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Date of interview: \_\_\_ Year \_\_\_ Month \_\_\_ Day  
Starting time: \_\_\_\_\_ Ending time: \_\_\_\_\_

### Beginning of the Questionnaire

**Note: The interviewee for this questionnaire should be the father. If the father is not available the mother can take his place.**

Relationship of interviewee to the sample child: 1 Father 2 Mother 3 Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

### A. Basic Information

A1. County \_\_\_\_\_ County code:   
A2. Township \_\_\_\_\_ Township code:   
A3. Village \_\_\_\_\_ Village code:   
A4. Name of Interviewee \_\_\_\_\_ Household code:   
A5. School \_\_\_\_\_ School code:   
A6. Teacher's name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher code:   
A7. Notes \_\_\_\_\_ Code:

## 1. Family Background Information

First I would like to know some basic information about your family. Please tell me the name of every family member. The definition of “family member” includes the following: the sample child, the parents, and all of the siblings of the sample child. It also includes other people who are long-term residents in the home (i.e., those who lived in the household for at least 3 months since June 1999).

[Instructions for interviewer:

Please put the name of every member, including the individual being interviewed, into the first column of the table.

ID for the sample child is 1; father 2; mother 3.

If there is a pronoun in the question, e.g., “you,” please say the appropriate person’s name.

When you are filling out the form, please complete it person-by-person.

The father may be a biological, step, or adoptive parent. The mother may also be a biological, step, or adoptive parent. If either parent has died, please fill in columns 4 through 10. If a parent has re-married, only complete data for the parent’s spouse.]

ID	Name	Relationship to sample child (see relationship code on code card)	Sex 1 male 2 female	Birth year	Birth month	Ethnic group (see nationality code on code card)	Classification 1 farmer 2 non-farmer 3 deceased	Birth place 1 this village 2 this town another village 3 this county another town 4 this province another county 5 another province	Education level (see education code on code card)	Highest level of school completed 1 none 2 primary school 3 middle school 4 high school 5 junior trade school 6 senior trade school 7 university 8 don't know	Do you have difficulty reading a newspaper by yourself? 1 yes 2 no	Do you have difficulty writing a letter by yourself? 1 yes 2 no	Marital status 1 single 2 married (first marriage) 3 re-married 4 separated 5 divorced 6 widowed	Residence 1 at home 2 away from home	In the last year, number of months of residence at home	Are you currently employed? 1 yes 2 no (skip to next section)	What type of work do you do? (see employment code on code card)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1		1=sample child															
2		2=father															
3		3=mother															
4																	
5																	
6																	
7																	
8																	
9																	
10																	

## 2. Information about the sample child's parents

Next, I would like to ask some questions about the sample child's parents. This information is collected regardless of whether the parent is still alive.

[Instructions for interviewer:

1. The numbering and names in this table should be consistent with those in the first table.
2. Please tell the respondent all of the choices for every question.]

ID	Name	You are the sample child's... 1 father 2 mother 3 step father 4 step mother 5 foster father 6 foster mother	Your fathers education level 1 illiterate 2 primary school 3 middle school 4 high school 5 trade school 6 university 7 don't know	Is your father alive? 1 yes 2 no	Your mother's education level 1 illiterate 2 primary school 3 middle school 4 high school 5 trade school 6 university 7 don't know	Is the mother alive? 1 yes 2 no	Where do your parents live? 1 this house (skip to 8) 2 this village 3 this town 4 this different village 5 this county 6 different town 7 this province 8 different county 9 different province	In the past year, how many times did you visit your parents?	How many older brothers do you have?	How many younger brothers do you have?	How many older sisters do you have?	How many younger sisters do you have?	How many of your siblings live in this village?	Last year, how much money did you give to your parents?	Last year, how much money did your parents give to you?	Last year, how much money did you give to your siblings?	Last year, how much money did your siblings give to you?
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
2																	
3																	

### 3. Pre-school and primary school education of the sample child and her/his siblings

3.A. What is your impression of the quality of teaching at the local primary school?

