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FORM **LGT-261**  
(7-1-73)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC STATISTICS  
ADMINISTRATION  
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

**NATIONAL LONGITUDINAL SURVEYS  
SURVEY OF WORK EXPERIENCE  
OF YOUNG MEN  
1973**

(001) 1 ☐ Respondent a noninterview in 1971 – Go to question A on Information Sheet – page 9

**METHODS OF LOCATING RESPONDENT WHO HAS MOVED**

**RECORD OF CALLS**

Successful		Unsuccessful			Date	Time	Comments
(002)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	New occupants			a.m.	
(003)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	Neighbors	1.		p.m.	
(004)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	Apartment house manager			a.m.	
(005)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	Post office	2.		p.m.	
(006)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	School			a.m.	
(007)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	Persons listed on information sheet	3.		p.m.	
(008)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	Other – Specify <u>7</u>			a.m.	
				4.		p.m.	

**RECORD OF INTERVIEW**

Date completed Month   Day   Year			Length of interview (minutes)	Method of interview <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> Personal visit	Interviewed by
(009)			(010)		

**NONINTERVIEW REASON**

(011) ☐ Unable to contact respondent – Specify \_\_\_\_\_

6 ☐ Temporarily absent – Give return date \_\_\_\_\_

7 ☐ Armed Forces \_\_\_\_\_

8 ☐ Institutionalized – Specify type \_\_\_\_\_

9 ☐ Refused \_\_\_\_\_

10 ☐ Deceased \_\_\_\_\_

11 ☐ Other – Specify \_\_\_\_\_

(012) State/county	If respondent has moved, enter new address			
(013) PSU				
(014) SMSA				
(015)	2. City	3. County	4. State	5. ZIP code

<p><b>1. Are you attending or enrolled in regular school?</b></p> <p>(016) 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes – ASK 2a</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> No – SKIP to 4a</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;"><b>CHECK ITEM A</b></div> <p>(Refer to 27R on Information Sheet)</p> <p>(023) 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Respondent not enrolled in school in 1971 – ASK 3</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Respondent enrolled in school in 1971 – SKIP to Check Item B</p>
<p><b>2a. What grade are you attending?</b></p> <p>(017) 1 <input type="checkbox"/> High school 1 2 3 4 – SKIP to 2e</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> College 1 2 3 4 5 6+ – ASK 2b</p>	<p><b>3. When we last talked with you, you were not enrolled in school. How long had you been out before returning?</b></p> <p>(024) _____ Years – SKIP to Check Item B</p>
<p><b>b. Do you have a scholarship, fellowship, assistantship or other type of financial aid this year?</b></p> <p>(018) 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes – ASK 2c</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> No – SKIP to 2e</p>	<p><b>4a. What is the highest grade of school you have completed?</b></p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="margin-right: 10px;"> <p>(025) 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Elementary 1 2 3 4</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">5 6 7 8</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> High school 1 2 3</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> High school 4 – ASK 4b</p> <p>4 <input type="checkbox"/> College 1 2 3 4 5 6+ – SKIP to Check Item B</p> </div> <div style="font-size: 3em; line-height: 1;">}</div> <div style="margin-left: 10px;"> <p>SKIP to 6a</p> </div> </div>
<p><b>c. What kind? (Mark all that apply)</b></p> <p>(019) 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship</p> <p>* 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Assistantship</p> <p>4 <input type="checkbox"/> Loan</p> <p>5 <input type="checkbox"/> Other – Specify _____</p>	<p><b>b. Have you ever enrolled as a regular student in a college or a university?</b></p> <p>(026) 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <div style="margin-left: 100px;">} SKIP to 6a</div>
<p><b>d. How much is it per year?</b></p> <p>(020) \$ _____ . <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 5px;">00</span></p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;"><b>CHECK ITEM B</b></div> <p>(Refer to items 1 and 2a or 4a)</p>
<p><b>e. Are you enrolled as a full-time or part-time student?</b></p> <p>(021) 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Full time</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Part time</p>	<p>(027) 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Respondent currently enrolled and attending college 2 or below – SKIP to 7, page 4</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Respondent currently enrolled and attending college 3+ – ASK 5a</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Respondent currently not enrolled and has completed college 2+ – ASK 5a</p> <p>4 <input type="checkbox"/> Respondent currently not enrolled and has completed college 1 – SKIP to 6a</p>
<p>(022) <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 30px; height: 20px; vertical-align: middle;"></span> <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 30px; height: 20px; vertical-align: middle;"></span></p> <p><b>f. What is the name and address of the school you now attend?</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	

