | 00 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| | | |

GO TO SECTION C

SECTION C: SELF-EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

The next questions are about your experiences with self-employment since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW).

C1. Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW) have you been self-employed, that is, owned your own business?

PROBE: You are self-employed if you own your own business, even if you also have a job where you are working for someone else.

| YES | 01 | |
|------------|------|-------------|
| NO | 00 — | 1 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO C66 |
| REFUSED | _ | |

C2. Are you currently self-employed?

| YES | 01 |
|------------|----|
| NO | 00 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

C3. How many businesses have you owned since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)?

| _ NUMBER OF BUSINESSES | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| NONE | 00 → GO TO C66 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

| C3a. | PROGRAMMER: QUESTIONS C4 – C64 SHOULD BE ASKED FOR EACH BUSINESS OWNED SINCE DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW. QUESTIONS SHOULD BE NUMBERED C4a-C64a FOR BUSINESS #1, C4b-C64b FOR BUSINESS #2, AND SO ON. |
|------|--|
| | |
| C4. | IF C2=1 and C3=1: The next questions are about the business you have owned since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW). What is the name of your current business? |
| | IF C2=0 and C3=1: The next questions are about the business you have owned since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW). What was the name of your most recent business? |
| | IF C2=1 and C3≥2: The next questions are about the businesses you have owned since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW). What is/was the name of your current/next business? |
| | IF C2=0 and C3≥2: The next questions are about the businesses you have owned since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW). What was the name of your most recent/next business? |
| | RECORD NAME OF BUSINESS |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| C5. | When did you start operating this business as the owner? |
| | PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. |
| | IF DK DAY, PROBE: Was it the beginning, middle, or end of the month? |
| | IF "BEGINNING," ENTER 05; IF "MIDDLE," ENTER 15; IF "END," ENTER 25. |
| | START DATE CAN BE BEFORE (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW). |
| | / / MONTH DAY YEAR |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |

| C6. | Are you still operating this business as the owner? |
|------|--|
| 00. | |
| | YES01 NO00 ¬ |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO C9 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| C6Da | te. When did you <u>stop</u> operating this business as the owner? |
| | PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. |
| | PROBE: Enter in MMDDYYY Format. |
| | IF DK DAY, PROBE: Was it the beginning, middle, or end of the month? |
| | IF "BEGINNING," ENTER 05; IF "MIDDLE," ENTER 15; IF "END," ENTER 25. |
| | STOP DATE SHOULD COME AFTER (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW). |
| | PROBE: IF RESPONDENT GIVES STOP DATE <u>PRIOR</u> TO (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), CONFIRM DATE BEFORE ENTERING. |
| | _ / _ _ / _ MONTH DAY YEAR |
| C7. | Why did you stop operating this business? |
| | PROBE: We mean operating this business as the owner. |
| | CODE ALL THAT APPLY |
| | BUSINESS DID NOT MAKE ENOUGH INCOME 01 |
| | GOT A BETTER OPPORTUNITY02 |
| | HOURS TOO LONG03 |
| | INCOME TOO UNCERTAIN04 |
| | ILLNESS/DISABILITY05 |
| | PERSONAL REASONS06 |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY)07 |
| | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |

C8. What did you do when you stopped operating this business? **PROBE:** We mean operating this business as the owner. **CODE ALL THAT APPLY** TOOK JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE...........01 STARTED ANOTHER BUSINESS......02 PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION/TRAINING PROGRAM......04 TOOK CARE OF CHILD, FAMILY MEMBER, OR SICK RELATIVE05 RETIRED.......06 WAS SICK.......07 DON'T KNOW-2 REFUSED-3 C9. What (is/was) the main product or activity of this business? PROBE FOR TYPE OF PRODUCT OF SERVICE. RECORD VERBATIM DON'T KNOWd REFUSEDr C10. (Do/Did) you work for just one client?

| C11. | On average, how much (are/were) the monthly receipts or sales for this business? |
|------|--|
| | PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMOUNT BEFORE ENTERING. |
| | \$ <u> </u> , |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE |
| C12. | On average, how much (are/were) the monthly expenses for this business? Please include any payments to yourself or your family members. |
| | PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMOUNT BEFORE ENTERING. |
| | \$ <u> , </u> |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE |
| C13. | How many hours (do/did) you usually work in an average week at this business? Please include any time you (spend/spent) working at home. |
| | NUMBER OF HOURS PER WEEK |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| C14. | What percent of your total household income (is/was) produced as a result of this business? |
| | PROBE: For your total household income please include income from your spouse or other immediate family members living with you. |
| | PERCENT |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |

| C15. | (Do/Did) you pay yourself a <u>regular</u> salary from this business? |
|------|--|
| | YES |
| C16. | Before taxes and other deductions, how much (do/did) you pay yourself from this business? |
| | (Is/Was) that per week, per month, per year or something else? |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMOUNT BEFORE ENTERING. |
| | \$, |
| | PER WEEK 01 PER MONTH 02 PER YEAR 03 OTHER (SPECIFY) 04 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| C17. | Have you taken or received/Did you take or receive any other income payments from this business, including bonuses, profit distributions, or owner's draw? YES |
| C18. | Before taxes and other deductions, in total, about how much are/were these other income payments? PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMOUNT BEFORE ENTERING. \$, |
| | 1 000 000 OR MORF 1 000 000 |

| DON'T KNOW | -2 |
|------------|--------|
| REFUSED | _3 |

| C19. | (Do/Did) you pay a spouse, domestic partner, or other rea regular salary from this business? | lative livino | g in your household |
|------|--|---------------|---------------------|
| | YES NO | | 1 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO C21 |
| | REFUSED | | |
| C20. | Before taxes and other deductions, how much (do/did) you | ı pay them | from this business? |
| | (Is/Was) that per week, per month, per year or something | else? | |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMOUNT | BEFORE | ENTERING. |
| | \$ <u> </u> , <u> </u> | | |
| | PER WEEK | 01 | |
| | PER MONTH | 02 | |
| | PER YEAR | 03 | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | 04 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | -2 | |
| | REFUSED | | |
| | 1 C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C | 0 | |
| C21. | Has a spouse, domestic partner, or other relative living in y other income payments from this business, including bonu owner's draw? | | |
| | YES | 01 | |
| | NO | - | 1 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO C23 |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |
| C22. | Before taxes and other deductions, in total, about how mucincome payments? | ch are/wer | e these other |
| | PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. | | |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMOUNT | BEFORE | ENTERING. |
| | \$, , | | |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE | 1,000,0 | 000 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |

| C23. | PROGRAMMER: CHECK QUESTION C6. IS SAMI OPERATING BUSINESS (IS C6=0)? THEN GO TO | |
|------|--|-----------------------------------|
| C24. | Did you sell this business? | |
| | YES | |
| C25. | How much did you sell this business for? | |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMOU | NT BEFORE ENTERING. |
| | \$ <u> </u> , <u> </u> , <u> </u> , | |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE DON'T KNOW REFUSED | 2 |
| C26. | Is/Was this business structured as a sole proprietorsh or a cooperative? | ip, a partnership, a corporation, |
| | SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP | 01 → GO TO C30 |
| | PARTNERSHIP | 02 |
| | CORPORATION | 03 |
| | COOPERATIVE | 04 |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | 05 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| C27. | What percent of this business (do/did) you own? | |
| | _ PERCENT | |
| | IF 100% THEN GO TO C30 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |

| C28. | (Do/Did) any members of your immediate family of | own part of this business? |
|------|---|---------------------------------|
| | YES | |
| | NO | |
| | DON'T KNOW | → GO 10 C30 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| C29. | What percent of this business (do/did) they own? | |
| | PERCENT | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| C30. | Did you start this business from scratch, or did yo | u acquire it from someone else? |
| | STARTED FROM SCRATCH | 01 → GO TO C34 |
| | ACQUIRED FROM SOMEONE ELSE/ OTHER ENTITY | 02 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| C31. | Did you buy this business? | |
| | YES | |
| | NO | |
| | DON'T KNOW | → GO 10 C33 |
| | REFUSED | 3 <u> </u> |
| C32. | How much did you pay for this business? | |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM | AMOUNT BEFORE ENTERING. |
| | \$ <u> , , </u> | |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE | 1,000,000 |
| | DON'T KNOW | |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| | GO TO C34 | ٦ |

| C33. | How did you acquire ownership of this business? |
|------|---|
| | RECEIVED TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP/GIFT01 |
| | INHERITED02 |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY)03 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| C34. | Have you invested/Did you invest any of your own money into this business? Please do not include money borrowed or otherwise received from relatives. |
| | YES |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 GO TO C36 |
| C35. | How much of your own money have you invested/did you invest in this business? |
| | PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMOUNT BEFORE ENTERING. |
| | \$ <u> </u> , <u> </u> , <u> </u> |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE1,000,000 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| C36. | Have you borrowed/Did you borrow any money for this business? |
| | YES |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO C53 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| | |

| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMO | OUNT | BEFORE ENTERING. |
|------|--|---------------------------------|------------------|
| | \$ <u> , </u> | | |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE DON'T KNOW REFUSED | 2 | 0,000 |
| C38. | Have you obtained/Did you obtain a personal loan, a busin | ness Ic | oan, or both? |
| | PERSONAL LOAN BUSINESS LOAN BOTH DON'T KNOW REFUSED | 02 <u> </u> 03 2 <u> </u> | |
| C39. | What is/was the source of your personal loan? Was it | | |
| | CODE ALL THAT APPLY | | |
| | A credit card, A home mortgage or home equity line of credit, A family member, or A friend? OTHER (SPECIFY) DON'T KNOW REFUSED | 02 03 04 05 | |
| C40. | What is/was the total amount of (this personal loan/these personal | 1,00 | BEFORE ENTERING. |

How much have you borrowed/did you borrow for this business?

C37.

| | PERCENT | |
|-----|--|---------------|
| | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| | REFUSED3 | |
| Wha | at is/was the length of (this loan/the largest loan you obtaine | ed)? |
| REC | CORD LENGTH <u>AND</u> CODE TIME UNIT | |
| | LENGTH | |
| | PER WEEK01 | |
| | PER MONTH02 | |
| | PER YEAR03 | |
| | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | |
| PRO | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 OGRAMMER: IF C38=2 or 3 THEN CONTINUE; OTHER | WISE GO TO C |
| | REFUSED3 | WISE GO TO C5 |
| Wha | REFUSED3 OGRAMMER: IF C38=2 or 3 THEN CONTINUE; OTHER | WISE GO TO C |
| Wha | REFUSED3 OGRAMMER: IF C38=2 or 3 THEN CONTINUE; OTHER at is/was the source of your business loan? | WISE GO TO C |
| Wha | REFUSED3 OGRAMMER: IF C38=2 or 3 THEN CONTINUE; OTHER at is/was the source of your business loan? DE ALL THAT APPLY | WISE GO TO C |
| Wha | REFUSED3 OGRAMMER: IF C38=2 or 3 THEN CONTINUE; OTHER at is/was the source of your business loan? DE ALL THAT APPLY A BANK OR CREDIT UNION | WISE GO TO C |
| Wha | REFUSED | WISE GO TO CS |
| Wha | REFUSED3 OGRAMMER: IF C38=2 or 3 THEN CONTINUE; OTHER at is/was the source of your business loan? DE ALL THAT APPLY A BANK OR CREDIT UNION | WISE GO TO C |
| Wha | REFUSED | WISE GO TO CS |

