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CRIME IN BEMIS PARK:
A VICTIMIZATION SURVEY

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INTRODUCTION

The Bemis Park Crime Survey was devised to give the residents of Bemis Park systematic information on the extent of crime and victimization in their neighborhood. The Bemis Park Neighborhood Association requested this survey, and the residents were active participants in it.

UNO graduate students received credit through their participation in the study for a Criminal Justice Planning Class. The first two meetings were held to discuss purpose and methodology, and both groups then participated in a short interview training session. The final meeting was arranged to allow the students to explain the findings of the study to the Bemis Park Residents.

METHODOLOGY

The National Crime Survey was the method used in evaluating the results of the Bemis Park Crime Survey. The National Crime Survey measures the extent to which residents age 12 and over, households, and commercial establishments were victimized by selected crimes, whether completed or attempted.¹

The NCS interviews all household members individually. The Bemis Park Crime Survey was modified in that one adult member of the household responded to all questions, rather than the NCS approach of asking each person age 12 and over to respond individually. This was found to work effectively in Bemis Park since it was a smaller sample.

The questions asked in the Bemis Park Crime Survey were identical to the NCS, with the exception of the one-respondent aspect. The first 18 questions refer to the incidence of crime and are comparable to the NCS.

A random sample of all households within the Bemis Park area (Cuming to Hamilton, 33rd to 40th Streets) was studied. In gathering information for the survey a list of household addresses was compiled. Each single family household was assigned an identification number 1 to 201. Each apartment unit was assigned a separate number from 1 to 88. A random numbers table was used to select 100 households and 25 apartments or a total sample of 125.

Twelve teams consisting of UNO graduate students and Bemis Park residents were trained to conduct the survey.

THE GEOGRAPHIC DISPERSION OF THE SAMPLE

Of the 125 households in the sample, 41 or 33 percent were located west of 36th Street, while 84 or 67 percent were located to the east.

Of the original sample of 125, 100 surveys or 80 percent were completed; 11 individuals refused to interviewed, six properties were vacant and eight households could not be reached by the interviewers. If the response rate is adjusted to account for the six vacant properties an 84 percent completion rate is derived.