5a. Have you received a college degree since October 1971?

(028)

1 ☐ Yes – ASK 5b

2 ☐ No – SKIP to Check Item C

b. What degree was it?

(029)

1 ☐ Associate

2 ☐ Bachelor's (B.A., B.S., A.B.)

3 ☐ Master's (M.A., M.S., M.B.A.)

4 ☐ Doctorate's (PH.D., M.D., LL.B., J.D.)

5 ☐ Other – Specify \_\_\_\_\_

(030)

☐

c. In what field did you receive your degree?

\_\_\_\_\_

CHECK  
ITEM C

(Refer to item 1)

(031)

1 ☐ Respondent currently enrolled in school – SKIP to 7

2 ☐ Respondent not currently enrolled in school – ASK 6a

6a. Since October 1971 have you taken any training courses or educational programs of any kind, either on the job or elsewhere?

(032)

1 ☐ Yes – ASK 6b

2 ☐ No – SKIP to 7

(If more than one, ask about most recent program)

b. Are you still enrolled in this program?

(033)

1 ☐ Yes

2 ☐ No

c. What kind of training or education program did you take?

(034)

1 ☐ Professional, technical

2 ☐ Managerial

3 ☐ Clerical

4 ☐ Skilled manual

5 ☐ Other – Specify \_\_\_\_\_

6d. Where did (are) you take (taking) this training course?

(Specify below and then mark the appropriate box)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(035)

1 ☐ Business college, technical institute

2 ☐ Company training school

3 ☐ Correspondence course

4 ☐ Regular school

5 ☐ Apprenticeship

6 ☐ Armed Forces

7 ☐ Other – Specify \_\_\_\_\_

e. How long did (have) you attend (been attending) this course?

(036)

\_\_\_\_\_ Weeks

f. How many hours per week did (do) you spend on this training?

(037)

\_\_\_\_\_ Hours

Notes

7. What were you doing most of **LAST WEEK** – working, looking for work, or something else?

(038)

- 1 ☐ WK – Working } SKIP to 14a  
2 ☐ J – With a job but not at work }  
3 ☐ LK – Looking for work or on layoff – SKIP to 9  
4 ☐ S – Going to school – ASK 8  
5 ☐ U – Unable to work } SKIP to 9  
6 ☐ OT – Other – Specify → }

8. Even though you were attending school did you do any work, not counting work around the house?

(039)

- 1 ☐ Yes – SKIP to 14a  
2 ☐ No – SKIP to 12

9. Were you employed in October 1971?

(040)

- 1 ☐ Yes – ASK 10  
2 ☐ No – SKIP to 12

10. Did you change employers after October 1971?

(041)

- 1 ☐ Yes  
2 ☐ No

11. Why did you leave the employer for whom you worked in October 1971?

(042)

- Involuntary reason  
01 ☐ Layoff, plant closed, end of temporary job  
02 ☐ Discharge  
Voluntary reason  
03 ☐ Found better job  
04 ☐ Didn't like work, hours, working conditions  
05 ☐ Dissatisfied with wages  
06 ☐ Interpersonal relations  
07 ☐ Health; disability  
08 ☐ Family or personal reasons  
09 ☐ Didn't like location, community  
10 ☐ Return to school  
11 ☐ Other – Explain →

SKIP to 13

12. Between October 1971 and **LAST WEEK** were you ever employed at a full-time or part-time job?

(043)

- 1 ☐ Yes – ASK 13  
2 ☐ No – SKIP to Check Item E

13. I have some questions about the **LAST JOB** you held.

a. For whom did you work?

