

**Changes in Employment Survey – First Interview Questionnaire**  
**Reference Period: Cohort 01 (January 1995 – July 1996)**

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**DEFINITIONS OF ACRONYMS**

- [QSTART] = Quarter Start
- [QEND] = Quarter End
- [REFSTART] = Reference Period Start for the wave 1 interview
- [ROE DATE] = Record of Employment Date
- [GAPSTART] = Start date of jobless spell
- [GAPEND] = End date of jobless spell

**INTRO**

Hello, this is [interviewer] from Statistics Canada. We're doing a survey of Canadians who have had a change in employment, to find out how well they and their families manage, and what they do to find a new job. This information will help Human Resources Development Canada to better understand the strengths and weaknesses of their social programs. Your answers to this voluntary survey are important and will be kept confidential under the Statistics Act. Someone may listen in to evaluate the survey. (PROBE: the survey asks questions about jobs you have had in the last 18 months, job search activities, how job loss affects the rest of your household and how you manage financially.)

Note: Throughout the questionnaire, we will be using the abbreviation DK for "Don't know" and RF for "Refusal". In this text, the use of the masculine is generic and applies to both men and women. Please note that during the actual interview, the questions were personalized to be appropriate to the gender of the respondent.

**QA1**

According to the Record of Employment that is normally issued when a job ends, you had a job that ended on [ROE date]. Is this the correct date?

- <1> Yes .....go to QA5
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe:* All respondents.

**QA2**

Did you have a job that ended between [QSTART] and [QEND]?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No..... go to ENDX
- <8> Refused ..... go to ENDX
- <9> Don't know ..... go to ENDX

*Universe:* Respondents whose Record of Employment date on file was incorrect.

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**QA3M**

What was the date that your job ended? (NOTE: If respondent had more than one job which ended in this period, ask about the job in which he/she worked the most hours per week.) (NOTE: Probe respondent to recall which week the job ended, then enter the date corresponding to the beginning of that week.)...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused ..... go to ENDX
- <99> Don't know ..... go to ENDX

**QA3D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

Note: Default to last day of the month.

**QA3Y**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused ..... go to ENDX
- <9999> Don't know ..... go to ENDX

Note: This date must be between [QSTART] and [QEND].

**EA3**

If QA1>1, replace ROE date with QA3 MM/DD/YYYY.

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**QA5**

For whom did you work? (Name of business, government department or person)

- <8> Refused ..... go to EA5
- <9> Don't know ..... go to EA5

*Default Next Question: QA14*

*Universe: All respondents.*

**EA5**

If QA5 is "Refused" or "Don't know", make [employer name] = "THIS EMPLOYER".

**QA14**

What was the main reason your job ended on [ROE date]? (PROBE: What was the main reason your Record of Employment was issued on [ROE date]?)  
(DO NOT READ LIST.)

- <01> End of contract / end of term
- <02> Seasonal nature of work
- <03> Layoff / business slowdown (not caused by seasonal conditions).....go to QA15
- <04> Quit to start another job
- <05> Quit due to conditions of work / dissatisfied with job
- <06> Injury / illness / disability leave
- <07> Maternity leave or parental leave
- <08> Other family responsibilities / personal reasons
- <09> Return to school
- <10> Dismissal by employer / fired
- <11> Retired
- <12> Labour dispute
- <13> Quit due to other reasons
- <14> Job ended due to other reasons
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QA5A*

*Universe: All respondents.*

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**QA15**

Were you laid off...(READ LIST.)

- <1> Because the company moved or went out of business
- <2> On an individual basis
- <3> As part of a group layoff
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

Note: GROUP LAYOFF: laid off at the same time as other workers, but not as a result of the company moving or going out of business.

Universe: Respondents who were issued an ROE because of layoff or business slowdown (not caused by seasonal condition).

**QA5A**

Before [ROE date], did you receive any formal notice from your employer that your job was about to end? For example, did you receive letters, attend group meetings, or receive other announcements?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA5B
- <2> No..... go to QA5C
- <8> Refused ..... go to QA5C
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QA5C

Universe: All respondents.

**QA5B**

How many weeks in advance was that notice given? [Min: 0 Max: 53]

- <00> Less than one week
- <53> More than 52 weeks (one year)
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Universe: Respondents who received some form of formal notice from their employer that their job was about to end.

**QA5C**

When your job ended on [ROE date], did you receive any of the following payments from your employer... Severance pay?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

Universe: All respondents.

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**QA5D**

...A pension pay out?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QA5E**

... Early retirement package?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QA5F**

... Wages in lieu of notice?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QA5G**

... Any other payment?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**EA5G**

If QA5C=1 or QA5D=1 or QA5E=1 or QA5F=1 or QA5G=1, go to QA5H; otherwise go to QA5I.

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**QA5H**

What was the total amount of those payments that you received?  
[Min: 1 Max: 50000]

- <50000> \$50,000 or more
- <99998> Refused
- <99999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who received a payment of some sort from their employer (severance pay, pension payout, retirement package, wages in lieu of notice, or some other payment).*

**QA5I**

At the time your job ended on [ROE date], did you expect to return to work for that employer?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA5J
- <2> No..... go to QA5O
- <8> Refused ..... go to QA5O
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QA5O

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QA5J**

Did you have an expected return date for this employer?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA5K
- <2> No..... go to QA5O
- <8> Refused ..... go to QA5O
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QA5O

*Universe: Respondents who expected to return to work for their ROE employer.*

**QA5K**

Did you consider this date to be definite?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA5LM
- <2> No..... go to QA5O
- <8> Refused ..... go to QA5O
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QA5O

*Universe: Respondents who had an expected return date for their ROE employer.*

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**QA5LM**

Approximately what was that date?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QA5LD**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QA5LY**

...YEAR [Min: 1995 Max: 1996]

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: Date in QA5L (MM/DD/YYYY) must be after ROE date.

**QA5O**

At the time your job ended on [ROE date], what is the LOWEST gross pay (before deductions) you would have accepted to take a job with this or any other employer? Please include any tips, commissions or bonuses. ...DOLLARS [Min: 0 Max: 99995]

- <99998> Refused
- <99999> Don't know

Universe: All respondents.

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**QA5P**

...PER

- <1> Hour
- <2> Day
- <3> Week
- <4> Biweekly
- <5> Twice per month
- <6> Month
- <7> Year
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

Note: If QA5O=0 or QA5P=Refused, Don't know then go to QA6; otherwise if QA5P=1 then DV5P=QA5O\*40\*52; else if QA5P=2 then DV5P=QA5O\*260; else if QA5P=3 then DV5P=QA5O\*52; else if QA5P=4 then DV5P=QA5O\*26; else if QA5P=5 then DV5P=QA5O\*24; else if QA5P=6 then DV5P=QA5O\*12; else DV5P=QA5O. If DV5P<8320 or DV5P>50000, display message...INTERVIEWER: Please verify this answer.

Universe: All respondents.

**QA6**

Were you employed by [employer name] during the first week of [REFSTART - MM/YYYY], that is between the first and sixth of [REFSTART - MM/YYYY]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA9M
- <2> No..... go to QA7M
- <8> Refused ..... go to QA7M
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QA7M

Universe: All respondents.

**QA7M**

Since [REFSTART], when did you start working for [employer name]?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December

Note: If respondent can not give start date of the job, treat this interview as a refusal.



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**QA7D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

Note: Default to first day of the month.

**QA7Y**

...YEAR

Note: Date in QA7 (MM/DD/YYYY) must be after [REFSTART] and before [ROE date]. If respondent can not give start date of the job, treat this interview as a refusal.

**QA8**

Did you ever work for [employer name] before [REFSTART]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA9M
- <2> No ..... go to QA10
- <8> Refused ..... go to QA10
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QA10

Universe: All respondents.

**QA9M**

When did you first work for [employer name]?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

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**QA9D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: Default to first day of the month.

**QA9Y**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

**EA9**

Date in QA9 must be before [REFSTART].

**QA10**

Have you worked for [employer name] at any time since [ROE date]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA11
- <2> No..... go to EA10
- <8> Refused ..... go to EA10
- <9> Don't know ..... go to EA10

*Universe: All respondents.*

**EA10**

Set job end date = ROE date ; go to QA17.