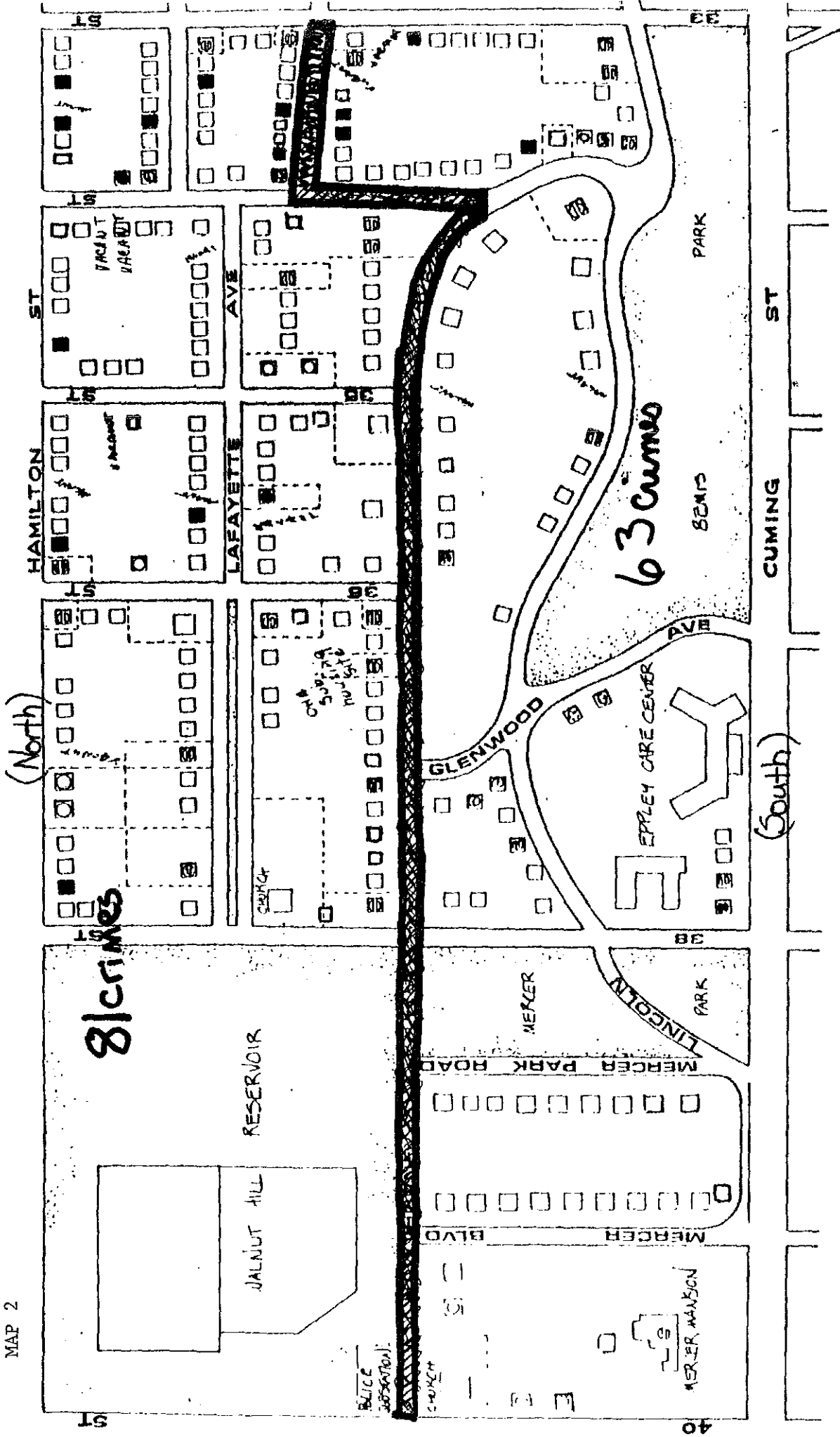
Of the 100 households surveyed 67 percent reported at least one incident of crime, and 33 percent did not report an incident of crime within the last year. The dividing line between the east and west sections of the survey area was established at 36th Street and more than twice as many (86 percent) lived to the east. (See Map 2.)

Myrtle, 36th Street, and Hawthorne Streets were used as a dividing line to separate the survey area into north and south sections. (See Map 2.) Seventy-five households of the original 125 fell within the north section while 50 were located in the south. Of those in the south, 82 percent responded to the survey compared to 78 percent in the north. Of the 100 households surveyed, 59 percent were located in the north and 41 percent in the south.

In comparing victims with non-victims in the east area where 68 surveys were completed, 42 households or 62 percent answered yes to at least one of the questions referring to crime. Twenty-six or 38 percent had no knowledge of or contact with a criminal incident in the past year. In the west, of the 32 households responding to the survey, 25 or 78 percent had contact with crime and seven or 22 percent did not.



MAP 2



BEMIS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD

Of the 59 households responding in the north, 36 or 61 percent had some contact with crime while 23 or 39 percent did not report an incident within the last year. In the south, of the 41 households responding to the survey, 31 or 76 percent had some contact with crime, and 10 or 24 percent did not. The inability to distinguish certain areas, north, south, east, or west, as being more or less subject to crime, provides a basis for organizing and implementing a crime prevention program for the entire area and not just a specific portion of the area.

THE INCIDENCE OF CRIME IN BEMIS PARK

Table 1 presents the total number of reported incidents. A total of 141 incidents was reported for the 100 households. Each incident with the total number of times it occurred is shown in this table. For example, the attempt or actual theft of part of a car was reported 28 separate times, with

TABLE 1

Total Number of Reported Incidents in Bemis Park Sample

Incident	Number of Incidents	%
Pocket picked/purse snatched	2	1.4
Something taken by force	1	.7
Robbery attempted	7	5.0
Beaten up or attacked	6	4.3
Knifed or shot at	2	1.4
Threatened with beating up	8	5.7
Threatened with weapon	6	4.3
Attack attempted	0	0.0
Theft from car	5	3.5
Theft from residence	18	12.8
Something else stolen	8	5.7
Theft attempted	5	3.5
Residence broken into	10	7.0
Attempted break in	11	7.8
Theft outside of home	19	13.5
Car stolen or attempted	5	3.5
Part of car stolen or attempted	28	19.9
Totals	141	100.0%

some respondents reporting that this occurred three times. The most frequently reported incidents were: the attempt or actual theft of part of a car (n=28), the theft of an item from the outside of a home (n=19), and theft from a residence while the owner was away from the home (n=18). On the other hand, no incidents were reported that would indicate that an attempt or actual incident of attacking a member of the household occurred.