(Name of company, business, organization or other employer)

(044)

b. What kind of business or industry was this?

(For example: TV and radio manufacturer, retail shoe store, State Labor Department, farm)

c. Were you –

(045)

- 1 ☐ P – An employee of a **PRIVATE** company, business, or individual for wages, salary, or commissions?  
2 ☐ G – A **GOVERNMENT** employee (Federal, State, county, or local)?  
3 ☐ O – Self-employed in your **OWN** business, professional practice, or farm?

(If not a farm)

Is this business incorporated?

4 ☐ Yes      5 ☐ No

6 ☐ WP – Working **WITHOUT PAY** in family business or farm?

(046)

d. What kind of work were you doing?

(For example: electrical engineer, waiter, stock clerk, farmer)

e. What were your most important activities or duties?

(For example: selling cars, operating printing press, finishing concrete, cleaning buildings)

f. When did you start working for (Entry in 13a)?

Month	Day	Year

(047)

SKIP to Check Item E, page 6

14. I have some questions about the job you held **LAST WEEK**. If you had more than one job last week, please answer with reference to the one at which you worked the most hours.

a. For whom did you work?

(Name of company, business, organization or other employer)

048

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b. What kind of business or industry is this?

(For example: TV and radio manufacturer, retail shoe store, State Labor Department, farm)

c. Were you -

049

1 ☐ P - An employee of a **PRIVATE** company, business, or individual for wages, salary, or commissions?

2 ☐ G - A **GOVERNMENT** employee (Federal, State, county, or local)?

3 ☐ O - Self-employed in your **OWN** business, professional practice, or farm?

(If not a farm)

Is this business incorporated?

4 ☐ Yes

5 ☐ No

6 ☐ WP - Working **WITHOUT PAY** in family business or farm?

050

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d. What kind of work were you doing?

(For example: electrical engineer, waiter, stock clerk, farmer)

e. What were your most important activities or duties?

(For example: selling cars, operating printing press, finishing concrete, cleaning buildings)

f. When did you start working for (Entry in 14a)?

051

Month	Day	Year

14g. Altogether, how much do (did) you usually earn at this job before deductions?

052

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_ per: ↗  
(Dollars) (Cents)

053

1 ☐ Hour

OR

054

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ . 

00
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 per: ↗  
(Dollars only)

055

2 ☐ Day

3 ☐ Week

4 ☐ Biweekly

5 ☐ Month

6 ☐ Year

7 ☐ Other - Specify \_\_\_\_\_

h. How many hours per week do (did) you usually work on this job?

056

\_\_\_\_\_ Hours

CHECK  
ITEM D

(Refer to item 14f)

057

1 ☐ Entry in 14f is November 1, 1971 or later - ASK 15

2 ☐ Entry in 14f is October 31, 1971 or earlier - SKIP to 17a

15. Were you employed in October 1971?

058

1 ☐ Yes - ASK 16

2 ☐ No - SKIP to 17a

16. Why did you leave the employer for whom you worked in October 1971?

059

Involuntary reason

01 ☐ Layoff, plant closed, end of temporary job

02 ☐ Discharge

Voluntary reason

03 ☐ Found better job

04 ☐ Didn't like work, hours, working conditions

05 ☐ Dissatisfied with wages

06 ☐ Interpersonal relations

07 ☐ Health; disability

08 ☐ Family or personal reasons

09 ☐ Didn't like location, community

10 ☐ Return to school

11 ☐ Other - Explain ↗

**CHECK  
ITEM E**

(Refer to items 7 and I)

(060) 1 ☐ "Unable to work" in item 7 – SKIP  
to 18

Not "Unable to work" in item 7  
AND –

2 ☐ "Yes" in item I – ASK 17a

3 ☐ "No" in item I – SKIP to 17b

17a. Do you have any health problems that  
limit in any way your activity  
in school?