**QA11**

Are you currently working for [employer name]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA17
- <2> No..... go to QA13M
- <8> Refused ..... go to QA13M
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QA13M

*Universe: Respondents who worked for this employer after the ROE date.*

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**QA13M**

On what date did you stop working for [employer name]?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December

Note: If respondent can not give last date of the job, treat this interview as a refusal.

**QA13D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

Note: Default to last day of the month.

**QA13Y**

...YEAR

Note: Date in QA13 (MM/DD/YYYY) must be after [ROE date] and before [TODAY]. If respondent can not give last date of the job, treat this interview as a refusal.

**EA13**

If QA11>1, set job end date=QA13 (MM/DD/YYYY); Otherwise, job end date = "TODAY".

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**QA17**

We want to collect information about OTHER EMPLOYERS you have worked for in the last 18 months, that is, since [REFSTART]. Please include any self-employment jobs you may have had, and start with your CURRENT employer or the employer you worked for most recently. Since the beginning of [REFSTART - MM/YYYY ], did you work for any other employer for one week or more?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA18
- <2> No..... go to EMPRS
- <8> Refused ..... go to EMPRS
- <9> Don't know ..... go to EMPRS

*Universe: All respondents.*

Note: BEGINNING of EMPLOYER ROSTER. This roster is a series of questions that record information about the respondent's other employers between [REFSTART] and [TODAY]. The roster may be generated a maximum of 4 times (depending on the # of employers during this time period). The questions start at QA17 for the 1st employer, QA37 for the 2nd employer, QA57 for the 3rd employer and QA77 for the 4th employer.

**QA18**

For whom did you work? (Name of business, government department or person)

- <1> Response ..... go to QA19
- <8> Refused ..... go to EA18
- <9> Don't know ..... go to EA18

*Universe: Respondents who are currently working, or have worked for other employers since the start of the reference period.*

**EA18**

If QA18 is "refused" or "Don't know", make employer name = "THIS EMPLOYER".

**QA19**

Were you employed by [employer name] during the first week of [REFSTART - MM/YYYY], that is between the first and sixth of [REFSTART - MM/YYYY]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA22M
- <2> No..... go to QA20M
- <8> Refused ..... go to QA20M
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QA20M

*Universe: Respondents who are currently working or have worked for other employers since the start of the reference period.*

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**QA20M**

Since [REFSTART], when did you start working for [employer name]?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December

Note: If respondent can not give start date of the job, treat this interview as a refusal.

**QA20D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

Note: Default to first day of the month.

**QA20Y**

...YEAR

Note: Date in QA20 (MM/DD/YYYY) must be after [REFSTART] and before [TODAY]. If respondent can not give start date of the job, treat this interview as a refusal.

**QA21**

Did you ever work for [employer name] before [REFSTART]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QA22M
- <2> No.....go to QA23
- <8> Refused .....go to QA23
- <9> Don't know .....go to QA23

*Universe: Respondents who are currently working or have worked for other employers since the start of the reference period.*

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**QA22M**

When did you first work for [employer name]?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QA22D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

Note: Default to first day of the month.

**QA22Y**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

**EA22**

Date in QA22 (MM/DD/YYYY) must be before [REFSTART].

**QA23**

Are you currently working for [employer name]?

- <1> Yes .....go to QA17
- <2> No..... go to QA25M
- <8> Refused ..... go to QA25M
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QA25M

*Universe: Respondents who are currently working or have worked for other employers since the start of the reference period.*

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**QA25M**

On what date did you stop working for [employer name]?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December

Note: If respondent can not give last date of the job, treat this interview as a refusal.

**QA25D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

Note: Default to last day of the month.

**QA25Y**

...YEAR

Note: Date in QA25 (MM/DD/YYYY) must be after [date in QA20]/[REFSTART] and before [TODAY]. If respondent can not give last date of the job, treat this interview as a refusal.

**EA25**

If QA23>1, set job end date=QA25, Otherwise, job end date = "TODAY".

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**QA26**

What was the main reason your job ended on (QA25/M/D/Y)? (DO NOT READ LIST.)

- <01> End of contract / end of term
- <02> Seasonal nature of work
- <03> Layoff / business slowdown (not caused by seasonal conditions).....go to QA27
- <04> Quit to start another job
- <05> Quit due to conditions of work / dissatisfied with job
- <06> Injury / illness / disability leave
- <07> Maternity leave or parental leave
- <08> Other family responsibilities / personal reasons
- <09> Return to school
- <10> Dismissal by employer / fired
- <11> Retired
- <12> Labour dispute
- <13> Quit due to other reasons
- <14> Job ended due to other reasons
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QA17 (next employer)*

*Universe Respondents who worked for another employer.*

**QA27**

Were you laid off...(READ LIST)

- <1> Because the company moved or went out of business
- <2> On an individual basis
- <3> As part of a group layoff
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QA17*

Note: GROUP LAYOFF: laid off at the same time as other workers, but not as a result of the company moving or going out of business.

*Universe: Respondents who are not currently working for the employer, and whose job ended because of a layoff/business slowdown.*

**EMPRS**

Before we continue, I'd like to review your employment information. (e.g.: You worked for [employer name] between ... and ...)

**EA28**

If the respondent has five employers listed, go to QA29, otherwise go to STB.



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**QA89**

Did you work for any other employer for one week or more since [REFSTART]?

- <1> Yes .....go to QA90
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have had 5 or more employers in the last 18 months, that is since REFSTART.*

**QA90**

How many other employers did you work for? [Min: 1 Max: 7]

- <7> 7 or more
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have worked for 5 or more employers for 1 week or more, since REFSTART.*

**STB**

Set timer (current time of day).

**QB1**

The next questions are about your work with [your employer/employer name] between [JOB START/REFSTART] and [JOB END/TODAY]. What kind of business, industry or service was this? (e.g. federal government, canning industry, forestry services)

- <1> Response
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QB2**

In this job, were you a paid worker, self-employed or an unpaid family worker?

- <1> Paid Worker
- <2> Self-employed .....go to QB5
- <3> Unpaid family worker .....go to QB5
- <8> Refused .....go to QB5
- <9> Don't know .....go to QB5

Note: UNPAID FAMILY WORKER: is a person whose activities contribute directly to the operation of the business, farm or professional practice owned or operated by a related member of the same household.

*Universe: All respondents.*

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**QB4**

Which of the following methods were successful in finding your job with [employer name]? (Refer to most recent spell of employment) (MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> Talking to friends / relatives
- <02> Direct contact with employers
- <03> Answering ads about jobs
- <04> Visiting a Canada Employment Centre
- <05> Visiting a provincial agency
- <06> Visiting a union hiring hall
- <07> Visiting a private employment agency
- <08> Placing a job ad
- <09> Other methods
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers.*

**QB5**

About how many people were employed at the location where you worked?

- <1> Less than 20
- <2> 20 to 99
- <3> 100 to 499
- <4> 500 and over
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QB6**

Did this employer operate at more than one location in Canada?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to QB8
- <8> Refused.....go to QB8
- <9> Don't know.....go to QB8

*Universe: All respondents.*

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**QB7**

About how many people were employed at all of these locations?

- <1> Less than 20
- <2> 20 to 99
- <3> 100 to 499
- <4> 500 and over
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who reported 500 or more people employed at the location where they worked or who had an employer who operated in more than one location in Canada.*

**QB8**

What kind of work were you doing with [employer name]? (E.g. office clerk, factory worker, forestry technician)

- <1> Response
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**CB8A**

If QB2=1 go to QB8A; else go to QB9.

**QB8A**

Were you... ? (READ LIST.) (PROBE respondent to choose the category which best describes his/her employment status.)

- <1> A permanent employee
- <2> A temporary or term employee
- <3> A seasonal employee
- <4> On contract
- <5> Working through a temporary help agency
- <6> Other
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers.*

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**QB8B**

Which of the following best describes your usual work schedule with [employer name]?