The least frequently reported incidents were: an attempt or actual attack on household member (n=0), taking an item from a person by the use of force or threat (n=1), pocket picking/purse snatching (n=2), and the attacking of a member of the household with a knife, gun, or some other weapon (n=2). The remaining incidents were: something stolen from a car (n=5), attempted theft (n=5), the attempt or actual theft of a car (n=5), threat with a weapon (n=6), attempt to rob (n=7), the threat to be beaten up (n=8), something else stolen from a member of household (n=8), residence broken into (n=10), attempt to break into residence (n=11). The most frequently reported crimes were property crimes, and the least frequently reported crimes were crimes against the person.

Table 2 is based upon "recent incidents" and the number of times each incident occurred. Of the 141 total incidents reported, 106 of those were "recent incidents," and all future data are based on the 106 unless otherwise noted. For example, the attempt or actual theft of part of a car, was reported as a one time occurrence in 15 instances. In two cases, each person reported this twice, and three persons reported this happened three times. Thus, the total equals 28.

TABLE 2

Number of Times Most Recent Incident Occurred

Incident	Once	%	Twice	%	Three Times	%	More Than Three Times	%	Don't Know	Total
Pocket picked/ purse snatched	2	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Something taken by force	1	.94	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Robbery attempted	4	3.8	-	-	1	.94	-	-	-	5
Beaten up or attacked	4	3.8	1	.94	-	-	-	-	-	5
Knifed or shot at	2	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Threatened with beating up	4	3.8	-	-	-	-	1	.94	-	5
Threatened with weapon	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.9	-	2
Attack attempted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Theft from car	5	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Theft from residence	9	8.5	3	2.8	1	.94	-	-	-	13
Something else stolen	6	5.7	1	.94	-	-	-	-	-	7
Theft attempted	1	.94	2	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	3
Residence broken into	5	4.7	1	.94	1	.94	-	-	-	7
Attempted break in	3	2.8	1	.94	2	1.9	-	-	-	6
Theft from outside of home	15	14.2	2	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	17
Car stolen or attempted	5	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6
Part of car stolen or attempted	15	14.2	2	1.9	3	2.8	-	-	-	20
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	
Totals	81	76.4	13	12.3	10	9.4	1	.94	1	106

Table 3 presents the most 106 recent incidents by the month they occurred. Ten respondents could not report the month in which the incident occurred. The most frequently reported months were July (n=14), February (n=13), January (n=12) and August (n=12). The number of incidents for the

TABLE 3
Number of Incidents Reported by Each Month

Incident	Month																Total
	Jan No. %	Feb No. %	Mar No. %	April No. %	May No. %	June No. %	July No. %	Aug No. %	Sept No. %	Oct No. %	Nov No. %	Dec No. %	D.K. No. %				
Pocket picked/ purse snatched	1 .94											1 .94		2			
Something taken by force		1 .94												1			
Attempt to rob							1 .95	2 1.9		1 .94			1 .94	5			
Beaten up or attacked	1 .94	1 .94								1 .94		1 .94	1 .94	5			
Knifed or shot at						1 .94	1 .94							2			
Threat to be beat up	1 .94		1 .94					1 .94		1 .94		1 .94		5			
Threatened with weapon	1 .94						1 .94							2			
Attempt to attack														0			
Stolen from car						2 1.9	1 .94	1 .94				1 .94		5			
Stolen from residence	1 .94	2 1.9	1 .94		1 .94	3 2.8	2 1.9	1 .94				2 1.9		13			
Something else stolen		2 1.9					2 1.9	1 .94				1 .94	1 .94	7			
Attempt to steal		2 1.9	1 .94											3			
Residence broken into	2 1.9	1 .94	1 .94		1 .94	1 .94					1 .94			7			
Attempted break in	1 .94	2 1.9	1 .94					1 .94		1 .94				6			
Stolen from outside of home		1 .94		1 .94		2 1.9	3 2.8	4 3.8	1 .94		1 .94	1 .94	3 2.8	17			
Car stolen or attempted									1 .94		2 1.9	1 .94	2 1.9	6			
Part of car stolen or attempted	4 3.8	1 .94	1 .94		1 .94		3 2.8	1 .94	2 1.9		4 3.8	1 .94	2 1.9	20			
Totals	12 11.3	13 12.3	6 5.7	1 .94	3 2.8	9 8.5	14 13.2	12 11.3	4 3.8	4 3.8	8 7.5	10 9.4	10 9.4	106 = 100%			