(061) 1 ☐ Yes  
2 ☐ No

b. Do you have any health problems that  
limit in any way the kind or amount  
of work you can do?

(062) 1 ☐ Yes  
2 ☐ No

18. What is your present height and weight?

\_\_\_\_\_ Height  
(Feet) (Inches)

(063)

(064) \_\_\_\_\_ Weight  
(Pounds)

**CHECK  
ITEM F**

(Refer to item 12, page 4)

(065) 1 ☐ "No" in item 12 – Mark the "None" box  
in 19a and SKIP to 19c  
2 ☐ All others – ASK 19a

19a. In the last twelve months, how many  
different weeks did you work altogether?  
Count any weeks in which you did any  
work at all and weeks in which you were  
on paid vacation or paid sick leave.

(066) \_\_\_\_\_ Weeks – ASK 19b  
00 ☐ None – SKIP to 19c

b. During the weeks that you worked, how many  
hours per week did you usually work?

(067) \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per week

**CHECK  
ITEM G**

(Refer to item 19a)

(068) 1 ☐ 52 weeks in 19a – SKIP to 20  
2 ☐ 1–51 weeks in 19a – ASK 19c

19c. You said you worked (Entry in 19a) weeks in  
the last twelve months.

How many of the remaining (52 minus entry  
in item 19a) weeks were you looking for  
work or on layoff from a job?

(069) \_\_\_\_\_ Weeks  
00 ☐ None

**CHECK  
ITEM H**

(Refer to items 19a and 19c)

(070) 1 ☐ All weeks accounted for  
(19a + 19c = 52 weeks) – SKIP  
to 20

2 ☐ Some weeks not accounted for – ASK  
19d

19d. What was the main reason you were not  
working or looking for work during the  
remaining weeks in the last twelve months?

(071) 1 ☐ Personal, family reasons  
2 ☐ Ill or disabled, unable to work  
3 ☐ Did not want to work  
4 ☐ Going to school  
5 ☐ No suitable jobs available, would  
not have done any good to look  
6 ☐ Labor dispute  
7 ☐ Other – Specify ➤  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

20. What is your present marital status?

(072) 1 ☐ Married  
2 ☐ Widowed  
3 ☐ Divorced  
4 ☐ Separated  
5 ☐ Never married

21. How many persons, not counting yourself  
(or your wife), are dependent upon you for  
at least one-half of their support?

(073) \_\_\_\_\_ Number  
00 ☐ None

## 22. What are the names of all family members who are living in your home?

Line number	Name b.	What is . . . 's relationship to you? Example: wife, son, mother, father-in-law, brother, etc. c.	How old was . . . on October 1, 1973? d.	Ask 22e-22h if person is 14 years old and over				h.
				e. Was . . . enrolled in a college or university at any time in the last twelve months? Circle 1 - Yes 2 - No	f. How many weeks did . . . work full time or part time in the last twelve months (NOT counting work around the house)? Number of weeks	g. In the weeks that . . . worked, how many hours did . . . usually work per week? Hours per week	h. What kind of work was . . . doing in the last 12 months, ask 22g and 22h. If more than one record the longest.	
1		Respondent (074)		(075) 1 2				
2		(076)		(077) 1 2	(078)	(079)	(080)	
3		(081)		(082) 1 2	(083)	(084)	(085)	
4		(086)		(087) 1 2	(088)	(089)	(090)	
5		(091)		(092) 1 2	(093)	(094)	(095)	
6		(096)		(097) 1 2	(098)	(099)	(100)	
7		(101)		(102) 1 2	(103)	(104)	(105)	
8		(106)		(107) 1 2	(108)	(109)	(110)	
9		(111)		(112) 1 2	(113)	(114)	(115)	
10		(116)		(117) 1 2	(118)	(119)	(120)	
11		(121)		(122) 1 2	(123)	(124)	(125)	
12		(126)		(127) 1 2	(128)	(129)	(130)	
13		(131)		(132) 1 2	(133)	(134)	(135)	
14		(136)		(137) 1 2	(138)	(139)	(140)	
15		(141)		(142) 1 2	(143)	(144)	(145)	

23a. Now I would like to ask a few questions about your income in the last twelve months.