| C46. | Is/Was the Small Business Administration loan an SBA Microloan, an SBA-guaranteed loan, a 504 Certified Development Company loan, or a Small Business Investment Companies loan? | | | | |
|------|--|---------------------|--|--|--|
| | SBA MICROLOAN | 01 | | | |
| | SBA-GUARANTEED LOAN | 02 | | | |
| | 504 CERTIFIED DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LOAN | 03 | | | |
| | SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANIES LOAN | 04 | | | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | 05 | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | | | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | | | |
| C47. | What is/was the total amount of this business loan or loa | ans? | | | |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM AMOUN | NT BEFORE ENTERING. | | | |
| | \$ | | | | |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE | 1,000,000 | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | | | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | | | |
| C48. | What is/was the interest rate for (this loan/the largest loan | an)? | | | |
| | _ PERCENT | | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | | | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | | | |
| C49. | What is/was the length of (the loan/the largest loan)? | | | | |
| | RECORD LENGTH AND CODE TIME UNIT | | | | |
| | _ LENGTH | | | | |
| | PER WEEK | 01 | | | |
| | PER MONTH | 02 | | | |
| | PER YEAR | 03 | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | | | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | | | |

| C50. | Did you receive any grants to start this business | s? |
|------|--|---------------------------------------|
| | YES NO | |
| | DON'T KNOW | _2 |
| | REFUSED | \rightarrow GO TO C53 |
| C51. | What is/was the total amount of these grants? | |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM | AMOUNT BEFORE ENTERING. |
| | \$, _ , | |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE | 1,000,000 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| C52. | What is/was the source of these grants? | |
| | RECORD VERBATIM | |
| | DON'T KNOW | |
| C53. | Apart from any of your own money, money you you used/did you use any <u>other</u> sources of capit or friends, or the sale of another business, to sta | al, such as gifts from family members |
| | YES | 01 |
| | NO | 00 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO C56 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| C54. | Altogether, how much have you received/did yo | u receive from these sources? |
| | PROBE: IF MORE THAN \$500,000 CONFIRM | AMOUNT BEFORE ENTERING. |
| | \$, _ , | |
| | 1,000,000 OR MORE | 1,000,000 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |

| | CODE ALL THAT APPLY |
|------|--|
| | GIFTS FROM FAMILY MEMBERS |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| C56. | Where is/was this business located, in your home, an incubator, a commercially available space, or some other place? |
| | PROBE : An incubator is space provided to start-up and young entrepreneurs by self-employment assistance organizations. |
| | HOME01 |
| | INCUBATOR02 |
| | COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE SPACE03 |
| | SOME OTHER PLACE (SPECIFY)04 |
| | |
| | REFUSED3 |
| C57. | What is the zip code where this business is/was located? |
| | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| C58. | What is/was the total number of employees that work/worked in this business? Please exclude yourself, but include paid family members. |
| | NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES |
| | NONE00 — |
| | DON'T KNOW2 → GO TO C62 |
| | REFUSED3 |

What are/were these other sources of capital?

C55.

| C59. | many are/were working less than 35 hours per week in this business? | | | | | |
|------|--|---------|-----------|--------------|-----------|---------|
| | IF RESPONDENT SAYS "NONE," COD | E 00. | | | | |
| | _ NUMBER OF FULL-TI | ME EM | PLOYEE: | S | | |
| | _ NUMBER OF PART-TI | IME EM | IPLOYEE | S | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | | 2 | | |
| | REFUSED | | | 3 | | |
| C60. | How many of your immediate family mem do not include yourself. | nbers w | ork/worke | ed in this b | ousiness? | Please |
| | NONE | | | 00 | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | | | | | |
| | REFUSED | | | 3 | | |
| C61. | Next, I will read a list of benefits that som business, do/did all of your employees, so employees receive | | | | | |
| | | COL | DE ALL, | SOME, O | R NONE F | OR EACH |
| | | ALL | SOME | NONE | KNOW | REFUSED |
| a. | Paid sick leave? | 01 | 02 | 00 | -2 | -3 |

| | _ | CODE ALL, SOME, OR NONE FOR EACH | | | | | | |
|----|---|----------------------------------|------|------|---------------|---------|--|--|
| | | ALL | SOME | NONE | DON'T KNOW | REFUSED | | |
| | L | ALL | SOME | NONE | KINOVV | KEFUSED | | |
| a. | Paid sick leave? | 01 | 02 | 00 | -2 | -3 | | |
| b. | Paid vacation? | 01 | 02 | 00 | -2 | -3 | | |
| C. | Paid holidays? | 01 | 02 | 00 | -2 | -3 | | |
| d. | Health insurance or membership in an HMO or PPO plan? | 01 | 02 | 00 | -2 | -3 | | |
| e. | Retirement or pension benefits or a 401K plan? | 01 | 02 | 00 | -2 | -3 | | |
| f. | Life insurance? | 01 | 02 | 00 | -2 | -3 | | |
| g. | Any other benefits? (SPECIFY) | 01 | 02 | 00 | -2 | -3 | | |

C62. Now, please tell me if <u>you</u> receive/received these benefits through this business . . .

| | _ | CODE YES OR NO FOR EACH | | | | |
|----|---|-------------------------|----|-------|---------|--|
| | | | | DON'T | | |
| | | YES | NO | KNOW | REFUSED | |
| a. | Paid sick leave? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 | |
| b. | Paid vacation? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 | |
| C. | Paid holidays? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 | |
| d. | Health insurance or membership in an HMO or PPO plan? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 | |
| e. | Retirement or pension benefits or a 401K plan? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 | |
| f. | Life insurance? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 | |
| g. | Any other benefits? (SPECIFY) | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 | |

C63. When you started this business, did other household members have any earnings?

| YES | 01 |
|------------|----|
| NO | 00 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

C64. What would you say were the most difficult challenges you faced when you started this business?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

| LACK OF CAPITAL OR START-UP FUNDS | 01 |
|--|------------------|
| AMOUNT OF TIME/WORK INVOLVED | 02 |
| INSUFFICIENT SALES | 03 |
| INSUFFICIENT CASH FLOW | 04 |
| DIFFICULTIES HIRING QUALIFIED STAFF | 05 |
| LOCAL COMPETITION | 06 |
| BECOMING KNOWN/GETTING EXPOSURE | 07 |
| TAXES | 08 |
| INSURANCE | 09 |
| REGULATIONS/LICENSES | 10 |
| DEALING WITH CLIENTS | 11 |
| UNCERTAINTY/CHANGING ECONOMY | 12 |
| FINDING A LOCATION | 13 |
| PROBLEMS WITH SUPPLY OF PRODUCT OR MATERIAL AVAILABILITY | 14 |
| PERSONAL/FAMILY BARRIERS | 15 |
| FINDING CLIENTS | 16 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY) | 17 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

C65. PROGRAMMER: CHECK QUESTION C3. IS THERE ANOTHER PERIOD OF SELF-EMPLOYMENT (IS C3 > 2)?