other months were: December (n=10), June (n=9), November (n=8), March (n=6), September (n=4), October (n=4), May (n=3), and April (n=1).

Attempting or actual breaking into a home occurred most frequently in January and February. An explanation might be that these months are close to the holidays and are colder months. The attempt or actual theft of part of a car and the theft of an item from outside of the home were reported most frequently in July and August. The warmer weather and people leaving bicycles, gardening tools, and barbecue grills outside might contribute to this finding. Crime has been found to be seasonal.

Table 4 presents the most recent incidents by the day of the week they occurred. No overall significant pattern was found. The day of the week the incident occurred could not be reported by 41 respondents. The most frequent response was Saturday (n=19). The other days reported were: Wednesday (n=10), Thursday (n=19), Friday (n=9), Monday (n=8), Tuesday (n=6), and Sunday (n=4). This is not a pattern which would show all or a large number of incidents occurring on the same day.

Table 5 presents the most recent incidents by the time they occurred. Thirty-five reported incidents occurred between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., and 59 reported incidents occurred between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Little difference was found between incidents, although attempt or actual theft of part of a car and the theft of outside items happened more frequently between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

Findings from the National Crime Survey can be used to compare the Bemis Park Crime Survey with national statistics. The National Crime Survey has been used since 1973 to collect data from households concerning crime. Six crimes are measured in the NCS: rape, robbery, assault,

TABLE 4
Number of Incidents Reported by Day

Incident	Mon		Tues		Wed		Thurs		Day Fri		Sat		Sun		Don't Know		Total
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Pocket picked/purse snatched	1	.94	1	.94													2
Something taken by force											1	.94					1
Attempt to rob					1	.94			1	.94			1	.94	2	1.9	5
Beaten up or attacked					2	1.8			2	1.8					1	.94	5
Knifed, shot at															2	1.9	2
Threat to be beat up	1	.94					1	.94			3	2.8					5
Threatened with weapon															2	1.9	2
Attempt to attack																	0
Stolen from car					1	.94	1	.94	1	.94	2	1.9					5
Stolen from residence	2	1.9			4	3.8					2	1.9	1	.94	4	3.8	13
Something else stolen	1	.94			2	1.8					1	.94			3	2.8	7
Attempt to steal	1	.94													2	1.9	3
Residence Broken into							1	.94			2	1.9			4	3.8	7
Attempted break in							2	1.8			3	2.8	1	.94			6
Stolen from outside of home			3	2.8							3	2.8			11	10.4	17
Car stolen or attempted	1	.94					2	1.8	1	.94					2	1.9	6
Part of car stolen or attempted	1	.94	2	1.8			2	1.8	4	3.8	2	1.9	1	.94	8	7.5	20
Totals	8	7.5	6	5.5	10	9.3	9	8.4	9	8.4	19	17.9	4	3.8	41	38.7	106 = 100%

household burglary, personal and household larceny, and motor vehicle theft. The National Crime Survey counts as crimes all attempts as well as completed crimes.