1. Good      2. Average      3. Bad

Next we want to know some educational information about the sample child and her/his siblings. I will start with the sample child.

[Instructions for interviewer:

1. The numbering and names in this table should be consistent with those in the first table.
2. Please tell the respondent all of the choices for every question.]

ID	Name	Did s/he attend kindergarten? 1 yes 2 no (skip to 3)	Number of years of kindergarten	Did s/he attend primary school? 1 yes 2 no (skip to next child)	Distance to the primary school attended (kilometers)	Travel time to the primary school attended, in minutes (one way)	Is the school s/he attended the nearest one? 1 yes (skip to 9) 2 no	If s/he did not where did s/he live while attending primary school? 1 home 2 a private home 3 school	If she did not attend the closest primary school was the reason related to quality? 1 yes 2 no	How many grades did the primary school have? 1 5 grades 2 6 grades	Age at which s/he first attended primary school
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1											

(Form 3 Continued)

ID	Name	Does s/he currently attend primary school? 1 yes 2 no (skip to 13)	What grade does s/he currently attend? (skip to 15)	Did s/he graduate from primary school? 1 yes (skip to 15) 2 no	What was the last grade s/he attended?	Did s/he repeat any grades? 1 yes 2 no	How many grades did s/he repeat?	List all the grades s/he repeated (If there are more than 3, list the last 3 only)			Number of times s/he skipped a grade	Did the child ever suspend her/his schooling? 1 yes 2 no (skip to 21)	Number of years for which schooling was suspended	If the child graduated, age at which the child finished	Total number of years in primary school
		11	12	13	14	15	16	17a	17b	17c	18	19	20	21	22

#### 4. Middle school education of the sample child and her/his siblings

4.A. What is your impression of the local middle school's quality?

1. Good      2. Average      3. Bad

Next we want to know some information about the middle school education of the sample child and her/his siblings. I will start with the sample child.

[Instructions for interviewer:

1. The numbering and names in this table should be consistent with those in the first table.
2. Please tell the respondent all of the choices for every question.]

ID	Name	Did s/he attend middle school? 1 yes (skip to 3a) 2 no	Distance to the nearest middle school (kilometers)	Travel time to the nearest middle school, in minutes (one way) (skip to next child)	Distance to the middle school attended (kilometers)	Travel time to the middle school attended, in minutes (one way)	Is the school s/he attended the nearest one? 1 yes (skip to 7) 2 no	If it is not where did s/he live while attending middle school? 1 home 2 a private home 3 school	If s/he did not attend the nearest middle school was the reason related to quality? 1 yes 2 no	How many grades does the middle school have? 1 2 grades 2 3 grades	Age at which s/he first attended middle school	Does s/he currently attend middle school? 1 yes 2 no (skip to 11)	What grade does s/he currently attend? (skip to 13)	Did s/he graduate from middle school? 1 yes (skip to 13) 2 no	What was the last grade s/he attended?
		1	2a	2b	3a	3b	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1															

(Form 4 Continued)

ID	Name	Did s/he repeat any grades in middle school? 1 yes 2 no	How many times did s/he repeat a grade?	List all the grades s/he repeated (If there are more than 3, list the last 3 only)			Number of times s/he skipped a grade in middle school.	Did the child ever suspend her/his schooling in middle school? 1 yes 2 no (skip to 19)	Number of years for which schooling was suspended in middle school.	If the child graduated, age at which the child finished middle school.	Total number of years in middle school
		13	14	15a	15b	15c	16	17	18	19	20

**5. High school education of the sample child and her/his siblings**

5.A. What is your impression of the local high school's quality?

1. Good      2. Average      3. Bad

Next we want to know some information about the high school education of the sample child and her/his siblings. I will start with the sample child.

[Instructions for interviewer:

1. The numbering and names in this table should be consistent with those in the first table.
2. Please tell the respondent all of the choices for every question.]