How much did you receive from wages, salary, commissions, or tips from all jobs, before deductions for taxes or anything else?

(146) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ . 00

o ☐ None

b. During the last twelve months did you receive any income from —

Working on your own or in your own business, professional practice, partnership or farm?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ less \$ \_\_\_\_\_ =  
(Gross income) (Expenses)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Net income)

☐ Yes — How much?

(147) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ . 00

o ☐ No

c. Did you receive any unemployment compensation?

☐ Yes ☒

(1) How many weeks did you receive it?

(148) \_\_\_\_\_ Weeks

(2) How much did you receive during the past 12 months?

(149) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ . 00

o ☐ No

23d. Did you receive any other income such as rent, interest, dividends, or disability income, etc.?

☐ Yes ☒

(1) What types of income did you receive?

(150) \_\_\_\_\_

(151) \_\_\_\_\_

(152) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) How much did you receive during the past 12 months?

(153) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ . 00

o ☐ No

24. What was the total income of your family during the last 12 months? Include only income received by you and all family members living with you.

(154) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ . 00

**CHECK  
ITEM I**

(Refer to Household Record Card)

- (155) 1 ☐ Respondent is 30 years old or older — SKIP to 26  
2 ☐ Respondent is less than 30 years old — ASK 25

(156) ☐ ☐ ☐

25. Now I would like to know about your future job plans. What kind of work would you like to be doing when you are 30 years old?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

26. When we last interviewed you, you mentioned (read names from back of Record Card) as persons who will always know where you can be reached even if you moved away. Is this still true?

(If so verify the addresses and telephone numbers. If not, cross off incorrect information and enter information about other persons who will know the respondent's whereabouts.)



## INFORMATION SHEET

## 27R. School enrollment status 1971

☐ Not enrolled at time of 1971 survey  
and highest grade of regular school  
completed by time of 1971 survey was –

- (157) 1 ☐ Elementary | 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
2 ☐ High school | 2 3 4  
3 ☐ College | 2 3 4 5 6 7+  
4 ☐ None

☐ Enrolled and attending at time of  
1971 survey –

- (158) 5 ☐ Elementary | 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
6 ☐ High school | 2 3 4  
7 ☐ College | 2 3 4 5 6 7+

## 28R. Interview status in 1971.

- (159) 1 ☐ Noninterview 1971 – Armed Forces  
2 ☐ Noninterview 1971 – All other reasons  
3 ☐ Interviewed in 1971

TO BE FILLED BY INTERVIEWERS FOR  
1971 NONINTERVIEWS

(Refer to 28R)

## A. In Armed Forces 1971

- 1 ☐ Yes – ASK →

(160) Date enlisted \_\_\_\_\_  
(161) Date discharged \_\_\_\_\_ } SKIP  
to C2

- 2 ☐ No – ASK B

B. Were you attending or enrolled in regular  
school in November 1971?

- (162) 1 ☐ Yes – ASK C(1) only  
2 ☐ No – SKIP to C(2)

## C. (1) What grade were you attending at that time?

(2) What is the highest grade of regular school  
you had completed by November 1971?

Record the response in item 27R  
as follows –

1. Mark the enrolled or not enrolled box
2. Mark box 1–7 as applicable
3. For boxes 1–3 and 5–7, circle the applicable grade

**THEN BEGIN THE REGULAR INTERVIEW  
WITH ITEM 1.**

(163)

(167)

(164)

(168)

(165)

(169)

(166)

(170)