

COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
PERCEPTION OF CRIME AND SAFETY					
A1	Neighbourhood crime compared to other areas in Canada	same	A3	same	A3
A2	Perception of neighbourhood crime	same	A4	*	A4
A3	Safety when walking alone after dark	* (VAWS ¹ - A2)	A6	*	A6
A4	Frequency of walking alone after dark	same (VAWS - A3)	A7		
A5	Would walking alone after dark increase if respondent felt safer	* (VAWS - A5)	A9		
A6	Worried using public transportation after dark	* (VAWS - A6)	A10		
A7	Frequency of using public transportation after dark	same (VAWS - A7)	A11		
A8	Would using transportation alone after dark increase if respondent felt safer	* (VAWS - A9)	A13		
A9	Worried home alone in the evening	* (VAWS - A15)	A14		
PERCEPTION OF POLICE					
A10a	Enforcement of laws	same	A15a	same	A7a
A10b	Prompt response to calls	same	A15b	same	A7b
A10c	Approachable/Easy to talk to	same	A15c	same	A7c
A10d	Crime reduction information	same	A15d	same	A7d
A10e	Ensuring safety of citizens in area	same	A15e		
PERCEPTION OF COURTS					
A11a	Providing justice quickly	same	A16a	same	A8a
A11b	Helping the victim	same	A16b	same	A8b
A11c	Determining guilt or innocence of accused	same	A16c	same	A8c
A11d	Ensuring a fair trial for accused	*	A16d	*	A8d
PERCEPTION OF PRISON SYSTEM					
A13a	Supervising and controlling prisoners				
A13b	Helping prisoners become law-abiding citizens				

¹ Indicates a comparable question with the Violence Against Women Survey questionnaire

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PERCEPTION OF PAROLE SYSTEM					
A14a	Releasing offenders not likely to commit another crime				
A14b	Supervising offenders on parole				
POLICE CONTACT IN PAST 12 MONTHS					
A19a	For a public information session	same	A19a		
A19b	For a traffic violation	same	A19b		
A19c	As a victim of a crime	same	A19c	*	A12
A19d	As a witness to a crime	same	A19d	*	A12
A19e	By being arrested				
A19f	For any other reason	same	A19e		
CONTACT WITH CRIMINAL COURTS					
A19A	Previous contact with courts	same	A18	*	A17
MONTHLY OUTINGS					
A20a	Work nights, attend night classes, meetings, volunteer	same	A27a	same	A25a
A20b	Restaurants, movies, theatre	same	A27b	*	A25b,c
A20c	Bars or pubs	same	A27c	*	A25b
A20d	Sports, exercise and recreation	same	A27d	same	A25d
A20e	Shop	same	A27e	same	A25e
A20f	Visit relatives or friends in their homes	same	A27f	same	A25f
A20g	Casinos or bingos			*	A25c
A20h	Other evening activities	same	A27g	same	A25g
PRECAUTIONS EVER TAKEN TO PROTECT SELF OR PROPERTY FROM CRIME					
A21a	Changed routine, activities, or avoided certain places	same	A20a		
A21b	Installed new locks or security bars	*	A20b		
A21c	Installed burglar alarms or motion detector lights	*	A20c		
A21d	Taken a self-defense course	same (VAWS – A19)	A20d		
A21e	Changed your phone number	same	A20e		
A21f	Obtained a dog	same	A20f		
A21g	Obtained a gun	same	A20g		
A21h	Changed residence or moved				

