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## Survey Introduction (INT)

### INT\_R01

I'm contacting you about the Households and the Environment Survey. The survey will collect information on people's activities that relate to the condition of our air, water and soils.

### INT\_R02

Your answers are collected under the authority of the Statistics Act and will be kept strictly confidential and used only for statistical purposes. While participation is voluntary, your cooperation is essential to ensure the information collected in this survey is as accurate and as comprehensive as possible.

Please answer the questions thinking about your current primary residence and everyone in your household when answering.

## Dwelling Type (DW)

### DW\_Q01

What type of dwelling do you live in? Is it a ...

01: single detached?

02: double?

03: row or terrace?

04: duplex?

05: low-rise apartment of fewer than 5 stories or a flat?

06: high-rise apartment of 5 stories or more?

07: institution?

08: hotel; rooming/lodging house; camp?

09: mobile home?

10: Other - Specify

## Education (ED)

### ED\_Q01

What is the highest grade of elementary or high school you ever completed?

- 1: Grade 8 or lower (Québec: Secondary II or lower)
- 2: Grade 9 - 10 (Québec: Secondary III or IV,  
Newfoundland and Labrador: 1st year of secondary)
- 3: Grade 11 - 13 (Québec: Secondary V,  
Newfoundland and Labrador: 2nd to 4th year of secondary)
- 4: Don't know, refusal

#### **ED\_Q02**

Did you graduate from high school (secondary school)?

- 1: Yes
- 2: No
- 3: Don't know, refusal

#### **ED\_Q03**

Have you received any other education that could be counted towards a degree, certificate or diploma from an educational institution?

- 1: Yes
- 2: No
- 3: Don't know, refusal

#### **ED\_Q04**

What is the highest degree, certificate or diploma you have obtained?

- 1: No post-secondary degree, certificate or diploma
- 2: Trade certificate or diploma from a vocational school or apprenticeship training
- 3: Non-university certificate or diploma from a community college, CEGEP, school of nursing, etc.
- 4: University certificate below bachelor's level
- 5: Bachelor's degree
- 6: University degree or certificate above bachelor's degree
- 7: Don't know, refusal

### **Dwelling Characteristics (DC)**

**DC\_R01**

The first set of questions is about the dwelling in which you currently reside.

**DC\_Q01A**

In what year was this dwelling originally built?

**DC\_Q01B**

Was it built...?

01: Before 1946

02: Between 1946 and 1960

03: Between 1961 and 1977

04: Between 1978 and 1983

05: Between 1984 and 1995

06: Between 1996 and 2000

07: Between 2001 and 2009

08: In 2010 or later

09: Don't know, refusal

**DC\_Q02**

Are you the owner of this dwelling/Is the dwelling owned by a member of this household?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**DC\_Q03**

Is the dwelling part of a condominium?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**DC\_Q04**

Is the condominium corporation/the landlord or property manager responsible for paying any of the energy bills for the dwelling?

- 01: Yes
- 02: No
- 03: Don't know, refusal

**DC\_Q05**

How long have you/has your household lived in this dwelling?

**Energy Use and Home Heating (EH)****EH\_R01**

The next questions are about the use of energy in your dwelling.

**EH\_Q01**

What is your dwelling's main type of heating equipment? Is it...?

- 01: A forced air furnace (hot air vents)
- 02: Electric baseboards
- 03: A heating stove
- 04: A boiler with hot water or steam radiators
- 05: Electric radiant heating
- 06: A heat pump
- 07: Other - Specify
- 08: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q02**

What source of energy does your forced air furnace/heating stove/boiler with hot water or steam radiators use?

- 01: Electricity
- 02: Natural gas
- 03: Heating oil
- 04: Wood or wood pellets
- 05: Propane
- 06: Other - Specify
- 07: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q03**

Do you/Does your household use any alternative energy sources in your dwelling (besides electricity, natural gas, heating oil, propane, wood or wood pellets)?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q04**

Which one(s)?

01: Geothermal

02: Solar panels used to heat water

03: Solar panels used to generate electricity (photovoltaic)

04: Wind power

05: Biofuels (for example, biodiesel)

06: Other - Specify

07: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q05**

Does your dwelling have an air conditioner?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q06**

Is it...?

01: A central air system

02: A stand alone unit in a window or elsewhere

03: Other - Specify

04: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q07**

Do you have a thermostat?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q08**

Does your dwelling have more than one thermostat?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q09**

Is it/Is your main thermostat programmable? That is, it can be set to automatically change the temperature according to the time of day.

