

- 1 Information about NLSY97 variables is available through the NLSY97 User's Guide, which is organized by topic and can be accessed through the NLS Investigator. Alternatively, users may read the User's Guide on the NLSY website.
- 2 Many questions pertaining to incarceration in Round 12 have been asked in previous rounds. Question names are consistent across rounds, but questions are assigned a unique variable name or "reference number" each round. Past and current variable names are provided for all Round 12 incarceration measures. In instances where the Round 12 measure is worded differently than in previous rounds, changes are indicated; however, users seeking detailed information about previous rounds of NLSY97 should consult the NLS Investigator and NLSY97 User's Guide. **Please note that Questions, Responses, Documentation, and Unweighted Frequencies are specific to Round 12.**
- 3 Unweighted frequencies are those from Round 12. Frequencies for questions asked in earlier rounds are available through the NLS Investigator.
- 4 Areas of Interest refer to the location of variables in the electronic codebook, which can be viewed using the NLS Investigator. Variables in the electronic codebook are grouped by subject:
 - a: Illegal Activity & Arrest
 - b: Youth History
- 5 In Round 1, respondents were asked for their age at first arrest.
- 6 In Round 1, respondents were asked for the month of their first arrest.
- 7 In Rounds 1-6, respondents were asked whether they had been convicted of or pled guilty to assault.
- 8 Question YSAQ-543 appears to ask whether respondents contributed or are contributing to the cost of housing in the first three months after being released from a correctional facility. The actual text provided in the electronic codebook is the following:

"In the first three months after your release, [{{CONTRIB_HAVECONTRIB}}] to the cost of your housing, for example helping to pay the rent or mortgage?"
- 9 Question YSAQ-546 appears to ask whether respondents have had difficulty finding housing since the date of release from a correctional facility. The actual text provided in the electronic codebook is the following:

"Since [{{RELEASEFILL}}, have you had trouble finding a place to live?"

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