- <1> A regular schedule or shift
- <2> A rotating or split shift
- <3> On call or casual
- <4> An irregular schedule
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

Note: ON CALL means no prearranged schedule, but called as need arises (for example: a substitute teacher, repair people). IRREGULAR SCHEDULE is usually pre-arranged one week or more in advance (for example: pilots, most retail workers).

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers.*

**QB9**

At this job, did you usually work every week of the month?

- <1> Yes ..... go to EB10
- <2> No..... go to QB10
- <8> Refused ..... go to QB10
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QB10

*Universe: All respondents*

**QB10**

How many weeks did you usually work each month? [Min: 1 Max: 3]

- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who didn't work every week of the month.*

**EB10**

If QB2=1 go to QB11, Otherwise go to QB14

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**QB11**

(In the weeks that you worked), excluding overtime, how many PAID hours per week did you usually work? (If the hours/week vary, take the average over the time worked for that employer since [REFSTART].) [Min: 1 Max: 168]

- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers.*

**QB12**

(In the weeks that you worked), how many PAID overtime hours per week did you usually work? [Min: 0 Max: 168]

- <000> No paid overtime..... go to QB13A
- <998> Refused ..... go to QB13A
- <999> Don't know ..... go to QB13A

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers.*

**QB13**

Was the rate of pay for these overtime hours usually:

- <1> Straight time
- <2> Time and a half
- <3> Double time
- <4> Time off in lieu of cash
- <5> Other
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers who worked paid overtime hours.*

**QB13A**

(In the weeks that you worked), how many hours per week of UNPAID overtime did you usually work? [Min: 0 Max: 168]

- <000> No unpaid overtime
- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

**Default Next Question: QB15**

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers.*

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**QB14**

How many hours per week did you usually work? (If the hours/week vary, take the average over the period worked for that employer) [Min: 1 Max: 168]

- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were self-employed or unpaid family worker.*

**EB14**

If QB2=3, go to EB23.

**QB15**

What was your usual gross pay (before deductions), without overtime, tips, commissions or bonuses?... AMOUNT IN DOLLARS [Min: 0 Max: 90000]

- <99998> Refused
- <99999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers or self-employed.*

**QB16**

... PER

- <1> Hour
- <2> Day
- <3> Week
- <4> Biweekly
- <5> Twice per month
- <6> Month
- <7> Year
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers or self-employed.*

**QB17**

Did you usually receive commissions, tips, or bonuses?

- <1> Yes .....go to QB18
- <2> No.....go to QB20
- <8> Refused .....go to QB20
- <9> Don't know .....go to QB20

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers or self-employed.*

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**QB18**

What was your usual gross commission, tips and bonus pay (before deductions)?...  
AMOUNT IN DOLLARS [Min: 1 Max: 99996]

- <99998> Refused
- <99999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers or self-employed and who received commissions, tips or bonuses.*

**QB19**

... PER

- <1> Hour
- <2> Day
- <3> Week
- <4> Biweekly
- <5> Twice per month
- <6> Month
- <7> Year
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers or self-employed and who received commissions, tips or bonuses.*

**QB20**

Were you covered by a union contract or collective agreement?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers or self-employed.*

**QB21**

At this job were you offered a pension plan other than CPP/QPP? (Do not count deferred profit sharing plans or personal savings plans for retirement).

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers or self-employed.*

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**QB22**

At this job were you offered a dental plan?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers or self-employed.*

**QB23**

At this job were you offered extended medical benefits? (for example, a drug plan)

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were paid workers or self-employed.*

**EB23**

Job duration is defined as from [JOB START]/[REFSTART] to [JOB END]/[TODAY].  
If job duration is less than 4 weeks, go to EB55.

**QB24**

The next questions are about absences from your work with this employer. By absences, I mean any times during which you were temporarily not working, laid off, or on unpaid leave. Were you absent from this job for a period of one week or longer between [JOB START/REFSTART] and [JOB END/TODAY]? (PROBE: do not count time away from work because of your usual work schedule, paid vacation, or other paid leave.)

- <1> Yes ..... go to QB25M
- <2> No ..... go to EB55
- <8> Refused ..... go to EB55
- <9> Don't know ..... go to EB55

Note: Absences include periods of unpaid leave for any reason, seasonal or temporary layoffs, quitting to work for another employer, etc.

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more since JOBSTART/REFSTART to JOBEND/TODAY.*



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**QB25M**

When did this first absence begin?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QB25D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QB25Y**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: MM/DD/YYYY must be before [JOB END]/[TODAY] and after [JOB START]/[REFSTART].

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**QB26**

What was the main reason for this absence? (DO NOT READ LIST.)

- <01> End of contract / end of term
- <02> Seasonal nature of work
- <03> Layoff / business slowdown (not caused by seasonal conditions)
- <04> Quit to start another job
- <05> Quit due to conditions of work / dissatisfied with job
- <06> Injury / illness / disability leave
- <07> Maternity leave or parental leave
- <08> Other family responsibilities / personal reasons
- <09> Return to school
- <10> Dismissal by employer / fired
- <11> Retired
- <12> Labour dispute
- <13> Quit due to other reasons
- <14> Job ended due to other reasons
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had their first absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

**QB27M**

When did this absence end? (PROBE: When did you return to work for this employer?)  
...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

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**QB27D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't Know

**QB27Y**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: MM/DD/YYYY must be after date in QB25 and before [JOB END]/[TODAY].

**QB28**

During your absence did you look for work?

- <1> Yes ..... go to EB28
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QB34*

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had their first absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

**EB28**

If don't know or refusal in QB25 or QB27 go to QB28A. If absence is 4 weeks or more and absence started (QB25) on or after [ROE date] go to QB29, otherwise go to QB34

**QB28A**

Was absence 4 weeks or more?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No..... go to QB34
- <8> Refused ..... go to QB34
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QB34

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had their first absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

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**QB28B**

Did this absence start on or after [ROE date]?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to QB34
- <8> Refused .....go to QB34
- <9> Don't know .....go to QB34

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had their first absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

**QB29**

In this period, which of the following search methods did you use?  
(READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> Talking to friends / relatives
- <02> Direct contact with employers
- <03> Answering ads about jobs
- <04> Visiting a Canada Employment Centre
- <05> Visiting a provincial agency
- <06> Visiting a union hiring hall
- <07> Visiting a private employment agency
- <08> Placing a job ad
- <09> Other methods
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB29A**

During how many of these [weeks absent] weeks of absence did you look for work?  
[Min: 1 Max: 53]

- <53> More than 52 weeks
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: Must be less than or equal to [weeks absent].

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

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**QB30**

In this period, about how many HOURS did you spend actively looking for work in a typical WEEK? (Include all the time it took you to look at job ads, fill applications, travel and attend interviews.) [Min: 1 Max: 168]

- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

Note: If response >80, display message... INTERVIEWER: Please verify this answer.

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB31**

In this period, were you looking for a full-time job, a part-time job, or either?

- <1> Full-time
- <2> Part-time
- <3> Either
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB32**

In this period, about how many JOBS were you interviewed for? [Min: 0 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or more
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: If answer >40, display message... INTERVIEWER: Please verify this answer.

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB32A**

How many job offers did you receive during this period? [Min: 0 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or more
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

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**QB33**

How much did it cost you to look for work in a typical week in this period? (Include things like the cost of transportation, putting ads in the paper, stamps, telephone, child care, private agency fees, and anything else.) [Min: 0 Max: 2000]

- <2000> \$2,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB34**

Did you have a second absence from this job for a period of one week or longer?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QB35M
- <2> No..... go to EB55
- <8> Refused ..... go to EB55
- <9> Don't know ..... go to EB55

Note: Absences include periods of unpaid leave for any reason, seasonal or temporary layoffs, quitting to work for another employer, etc.

*Universe: Respondents who had worked at a job 4 weeks or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY and who have had 1 absence at the job.*

**QB35M**

When did your second absence begin?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

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**QB35D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't Know

**QB35Y**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: (MM/DD/YYYY) must be before [JOB END]/[TODAY] and after [date in QB.7].

**QB36**

What was the main reason for this absence? (DO NOT READ LIST.)