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q10**

Is it programmed?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q11**

During the winter season, at what temperature is the dwelling usually kept: ...when you are there and awake?

**EH\_Q12**

(During the winter season, at what temperature is the dwelling usually kept:) ...when you are asleep?

**EH\_Q12A**

Is it...?

01: Higher

02: Lower

03: Same

04: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q13**

When using your air conditioner during the summer season, at what temperature is the dwelling usually kept: ...when you are there and awake?

**EH\_Q14**

(When using your air conditioner during the summer season, at what temperature is the dwelling usually kept:) ...when you are asleep?

**EH\_Q14A**

Is it...?

01: Higher

02: Lower

03: Same

04: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q15**

(When using your air conditioner during the summer season, at what temperature is the dwelling usually kept:) ...when you are not at home?

**EH\_Q16**

Do you have any of the following types of energy saving lights?

01: Compact fluorescent lights (for example corkscrew or spiral)

02: Fluorescent tubes

03: Halogen lights

04: LED holiday lights

05: Other types of LED lights

06: None of the above - Household does not have any energy saving lights

07: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q18**

Has an energy audit ever been conducted for your dwelling?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal



**EH\_Q19**

Was it conducted in the last 10 years?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q20**

Were any changes made to the dwelling as a result of the audit?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**EH\_Q21**

Was a government grant received as part of a home energy retrofit program?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**Water (WA)****WA\_R01**

The next set of questions is about the use of water in your dwelling.

**WA\_Q01**

What is your dwelling's main source of water? Is it...?

01: Water supplied by your city, town or municipality

02: Water from a private well

03: Water from a surface source such as a spring, lake, river, or dugout

04: Other - Specify

05: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q02**

During the past 12 months, what type of water did you/your household primarily use for drinking at home? Was it...?

01: Tap water

02: Bottled water including purchased water in a water cooler, tank or other dispenser

03: Both

04: Other - Specify

05: Don't know, refusal

#### **WA\_Q03**

(During the past 12 months,) did you/your household occasionally use bottled water/tap water/tap or bottled water for drinking at home?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

#### **WA\_Q04**

During the past 12 months, did you do any of the following to the main water source?  
Did you...?

01: Use a filter or purifier on the main water supply pipe

02: Use a filter or purifier on the taps, including built-in water dispensers in your refrigerator

03: Use a jug filter (for example a Brita system)

04: Boil water (in order to make it safe for drinking)

05: Do nothing

06: Don't know, refusal

#### **WA\_Q04A**

In the past 12 months, were you informed of a boil water advisory?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

#### **WA\_Q04B**

What did you do? Did you...?

01: Boil your water

02: Use bottled water instead of tap water

- 03: Filter your water before drinking it
- 04: Treat your water with chlorine or water purification tablets
- 05: Other - Specify
- 06: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q05**

What type of filter or purifier was used on the main water supply pipe? Was it...?

- 01: An activated charcoal or carbon filter
- 02: A ceramic filter
- 03: A reverse osmosis system
- 04: An ultraviolet light system
- 05: A distilled water system
- 06: Other - Specify
- 07: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q07**

Other than due to a boil water advisory, why/Why did you treat the main water source? Was it...?

- 01: To improve the appearance, taste or odour
- 02: To remove water treatment chemicals such as chlorine
- 03: To soften the water
- 04: To remove metals or minerals other than for hard water problems
- 05: To remove possible bacterial contamination
- 06: Only treated because of the boil water advisory
- 07: The treatment device was already installed/pre-existing
- 08: Other - Specify
- 09: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q08**

In the past 12 months, did you have your water tested by a laboratory?

- 01: Yes
- 02: No
- 03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q09**

Were any problems found?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q10**

Is your dwelling connected to...?

01: The sewer system of your city, town or municipality

02: A private septic system, including holding tanks

03: A communal septic system

04: Other

05: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q10A**

When was the last time your septic tank or system was pumped, maintained or inspected? Was it ...

01: within the last year?

02: 1 year to less than 3 years ago?

03: 3 years to less than 5 years ago?

04: 5 or more years ago?

05: never?