YES, C3 \geq 2......01 \rightarrow REPEAT C4 THROUGH C64 FOR EACH BUSINESS, THEN GO TO C69

| YES NO | |
|--|------------------------------|
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | → GO 10 C6 |
| What would you say were the most difficult challenges | you faced trying to start yo |
| own business? | you labed trying to blank yo |
| CODE ALL THAT APPLY | |
| LACK OF CAPITAL OR START-UP FUNDS | 01 |
| AMOUNT OF TIME/WORK INVOLVED | 02 |
| INSUFFICIENT SALES | 03 |
| INSUFFICIENT CASH FLOW | 04 |
| DIFFICULTIES HIRING QUALIFIED STAFF | 05 |
| LOCAL COMPETITION | 06 |
| BECOMING KNOWN/GETTING EXPOSURE | 07 |
| TAXES | 08 |
| INSURANCE | 09 |
| REGULATIONS/LICENSES | 10 |
| DEALING WITH CLIENTS | 11 |
| UNCERTAINTY/CHANGING ECONOMY | 12 |
| FINDING A LOCATION | 13 |
| PROBLEMS WITH SUPPLY OF PRODUCT OR MATERIAL AVAILABILITY | 1.1 |
| PERSONAL/FAMILY BARRIERS | |
| FINDING CLIENTS | |
| OTHER (SPECIFY) | |
| | |
| DON'T KNOW | -2 |
| REFUSED | |

PROGRAMMER: IF C66=1, GO TO C69.

| C68. | At any time since (DATE OF RANDOM ASSIGNMENT) have you tried to start a business? | | |
|------|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| | YES | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO D1 | |
| | REFUSED | | |
| C69. | How would you rate your self-employment experience: | experience? Was your self-employment | |
| | Great | 01 | |
| | Okay | 02 | |
| | Not so good, or | 03 | |
| | Terrible | 04 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |
| C70. | Would you do it again knowing what you | know now? | |
| | YES | 01 | |
| | NO | 00 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |
| | | | |

GO TO SECTION D

SECTION D: EMPLOYMENT, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE

The next questions are about full and part-time jobs (including military service) you may have held since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW) where you were working for someone else.

| D1. | Are vou | currently | working | for someone | e else? |
|------|---------|------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|
| D 1. | AIC YOU | Curreritiy | WOLKING | TOT SOTTICOTION | <i>-</i> CI3C : |

| YES | 01 → GO TO D4 |
|------------|----------------------|
| NO | 00 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| REFUSED | 3 |

D2. What are you currently doing?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

| SELF-EMPLOYED | 01 |
|--|----|
| TRYING TO START MY OWN BUSINESS | 02 |
| LOOKING FOR WORK | 03 |
| PARTICIPATING IN EDUCATION OR TRAINING PROGRAM | 04 |
| TAKING CARE OF CHILD/FAMILY MEMBER/ SICK RELATIVE | 05 |
| RETIRED | 06 |
| CURRENTLY ILL | 07 |
| NOTHING | 08 |
| INCARCERATED | 09 |
| OTHER (SPECIFY) | |
| DON'T KNOW | |
| REFUSED | 3 |

D3. Have you had a job where you were working for someone else that lasted two weeks or longer since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? Please include part-time and full-time jobs, and military service.

| YES | 01 → G | O TO D5 |
|------------|--------|-------------|
| NO | 00 — | 1 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO D27 |
| REFLISED | -3 | |

| else? | | t tull- and part-time jobs d | do you nave where you work for someor | те |
|-------|--|--|--|-----|
| | ONE | | 01 | |
| | TWO OR M | ORE | 02 | |
| | DON'T KNO |)W | 2 | |
| | REFUSED. | | 3 | |
| D5. | | What is the name of your What is the name of the e | r current employer? employer for whom you work the most | |
| | IF D3=1: What is the since (DATE OF LAS | | or whom you worked more than two wee | :ks |
| | RECORD N | AME OF EMPLOYER _ | | |
| | DON'T KNO | OW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED. | | 3 | |
| D7. | When did you <u>start</u> w | orking for (EMPLOYER)? | ? | |
| | PROBE: Your best es | stimate is fine. | | |
| | IF DK DAY, PROBE | : Was it the beginning, m | niddle, or end of the month? | |
| | IF "BEGINNIN(IF "MIDDLE," E IF "END," ENT | ENTER 15; | | |
| | START DATE CAN I | BE BEFORE DATE OF L | LAST INTERVIEW. | |
| | <u> </u> / _ MONTH | / DAY YEAR | | |
| | | DW | | |
| | | | | |

| | YES |
|--------|---|
| D8A. V | When did you stop working for (EMPLOYER)? |
| I | F DK DAY, PROBE: Was it the beginning, middle, or end of the month? |
| | IF "BEGINNING," ENTER 05; IF "MIDDLE," ENTER 15; IF "END," ENTER 25. |
| 5 | STOP DATE MUST COME AFTER DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW. |
| | _ / / _ |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| D9. | What kind of company (is/was) (EMPLOYER)? What (do/did) they make, sell, or do? |
| | PROBE FOR TYPE OF PRODUCT OR SERVICE. |
| | RECORD VERBATIM |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| D10. | What (do/did) you do there? |
| | PROBE: What (is/was) your job title? |
| | PROBE FOR CLEAR AND DESCRIPTIVE ACTIVITIES AND JOB TITLE. PROBE FOR A VERB. |
| | RECORD VERBATIM |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |

D8. Are you still working for (EMPLOYER)?

