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**Final Report of Cognitive Research on the 2005 Police  
Public Contact Survey: A Supplement to the National  
Crime Victimization Survey**

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supplement to the National Crime Victimization Survey  
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## **INTRODUCTION**

The Police Public Contact Survey (PPCS) is a supplement to the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) and is sponsored by the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS). The PPCS collects information from respondents on contacts they had with the police over a 12-month period. New questions were added to the supplement to measure respondents' attitudes on the respectfulness and professionalism of police officer(s) during these contacts. Questions were also revised to more accurately measure instances of racial profiling, other arrests, and threat or use of force. These questions will be added to the supplement for the 2005 survey. The Center for Survey Methods Research (CSMR) was asked to pretest the supplement.

This report presents the results of cognitive research conducted to test the supplement. In the next section we describe the methods that were used to conduct the research. Finally, we report the item-by-item results of the new and revised questions, include recommendations based on the findings, and document the sponsor's response to the recommendations.

## **RESEARCH METHODS**

During the months of August, 2004, and January, 2005, CSMR staff conducted fifteen cognitive interviews in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. We attempted to recruit a broad range of respondents including a diverse racial/ethnic composition, age, and socioeconomic status. We recruited respondent through contacts with the local community organizations and through personal networks. All respondents had at least one face-to-face contact with the police in the last 12 months.

We interviewed 15 people ranging from 18 to 57 years of age. We interviewed 9 White and 6 Black respondents; 8 males and 7 females. In terms of educational attainment, seven respondents had a high school diploma, two had some college credits, six had Bachelors degrees.

Three versions of the questionnaire, developed in an iterative sequence, were used during the cognitive testing. After the first two interviews were conducted, there were several blatant problems. Revisions were made and an additional eight interviews were conducted. Changes were made based on these eight interviews and a third iteration was tested with an additional five respondents.

The three versions of the questionnaire are included in Attachments A (Version 1), B (Version 2), and C (Version 3). A complete set of our revised questions is included in Attachment D. Due to formatting and renumbering of the final version of the questionnaire, the numbering has changed slightly. The numbering for the final questionnaire is noted in the "sponsors feedback" section of each question.

## ITEM-BY-ITEM RESULTS OF NEW AND REVISED QUESTIONS

### Introduction for respondent to exclude personal contacts

Round 1,2,3

**INTRO 1- Now I would like to ask some questions about any contacts you may have had with the police. Exclude telephone contacts, contacts with private security guards, police officers you see socially, or relatives who are police officers. Also exclude any police contacts that occurred because your employment or volunteer work brought you into regular contact with police officers.**

The intent of the introductions was to get respondents to exclude contacts with the police that were of a personal nature or work related. All 15 respondents understood the instruction given in the introduction. When respondents were asked what they thought this instruction was asking them to do, all interpreted the introduction as it was intended. Generally, respondents said the introduction meant, “it was telling me to inform you anytime I had police contacts that were not voluntarily on my own,” and “to exclude any personal dealings besides work, social, any volunteer things like that. Include if I had contact with the police because I called them and they had to come to my home or whatever.”

*Recommendation(s):* We recommend no changes to this introduction.

*Sponsors Feedback:* Recommendation adopted.

### Determining if and what kind of force was used

Round 1,2,3

**5. Did any of the force used or threatened against you occur during your MOST RECENT face-to-face contact with the police?**

Respondents who reported more than one contact to the police and who reported that the police used or threatened force were asked this question. Only one respondent reported that force was used and he did not have any trouble answering this question. The respondent had four contacts with the police in the last twelve months, but he was still able to easily recall which contact was the most recent.

*Recommendation(s):* We recommend no changes to this question.

*Sponsors Feedback:* Recommendation adopted.

Round 1,2,3

**6. Thinking (only) about your (most recent) contact with the police, did the police do any of the following:**

- 01  **Shout or curse at you?**
- 02  **Threaten to use force against you?**
- 03  **Actually push or grab you?**
- 04  **Actually kick or hit you?**
- 05  **Actually spray you with chemical or pepper spray?**
- 06  **Actually point a gun at you?**
- 07  **Use any other type of force?**

Respondents who reported that force was used against them were asked this question. The intent was to find out specifically what kinds of force were used. Only one person out of the fifteen respondents interviewed reported that force was used against them in their contact with the police. In the case of this respondent, he reported category [2] “threaten to use force against you” and category [7] “use any other type of force.” When probed about why he chose those two categories, the respondent said that the police officer “threatened to physically remove him from his car if he did not get out on his own.” When asked about the “other” type of force used the respondent said, “the mere presence of the police is a threat.” The opinions of this respondent may not be typical, but the answer he provided was still incorrect. He provided an answer about threat used, whereas the category asked about “other type of force.” There are two possibilities. The first being that he simply misinterpreted or misheard the question. However, it seems more likely – given the respondent’s answers to other questions – that he wanted to convey his feelings about the presence of police and this was the closest category.

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to this question.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted.

**Legitimate reason for stopping respondent**

Round 1,2,3

**17. Would you say that the police officer(s) had a legitimate reason for stopping you?**

Prior to this question, respondents are asked a series of questions to determine the reason for the traffic stop that they reported earlier in the questionnaire. For example, was the reason speeding, a vehicle defect, a seat belt violation, etc. The intent of this question is to find out whether the respondent – regardless of the reason that they were stopped – *thought* the officer had a legitimate reason for pulling them over. Six of the thirteen respondents who reported a traffic stop, reported that the police officer(s) did NOT have a legitimate reason for stopping them. Respondents were asked why they thought the reason given by the officer was not a legitimate one. One respondent explained, “Well, I was not going that fast over the speed limit and I was on the highway. It was late at night. I think it was because of the car I was driving and there was a whole bunch of me and my friends [sic] coming back from the club in DC. I think he

pulled us over because he probably thought we stole something.” Another respondent who felt that she was not legitimately pulled over explained that the reason was because her license plate tags were dirty.

Respondents were also asked to provide some examples of “legitimate reasons.” One respondent said that speeding would be legitimate. She went on to say that any blatant traffic violation would be legitimate; running a red light, not coming to a complete stop at a stop sign, not using proper signals. Other respondents gave the same types of examples when asked about legitimate reasons someone might get pulled over.

There was some concern that respondents might not understand the term “legitimate,” but when asked, all thirteen respondents provided a correct explanation and said things such as, “was it a real good reason to put their lights on and pull me over” and “a legitimate reason would be if he had an actual record of you speeding or reckless driving or anything like that.”

***Recommendation(s):*** We recommend no changes to this question.

***Sponsors Feedback:*** Recommendation adopted.

### **Number of officers present during contact**

Three different questions were tested to determine the number of officers present during a traffic stop. This is one of two questions used in the analysis of the data to determine if racial profiling occurred.

#### **Round 1**

#### **18. How many officers were present?**

In the first two interviews, the question simply read, “how many officers were present.” Much to our surprise, both of the respondents had a difficult time answering this question. In both interviews, the respondent had initial contact with one police officer, and then other police officers showed up at a later time during the stop. One respondent immediately asked, “do you mean at the beginning or by the end of the whole thing?” In his case, one officer pulled him over and four more showed up. He was unsure whether to answer one or five, because the question was not clear. Because it was such a blatant problem – even with only two interviews completed – we decided to revise the question to ask about the “maximum” number of officers present.

## Round 2

To remedy the problem uncovered in the first two interviews, we changed the question to ask about the maximum number of officers present.

### **18. What was the maximum number of officers present at anytime during your contact with the police?**

Eight respondents were asked this question. All eight respondents answered without any problems. Five of the eight respondents reported more than one officer present during the contact. When asked to describe in their own words what this question meant, one respondent explained his situation. He said, “Four...there was one who actually pulled me over, then he called two more cars and in one of the cars there were two officers.”

This revised question worked well, but on further discussion with the sponsor we realized that this question would not be helpful in determining if racial profiling occurred. To determine if racial profiling occurred in a traffic stop, a question needed to be asked to find out the race of the officer during the initial contact. In other words, we would need a question to find out if there was only one or more than one officer in the respondent’s initial contact with the police.

## Round 3

In round 3, two questions were used to meet the sponsors needs, and an additional five respondents were interviewed. The sponsor still wanted to find out the total number of officers present during the contact. This question remained on the questionnaire, but was slightly revised to “total number” instead of “maximum number” to be more easily read. In addition, the question was moved earlier in the questionnaire to the “reason for contact” section (Section G). At this point, respondents are first asked if the contact was initiated by the police and then asked how many total officers were present during that contact. Those two questions are followed by a series of questions which asks about the reason for the contact, i.e., traffic accident, traffic stop, other problem, etc.

### **[Old] 18/7b. During your contact with the police, what was the total number of officers present?**

Five respondents were asked this question. Although all of the respondents answered that there was only “one” officer present during the contact, they all were able to correctly put this question in their own words. When asked what was meant by this question, respondents similarly answered “how many officers were there during the whole event.”