06: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q10B**

Were there any problems found the last time your septic system was pumped, maintained or inspected?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q11**

Do you have: ...a meter to measure your water use?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q12**

(Do you have:) ...a water saving, low flow showerhead?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q13**

(Do you have:) ...a low volume toilet or a toilet tank with the water volume modified for example with a bottle or a brick?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q14**

Do you have a lawn or an area with grass?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q15**

Last summer, did you/anyone in your household water your lawn? Please include automatic sprinkler and irrigation systems.

01: Yes

02: No

03: Not applicable (no lawn last summer)

04: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q19**

How was your lawn usually watered? Was it...?

01: By hand using a watering can or a hose (include soaker hoses)

02: With a sprinkler or sprinkler system

03: Other

04: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q20A**

Was the stand-alone sprinkler connected to a timer?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q20B**

Was the sprinkler system connected to a timer?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q20C**

How old is the sprinkler system?

**WA\_Q21**

Do you have a garden or areas with trees, shrubs, flowers or vegetables outside?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q22**

Last summer, did you/anyone in your household water these areas?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Not applicable (no garden last summer)

04: Don't know, refusal

**WA\_Q24**

How were these areas usually watered? Was it...?

01: By hand using a watering can or a hose (include soaker hoses)

02: With a sprinkler or sprinkler system

03: Other

04: Don't know, refusal

#### **WA\_Q25**

Was the sprinkler or sprinkler system connected to a timer?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

#### **WA\_Q26**

Do you have a barrel or cistern to collect rain water?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **Fertilizer and Pesticide Use (FP)**

#### **FP\_Q01**

In the last 12 months, were any chemical fertilizers applied to your lawn/garden/lawn or garden?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

#### **FP\_Q02**

(In the past 12 months,) were any organic or natural fertilizers applied to your lawn/garden/lawn or garden?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

#### **FP\_Q03**

Who applied the fertilizers (to your lawn/garden/lawn or garden in the past 12 months)? Was it...?

01: Someone in your household

02: A lawn care or maintenance company

03: Someone else (for example neighbour, family, friend)

04: Don't know, refusal

#### **FP\_Q04**

In the past 12 months, were any chemical pesticides such as weed killers (herbicides), bug killers (insecticides), or fungicides applied to your lawn/garden/lawn or garden?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

#### **FP\_Q05**

What types of chemical pesticides were applied (to your lawn/garden/lawn or garden)? Was it...?

01: Weed killer (Herbicide)

02: Bug killer (Insecticide)

03: Fungicide

04: Don't know, refusal

#### **FP\_Q06**

(In the past 12 months,) were any organic or natural pesticides applied (to your lawn/garden/lawn or garden)?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **Recreational Vehicles and Outdoor Equipment (GP)**

#### **GP\_Q01**

Have you/Has anyone in your household owned any of the following recreational



vehicles in the last 12 months?

01: All-terrain vehicle (ATV)

02: Snowmobile

03: Dirt bike or motocross motorcycle

04: Personal watercraft (for example a Sea-Doo or Jet Ski)

05: Motorboat (with an inboard or outboard motor)

06: Household does not own any recreational vehicles

07: Don't know, refusal

### **GP\_Q02**

In the past 12 months did you/anyone in your household: ...use a lawnmower?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **GP\_Q03**

What type of engine did it have?

01: Gas

02: Electric

03: Manual (push reel)

04: Don't know, refusal

### **GP\_Q04**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/anyone in your household use: ...a grass trimmer?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **GP\_Q05**

What type of engine did it have?

01: Gas

02: Electric

03: Don't know, refusal

**GP\_Q06**

(In the past 12 months did you/anyone in your household use:) ...a leaf blower?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**GP\_Q07**

What type of engine did it have?

01: Gas

02: Electric

03: Don't know, refusal

**GP\_Q08**

In the past 12 months did you/anyone in your household use: ...a chain saw (at home)?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**GP\_Q09**

What type of engine did it have?

01: Gas

02: Electric

03: Don't know, refusal

**GP\_Q10**

(In the past 12 months did you/anyone in your household use:) ...a snow blower?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**GP\_Q11**

What type of engine did it have?

- 01: Gas
- 02: Electric
- 03: Don't know, refusal

## Indoor Environment (IE)

### IE\_R01

The following questions are about indoor air quality.

### IE\_Q01

During the past 12 months, which of the following products were used to clean your windows?

