

## RECREATIONAL FISHING QUESTIONNAIRE- 1999

Training Version - Southeast Economic Add-On Questions  
to Random Telephone Survey  
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Asked at the beginning of each trip loop for the first non-refusing person in the household. Section 1 questions will be asked for the first day of fishing discussed by the angler regardless of in-state or out-of-state trip (provided state of residence and state of trip completion can be determined). They shall be asked after the trip loop questions in the base MRFSS survey for one mode (see following priority list) of fishing on the first day discussed, based on the following mode priority: (1) party/charter; (2) private/rental boat; and (3) shore. If state of trip is not known, these questions will not be asked.

**Please note: The above mirrors the Northeast survey.**

### Section 1

#### Begin Trip Loop

1. For all respondents in the Southeast:  
Are you at least 16 years of age?
  - ▶ If no, , continue with trip loop questions but do NOT ask target species question
  - ▶ If yes, ask: What species were you fishing for on this trip?
    - ▶ The species list currently in the intercept telephone follow-up survey will be programmed. A list of species, in alphabetical order, will be displayed. Be sure to record the species name that the respondent lists. If the respondent says any species name which is shown with ALL CAPS, a follow question will be asked where you can record the specific species name.
    - ▶ "Nothing" or "anything" are acceptable responses; they are listed at the beginning of the response list.
    - ▶ You can enter 1 species name on the first screen. If respondent lists 2 species, enter the 2nd species name on the 2nd screen. DO NOT prompt for 2 species. Only enter two species if the respondent names two; otherwise, just enter 1.

End Trip Loop

### Section 2

FOR RESPONDENTS IN THE SOUTHEAST, ASK THE FOLLOWING SECTION IF: (1) respondent age is at least 16, (2) it's a fishing household and (3) you're speaking with the first fisherman in the household, and (5) the trip is in a coastal state. The questions refer to the first trip which was profiled.

2. For the next set of questions, please think back to the first fishing trip you told me about, which was {restore month and

day}. Was that day of fishing part of a longer trip in which you spent at least one night away from your residence?

- ▶ if Yes - record response
- ▶ if No - skips to expenses personally spent for food, drink, etc.

3. How many nights were you away from your residence on that trip? {restore month and day}.

- ▶ If 1 or more nights, ask:
  - How many days of that trip were spent fishing?
  - Did you make that trip primarily to go fishing?

4. Now I would like to ask you about expenses made on consumable items during your trip. We're interested in expenditures for the whole trip. Thus, for those on overnight trips, please provide total expenditures for the entire trip **C** not just those that apply to the time spent fishing. How many people, including yourself, contributed to the expenses for the trip?

5. On your most recent fishing trip how much did you individually spend for food, drink and refreshments?

- ▶ If DK, ask: Do you know how much the group spent for food, drink and refreshments on the trip?

6. (Ask only if ~~Q3=0~~ Q2 is no, DK or Ref) On your most recent fishing trip how much did you personally spend for lodging at motels, cabins, lodges, or campgrounds?

- ▶ If DK, ask: Do you know how much the group spent for lodging at motels, cabins, lodges or campgrounds?

If trip is in the shore mode, go to question 9.

7. On your most recent fishing trip how much did you personally spend for boat fuel?

- ▶ If DK, ask: Do you know how much the group spent for boat fuel?

8. On your most recent fishing trip how much did you personally spend for access and/or boat launching fees?

- ▶ If DK, ask: Do you know how much the group spent for access and/or boat launching fees?

9. On your most recent fishing trip how much did you personally spend for equipment rental (boat, fishing or camping equipment)?

- ▶ If DK, ask: Do you know how much the group spent for equipment rental (boat, fishing or camping equipment)?

10. Were all these expenditures made in {restore state of trip}?
- ▶ If No, ask: Approximately what proportion of these expenditures were made in {restore state of trip}?
- [INTERVIEWER: Obtain the percent of expenditures made in {restore state of residence}].

The recall period of the base MRFSS telephone survey will be inserted in each question below as indicated by [autoinsert MONTHS].

11. Now, I would like to ask you about fishing equipment you purchased during the months of [autoinsert MONTHS]. To the nearest dollar, what is the value of the following items that you bought during [autoinsert MONTHS].} Rods, poles, reels, and lines?
12. Tackle and gear (lures, hooks, leaders, sinkers, flies, and fly-tying supplies/tackle boxes, landing nets, bait containers, minnow seines, knives)?

If the sum of Q11 and Q12 is 0, go to Q14.

13. Were all of your expenditures for these items made in {restore state of trip}?
- ▶ if No, ask: What proportion of your expenditures for these items were made in {restore state of trip}?
14. Now, I would like to ask about your expenses for several items that you may have purchased during the months of [autoinsert MONTHS] that are **primarily** used for saltwater recreational fishing. How much did you spend on Special fishing clothing (like foul weather gear, boots, waders)?
15. Magazines subscriptions devoted to recreational fishing?
16. Saltwater Fishing licenses and fees?
17. Dues or contributions to National, state or local recreational fishing clubs or organizations?

If the sum of questions 14 through 17 is 0, go to Q19.

18. Were all your expenditures on these items made in {restore state of residence}?
- ▶ if No, ask: What proportion of these expenditures were made in {restore state of residence}?
19. Lastly, I would like to ask about purchases that you may have made during the past 12-months for new boats and other durable

equipment that you use **primarily** for saltwater recreational fishing. How much did you spend on A new motor boat, or purchase of motor boat accessories, including hull, motor and accessories?

20. Depth/fish finder or other electronic fishing devices?
21. Canoe or other non-motor boat?
22. Vehicles used primarily for saltwater recreational fishing (like a pickup, camper, RV, motor home, boat trailer/hitch)?

If the sum of questions 19 through 22 is 0, end survey.

23. Were all your expenditures for these items made in {restore state of residence}
  - ▶ If No, ask: What proportion of these expenditures were made in {restore state of residence}?