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FI C_01 If age is greater than or equal to 16, go to INT6A
 If age is less than or equal to 16, go to INT4A

FI INT6A May I speak to [FNAME]?

FI INT4A Does [FNAME] still live or stay in this household?

FIS8DCHD

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 3 REFUSED
- 4 DON'T KNOW

FI PROXY1 For selected persons aged 16 and over:

FIS8DPXY Is the questionnaire being completed by [FNAME]?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO (SPECIFY RELATIONSHIP AND REASON FOR PROXY)

FI SEC_1 We'll start with a few questions about problems shopping for food.

FI Q5 In the past 12 months, did you or anyone else in your household have problems shopping for food because the stores were too far away?

FIS8_1A

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- DK, R

FI Q5B In the past 12 months, did you or anyone else in your household have problems shopping for food because transportation was not available?

FIS8_1B

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- DK, R

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FI Q5C In the past 12 months, did you or anyone else in your household have problems shopping for food because there was no money for transportation?

FIS8_1C

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI Q5D In the past 12 months, did you or anyone else in your household have problems shopping for food because of a long-term disability?

FIS8_1D

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI Q5E In the past 12 months, did you or anyone else in your household have problems shopping for food because of a health problem?

FIS8_1E

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI Q5F In the past 12 months, did you or anyone else in your household have any other problems shopping for food?

FIS8_1F

- 1 YES (SPECIFY)
- 2 NO
DK, R

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FI SEC_2 Now a few questions about the different things people do to stretch their food money.

FI Q4 In the past 12 months, when there was not enough money for food, did you or anyone else in your household

- FIS8_2A ... Borrow money?
- FIS8_2B ... Sell or pawn possessions?
- FIS8_2C ... Use coupons or return bottles?
- FIS8_2D ... Delay paying bills?
- FIS8_2E ... Do without heat?
- FIS8_2F ... Do without a telephone?
- FIS8_2G ... Buy food on credit (not counting using a credit card)?
- FIS8_2H ... Grow some of your own food?
- FIS8_2I ... Hunt or fish for your own food?
- FIS8_2J ... Borrow food?
- FIS8_2K ... Join a food buying club?
- FIS8_2L ... Join a collective or community kitchen?
- FIS8_2M ... Anything else? (SPECIFY)

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- DK, R

FI Q6 In the past 12 months, how often did you or anyone else in your household receive food from a food bank, soup kitchen or other charitable agency because there was not enough money for food?

READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_3

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to SK_03)
- DK, R (Go to SK_03)

FI Q6A Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_3A

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- DK, R

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FI SK_03 If age less than 16, go to SEC_2A.

FI Q7 Now, a few questions just about [you / FNAME]. In the past 12 months, how often did [you/FNAME] worry that food would run out before there was money to buy more?
READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_4

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to Q8)
DK, R (Go to Q8)

FI Q7A Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_4A

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI Q8 In the past 12 months, how often did [you / FNAME] eat cheaper foods or eat the same foods for several days in a row because there was not enough money for food?
READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_5

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to Q9)
DK, R (Go to Q9)

FI Q8A Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_5A

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

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FI Q9 In the past 12 months, how often did [you / FNAME] skip meals or eat less than [you/he/she] should because there was not enough money for food?
READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_6

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to Q10)
DK, R (Go to Q10)

FI Q9A Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_6A

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI Q10 In the past 12 months, how often [have/has] [you / FNAME] been hungry because there was not enough money for food?
READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_7

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to SEC_3)
DK, R (Go to SEC_3)

FI Q10A Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_7A

- 1 YES (Go to SEC_3)
- 2 NO (Go to SEC_3)
DK, R (Go to SEC_3)

FI SEC_2A Now, a few questions about [your child / FNAME].

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FI Q11 In the past 12 months, did [your child / FNAME] use a school meal program? Include breakfast, lunch and after school programs.

FIS8_8

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 3 NOT APPLICABLE
DK, R

FI Q12 In the past 12 months, how often did you worry that you could not afford to feed [your child / FNAME]?

READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_9

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to Q13)
DK, R (Go to Q13)

FI Q12A Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_9A

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI Q13 In the past 12 months, were you unable to give [your child / FNAME] balanced meals because there was not enough money for food?

FIS8_10

- 1 YES
- 2 NO (Go to Q14)
DK, R (Go to Q14)

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FI Q13A How often?
READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_10A

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to Q14)
DK, R (Go to Q14)

FI Q13B Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_10B

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI Q14 In the past 12 months, did you have to reduce the size of [your child / FNAME]'s meals because there was not enough money for food?

FIS8_11

- 1 YES
- 2 NO (Go to Q15)
DK, R (Go to Q15)

FI Q14A How often?
READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_11A

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to Q15)
DK, R (Go to Q15)

FI Q14B Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_11B

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

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FI Q15 In the past 12 months, has [your child / FNAME] ever been hungry because there was not enough money for food?

