



Appendix

The Montgomery County 1997 Census Update Survey is the seventh household poll conducted by the County Planning Board since 1974. Usually undertaken on the fourth and seventh years between the national decennial censuses, the Census Update is a sample mail survey whose design, data collection and analysis are managed by the Research and Technology Center of the Montgomery County Planning Board. The survey enjoys a long history of being a valuable information source characterizing the County's demographic and socio-economic changes. Many of the questions serve to update the basic population and housing data provided in the federal U.S. Census. Additional questions provide improved information with a local slant on housing, jobs, income, and transportation characteristics and their interrelationships for the County and its subareas.

Beginning in May 1997, over 22,000 surveys were mailed to a carefully designed sample of Montgomery County households. Approximately 15,000 households responded to the mailed questionnaire, which asked for detailed demographic and socio-economic data. An excellent response rate of 66 percent was achieved. This outstanding return reflects the civic mindedness of Montgomery County residents. The results were tabulated and then statistically adjusted using known household and school enrollment distributions. As with any survey, certain subpopulations are under-represented in the final analysis. These hard to reach groups often include minority households, young adults, and low-income households.

The following sections include 1) a detailed discussion of the survey methodology, 2) definitions of the data items contained in the questionnaire and this report's tables, and 3) an example of the 1997 Census Update Survey form.

Methodology of the 1997 Census Update Survey

Sample design

The basic unit in the sample is the occupied housing unit. These units were stratified according to geographic location (traffic zone) and structure type. Within each traffic zone, a random sample was drawn from separate address listings of single-family and multi-family housing units. The sampling rates varied by planning area. The basic sampling rate was 1:20 for single-family units and 1:10 for multi-family units. In the Silver Spring, and Takoma Park planning areas, the sampling rates were higher, 1:10 for both single-family units and multi-family units. In the more rural areas of the County such as Damascus, Poolesville and Darnestown, an overall 1:5 sample was taken. Also, Rock Creek and Clarksburg were over-sampled at the same 20 percent rate. These augmented coverage rates used in the rural areas were necessary to ensure statistical confidence in the areas characterized by their smaller populations and less-developed nature. In the cases of Takoma Park, Silver Spring, and Rock Creek the larger sample

will serve subsequent, more detailed analyses of sub-population groups supporting each area's master plan.

The coverage of the survey was comparable to that of the 1990 U.S. Census. However, the reliance on residential address lists excluded County residents living in group quarters. Group quarters include institutions such as mental hospitals, nursing homes, prisons, dormitories, and military barracks. In 1997 approximately 8,900 persons reside in group quarters.

Response rates

Approximately, 22,000 questionnaires were mailed in May 1997 to a stratified, random sample of households. A follow-up postcard was sent one week after the first mailing thanking those that had returned the survey and reminding the nonrespondents to complete and return the form. The returned surveys were tracked and a second mailing list of nonresponding households was created. After approximately three weeks, a second form was mailed to the households who had not returned a survey. As a final effort to collect data, a shorter version of the survey was mailed eight weeks after the original mailing to approximately half of the original sample.

All surveys are facing market saturation and are battling for the attention of households that have little spare time to fill out a questionnaire. In an effort to circumvent the trend in declining survey response rates, several new survey tactics were incorporated in the 1997 Census Update Survey. The format of the survey mailer was changed from a large, flat envelope measuring 8.5 by 11 inches to a formal, standard-sized envelope. Besides qualifying for a less expensive mailing rate and cheaper printing costs, the new format portrayed an official government notice not to be confused with junk mail and the standard size was more conveniently delivered. Using a follow-up, thank you/reminder postcard sent a few days after the initial mailing is a proven method for increasing survey response rates. The federal Census Bureau employed a similar step in the national 2000 decennial census. As with past surveys, a postage paid business reply envelope was included in the first two mailings and in 1997 a stamped returned envelope accompanied the short form in the third mailing. Repeated follow-ups to nonrespondent households increased the response rate from 35 percent after the first mailing to the third mailing wave's final 66 percent. Providing postage paid return envelopes and repeated follow-ups are two of the most effective methods for increasing survey response rates.