ID	Name	Did s/he attend high school? 1 yes (skip to 3a) 2 no	Distance to the nearest high school (kilometers)	Travel time to the nearest high school, in minutes (one way) (skip to next child)	Distance to the high school attended (kilometers)	Travel time to the high school attended, in minutes (one way)	Is the school s/he attended the nearest one? 1 yes (skip to 7) 2 no	If it is not where did s/he live while attending high school? 1 home 2 a private home 3 school	If s/he did not attend the nearest high school was the reason related to quality? 1 yes 2 no	How many grades does the high school have? 1 2 grades 2 3 grades	Age at which s/he first attended high school	Does s/he currently attend high school? 1 yes 2 no (skip to 13)	What grade does s/he currently attend? (skip to 13)	Did s/he graduate from high school? 1 yes (skip to 13) 2 no	What was the last grade s/he attended?
		1	2a	2b	3a	3b	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1															

(Form 5 continued)

ID	Name	Did s/he repeat any grades? 1 yes 2 no	How many times did s/he repeat a grade?	List all the grades s/he repeated (If there are more than 3, list the last 3 only)			Number of times s/he skipped a grade in high school.	Did the child ever suspend her/his schooling in high school? 1 yes 2 no (skip to 19)	Number of years for which schooling was suspended in high school	If the child graduated, age at which the child finished	Total number of years in high school	Did s/he do any further schooling after graduation from high school? 0 no 1 university 2 senior trade school 3 junior trade school 4 other vocational school
		13	14	15a	15b	15c	16	17	18	19	20	21

## 6. School information for the sample child and her/his siblings

Next we want to know some information about the schooling of the sample child and her/his siblings. I will start with the sample child.

[Instructions for interviewer:

1. The numbering and names in this table should be consistent with those in the first table.
2. Please tell the respondent all of the choices for every question.]

ID	Name	This year or the last the child studied, did s/he have a complete set of textbooks and study materials? 1 yes, had all textbooks 2 had some of the textbooks 3 did not have any of the textbooks	This school year or the last year when attending school where did the textbooks or supplementary study materials come from? (Choose up to 3)			In the last semester or the last semester of school attendance did, year s/he buy food at school? 1 yes 2 no	This year or the last year that school was attended what kind of food did the school offer? (Can choose up to 3)				
			1 distributed free by the school	2 bought from the school	3 brought from outside source		4 given by someone	5 hand-me-down from older siblings	6 other (please explain)	0 none	1 breakfast
		1	2a	2b	2c	3	4a	4b	4c		

### 7. Educational expenses of the sample child and his/her siblings for the most recent semester

Next we want to know some information about the educational expenses for the sample child and her/his siblings.

ID	Name	Did s/he attend school this most recent semester? 1 yes (skip to 4) 2 no	If the child attended school last year please estimate the approximate cost of school fees for one semester.	To which level of schooling does this estimate apply? 1 primary 2 middle school 3 high school 4 junior trade school 5 senior trade school 6 university (skip to the next child)	Which type of school does s/he currently attend? 1 primary 2 middle school 3 high school 4 junior trade school 5 senior trade school 6 university	This past semester how much was paid altogether for the total cost of tuition and textbooks?	What was the cost of supplies such as pens, exercise books etc.?	This semester how much was spent altogether on food, transportation, housing?	This semester how much did supplemental tutoring within the school cost?	Does s/he have a uniform? 1 yes 2 no (skip to 11)	How much was spent on buying the uniform?	What was the cost of other fees levied this semester?	This semester, did s/he have a scholarship or other financial aid? 1 yes 2 no (skip to next child)	What was the source of the scholarship or financial assistance? 1 Hope Project 2 International organization 3 school 4 Relatives or friends 5 other	What was the total amount of scholarship or financial aid?
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14



**9. Time allocation of family members**

We would like to ask you about the time allocation of you and your family members. Please recall how many hours family members spend on the following activities every week over the last year. If the child is still in school, the information in this table should reflect the situation during the school year and not during vacation time.

