**ASK OF ALL PEOPLE AGES 18+**

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### Field Representative's Code
- 001

### Respondent's characteristics
- **Last name**: [Blank]
- **First name**: [Blank]
- **Line No**: 002
- **Age**: 003
- **Sex**: 004
  - [ ] Male
  - [ ] Female

### Type of SVS interview
- [ ] Personal - Self
- [ ] Telephone - Self
- [ ] Noninterview - WILL ITEM D

### Field Representative
- Complete an SVS form for all NCVS interviewed people ages 18+. DO NOT complete an SVS form for Type 2 noninterview people. NCVS persons interviewed by proxy or for people in Type A noninterview households.

### Reason for SVS noninterview
- [ ] Refused
- [ ] Not available
- [ ] Non-English speaking respondent

**SUPPLEMENTAL VICTIMIZATION SURVEY (SVS)**

**TO THE NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMIZATION SURVEY 2006**

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**INTRO 1**

Now, I would like to ask you some questions about any unwanted contacts or harassing behavior you may have experienced that frightened, concerned, angered, or annoyed you. Please include acts committed by strangers, casual acquaintances, friends, relatives, and even spouses and partners. I want to remind you that the information you provide is confidential.

1. Not including bill collectors, telephone solicitors, or other sales people, has anyone, male or female, EVER - frightened, concerned, angered, or annoyed you by... (Read answer categories)
   - Mark (X) all that apply.

2. Has anyone ever done (this/any of these things) to you on more than one occasion?
   - [ ] Yes - **SKIP** to CHECK ITEM K, page 11
   - [ ] No - **ASK 2a**

3. How many boxes are marked in question 1?
   - [ ] One - **SKIP** to 47
   - [ ] Two
   - [ ] Three or more

4. Did these unwanted contacts or harassing behavior occur on the same day or on different days?
   - [ ] Same day - **SKIP** to 47
   - [ ] Different days

5. Did any of these things happen to you in the last 12 months, that is since 1, 2005?
   - [ ] Yes
   - [ ] No - **SKIP** to CHECK ITEM K, page 11
### F. SINGLE OR MULTIPLE PERPETRATORS

4. How many different people have done any of these things to you in the last 12 months?
   - Number of people
   - X Don't know

   **CHECK ITEM C** How many people are reported in question 4?
   - 1 One – SKIP to 7
   - 2 Two – ASK 5a
   - 3 Three or more – SKIP to 6a
   - 4 Don't know – SKIP to 6d

### TWO PERPETRATORS ONLY

5a. Did these two people act alone or together as a team?
   - 1 Alone – ASK 5b
   - 2 Together – SKIP to 5c
   - 3 Don't know – Ask 5b

5b. Of the people who did these things to you, is there ONE person whose behavior you would consider to be the MOST serious?
   - 1 Yes – SKIP to INTRO 2a
   - 2 No
   - 3 Don't know

5c. Of the two people who did these things to you, is there any ONE person who you would consider to be the MOST responsible for this series of contacts or behavior?
   - 1 Yes – SKIP to INTRO 2c
   - 2 No
   - 3 Don't know

### THREE OR MORE PERPETRATORS

6a. Did ALL of these people act together as a team or group?
   - Yes – SKIP to 6d
   - No
   - Don't know

6b. Of the people who did these things to you, is there any ONE series of contacts or behavior you would consider to be the MOST serious?
   - 1 Yes
   - 2 No
   - 3 Don't know

6c. Were these things done by one person acting alone or by a team or group of people?
   - 1 One person acting alone – SKIP to 7
   - 2 With a team or group
   - 3 Don't know

6d. Of the people who did these things to you, is there any ONE person who you would consider to be the MOST responsible for this series of contacts or behavior?
   - Yes – SKIP to INTRO 2c
   - No
   - Don't know

6e. Please describe the general nature of the group. For example, were they co-workers, members of a gang, fraternity, sorority, ex-partner working with others, etc.?
   - 1 Co-workers
   - 2 Members of a gang
   - 3 Fraternity
   - 4 Sorority
   - 5 Ex-partner working with others
   - 6 Other – Specify

### G. RELATIONSHIP OF PERPETRATOR TO VICTIM

**INTRO 2a** For the next set of questions please tell me about the PERSON whose unwanted contacts or harassing behaviors you consider to be the MOST SERIOUS. (Ask 7)

**INTRO 2b** Please choose one of these people and tell me about the series of unwanted contacts or harassing behavior committed against you by this person. (Ask 7)

**INTRO 2c** For the next set of questions please tell me about the PERSON you consider to be MOST RESPONSIBLE for the unwanted contacts or harassing behaviors you have experienced. (Ask 7)

7. Is this person male or female?
   - 1 Male
   - 2 Female
   - 3 Don't know

8. How old would you say this person is?
   - 1 Under 18
   - 2 18–20
   - 3 21–29
   - 4 30–39
   - 5 40–49
   - 6 50+
   - 7 Don't know

9. Is this person White, Black, or some other race?
   - Mark (X) all that apply.
   - 1 White
   - 2 Black
   - 3 Some other race
   - 4 Don't know race
10a. What WAS the relationship of the person who did (this/these things) to you when the contacts or behavior first began?

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE – Record the relationship AT THE TIME the unwanted contacts or behavior began and not at the time of the interview.

RELATIVE

OFFENDER WAS THE RESPONDENT’S

1. √ Spouse

2. □ Ex-spouse             SKIP to 10c

3. □ Parent or step-parent

4. □ Own child or step-child

5. □ Brother/sister, step-brother/step-sister

6. □ Other relative - Specify

ASK

10b

NONRELATIVE

OFFENDER WAS THE RESPONDENT’S

7. □ Boyfriend or girlfriend

8. □ Ex-boyfriend or ex-girlfriend

9. □ Friend or ex-friend

10. □ Roommate, housemate, boarder – SKIP to 10c

11. □ Schoolmate

12. □ Neighbor

13. □ Customer/client

14. □ Student

15. □ Patient

16. □ Supervisor

17. □ Co-worker

18. □ Acquaintance

19. □ Stranger

20. □ Other nonrelative – Specify

ASK

21. □ Unable to identify the person

10b. Did this person ever live with you?

028

1. □ Yes

2. □ No – SKIP to 11

10c. Did the unwanted contacts or behavior start while this person was STILL living with you?

029

1. □ Yes

2. □ No

11. In the last 12 months, when these acts were committed against you was this person employed or unemployed?

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE – If the respondent mentions illegal activities, mark box 2, Unemployed.

030

1. □ Employed

2. □ Unemployed

3. □ Sometimes employed/sometimes unemployed

4. □ Don’t know

12. To your knowledge has this person been arrested or had past problems with the law NOT including routine traffic stops and parking tickets?

031

1. □ Yes

2. □ No

3. □ Don’t know

H. ONSET, DURATION, DESISTANCE

13. How long ago did you realize these things were happening to you?

032

□ □ □ Days (1-6)

OR

033

□ □ □ Weeks (1-3)

OR

034

□ □ □ Months (1-11)

OR

035

□ □ □ Years (Round to the nearest whole year)

OR

036

Since □ Enter month (1–12)

154

□ Enter day (1–31)

155

□ □ □ Enter year (1905–2006)

OR

037

□ □ □ Don’t know
14. Why do you think (this person/these people) started doing these things to you? Any other reasons? Mark (X) all that apply.

1. For retaliation, to scare me, perpetrator was angry, out of spite
2. To catch me doing something
3. To control me, perpetrator was jealous, possessive, or insecure
4. To keep me in the relationship, to keep me from leaving, because I left the perpetrator
5. Perpetrator thought I liked the attention
6. Perpetrator was an alcoholic or drug abuser
7. Perpetrator was mentally ill or emotionally unstable
8. Perpetrator liked the attention
9. Perpetrator liked me, found me attractive, had a crush on me
10. Perpetrator had different cultural beliefs or background
11. Proximity, convenience, because I was alone
12. Other – Specify:
13. Don’t know

INTRO 3

Now I would like you to focus on the series of unwanted contacts or harassing behavior committed against you by (this person/these people) in the last 12 months.

CHECK
ITEM D

Is 1 or more years entered in question 13?

1. Yes – ASK 15
2. No – SKIP to 16

15. In the last 12 months (has this person/have any of these people) done any of the following: (Read answer categories) — Mark (X) all that apply.

1. Made unwanted phone calls to you or left messages?
2. Sent unsolicited or unwanted letters, e-mails, or other forms of written correspondence or communication?
3. Followed or spied on you?
4. Waited inside or outside places for you such as your home, school, workplace, or recreation place?
5. Showed up at places where you were even though he or she had no business being there?
6. Left unwanted items, presents, or flowers?
7. Posted information or spread rumors about you on the Internet, in a public place, or by word of mouth?
8. None of the above

16. During the last 12 months, did (this person/these people) use or attempt to use your personal information to . . .

a. Charge items to your credit card?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
b. Open or close an account in your name?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
c. Take money from your accounts?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know

17. During the last 12 months, did (this person/these people) use any of the following methods of Internet communication to harass or threaten you . . .

a. E-mail?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
b. Instant messenger?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
c. Chat rooms?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
d. Blogs, message or bulletin boards?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
e. Other internet sites about you?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know

18. During the last 12 months, did (this person/these people) use any of the following electronic devices to track or monitor your behavior . . .

a. Video or digital cameras?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
b. Computer programs which retrace or monitor your use, such as Spyware?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
c. Electronic listening devices or bugs?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
d. Global Positioning Systems (also known as GPS)?
1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know
### Question 19a
In the last 12 months, about how often would you say the unwanted contacts or behavior occurred? Would you say —

(Read answer categories)

- 057
  1. Once or twice a year?
  2. Once or twice a month?
  3. Once or twice a week?
  4. Almost every day?
  5. At least once a day? — ASK 19b
  6. No set pattern or sporadically? — SKIP to 19c
  7. Don't know — SKIP to 20a

### Question 19b
In the last 12 months, how many times a day did the unwanted contacts or behavior occur?

- 058
  Number of times (1–996)

  x  Don't know

### Question 19c
In the last 12 months, how many times did the unwanted contacts or behavior occur?

- 059
  Number of times (1–996)

  x  Don't know

### Question 20a
Now I am going to read you a list of things that people might do to protect themselves or stop the behaviors from continuing. In the last 12 months, have you done any of the following —

(Read answer categories)

Mark (X) all that apply.

- Change day-to-day activities
  1. Take time off from work or school?
  2. Change or quit a job or school?
  3. Change the way you went to work or school?
  4. Avoid relatives, friends, or holiday celebrations?
  5. Change your usual activities outside of work or school?
  6. Stay with friends or relatives or had they stay with you?
  7. Alter your appearance to be unrecognizable?
  8. Take self-defense or martial arts classes?
  9. Get pepper spray?
  10. Get a gun?
  11. Get any other kind of weapon?

- Change Personal Information
  12. Change your social security number?
  13. Change e-mail address?
  14. Change telephone numbers?
  15. Install caller ID or call blocking systems?
  16. Change or install new locks or a security system?
  17. None of the above

### Question 20b
Some people might ask others for help in order to protect themselves or to stop the behaviors from continuing. In the last 12 months, did you —

(Read answer categories)

Mark (X) all that apply.

- Enlist the help of friends or family?
- Ask people not to release information about you?
- Hire a private investigator?
- Talk to an attorney?
- Contact victim services, a shelter, or help line?
- Obtain a restraining, protection, or stay-away order?
- Talk to a mental health professional?
- Talk to a doctor or nurse?
- Talk to your clergy or faith leader?
- Talk to your boss or employer?
- Contact your building or office security person?
- None of the above

### Question 20c
In the last 12 months, in order to protect yourself or stop this behavior from continuing, did you move?

- 067
  1. Yes
  2. No — SKIP to 21a

### Question 20d
Did you move to —

(Read answer categories)

Mark (X) all that apply.

- A different house/apartment but in the same area?
- A different city or state?
- A shelter or safe house?
- Some other place? — Specify

### Question 21a
Are the unwanted contacts or behaviors still going on?

- 069
  1. Yes — SKIP to INTRO 4
  2. No — Ask 21b
  3. Don’t know — SKIP to INTRO 4
21b. Why do you think the unwanted contacts or behavior stopped? Anything else?
Mark (X) all that apply.

RESPONDENT TOOK MEASURES

The respondent:
1. Got a restraining, protection, or stay-away order
2. Moved
3. Changed phone number or e-mail account
4. Talked to the perpetrator
5. Got married or started a new relationship with someone else

PERPETRATOR STOPPED ACTS

The perpetrator:
6. Was arrested or incarcerated
7. Started a new relationship with someone else
8. Moved
9. Died
10. Got help/counseling

OTHERS INTERVENED

11. Police warned perpetrator
12. Friend or relative intervened
13. Employer intervened
14. School official, faculty, or staff intervened
15. Others – Specify

OTHER REASON

16. Don't know why it stopped
17. Other – Specify

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1. OTHER CRIMES AND INJURIES

The next few questions are about other behaviors that may have been committed against you in conjunction with those behaviors you have already told me about.

22. During the series of unwanted contacts or behavior did this person do any of the following in the last 12 months:
   a. Illegally enter or attempt to enter your house/apartment?
      1. Yes    2. No
b. Illegally enter or attempt to enter your car?
   1. Yes    2. No
c. Damage or attempt to damage or destroy property belonging to you or someone else in your household?
   1. Yes    2. No

23. In order to frighten or intimidate you, did this person ATTACK or ATTEMPT to ATTACK...
   a. A child?
      1. Yes    2. No
b. Another family member?
   1. Yes    2. No
c. A friend or co-worker?
   1. Yes    2. No
d. A pet?
   1. Yes    2. No

24. During the last 12 months, did this person ATTACK or ATTEMPT to ATTACK YOU by...
   a. Hitting, slapping, or knocking you down?
      1. Yes    2. No
b. Choking or strangling you?
   1. Yes    2. No
c. Raping or sexually assaulting you?
   1. Yes    2. No
d. Attacking you WITH a weapon?
   1. Yes    2. No
e. Chasing or dragging with a car?
   1. Yes    2. No
f. Attacking you in some other way?
   1. Yes – Specify    2. No

CHECK ITEM E
In question 24, is box 1 (Yes) marked in category "d" (Attacking you WITH a weapon)?
1. Yes – ASK 25
2. No – SKIP to CHECK ITEM F

25. What was the weapon? Anything else?
Mark (X) all that apply.

CHECK ITEM F
Is box 1 (Yes) marked in ANY category "a-d" in question 24?
1. Yes – ASK 26
2. No – SKIP to 27
26. What were the physical injuries YOU suffered? Anything else?
Mark (X) all that apply.

27. (Other than the attacks or attempted attacks you just told me about), during the last 12 months, did this person THREATEN to . . .

a. Kill you? ........................................ 094 1 Yes 2 No
b. Rape or sexually assault you? ........ 095 1 Yes 2 No
c. Harm you with a weapon? ............... 096 1 Yes 2 No
d. Hit, slap, or harm you in some other way? 097 1 Yes 2 No
e. Harm or kidnap a child? ................. 098 1 Yes 2 No
f. Harm another family member? ....... 099 1 Yes 2 No
g. Harm a friend or co-worker? .......... 100 1 Yes 2 No
h. Harm a pet? .................................. 101 1 Yes 2 No
i. Harm or kill (himself/herself)? ....... 102 1 Yes 2 No
j. Threaten you in some other way? .... 103 1 Yes Specify 2 No

J. RESPONSE OF VICTIM

28a. How did the behavior of (this person/these persons) make you feel when it FIRST started? Anything else?

(DO NOT read answer categories)
Mark (X) all that apply.

1 ANXIOUS/CONCERNED

Uncomfortable  Worried
Uneasy  Creeped out
Nervous  On edge
Troubled

2 ANNOYED/ANGRY

Bothered  Mad
Upset  Furious
Aggravated

3 FRIGHTENED

Scared  Threatened
Afraid  Alarmed
Panicked  Hyper-vigilant
Paranoid  Terrified

4 DEPRESSED

Hopeless  Sad

5 HELPLESS

Helpless  Couldn't do anything
Powerless  No one could help
Frustrated

6 SICK

Physically ill  Stressed

7 SUICIDAL

Suicidal thoughts  Suicide attempts

8 Some other way – Specify
28b. How did you feel as the behavior progressed? Anything else?  
(Do NOT read answer categories)  
Mark (X) all that apply.

1. ANXIOUS/CONCERNED  
   Uncomfortable  Worried  
   Uneasy  Creeped out  
   Nervous  On edge  
   Troubled

2. ANNOYED/ANGRY  
   Bothered  Mad  
   Upset  Furious

3. FRIGHTENED  
   Scared  Threatened  
   Afraid  Alarmed  
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   Hopeless  Sad

5. HELPLESS  
   Helpless  Couldn’t do anything  
   Powerless  No one could help  
   Frustrated

6. SICK  
   Physically ill  Stressed

7. SUICIDAL  
   Suicidal thoughts  Suicide attempts

8. Some other way – Specify  

29. What were you MOST afraid of happening as these unwanted contacts or behavior were occurring?  
Mark all responses provided by the respondent.

1. Death
   *  
   2. Physical/bodily harm
   3. Harm or kidnap respondent’s child
   4. Harm current partner/boyfriend/girlfriend
   5. Harm other family members
   6. Loss of job
   7. Loss of freedom
   *  
   8. Behavior would never stop
   9. General fear of not knowing what might happen next  
   10. Lose mind
   11. Other – Specify  
   *  
   12. Don’t know

K. CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND OTHER RESPONSE

30a. During the last 12 months did you or someone else call or contact the police to report any of these unwanted contacts or behavior?  

1. Yes
   2. No – Skip to 31

30b. How many times did you or someone else call or contact the police to report these unwanted contacts or behavior during the last 12 months?  

1. Number of times (1–999)  
   *  
   2. Don’t know  

Notes
31. What was the reason the unwanted contacts or behavior were not reported to the police? (Can you tell me a little more?) Any other reason?

Mark (X) all that apply.

STRUCTURED PROBE — Was the reason because you dealt with it another way, it wasn't important enough to you, police couldn't do anything, police wouldn't help, you feared the person, or was there some other reason?

32. During the last 12 months, who reported (the/these) unwanted contacts or behavior to the police? Anyone else?

Mark (X) all that apply.

33a. The last time the police were contacted, what did they do? Anything else?

Mark (X) all that apply.

33b. When the police were contacted, what did they do? Anything else?

Mark (X) all that apply.
### Question 34: After the unwanted contacts or behavior were reported to the police (the FIRST TIME), did the situation get worse, get better, or stay about the same?

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### Question 35: Were criminal charges filed against the person(s) who committed these unwanted contacts or behavior? Anything else?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] Don’t know

Skip to 38a if [ ] still pending.

### Question 36: What was the final outcome of the criminal charges filed against the person(s) who committed these unwanted contacts or behavior? Anything else?

- [ ] Still pending – **Skip to 38a**
- [ ] Dismissed/not guilty
- [ ] Convicted/guilty
- [ ] Fined
- [ ] Court order intervention/counseling program
- [ ] Restraining/protection/stay-away order
- [ ] Probation
- [ ] Jailed/imprisoned
- [ ] Other – Specify

### Question 37: Were you satisfied with this outcome?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] Don’t know

### Question 38a: Who within the criminal justice system do you feel was helpful to you? Anyone else?

- [ ] Patrol/police officer/sheriff
- [ ] 911 dispatcher
- [ ] Detective
- [ ] Prosecutor/District Attorney
- [ ] Judge
- [ ] Victim advocate
- [ ] Someone else – Specify

If [ ] No person was helpful – **skip to 38c**

### Question 38b: Was there anyone in the criminal justice system who you feel was NOT helpful to you?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No – **skip to 39**

### Question 38c: Who within the criminal justice system do you feel was NOT helpful to you? Anyone else?

- [ ] Patrol/police officer/sheriff
- [ ] 911 dispatcher
- [ ] Detective
- [ ] Prosecutor/District Attorney
- [ ] Judge
- [ ] Victim advocate
- [ ] Someone else – Specify
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