***Recommendation(s):*** We recommend no changes to the question tested in Round 3.

***Sponsors Feedback:*** Recommendation adopted.

To collect information about the number of officers involved in the initial contact in traffic stops, respondents were asked the following question:

**[New] 18. In your initial contact with the police, was there one or more than one officer present?**

Five respondents were asked this question and all easily comprehended it. In all five instances respondents reported that one officer was present. When asked what was meant by “initial contact,” all respondent reported similarly. In the words of one respondent, the “initial contact was the very first face-to-face encounter that you had with a police officer. In the case of a traffic stop, it would be the officer that walks up to your car and asks for your license and registration.”

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to the question tested in Round 3.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted.

**Race of the Officer(s)**

Finding out the race of the officer is the second part of the analysis of the data to determine if racial profiling occurred. As discussed previously, the first was to find out if there was one or more than one officer present in the initial contact. Respondents were first asked what the race of the officer(s) was. If a respondent checked more than one category in question 19, then they were asked “What race were most of the officers.”

**Round 1,2**

**19. (Was/were) the police officers White, Black, or Some other race? (Mark all that apply)**

- White
- Black
- Some other race
- Don't know race of any

**20. (If only one box is marked in item 19, SKIP to item 21.)**

**What race were most of the officers?**

- Mostly White
- Mostly Black
- Mostly Some other race
- Equal number of each race

In the first two rounds, respondents were asked question 19 regardless of the number of officers they reported were present during the contact. All ten respondents understood the question and had no problems answering. Two out of ten reported that there were multiple officers of multiple races present during the contact. One respondent reported, “one black and one white” in question 19 and then correctly reported “ Equal number of each race” in question 20. The other

respondent reported, “two were white, one was black and one was... I can’t remember what the other one was, I can’t really say... I guess some other race.” This respondent correctly reported “mostly white” in question 20.

These two questions work fine, if the sponsor only wants to loosely generalize about the race of the officers; however, they are interested in capturing more detail. Specifically, they want to know the race of the officer in the initial contact.

### Round 3

To correct for the problem of not being able to identify the race of the officer that the respondent had initial contact with, question 19 was divided into two questions – One question for respondents who reported “one” officer present at the initial contact, and another for those respondents who reported “more than one” in question 18 (“In your initial contact with the police, was there one or more than one officer present?”).

**19a. Was the race of the officer – White, Black, or some other race?**

**19b. Were the police officers:**

- All White**
- All Black**
- All of some other race**
- Mostly White**
- Mostly Black**
- Mostly Some other race**
- Equally mixed**

In this round, five respondents were interviewed. Because all reported in question 18 that their initial contact with the police was with one officer, respondents were then asked 19a. Three respondents reported “White,” and two reported “black.”

Because we did not have any respondents who reported more than one officer in their initial contact we were not able to test question 19b.

***Recommendation(s):*** We recommend no changes to the questions tested in round 3.

***Sponsors Feedback:*** Recommendation adopted.



### **Illegal items found in a traffic stop**

Round 1,2,3

#### **24. During the search, did the police officer(s) find any illegal items, such as a weapon, drugs, or an open container of alcohol?**

Only one of the thirteen respondents involved in a traffic stop reported that the officers found an illegal item. When asked to provide more detail, the respondent reported that the officers found an open container of beer.

These respondents were also asked if they could think of any other “illegal items” someone might have in their vehicle. None of the respondents could provide any additional items. Most replied similarly to one respondent saying, “Nothing other than what you already mentioned.”

*Recommendation(s):* We recommend no changes to this question.

*Sponsors Feedback:* Recommendation adopted as question number 23 in the final questionnaire.

### **Traffic tickets and warnings**

Round 1,2,3

#### **25. During this contact were you given a traffic ticket?**

Of the thirteen respondents involved in a traffic stop, seven reported receiving a traffic ticket. Respondents were then asked what they thought was meant by a “traffic ticket.” Most respondents replied, “a citation.” One respondent explained a little further by saying, “a traffic violation or ticket that you have to pay for or got to court.” None of the respondents had any trouble interpreting this question.

*Recommendation(s):* We recommend no changes to this question.

*Sponsors Feedback:* Recommendation adopted as question number 24 in the final questionnaire.

Round 1,2,3

#### **26. During this contact were you given a warning?**

Respondents who reported in question 25 that they did not receive a traffic ticket, were then asked if they received a warning. Of those six respondents, three reported receiving a warning. When asked what they would consider to be a “warning,” respondents thought that it could be written or verbal. In the words of one respondent, “Well, I’ve been given a written warning just like a ticket, but it’s a warning. I guess you could verbalize a warning...telling you this a warning, next time I’ll give you a ticket. A warning could be either verbal or written.” This interpretation is consistent with the sponsor’s intention. They want respondents to answer “yes,” if they’ve received a warning, regardless of whether it is written or verbal.

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to this question.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted as question number 25 in the final questionnaire.

Round 1,2,3

**27. Were you given a written warning or a verbal warning?**

Respondents who reported in question 26 that they received a warning, were then asked if they were given a written or verbal warning. Two reported receiving a verbal warning, while the other reported receiving a written warning. Of the three respondents who answered these two questions about “warnings,” all answered quickly and easily.

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to this question.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted as question number 26 in the final questionnaire.

**Excessive force**

Round 1,2,3

**31. Earlier you said that the police used or threatened to use force against you during your most recent contact. Do you feel any of the force was excessive?**

As mentioned previously, only one respondent reported during the interview (Q6) that force was threatened against him. This respondent reported yes to this question. When probed about why he said yes, the respondent said that the officer threatened to remove him from the car if he did not get out himself. The respondent said that the force was excessive, because he felt that he was wrongly pulled over and that he believed that the police officer was not on duty. The respondent did not seem to have any problems comprehending this question.

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to this question.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted as question number 30 in the final questionnaire.

Round 1,2,3

**32. Do you think any of your actions during this contact may have caused the police officer(s) to use or threaten to use force?**

Again, only one respondent answered this question and he reported no. He went on to explain that he felt that the police officer had no reason to ask him to get out of the car and therefore, his actions were not the cause of the police officer threatening force. The respondent easily answered this question and rephrased it in his own words.

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to this question.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted as question number 31 in the final questionnaire.

## **Respondent perception of officer's behavior**

### **Round 1**

The following questions are found twice in the questionnaire (therefore have two different question numbers in this report), since respondents who are involved in a traffic stop are asked a different series of questions than respondents who have had other types of contacts with the police.

#### **34/49. During this contact do you feel the police officer(s) were – Friendly? Respectful? Professional?**

Five respondents were asked this question in round one. There were two problems that arose during these interviews. First, all of the respondents seemed to have trouble answering with a clear “yes” or “no,” when they were asked if the police officers were “friendly.” They responded to this question with “to a certain point” and “somewhat.” When probed about their ambiguous answers, respondents explained that they were not really sure how to respond to the term “friendly.” They had no trouble deciding if the officer was “respectful” or “professional,” but in the words of one respondent, “friendly just doesn’t seem like an appropriate way to describe the police officer. He was respectful and professional, but I can’t say whether he was being friendly or not.”

The other problem that surfaced was that in instances where there was more than one officer present, it was hard for some respondents to generalize all the officers present as being “respectful” or “professional.” One respondent described a situation where he considered one officer to be “professional” while the other four were “joking around a lot while I was in the back of the [police] car. A group of the other four weren’t really doing anything. They were just joking around while the other one was giving a test.” In this case, the respondent answered “no” to “respectful.”

It is impossible to say whether his answer was correct or not, because the intent of the question was not clear. Instead of asking a yes/no question in situations where there was more than one officer present, we changed the question for round 2 to ask if “all, some or none” of the officers were respectful or professional. For individuals who only had contact with one officer, the question was not changed.

***Recommendation(s):*** We recommend no changes to this question.

***Sponsors Feedback:*** Recommendation adopted.

### **Round 2,3**

During rounds 2 and 3, ten respondents were interviewed. To correct for the problems that surfaced in round 1, the word “friendly” was removed from the question. Additionally, respondents who had contact with more than one officer were asked two questions – were the officers respectful and were they professional. Respondents who had contact with one officer were asked only one question, which captures the same information.

*Questions for respondents reporting contact with MORE THAN ONE officer*

**34a/49a During this contact, do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were RESPECTFUL?**

Of the ten respondents interviewed in these two rounds, four had contact with more than one police officer. Three of the respondents reported that “some” of the officers were respectful, while the other respondent reported that “all” of the officers were respectful. As in earlier interviews, respondents did not have any trouble understanding what was meant by respectful. Respondents similarly described a respectful officer as, “...basically being courteous. Not treating you in a manner that they wouldn’t want to be treated. Just basically being kind, not being unnecessarily rough or rude.” It was apparent that it was much easier for respondents to answer “all, none, or some” instead of “yes” or “no.”

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to the question tested in rounds 2 and 3.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted as question number 44a in the final questionnaire.