- <01> End of contract / end of term
- <02> Seasonal nature of work
- <03> Layoff / business slowdown (not caused by seasonal conditions)
- <04> Quit to start another job
- <05> Quit due to conditions of work / dissatisfied with job
- <06> Injury / illness / disability leave
- <07> Maternity leave or parental leave
- <08> Other family responsibilities / personal reasons
- <09> Return to school
- <10> Dismissal by employer / fired
- <11> Retired
- <12> Labour dispute
- <13> Quit due to other reasons
- <14> Job ended due to other reasons
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had a second absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

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**QB37M**

When did this absence end? (PROBE: When did you return to work for this employer?)  
...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QB37D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QB37Y**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: (MM/DD/YYYY) must be after date in QB35 and before [JOB END]/[TODAY].

**QB38**

During your absence did you look for work?

- <1> Yes ..... go to EB38
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

**Default Next Question: QB44**

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had a second absence of 1 week or more between  
JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*



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**EB38**

If don't know or refusal in QB35 or QB37 go to QB38A. If absence is 4 weeks or more and absence started (QB35) on or after [ROE date] go to QB39, otherwise go to QB44.

**QB38A**

Was absence 4 weeks or more?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to QB44
- <8> Refused .....go to QB44
- <9> Don't know .....go to QB44

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had a second absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

**QB38B**

Did this absence start on or after [ROE date]?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to QB44
- <8> Refused .....go to QB44
- <9> Don't know .....go to QB44

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had a second absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

**QB39**

In this period, which of the following search methods did you use?  
(READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> Talking to friends / relatives
- <02> Direct contact with employers
- <03> Answering ads about jobs
- <04> Visiting a Canada Employment Centre
- <05> Visiting a provincial agency
- <06> Visiting a union hiring hall
- <07> Visiting a private employment agency
- <08> Placing a job ad
- <09> Other methods
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

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**QB39A**

During how many of these [weeks absent] weeks of absence did you look for work?  
[Min: 1 Max: 53]

- <53> More than 52 weeks
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: Must be less than or equal to [weeks absent].

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB40**

In this period, about how many HOURS did you spend actively looking for work in a typical WEEK? (Include all the time it took you to look at job ads, fill applications, travel and attend interviews.) [Min: 1 Max: 168]

- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

Note: If response >80, display message... INTERVIEWER: Please verify this answer.

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB41**

In this period, were you looking for a full-time job, a part-time job, or either?

- <1> Full-time
- <2> Part-time
- <3> Either
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB42**

In this period, about how many JOBS were you interviewed for? [Min: 0 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or more
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: If answer >40, display message... INTERVIEWER: Please verify this answer.

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

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**QB42A**

How many job offers did you receive? [Min: 0 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or more
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB43**

How much did it cost you to look for work in a typical week in this period? (Include things like the cost of transportation, putting ads in the paper, stamps, telephone, child care, private agency fees, and anything else.) [Min: 0 Max: 2000]

- <2000> \$2,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB44**

Did you have a third absence from this job for a period of one week or longer?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QB45M
- <2> No..... go to EB55
- <8> Refused ..... go to EB55
- <9> Don't know ..... go to EB55

Note: Absences include periods of unpaid leave for any reason, seasonal or temporary layoffs, quitting to work for another employer, etc.

*Universe: Respondents who had worked at a job 4 weeks or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY who have had 2 absences at the job.*

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**QB45M**

When did your third absence begin?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QB45D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QB45Y**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: (MM/DD/YYYY) must be before [JOB END]/[TODAY] and after [date in QB37].

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**QB46**

What was the main reason for this absence? (DO NOT READ LIST.)

- <01> End of contract / end of term
- <02> Seasonal nature of work
- <03> Layoff / business slowdown (not caused by seasonal conditions)
- <04> Quit to start another job
- <05> Quit due to conditions of work / dissatisfied with job
- <06> Injury / illness / disability leave
- <07> Maternity leave or parental leave
- <08> Other family responsibilities / personal reasons
- <09> Return to school
- <10> Dismissal by employer / fired
- <11> Retired
- <12> Labour dispute
- <13> Quit due to other reasons
- <14> Job ended due to other reasons
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had a third absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

**QB47M**

When did this absence end? (PROBE: When did you return to work for this employer?)  
...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QB47D**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

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**QB47Y**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: (MM/DD/YYYY) must be after date in QB45 and before [JOB END]/[TODAY].

**QB48**

During your absence did you look for work?

- <1> Yes ..... go to EB48
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QB54*

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had a third absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

**EB48**

If don't know or refusal in QB45 or QB47 go to QB48A. If absence is 4 weeks or more and absence started (QB45) on or after [ROE date] go to QB49, otherwise go to QB54.

**QB48A**

Was absence 4 weeks or more?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No..... go to QB54
- <8> Refused ..... go to QB54
- <9> Don't know..... go to QB54

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had a third absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

**QB48B**

Did this absence start on or after [ROE date]?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No..... go to QB54
- <8> Refused ..... go to QB54
- <9> Don't know..... go to QB54

*Universe: Respondents who worked at a job 4 weeks or more and who had a third absence of 1 week or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY.*

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**QB49**

In this period, which of the following search methods did you use?  
(READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> Talking to friends / relatives
- <02> Direct contact with employers
- <03> Answering ads about jobs
- <04> Visiting a Canada Employment Centre
- <05> Visiting a provincial agency
- <06> Visiting a union hiring hall
- <07> Visiting a private employment agency
- <08> Placing a job ad
- <09> Other methods
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB49A**

During how many of these [weeks absent] weeks of absence did you look for work?  
[Min: 1 Max: 53]

- <53> More than 52 weeks
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: Must be less than or equal to [weeks absent].

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB50**

In this period, about how many HOURS did you spend actively looking for work in a typical WEEK? (Include all the time it took you to look at job ads, fill applications, travel and attend interviews.) [Min: 1 Max: 168]

- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

Note: If response >80, display message... INTERVIEWER: Please verify this answer.

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

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**QB51**

In this period, were you looking for a full-time job, a part-time job, or either?

- <1> Full-time
- <2> Part-time
- <3> Either
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB52**

In this period, about how many JOBS were you interviewed for? [Min: 0 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or more
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: If answer >40, display message... INTERVIEWER: Please verify this answer.

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB52A**

How many job offers did you receive? [Min: 0 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or more
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

**QB53**

How much did it cost you to look for work in a typical week in this period? (Include things like the cost of transportation, putting ads in the paper, stamps, telephone, child care, private agency fees, and anything else.) [Min: 0 Max: 2000]

- <2000> \$2,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*



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**QB54**

Did you have any other absences?

- <1> Yes .....go to QB55
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: EB55*

*Universe: Respondents who had worked at a job 4 weeks or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY who have had 3 absences at the job.*

**QB55**

How many weeks were you absent between [date in QB47] and [JOB END/TODAY]?  
[Min: 1 Max: 52]

- <53> More than 52 weeks
- <98> Refused
- <99> Not stated

Note: Response in QB55 must be less than the number of weeks between [date in QB47] and [JOB END/TODAY].

*Universe: Respondents who had worked at a job 4 weeks or more between JOBSTART/REFSTART and JOBEND/TODAY and who had more than 3 absences at the job.*

**EB55**

If another employer go to QB1

**STC**

Set timer (current time of day)

**IC1**

(The next questions are about your activities between employers). These questions apply to gaps of one week or more between employers.

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**QC1**

Between [GAPSTART] and [GAPEND] did you look for work?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

Note: INTERVIEWER: If respondent is confused about dates press F3 for Employer Roster.

*Universe: Respondents who had a gap of 1 week or more between employers.*

**EC1**

If respondent has an absence or gap which began on or after ROE date and during which he did job search, go to EC1A; else go to EC6.

**EC1A**

Identify FIRST absence or gap starting on or after ROE date in which respondent did job search. Need start date, weeks absent/gap, end date (if absence, calculate start date + (wks absent \* 7)).