For the past four surveys, the survey has consistently achieved a response rate in the low- to mid-sixties. This is an outstanding return compared to the typical mail response rate of less than 40 percent. The high survey response rate reflects the civic mindedness of Montgomery County residents. In 1997 almost 15,000 households returned a valid questionnaire or about 66 percent response rate. Response rate differs dramatically by structure type. About 10,850 single-family households completed the survey achieving a 75 percent response rate, while only 3,900 multi-family households, or 49 percent returned the form. The difference in the response rate by structure type is related to the different types of subpopulations found in each of the housing types. Multi-family housing typically has transient, most likely younger and more diverse residents with lower incomes. All of these groups characteristically have low survey response rates.

Survey mailing list

Addresses for the sample of single-family units were randomly selected from the Research and Technology Center's land parcel database compiled from data provided by the Maryland State Department of Assessment and Taxation. Multi-family addresses were randomly selected from a commercial mailing list purchased from the Harte-Hanks Corporation.

Census Update Survey form

An example of the questionnaire is included at the end of this appendix. The survey is addressed to "Resident" not the name of the occupant. It is a four-page form containing an opening cover letter page detailing directions for filling out the form, and three pages of survey items to be completed by the respondent. The eye-catching and user-friendly format of the form is designed for data entry by a computer scanner. The survey form is a warm red with shading across the inside answer matrix and the header on the front cover. A postage-paid return envelope was included in the mailer.

The third wave mail-out consisted of a shorter version of the original questionnaire. The data requested on the short form includes each occupant's date of birth, sex, race, Hispanic origin, and foreign-born status. Also, questions regarding the structure type, tenure and previous place of residence were asked. The third wave targeting nonrespondents was sent by first class mail in a standard sized brown envelope with green graphics requesting a prompt reply. A stamped return envelope was enclosed.

Changes to the questionnaire are made only after consultation with appropriate Planning Department and County government staff. In 1996, users throughout the government, such as the Office of Elder Affairs and Health and Human Services, were offered the opportunity to comment. Also data needs that emerged in County Council discussions of the Economy Study were identified. Research Center staff worked closely with Park planners to frame the new park usage question and with Transportation Planning staff to review commuting questions. New topics in the 1997 Census Update Survey include questions on services for the disabled, retirement location, park usage, unemployment, and occupation.

Staff are generally conservative about making even slight adjustments to wording; retaining identical questions from survey to survey to protect the validity of historic data series. Overriding all considerations is the requirement to minimize the response burden by avoiding complex questions or those that would unduly lengthen the questionnaire.

Questions and vocabulary conform to the U.S. Census wherever possible to permit comparisons. However, the Census Update Survey is tailored to the Planning Department's and County's needs in several ways. The two most important are 1) the ability to summarize data by geographical subareas used by the Montgomery County Planning Board such as planning and policy areas, and 2) the use of locally accepted housing structure designations, such as high-rise and low-rise (or garden) apartment, rather than the U.S. Census designation by the number of units.

Confidentiality of reports

As always, survey responses are absolutely confidential. The information provided by the household is released solely in the form of statistical summaries for large geographic areas. Individual replies are held strictly confidential; they are not available to anyone. As noted earlier, street addresses, not occupant names were used in the mail-out to sampled households. Converting the street address to a geographic code for each traffic zone preserves the confidentiality of the returns. It is not possible to identify data for neither respondent household nor individual occupant. Furthermore, following the computer entry of all responses, both the original forms and the address list are destroyed, making the identification of individual replies impossible.

Estimating procedure

The Research and Technology Center regularly monitors housing completions in individual Planning Areas and traffic zones, for both single-family and multi-family units. Current estimates of occupied housing units are derived from tracking completions. Households responding to the survey are compared to the occupied housing estimate by traffic zone and structure type and are then weighted to reflect the overall counts. Additional weighting adjustments using age and race distributions of public school data compensate for the undercount of racial and Hispanic groups. Thus weighted, the sample results reflect the population and housing characteristics of subareas such as Planning or Policy Areas and for the entire County.

At a 95 percent confidence level, the margin of error for overall results at the county level is plus or minus less than 1 percentage point, and larger for subareas such as planning areas or subpopulations such as racial or age groups. Sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error in any survey. The cooperation of the few households selected is essential to achieve a representative sampling of the County's households and thus minimize nonresponse error.

Definitions of survey data items

Access to Metrorail: of employed residents who use Metrorail or other rail, the primary method used to get to the station on the most recent workday preceding the survey. Data may not be reported in areas that have a low percentage of Metrorail commuters because there may be too few returned survey forms for a reliable estimate.

Age Distribution: the percent distribution of the household population across the following age cohorts: 0-4, 5-17, 18-29, 30-44, 45-64, 65-74, and 75 and older.

Average Age: the average age of the household population. As the large cohort of "Baby Boomers" has aged over the past decade, the average age in the County has crept up and is expected to do so well into the next century.

Average Age of Household Head: the average age of those who identified themselves as "Householder" on the survey form.

Average Household Size: the average number of people living in a household. Average household size is calculated by dividing the household population by the number of households.

Average Monthly Housing Costs: the average monthly housing costs for owners and renters. Housing costs for homeowners include principal, interest, taxes, insurance, and condominium fees.

Average Number of Cars: the average number of passenger cars, vans or pickup trucks owned or regularly used by the household. Company cars kept at home are included.

Educational Attainment: the highest level of education completed by persons ages 25 and older. Individuals with some graduate training, but no professional degree are included in "% Bachelor's Degree".

Employer: the type of employer of residents, ages 16 and older, who are employed full- or part-time. If an individual has more than one job, the primary employer is reported.

% Female: the percentage of females in the household population. The population is usually roughly evenly split between the sexes. A higher percentage of females may indicate a large proportion of elderly living in the area.

% Females Who Are Employed: the percentage of women, ages 16 and older, employed full- or part-time.

% Hispanic Origin: the percent of the household population indicating Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent. It is important to note that persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

1996 Household Income Distribution: the respondent's estimate of the combined total 1996 pre-tax income of all persons in the household. Income from all sources is included. Low-income households may be under-reported due to the typically lower survey response rate of such households.

Household Population: the estimated number of people living in households in July 1997. This does not include persons living in group quarters such as jails, college dormitories, nursing homes, etc.

% of Households with Computers: the percentage of households with at least one personal computer. Of these households with computers, the percentage that has access to the Internet is reported.

% Households with Foreign-Born Head or Spouse: the percentage of households where either the householder or spouse was born outside of the United States. This is not an estimate of foreign-born population and it is not comparable to the 1990 U.S. Census data.

% Households Spending More than 25% of Income on Housing: an indicator of the housing cost burden facing a household. Housing costs are considered burdensome when the proportion of annual housing costs to household income is greater than 25 percent.

Households by Type: the designation of households as either “family” or “nonfamily”. A family household includes a householder and one or more persons who are related to the householder by birth, marriage, or adoption. A family household may also include nonrelatives living with the family. Two family types are highlighted, married-couple and single-parent. A nonfamily household includes a householder living alone or with a group of unrelated individuals.

1996 Median Household Income: the 1996 household income value for which half of the incomes are above this midpoint and the other half fall below.

Median Years in Same Home: the median number of years a household has lived in the present house or apartment. This and the “% in the Same Home 5 Years Ago” are indicators of the degree of continuity in the community.

Number of Employed Residents: the number of persons, ages 16 and older, employed full- or part-time.

Persons in Households: the percentage of households by household size from one person through five or more persons.

Race: the self-classification by the respondents according to the race with which they most closely identify. The racial categories used in the survey are White, Black (African American), Asian or Pacific Islander, and Other. The “Other” category includes American Indians and write-in entries such as multi-racial, multi-ethnic, or Hispanic origin groups; the majority of people who chose “Other” are Hispanic. It is important to note that persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race, and the percentage is reported as a separate data item, “% Hispanic Origin.”

% in Same Home 5 Years Ago: the percentage of households which had not moved between April 1992 and mid-1997.

Tenure: % Rental: the percentage of households renting their residence.

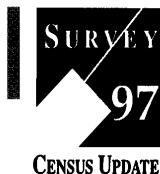
% Total Households by Structure Type: the percentage distribution of occupied housing units by structure type in July 1997. The four categories are: (1) single-family detached house; (2) townhouse, duplex, or multi-plex unit; (3) garden apartment building, i.e., a low-rise apartment or condominium building with four or fewer floors; and (4) high-rise, apartment or condominium building with five floors or more. Structure type does not distinguish between renter and owner occupancy.

Women with Children Under Age 6 - % Employed: the percentage of women with children under the age of six who are employed full- or part-time. This is one indicator of the need for day care resources.

Work Location: the percent of employed residents commuting within the County (inside and outside the Beltway), elsewhere in Maryland, Washington, D.C., or Virginia. Persons with more than one place of work reported the location at which the most time was spent during the week preceding the survey.

Work Trip: the main mode of transportation used to go to work on the most recent workday preceding the survey.

Questionnaire used in the 1997 Census Update Survey



The Montgomery County Planning Board

Your household is one of the few randomly selected to participate in the 1997 Census Update Survey of Montgomery County residents. The completed form will assist Montgomery County government in providing better services to you and all County residents. Your answers are confidential. Under no circumstances will your individual responses be shared with others.

General Directions:

- Please answer all questions in the survey and return the form in the postage-paid envelope provided.
- Your prompt reply will eliminate the need for follow-up contacts.
- Please be sure to open your form and complete all three pages.
- Marking directions are illustrated in the box below.
- If your household has more than seven people, please call for an additional form or write the answers on a separate piece of paper.

Inside Page:

- The inside page requests information about individuals in the household.
- Enter answers for each individual on a separate line across the bottom of the page.
- Each question matches a column in the answer section. Please enter the answers in the corresponding columns at the bottom of the page.

Back Page:

- The last page of the form has questions about the entire household.
- Enter the answers in the boxes provided.

For Assistance:

- If you need assistance completing this form, please call 495-4700 (Research & Technology Center) any weekday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or you may leave a message after hours.

AVISO PARA LAS PERSONAS QUE HABLAN ESPAÑOL

Si necesita ayuda para completar este formulario llame al 565-7675 (Centro TESS) de lunes a viernes, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

XIN LƯU-Ý QUÝ-VỊ VIỆT-NGŨ

Nếu Quý-vị cần được giúp-dỡ để điền tờ sưu-vấn này, xin Quý-vị kêu điện-thoại số 565-7675 (TESS Center) Từ Thứ Hai đến Thứ Sáu 9:00 sáng - 4:00 chiều.

Thank you for your valuable participation.

Marking Instructions	Letters	Numbers															
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- A. Please enter below the total number of people living in your household **including yourself**. Include all persons related or not, and persons who normally live here but are temporarily away, such as persons on trips. **DO NOT** include family members living elsewhere, such as college students, or military personnel.

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Total number of persons

The following questions ask for information describing each person living in the household. Please enter the answers in the corresponding columns at the bottom of the page.

- B. If it will help you answer the following questions, list in Column B the initials of each person living in the household. In couple households, either spouse or partner may be listed as householder.

- C. Enter the relationship of each person to the householder in Column C.

1. Householder
2. Spouse or partner of householder
3. Son/daughter of householder or spouse
4. Grandchild of householder or spouse
5. Parent of householder or spouse
6. Other relative
7. Not related

- D. Please indicate each person's sex by marking "M" (male) or "F" (female) in Column D.

- E. Enter in Column E each person's date of birth (month and year), e.g., August 1946 = 08/46.

- F. Please indicate whether each person is of Spanish/Hispanic/Latino descent by marking "Yes" if Hispanic or "No" if not Hispanic in Column F.

- G. Enter the one number which best describes the race of each person. Note that Hispanics may be of any race (Column G).

1. White
2. Black or African American
3. Asian or Pacific Islander
4. Other

- H. Please indicate whether each person was born outside of the United States by marking "Yes" if foreign born or "No" if not in Column H.

- I. Enter the highest grade in school each person has completed. For full-time students, enter the current grade (Column I).

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| None or preschool
99 | Kindergarten
00 |
| Grades
01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 | High School Grad
13 |
| College
14 15 16 17 | Bachelor's degree
18 |
| 19. Associate or trade school | 20. Some graduate school |
| 21. Master's or Professional degree (include law, medicine) | 22. Doctoral degree |

- J. For each person currently enrolled in school, enter his or her present enrollment status (Column J). If not in school, leave blank.

Now enrolled in:

1. Public school grades Kindergarten - 12
2. Private school grades Kindergarten - 12
3. Technical/vocational school
4. 2- year college
5. 4- year college
6. Graduate school

- K. For each person requiring full or part-time day care, regardless of age, enter the one number that best describes his or her current situation (Column K).