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PRECAUTIONS TAKEN TO PROTECT SELF OR PROPERTY FROM CRIME IN LAST 12 MONTHS					
A21Aa	Changed routine, activities, or avoided certain places	same	A20Aa	*	A23a
A21Ab	Installed new locks or security bars	*	A20Ab	*	A23c
A21Ac	Installed burglar alarms or motion detector lights	*	A20Ac	*	A23c
A21Ad	Taken a self-defense course	same (VAWS – A17)	A20Ad	*	A23d
A21Ae	Changed your phone number	same	A20Ae	*	A23b
A21Af	Obtained a dog	same	A20Af		
A21Ag	Obtained a gun	same	A20Ag		
A21Ah	Changed residence or moved				
PRECAUTIONS TAKEN TO FEEL SAFER FROM CRIME					
A22a	Carry something to defend self or alert others	same (VAWS – A17)	A22a		
A22b	Lock doors when alone in car	same (VAWS – A22)	A22b		
A22c	Check back seat of car for intruders	same (VAWS – A23)	A22c		
A22d	Plan route	same	A22d		
A22e	Stay home at night	same	A22e		
A23	Other precautions	(VAWS – A24)			
A24	Level of satisfaction with personal safety	same	A23		
OPINIONS ON MOST APPROPRIATE SENTENCES GIVEN TO OFFENDERS					
A26A A27A	Adult offender, guilty of break in, theft \$400 , 1 st offence				
A26AP A27AP	Acceptable for judge to sentence 1yr probation, 200 hrs community work				
A26Y A27Y	Young offender, guilty of break in, theft \$400 , 1 st offence				
A26YP A27YP	Acceptable for judge to sentence 1yr probation, 200 hrs community work				
A28A A29A	Adult offender, guilty of assault, 1 st offence, victim had minor injuries				
A28AP A29AP	Acceptable for judge to sentence 1yr probation, 200 hrs community work				

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A28Y A29Y	Young offender, guilty of assault, 1 st offence, victim had minor injuries				
A28YP A29YP	Acceptable for judge to sentence 1yr probation, 200 hrs community work				
A30A A31A	Adult offender, guilty of break in, theft \$400 , guilty of similar offence once before				
A30AP A31AP	Acceptable for judge to sentence 1yr probation, 200 hrs community work				
A30Y A31Y	Young offender, guilty of break in, theft \$400 , guilty of similar offence once before				
A30YP A31YP	Acceptable for judge to sentence 1yr probation, 200 hrs community work				
A32A A33A	Adult offender, guilty of assault, victim had minor injuries, guilty of similar offence once before				
A32AP A33AP	Acceptable for judge to sentence 1yr probation, 200 hrs community work				
A32Y A33Y	Young offender, guilty of assault, victim had minor injuries, guilty of similar offence once before				
A32YP A33YP	Acceptable for judge to sentence 1yr probation, 200 hrs community work				
OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS					
B1	Deliberate damage of personal or household property	same	C2	same	D8
B1A	Number of occurrences	same	C2	same	D8
B2	Theft by force or threat of force	same	C3A	same	D2A
B2A	Number of occurrences	same	C3A	same	D2A
B3	Break and enter or attempt	same	C3B	same	D2B
B3A	Number of occurrences	same	C3B	same	D2B
B4A	Items stolen from things usually kept outside the home	same	C4A	same	D6A
B4AA	Number of occurrences	same	C4A	same	D6A
B4B	Items stolen from work, school or public place	same	C4B	same	D6B

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B4BA	Number of occurrences	same	C4B	same	D6B
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B4C	Items stolen from hotel, vacation home, cottage, car, truck or while travelling	same	C4C	same	D6C
B4CA	Number of occurrences	same	C4C	same	D6C
B5	Household member owning a motor vehicle	same	C5	same	D4
B6A	Theft or attempted theft of vehicles or parts of them	same	C6A	same	D5A
B6AA	Number of occurrences	same	C6A	same	D5A
B6B	Deliberate damage to motor vehicle	same	C6B	same	D5B
B6BA	Number of occurrences	same	C6B	same	D5B
B7	Theft or attempted theft of anything else	same	C7	same	D7
B7A	Number of occurrences	same	C7	same	D7
B8A B11A ²	Attack by anyone excluding current or previous spouses or common-law partners (children or caregivers)	*	C8A	*	D3A
B8AA B11AA	Number of occurrences	same	C8A	same	D3A
B8B B11B	Threat to hit or attack or threat with a weapon	*	C8B	same	D3B
B8BA B11BA	Number of occurrences	same	C8B	same	D3B
B9 B12	Force or attempted force into unwanted sexual activity	*	C9		
B9A B12A	Number of occurrences	same	C9		
B10 B13	Unwanted touching in a sexual way	*	C10		
B10A B13A	Number of occurrences	same	C10		
B14	Any other crimes	same	C11	same	D9
B14S	List of crimes				
B14A	Number of occurrences	same	C11	same	D9

² Questions B11A through B13A are asked of respondents aged 65 and over in lieu of questions B8A through B10A. Questions B11A through B13A also exclude acts committed against seniors by children and/or caregivers.

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C1Y	Year couple were married or started living together	(VAWS – F6)			
C1M	Month couple were married or started living together	(VAWS – F6)			
C2	Partner tries to limit contact with family or friends	(VAWS – H3)			
C3	Partner puts you down or calls names	(VAWS – H5)			
C4	He/she is jealous	(VAWS – H2)			
C5	He/she harms, or threatens to harm someone close to you				
C6	He/she demands to know who you are with and where you are at all times	(VAWS – H4)			
C7	He/she damages or destroys your possessions or property				
C8	He/she prevents access to the family income	(VAWS – H6)			
D1	In past 5 years, current spouse or partner threatened to hit you with his/her fist or anything else	(VAWS – J2)			
D2	In past 5 years, current spouse or partner threw anything that could have hurt you	(VAWS – J3)			
D3	In past 5 years, he/she pushed, grabbed or shoved you	(VAWS – J4)			
D4	In past 5 years, he/she slapped you	(VAWS – J7)			
D5	In past 5 years, he/she kicked bit or hit you with his/her fist	(VAWS – J8)			
D6	In past 5 years, he/she hit you with something that could have hurt you	(VAWS – J9)			

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D7	In past 5 years, he/she beat you	(VAWS – J12)			
D8	In past 5 years, he/she choked you	(VAWS – J13)			
D9	In past 5 years, he/she used or threatened to use a gun or knife	(VAWS – J14)			
D10	In past 5 years, he/she forced you into any unwanted sexual activity by threatening, holding down or hurting you	(VAWS – J15)			
D11	In past 5 years, has he/she been violent on more than one occasion	(VAWS – J17)			
D12	Number of times these things happened	(VAWS – J20)			
D13	Number of incidents in past 12 months				
D14	When most recent happened	(VAWS – J22)			
D15A	Any incidents in past 5 years happened before married or living common-law	(VAWS – J23)			
D15B	Any incidents in past 5 years happen while married or living common-law	(VAWS – J25)			
D15C	Any incidents in past 5 years happen while temporarily separated				
E0A	Ever married or in a common-law relationship				
E0AA	Contact with any previous partner in past 5 years				
E1	Ever been in any other marriage or common-law relationship with person other than current spouse/partner				
E1A	Contact with any previous partner in the past 5 years				
E2	He/she tried to limit contact with family or friends	(VAWS – K3)			

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E3	He/she put you down or called you names	(VAWS – K5)			
E4	He/she was jealous	(VAWS – K2)			
E5	He/she harmed, or threatened to harm someone close to you				
E6	He/she demanded to know your whereabouts	(VAWS – K4)			
E7	He/she damaged or destroyed your possessions or property				
E8	He/she prevented knowledge about or access to family income	(VAWS – K6)			
F1	In past 5 years, did previous partner threaten to hit you with his/her fist or anything else that could hurt you	(VAWS – L2)			
F2	In past 5 years, did he/she throw anything that could have hurt you	(VAWS – L3)			
F3	In past 5 years, did he/she push, grab or shove you in a way that could have hurt you	(VAWS – L4)			
F4	In past 5 years, did he/she slap you	(VAWS – L7)			
F5	In past 5 years, did he/she kick, bite or hit you with his/her fist	(VAWS – L8)			
F6	In past 5 years, did he/she hit you with something that could have hurt you	(VAWS – L9)			
F7	In past 5 years, did he/she beat you	(VAWS – L12)			
F8	In past 5 years, did he/she choke you	(VAWS – L13)			
F9	In past 5 years, did he/she use or threaten to use a gun or knife	(VAWS – L14)			