ID	Name	Chopping firewood	Carrying water	Cooking	Washing clothes and doing other housework	Caring for sick and elderly people	Helping children with their homework	Doing homework	Watching TV	Playing or talking with children (does not include time spent watching TV)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

**10. Allocation of working time**

Please estimate how many days you or other family members spent on the following activities in the last year.

ID	Name	Family private business	Agriculture and forestry	Animal husbandry

### 11. Geographical location of home

I would like to know some things about the location of your house.

		1	2
		kilometers	minutes (one way)
1	Distance to the nearest public road		
2	Distance to the nearest market		
3	Distance to the village assembly		
4	Distance to the village health center		
5	Distance to the township		

### 12. Land

I would like to know the situation of your family's land.

1. How many mu of agricultural land does your family own? \_\_\_\_\_ mu
2. Of which, how many mu are irrigated? \_\_\_\_\_ mu
3. This year, did you rent any of your family's land to other farming households? 1 yes 2 no (skip to 6)
4. If yes, how many mu did you rent out? \_\_\_\_\_ mu
5. What was the rent (in yuan per mu)? \_\_\_\_\_ yuan / mu
6. Last year, did your family rent land from others? 1 yes 2 no (next section)
7. If yes, how many mu did you rent? \_\_\_\_\_ mu
8. What was the rent (if paid in kind convert to cash equivalent)? \_\_\_\_\_ yuan / mu

### 13. Harvest

Relative to normal years, how was the 1999 harvest?

- 1 extremely good    2 good    3 average    4 not good    5 extremely bad

#### 14. Income from farm and forest production in the last year

In the following, we would like to know the income for your family's farm and forest production activities (includes the harvest for the summer and fall last year, but not the summer this year).

	What crops does the household produce? (see key)	Total output (jin)	Total value (yuan)
	1	2	3
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			

#### Key

1 wheat      2 corn      3 rice      4 soybeans      5 potatoes      6 millet      7 broom corn millet(?)      8 buckwheat  
 9 mung beans      10 peas      11 white fava beans      12 rapeseed      13 flax      14 tobacco      15 peanuts  
 16 sesame seeds      17 sunflower seeds      18 cotton      19 vegetables      20 peaches      21 apples      22 pears  
 23 walnuts      24 dates      25 flowers      26 other      27 Chinese medicinal herbs

Agricultural income: this refers to the annual income of the village household from harvesting of staple products from government contracted land or privately owned land. It includes income from products such as: grains, cash crops, vegetables, tea, fruit, aquatic plant products (such as water chestnut, lotus root etc.) but does not include by products such as green manure, animal feed and compost.

Forestry income: refers to the annual income of the village household from the cutting down of bamboo, the selling of seedlings and the manual cultivation of bamboo and other forestry products such as lacquer, bamboo shoots, oil and the pruning of bamboo branches and leaves to make wicker products etc. Not included is income from mulberry leaves, tea, fruit, flowers and plants which are included in agricultural income. It also does not include product gathered from wild forest which are included in income from hunting and gathering.

### 15. Household agricultural and forestry input for the most recent year

In the following, I would like to know about the inputs used in producing your farm and forestry income.

	Input product	Total value
1	seeds	
2	fertilizer	
3	pesticides	
4	plastic sheeting	
5	hired labor	
6	rent	
7	irrigation	
8	fuel	
9	other	

### 16. Livestock

In the following, I would like to know about the your livestock.

		Pigs		Chickens, ducks, geese, and other fowl		Sheep and goats		Large animals (cows, horses, etc.)		Other (specify _____)	
		How many	Value in yuan	How many	Value in yuan	How many	Value in yuan	How many	Value in yuan	How many	Value in yuan
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	First half of last year										
2	Second half of last year										

### 17. Income from livestock in the most recent year

In the following, we would like to know about the income received from your livestock in the most recent year.