**34b/49b During this contact do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were PROFESSIONAL?**

All four respondents who answered this question reported that “All” of the police officers with whom they had contact were professional. As in the previous questions, it was much easier for respondents to answer “all, none, or some” instead of “yes” or “no.” Respondents defined “professional” as the way a police officer is expected to behave.

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to the question tested in rounds 2 and 3.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted as question number 44b in the final questionnaire.

*Questions for respondents reporting contact with ONE officer*

**34c/49c During this contact do you feel the police office was:**

- a. **Respectful?**
- b. **Professional?**

Six respondents were asked this question in rounds 2 and 3. Like the previous two questions that are administered to respondents who had contact with more than one officer, the “friendly” was also removed from this question. Respondents had no difficulties in providing an answer and were able to provide good examples of what they thought “respectful” and “professional” meant.

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to the question tested in rounds 2 and 3.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted as question number 44c in the final questionnaire.

## Arrests during previous contacts

Round 1,2,3

### **53. One final question ... did any of your EARLIER contacts with the police in the last 12 months result in your being arrested?**

For respondents who reported more than one contact with the police in the last year, the sponsor wanted to find out if an arrest was involved in any of the previous contacts. Four respondents had more than one contact with the police in the previous 12 months. Of those four, two reported that in earlier contacts, they had been arrested. To make sure that the respondents were reporting about previous contacts and not about the contact they referred to throughout the interview, they were asked what they thought the question was asking them to do. (Recall that Q6 asked respondents to think about their “most recent” contact with the police.) All four correctly said that they were being asked if any of their other contacts resulted in them being arrested.

**Recommendation(s):** We recommend no changes to the question.

**Sponsors Feedback:** Recommendation adopted as question number 48 in the final questionnaire.

Round 1,2,3

### **54. Were you arrested for – (Mark all that apply)**

- 1  **Trespassing?**
- 2  **Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs?**
- 3  **Disorderly conduct?**
- 4  **Vandalism?**
- 5  **Some other reason? - Specify**

The sponsor was also interested in finding out why the respondent was arrested in previous contacts. Two respondents reported that they were arrested in previous contacts. One respondent was arrested for driving with a suspended license. The other respondent was arrested three other times. Twice he was arrested for driving with a suspended license and once for “other criminal charges.”

There was some initial concern that this question might be sensitive for respondents. Although only two respondents were asked this question, neither felt that the question was in any way sensitive. One respondent explained further by saying, “I really don’t think it’s sensitive. After all, my arrest was public record, so I guess I’m not really telling you anything that you couldn’t find out yourself.”

**Recommendation(s):** Although the question worked well and there were no problems with any of the categories we decided that since only respondents involved in traffic stops were asked this question, it might seem strange to be asking about “trespassing” and “vandalism.” Since these were categories that the sponsor was not going to be using in the data analysis and their main

**NOTICE** - We are conducting this survey under the authority of Title 13, United States Code, Section 8. Section 9 of this law requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly **confidential**. We may use this information only for statistical purposes. Also, Title 42, Section 3732, United States Code, authorizes the Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Justice, to collect information using this survey. Title 42, Sections 3789g and 3735, United States Code, also requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly confidential.

**ASK OF ALL NCVS SELF-INTERVIEWED PERSONS AGE 16+**

FORM PPCS-1  
(6-30-04)

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

**PRA Burden Statement** - We estimate that it will take between 2 to 10 minutes to complete this interview. If you have any comments regarding these estimates or any other aspect of this survey, send them to the Senior Statistician, Research and Public Policy Issues, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Washington, DC 20531. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number.

Version 1

**POLICE PUBLIC CONTACT SURVEY**

**SUPPLEMENT TO THE NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMIZATION SURVEY 2005**

**Control number**

PSU Segment/Suffix Sample Designation/NO. Serial/Suffix HHLID NO.

**A. Field Representative's Code**

**B Respondent's characteristics**

Last name \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

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Line No.  
002□□

Sex  
003 1 □ M  
2 □ F

Age  
004 □□

Hispanic Origin  
005 1 □ Yes  
2 □ No

Race  
006 \* 1 □ White  
2 □ Black/African American  
3 □ American Indian/Alaska Native  
4 □ Asian  
5 □ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander  
6 □ Other

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE- Complete a PPCS-1 for all NCVS interviewed persons 16+. Do NOT complete a PPCS-1 form for NCVS Type Z noninterview persons, NCVS proxy interviews, or persons in Type A households.

**C. Type of PPCS Interview**

007 1 □ Personal (Self) - **SKIP to INTRO 1**  
2 □ Telephone (Self) - **SKIP to INTRO 1**  
3 □ Noninterview - **FILL ITEM D**

A proxy interview is unacceptable for the PPCS.

**D. Reason for PPCS noninterview**

008 1 □ Refused PPCS only - **SKIP to Check Item K**  
2 □ Not available for PPCS only - **SKIP to Check Item K**  
3 □ Non-English speaking respondent - **SKIP to Check Item K**

**E. CONTACT SCREEN QUESTIONS**

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE - Read introduction.

INTRO 1- Now I would like to ask some questions about any contacts you may have had with the police. Exclude telephone contacts, contacts with private security guards, police officers you see socially, or relatives who are police officers. Also exclude any police contacts that occurred because your employment or volunteer work brought you into regular contact with police officers.

1. Before I get to the questions about contacts you may have had with the police, I would like to find out how often you usually drive. Do you usually drive...

(Read answer categories.)

009 1 □ Almost every day?  
2 □ A few days a week?  
3 □ A few days a month?  
4 □ A few times a year?  
5 □ Never?

2. During the last 12 months, that is, any time since \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, did you have any face-to-face contact with a police officer?

010 1 □ Yes  
2 □ No -**SKIP to Check Item K**

3. How many face-to-face contacts did you have with the police during the last 12 months?	011 _____ Number of contacts
<b>F. USE OF FORCE DURING CONTACT</b>	
4. At any time during the last 12 months did the police USE or THREATEN TO USE force against you?	012 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Go to Check Item A 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item B 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item B
CHECK ITEM A Did the respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	013 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 5 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 6
5. Did any of the force used or threatened against you occur during your MOST RECENT face-to-face contact with the police?	014 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 6 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Intro 2 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Intro 2
6. Thinking (only) about your (most recent) contact with the police, did the police do any of the following:  (Read answer categories.)  Mark all that apply.	015 01 <input type="checkbox"/> Shout or curse at you? 016 02 <input type="checkbox"/> Threaten to use force against you? 017 03 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually push or grab you? 018 04 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually kick or hit you? 019 05 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually spray you with chemical or pepper spray? 020 06 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually point a gun at you? 021 07 <input type="checkbox"/> Use any other type of force? Please specify - ↘ _____
CHECK ITEM B Did the respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	022 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -READ Intro 2 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 7
FIELD REPRESENTATIVE- Read introduction.  INTRO 2 - For the rest of the interview, please tell me ONLY about the MOST RECENT face-to-face contact you had with the police.	
<b>G. REASON FOR CONTACT</b>	
7. Was this contact initiated by the police?	023 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
8a. Did this contact occur during a traffic ACCIDENT?	024 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 9a
8b. Were you the driver or the passenger of the vehicle that was involved in the traffic accident?	025 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Driver - <b>SKIP</b> to item 28a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G
9a. Did this contact occur during a traffic STOP?	026 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 10
9b. Were you the driver or the passenger of the vehicle that was stopped?	027 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Driver - <b>SKIP</b> to item 15 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C
10. Did this contact occur because you reported a crime or some other problem to the police?	028 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
11. Did this contact occur because the police were providing some sort of service or assistance to you?	029 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. Did this contact occur because the police were investigating a crime?	030 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
13. Did this contact occur because the police suspected you of something?	031 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
14. What was the reason for this contact?	032 Describe briefly - ↘  _____ _____

<b>CHECK ITEM C</b> Was force used or threatened against respondent in the (most recent) contact with the police? Is box 1-7 marked in item 6?	<b>033</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 38 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Go to Check Item D
<b>CHECK ITEM D</b> Did respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	<b>034</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 49 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 34
<b>H. REASON FOR TRAFFIC STOP</b>	
<b>15. Did the police officer(s) give a reason for stopping the vehicle?</b>	<b>035</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 16a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 18 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 18
<b>16a. Was the reason speeding?</b>	<b>036</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16b. A vehicle defect?</b>	<b>037</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16c. A record check?</b>	<b>038</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16d. A roadside check for drunk drivers?</b>	<b>039</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16e. A seatbelt violation?</b>	<b>040</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16f. An illegal turn or illegal lane change?</b>	<b>041</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16g. A stop sign or stop light violation?</b>	<b>042</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16h. Was there some other reason?</b>	<b>043</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Specify ↘ _____ 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>17. Would you say that the police officer(s) had a legitimate reason for stopping you?</b>	<b>044</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>18. What was the maximum number of officers present at any time during your contact with the police? Record actual number.</b>	<b>045</b> _____Number of police officers
<b>19. (Was/Were) the police officer(s) White, Black, or some other race?</b>  <i>Mark (X) all that apply.</i>	<b>046</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> White <b>047</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Black <b>048</b> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Some other race <b>049</b> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know race of any/some
<b>20. If only one box is marked in item 19, SKIP to item 21.</b>  <b>What race were most of the officers?</b>	<b>050</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly White 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly Black 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly some other race 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Equal number of each race 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>21. Did the traffic stop occur at night?</b>	<b>051</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>I. VEHICLE/PERSONAL SEARCH</b>	