TABLE 5
Number of Incidents Reported By Time of Day

Incident	6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.		6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.		Don't Know	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Pocket picked/purse snatched	1	.94	1	.94	-	-
Something taken by force	1	.94	-	-	-	-
Robbery attempted	2	1.9	3	2.8	-	-
Beaten up or attacked	2	1.9	3	-	-	-
Knifed or shot at	1	.94	1	.94	-	-
Threatened with beating up	2	1.9	3	2.8	-	-
Threatened with weapon	1	.94	1	.94	-	-
Attack attempted	-	-	-	-	-	-
Theft from car	2	1.9	3	2.8	-	-
Theft from residence	5	4.7	7	6.6	1	.94
Something else stolen	2	1.9	3	2.8	2	1.9
Theft attempted	2	1.9	1	.94	-	-
Residence broken into	2	1.9	3	2.8	2	1.9
Attempted break in	1	.94	4	3.8	1	.94
Theft outside of home	3	2.8	9	8.5	5	4.7
Car stolen or attempted	4	3.8	2	1.9	-	-
Part of car stolen or attempted	4	3.8	15	14.2	1	.94
Totals	35	33.0%	59	56.0%	12	11.0% = 100%

Robbery involves direct theft from a person by force or threat of force. Table 6 shows eight robberies when the incidents are placed into NCS categories. Robbery is one of the crimes that occurred least frequently.

TABLE 6
Total Number of Reported Incidents By NCS Categories

Crime	Number	Percent
Robbery	8	5.7
Assault	22	15.6
Personal larceny	48	34.0
Burglary	21	15.0
Household larceny	37	26.2
Motor vehicle theft	5	3.5
Totals	141	100.0 %

Assault is divided into simple and aggravated. For the purpose of the survey, all incidents of assault, both simple and aggravated, are grouped into the assault category. Assault is a physical attack with a weapon or one that results in serious bodily injury, and assault occurs when a physical attack produces minor injury or when injury is only threatened. A total of 22 assaults was reported.

Household burglary involves unlawful entry with or without force, usually but not necessarily to commit a theft. The unlawful entry aspect of this definition is of crucial importance. The person must not have the right to be in the home of the victim. A total of 21 burglaries was reported.

Personal and household larceny both cover the taking of property without force. The distinction between personal and household larceny is based upon where the item was stolen--whether it was taken from a person without force (personal larceny) or from a home (household larceny). Larceny was the most frequently reported crime. Personal larceny was reported 48 times, and household larceny 37 times.

Motor vehicle theft is the stealing or unlawful use of a motor vehicle. Motor vehicle theft occurred five times. This was the least frequently reported crime.

Table 7 presents the national statistics on victimization as compared to the findings in Bemis Park.² Thirty percent of the nation's households were victimized in 1980. Fifty-seven percent of the 100 households were victimized in Bemis Park. Bemis Park statistics showed a higher percentage of victimization for every crime but rape. Robbery showed a 4.5 percent higher victimization rate than the national statistics. The remaining

TABLE 7

Total Number of Incidents by Category as Compared With NCS Data

Households touched by	Percent in Bemis Park (1981)	Percent in NCS (1980)
	%	%
All crimes	57.	30.
Rape	0.0	0.2
Robbery	5.7	1.2
Assault	15.7	4.4
Personal larceny	34.	14.2
Burglary	15.	7.0
Household larceny	26.2	10.4
Motor vehicle theft	3.5	1.6

crimes showed higher percentages as follows: assault--11.2 percent higher, personal larceny--19.8 percent higher, burglary--8 percent higher, household larceny--15.8 percent higher, and motor vehicle theft--1.9 percent higher.

Crime Prevention Practices

The Bemis Park Crime Victimization Survey contained three questions involving 25 items about crime prevention measures practiced in the neighborhood. These items can be condensed into three categories:

- 1) Prevention during long-term absence
- 2) Prevention during short-term absence
- 3) On-going prevention.

Information from the survey indicated that 98 percent of the surveyed would take some type of special precautions when leaving their homes for an extended period of time. The most frequently mentioned precaution was that they would have a neighbor or relative watch the property. Lights or radios were left on in their homes by 31 percent. The remaining items listed ranged from 14 to 24 percent in frequency. Most of the people surveyed used two or more precautions while some listed five or more.

TABLE 8

A Rank Order of Crime Prevention Used During A Long-Term Absence

Prevention	% of Respondents
Have neighbors/relatives watch property	72
Leave a light on inside	31
Stop deliveries	27
Get someone to live in	24
Lock garage and doors	19
Leave a light on outside	17
Set lights on automatic timer	14
Ask police to watch property	13
Make it look like someone's home	5
Take valuables	3
Leave a car in driveway	3
Have a watchdog	2
Have phone transferred	2
Leave surreptitiously	1
Use burglar alarm	1

*NOTE: 98% of those surveyed would take special precautions during a long-term absence.