**QC2**

In this period, which of the following search methods did you use? (READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> Talking to friends / relatives
- <02> Direct contact with employers
- <03> Answering ads about jobs
- <04> Visiting a Canada Employment Centre
- <05> Visiting a provincial agency
- <06> Visiting a union hiring hall
- <07> Visiting a private employment agency
- <08> Placing a job ad
- <09> Other methods
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who had a period of job search, beginning on or after the ROE date.*

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**QC2A**

During how many of these [weeks of gap] weeks did you look for work?  
[Min: 1 Max: 53]

- <53> More than 52 weeks
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents whose "gapstart" was on or after the ROE date with duration of gap lasting 4 weeks or more and who looked for work.*

**QC3**

In this period, about how many HOURS did you spend actively looking for work in a typical WEEK? (Include all the time it took you to look at job ads, fill applications, travel and attend interviews.) [Min: 1 Max: 168]

- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents whose "gapstart" was on or after the ROE date with duration of gap lasting 4 weeks or more and who looked for work.*

**QC4**

In this period, were you looking for a full-time job, a part-time job, or either?

- <1> Full-time
- <2> Part-time
- <3> Either
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents whose "gapstart" was on or after the ROE date with duration of gap lasting 4 weeks or more and who looked for work.*

**QC5**

In this period, about how many JOBS were you interviewed for? [Min: 0 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or more
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents whose "gapstart" was on or after the ROE date with duration of gap lasting 4 weeks or more and who looked for work.*

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**QC5A**

How many job offers did you receive? [Min: 0 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or more
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents whose "gapstart" was on or after the ROE date with duration of gap lasting 4 weeks or more and who looked for work.*

**QC6**

How much did it cost you to look for work in a typical week in this period? (Include things like the cost of transportation, putting ads in the paper, stamps, telephone, child care, private agency fees, and anything else.) [Min: 0 Max: 2000]

- <2000> \$2,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents whose "gapstart" was on or after the ROE date with duration of gap lasting 4 weeks or more and who looked for work.*

**EC6**

If respondent currently not employed and this is the last gap go to EC6A; otherwise go to EC10.

**EC6A**

If QC1=1, go to QC7; otherwise go to QC8.

**QC7**

Have you looked for work in the last four weeks?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QC10A
- <2> No..... go to QC8
- <8> Refused ..... go to QC8
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QC8

*Universe: Respondents who were unemployed at the time of the first interview and who had been unemployed for at least 4 weeks, and had looked for work during that gap.*

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**QC8**

Did you want a job in the last four weeks?

- <1> Yes .....go to QC10
- <2> No.....go to QC9
- <8> Refused .....go to QC10A
- <9> Don't know .....go to QC10A

*Universe: Respondents who were unemployed at the time of the first interview and who had been unemployed for at least 4 weeks, and had NOT looked for work during that gap or not looked in the last 4 weeks.*

**QC9**

Why didn't you want a job? (DO NOT READ LIST.)

- <01> Illness / disability
- <02> Retired
- <03> Maternity / parental leave
- <04> Personal or family responsibilities
- <05> Going to school
- <06> No longer interested in finding work
- <07> Waiting for recall (to former job)
- <08> Found a new job
- <09> Waiting for replies from employers
- <10> Believes no work available (in area or suited to skills)
- <11> Offers unattractive
- <12> Other
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**Default Next Question: QC10A**

*Universe: Respondents who were unemployed at the time of the first interview and who had been unemployed for at least 4 weeks, and had NOT looked for work in the last 4 weeks and didn't want a job.*

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**QC10**

What is the main reason you have not looked for work?

- <01> Illness or disability
- <02> Caring for own children
- <03> Caring for elder relative(s)
- <04> Other personal or family responsibilities
- <05> Going to school
- <06> Waiting for recall (to former job)
- <07> Waiting for replies from employers
- <08> Believes no work available
- <09> No reason given
- <10> Other
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were unemployed at the time of the first interview and who had been unemployed for at least 4 weeks, and had NOT looked for work in the last 4 weeks but wanted a job.*

**QC10A**

If a job was offered to you today, what is the **LOWEST** gross pay (before deductions) that you would accept? Please include tips, commissions and bonuses. ... DOLLARS  
[Min: 0 Max: 99995]

- <99998> Refused
- <99999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were unemployed at the time of the first interview and who had been unemployed for at least 4 weeks.*

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**QC10B**

... PER

- <1> Hour
- <2> Day
- <3> Week
- <4> Biweekly
- <5> Twice per month
- <6> Month
- <7> Year
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

Note: If QC10A=0 or QC10B=Refused, Don't know then go to EC10; otherwise if QC10B=1 then DVC10=QC10A\*40\*52; else if QC10B=2 then DVC10=QC10A\*260; else if QC10B=3 then DVC10=QC10A\*52; else if QC10B=4 then DVC10=QC10A\*26; else if QC10B=5 then DVC10=QC10A\*24; else if QC10B=6 then DVC10=QC10A\*12; else DVC10=QC10A. If DVC10<8320 or DVC10>50000 per year, display message...INTERVIEWER: Please verify this answer.

*Universe: Respondents who were unemployed at the time of the first interview and who had been unemployed for at least 4 weeks.*

**EC10**

If another gap go to QC1; otherwise go to STD.

**STD**

Set timer (current time of day)

**QD1**

Have you received any income from unemployment insurance since [ROE date]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QD2AM
- <2> No..... go to ED1A
- <8> Refused..... go to STE
- <9> Don't know ..... go to STE

*Universe: All respondents.*

**ED1A**

If absences or gaps starting on or after [ROE date] total 4 weeks or more, go to QD1A; otherwise go to STE.

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**QD1A**

What was the main reason you did not receive UI benefits? (If did not apply, probe for reason.)

- <1> Not eligible / did not work long enough
- <2> Don't have job separation papers / ROE / separation certificate
- <3> Found another job right away
- <4> Don't want to receive UI money
- <5> Too much trouble to get it
- <6> Don't need it
- <7> Other
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: STE*

*Universe: Respondents who had absences or gaps totalling 4 weeks or more on or after the ROE date, who did not receive any income from unemployment insurance since the ROE date.*

**QD2AM**

Approximately on what date after [ROE date] did you FIRST receive UI benefits?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QD2AD**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know



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**QD2AY**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: Date must be on or after [ROE date] and before [TODAY].

**QD2DM**

Approximately on what date did you apply for these benefits?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QD2DD**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QD2DY**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: Date must be before date in QD2A.

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**QD2F**

Are you still receiving UI benefits?

- <1> Yes ..... go to STE
- <2> No..... go to QD2GM
- <8> Refused ..... go to STE
- <9> Don't know ..... go to STE

*Universe: Respondents who received UI since ROE date.*

**QD2GM**

Approximately on what date did you LAST receive UI benefits?.. MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QD2GD**

...DAY [Min: 1 Max: 31]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

**QD2GY**

...YEAR

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: Date must be on or after [date in QD2A] and before [TODAY].

**STE**

Set timer

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**QE1**

Did you take any training or education FOR CAREER OR EMPLOYMENT PURPOSES at any time since [ROE date]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QE2
- <2> No..... go to QE6
- <8> Refused ..... go to QE6
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QE6

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QE2**

In which months did you take this training since [ROE date].  
(DO NOT READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> July 95
- <02> August 95
- <03> September 95
- <04> October 95
- <05> November 95
- <06> December 95
- <07> January 96
- <08> February 96
- <09> March 96
- <10> April 96
- <11> May 96
- <12> June 96
- <13> July 96
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: This set of dates will change for each Cohort.

*Universe: Respondents who took training or education for career or employment purposes since the ROE date.*

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**QE3**

What types of training or education did you take?  
(DO NOT READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> To learn or improve reading / writing skills
- <02> To learn or improve math skills
- <03> To learn or upgrade computer skills
- <04> To learn another language
- <05> To improve job search techniques
- <06> High school courses
- <07> Post-secondary (CEGEP, college or university) courses
- <08> Trade / vocational training
- <09> Other
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who took training or education for career or employment purposes since the ROE date.*

**QE3A**

In total, how many weeks of training or education did you take since [ROE date]?  
[Min: 1 Max: 53]

- <53> More than 52 weeks
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who took training or education for career or employment purposes since the ROE date.*

**QE3B**

On average, how many hours per week did you take that training or education?  
[Min: 1 Max: 168]

- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who took training or education for career or employment purposes since the ROE date.*

**QE4**

Was any of this training helpful in finding a job or improving your career opportunities?