| | Which of the following best describes your employmen (Are/Were) you | t status at (this/that) job? |
|------|--|--------------------------------|
| | an employee, working for pay at a private company, | 01 |
| | a local, state, or federal government | |
| | employee, | 02 |
| | on active military duty, or | 03 |
| | working without pay? | 04 |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY) | 05 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| D12. | How many hours (do/did) you usually work in an avera PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. | ge week at (EMPLOYER)? |
| | _ NUMBER OF HOURS PER WEEK | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | |
| | THE GOLD | |
| D13. | PROGRAMMER: CHECK D11. WAS CODE 04, "V | WORKING WITHOUT PAY," |
| | SELECTED? | |
| | YES | 01 → GO TO D21 |
| | | |
| | YES | |
| D14. | YES | 00 |
| D14. | YES NO | 00 |
| D14. | YES NO What (is/was) your (current/most recent) hourly rate of | 00 |
| D14. | YES NO | pay, before taxes and other |
| D14. | What (is/was) your (current/most recent) hourly rate of deductions? WATCH THE DECIMAL POINT. PER HOUR: \$ _ _ DON'T KNOW OR NOT PAID BY HOUR | pay, before taxes and other 23 |
| | What (is/was) your (current/most recent) hourly rate of deductions? WATCH THE DECIMAL POINT. PER HOUR: \$ _ _ _ _ DON'T KNOW OR NOT PAID BY HOUR | pay, before taxes and other |
| | What (is/was) your (current/most recent) hourly rate of deductions? WATCH THE DECIMAL POINT. PER HOUR: \$ _ _ _ DON'T KNOW OR NOT PAID BY HOUR | pay, before taxes and other |
| | What (is/was) your (current/most recent) hourly rate of deductions? WATCH THE DECIMAL POINT. PER HOUR: \$ _ _ DON'T KNOW OR NOT PAID BY HOUR | pay, before taxes and other |

| D16. | How much are/were these tips, bonuses, or commissions? |
|------|--|
| | Is/Was that per week, per month, per year, or something else? |
| | RECORD AMOUNT AND CODE THE UNIT. |
| | ACCEPT MOST CONVENIENT TIME PERIOD. |
| | \$ <u> </u> |
| | PER WEEK 01 PER MONTH 02 PER YEAR 03 OTHER (SPECIFY) 04 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| D17. | What (are/were) your (current/most recent) weekly, monthly, or annual earnings, before taxes and other deductions? Please include any tips, bonuses, or commissions. |
| | ENTER PAY PERIOD CODE. |
| | ACCEPT MOST CONVENIENT TIME PERIOD. |
| | PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. |
| | PROBE, IF PER JOB/PIECE/UNIT: How much did you earn in a typical week? |
| | \$ <u> </u> , <u> </u> |
| | PER WEEK 01 PER MONTH 02 PER YEAR 03 OTHER (SPECIFY) 04 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 |
| D18. | PROGRAMMER: ARE EARNINGS REPORTED IN D17 GREATER THAN \$100,000 PER YEAR? |
| | YES |

| D19. | You said that your current/most recent earnings before taxes and other deductions |
|------|---|
| | are/were (AMOUNT AND PAY PERIOD from D17). Is this correct? |

| YES | 01 →GO | TO D21 |
|------------|---------------|-------------|
| NO | 00 | |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO D20 |
| REFUSED | _ | |

D20. INTERVIEWER: REVIEW D17 WITH RESPONDENT AND CORRECT AS NEEDED.

D21. (Are/Were) the following benefits available to you on your job at (EMPLOYER)?

READ CATEGORIES.

ENTER YES OR NO FOR <u>EACH</u>.

| | <u>YES</u> | <u>NO</u> | <u>DON'T</u> <u>KNOW</u> | REFUSED |
|--|------------|-----------|-----------------------------|---------|
| a. Paid sick leave? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| b. Paid vacation? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| c. Paid holidays? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| d. Health insurance or membership in an HMO or PPO plan? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| 401K plan? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| f. Life insurance? | 01 | 00 | -2 | -3 |
| g. Any other benefits? (SPECIFY) | 01 | 02 | -2 | -3 |
| | | | | |

D22.

PROGRAMMER: CHECK D8. IF STILL WORKING FOR (EMPLOYER) WAS SELECTED (D8=01) GO TO D26.

D23. Why did you stop working at (EMPLOYER)? Did you quit, retire, were you laid off or fired, or did the period you were scheduled to work there end?

PROBE: What reason were you given by your employer?

| FROBE. What reason were you given by your employer! | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| INT | ERVIEWER: SELECT <u>ONE</u> CODE ONLY. | | | |
| | QUIT01 | | | |
| | RETIRE02 | | | |
| | LAID OFF03 | | | |
| | FIRED04 | | | |
| | WORK PERIOD/TEMPORARY JOB ENDED05 | | | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY)06 | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | | |
| D24. W | hen that job ended, did you receive severance pay? | | | |
| | YES01 | | | |
| | NO00 | | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | | |
| D25. W | hen that job ended, what did you do? | | | |
| С | ODE ALL THAT APPLY | | | |
| | TOOK ANOTHER JOB WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE01 | | | |
| | STARTED A BUSINESS02 | | | |
| | WOKED ON STARTING MY OWN BUSINESS03 | | | |
| | LOOKED FOR WORK04 | | | |
| | PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION/TRAINING PROGRAM05 | | | |
| | TOOK CARE OF CHILD/FAMILY MEMBER/ SICK RELATIVE06 | | | |
| | RETIRED07 | | | |
| | WAS SICK | | | |
| | OTHER (SPECIFY)09 | | | |
| | | | | |

| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
|--|--|
| REFUSED | 3 |
| FOR EACH JOB HELD SINCE DATE | QUESTIONS D7-D25 SHOULD BE ASKED E OF LAST INTERVIEW. QUESTIONS FOR JOB #1, D7b-D25b FOR JOB #2, AND |
| PROGRAMMER: IS D3=1 OR IS D4= | |
| | 01→ REPEAT D7 |
| NO | 00 → GO TO D27 |
| PROGRAMMER: IF C2=1 OR D1=1. | CONTINUE. OTHERWISE GO TO E1. |
| · | |
| vould you rate your overall satisfaction | nether for yourself or for someone else), how with your work? Would you say you are very at dissatisfied with your |
| VERY SATISFIED | 01 |
| SOMEWHAT SATISFIED | 02 |
| SOMEWHAT DISSATISFIED | 03 |
| VERY DISSATISFIED | 04 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| DEFLICED | 0 |

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SECTION E: INCOME SOURCES AND AMOUNTS

E1. Now I'd like you to think about your household's <u>total</u> income during the past twelve months. Please include income from self-employment, regular jobs, and earnings from odd jobs, under-the-table jobs, and other work activities; from Social Security, pensions, rent, interest and dividends, unemployment compensation, welfare; from food stamps, child support, and money from any other sources.