<p><b>22. At any time during this traffic stop, did the police officer(s) ...</b></p> <p>a. <b>ASK PERMISSION</b> to conduct a vehicle search?</p> <p>b. <b>Actually conduct</b> a vehicle search?</p> <p>c. <b>ASK PERMISSION</b> to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</p> <p>d. <b>Actually search</b> you, frisk you, or pat you down?</p>	<p><b>052</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>053</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>054</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>055</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>23. Whether or not the police officer(s) asked for PERMISSION, at any time during this traffic stop did you GIVE the police officer(s)...</b></p> <p>a. <b>PERMISSION</b> to conduct a vehicle search?</p> <p>b. <b>PERMISSION</b> to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</p>	<p><b>056</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>057</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM E</b> Did the police officer(s) search the vehicle OR the respondent? Is box 1 marked in item 22, categories b OR d?</p>	<p><b>058</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 25</p>
<p><b>24. During the search, did the police officer(s) find any illegal items, such as a weapon, drugs, or an open container of alcohol?</b></p>	<p><b>059</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<b>J. OUTCOME OF TRAFFIC STOP/ACCIDENT</b>	
<p><b>25. During this contact were you given a traffic ticket?</b></p>	<p><b>060</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 28a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>26. During this contact were you given a warning?</b></p>	<p><b>061</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 27 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 28a 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 28a</p>
<p><b>27. Were you given a written warning or a verbal warning?</b></p>	<p><b>062</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Written 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>28a. At any point during this contact were you handcuffed?</b></p>	<p><b>063</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>28b. Were you arrested?</b></p>	<p><b>064</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 29 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G</p>
<p><b>29. Was the reason for your arrest ...</b></p> <p><i>(Read answer categories.)</i> <i>Mark all that apply.</i></p>	<p><b>065</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trespassing?</b> <b>066</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs?</b> <b>067</b> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disorderly conduct?</b> <b>068</b> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vandalism</b> <b>069</b> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Some other reason? - Specify</b> _____</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM F</b> Did the police officer(s) search the vehicle OR the respondent? Is box 1 marked in item 22, categories b OR d?</p>	<p><b>070</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 30 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G</p>
<p><b>30. Earlier you said that you or your vehicle were searched. Did the search occur before you were arrested?</b></p>	<p><b>071</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM G</b> Was force used or threatened against respondent in the (most recent) contact with the police? Is box 1-7 marked in item 6?</p>	<p><b>072</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 31 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 34</p>
<b>K. USE OF FORCE DURING TRAFFIC STOPS/ACCIDENTS</b>	
<p><b>31. Earlier you said that the police used or threatened to use force against you during your most recent contact. Do you feel any of the force was excessive?</b></p>	<p><b>073</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>

32. Do you think any of your actions during this contact may have caused the police officer(s) to use or threaten to use force?	074 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
33. Were you injured as a result of this contact?	075 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>CHECK</b> Did respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? <b>ITEM H</b> Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	076 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 49 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Go to Check Item H1
<b>CHECK</b> Is the entry in Item 18 more than "1?" <b>ITEM H1</b>	XXX 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 34c 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Ask item 34a
34a During this contact do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were RESPECTFUL?	XXX 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
34b Do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were PROFESSIONAL?	XXX 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
34c. During this contact do you feel the police officer was:  a. Respectful? b. Professional?	077 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 078 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
35. Looking back on this contact, do you feel the police behaved properly or improperly?	080 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Properly - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Improperly - ASK item 36 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J
36. What behavior by the police officer(s) do you feel was/were improper?	081 <b>Please specify</b> - ↘ _____
37. Did you file a complaint against the police?	082 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J
<b>L. FORCE IN OTHER FACE TO FACE CONTACTS</b>	
38. Earlier you said that the police used or threatened to use force against you during your most recent contact. Do you feel any of the force was excessive?	083 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
39. Do you think any of your actions during this contact may have caused the police officer(s) to use or threaten to use force?	084 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
40. Were you injured as a result of this contact?	085 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
41. Were you searched?	086 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 43 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
42. Even though you weren't searched did the police ask permission to search you?	087 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45
43. Did the police ASK PERMISSION to conduct the search?	088 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
44. During the search, did the police officer(s) find any illegal items, such as a weapon, drugs, or an open container of alcohol?	089 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
45. During this incident, were you charged with any offense?	090 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 47a 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 47a
46. What were you charged with?	091 <b>Please specify</b> - ↘ _____

<b>47a. At any point during this contact were you handcuffed?</b>	<b>092</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>47b. Were you arrested?</b>	<b>093</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 49
<b>CHECK ITEM I</b> Was the respondent searched? Is box 1 marked in item 41?	<b>094</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 48 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 49
<b>48. Earlier you said that you were searched. Did the search occur before you were arrested?</b>	<b>095</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>M. POLICE BEHAVIOR DURING OTHER CONTACTS</b>	
<b>49. During this contact do you feel the police officer(s) was/were:</b>  a. Friendly? b. Respectful? c. Professional?	<b>096</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know <b>097</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know <b>098</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>50. Looking back on this contact, do you feel the police behaved properly or improperly?</b>	<b>099</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Properly - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Improperly - ASK item 51 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J
<b>51. What behavior by the police officer(s) do you feel was improper?</b>	<b>100</b> <b>Please specify -</b> ↘ _____
<b>52. Did you file a complaint against the police?</b>	<b>101</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>CHECK ITEM J</b> Did respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	<b>102</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 53 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K
<b>53. One final question ... did any of your EARLIER contacts with the police in the last 12 months result in your being arrested?</b>	<b>103</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 54 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K
<b>54. Were you arrested for ...</b>  (Read answer categories.) Mark all that apply.	<b>104</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trespassing?</b> <b>105</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs?</b> <b>106</b> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disorderly conduct?</b> <b>107</b> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vandalism?</b> <b>108</b> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Some other reason? - Specify</b> _____
<b>CHECK ITEM K</b> Is this the last household member to be interviewed?	<b>109</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>END SUPPLEMENT</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Interview next NCVS household member



focus was on traffic offenses, the decision was made to remove those two categories and capture their occurrence under “some other reason.”

*Recommended wording:*

**Were you arrested for – (Mark all that apply)**

1  **Disorderly conduct?**

2  **Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs?**

3  **Some other reason? - Specify**

***Sponsor’s Feedback:*** Recommendation adopted as question number 49 in the final questionnaire.

**NOTICE** - We are conducting this survey under the authority of Title 13, United States Code, Section 8. Section 9 of this law requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly **confidential**. We may use this information only for statistical purposes. Also, Title 42, Section 3732, United States Code, authorizes the Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Justice, to collect information using this survey. Title 42, Sections 3789g and 3735, United States Code, also requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly confidential.

**ASK OF ALL NCVS SELF-INTERVIEWED PERSONS AGE 16+**

FORM PPCS-1  
(1-11-05)

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

**PRA Burden Statement** - We estimate that it will take between 2 to 10 minutes to complete this interview. If you have any comments regarding these estimates or any other aspect of this survey, send them to the Senior Statistician, Research and Public Policy Issues, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Washington, DC 20531. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number.

Version 2

**POLICE PUBLIC CONTACT SURVEY**

**SUPPLEMENT TO THE NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMIZATION SURVEY 2005**

**Control number**

PSU Segment/Suffix Sample Designation/NO. Serial/Suffix HHLN NO.

**A. Field Representative's Code**

**B Respondent's characteristics**

Last name \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

001 □□□

Line No.  
002□□

Sex  
003 1 □ M  
2 □ F

Age  
004 □□

Hispanic Origin  
005 1 □ Yes  
2 □ No

Race  
006 \* 1 □ White  
2 □ Black/African American  
3 □ American Indian/Alaska Native  
4 □ Asian  
5 □ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander  
6 □ Other

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE- Complete a PPCS-1 for all NCVS interviewed persons 16+. Do NOT complete a PPCS-1 form for NCVS Type Z noninterview persons, NCVS proxy interviews, or persons in Type A households.

**C. Type of PPCS Interview**

007 1 □ Personal (Self) - **SKIP to INTRO 1**  
2 □ Telephone (Self) - **SKIP to INTRO 1**  
3 □ Noninterview - **FILL ITEM D**

A proxy interview is unacceptable for the PPCS.