- <1> Yes .....go to EE4
- <2> No.....go to QE6
- <8> Refused .....go to QE6
- <9> Don't know .....go to QE6

*Universe: Respondents who took training or education for career or employment purposes since the ROE date.*

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**EE4**

If more than one type of training taken in QE3 go to QE5, otherwise go to QE6.

**QE5**

Which type of training was MOST helpful in finding a job or improving your career opportunities?

- <01> To learn or improve reading / writing skills
- <02> To learn or improve math skills
- <03> To learn or upgrade computer skills
- <04> To learn another language
- <05> To improve job search techniques
- <06> High school courses
- <07> Post-secondary (CEGEP, college or university) courses
- <08> Trade / vocational training
- <09> Other
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: Only display QE3 answers that have been selected by the respondent.

*Universe: Respondents who took more than 1 type of training or education since the ROE date for career or employment purposes.*

**QE6**

Did you do any volunteer or community work to improve your EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES at any time since [ROE date]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QE7
- <2> No..... go to STF
- <8> Refused ..... go to STF
- <9> Don't know..... go to STF

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QE7**

Did you do this volunteer or community work to...Help you to obtain work experience?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who did volunteer or community work to improve employment opportunities.*

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**QE7A**

...Help you to improve existing job skills?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who did volunteer or community work to improve employment opportunities.*

**QE7B**

...Help you to obtain new job skills?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who did volunteer or community work to improve employment opportunities.*

**QE7C**

...Help you to make new contacts? (with potential employers)

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who did volunteer or community work to improve employment opportunities.*

**QE7D**

...Help you to obtain a job with the organization? (you were volunteering for)

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who did volunteer or community work to improve employment opportunities.*

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**QE8**

In which months did you do this volunteer or community work since [ROE date]?  
(DO NOT READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> July 95
- <02> August 95
- <03> September 95
- <04> October 95
- <05> November 95
- <06> December 95
- <07> January 96
- <08> February 96
- <09> March 96
- <10> April 96
- <11> May 96
- <12> June 96
- <13> July 96
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: This set of dates will change for each Cohort.

*Universe: Respondents who did volunteer or community work to improve employment opportunities.*

**QE9**

Was this volunteer or community work mostly full-time or part-time? (NOTE: full-time is 30 or more hours per week, part-time is less than 30 hours per week.)

- <1> Full-time
- <2> Part-time
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who did volunteer or community work to improve employment opportunities.*

**QE10**

Did any of this (volunteer or community work) help you find a job or improve your career opportunities?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who did volunteer or community work to improve employment opportunities.*

**IF1**

Now I'm going to ask you for information about the members of your household, starting with yourself.

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**QF1**

What is your age? [Min: 15 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or older
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF2**

Are you male or female? (NOTE: May be asked in confirmation style.)

- <1> Male
- <2> Female
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF3**

What is your marital status? (Legal status)

- <1> Married
- <2> Common-law
- <3> Separated
- <4> Divorced
- <5> Widowed
- <6> Single, never married
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*



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**QF4**

What is the highest grade or level of education you have attended or completed?  
(DO NOT READ LIST.)

- <01> No schooling
- <02> Some elementary ( 1 to 8 years)
- <03> Completed elementary
- <04> Some secondary
- <05> Completed secondary
- <06> Some community college, technical college, CEGEP or nurse's training
- <07> Completed community college, technical college, CEGEP or nurse's training
- <08> Some university or teacher's college
- <09> Completed university or teacher's college
- <10> Other education or training
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF5**

Besides yourself, does anyone else live in this household? (include your spouse or partner, children, other relatives, roommates or roomers)

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to HHSIZ
- <8> Refused .....go to HHSIZ
- <9> Don't know .....go to HHSIZ

*Universe: All respondents.*

**ROSTER**

The name of each person in the household, their birth date, sex and marital status including the respondent's is collected in the roster. Also collected is the relationship of household members to respondent. For each person 15 PLUS in the household also ask employment status at [ROE date] and at present time.

**QF6**

What is his name? (Enter first name or "person 1, 2...")

- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All household members.*

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**QF7**

What is [name]'s age? [Min: 0 Max: 95]

- <95> 95 or older
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have someone else living in the household.*

**QF8**

Is [name] male or female? (NOTE: May be asked in confirmation style.)

- <1> Male
- <2> Female
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have someone else living in the household.*

**CF9**

If age<15, go to QF10; otherwise go to QF9.

**QF9**

What is [name]'s marital status?

- <1> Married
- <2> Common-law
- <3> Separated
- <4> Divorced
- <5> Widowed
- <6> Single, never married
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have someone 15 years of age or older living in the household.*

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**QF10**

What is [name]'s relationship to you? (PROBE/CONFIRM: [name] is your ...)

- <01> Husband / Wife / Partner
- <02> Father / Mother
- <03> Child
- <04> Sister / Brother
- <05> Grandparent
- <06> Grandchild
- <07> In-law
- <08> Other related
- <09> Unrelated
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have someone else living in the household.*

**EF10A**

If QF10=01, go to QF10A; otherwise go to QF11.

**QF10A**

What is the highest grade or level of education [name] has attended or completed?  
(DO NOT READ LIST.)

- <01> No schooling
- <02> Some elementary (1 to 8 years)
- <03> Completed elementary
- <04> Some secondary
- <05> Completed secondary
- <06> Some community college, technical college, CEGEP or nurse's training
- <07> Completed community college, technical college, CEGEP or nurse's training
- <08> Some university or teacher's college
- <09> Completed university or teacher's college
- <10> Other education or training
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have a husband/wife/partner living in the household.*

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**QF11**

Was [name] living with you in [the month before the ROE month]?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to EF11
- <8> Refused .....go to EF11
- <9> Don't know .....go to EF11

*Universe: Respondents who have someone else living in the household.*

**EF11**

If age <15 go to EF12, else go to EF11A.

**EF11A**

If QF11=1 go to QF12, else go to QF13.

**QF12**

Was [name] working at a job or business in [the month before the ROE month]?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QF12A
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QF13*

*Universe: Respondents who were living with someone 15 years of age or older in the month before the ROE month.*

**QF12A**

How many hours per week did [name] usually work? [Min: 1 Max: 168]

- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who were living with someone 15 years of age or older in the month before the ROE month, who were working at a job or business.*

**QF13**

Is [name] currently working at a job or business?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QF14
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: EF12*

*Universe: Respondents who have someone 15 years of age or older living in the household.*

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**QF14**

How many hours per week does [name] usually work? [Min: 1 Max: 168]

- <998> Refused
- <999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who are living with someone 15 years of age or older who is currently working at a job or business.*

**EF12**

Does anyone else live in this household? (such as your spouse or partner, children, other relatives, roommates or roomers)

- <1> Yes ..... go to QF6
- <2> No.....go to HHSIZ
- <8> Refused .....go to HHSIZ
- <9> Don't know .....go to HHSIZ

*Universe: All respondents.*

**HHSIZ**

Calculates household size (all members in roster + respondent). [Min: 1 Max: 12]

Note: This variable calculates household size (all members in the roster + the respondent).

**QF15**

Beside yourself how many people were living with you in [the month before the ROE month]? [Min: 0 Max: 20]

- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

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**QF17**

In the PAST FOUR WEEKS, what was the total income of your household before deductions? Please include income from all sources. (Include earned income, pensions, interest, dividends, rents, net farm or business profits and government benefits such as welfare, family allowance, and unemployment insurance payments.)  
[Min: 0 Max: 9000]

- <9000> \$9,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF17A**

Has your total household income gone up, down or stayed the same compared to [month before ROE month]?

- <1> Gone up.....go to QF17B
- <2> Gone down.....go to QF17B
- <3> Stayed the same
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: CF18*

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF17B**

By how much per month? [Min: 0 Max: 9000]

- <9000> \$9,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents whose monthly household income has gone up or down.*

**CF18**

If HHSIZ=1 go to QF20; otherwise go to QF18.