What was the total income of all members of your household, including yourself, from all sources before taxes and deductions during the past twelve months?

| | PROBE: Your best estimate is fine. | |
|-----|---|------------------------------------|
| | \$ _, → GO TO E5 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| E2. | During the past twelve months, would you say \$30,000, or \$30,000 or more? | our household income was less than |
| | LESS THAN \$30,000 | 01 GO TO E4 |
| | \$30,000 OR MORE DON'T KNOW | |
| | REFUSED | 3 → GO TO E5 |
| E3. | Would you say it was | |
| | from \$30,000 to under \$45,000, | 01 |
| | \$45,000 to under \$60,000, | 02 |
| | \$60,000 to under \$75,000, | 03 |
| | \$75,000 to under \$90,000, | 04 |
| | \$90,000 to under \$105,000, or | 05 |
| | more than \$105,000? | 06 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| | GO TO E5 | \neg |

| | less than \$5,000, | 01 |
|-----|--|---------------------------------|
| | \$5,000 to under \$10,000, | |
| | \$10,000 to under \$15,000, | |
| | \$15,000 to under \$20,000, | |
| | | |
| | \$20,000 to under \$25,000, or | |
| | \$25,000 to under \$30,000? | |
| | DON'T KNOW | |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| E5. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you or anyone received Unemployment Compensation, Trade Readjust Adjustment Assistance? | |
| | YES | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO E8 |
| | REFUSED | |
| E6. | Altogether, since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), for ho household receive Unemployment Compensation or Trace Trade Adjustment Assistance? NUMBER OF WEEKS OR _ NUMBER OF MONTHS SINCE (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW) | rade Readjustment Allowances012 |
| E7. | On average, how much Unemployment Compensation, Allowances or Trade Adjustment Assistance did your house (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? \$ PER WEEK PER MONTH DON'T KNOW REFUSED | 01 02 2 |

E4.

Would you say it was . . .

| E8A. | I am going to read you a list of programs that you or your household may have received income from since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW). |
|------|---|
| | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you or your household received income from Social Security Retirement, Disability, or Survivors' benefits? |
| | YES |
| | ONE TIME PAYMENT02 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 GO TO E9 |
| | REFUSED33 |
| E8B. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), how many months did you or your household receive Social Security Retirement, Disability, or Survivors' benefits? |
| | _ NUMBER OF MONTHS |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| E8C. | On average, how much Social Security Retirement, Disability, or Survivors' benefits per month did you or your household receive since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? |
| | \$ <u> </u> |
| E9A. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you or your household received income from other pensions, annuities, or other disability or retirement programs? |
| | YES01 |
| | NO |
| | ONE TIME PAYMENT02 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 GO TO E10 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| E9B. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), how many months did you or your household receive other pensions, annuities, or other disability or retirement programs? |
| | NUMBER OF MONTHS |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| | |

| E9C. | programs per month did you or your household receive since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? | | |
|-------|--|--|--|
| | \$ <u> </u> | | |
| E10A. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you or your household received income from Cash welfare, including TANF (Minnesota Family Investment Program [MFIP]) benefits, General Assistance and Supplemental Security Income (SSI)? | | |
| | YES | | |
| | ONE TIME PAYMENT02 | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 GO TO E11 | | |
| E10B. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), how many months did you or your household receive Cash welfare, including TANF (Minnesota Family Investment Program [MFIP]) benefits, General Assistance and Supplemental Security Income (SSI)? | | |
| | _ NUMBER OF MONTHS | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 | | |
| | REFUSED3 | | |
| E10C. | On average, how much Cash welfare, including TANF (Minnesota Family Investment Program [MFIP]) benefits, General Assistance and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) per month did you or your household receive since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? | | |
| | \$ <u> </u> | | |
| E11A. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you or your household received income from Veteran's payments? | | |
| | YES | | |
| | ONE TIME PAYMENT02 | | |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3GO TO E12 | | |
| | | | |

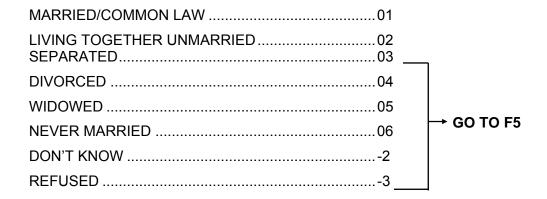
| E11B. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), how many months did you or your household receive Veteran's payments? |
|-------|---|
| | NUMBER OF MONTHS |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| E11C. | On average, how much Veteran's payments per month did you or your household receive since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? |
| | \$ _ _ _ _ |
| E12A. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), have you or your household received income from Food Stamps? |
| | YES |
| | ONE TIME PAYMENT02 |
| | DON'T KNOW2 REFUSED3 GO TO SECTION F |
| | KEI OOED |
| E12B. | Since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW), how many months did you or your household receive Food Stamps? |
| | NUMBER OF MONTHS |
| | DON'T KNOW2 |
| | REFUSED3 |
| E12C. | On average, how much Food Stamps per month did you or your household receive since (DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW)? |
| | \$ <u> </u> , |

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SECTION F: HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION, MARITAL STATUS, AND SPOUSE EMPLOYMENT

F1. Now, I'd like to ask a few general questions. Are you currently married, living together but not married, separated, divorced, widowed, or have you never been married?