- 01: Commercial chemical cleaner (for example, Windex, Mr. Clean, Bon Ami)
- 02: Other cleaners (for example vinegar, water, "green" or biodegradable cleaners)
- 03: Did not use cleaners, did not clean or did not have windows during past 12 months
- 04: Don't know, refusal

### IE\_Q02

(In the past 12 months,) were any of the following chemical products used within your dwelling?

- 01: Oven cleaners and degreasers
- 02: Solvents (for example paint thinner)
- 03: Nail polish remover or makeup remover
- 04: Indoor pesticides or insecticides (for example Raid, Ant-B-Gone)
- 05: Air fresheners (for example potpourri, solid or spray air fresheners, essential oil dispensers or incense)
- 06: Perfumes or aftershaves
- 07: None of the above
- 08: Don't know, refusal

### IE\_Q03

(In the past 12 months,) have you noticed any condensation on the inside surfaces of your windows other than moisture from showers or cooking?

- 01: Yes

02: No

03: Dwelling does not have windows

04: Don't know, refusal

**IE\_Q04**

(In the past 12 months,) have you noticed any mould or mildew in your dwelling?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**IE\_Q05**

During the past 12 months, how often has the filter in your furnace been changed or cleaned?

01: Every three months or more frequently

02: Every six months

03: Once in the past year

04: Did not change or clean filter in the past year

05: Don't know, refusal

**IE\_Q06**

(During the past 12 months,) how would you rate the quality of the air inside your dwelling? Is it...?

01: Excellent

02: Very good

03: Good

04: Fair

05: Poor

06: Don't know, refusal

**IE\_Q07**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/did anyone in your household have health problems that may have been caused by the quality of the air in your dwelling?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**IE\_Q08**

What measures do you/does your household take to improve the quality of the air in your dwelling? Do you...?

01: Open windows more often to increase air circulation

02: Turn on a floor or ceiling fan to increase air circulation

03: Use an air conditioner more frequently

04: Use a dehumidifier

05: Use a humidifier

06: Use an air cleaning system (excluding ionizing systems)

07: Use higher quality filters in the furnace

08: Use the furnace fan or a heat recovery ventilation (HRV) system to increase air circulation

09: Use air fresheners (for example potpourri, solid or spray air fresheners, essential oil dispensers or incense) to improve air quality

10: Other - Specify

11: None of the above

12: Don't know, refusal

**IE\_Q09**

During the winter season, how often do you open a window to allow fresh air into your dwelling?

01: Every day

02: At least once a week

03: A few times during the season

04: Never

05: Don't know, refusal

**IE\_Q10**

During the summer season, (how often do you open a window to allow fresh air into your dwelling?)

01: Every day

02: At least once a week

03: A few times during the season

04: Never

05: Don't know, refusal

### **IE\_Q11**

Have you ever heard of radon?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **IE\_Q12A**

There are many substances that have similar characteristics to radon. I'm going to read four descriptions. Please tell me which one you feel best describes radon.

Radon is...

1: A gas that comes from natural gas in furnaces and water heaters

2: A gas that comes from the ground and causes lung cancer

2: A gas that comes from carpets, furniture and paints

4: A gas found in air conditioners and refrigerators

5: Don't know, refusal

### **IE\_Q13**

Do you consider radon to be a health hazard?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **IE\_Q14**

Has your dwelling ever been tested for radon?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **IE\_Q15**

Was it tested in the last 10 years?

- 01: Yes
- 02: No
- 03: Don't know, refusal

## Composting (CP)

### CP\_R01

The next questions are about composting.

### CP\_Q01

During the last 12 months, did you/your household separate any kitchen waste from the rest of your garbage and put it out for compost collection, take it to a depot or put it in a compost bin or pile?

- 01: Yes
- 02: No
- 03: Don't know, refusal

### CP\_Q02

How was your kitchen waste composted? Was it...?

- 01: Collected by your city or private company
- 02: Taken to a depot
- 03: Put in a compost bin, pile or garden
- 04: Other
- 05: Don't know, refusal

### CP\_Q05

In the past 12 months, did you/your household separate any yard waste such as leaves, plants, or grass clippings from the rest of your garbage and put it out for collection, take it to a depot or put it in a compost bin or pile?

- 01: Yes
- 02: No
- 03: Don't know, refusal

### CP\_Q06

How was your yard waste composted? Was it...?