FIS8_12

- 1 YES
- 2 NO (Go to Q16)
DK, R (Go to Q16)

FI Q15A How often?
READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_12A

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to Q16)
DK, R (Go to Q16)

FI Q15B Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_12B

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI Q16 In the past 12 months, did [your child / FNAME] miss any meals because there was not enough money for food?

FIS8_13

- 1 YES
- 2 NO (Go to SK_04)
DK, R (Go to SK_04)

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FI Q16A How often?
READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_13A

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never (Go to SK_04)
DK, R (Go to SK_04)

FI Q16B Did this happen mostly at the end of the month?

FIS8_13B

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI SK_04 If Q14A = 1 or Q15A = 1 or Q16A = 1, go to Q17. Otherwise, go to SEC_3.

FI Q17 Has [your child / FNAME] lost weight in the past 12 months?

FIS8_14

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
DK, R

FI SEC_3 The amount of money that people have available for food is affected by how much money they spend on housing.

FI Q18 Do you or any other member of your household own this dwelling (even if it is still being paid for)?

FIS8_15

- 1 YES
- 2 NO (Go to Q20)
DK, R (Go to SHARE)

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FI Q19 What are the regular mortgage payments?

FIS8_16

_____ DOLLARS [Min: 00001 Max: 50000]
None (Go to Q19B2)
DK, R (Go to SHARE)

FI Q19A Are these payments made...

READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_16A

- 1 Monthly
- 2 Every two weeks
- 3 Weekly
- 4 OTHER (SPECIFY) (Go to Q19B1)
DK (Go to Q19B1)
R (Go to SHARE)

FI CAL19 If Q19A = 1, mortgage = 12 x Q19
If Q19A = 2, mortgage = 26 x Q19.
If Q19A = 3, mortgage = 52 x Q19.
If mortgage .gt. 8000, go to CHK19. Otherwise, go to Q19B1.

FI CHK19 So that was [Q19] [monthly/every two weeks/weekly]. (Is this correct?)

- 1 YES, TO CONTINUE
- 2 NO, TO CORRECT (Go to Q19)

FI Q19B1 Are municipal taxes included in the mortgage payment?

FIS816B1

- 1 YES (Go to Q19C)
- 2 NO
DK (Go to Q19C)
R (Go to SHARE)

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FI Q19B2 For the past 12 months, what were the household expenditures for the following items:
Municipal taxes?

FIS816B2

_____ DOLLARS [Min: 00001 Max: 40000]
None
DK, R

FI Q19C For the past 12 months, what were the household expenditures for the following items:
Electricity?

FIS8_16C

_____ DOLLARS [Min: 00001 Max: 40000]
None
DK
R (Go to SHARE)

FI Q19D For the past 12 months, what were the household expenditures for the following items:
Other fuel for heating and cooking such as gas, oil, wood or propane? Do not include
electricity.

FIS8_16D

_____ DOLLARS [Min: 00001 Max: 30000]
None
DK
R (Go to SHARE)

FI Q19E For the past 12 months, what were the household expenditures for the following items:
Water and sewage charges?

FIS8_16E

_____ DOLLARS [Min: 00001 Max: 30000]
None
DK, R (GO TO SHARE)

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FI Q20 What are the REGULAR rental payments?

FIS8_17

_____ DOLLARS [Min: 00001 Max: 50000]
None (Go to Q20C)
DK, R (Go to SHARE)

FI Q20A Are these payments made...

READ LIST. ENTER ONLY ONE RESPONSE.

FIS8_17A

- 1 Monthly
- 2 Every two weeks
- 3 Weekly
- 4 OTHER (SPECIFY) (Go to Q20C)
DK (Go to Q20C)
R (Go to SHARE)

FI CAL20 If Q20A = 1, rent = 12 x Q20.
If Q20A = 2, rent = 26 x Q20.
If Q20A = 3, rent = 52 x Q20.
If rent .gt. 6000, go to CHK20. Otherwise, go to Q20C.

FI CHK20 So that was [Q20] [monthly/every two weeks/weekly]. (Is this correct?)

- 1 YES, TO CONTINUE
- 2 NO, TO CORRECT (Go to Q20)

FI Q20C For the past 12 months, what were the household expenditures for the following items:
Electricity?

FIS8_17C

_____ DOLLARS [Min: 00001 Max: 40000]
None or included in rent
DK
R (Go to SHARE)

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FI Q20D For the past 12 months, what were the household expenditures for the following items:
Other fuel for heating and cooking such as gas, oil, wood or propane? Do not include
electricity.

FIS8_17D

_____ DOLLARS [Min: 00001 Max: 30000]
None or included in rent
DK
R (Go to SHARE)

FI Q20E For the past 12 months, what were the household expenditures for the following items:
Water and sewage charges?

FIS8_17E

_____ DOLLARS [Min: 00001 Max: 30000]
None or included in rent
DK, R

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Canada. All the information will be kept confidential and used only for statistical purposes.
Do you agree to share all the information provided as part of this survey with Human
Resources Development Canada?

FIS8DSHA

1 YES
2 NO
DK, R