CODE ONLY ONE RESPONSE



F2. Is your (husband/wife/partner) currently working for pay, either part-time or full-time? Please exclude any work (he/she) does for your business.

| YES | 01 |
|------------|--------------|
| NO | 00 |
| DON'T KNOW | 2 → GO TO F5 |
| REFUSED | |

F3. How much does (he/she) usually make before taxes and other deductions? Please include tips, commissions, and regular overtime.

INTERVIEWER: ACCEPT MOST CONVENIENT PAY PERIOD. IF NECESSARY, CONFIRM PAY PERIOD. ENTER AMOUNT, THEN CODE TIME PERIOD.

| | \$ <u> , , </u> AMOL | JNT |
|-----------------|--|----------------------|
| | PER WEEK | 01 |
| | ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS | 02 |
| | TWICE A MONTH | 03 |
| | PER MONTH | 04 |
| | PER YEAR | 05 |
| | IN-KIND ONLY | 06 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |
| =4. | On average, how many hours per week does HOURS DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| - 5. | Including yourself, how many people are curre include babies, small children, people who are temporarily away. | |
| | NUMBER OF PEOPLE | |
| | LIVES ALONE | 01 → GO TO F8 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 |
| | REFUSED | 3 |

| F6. | Do you have any children under 18 years of age who live Please include your own and adopted children, foster, ste | | |
|-------|---|------------------|------------|
| | YES | | 1 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO F8 |
| | REFUSED | 3 | 301010 |
| F7. | How many children under 18 years of age live with you? | | |
| | NUMBER | | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |
| The n | ext few questions are about health insurance. | | |
| F8. | Do you currently have health insurance? | | |
| | YES NO | | 1 |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | → GO TO G1 |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |
| F9. | What is the source of that insurance? | | |
| | THROUGH SPOUSE'S INSURER | 01 | |
| | THROUGH YOUR EMPLOYER'S | | |
| | INSURER | 02 | |
| | THROUGH TRADE ASSOCIATION'S INSURER | 03 | |
| | THROUGH MEDICAID OR OTHER | | |
| | PUBLIC HEALTH INSURANCE | 04 | |
| | THROUGH A PRIVATE INSURER | 05 | |
| | THROUGH SOME OTHER SOURCE (SPECIFY) | 06 | |
| | DON'T KNOW | 2 | |
| | REFUSED | 3 | |

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SECTION G: CLOSING INFORMATION

This section confirmed and/or updated the respondent's current address information.

Appendix D. Application Questions and Variables

The GATE Application Form consisted of two sections: "Background Information" and "Business Idea". In each section, questions were numbered consecutively starting with 1. This appendix provides a map showing which variables in **application.dat** correspond to each question on the Application Form.

| Page on Application Form | Question Number | Variable Name | Variable Label |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| N/A | | gate_id | GATE ID |
| N/A | | treatment | Analysis group |
| N/A | | date_random_assignment | Date of random assignment |
| N/A | | site | GATE site |
| N/A | | w1_completed | Competed wave1 |
| N/A | | w2_completed | Competed wave2 |
| N/A | 5 | age | Age at random assignment |
| 1 | 6 | gender | Gender |
| 1 | 10 | race_white_hispanic | race: white and hispanic/latino |
| 1 | 10 | race_white_not_hispanic | race: white and not hispanic/latino |
| 1 | 10 | race_black_hispanic | race: black and hispanic/latino |
| 1 | 10 | race_black_not_hispanic | race: black and not hispanic/latino |
| 1 | 10 | race_american_indian_alaskan | race: american indian or alaskan native |
| 1 | 10 | race_hawaiian_pacific_islander | race: native hawaiian or other pacific islander |
| 1 | 10 | race_asian | race: asian |
| 1 | 10 | race_other | race: other |
| 2 | 12 | language | Primary language |
| 2 | 13 | grade | Highest grade in school completed |
| 2 | 14 | household_size | Number of people in household |
| 2 | 15 | has_children_in_hh | Has children under 18 in household |
| 2 | 16 | number_of_children_in_hh | Number of children in household |
| 2 | 17 | marital_status | Marital Status |
| 2 | 18 | household_income | Household income in last 12 months |
| 2 | 19 | born_us | Was born in the U.S. |
| 2 | 20 | citizen | Citizen of U.S. |
| 2 | 21 | disability | Has health or disability problem |
| 3 | 22 | ever_self_employed | Was ever self-employed |
| 3 | 23 | years_self_employed | Total number of years self-employed |
| 3 | 24 | cb_industry | NAICS code, current/most recent business |
| 3 | 25 | cb_start_mth | Month when current/most recent business started |
| 3 | 25 | cb_start_year | Year when current/most recent business started |
| 3 | 26 | cb_end_mth | Month when current/most recent business ended |
| 3 | 26 | cb_end_year | Year when current/most recent business ended |
| 3 | 26 | self_employed_at_application | Was self-employed as of date of Application |
| 3 | 27 | weeks_self_employed | Weeks self-employed during past 12 months |
| 3 | 28 | cb_weekly_hours_worked | Hours/week worked at current/most recent business |
| 3 | 29 | cb_was_financial_success | Was current/most recent business a financial success |