**D. Reason for PPCS noninterview**

008 1 □ Refused PPCS only - **SKIP to Check Item K**  
2 □ Not available for PPCS only - **SKIP to Check Item K**  
3 □ Non-English speaking respondent - **SKIP to Check Item K**

**E. CONTACT SCREEN QUESTIONS**

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE - Read introduction.

INTRO 1- Now I would like to ask some questions about any contacts you may have had with the police. Exclude telephone contacts, contacts with private security guards, police officers you see socially, or relatives who are police officers. Also exclude any police contacts that occurred because your employment or volunteer work brought you into regular contact with police officers.

1. Before I get to the questions about contacts you may have had with the police, I would like to find out how often you usually drive. Do you usually drive...

(Read answer categories.)

009 1 □ Almost every day?  
2 □ A few days a week?  
3 □ A few days a month?  
4 □ A few times a year?  
5 □ Never?

2. During the last 12 months, that is, any time since \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, did you have any face-to-face contact with a police officer?

010 1 □ Yes  
2 □ No -**SKIP to Check Item K**


3. How many face-to-face contacts did you have with the police during the last 12 months?	011 _____ Number of contacts
<b>F. USE OF FORCE DURING CONTACT</b>	
4. At any time during the last 12 months did the police USE or THREATEN TO USE force against you?	012 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Go to Check Item A 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item B 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item B
CHECK ITEM A Did the respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	013 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 5 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 6
5. Did any of the force used or threatened against you occur during your MOST RECENT face-to-face contact with the police?	014 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 6 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Intro 2 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Intro 2
6. Thinking (only) about your (most recent) contact with the police, did the police do any of the following:  (Read answer categories.)  Mark all that apply.	015 01 <input type="checkbox"/> Shout or curse at you? 016 02 <input type="checkbox"/> Threaten to use force against you? 017 03 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually push or grab you? 018 04 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually kick or hit you? 019 05 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually spray you with chemical or pepper spray? 020 06 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually point a gun at you? 021 07 <input type="checkbox"/> Use any other type of force? Please specify - ↘ _____
CHECK ITEM B Did the respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	022 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -READ Intro 2 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 7
FIELD REPRESENTATIVE- Read introduction.  INTRO 2 - For the rest of the interview, please tell me ONLY about the MOST RECENT face-to-face contact you had with the police.	
<b>G. REASON FOR CONTACT</b>	
7. Was this contact initiated by the police?	023 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
8a. Did this contact occur during a traffic ACCIDENT?	024 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 9a
8b. Were you the driver or the passenger of the vehicle that was involved in the traffic accident?	025 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Driver - <b>SKIP</b> to item 28a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G
9a. Did this contact occur during a traffic STOP?	026 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 10
9b. Were you the driver or the passenger of the vehicle that was stopped?	027 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Driver - <b>SKIP</b> to item 15 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C
10. Did this contact occur because you reported a crime or some other problem to the police?	028 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
11. Did this contact occur because the police were providing some sort of service or assistance to you?	029 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. Did this contact occur because the police were investigating a crime?	030 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
13. Did this contact occur because the police suspected you of something?	031 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
14. What was the reason for this contact?	032 Describe briefly - ↘  _____ _____

<b>CHECK ITEM C</b> Was force used or threatened against respondent in the (most recent) contact with the police? Is box 1-7 marked in item 6?	<b>033</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 38 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Go to Check Item D
<b>CHECK ITEM D</b> Did respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	<b>034</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I1 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 34
<b>H. REASON FOR TRAFFIC STOP</b>	
<b>15. Did the police give a reason for stopping the vehicle?</b>	<b>035</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 16a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 18 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 18
<b>16a. Was the reason speeding?</b>	<b>036</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16b. A vehicle defect?</b>	<b>037</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16c. A record check?</b>	<b>038</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16d. A roadside check for drunk drivers?</b>	<b>039</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16e. A seatbelt violation?</b>	<b>040</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16f. An illegal turn or illegal lane change?</b>	<b>041</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16g. A stop sign or stop light violation?</b>	<b>042</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>16h. Was there some other reason?</b>	<b>043</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Specify ↘ _____ 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>17. Would you say that the police had a legitimate reason for stopping you?</b>	<b>044</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>18. What was the maximum number of officers present at any time during your contact with the police?</b> Record actual number.	<b>045</b> _____Number of police officers
<b>19. (Was/Were) the police officer(s) White, Black, or some other race?</b>  <i>Mark (X) all that apply.</i>	<b>046</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> White <b>047</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Black <b>048</b> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Some other race <b>049</b> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know race of any/some
<b>20. If only one box is marked in item 19, SKIP to item 21.</b>  <b>What race were most of the officers?</b>	<b>050</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly White 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly Black 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly some other race 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Equal number of each race 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>21. Did the traffic stop occur at night?</b>	<b>051</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>I. VEHICLE/PERSONAL SEARCH</b>	



<p><b>22. At any time during this traffic stop, did the police officer(s) ...</b></p> <p>a. <b>ASK PERMISSION to conduct a vehicle search?</b></p> <p>b. <b>Actually conduct a vehicle search?</b></p> <p>c. <b>ASK PERMISSION to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</b></p> <p>d. <b>Actually search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</b></p>	<p><b>052</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>053</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>054</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>055</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>23. Whether or not the police officer(s) asked for PERMISSION, at any time during this traffic stop did you GIVE the police officer(s)...</b></p> <p>a. <b>PERMISSION to conduct a vehicle search?</b></p> <p>b. <b>PERMISSION to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</b></p>	<p><b>056</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>057</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM E</b> Did the police officer(s) search the vehicle OR the respondent? Is box 1 marked in item 22, categories b OR d?</p>	<p><b>058</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP to item 25</b></p>
<p><b>24. During the search, did the police officer(s) find any illegal items, such as a weapon, drugs, or an open container of alcohol?</b></p>	<p><b>059</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<b>J. OUTCOME OF TRAFFIC STOP/ACCIDENT</b>	
<p><b>25. During this contact were you given a traffic ticket?</b></p>	<p><b>060</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP to item 28a</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>26. During this contact were you given a warning?</b></p>	<p><b>061</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK item 27</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP to item 28a</b> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP to item 28a</b></p>
<p><b>27. Were you given a written warning or a verbal warning?</b></p>	<p><b>062</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Written 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>28a. At any point during this contact were you handcuffed?</b></p>	<p><b>063</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>28b. Were you arrested?</b></p>	<p><b>064</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK item 29</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP to Check Item G</b> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP to Check Item G</b></p>
<p><b>29. Was the reason for your arrest ...</b></p> <p><i>(Read answer categories.)</i> <i>Mark all that apply.</i></p>	<p><b>065</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trespassing?</b></p> <p><b>066</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs?</b></p> <p><b>067</b> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disorderly conduct?</b></p> <p><b>068</b> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vandalism</b></p> <p><b>069</b> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Some other reason? - Specify</b></p> <p>_____</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM F</b> Did the police officer(s) search the vehicle OR the respondent? Is box 1 marked in item 22, categories b OR d?</p>	<p><b>070</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK item 30</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP to Check Item G</b></p>
<p><b>30. Earlier you said that you or your vehicle were searched. Did the search occur before you were arrested?</b></p>	<p><b>071</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM G</b> Was force used or threatened against respondent in the (most recent) contact with the police? Is box 1-7 marked in item 6?</p>	<p><b>072</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK item 31</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP to item 34</b></p>
<b>K. USE OF FORCE DURING TRAFFIC STOPS/ACCIDENTS</b>	
<p><b>31. Earlier you said that the police used or threatened to use force against you during your most recent contact. Do you feel any of the force was excessive?</b></p>	<p><b>073</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>

32. Do you think any of your actions during this contact may have caused the police officer(s) to use or threaten to use force?	074 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
33. Were you injured as a result of this contact?	075 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>CHECK ITEM H</b> Did respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	076 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I1 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Go to Check Item H1
<b>CHECK ITEM H1</b> Is the entry in Item 18 more than "1"?	XXX 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Ask item 34a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 34c
34a. During this contact, do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were RESPECTFUL?	XXX 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
34b Do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were PROFESSIONAL?	XXX 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 35
34c. During this contact do you feel the police officer was:  a. Respectful? b. Professional?	077 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 078 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
35. Looking back on this contact, do you feel the police behaved properly or improperly?	080 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Properly - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Improperly - ASK item 36 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J
36. What behavior by the police officer(s) do you feel was/were improper?	081 <b>Please specify</b> - ↘ _____
37. Did you file a complaint against the police?	082 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J
<b>L. FORCE IN OTHER FACE TO FACE CONTACTS</b>	
38. Earlier you said that the police used or threatened to use force against you during your most recent contact. Do you feel any of the force was excessive?	083 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
39. Do you think any of your actions during this contact may have caused the police officer(s) to use or threaten to use force?	084 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
40. Were you injured as a result of this contact?	085 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
41. Were you searched?	086 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 43 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
42. Even though you weren't searched did the police ask permission to search you?	087 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know- <b>SKIP</b> to item 45
43. Did the police ASK PERMISSION to conduct the search?	088 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
44. During the search, did the police officer(s) find any illegal items, such as a weapon, drugs, or an open container of alcohol?	089 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
45. During this incident, were you charged with any offense?	090 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 47a 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 47a
46. What were you charged with?	091 <b>Please specify</b> - ↘ _____

47a. At any point during this contact were you handcuffed?	092 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
47b. Were you arrested?	093 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I1
CHECK ITEM I Was the respondent searched? Is box 1 marked in item 41?	094 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 48 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I1
48. Earlier you said that you were searched. Did the search occur before you were arrested?	095 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>M. POLICE BEHAVIOR DURING OTHER CONTACTS</b>	
CHECK ITEM I1 Is the entry in Item 18 more than "1"?	XXX 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Ask item 49a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 49c
49a During this contact do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were RESPECTFUL?	XXX 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
49b Do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were PROFESSIONAL?	XXX 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know -- <b>SKIP</b> to item 50
49c. During this contact do you feel the police officer was:  a. Respectful? b. Professional?	096 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 097 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
50. Looking back on this contact, do you feel the police behaved properly or improperly?	099 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Properly - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Improperly - ASK item 51 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J
51. What behavior by the police officer(s) do you feel was improper?	100 Please specify -  -----
52. Did you file a complaint against the police?	101 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
CHECK ITEM J Did respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	102 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 53 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K
53. One final question ... did any of your EARLIER contacts with the police in the last 12 months result in your being arrested?	103 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 54 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K
54. Were you arrested for ...  (Read answer categories.) Mark all that apply.	104 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Trespassing? 105 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs? 106 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Disorderly conduct? 107 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism? 108 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Some other reason? - Specify -----
CHECK ITEM K Is this the last household member to be interviewed?	109 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -END SUPPLEMENT 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Interview next NCVS household member

**NOTICE** - We are conducting this survey under the authority of Title 13, United States Code, Section 8. Section 9 of this law requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly **confidential**. We may use this information only for statistical purposes. Also, Title 42, Section 3732, United States Code, authorizes the Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Justice, to collect information using this survey. Title 42, Sections 3789g and 3735, United States Code, also requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly confidential.

**ASK OF ALL NCVS SELF-INTERVIEWED PERSONS AGE 16+**

FORM PPCS-1  
(01-20-05)

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**PRA Burden Statement** - We estimate that it will take between 2 to 10 minutes to complete this interview. If you have any comments regarding these estimates or any other aspect of this survey, send them to the Senior Statistician, Research and Public Policy Issues, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Washington, DC 20531. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number.

Version 3

**POLICE PUBLIC CONTACT SURVEY**

**SUPPLEMENT TO THE NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMIZATION SURVEY 2005**

**Control number**

PSU Segment/Suffix Sample Designation/NO. Serial/Suffix HHLD NO.

**A.** Field Representative's Code

**B** Respondent's characteristics  
Last name \_\_\_\_\_  
First name \_\_\_\_\_

001    □□□

Line No.  
002□□

Sex  
003    1 □ M  
         2 □ F

Age  
004 □□

Hispanic Origin  
005    1 □ Yes  
         2 □ No

Race  
006    1 □ White  
         \* 2 □ Black/African American  
         3 □ American Indian/Alaska Native  
         4 □ Asian  
         5 □ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander  
         6 □ Other

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE- *Complete a PPCS-1 for all NCVS interviewed persons 16+. Do NOT complete a PPCS-1 form for NCVS Type Z noninterview persons, NCVS proxy interviews, or persons in Type A households.*

**C.** Type of PPCS Interview

007    1 □ Personal (Self) - **SKIP to INTRO 1**  
         2 □ Telephone (Self) - **SKIP to INTRO 1**  
         3 □ Noninterview - **FILL ITEM D**

*A proxy interview is unacceptable for the PPCS.*

**D.** Reason for PPCS noninterview

008    1 □ Refused PPCS only - **SKIP to Check Item K**  
         2 □ Not available for PPCS only - **SKIP to Check Item K**  
         3 □ Non-English speaking respondent - **SKIP to Check Item K**

**E. CONTACT SCREEN QUESTIONS**

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE - *Read introduction.*

INTRO 1- **Now I would like to ask some questions about any contacts you may have had with the police. Exclude telephone contacts, contacts with private security guards, police officers you see socially, or relatives who are police officers. Also exclude any police contacts that occurred because your employment or volunteer work brought you into regular contact with police officers.**

1. **Before I get to the questions about contacts you may have had with the police, I would like to find out how often you usually drive. Do you usually drive...**

*(Read answer categories.)*

009    1 □ Almost every day?  
         2 □ A few days a week?  
         3 □ A few days a month?  
         4 □ A few times a year?  
         5 □ Never?

2. **During the last 12 months, that is, any time since \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2004, did you have any face-to-face contact with a police officer?**

010    1 □ Yes  
         2 □ No -**SKIP to Check Item K**

3. How many face-to-face contacts did you have with the police during the last 12 months?	011 _____ Number of contacts
<b>F. USE OF FORCE DURING CONTACT</b>	
4. At any time during the last 12 months did the police USE or THREATEN TO USE force against you?	012 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Go to Check Item A 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item B 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item B
CHECK ITEM A Did the respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	013 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 5 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 6
5. Did any of the force used or threatened against you occur during your MOST RECENT face-to-face contact with the police?	014 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 6 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to INTRO 2 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to INTRO 2
6. Thinking (only) about your (most recent) contact with the police, did the police do any of the following:  (Read answer categories.)  Mark all that apply.	015 01 <input type="checkbox"/> Shout or curse at you? 016 02 <input type="checkbox"/> Threaten to use force against you? 017 03 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually push or grab you? 018 04 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually kick or hit you? 019 05 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually spray you with chemical or pepper spray? 020 06 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually point a gun at you? 021 07 <input type="checkbox"/> Use any other type of force? Please specify - _____ _____
CHECK ITEM B Did the respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	022 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -READ INTRO 2 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 7a
FIELD REPRESENTATIVE- Read introduction.	
INTRO 2 - For the rest of the interview, please tell me ONLY about the MOST RECENT face-to-face contact you had with the police.	
<b>G. REASON FOR CONTACT</b>	
7a. Was this contact initiated by the police?	023 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
7b. During your contact with the police, what was the total number of officers present?  <i>Record actual number.</i>	024 _____ Number of police officers
8a. Did this contact occur during a traffic ACCIDENT?	025 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 9a
8b. Were you the driver or the passenger of the vehicle that was involved in the traffic accident?	026 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Driver - <b>SKIP</b> to item 27a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G
9a. Did this contact occur during a traffic STOP?	027 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 10
9b. Were you the driver or the passenger of the vehicle that was stopped?	028 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Driver - <b>SKIP</b> to item 15 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C
10. Did this contact occur because you reported a crime or some other problem to the police?	029 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
11. Did this contact occur because the police were providing some sort of service or assistance to you?	030 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. Did this contact occur because the police were investigating a crime?	031 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
13. Did this contact occur because the police suspected you of something?	032 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No

14. What was the reason for this contact?	033 Describe briefly - ✎ _____ _____
<b>CHECK ITEM C</b> Was force used or threatened against respondent in the (most recent) contact with the police? Is box 1-7 marked in item 6?	034 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 33 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Go to Check Item I
<b>H. REASON FOR TRAFFIC STOP</b>	
15. Did the police officer(s) give a reason for stopping the vehicle?	035 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 16a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 18 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 18
16a. Was the reason speeding?	036 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16b. A vehicle defect?	037 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16c. A record check?	038 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16d. A roadside check for drunk drivers?	039 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16e. A seatbelt violation?	040 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16f. An illegal turn or illegal lane change?	041 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16g. A stop sign or stop light violation?	042 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16h. Was there some other reason?	043 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Specify ✎ _____ 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
17. Would you say that the police officer(s) had a legitimate reason for stopping you?	044 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
18. In your initial contact with the police, was there one or more than one officer present?	045 1 <input type="checkbox"/> One officer - ASK item 19a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> More than one officer - <b>SKIP</b> to item 19b
19a. Was the race of the police officer White, Black, or some other race?	046 1 <input type="checkbox"/> White 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Black 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Some other race 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
19b. Were the police officers:	047 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All White? 2 <input type="checkbox"/> All Black? 3 <input type="checkbox"/> All of some other race? 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly White? 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly Black? 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly some other race? 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Equally mixed? 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know race of any/some
20. Did the traffic stop occur at night?	048 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know