	Questions	Value in yuan
1	How much did the household earn from the sale of livestock (including pigs, goats, cows, horses and poultry etc.?)	
2	Value of animal products consumed	
3	Value of sheep wool and sheep skin that was sold.	
4	Value of cow leather sold	
5	Value of rabbit fur sold	
6	Value of milk sold	
7	Value of eggs sold	
8	Value of other livestock products sold	
9	Value of livestock that died, were lost or stolen.	

### 18. Items used in the raising of livestock

Now, we would like to know about input for raising your animals.

	Livestock inputs	Amount (jin)	Value (yuan)
		1	2
1	Corn		
2	Sweet potatoes		
3	Potatoes		
4	Straw		
5	Other feed		
6	New livestock		
7	Medical expenses		
8	Grazing costs		
9	Stable repairs		

**19. Wage income for family members in the last year (income from working at least 10 days)**

Next, I would like to know the income for the sample child's parents, unmarried siblings, and other members of the household (who resided for the family for more than 3 months in the last year) for the last year. Please note that the working time must total at least 10 days.

ID	Name	Type of Work (see key 1 below)	Days worked in a typical month	Work place (see key 2 below)	Wage	Pay period: 1 monthly 2 daily	Total wage last year (include bonuses and subsidies, etc.)	Value in yuan of in-kind payment	Costs incurred due to work (such as transportation, room and board etc.)	Amount given to family members in yuan	How much does the work unit still owe the employee?

*Key 1*

1 worker 2 teacher 3 doctor 4 village official 5 government official

6 enterprise staff 7 agricultural technician 8 supervisor 9 other

*Key 2*

1 this village 2 this town different village 3 this county different town 4 this province different county 5 different province

**20. Income from self-employment**

Next, I would like to know income your family received from self-employment, including any increase in inventory this year. Total costs should include electricity, fuel and gas, rental fees for equipment, materials, transportation, sales, and labor.

	Activities (see key below)	Total income	Total expenditure
	1	2	3
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

*Key*

1 services (cooking, restaurant, tailoring, private clinic) 2 transportation 3 construction

4 mining 5 manufacturing 6 commerce 7 other

**21. Family debt**

1. What is the total value of all outstanding formal loans (for example from credit associations, agricultural banks, other banks or loans from other financial organizations)? \_\_\_\_\_ yuan

2. If you wanted to, how much do you think you could borrow from the Rural Credit Cooperative? \_\_\_\_\_ yuan

3. How much have you already borrowed from friends and family that has not been repaid? \_\_\_\_\_ yuan

4. How much do you think you could borrow from a friend or family member if you really needed money right now? \_\_\_\_\_ yuan

5. Have you borrowed money to pay school fees? 1 yes 2 no

6. How much have you borrowed to pay school fees? \_\_\_\_\_ yuan

7. How much do others currently owe you? \_\_\_\_\_ yuan

## 22. Annual family consumption

Next, I would like to know how much your family spent on consumption for the last year, including expenses on daily necessities as well as services.

	Consumption item	Amount
1	Allowance for Children	
2	Washing and cleaning supplies (washing powder, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush etc.)	
3	Miscellaneous household items and hardware (such as bulbs, electric wires, plugs, flashlights, batteries, hammer, pliers, screwdriver etc.)	
4	Clothing consumption (includes clothes, materials to make clothes, shoes and hats and fee for the making of clothes etc.)	
4a	Including: Parents' clothing	
4b	Children's' clothing	
5	Bedding (sheets, blankets, quilts, straw mats, mosquito nets etc.)	
6	Transportation maintenance and parts	
7	Electronic appliances maintenance	
8	Transportation costs (train, bus, plane, ship tickets, etc.)	
9	Postage	
10	Communication devices maintenance fees	
11	Rent	
12	House decoration, renovation (furniture, building, labor costs etc.)	
13	Electricity	
14	Fuel (coal, wood, gas)	
15	Culture and education (TV, newspapers, school supplies)	
16	Culture and education service fees (school and training fees)	
17	Personal goods (jewelry, makeup, shavers, etc.)	
18	Personal service fees (salon, bath, photos, etc.)	
19	Medical insurance or cooperative medical fee	

### 23. Food consumption in the last year

Next, I would like to know how much money your family spent on food in the last year. When you answer the following questions, please consult with the family member who knows this information best.