| 3 | 30 | cb_maximum_employees | Maximum number of employees in current/most recent business |
|---|----|---------------------------------|---|
| 3 | 31 | relatives_friends_ever_se | Relatives or friends ever self-employed |
| 3 | 32 | worked_for_relatives_friends_se | Ever worked for business owned by relatives or friends |
| 3 | 33 | working_in_wage_and_salary_job | Working in wage and salary job as of date of application |
| 3 | 34 | now_self_employed | Self-employed but not in wage and salary job |
| 3 | 34 | now_looking_for_work | Looking for work and not in wage and salary job |
| 3 | 34 | now_in_school_or_training | In school or training program but not wage and salary job |
| 3 | 34 | now_caring_for_family_member | Taking care of family member and not in wage and salary job |
| 3 | 34 | now_retired | Retired and not in wage and salary job |
| 3 | 34 | now_doing_other | Doing some other activity and not in wage and salary job |
| 3 | 34 | now_disabled | Disabled and not in wage and salary job (back-coded) |
| 3 | 35 | ever_worked | Ever worked in wage and salary job |
| 4 | 36 | month_last_job_ended | Month when last job ended |
| 4 | 36 | year_last_job_ended | Year when last job ended |
| 4 | 37 | reason_last_job_ended | Reason last job ended |
| 4 | 40 | hourly_pay_rate | Current or most recent pay rate, in gross \$/hr |
| 4 | 41 | hours_worked_per_week | Hours worked per week, current/most recent job |
| 4 | 42 | weeks_worked_someone_else | Weeks worked for someone else in past 12 months |
| 4 | 43 | managerial_experience | Ever worked as manager in wage and salary job |
| 4 | 44 | years_managerial_experience | Years of managerial experience |
| 4 | 45 | now_tanf | Currently receiving TANF or MFIP |
| 4 | 45 | now_ssi | Currently receiving Supplemental Security Income |
| 4 | 45 | now_ssdi | Currently receiving Social Security Disability (SSDI) |
| 4 | 45 | now_ga | Currently receiving General Assistance |
| 4 | 45 | now_food_stamps | Currently receiving Food Stamps |
| 4 | 45 | now_social_security | Currently receiving Social Security |
| 4 | 45 | now_health | Currently receiving health benefits |
| 4 | 45 | now_veteran | Currently receiving veterans benefits |
| 4 | 45 | now_other | Currently receiving other benefits |
| 4 | 46 | currently_receiving_ui_benefits | Currently receiving Unemployment Insurance benefits |
| 4 | 47 | weeks_received_ui_benefits | Weeks received UI benefits during the past 12 months |
| 5 | 48 | family_support | Level of family support |
| 5 | 49 | sa_enjoys_working_independently | Enjoys working independently |
| 5 | 49 | sa_always_finishes_projects | Always finishes projects |
| 5 | 49 | sa_works_long_hours | Willing to work long hours |
| 5 | 49 | sa_has_innovative_ideas | Has innovative ideas |
| 5 | 49 | sa_often_takes_initiative | Often takes initiative |
| 5 | 49 | sa_finds_a_way | Finds a way to do things that cannot be done |
| 5 | 49 | sa_is_risk_averse | Takes risks only if success is assured |
| 5 | 49 | sa_handles_challenges | Handles challenges, persists in difficult times |
| 5 | 49 | sa_communicates_well | Communicates well with people with different personalities |
| 5 | 49 | sa_takes_advice | Takes advice from others |
| 5 | 49 | sa_good_motivator | Is a good motivator |
| 5 | 49 | sa_has_clear_goals | Has clearly defined goals |
| 5 | 49 | sa_often_misses_deadlines | Often misses deadlines |
| 5 | 49 | sa_is_organized | Is an organized person |
| 5 | 49 | sa_is_indecisive | Has a difficult time making decisions |
| 5 | 49 | sa_works_well_under_pressure | Works well under pressure |

| 5 | 49 | sa_has_sense_of_humor | Has a sense of humor |
|---|----|----------------------------------|--|
| 5 | 49 | sa_will_not_risk_savings | Will not risk savings for the business |
| 5 | 49 | sa_will_lower_standard_of_living | Willing to lower standard of living to start business |
| 5 | 49 | sa_gets_sick_often | Gets sick often |
| 5 | 49 | sa_finds_many_solutions | Often finds many solutions to a problem |
| - | - | <u> </u> | Is responsible for child care or other family members during the |
| 5 | 50 | is_responsible_for_child_care | day |
| 5 | 51 | has_child_care_plans | Has a plan to meet child care responsibilities |
| 5 | 52 | has_car | Has a working car |
| 5 | 52 | has_telephone | Has a working telephone |
| 5 | 52 | has_computer | Has a working computer |
| 5 | 52 | has_bank_account | Has a bank account |
| 5 | 53 | has_credit_history | Has a credit history |
| 5 | 54 | has_credit_history_problem | Credit history has a problem |
| 6 | 55 | has_salaried_family_support | Has family member with salary for financial support |
| 6 | 56 | amount_salaried_family_support | Weekly earnings of family member providing financial support |
| 6 | 57 | has_health_insurance | Has health insurance |
| 6 | 58 | health_insurance_source | Source of health insurance |
| 7 | 2 | is_operating_business | Is already operating the business |
| 7 | 3 | months_in_business | How long the business has been in operation, in months |
| 7 | 4 | ever_operated_similar_business | Ever operated a business similar to the proposed one |
| | | | Business builds on skills or knowledge from a wage and salary |
| 7 | 5 | builds_on_work_skills | job |
| 7 | 6 | builds_on_hobby_skills | Business builds on skills or knowledge from a hobby |
| 7 | 7 | is_home_based_business | Plans to operate business at home |
| 7 | 8 | has_location_in_mind | Has location in mind for the business |
| 7 | 9 | has_formal_business_plan | Has written a formal business plan |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_obtain_more_income | Why SE: to obtain additional income |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_be_own_boss | Why SE: to be own boss |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_pursue_interests | Why SE: to pursue specific interests |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_use_specific_talent | Why SE: to use specific talents |
| 7 | 10 | why_for_schedule_flexibility | Why SE: for work schedule flexibility |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_work_at_home | Why SE: to work at home |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_realize_dream | Why SE: to realize a long-held dream |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_avoid_unemployment | Why SE: to avoid unemployment |
| 7 | 10 | why_other | Why SE: other reason |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_help_others | Why SE: to help others or to help community |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_create_jobs | Why SE: to create jobs |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_save_for_retirement | Why SE: to save for retirement |
| 7 | 10 | why_because_of_disability | Why SE: because of disability |
| 7 | 10 | why_for_fun_or_job_satisfaction | Why SE: for fun or job satisfaction |
| 7 | 10 | why_for_personal_fulfillment | Why SE: for personal fulfillment |
| 7 | 10 | why_for_security | Why SE: for security |
| 7 | 10 | why_to_meet_market_needs | Why SE: to meet market needs |