Households and the Environment Survey, 2013 (HES)

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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
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?
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?
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?
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
3: 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?
The next questions are about composting.

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

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

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

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

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**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

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**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
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
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<td>Televisions or computer displays</td>
<td>Put them in the garbage, Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre, Return them to a supplier/retailer, Donate or give them away, Repair or sell them, Still have them, Other, Don't know, refusal</td>
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<td>Audio-video equipment (include DVD players, VCRs, speakers, portable digital music players)</td>
<td>Put them in the garbage, Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre, Return them to a supplier/retailer, Donate or give them away, Repair or sell them, Still have them, Other, Don't know, refusal</td>
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<td>Cellular phones</td>
<td>Put them in the garbage, Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre, Return them to a supplier/retailer, Donate or give them away, Repair or sell them, Still have them, Other, Don't know, refusal</td>
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<td>Electronic gaming equipment</td>
<td>Put them in the garbage, Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre, Return them to a supplier/retailer, Donate or give them away, Repair or sell them, Still have them, Other, Don't know, refusal</td>
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<td>07</td>
<td>None of the above</td>
<td>Put them in the garbage, Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre, Return them to a supplier/retailer, Donate or give them away, Repair or sell them, Still have them, Other, Don't know, refusal</td>
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<td>Don't know, refusal</td>
<td>Put them in the garbage, Take or send them to a depot or drop off centre, Return them to a supplier/retailer, Donate or give them away, Repair or sell them, Still have them, Other, Don't know, refusal</td>
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**HW_Q12**

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

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<td>02</td>
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**HW_Q13**

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

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**HW_Q14**

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

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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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