With regard to short term absences from the home, 95 percent of the respondents reported that they always or usually locked their doors and windows. Another 81 percent indicated that they left lights on either inside or outside their homes. Likewise, 62 percent of those surveyed reported locking their doors when they were at home.

Thirty seven percent reported using some on-going crime prevention practices such as installing extra locks, lights, or bars on basement windows, etc. Approximately 34 percent of the residents reported possessing a firearm for purposes of protection. This figure parallels that reported in national crime surveys. Although personal property insurance certainly does not prevent crime, it does, however, show that the individual is crime conscious, and in the event of loss all or most of the value of stolen property can be removed. In Bemis Park 66 percent of the respondents reported having such insurance. Aside from homeowners, renters should be aware that

TABLE 9

A RANK ORDER OF CRIME PREVENTION USED DURING
A SHORT-TERM ABSENCE

Prevention	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Hardly Ever	Never	Refused	Do Not Know
Lock doors at night	95	3	1	0	0	1	0
Lock doors - short absence	85	7	4	1	2	1	0
Lock windows/screens at night	84	12	3	0	0	1	0
Turn on indoor lights - short absence	81	5	8	2	3	1	0
Lock windows/screens - short absence	74	11	0	1	1	0	
Lock doors when at home	62	13	14	3	7	1	0
Turn on outdoor light during absence	41	7	12	5	34	1	0

low cost renter insurance is also available and gives similar coverage.

TABLE 10

A RANK ORDER OF ON-GOING CRIME PREVENTION IN BEMIS PARK

Prevention	Yes	No	Refused/Don't Know
Carry Insurance policy	66	29	5
Turn outdoor lights on	52	47	1
Have a watchdog	44	55	1
Install extra locks	43	56	1
Keep other weapons for protection	40	56	4
Have a gun for protection	34	61	5
Display crime prevention stickers	31	68	1
Bars installed	16	83	1
Burglar Alarm	14	84	2

Although no profile of the type of person most likely to be victimized was established, the types of crime most likely to be encountered were identified in this survey. Little threat of violent crime was apparent, but the likelihood of being a victim of personal larceny was quite high. Since the most frequent thefts were unsecured items or theft from unattended vehicles, this may be an area which warrants more attention in terms of crime prevention practices. The survey could not show any significant correlation between the prevention techniques now being practiced and the likelihood of becoming victimized. Judging from the information gathered in this survey, the over-all impression is that the Bemis Park residents are, in fact, security conscious in their homes.

ATTITUDES TOWARD CRIME IN BEMIS PARK

In general, Bemis Park residents did not view crime as a serious problem. Altogether, 28 percent of the survey population described crime as an above average and serious problem, 63 percent viewed crime as an average and less than average problem, and 3 percent viewed crime as no problem.

Of the people surveyed, 44 percent stated that they felt safe walking alone in their neighborhood at night while only 31 percent responded that they would feel safe walking alone in another neighborhood at night. Thus, although most people in Bemis Park viewed crime in their neighborhood as an "average problem," it was still perceived as being a significant enough threat to cause fear and possibly alter basic behavior patterns such as walking at night.

Victims' Attitudes Toward the Police

The vast majority (76 percent) of the victims that reported an incident viewed the police as being cooperative and helpful. However, approximately 48 percent of the victims did not report the incident to the police. This could indicate, in part, a negative view of police, although various contaminating variables, such as type of crime committed, offender/victim relationship, and no insurance could attribute to the non-reports. The vast majority (79 percent) of the victims reported that the crime had not been solved. This indicates the victims' perceptions of police cooperativeness and helpfulness was not related to having actual crimes solved.

Implication for Crime Prevention

The victimization data for Bemis Park indicates that most illegal acts are relatively minor crimes against property. Therefore, crime prevention

programs should be focused in this direction. The citizens of Bemis Park should consider the development of crime prevention programs that minimize the opportunities for criminal activities.