01: Collected by your city or private company

02: Taken to a depot

03: Put in a compost bin, pile or garden

04: Other

05: Don't know, refusal

### **CP\_Q07**

Do you/Does your household have access to a municipal composting or organics collection program for kitchen/yard/kitchen and yard waste?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

## **Air Quality (AQ)**

### **AQ\_Q04**

In the past 12 months, did you/did anyone in your household burn yard waste on your property?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **AQ\_Q05**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/did anyone in your household burn household waste on your property?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

## **Hazardous Waste (HW)**

### **HW\_R01**

The next set of questions is about the disposal of hazardous products.

### **HW\_Q01**



In the past 12 months, did you/anyone have: ...any leftover or expired medication to dispose of?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**HW\_Q02**

What did you do with them? Did you...?

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

03: Return them to a supplier/retailer including a pharmacy or doctor

04: Pour them down the drain, sewer, ground, toilet or sink

05: Still have them

06: Other

07: Don't know, refusal

**HW\_Q02A**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/anyone have: ... any medical sharps (to dispose of)?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**HW\_Q02B**

(What did you do with them?) Did you...?

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Use a medical sharps disposal program

03: Return them to a pharmacy or doctor

04: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

05: Still have them

06: Other

07: Don't know, refusal

**HW\_Q03**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/anyone have: ...any leftover paint or solvents (to

dispose of?)

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

#### **HW\_Q04**

(What did you do with them?) Did you...?

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

03: Return them to a supplier/retailer

04: Still have them

05: Other

06: Don't know, refusal

#### **HW\_Q05**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/anyone have: ...any unwanted engine oil or anti-freeze (to dispose of?)

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

#### **HW\_Q06**

(What did you do with them?) Did you...?

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

03: Return them to a supplier/retailer

04: Still have them

05: Other

06: Don't know, refusal

#### **HW\_Q09**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/anyone have: ...any dead or unwanted batteries, excluding car batteries (to dispose of?)

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q10A**

(What did you do with them?) Did you...?

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

03: Return them to a supplier/retailer

04: Still have them

05: Other

06: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q10B**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/anyone have: ... any leftover pesticides (to dispose of?)

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q10C**

(What did you do with them?) Did you...?

1: Put them in the garbage

2: Take or send them to a depot or drop off center

3: Donate or give them away

4: Still have them

5: Other

6: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q11**

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone have any of the following unwanted electronic products to dispose of?

01: Computers

02: Printers or fax machines

03: Televisions or computer displays

04: Audio-video equipment (include DVD players, VCRs, speakers, portable digital music players)

05: Cellular phones

06: Electronic gaming equipment

07: None of the above

08: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q12**

What did you do with your computers? Did you...?

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

03: Return them to a supplier/retailer

04: Donate or give them away

05: Repair or sell them

06: Still have them

07: Other

08: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q13**

(What did you do with your) printers or fax machines? (Did you...?)

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

03: Return them to a supplier/retailer

04: Donate or give them away

05: Repair or sell them

06: Still have them

07: Other

08: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q14**

(What did you do with your) televisions or computer displays? (Did you...?)

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

- 03: Return them to a supplier/retailer
- 04: Donate or give them away
- 05: Repair or sell them
- 06: Still have them
- 07: Other
- 08: Don't know, refusal

**HW\_Q15**

(What did you do with your) audio-video equipment? (Did you...?)

- 01: Put them in the garbage
- 02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre
- 03: Return them to a supplier/retailer
- 04: Donate or give them away
- 05: Repair or sell them
- 06: Still have them
- 07: Other
- 08: Don't know, refusal

**HW\_Q16**

(What did you do with your) cellular phones? (Did you...?)

- 01: Put them in the garbage
- 02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre
- 03: Return them to a supplier/retailer
- 04: Donate or give them away
- 05: Repair or sell them
- 06: Still have them
- 07: Other
- 08: Don't know, refusal

**HW\_Q17**

(What did you do with your unwanted) electronic gaming equipment? (Did you...?)

- 01: Put them in the garbage
- 02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

03: Return them to a supplier/retailer

04: Donate or give them away

05: Repair or sell them

06: Still have them

07: Other

08: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q18**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/anyone have any dead or unwanted compact fluorescent light bulbs (to dispose of?)

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q19**

(What did you do with them?) Did you...?

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

03: Return them to a supplier/retailer

04: Still have them

05: Other

06: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q20**

(In the past 12 months,) did you/anyone have any dead or unwanted fluorescent tubes (to dispose of?)

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### **HW\_Q21**

(What did you do with them?) Did you...?

