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**Section: Identification Variable**

*Variable Name:* **PUMFID** *Position:* 1 *Length:* 5

Record Identification Number

*Coverage:* All respondents

**Section: Demographic Variables**

*Variable Name:* **AREASIZE** *Position:* 6 *Length:* 3

Size of area of residence

		FREQ	WTD
1	Rural areas	6,672	1,544,305
2	Urban, population < 30,000	6,040	1,281,083
3	Urban, population of 30,000 - 99,999	4,348	1,187,282
4	Urban, population of 100,000 - 499,999	11,521	2,311,061
5	Urban, population of 500,000 or more	10,544	6,413,328
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* All respondents

*Variable Name:* **PROVINCE** *Position:* 9 *Length:* 2

Province of residence

		FREQ	WTD
10	Newfoundland and Labrador	1,503	200,132
11	Prince Edward Island	1,000	54,008
12	Nova Scotia	2,125	379,420
13	New Brunswick	2,035	300,251
24	Quebec	7,459	3,263,197
35	Ontario	11,082	4,732,200
46	Manitoba	2,670	449,714
47	Saskatchewan	2,744	377,812
48	Alberta	3,987	1,275,675
59	British Columbia	4,520	1,704,649
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* All respondents

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*Variable Name:* **CMA1** *Position:* 11 *Length:* 2

Census Metropolitan Area (CMA)

		FREQ	WTD
00	Non CMA	25,366	5,441,154
01	Halifax	902	165,064
02	Quebec	515	336,741
03	Montreal	1,601	1,533,605
04	Ottawa	623	375,811
05	Toronto	1,791	1,776,323
06	Kitchener - Waterloo	491	169,525
07	Hamilton	527	291,006
08	St.Catharines - Niagara	602	166,966
09	London	646	203,423
10	Windsor	469	134,808
11	Winnipeg	1,390	292,217
12	Calgary	936	453,666
13	Edmonton	987	394,509
14	Vancouver	1,591	838,505
15	Victoria	688	163,735
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* All respondents

*Note:* CMAs are large cities with an urban core population of at least 100,000, based on the previous census. 2001 boundaries, January 1987 to present.

*Variable Name:* **SZCODE1** *Position:* 13 *Length:* 1

Size of area of residence

		FREQ	WTD
1	Urban, population of 500,000 or more	10,544	6,413,328
2	Urban, population of 100,000 - 499,999	11,521	2,311,061
3	Urban, population of 30,000 - 99,999	4,348	1,187,282
4	Urban, population of 15,000 - 29,999	1,743	336,249
5	Urban, population < 15,000	4,297	944,833
6	Rural areas	6,672	1,544,305
		=====	=====
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*Variable Name:*        **SZCODE3**                            *Position:*    14                            *Length:*        1

Size of area of residence

		FREQ	WTD
1	Urban, population of 500,000 or more	10,544	6,413,328
2	Urban, population of 100,000 - 499,999	11,521	2,311,061
3	Urban, population of 30,000 - 99,999	4,348	1,187,282
4	Urban, population of 15,000 - 29,999	1,743	336,249
5	Urban, population of 2,500 - 14,999	3,270	740,870
6	Urban, population < 2,500	1,027	203,963
7	Rural areas	6,672	1,544,305
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* All respondents

**Section:**                        **RTSS**

*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q01**                            *Position:*    15                            *Length:*        1

Does your household currently have land-line telephone service? Include land-line telephone service used for business.

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	36,008	11,523,432
2	No	3,087	1,204,919
7	Don't know	27	6,732
8	Refusal	3	1,974
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* All respondents

*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q02**                            *Position:*    16                            *Length:*        1

How many different telephone numbers does your household currently have for land-line telephone service? Include land-line telephone service used for business.

		FREQ	WTD
1	1	33,030	10,520,665
2	2	2,554	847,862
3	3 or more	348	126,305
6	Valid skip	3,087	1,204,919
7	Don't know	13	3,777
8	Refusal	21	7,759
9	Not stated	72	25,770
		=====	=====
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*Coverage:* Respondents in a household that currently has land-line service (RTS\_Q01=1)

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*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q03**                      *Position:*    17                      *Length:*        1

Do any members of your household currently have cellular telephone service? Exclude cordless phones.

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	25,410	8,506,281
2	No	13,537	4,165,768
7	Don't know	40	12,801
8	Refusal	40	15,807
9	Not stated	98	36,400
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* All respondents

*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q04**                      *Position:*    18                      *Length:*        1

How many different telephone numbers does your household currently have for cellular phone service? Include cell phone service used for business.

		FREQ	WTD
1	1	13,407	4,360,506
2	2	8,458	2,828,731
3	3 or more	3,509	1,303,525
6	Valid skip	13,537	4,165,768
7	Don't know	19	6,323
8	Refusal	10	3,976
9	Not stated	185	68,229
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* Respondents whose households currently have cellular phone service (RTS\_Q03=1)

*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q05**                      *Position:*    19                      *Length:*        1

How many of these cellular phone numbers are primarily used for business?

		FREQ	WTD
0	0	16,897	5,590,106
1	1	6,833	2,317,508
2	2	1,399	505,706
3	3 or more	197	64,366
6	Valid skip	13,537	4,165,768
7	Don't know	41	11,885
8	Refusal	4	1,970
9	Not stated	217	79,750
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* Respondents whose households currently have at least 1 telephone number for cellular phone service (RTS\_Q04>0 and <8)

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*Variable Name:*           **RTS\_Q06**                           *Position:*   20                   *Length:*    1

Does your household currently have a cable telephone or VoIP service?

Cable television companies now offer cable telephone service that delivers and receives telephone calls over the cable network.

There is a new technology called 'Voice over IP' or 'VoIP' which allows the customer to make and receive calls using the Internet either through a device connected to a telephone or through a computer (for example using a microphone on the computer).

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	3,506	1,350,257
2	No	35,215	11,242,402
7	Don't know	212	71,894
8	Refusal	62	23,939
9	Not stated	130	48,567
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* All respondents

*Variable Name:*           **RTS\_Q07**                           *Position:*   21                   *Length:*    1

Why don't you have land-line telephone service?

		FREQ	WTD
1	Cancelled it	207	91,535
2	Can't afford it	607	214,723
3	Moved	47	17,103
4	Not needed: have cell phone or VOIP service	1,504	571,430
5	All other responses	591	260,809
6	Valid skip	36,038	11,532,139
7	Don't know	61	23,707
8	Refusal	16	7,755
9	Not stated	54	17,858
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* Respondents who do not have land-line phones (RTS\_Q01=2)

*Note:* The following answers should be coded to 'Can't afford it': Too expensive, Can't afford the phone, Unpaid phone bills, Service cancelled by the phone company, Moved and can't afford the installation price, Lost job, Unemployed, I'm on... (any form of social assistance), etc. The following answers should be coded to 'Moved': Respondent moved, on vacation, going south for the winter, moved and don't want/need the phone anymore etc. The following answers should be coded to 'Any other response': Sharing a phone, receiving harassing calls, getting a private number, hard of hearing, dissatisfied with the phone company, don't want other household members to receive calls, etc.

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*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q08**                      *Position:*    22                      *Length:*        1

Why did you cancel it?

		FREQ	WTD
2	Can't afford it	50	21,084
3	Moved	10	3,390
4	Not needed: have cell phone or VOIP service	58	23,310
5	All other responses	79	37,275
6	Valid skip	38,787	12,596,203
7	Don't know	7	4,616
8	Refusal	3	1,860
9	Not stated	131	49,321
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* Respondents whose reason for not having a land-line phone is because they cancelled it (RTS\_Q07=1)  
*Note:* The following answers should be coded to 'Can't afford it': Too expensive, Can't afford the phone, Unpaid phone bills, Service cancelled by the phone company, Moved and can't afford the installation price, Lost job, Unemployed, I'm on... (any form of social assistance), etc. The following answers should be coded to 'Moved': Respondent moved, on vacation, going south for the winter, moved and don't want/need the phone anymore etc. The following answers should be coded to 'Any other response': Sharing a phone, receiving harassing calls, getting a private number, hard of hearing, dissatisfied with the phone company, don't want other household members to receive calls, etc.

*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q09A**                      *Position:*    23                      *Length:*        1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a land-line telephone bill. Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...The installation charge

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	410	140,994
2	No	210	76,967
6	Valid skip	38,327	12,445,455
7	Don't know	28	14,180
8	Refusal	8	3,427
9	Not stated	142	56,035
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* Respondents who cannot afford a land-line phone (RTS\_Q07=2 or RTS\_Q08=2)

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*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q09B**                      *Position:*    24                      *Length:*        1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a land-line telephone bill.  
Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...The security deposit

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	320	108,799
2	No	300	109,161
6	Valid skip	38,327	12,445,455
7	Don't know	28	14,180
8	Refusal	8	3,427
9	Not stated	142	56,035
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* Respondents who cannot afford a land-line phone (RTS\_Q07=2 or RTS\_Q08=2)

*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q09C**                      *Position:*    25                      *Length:*        1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a land-line telephone bill.  
Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...Monthly charge for your basic phone line which includes local calls

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	432	148,348
2	No	188	69,613
6	Valid skip	38,327	12,445,455
7	Don't know	28	14,180
8	Refusal	8	3,427
9	Not stated	142	56,035
		=====	=====
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*Variable Name:*           **RTS\_Q09D**                           *Position:*   26                   *Length:*     1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a land-line telephone bill.  
Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...Optional features and/or set charges

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	243	85,905
2	No	377	132,055
6	Valid skip	38,327	12,445,455
7	Don't know	28	14,180
8	Refusal	8	3,427
9	Not stated	142	56,035
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* Respondents who cannot afford a land-line phone (RTS\_Q07=2 or RTS\_Q08=2)

*Variable Name:*           **RTS\_Q09E**                           *Position:*   27                   *Length:*     1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a land-line telephone bill.  
Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...Long distance charges

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	292	100,700
2	No	328	117,260
6	Valid skip	38,327	12,445,455
7	Don't know	28	14,180
8	Refusal	8	3,427
9	Not stated	142	56,035
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* Respondents who cannot afford a land-line phone (RTS\_Q07=2 or RTS\_Q08=2)

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*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q09F**                      *Position:*    28                      *Length:*        1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a land-line telephone bill. Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...Other usage charges (i.e. 900 service, \* features , directory assistance, etc.)

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	165	53,841
2	No	455	164,120
6	Valid skip	38,327	12,445,455
7	Don't know	28	14,180
8	Refusal	8	3,427
9	Not stated	142	56,035
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* Respondents who cannot afford a land-line phone (RTS\_Q07=2 or RTS\_Q08=2)

*Variable Name:*        **RTS\_Q10**                      *Position:*    29                      *Length:*        1

In the past 3 years, was there ever a time when your household was without land-line telephone service for a month or longer? By this we mean you had no working land-line telephone service coming into your home.

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	1,318	423,640
2	No	34,345	10,968,785
6	Valid skip	3,000	1,166,981
7	Don't know	221	78,754
8	Refusal	65	24,894
9	Not stated	176	74,004
		=====	=====
		39,125	12,737,058

*Coverage:* All respondents except those who do not have land-line phone service (RTS\_Q01 =1 or DK or RF)



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<i>Variable Name:</i>	<b>SDATE</b>	<i>Position:</i>	44	<i>Length:</i> 6
Survey date				
			FREQ	WTD
200612	200612		39,125	12,737,058
			=====	=====
			39,125	12,737,058

Coverage: All respondents

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