Programs aimed at reminding residents to lock up valuables can be effective for crime prevention in Bemis Park. The residents reported the theft of such items as bicycles, gardening tools, and barbecue grills. In many instances, these items are accidentally left out, making theft easier. With the help of residents reminding their neighbors of property left unattended, the rate of crimes involving the theft of property can be lowered. Simple measures such as these are likely to have just as great an impact as more elaborate and complex crime prevention programs.

FOOTNOTES

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BEMIS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION CRIME SURVEY
1981

Identification

Interviewer _____

Respondent No. _____

Interview Time:

Began _____ a.m. p.m.

Ended _____ a.m. p.m.

Length (min.) _____

Date _____ 1981 _____

Respondent Information

Address _____

Reason for Noninterview

1 - no one home

2 - Temporarily absent - Return date _____

3 - Refused

4 - Other - specify _____

Hello, my name is _____, and I am from the Bemis Park Neighborhood Association (show credentials). This is _____. He/she is from the University of Nebraska at Omaha and is assisting us in gathering information about crime in our neighborhood. This information will help us decide about what can be done to prevent crime in our neighborhood.

We would like to take a few minutes of your time and ask you some questions about your experience with crime in Bemis Park.

The following questions refer to things that have happened to you or another member of your household, during the past 12 months. That is, between _____ (today's date 1981) and _____ (today's date 1980) in this geographical area (show map).

All of the information is confidential, and you will not be identified in any way as a result of this interview.

(1) Did you or another member of your household have your/their pocket picked/purse snatched?

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 2)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

B. Who did this happen to?

- a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

C. In what month did this incident occur?

- a. Jan. b. Feb. c. Mar. d. Apr. e. May f. June g. July h. Aug.
i. Sept. j. Oct. k. Nov. l. Dec. m. don't know n. refused to answer

D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

- a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

- a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 2)

- (2) Did anyone take something (else) directly from you or another member of your household either by using force or by threatening one of you, such as by a stickup or a mugging?

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 3)

- A. How many times did this happen?

a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

- B. Who did this happen to?

a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

- C. In what month did this incident occur?

a. Jan. b. Feb. c. Mar. d. Apr. e. May f. June g. July h. Aug.
i. Sept. j. Oct. k. Nov. l. Dec. m. don't know n. refused to answer

- D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

- E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

- F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

- G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

- H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

- I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

- J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

- K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

- L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

- M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 3)

(3) Did anyone TRY to rob you or another member of your household by using force or threatening to harm you or any other household member?

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 4)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

B. Who did this happen to?

- a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

C. In what month did this incident occur?

- a. Jan. b. Feb. c. Mar. d. Apr. e. May f. June g. July h. Aug.
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D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

- a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

- a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 4)

(4) Were you or another member of your household beat up, attacked, or hit with something, such as a rock or a bottle?

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 5)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

B. Who did this happen to?

- a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

C. In what month did this incident occur?

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D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

- a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

- a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 5)

(5) Were you or another member of this household knifed, shot at, or attacked with some other weapon?

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 6)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

B. Who did this happen to?

- a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

C. In what month did this incident occur?

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D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

- a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

- a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 6)

(6) Did anyone THREATEN to beat you or another member of your household? (Other than any incidents already mentioned.)

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 7)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

B. Who did this happen to?

- a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

C. In what month did this incident occur?

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D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

- a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

- a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 7)

(7) Have you or another member of your household been threatened with a knife, gun, or some other weapon, NOT including telephone threats? (Other than any incidents already mentioned.)

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 8)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

B. Who did this happen to?

- a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

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D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

- a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
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E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

- a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 8)

(8) Did anyone TRY to attack you or another member of your household in some other way? (Other than any incidents already mentioned.)

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 9)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

B. Who did this happen to?

- a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

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E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

- a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 9)

(9) During the last 12 months, did anyone steal anything that belonged to you or another member of your household from inside any car or truck, such as packages and clothing?

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 10)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

B. Who did this happen to?

- a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

C. In what month did this incident occur?

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D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

- a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

- a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 10)

(10) Has anything been stolen from your residence while you were away from home, for instance at work, in a theater or restaurant, or while traveling?

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 11)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

C. In what month did this incident occur?

- a. Jan. b. Feb. c. Mar. d. Apr. e. May f. June g. July h. Aug.
i. Sept. j. Oct. k. Nov. l. