



SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS FORM

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INSTRUCTIONS: This form should be completed during the participant's visit. ID Number, Contact Year and Name must be entered above. Whenever numerical responses are required, enter the number so that the last digit appears in the rightmost box. Enter leading zeroes where necessary to fill all boxes. If a number is entered incorrectly, mark through the incorrect entry with an "X". Code the correct entry clearly above the incorrect entry. For "multiple choice" and "yes/no" type questions, circle the letter corresponding to the most appropriate response. If a letter is circled incorrectly, mark through it with an "X" and circle the correct response.

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"Some studies suggest that the experiences we have in early life may be related to the occurrence of illness throughout our lives. The following questions are designed to assess some of your current and early life experiences. We realize that many of these refer to events that happened a long time ago. Please try to remember and answer as best you can. We will start our questions, however, by updating the information you have previously given us on your marital and occupational status."

A. PARTICIPANT

1. Please tell me which of the following describes your current marital status

[READ ALL CHOICES]

- Married M
- Widowed W
- Divorced D
- Separated S
- Never Married N

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2. Since your last ARIC visit, have you changed your occupation, stopped working, or retired?

Yes Y

Go to Item 6, Screen 4.

No N

3. I would like you to look at this card while I read it to you. Please tell me the letter which best describes your CURRENT employment status.

[HAND RESPONSE CARD 1 TO PARTICIPANT AND READ EACH CATEGORY ALOUD.]

- Homemaking, not working outside the home A
- Employed at a job for pay, either full or part-time B
- Employed, but temporarily away from my regular work C
- Unemployed, looking for work D
- Unemployed, not looking for work E
- Retired from my usual occupation and not working F
- Retired from my usual occupation, but working for pay G

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Go to Item 5, Screen 3.

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4. Did you retire because of health reasons? Yes Y

Go to Item 6, Screen 4.

No N

5. Please look at the categories on the card and tell me the letter that best describes your current or most recent occupation. If you cannot decide, tell me your occupation and we can decide together.

[HAND RESPONSE CARD 2 TO RESPONDENT AND READ ALOUD (if necessary)]

- Homemaker A
- Technician, sales or clerical B
- Mechanic, repairman, construction worker or craftsman C
- Service: hairdresser, domestic, restaurant, security D
- Management, professional E
- Farming, forestry, fishing F
- Driver, machine operator, sanitation, laborer G
- Unknown H

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6. Please look at this card. Which of these income groups represents your total combined family income for the past 12 months? Include income from all sources such as wages, salaries, social security or retirement benefits, help from relatives, rent from property, and so forth. Please tell me the letter only.

[HAND RESPONSE CARD 3 TO RESPONDENT AND READ ALOUD (if necessary)]

- Under \$5,000 A
- \$5,000 - \$7,999 B
- \$8,000 - \$11,999 C
- \$12,000 - \$15,999 D
- \$16,000 - \$24,999 E
- \$25,000 - \$34,999 F
- \$35,000 - \$49,999 G
- \$50,000 - \$74,999 H
- \$75,000 - \$99,999 I
- \$100,000 and over J
- Refused R

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7. On the average, how many people lived in your house during the last 12 months?

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"Now I would like to ask you some questions about when you were a baby."

8. Were you a premature baby, that is were you born a month or more early? Yes Y
 No N
 Unknown U

How much did you weigh at birth?

a.

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 pounds b.

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 ounces Go to Item 9.

[If Unknown, enter == and continue with Item 8c.]

8.c. Do you believe your birth weight was low, that is less than 5 1/2 pounds, medium, that is 5 1/2 to 9 pounds, high, that is over 9 pounds?

[HAND RESPONSE CARD 4 TO RESPONDENT AND READ ALOUD (if necessary)]

- Low, less than 5 1/2 pounds L
- Medium, 5 1/2 to 9 pounds M
- High, over 9 pounds H
- Unknown U

9. Were you a twin? Yes Y
 No N
 Unknown U

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10. Now I would like you to think about the kind of jobs you had when you were younger. Please look at the categories on the card and tell me the letter that best describes your type of occupation when you were between 25 and 45 years of age. If you cannot decide or if you had many different kinds of jobs, describe the jobs you had and we can decide together.

- a. Occupation for the longest time period
- b. Occupation for the next longest time period

[If only one occupation, enter X in 10.b.]

[HAND RESPONSE CARD 2 TO RESPONDENT AND READ ALOUD (if necessary)]

- Homemaker A
- Technician, sales or clerical B
- Mechanic, repairman, construction worker or craftsman C
- Service: hairdresser, domestic, restaurant, security D
- Management, professional E
- Farming, forestry, fishing F
- Driver, machine operator, sanitation, laborer G
- Unknown H

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B. PARENTS

[For Items 11 and 13, HAND RESPONSE CARD 5 TO RESPONDENT AND READ ALOUD (if necessary) AFTER READING THE QUESTIONS.]

11. I would like to ask you about your parents' education. Please look at this card and tell me the letter which best describes your natural mother's and your natural father's level of education when you were born.

- a. Natural mother's education
- b. Natural father's education

[RESPONSES FOR ITEMS 11. a - b]

- Never went to school A
- Grades 1 to 3 B
- Grades 4 to 8 C
- Grades 9 to 11 D
- Grade 12 E
- GED F
- One or more years of Vocational or Professional School after High School G
- One or more years of College H
- One or more years of Graduate or Professional School after College .. I
- Unknown U

12. Were you raised up to age 5 by anyone other than your natural parents? Yes Y

No N

Go to Item 14, Screen 9

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13. Now I would like to ask you about the education of the adults who took care of you when you were very young. Think about the two most important adults in your home between the time you were born and age 5. Please look at this card and tell me the letter which best describes their level of education during this time period.

a. First adult's highest level of education

b. Second adult's highest level of education

[If only one adult lived in the home, enter X in 13.b.]

[RESPONSES FOR ITEMS 13. a - b]

- Never went to school A
- Grades 1 to 3 B
- Grades 4 to 8 C
- Grades 9 to 11 D
- Grade 12 E
- GED F
- One or more years of Vocational or Professional School after High School G
- One or more years of College H
- One or more years of Graduate or Professional School after College .. I
- Unknown U

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C. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

14. Date of data collection:

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month			day			year		

15. Method of data collection: Computer C
 Paper P

16. Code Number of person completing this form

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