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F10	In past 5 years, did he/she force you into any unwanted sexual activity by threatening, holding down or hurting you	(VAWS – L15)			
F11	In past 5 years, was he/she violent on more than one occasion	(VAWS – L17)			
F12	Number of times these things happened	(VAWS – L20)			
F13	Number of incidents in past 12 months				
F14	When most recent happened	(VAWS – L21)			
F15	Did the violence happen while living together	(VAWS – L24)			
F16	Did the violence happen after you split up	(VAWS – L28)			
F17	Do you think it increased after you split up	(VAWS – L30)			
G1	Ever had any children				
G2	During the past 5 years, contact with any of your children				
G3	They try to limit contact with family or friends				
G4	They put you down or call you names				
G5	They damage or destroy your possessions or property				
G6	They harm, or threaten to harm someone close to you				
G8	They prevent from knowing about or having access to income				
G9	They try to force you to relinquish control over finances				

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G10	They try to force you to give up something of value				
G11	They try to force you to change your Last Will and Testament or try to obtain Power of Attorney over your finances				
G12	Was it a son or daughter that one of the previous statements describes				
H1	In past 5 years, any children threatened to hit with their fist or anything else that could hurt				
H2	Have any children thrown anything at you that could have hurt you				
H3	Have they pushed, grabbed or shoved in a way that could have hurt you				
H4	Have they slapped you				
H5	Have any of your children kicked bit or hit you with their fist				
H6	Have they hit you with something that could have hurt you				
H7	Have they beaten you				
H8	Have any of your children choked you				
H9	Have they used or threatened to use a gun or knife on you				
H10	During the past 5 years, have any of your children been violent towards you on more than one occasion				
H11	Number of times these things happened				
H12	Number of incidents in the past 12 months				

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H13	When did the most recent happen				
SECTION J: PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE BY CAREGIVER					
J1	(Excluding your spouse/ partner/ children) in the past 5 years, has a caregiver come into your home to assist with everyday activities or to provide care				
J2	They put you down or call you names				
J3	They damage or destroy your possessions or property				
J4	They harm, or threaten to harm someone close to you				
J6	They try to force you to relinquish control over your finances				
J7	They try to force you to give up something of value				
J8	They try to force you to change your Last Will and Testament or try to obtain Power of Attorney over your finances				
SECTION K: PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE BY CAREGIVER					
K1	During the past 5 years, has any caregiver threatened to hit you with their fist or anything else				
K2	Has any caregiver thrown anything at you				
K3	Has any caregiver pushed, grabbed, or shoved you				
K4	Has any caregiver slapped you				
K5	Has any caregiver kicked you, bit you or hit you with their fist				
K6	Has any caregiver hit you with something				

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K7	Has any caregiver beaten you				
K8	Has any caregiver choked you				
K9	Has any caregiver used or threatened to use a gun or knife on you				
K10	Has any caregiver forced you into any unwanted sexual activity by threatening you, holding you down, or hurting you in some way				
K11	In past 5 years, has any caregiver been violent towards you on more than one occasion				
K12	Number of times these things happened				
K13	Number of incidents in past 12 months				
K14	When the most recent happened				
K15	Lifetime criminal victimization	*	A21		
K16	What happened	*	A21		
K16S	Other, specify				
L2	During this (these) incident(s), (ever) physically injured	(VAWS –W6)			
L3	Did any of these incidents in which you were injured happen in the past 12 months				
L4	During the past 5 years, ever receive any medical attention at a hospital as a result of the violence				
L4A	Stay in hospital overnight				
L4B	Number of nights				
L5	During the past 5 years, ever receive any medical attention from a doctor or a nurse for injuries	(VAWS –W8)			

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L6	As a result of the violence (and excluding any time spent in the hospital), during the past 5 years, ever have to stay in bed for all or most of a day				
L6A	Number of days				
L7	During the past 5 years, ever have to take time off from everyday activities because of what happened	(VAWS –W11)			
L8	During this (these) incidents, was spouse/partner drinking	(VAWS –W5)			
L12	During the past 5 years, anyone (else) ever harmed or threatened during (these) this incident(s)				
L12A	Number of persons				
L13	Any people who were harmed or threatened under 15 years of age				
L13A	Number of persons				
L14	Children see or hear (any of these) this incident(s)	(VAWS –W42)			
L15	During past 5 years, ever fear life was in danger because of spouse's/partner's violent or threatening behaviour	(VAWS – W40)			
L16	During past 5 years, attempt to obtain compensation through civil or criminal court, or provincial compensation program because of violence				
L16A	Obtain compensation				
L17	Police ever find out about the violence in any way	(VAWS –W26)			
L18	Police find out about it in the past 12 months				
L19	How they learned about it				
REASONS FOR REPORTING SPOUSAL ABUSE INCIDENTS TO POLICE					
L20A	To stop the violence or receive protection				

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L20B	To arrest and punish spouse/partner				
L20C	Duty to notify police				
L20D	On the recommendation of someone else				
L21	Action police took	(VAWS – W27-30)			
L21S	Other, specify				
L22	Satisfaction with actions of police	(VAWS –W31)			
L23	Anything (else) they should have done to help	(VAWS –W33)			
L23S	Other, specify				
L24	Spouse's/partner's behaviour after the police were involved	(VAWS –W32)			
REASONS FOR NOT REPORTING SPOUSAL ABUSE INCIDENTS TO THE POLICE					
L25A	It was dealt with another way				
L25B	Fear of spouse/partner	(VAWS –W39)			
L25C	Police couldn't do anything about it	(VAWS –W39)			
L25D	Police wouldn't help				
L25E	Didn't want to get involved with the police	(VAWS –W39)			
L25X	Didn't want your spouse/partner arrested or jailed	(VAWS –W39)			
L25G	Incident was a personal matter that didn't concern the police	(VAWS –W39)			
L25Y	Didn't want anyone to find out about it	(VAWS –W39)			
L25H	Fear of publicity/news coverage				
L25F	It was not important enough	(VAWS –W39)			
L25K	Some other reason				
L25S	Other, Specify	(VAWS –W39)			
L26	Main reason				
L27	(Other than the police) ever talk to anyone about incident(s)	(VAWS –W12)			
L27A	Family	(VAWS –W12)			

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L27B	Friend or neighbour	(VAWS –W12)			
L27C	Co-worker				
L27D	Doctor or nurse	(VAWS –W12)			
L27E	Lawyer				
L27F	Minister, priest, clergy or another spiritual advisor	(VAWS –W12)			
L28	During past 5 years ever contact or use any services	(VAWS –W13)			
L28A	Crisis centre or crisis line	(VAWS –W13)			
L28B	Another counsellor or psychologist	(VAWS –W13)			
L28C	Community centre or family centre	(VAWS –W13)			
L28D	Shelter or transition house	(VAWS –W13)			
L28E	Women’s centre	(VAWS –W13)			
L28F	Men’s centre or men’s support group				
L28G	Senior’s centre				
L28H	Police-based or court based victim services				
L28Aa-h	Was this in the past 12 months				
L29	Reason for not using any of these services	(VAWS –W14)			
L29S	Other, specify				
L30	Willingness to participate in victim-offender reconciliation program				
L31	At the time of the incident(s), How the experience affected respondent	(VAWS – W9)			
L31S	Other, specify				
L32	Advice to another person in a similar situation	(VAWS – W45)			
M2	Physically injury	(VAWS –W6)			

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M3	Incidents in the past 12 months				
M4	During the past 5 years, ever receive any medical attention at a hospital as a result of the violence				
M4A	Stay in hospital overnight				
M4B	Number of nights				
M5	During the past 5 years, ever receive any medical attention from a doctor or a nurse for injuries	(VAWS –W8)			
M6	Have to stay in bed for all or most of a day				
M6A	Number of days				
M7	During the past 5 years, ever have to take time off from everyday activities	(VAWS –W11)			
M8	During this (these) incidents, ex-partner drinking	(VAWS –W5)			
M12	During the past 5 years, anyone (else) ever harmed or threatened during (these) this incident(s)				
M13	Any people who were harmed or threatened under 15 years of age				
M13A	Number of persons				
M14	Children see or hear (any of these) this incident(s)	(VAWS –W42)			
M15	During past 5 years, ever fear life was in danger because of spouse's/partner's violent or threatening behaviour				
M16	During past 5 years, attempt to obtain compensation through civil or criminal court, or provincial compensation program because of violence				
M16A	Obtain compensation				