	Item	A		B			Item	C		D	
		Self-produced	Purchased		Self-produced			Purchased			
		Jin	Jin	Yuan	Jin			Jin	Yuan		
1	Rice				13	Marine products					
2	Flour				14	Eggs					
3	Maize				15	Vegetables					
4	Beans (soybeans, red beans, mung beans etc.)				16	Edible Oils (including both animal oils and vegetable oils)					
5	Bean products				17	Dried and fresh fruit and nuts					
6	Other grains (barley, sorghum, millet)				18	Spices					
7	Potatoes and sweet potatoes				19	Cigarettes and alcohol	-----	-----			
8	Grain products (like bean vermicelli, sweet potato noodles, rice noodles, noodles, etc.)				20	Soft drinks	-----	-----			
9	Pork				21	Canned food	-----	-----			
10	Beef and mutton				22	Restaurant food	-----	-----			
11	Chicken				23	Food processing fees	-----	-----			
12	Other meat										

## 24. Housing and living conditions

I would now like to ask you some questions about the family's living conditions.

1. Square meters of the house you have lived in for the last year \_\_\_\_\_ square meters
2. Number of rooms (natural rooms) \_\_\_\_\_ rooms
3. Type of house                      1 multiple stories              2 single story              3 cave home              4 other
4. Construction material              1 earth and wood              2 brick and wood              3 concrete and steel              4 other
5. Year of main construction \_\_\_\_\_
6. Estimated present value of house \_\_\_\_\_ yuan
7. Amount spent on construction materials last year \_\_\_\_\_ yuan
8. Value of construction materials stored at home \_\_\_\_\_ yuan
9. Did you build or renovate your home last year?              1 yes (continue)              2 no (skip to next form)
  - a. Labor cost \_\_\_\_\_ yuan
  - b. Number of person days \_\_\_\_\_ days
  - c. Number of person days spent by family members \_\_\_\_\_ days

## 25. Energy and water consumption

I would now like to ask you some questions about the family's energy and water consumption.

Item			
Water source (see key 1)	1a	Rainy season	
	1b	Dry season	
Time required (round trip) to get water	2a	Rainy season	
	2b	Dry season	
Main fuel used in household (see key 2)	3		
Do you have electricity? 1 yes    2 no	4		

### Key 1

1 running water    2 well water    3 spring water    4 rain water    5 river    6 pond

### Key 2

1 firewood    2 coal    3 straw    4 natural gas    5 other

## 26. Fixed assets and durable goods

Now I would like to know about the family's fixed assets and durable goods.

Fixed capital		Currently how many do you have?	Value in yuan	Durable goods		Currently how many do you have?	Value in yuan
		A	B			C	D
1	Trucks/cars			1	Sewing machines		
2	Tractors			2	Radios		
3	Tractor-pulled farm tools			3	Tape recorders		
4	Animal-pulled farm tools			4	Black and white TVs		
5	Push carts			5	Color TVs		
6	Animal-drawn carts			6	Bicycles		
7	Grain separators			7	Cameras		
8	Sprayers			8	Clocks and watches		
9	Hullers			9	Washing machines		
10	Threshers			10	Refrigerators		
11	Pumps			11	Electric fans		
12	Electric motors			12	Motorcycles		
13	Diesel motors			13	Jewelry		
14	Processing equipment			14	Beds		
15	Boats			15	Tables, chairs, sofas		
16	Stone mills			16	Wardrobe		
17	Stone rollers			17	Desk		
18	Other farm tools			18	Cabinet		
19	Others (specify _____)			19	Other (specify _____)		

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The questionnaire ends here. Thank you for allowing us to interview you.