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**QF18**

What was your total PERSONAL income in the PAST FOUR WEEKS, before deductions? Please include income from all sources. (Include earned income, pensions, interest, dividends, rents, net farm or business profits and government benefits such as welfare, family allowance, and unemployment insurance payments.)  
[Min: 0 Max: 9000]

- <9000> \$9,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have more than 1 person in the household.*

**QF20**

(Do you/does a member of your household) own the dwelling you live in?

- <1> Yes ..... go to QF21
- <2> No..... go to QF23
- <8> Refused ..... go to QF23
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QF23

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF21**

Do (you/you or someone in your household) have a mortgage on your home?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No..... go to QF23
- <8> Refused ..... go to QF23
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QF23

*Universe: Either the respondent or a member of the household owns the dwelling they live in.*

**QF22**

How much do you have left to pay on your mortgage? [Min: 1 Max: 200000]

- <999998> Refused
- <999999> Don't know

*Universe: Either the respondent or a member of the household owns the dwelling they live in and have a mortgage on their home.*

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**QF23**

Are (you/you or your household) responsible for any payments for car loans or leases?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to QF23B
- <8> Refused .....go to QF23B
- <9> Don't know .....go to QF23B

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF23A**

About how much is this car debt? [Min: 1 Max: 50000]

- <50000> \$50,000 or more
- <99998> Refused
- <99999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondent or someone in the household who is making payments for car loans or leases.*

**QF23B**

Apart from car loans and mortgage, do (you/you and your household) have any OTHER DEBTS? Please think of all sources such as loans and credit cards.

- <1> Yes
- <2> No..... go to QF25
- <8> Refused ..... go to QF25
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QF25

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF24**

About how much in total are these other debts? [Min: 1 Max: 50000]

- <50000> \$50,000 or more
- <99998> Refused
- <99999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondent or someone in the household who has other debts apart from car loans and mortgages.*



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**QF25**

Has the amount of these other debts gone up, down or stayed the same compared to [the month before the ROE month]?

- <1> Up..... go to QF26
- <2> Down..... go to QF26
- <3> Stayed the same
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QF27*

*Universe: Respondent or someone in the household who has other debts apart from car loans and mortgages.*

**QF26**

By how much? [Min: 0 Max: 5000]

- <5000> \$5,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Amount of others debts in comparison to the month before ROE month.*

**QF27**

The next questions deal with the expenses of your HOUSEHOLD. About how much did (you/you and your household) spend on food that you used at home in the PAST four weeks? [Min: 1 Max: 2000]

- <2000> \$2,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF28**

About how much did (you/you and your household) spend on clothing in the PAST four weeks? [Min: 0 Max: 5000]

- <5000> \$5,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**EF28**

If QF20=1 go to EF32; otherwise go to QF29.

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**QF29**

What is (your/your household's) total monthly rent? [Min: 0 Max: 2500]

- <0000> Does not pay rent ..... go to QF37
- <2500> \$2,500 or more
- <9998> Refused ..... go to QF37
- <9999> Don't know ..... go to QF37

*Universe: Respondents who do not own the dwelling they live in.*

**QF30**

Does this amount include the following utilities ...Heat?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who do not own the dwelling they live in, and who pay a monthly rent.*

**QF31**

...Electricity?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who do not own the dwelling they live in, and who pay a monthly rent.*

**QF32**

...Water?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QF37*

*Universe: Respondents who do not own the dwelling they live in, and who pay a monthly rent.*

**EF32**

If (QF20 = 1 and QF21 = 1) go to QF33 otherwise go to QF36.

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**QF33**

What are the regular mortgage or loan payments for this dwelling?... AMOUNT  
[Min: 1 Max: 2500]

- <2500> \$2,500 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who own the dwelling they live in and have a mortgage.*

**QF34**

... PER

- <1> Monthly
- <2> Twice per month
- <3> Biweekly
- <4> Weekly
- <5> Other
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who own the dwelling they live in and have a mortgage.*

**QF35**

Are the property taxes (municipal and school taxes) included in this amount?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who own the dwelling they live in and have a mortgage.*

**QF36**

What are the estimated YEARLY property taxes for your dwelling?  
[Min: 0 Max: 5000]

- <5000> \$5,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who own the dwelling they live in.*

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**QF36A**

Do you pay condominium fees?

- <1> Yes .....go to QF36B
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QF37*

*Universe: Respondents who own the dwelling they live in.*

**QF36B**

How much are the monthly condominium fees? [Min: 1 Max: 3000]

- <5000> \$5,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who own the dwelling they live in and who pay condominium fees.*

**QF37**

About how much did (you/you and your household) spend on EVERYTHING in the last four weeks? Please think about all bills such as rent, mortgage, loan payments, utility and other bills, as well as all expenses such as food, clothing, transportation, entertainment, and any other expenses you and your household may have. [Min: 1 Max: 9000]

- <9000> \$9,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**EF37**

Amount in QF37 should be larger than the sum of individual expenditures given in (QF2), QF28, QF29 (if QF20>1), QF33 (if QF20=1 and QF21=1) and QF36B (if QF21=1)). If any of these questions have a DK or RF, treat them as 0 when doing the sum.

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**QF38**

On average has the amount your household spends on everything gone UP, DOWN or stayed the same compared to [month before the ROE month]?

- <1> Up..... go to QF39
- <2> Down..... go to QF39
- <3> Stayed the same
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question: QF40*

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF39**

By about what monthly amount? [Min: 0 Max: 5000]

- <5000> \$5,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents reporting change in amount of household spending since the month before the ROE month.*

**QF40**

Do (you/you or someone in your household) have any assets that YOU could draw on if it was really necessary? For example, money in the bank, savings bonds or RRSPs that are cashable. Please do not include fixed assets such as house, cars or boats.

- <1> Yes
- <2> No..... go to QF42
- <8> Refused..... go to QF42
- <9> Don't know..... go to QF42

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF41**

About how much do you have available in such assets? (For example, money in the bank, savings bonds or RRSPs that are cashable. Do not include fixed assets such as house, cars or boats.) [Min: 0 Max: 90000]

- <90000> \$90,000 or more
- <99998> Refused
- <99999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have assets that they could draw on if necessary.*

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**QF42**

Has the amount of these assets gone up, down or stayed the same compared to [month before the ROE month]?

- <1> Up..... go to QF43
- <2> Down..... go to QF43
- <3> Stayed the same
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

**Default Next Question: QF44**

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF43**

By how much? [Min: 0 Max: 50000]

- <50000> \$50,000 or more
- <99998> Refused
- <99999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents reporting changes in amount of assets since the month before ROE month.*

**QF44**

If needed, could you borrow money from a friend, relative or financial institution in order to increase your monthly expenditures?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QF45**

Did you or someone else in your household receive income from welfare between [REFSTART] and [ROE date]? (includes Mother's Allowance)

- <1> Yes
- <2> No..... go to QF46
- <8> Refused ..... go to QF46
- <9> Don't know ..... go to QF46

*Universe: All respondents.*

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**QF45A**

In which months did your household receive welfare between [REFSTART] and [ROE date]? (DO NOT READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> January 95
- <02> February 95
- <03> March 95
- <04> April 95
- <05> May 95
- <06> June 95
- <07> July 95
- <08> August 95
- <09> September 95
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: This set of dates will change for each Cohort.

*Universe: Respondents who received income from welfare between the beginning of the Reference Period and the ROE date.*

**EF45A**

If QF15=0 go to QF46.

**QF45B**

Which member of your household received welfare during this period? Was it...  
(PROBE: Whose name was on the welfare cheque?)

- <1> Yourself
- <2> Your spouse or partner
- <3> Another household member
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondent or someone in the household who received income from welfare between REFSTART and ROE date.*

**QF46**

Have (you/you or someone else in your household) received income from welfare since [ROE date]?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to STG
- <8> Refused .....go to STG
- <9> Don't know .....go to STG

*Universe: All respondents.*

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**QF46A**

In which months has your household received welfare since [ROE date]? (DO NOT READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- <01> July 95
- <02> August 95
- <03> September 95
- <04> October 95
- <05> November 95
- <06> December 95
- <07> January 96
- <08> February 96
- <09> March 96
- <10> April 96
- <11> May 96
- <12> June 96
- <13> July 96
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

Note: This set of dates will change for each Cohort.

Universe: Respondents who received income from welfare since the ROE date.

**QF46B**

Are (you/you or someone else in your household) currently receiving welfare?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to STG
- <8> Refused .....go to STG
- <9> Don't know .....go to STG

Universe: Respondent or someone in the household who received income from welfare since ROE date.

**EF46C**

If HHSZ = 1 go to QF46D.

**QF46C**

Which member of your household is currently receiving welfare? Is it...?  
(PROBE: Whose name was on the welfare cheque?)

- <1> Yourself
- <2> Your spouse or partner
- <3> Another household member
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

Universe: Respondent or someone in the household who received or are currently receiving income from welfare.



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**QF46D**

What is the total MONTHLY amount your household is currently receiving from welfare? [Min: 1 Max: 5000]

- <5000> \$5,000 or more
- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

*Universe: Respondent or someone in the household currently receiving income from welfare.*

**EF46D**

If QD1=1 and QF46=1 go to QF46E; Otherwise go to STG.

**QF46E**

Which of the following best describes your reasons for receiving welfare benefits since [ROE date]? (READ LIST. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.) Did you receive welfare benefits...

- <1> To cover the waiting period before you received your first UI cheque
- <2> To supplement your UI benefits
- <3> Only to cover emergency, medical or special needs
- <4> Because your UI benefits ran out
- <5> Other
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who received income from welfare since the ROE date.*

**STG**

Current time

**CG1**

If respondent's age is  $\geq 65$ , go to QG2; otherwise go to QG1.

**QG1**

Are you limited in the kind or amount of activity that you can do at work because of a long-term physical condition, mental condition or health problem?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who are less than 65 years of age.*

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**QG2**

By virtue of your ethnic origin are you a visible minority in Canada?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: All respondents.*

**EG2**

Check if any job search was done in QB28, QB38 or QB48 for any employer or QC1 in any gap. If so, go to QG3.

**QG2A**

Have you searched for a job since [REFSTART]?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No.....go to STH
- <8> Refused .....go to STH
- <9> Don't know .....go to STH

*Universe: Respondents who did not report a job search since REFSTART.*

**QG3**

In any job search you may have done since [REFSTART], do you feel that your ethnic origin has had an impact on your ability to find a good job? (NOTE: ethnic origin = race or colour.) (NOTE to interviewer: if answer is YES, probe for "HURT" or "HELPED".)

- <4> Yes, hurt
- <5> Yes, helped
- <6> No impact
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have searched for a job since REFSTART.*

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**QG4**

In any job search you may have done since [REFSTART], do you feel that your gender has had an impact on your ability to find a good job? (NOTE to interviewer: if answer is YES, probe for "HURT" or "HELPED".)

- <4> Yes, hurt
- <5> Yes, helped
- <6> No impact
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have searched for a job since REFSTART.*

**QG5**

In any job search you may have done since [REFSTART], do you feel that age has had an impact on your ability to find a good job? (NOTE to interviewer: if answer is YES, probe for "HURT" or "HELPED".)

- <4> Yes, hurt
- <5> Yes, helped
- <6> No impact
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have searched for a job since REFSTART.*

**QH1**

I'd like to verify that the address and phone number I have for you is correct. (INTERVIEWER: read all lines; update any missing or incorrect information.) [fill respondent's full name, address and telephone number last dialled]

Note: Have the interviewers delete any information which is incorrect and type in any new information so that output file has all relevant fields, whether they changed or not.

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QH1M**

Have you moved at all since [the month before the ROE month]? (Include moving out and coming back as a "yes" response.)

- <1> Yes .....go to QH2
- <2> No.....go to QH6
- <8> Refused .....go to QH6
- <9> Don't know .....go to QH6

*Universe: All respondents.*

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**QH2**

Why did you move (from your residence of [month before ROE month])? (If more than one move, refer to the first move since the ROE date.) (DO NOT READ LIST, EXCEPT TO PROBE.)

- <1> Marital breakdown
- <2> To follow a spouse or parent
- <3> Job-related reasons
- <4> Moved to a new residence
- <5> Other
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have moved since the month before ROE month.*

**QH3M**

When did you move?...MONTH

- <01> January
- <02> February
- <03> March
- <04> April
- <05> May
- <06> June
- <07> July
- <08> August
- <09> September
- <10> October
- <11> November
- <12> December
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe: Respondents who have moved since the month before ROE month.*

**QH3Y**

...YEAR [Cohort 01 = Min: 1995 Max: 1996]

- <9998> Refused
- <9999> Don't know

Note: Date must be after [month before ROE month] and before [TODAY].

*Universe: Respondents who have moved since the month before ROE month.*

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**QH3**

When did you move? (MM/YYYY)

- <96/9996> Valid skip
- <97/9997> Don't know
- <98/9998> Refused

*Universe:* Respondents who have moved since the month before ROE month.

**QH4**

Did you move more than 100 kilometres (60 miles) away from where you were living in [month before ROE month]?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Universe:* Respondents who have moved since the month before ROE month.

**QH5**

In [month before ROE month], which province did you live in?

- <10> Newfoundland
- <11> Prince Edward Island
- <12> Nova Scotia
- <13> New Brunswick
- <24> Quebec
- <35> Ontario
- <46> Manitoba
- <47> Saskatchewan
- <48> Alberta
- <59> British Columbia
- <60> Yukon
- <61> Northwest Territories
- <70> Outside Canada
- <98> Refused
- <99> Don't know

*Universe:* Respondents who have moved since the month before ROE month.

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**QH5A**

What was your postal code? (in [month before ROE month])

- <999998> Refused
- <999999> Don't know

Note: ANA NAN format

*Universe: Respondents who have moved since the month before ROE month.*

**QH6**

As part of this survey, we would like to interview you again in about 9 months. This interview will be shorter and all responses will also be confidential. Are you planning to move in the next 9 months?

- <1> Yes .....go to QH7
- <2> No.....go to QH8
- <8> Refused .....go to QH8
- <9> Don't know .....go to QH8

*Universe: All respondents.*

**QH7**

Could I have the new address? Interviewer: Get as much detail as possible - Street address, City, Province.

*Universe: All respondents who plan to move in the next 9 months.*

**QH8**

In case there are difficulties in reaching you, could you provide the name and telephone number of a family member or friend we could call? This would only be used to help us make contact with you. (After collecting info: Please advise this person that he/she may be contacted if we are unable to locate you)

- <1> Yes, will provide contact name
- <2> No, will not provide contact name.....go to QH10

*Universe: All respondents.*

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**QH9**

INTERVIEWER: Enter name and telephone number of contact person. [fields for first and last name, and telephone number]

*Default Next Question:* **QH10**

*Universe:* All respondents.

**QH10**

Please write down our toll-free number where we can be reached if you change your phone number. It is: 1-800-647-0642. Also, quote this file number [full CASID] when you call.

Language of first interview

- <1> English
- <2> French

*Universe:* All respondents.

**SHARE**

Statistics Canada is doing this survey for Human Resources Development Canada to allow them to evaluate their programs. To do this evaluation, the research department at HRDC plans to add the information from this survey to other files that they have. All your information will be kept strictly confidential and will be used only for research purposes. Do you agree to share your information with Human Resources Development Canada? (PROBE: No name, address or telephone information will be given to HRDC.)

- <1> Yes
- <2> No
- <8> Refused
- <9> Don't know

*Default Next Question:* **THANK**

*Universe:* All respondents.

**THANK**

Thank you very much for your participation in this survey. Do you have any comments you'd like to give us concerning this project?

*Default Next Question:* **END**

*Universe:* All respondents.

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**ENDX**

This survey applies to people who received a Record of Employment between [QSTART] and [QSTART+2]. Since you have not received one during this period, you won't be asked to participate. Thank you for your co-operation. Good bye.

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