01: Put them in the garbage

02: Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre

03: Return them to a supplier/retailer

04: Still have them

05: Other

06: Don't know, refusal

## Importance of Nature (NN)

### NN\_R01

The next set of questions is about the importance of nature.

### NN\_Q01

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone in your household grow vegetables, herbs, fruits or flowers for personal use?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### NN\_Q02

Where were they grown?

01: Outside in the yard

02: On a balcony

03: In a community garden or allotment garden

04: Indoors

05: In a rooftop garden

06: Somewhere else

07: Don't know, refusal

### NN\_Q03

Are there any bushes or hedges on your property?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

### NN\_Q04

Are there any trees on your property?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q05**

In the past 5 years, have there been any trees planted on your property?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q06**

In the past 5 years, have there been any trees cut down on your property?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q07**

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone in your household make any purchases to feed or shelter birds on your property?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q07A**

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone in your household make any purchases to watch birds, such as binoculars, bird books, or travel for bird watching trips?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q08A**

In the past 12 months, did you/your household participate in outdoor activities close to your home?



01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q08B**

What type of outdoor activities did you/your household participate in (close to your home)?

**NN\_Q09**

Are there any parks or public greenspaces close to your home?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q10**

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone in your household visit these parks or public greenspaces?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q11**

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone in your household visit any other parks/parks or public greenspaces that were not close to your home?/?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q12**

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone in your household engage, without pay, in activities aimed at conservation or protection of the environment or wildlife?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q13**

Were any of these activities done on behalf of a group or an organization?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q14**

Were any of these activities done independently, that is, not on behalf of a group or an organization?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q15**

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone in your household, without pay, in cleaning up shorelines, beaches, rivers, lakes or roadsides?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q16**

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone in your household participate, without pay, in monitoring or assessing wild species or natural habitats to assist with nature conservation?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

**NN\_Q17**

In the past 12 months, did you/anyone in your household participate, without pay, in teaching about nature?

01: Yes

02: No

03: Don't know, refusal

## Purchasing Decisions (PD)

### PD\_R01

The next few questions are about purchasing decisions.

### PD\_Q03

When they are available (or in season), how often do you/does your household purchase foods advertised as being locally grown or produced?

01: Always

02: Often

03: Sometimes

04: Rarely

05: Never

06: Don't know, refusal

### PD\_Q04

In the past 12 months, how often did you/did your household purchase environmentally friendly or "green" cleaning products?

01: Always

02: Often

03: Sometimes

04: Rarely

05: Never

06: Don't know, refusal

### PD\_Q05

(In the past 12 months,) how often did you use your/your household use your own bags or containers to carry your groceries?

01: Always

02: Often

03: Sometimes

04: Rarely

05: Never

06: Don't know, refusal

## Total Household Income (THI)

### THI\_Q01

What is your best estimate of your total household income received by all household members, from all sources, before taxes and deductions, during the year ending December 31, 20XX?

### THI\_Q02

Can you estimate in which of the following groups your household income falls? Was the total household income during the year ending December 31, 20XX... ?

01: Less than \$50,000, including income loss

02: \$50,000 and more

03: Don't know, refusal

### THI\_Q03

Please stop me when I have read the category which applies to your household. Was it... ?

01: Less than \$5,000

02: \$5,000 to less than \$10,000

03: \$10,000 to less than \$15,000

04: \$15,000 to less than \$20,000

05: \$20,000 to less than \$30,000

06: \$30,000 to less than \$40,000

07: \$40,000 to less than \$50,000

08: Don't know, refusal

### THI\_Q04

Please stop me when I have read the category which applies to your household. Was it... ?

01: \$50,000 to less than \$60,000

02: \$60,000 to less than \$70,000

03: \$70,000 to less than \$80,000

04: \$80,000 to less than \$90,000

05: \$90,000 to less than \$100,000

06: \$100,000 to less than \$150,000

07: \$150,000 and over

08: Don't know, refusal

## Permission to Share (PS)

### PS\_R01

To avoid duplication, Statistics Canada has entered into an agreement with Environment Canada and Natural Resources Canada to share the information that you provided on this survey. These organizations have agreed to keep your information confidential and use it only for statistical purposes.

### PS\_Q02

Do you agree to share the information with Environment Canada and Natural Resources Canada?

1: Yes

2: No

3: Don't know, refusal

## Statement of linkage (CSL)

### CSL\_R01

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