1. Paid care provided in your home
2. Paid care provided in another home
3. Paid care provided at day care center
4. Unpaid care provided; paid care not needed
5. Unpaid care provided, but additional care is needed

- L. For each person currently with a health condition lasting at least 6 months, which of the following describe the types of assistance he or she requires? Mark all that apply in Column L.

1. The help of another person with personal care such as bathing, dressing, or getting in and out of a bed or chair.
2. Assistance with transportation to work, shop, or visit a doctor.
3. Use of wheelchair, walker, cane, or similar device.
4. Disabled, but not needing assistance listed above.

- M. Please enter in Column M the present employment status for each person.

1. Employed, full-time (35 hours or more per week)
2. Employed, part-time (less than 35 hours per week)
3. Homemaker and not otherwise employed
4. Retired and not employed
5. Not employed and not seeking work (including volunteers)
6. Unemployed, but seeking work

	INITIALS	RELATION	GENDER	BIRTH DATE	HISPANIC	RACE	FOREIGN BORN	EDUCATION	ENROLLED	DAY CARE	DISABILITY	EMPLOY
Person 1			<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	M M Y Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				1 2 3 4	
Person 2			<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	M M Y Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				1 2 3 4	
Person 3			<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	M M Y Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				1 2 3 4	
Person 4			<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	M M Y Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				1 2 3 4	
Person 5			<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	M M Y Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				1 2 3 4	
Person 6			<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	M M Y Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				1 2 3 4	
Person 7			<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	M M Y Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				1 2 3 4	

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N. For each *employed* person, identify which of the following best describes his or her primary employer last week (Column N).

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| 1. Private for profit | 4. Federal government |
| 2. Private not-for-profit | 5. State government |
| 3. Self-employed | 6. Local government |

O. For each *employed* person, enter the number that best describes the type of occupation in which he or she works? If multiple jobs are held, choose the occupation where most working hours were spent last week (Column O).

1. Administrative support, clerical
2. Executive or managerial
3. Professional (doctor, scientist, teacher)
4. Sales
5. Services (police, nursing aide, waiter, maid)
6. Skilled Labor (mechanic, carpenter)
7. Laborer (construction, gas station attendant)
8. Technician (clinical, electronic, science)
9. Other, please specify:

P. For each *employed* person, enter the location of his or her place of work. If more than one place of work, record the location at which the most time was spent last week (Column P).

Inside Beltway (Montgomery County):

01. Bethesda Central Business District (CBD)
02. Bethesda - Chevy Chase outside CBD, including NIH area
03. Silver Spring Central Business District
04. Silver Spring/Takoma Park outside CBD

Outside Beltway (Montgomery County):

05. North Bethesda/White Flint/Rock Spring/south of Montrose & Twinbrook Roads
06. Rockville
07. Gaithersburg
08. Germantown/Clarksburg
09. Potomac/Cabin John
10. Kensington/Wheaton/Kemp Mill/Four Corners
11. Aspen Hill/Olney
12. Colesville/White Oak
13. Fairland/Burtonsville/Cloverly
14. Rural Montgomery County not listed above

Outside Montgomery County:

15. Prince George's County
16. Elsewhere in Maryland
17. District of Columbia
18. Virginia
19. Outside MD- VA- DC

Q. For each *employed* person, enter how many days LAST WEEK this person worked primarily at home. If none, enter 0 (Column Q).

R. For each *employed* person, enter the total number of paying jobs he or she holds in Column R.

S. For each *employed* person, enter the total earned income received in 1996 from wages, salary, commissions, or tips from his or her primary job (Column S).

T. For each *employed* person, enter the main means of transportation used to go to work on the most recent workday (Column T).

01. Car, truck, van, or motorcycle driver alone
02. Car, truck, van, or motorcycle driver with passenger(s)
03. Car, truck, van, or motorcycle passenger
04. Bus
05. Metrorail
06. MARC, B&O, or other railroad
07. Walked
08. Bicycled
09. Worked at home
10. Other

U. For each *employed* person who commutes by Metrorail or other rail, enter the primary method used to get to the station on the most recent workday (Column U).

1. Walk
2. Bicycle
3. Car, truck, van or motorcycle
4. Ride-On Bus
5. Metrobus
6. Other

V. For each *employed* person, please enter how many minutes it took to get from home to work on the most recent workday (Column V).

W. For each *employed* person, enter the time this person left home to go to work on the most recent workday. Mark whether the time was morning (a.m.) or afternoon (p.m.) (Column W).