**I. VEHICLE/PERSONAL SEARCH**

<p><b>21. At any time during this traffic stop, did the police officer(s) ...</b></p> <p>a. <b>ASK PERMISSION</b> to conduct a vehicle search?</p> <p>b. <b>Actually conduct a vehicle search?</b></p> <p>c. <b>ASK PERMISSION</b> to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</p> <p>d. <b>Actually search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</b></p>	<p><b>049</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>050</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>051</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>052</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>22. Whether or not the police officer(s) asked for PERMISSION, at any time during this traffic stop did you GIVE the police officer(s)...</b></p> <p>a. <b>PERMISSION</b> to conduct a vehicle search?</p> <p>b. <b>PERMISSION</b> to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</p>	<p><b>053</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>054</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM D</b> Did the police officer(s) search the vehicle OR the respondent? Is box 1 marked in item 21, categories b OR d?</p>	<p><b>055</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 24</p>
<p><b>23. During the search, did the police officer(s) find any illegal items, such as a weapon, drugs, or an open container of alcohol?</b></p>	<p><b>056</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>

**J. OUTCOME OF TRAFFIC STOP/ACCIDENT**

<p><b>24. During this contact were you given a traffic ticket?</b></p>	<p><b>057</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 27a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>25. During this contact were you given a warning?</b></p>	<p><b>058</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 26 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 27a 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 27a</p>
<p><b>26. Were you given a written warning or a verbal warning?</b></p>	<p><b>059</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Written 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>27a. At any point during this contact were you handcuffed?</b></p>	<p><b>060</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>27b. Were you arrested?</b></p>	<p><b>061</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 28 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G</p>
<p><b>28. Was the reason for your arrest ...</b></p> <p><i>(Read answer categories.) Mark all that apply.</i></p>	<p><b>062</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disorderly conduct?</b></p> <p><b>063</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs?</b></p> <p><b>064</b> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Some other reason? - Specify</b> -----</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM E</b> Was the respondent the driver in a traffic accident? Is box 1 marked in item 8b?</p>	<p><b>065</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -<b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>Go to Check Item F</b></p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM F</b> Did the police officer(s) search the vehicle OR the respondent? Is box 1 marked in item 21, categories b OR d?</p>	<p><b>066</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 29 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G</p>
<p><b>29. Earlier you said that you or your vehicle were searched. Did the search occur before you were arrested?</b></p>	<p><b>067</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM G</b> Was force used or threatened against respondent in the (most recent) contact with the police? Is box 1-7 marked in item 6?</p>	<p><b>068</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 30 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I</p>

**K. USE OF FORCE DURING TRAFFIC STOPS/ACCIDENTS**

30. Earlier you said that the police used or threatened to use force against you during your most recent contact. Do you feel any of the force was excessive?	069 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
31. Do you think any of your actions during this contact may have caused the police officer(s) to use or threaten to use force?	070 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
32. Were you injured as a result of this contact?	071 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I
<b>L. FORCE IN OTHER FACE-TO-FACE CONTACTS</b>	
33. Earlier you said that the police used or threatened to use force against you during your most recent contact. Do you feel any of the force was excessive?	072 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
34. Do you think any of your actions during this contact may have caused the police officer(s) to use or threaten to use force?	073 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
35. Were you injured as a result of this contact?	074 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
36. Were you searched?	075 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 38 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
37. Even though you weren't searched did the police ask permission to search you?	076 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 40 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 40 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know- <b>SKIP</b> to item 40
38. Did the police ASK PERMISSION to conduct the search?	077 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
39. During the search, did the police officer(s) find any illegal items, such as a weapon, drugs, or an open container of alcohol?	078 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
40. During this incident, were you charged with any offense?	079 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 42a 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 42a
41. What were you charged with?	080 <b>Please specify</b> - ↘ _____
42a. At any point during this contact were you handcuffed?	081 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
42b. Were you arrested?	082 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I
<b>CHECK</b> Was the respondent searched? <b>ITEM H</b> Is box 1 marked in item 36?	083 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 43 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I
43. Earlier you said that you were searched. Did the search occur before you were arrested?	084 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>M. POLICE BEHAVIOR DURING CONTACTS</b>	
<b>CHECK</b> Is the entry in Item 7b more than "1?" <b>ITEM I</b>	085 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 44a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 44c
44a During this contact do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were RESPECTFUL?	086 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know



<b>44b</b> Do you feel that <b>ALL, SOME, or NONE</b> of the police officers were <b>PROFESSIONAL</b> ?	<b>087</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45
<b>44c.</b> During this contact do you feel the police officer was:  a. <b>Respectful</b> ? b. <b>Professional</b> ?	<b>088</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know <b>089</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>45.</b> Looking back on this contact, do you feel the police behaved properly or improperly?	<b>090</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Properly - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Improperly - <b>ASK</b> item 46 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J
<b>46.</b> What behavior by the police officer(s) do you feel was improper?	<b>091</b> <i>Please specify</i> - ✎ _____
<b>47.</b> Did you file a complaint against the police?	<b>092</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>CHECK ITEM J</b> Did respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	<b>093</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 48 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K
<b>48.</b> One final question ... did any of your <b>EARLIER</b> contacts with the police in the last 12 months result in your being arrested?	<b>094</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 49 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K
<b>49.</b> Were you arrested for ...  <i>(Read answer categories.)</i> <i>Mark all that apply.</i>	<b>104</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trespassing?</b> <b>105</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs?</b> <b>106</b> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disorderly conduct?</b> <b>107</b> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vandalism?</b> <b>108</b> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Some other reason?</b> - <i>Specify</i> _____
<b>CHECK ITEM K</b> Is this the last household member to be interviewed?	<b>098</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>END SUPPLEMENT</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <i>Interview next NCVS household member</i>

**NOTICE** - We are conducting this survey under the authority of Title 13, United States Code, Section 8. Section 9 of this law requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly **confidential**. We may use this information only for statistical purposes. Also, Title 42, Section 3732, United States Code, authorizes the Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Justice, to collect information using this survey. Title 42, Sections 3789g and 3735, United States Code, also requires us to keep all information about you and your household strictly confidential.

**ASK OF ALL NCVS SELF-INTERVIEWED PERSONS AGE 16+**

FORM PPCS-1  
(02-10-05)

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**PRA Burden Statement** - We estimate that it will take between 2 to 10 minutes to complete this interview. If you have any comments regarding these estimates or any other aspect of this survey, send them to the Senior Statistician, Research and Public Policy Issues, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Washington, DC 20531. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number.

**FINAL**

**POLICE PUBLIC CONTACT SURVEY**

**SUPPLEMENT TO THE NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMIZATION SURVEY 2005**

**Control number**

PSU Segment/Suffix Sample Designation/NO. Serial/Suffix HHLD NO.

**A. Field Representative's Code**

**B Respondent's characteristics**

Last name \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

001 □□□

Line No.  
002□□

Sex  
003 1  M  
2  F

Age  
004 □□

Hispanic Origin  
005 1  Yes  
2  No

Race  
006 \* 1  White  
2  Black/African American  
3  American Indian/Alaska Native  
4  Asian  
5  Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander  
6  Other

**FIELD REPRESENTATIVE**- Complete a PPCS-1 for all NCVS interviewed persons 16+. Do NOT complete a PPCS-1 form for NCVS Type Z noninterview persons, NCVS proxy interviews, or persons in Type A households.

**C. Type of PPCS Interview**

007 1  Personal (Self) - **SKIP to INTRO 1**  
2  Telephone (Self) - **SKIP to INTRO 1**  
3  Noninterview - **FILL ITEM D**

A proxy interview is unacceptable for the PPCS.

**D. Reason for PPCS noninterview**

008 1  Refused PPCS only - **SKIP to Check Item K**  
2  Not available for PPCS only - **SKIP to Check Item K**  
3  Non-English speaking respondent - **SKIP to Check Item K**

**E. CONTACT SCREEN QUESTIONS**

**FIELD REPRESENTATIVE** - Read introduction.

**INTRO 1-** Now I would like to ask some questions about any contacts you may have had with the police. Exclude telephone contacts, contacts with private security guards, police officers you see socially, or relatives who are police officers. Also exclude any police contacts that occurred because your employment or volunteer work brought you into regular contact with police officers.

1. Before I get to the questions about contacts you may have had with the police, I would like to find out how often you usually drive. Do you usually drive...

(Read answer categories.)

009 1  Almost every day?  
2  A few days a week?  
3  A few days a month?  
4  A few times a year?  
5  Never?

2. During the last 12 months, that is, any time since \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2004, did you have any face-to-face contact with a police officer?

010 1  Yes  
2  No -**SKIP to Check Item K**

3. How many face-to-face contacts did you have with the police during the last 12 months?	011 _____ Number of contacts
<b>F. USE OF FORCE DURING CONTACT</b>	
4. At any time during the last 12 months did the police USE or THREATEN TO USE force against you?	012 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Go to Check Item A 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item B 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item B
CHECK ITEM A Did the respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	013 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 5 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 6
5. Did any of the force used or threatened against you occur during your MOST RECENT face-to-face contact with the police?	014 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 6 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to INTRO 2 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to INTRO 2
6. Thinking (only) about your (most recent) contact with the police, did the police do any of the following:  (Read answer categories.)  Mark all that apply.	015 01 <input type="checkbox"/> Shout or curse at you? 016 02 <input type="checkbox"/> Threaten to use force against you? 017 03 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually push or grab you? 018 04 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually kick or hit you? 019 05 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually spray you with chemical or pepper spray? 020 06 <input type="checkbox"/> Actually point a gun at you? 021 07 <input type="checkbox"/> Use any other type of force? Please specify - _____ _____
CHECK ITEM B Did the respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	022 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -READ INTRO 2 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 7a
FIELD REPRESENTATIVE- Read introduction.	
INTRO 2 - For the rest of the interview, please tell me ONLY about the MOST RECENT face-to-face contact you had with the police.	
<b>G. REASON FOR CONTACT</b>	
7a. Was this contact initiated by the police?	023 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
7b. During your contact with the police, what was the total number of officers present?  <i>Record actual number.</i>	024 _____ Number of police officers
8a. Did this contact occur during a traffic ACCIDENT?	025 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 9a
8b. Were you the driver or the passenger of the vehicle that was involved in the traffic accident?	026 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Driver - <b>SKIP</b> to item 27a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G
9a. Did this contact occur during a traffic STOP?	027 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 10
9b. Were you the driver or the passenger of the vehicle that was stopped?	028 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Driver - <b>SKIP</b> to item 15 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C
10. Did this contact occur because you reported a crime or some other problem to the police?	029 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
11. Did this contact occur because the police were providing some sort of service or assistance to you?	030 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. Did this contact occur because the police were investigating a crime?	031 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
13. Did this contact occur because the police suspected you of something?	032 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item C 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No

14. What was the reason for this contact?	033 Describe briefly - ✎ _____ _____
<b>CHECK ITEM C</b> Was force used or threatened against respondent in the (most recent) contact with the police? Is box 1-7 marked in item 6?	034 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 33 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Go to Check Item I
<b>H. REASON FOR TRAFFIC STOP</b>	
15. Did the police officer(s) give a reason for stopping the vehicle?	035 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - ASK item 16a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 18 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 18
16a. Was the reason speeding?	036 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16b. A vehicle defect?	037 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16c. A record check?	038 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16d. A roadside check for drunk drivers?	039 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16e. A seatbelt violation?	040 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16f. An illegal turn or illegal lane change?	041 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16g. A stop sign or stop light violation?	042 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 17 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
16h. Was there some other reason?	043 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Specify ✎ _____ 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
17. Would you say that the police officer(s) had a legitimate reason for stopping you?	044 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
18. In your initial contact with the police, was there one or more than one officer present?	045 1 <input type="checkbox"/> One officer - ASK item 19a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> More than one officer - <b>SKIP</b> to item 19b
19a. Was the race of the police officer White, Black, or some other race?	046 1 <input type="checkbox"/> White 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Black 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Some other race 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
19b. Were the police officers:	047 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All White? 2 <input type="checkbox"/> All Black? 3 <input type="checkbox"/> All of some other race? 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly White? 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly Black? 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly some other race? 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Equally mixed? 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know race of any/some
20. Did the traffic stop occur at night?	048 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know

**I. VEHICLE/PERSONAL SEARCH**

<p><b>21. At any time during this traffic stop, did the police officer(s) ...</b></p> <p>a. <b>ASK PERMISSION</b> to conduct a vehicle search?</p> <p>b. <b>Actually conduct a vehicle search?</b></p> <p>c. <b>ASK PERMISSION</b> to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</p> <p>d. <b>Actually search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</b></p>	<p><b>049</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>050</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>051</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>052</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>22. Whether or not the police officer(s) asked for PERMISSION, at any time during this traffic stop did you GIVE the police officer(s)...</b></p> <p>a. <b>PERMISSION</b> to conduct a vehicle search?</p> <p>b. <b>PERMISSION</b> to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?</p>	<p><b>053</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p><b>054</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM D</b> Did the police officer(s) search the vehicle OR the respondent? Is box 1 marked in item 21, categories b OR d?</p>	<p><b>055</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 24</p>
<p><b>23. During the search, did the police officer(s) find any illegal items, such as a weapon, drugs, or an open container of alcohol?</b></p>	<p><b>056</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>

**J. OUTCOME OF TRAFFIC STOP/ACCIDENT**

<p><b>24. During this contact were you given a traffic ticket?</b></p>	<p><b>057</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 27a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>25. During this contact were you given a warning?</b></p>	<p><b>058</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 26 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 27a 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 27a</p>
<p><b>26. Were you given a written warning or a verbal warning?</b></p>	<p><b>059</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Written 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>27a. At any point during this contact were you handcuffed?</b></p>	<p><b>060</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>27b. Were you arrested?</b></p>	<p><b>061</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 28 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G</p>
<p><b>28. Was the reason for your arrest ...</b></p> <p><i>(Read answer categories.) Mark all that apply.</i></p>	<p><b>062</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disorderly conduct?</b></p> <p><b>063</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs?</b></p> <p><b>064</b> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Some other reason? - Specify</b> -----</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM E</b> Was the respondent the driver in a traffic accident? Is box 1 marked in item 8b?</p>	<p><b>065</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -<b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>Go to Check Item F</b></p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM F</b> Did the police officer(s) search the vehicle OR the respondent? Is box 1 marked in item 21, categories b OR d?</p>	<p><b>066</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 29 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item G</p>
<p><b>29. Earlier you said that you or your vehicle were searched. Did the search occur before you were arrested?</b></p>	<p><b>067</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p>
<p><b>CHECK ITEM G</b> Was force used or threatened against respondent in the (most recent) contact with the police? Is box 1-7 marked in item 6?</p>	<p><b>068</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 30 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I</p>

**K. USE OF FORCE DURING TRAFFIC STOPS/ACCIDENTS**

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31. Do you think any of your actions during this contact may have caused the police officer(s) to use or threaten to use force?	070 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
32. Were you injured as a result of this contact?	071 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I
<b>L. FORCE IN OTHER FACE-TO-FACE CONTACTS</b>	
33. Earlier you said that the police used or threatened to use force against you during your most recent contact. Do you feel any of the force was excessive?	072 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
34. Do you think any of your actions during this contact may have caused the police officer(s) to use or threaten to use force?	073 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
35. Were you injured as a result of this contact?	074 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
36. Were you searched?	075 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 38 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
37. Even though you weren't searched did the police ask permission to search you?	076 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>SKIP</b> to item 40 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 40 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know- <b>SKIP</b> to item 40
38. Did the police ASK PERMISSION to conduct the search?	077 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
39. During the search, did the police officer(s) find any illegal items, such as a weapon, drugs, or an open container of alcohol?	078 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
40. During this incident, were you charged with any offense?	079 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 42a 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 42a
41. What were you charged with?	080 <b>Please specify</b> - ↘ _____
42a. At any point during this contact were you handcuffed?	081 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
42b. Were you arrested?	082 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I
<b>CHECK</b> Was the respondent searched? <b>ITEM H</b> Is box 1 marked in item 36?	083 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 43 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item I
43. Earlier you said that you were searched. Did the search occur before you were arrested?	084 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>M. POLICE BEHAVIOR DURING CONTACTS</b>	
<b>CHECK</b> Is the entry in Item 7b more than "1?" <b>ITEM I</b>	085 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - <b>ASK</b> item 44a 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to item 44c
44a During this contact do you feel that ALL, SOME, or NONE of the police officers were RESPECTFUL?	086 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know

<b>44b</b> Do you feel that <b>ALL, SOME, or NONE</b> of the police officers were <b>PROFESSIONAL</b> ?	<b>087</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> All - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Some - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 3 <input type="checkbox"/> None - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to item 45
<b>44c.</b> During this contact do you feel the police officer was:  a. <b>Respectful</b> ? b. <b>Professional</b> ?	<b>088</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know <b>089</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    2 <input type="checkbox"/> No    3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>45.</b> Looking back on this contact, do you feel the police behaved properly or improperly?	<b>090</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Properly - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Improperly - ASK item 46 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item J
<b>46.</b> What behavior by the police officer(s) do you feel was improper?	<b>091</b> <i>Please specify</i> - _____
<b>47.</b> Did you file a complaint against the police?	<b>092</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>CHECK ITEM J</b> Did respondent have more than one face-to-face contact in the last 12 months? Is 2 or more times entered in item 3?	<b>093</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 48 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K
<b>48.</b> One final question ... did any of your <b>EARLIER</b> contacts with the police in the last 12 months result in your being arrested?	<b>094</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -ASK item 49 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know - <b>SKIP</b> to Check Item K
<b>49.</b> Were you arrested for ...  <i>(Read answer categories.)</i> <i>Mark all that apply.</i>	<b>095</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disorderly conduct?</b> <b>096</b> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs?</b> <b>097</b> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Some other reason?</b> - Specify _____
<b>CHECK ITEM K</b> Is this the last household member to be interviewed?	<b>098</b> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes -END SUPPLEMENT 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Interview next NCVS household member