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M17	Police ever find out about the violence in any way				
M18	Police find out about it in the past 12 months				
M19	How they learned about it				
REASONS FOR REPORTING EX-SPOUSAL ABUSE INCIDENTS TO POLICE					
M20A	To stop the violence or receive protection				
M20B	To arrest and punish ex-partner				
M20C	Duty to notify police				
M20D	On the recommendation of someone else				
M21	Action police took				
M21S	Other, specify				
M22	Satisfaction with actions of police				
M23	Anything (else) they should have done to help				
M23S	Other, specify				
M24	Ex-partner's behaviour after the police were involved				
REASONS FOR NOT REPORTING EX-SPOUSAL ABUSE INCIDENTS TO THE POLICE					
M25A	It was dealt with another way				
M25B	Fear of ex-partner				
M25C	Police couldn't do anything about it				
M25D	Police wouldn't help				
M25E	Didn't want to get involved with the police				
M25X	Didn't want ex-partner arrested or jailed				
M25G	The incident was a personal matter that didn't concern the police				

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
M25Y	Didn't want anyone to find out about it				
M25H	Fear of publicity/news coverage				
M25F	It was not important enough				
M25K	For some other reason, not already mentioned				
M25S	Other, Specify				
M26	Main reason				
M27	(Other than the police) ever talk to anyone about (these) this incident(s)				
M27A	Family				
M27B	Friend or neighbour				
M27C	Co-worker				
M27D	Doctor or nurse				
M27E	Lawyer				
M27F	Minister, priest, clergy or another spiritual advisor				
M28	During past 5 years ever contact or use any services for help				
M28A	Crisis centre or crisis line				
M28B	Another counsellor or psychologist				
M28C	Community centre or family centre				
M28D	Shelter or transition house				
M28E	Women's centre				
M28F	Men's centre or men's support group				
M28G	Senior's centre				
M28H	Police-based or court based victim services				
M28A (a-h)	Was this in the past 12 months				
M29	Is there any reason why you didn't use any of these services				
M29S	Other, specify				

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
M30	Willingness to participate in victim-offender reconciliation program				
M31	At the time of the incident(s), how did the experience affect you				
M31S	Other, specify				
M32	From your experience, what advice would you give another person in a similar situation				

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
Q1	Type of dwelling	same	E2	same	B2
Q1S	Other, Specify				
Q2	Dwelling owned by household member	same	E3	*	B4
Q2A	How long have you lived in this dwelling				
Q3	Postal code	same (VAWS –E11)	E4	*	B3
Q4	Cultural background			X	B21
Q4S	Other, Specify				
Q5	Country of birth	*	E12	*	B10
Q6A	Province or territory of birth	same	E12A	same	B10A
Q6B	Specified country of birth	same	E12	*	B10
Q6S	Other, Specify				
Q7	What year did you first come to Canada to live permanently	*	E13	*	B11
Q8	Country of birth of respondent's mother				
Q8S	Other, Specify				
Q9	Country of birth of respondent's father				
Q9S	Other, Specify				
Q9A	Highest level of education of respondent's mother				
Q9AS	Other, Specify				
Q9B	Highest level of education of respondent's father				
Q10	Spouse's main activity in past 12 months	same	E41		

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
Q11	Spouse studying full-time or part-time	X (VAWS – G7 G8)	E41		
Q12	Spouse working or self-employed at any time in past 12 months	X (VAWS – G2)	E41		
Q13	Number of weeks spouse worked	(VAWS – G3)			
Q14	Spouse working full-time or part time	(VAWS – G4)			
Q15	In past 12 months, spouse without a job and looking for work	(VAWS – G6)			
Q18	Highest level of education of respondent's spouse	(VAWS – G9)			
Q18S	Other, Specify				
Q19	In past 12 months, how often spouse drank alcoholic beverages	(VAWS – G11)			
Q20	Number of occasions in past month spouse had five or more drinks	(VAWS – G12)			
Q21A	Years of elementary/high school	same	E16	X	B15
Q21B	High school graduate	same	E17	same	B16
Q22	Further schooling after elementary/high school	same	E18	same	B17
Q23	Highest level of education attained	same (VAWS –E9)	E19	*	B18
Q23S	Other, Specify				
Q24	Language(s) first spoken	*	E14	*	B13
Q24S	Other, Specify				
Q24A	Still understand language(s) first spoken	same	E14A	*	B13
Q25	Language most often spoken at home	*	E15	*	B14
Q25S	Other, Specify				
Q26	Religion	*	E20	*	B19

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
Q26S	Other, Specify				
Q27	Frequency of church attendance	same	E21	*	B20
Q29A	Long term health condition	X (VAWS –E12)	E22		
Q29B	Limited in amount or kind of activity	* (VAWS –E13)	E24		
Q29C	Main condition or health problem reducing activities	 (VAWS –E14)			
Q30	Trouble going to sleep or staying asleep				
Q31	Used medication or drugs to sleep, calm down or for depression	 (VAWS –E15)			
Q31A	Usual state of health	 (VAWS –E12)			
Q32	Main activity in past 12 months	*	E25	*	B22
Q32S	Other, Specify				
Q33	Studying full-time or part-time	same (VAWS –E7 E8)	E26		
Q34	Working or self-employed at any time in past 12 months	* (VAWS –E2)	E27	*	B23
Q35	Year of last paid work	same	E28		
Q36	Number of weeks employed in the past 12 months	same (VAWS –E3)	E29	same	B24
Q37	Hours worked per week	same (VAWS –E4)	E30		
Q38	Work any scheduled hours at home				
Q39	Number of paid hours worked at home per week				
Q40	Employer for the longest time in past 12 months	same	E35	*	B31
Q41	Type of business, industry or service	same	E36	same	B32
Q42	Type of work done	same	E37	same	B33

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
Q43	Most important activities or duties	same	E38		
Q44	Shift usually worked	same	E34		
Q44S	Other, Specify				
Q45	Main source of income in past 12 months				
Q46	Total personal income from all sources	same (VAWS-E17-23)	E39	X	B35
Q47	Number of other household members receiving income	(VAWS -E25)			
Q48A-K	Total income of all household members during past 12 months	same (VAWS-E27-33)	E45	*	B36
V1	Month incident occurred	same	G1	same	G2
V1A	Incident occurred in the past 12 months				
V2	Location of incident	same	G5B	*	G8
V2S	Other, Specify				
V3	Same dwelling as present dwelling	same	G6	Same	G10
V4	Type of dwelling at time of incident	same	G7	Same	G11
V4S	Other, Specify				
V5	Perpetrator resided with victim	same	G8	*	G12
V6	Perpetrator let it	same	G9	same	G13
V7	Person get in or try to get in	*	G10	*	G14
V8	Evidence of forced entry	same	G11	same	G15
V8A	Type of evidence	same	G11	same	G15A
V8S	Other, Specify				
V9	Present at time of the incident	same	G13	*	G17

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
V10	Person who committed the act had a weapon	same	G14	same	G18
V10A	Type of weapon	same	G14		
V10S	Other, Specify				
V11	Assault during incident	*	G15	*	G19
V12	Threat	*	G16	*	G20
V13	Type of threat	*	G17		
V13S	Other, Specify				
V14	Think the threat was going to be carried out	same	G18		
V15	Type of attack	*	G19	*	G21
V15S	Other, Specify				
V16	Physical injury	*	G20		
V17	Medical attention at a hospital	same	G21	same	G22
V17A	Overnight hospital stay	same	G21	same	G22
V17B	Number of nights	same	G21	same	G22
V18	Medical attention from doctor or nurse	same	G22	same	G23
V19	Stay in bed all or most of the day as result of incident	same	G23	same	G24
V19A	Number of days	same	G23	same	G24
V20A	Incident related to person's alcohol or drug use	*	G24		
V20B	Incident related to own alcohol or drug use	*	G24		
V21	Only one person involved in committing act	same	G25	same	G25
V22	Person male or female				
V23	Age of person				
V24	Person's relationship to respondent	*	G28	X	G27,G28
V24S	Other, Specify				