	EMPLOYER	OCCUP.	LOCATION	AT HOME	# OF OBS.	WAGES	TRANS.	U.	COMMUTE	W.
Person 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM
Person 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM
Person 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM
Person 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM
Person 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM
Person 6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM
Person 7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM

The following questions ask for information describing the household.

X. Enter the one number that best describes the building in which you presently live:

- ☐ 1. Single-family detached house
☐ 2. Townhouse, duplex or multiplex (a one-family structure attached to one or more houses each with its own outside entrance)
☐ 3. Low-rise apartment or condo building (4 or fewer floors)
☐ 4. High-rise apartment or condo building (5 floors or more)
☐ 5. Other (mobile home, etc.), please specify:

Y. Enter the number from Question X that best describes the building in which the householder lived prior to moving to your present residence:

☐ If "Other" (5), please specify:

Z. What year did the householder move into the present house or apartment? 19

AA. Enter the one number that best describes where the householder lived in April, 1992:

- ☐ 1. Current house or apartment
☐ 2. Elsewhere in Montgomery County
☐ 3. Prince George's County
☐ 4. Elsewhere in Maryland
☐ 5. District of Columbia
☐ 6. Northern Virginia
☐ 7. Other area

AB. Enter the one number that best describes the ownership of your current living quarters:

- ☐ 1. Own or buying the residence
☐ 2. Renting
☐ 3. Other, please specify:

AC. If you own your house or apartment, please enter your current monthly or total annual payments for principal, interest, taxes, insurance, and condominium fees:

Monthly Payment: OR 1996 Annual Payment:

AD. If you rent your living quarters, please enter your current monthly rent: Monthly Rent:

Does the rent include:

1. All or some utilities? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 2. Any meals? ☐ Yes ☐ No

AE. Total 1996 Household Income: Please enter the one number below which best corresponds to the total 1996 pre-tax income of all persons (family members and others) living with you. Include income from all sources.

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| 01. Up to \$4,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 14. \$65,000 to \$69,999 |
| 02. \$5,000 to \$9,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 15. \$70,000 to \$74,999 |
| 03. \$10,000 to \$14,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 16. \$75,000 to \$79,999 |
| 04. \$15,000 to \$19,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 17. \$80,000 to \$89,999 |
| 05. \$20,000 to \$24,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 18. \$90,000 to \$99,999 |
| 06. \$25,000 to \$29,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 19. \$100,000 to \$119,999 |
| 07. \$30,000 to \$34,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 20. \$120,000 to \$139,999 |
| 08. \$35,000 to \$39,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 21. \$140,000 to \$159,999 |
| 09. \$40,000 to \$44,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 22. \$160,000 to \$179,999 |
| 10. \$45,000 to \$49,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 23. \$180,000 to \$199,999 |
| 11. \$50,000 to \$54,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 24. \$200,000 to \$249,999 |
| 12. \$55,000 to \$59,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 25. \$250,000 to \$299,999 |
| 13. \$60,000 to \$64,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 26. \$300,000 and above |

AF. How many passenger cars, vans, panel, or pickup trucks are owned or regularly used by members of this household? Include company cars kept at home.

Number of vehicles

AG. How many personal computers are used in your residence?

Number of computers

AH. Does your residence have access to the Internet?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

AI. We would like to know about the most frequent park usage by any person in your household. Using the scale below, estimate the greatest number of visits made to the following types of Montgomery County Parks by any household member(s) during the past year. The most frequent user may be a different person for each park type.

Greatest number of visits:

- | | | |
|----------|----------|----------|
| 1. Never | 3. 6-12 | 5. 25-52 |
| 2. 1-6 | 4. 13-24 | 6. 53+ |

☐ Small neighborhood parks with play equipment or basketball and tennis courts

☐ Local parks with ballfields or recreation centers

☐ Large, multi-use parks such as Wheaton, Black Hill (Lake Seneca), or Cabin John Regional Parks

☐ Natural park areas in stream valleys and conservation parks

AJ. If the householder or spouse plans to retire within the next five years, do you expect the household to retain a permanent residence in Montgomery County during the first five years following retirement?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Retiring

**This completes the questionnaire. Thank you for your cooperation.
 Please use the postage paid envelope to return to the Montgomery County Planning Board.**