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
V25	Number of people involved	same	G30	same	G30
V26	Offenders male or female				
V27	Offenders mostly male or mostly female				
V28	Age of youngest offender				
V29	Age of oldest offender				
V30	People's relationship to respondent	*	G31,32,33	X	G31,32,33
V30S	Other, Specify				
V31	Hate crime				
V32	Reason for hate crime				
V32S	Other, Specify				
V33	Anyone else harmed or threatened during incident	same	G34	same	G34
V33A	Number of people	same	G34	same	G34
V34	Any of these people under 15	*	G35	*	G35
V34A	Number of people under 15	same	G35	same	G35
V35	Anything stolen during incident	*	G36a	*	G36
V36	Items stolen	same	G37	same	G37
V37	Estimated value of stolen property	*	G38	*	G38
V38	Any stolen money or property recovered	same	G39	same	G39
V38A	All money or property recovered	same	G39	same	G39
V39	Attempted theft of personal or household property	*	G41	*	G41
V40	Items attempted to steal	*	G42	*	G42
V41	Damage of personal or household property	same	G43	same	G43
V42	Items damaged	same	G44	same	G44
V43	Estimated value of damage done in incident	same	G45	same	G45

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
V44	Were damaged items repaired or replaced	same	G46	same	G46
V45	Will damaged items be repaired or replaced	same	G47	same	G47
V46	Insurance at time of incident	same	G48a		
V47	Attempt to obtain compensation through insurance company	same	G49	*	G48a
V47A	Obtain compensation	same	G49	*	G48a
V48	Attempt to obtain compensation through court or provincial program	same	G50	*	G48b
V48A	Obtain compensation	same	G50	*	G48b
V49	Estimated out-of-pocket expenses	same	G51	same	G49
V50	Main activity during week of incident	*	G52	*	G50
V50S	Other, Specify				
V51	Difficult or impossible to carry out main activity	same	G53	same	G51
V51A	Number of days	same	G53	same	G51
V52	Police find out about incident	same	G54	same	G52
V53	How police learned about incident	same	G55	same	G53
REASONS FOR REPORTING INCIDENT TO POLICE					
V54A	To stop the incident or receive protection			*	G54a,c
V54B	To catch and punish the offender			same	G54d
V54C	To file a report to claim compensation or insurance			same	G54b
V54D	Felt it was duty to notify police				
V54E	On recommendation of someone else				
V55	Action police took	*	G57		
V56	Satisfactions with actions of police	*	G58		
V57	Anything else police could have done to help				
V57S	Other, Specify				

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COMPARISON OF CYCLE 13, CYCLE 8 AND CYCLE 3 QUESTIONNAIRES

1999 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY		1993 GSS		1988 GSS	
Question	Topic	Comparison	Question	Comparison	Question
REASONS FOR NOT REPORTING INCIDENT TO POLICE					
V58A	Dealt with another way	same	G60a		
V58B	Fear of revenge by offender	same	G60c	same	G56c
V58C	Police couldn't do anything	same	G60e	same	G56b
V58D	Police wouldn't help	same	G60f		
V58E	Did not want to get involved with police	same	G60g	*	G56f
V58F	Not important enough	same	G60b	*	G56d
V58G	Incident was personal matter	same	G60i	same	G56e
V58H	Fear of publicity				
V58I	Insurance would not cover it	same	G60d		
V58J	Nothing was taken or items recovered	same	G60h	same	G56a
V58K	Some other reason	same	G60j		
V58S	Other, Specify				
V59	Main reason incident not reported to police	*	G62		
V60	Ever talk to anyone about incident	*	G63		
V61	Ever contact any services because of incident	X	G63	X	G57
V62	Ever contact police-based or court-based victim services	X	G63	X	G57
V63	Willingness to participate in victim-offender reconciliation				
V64	How experience affected respondent				
V65	Of remaining incidents, number of incidents with details similar to this one	same	G66	*	G62
V66	Any additional information				
V67	Status of incident report	*	G68	*	G65

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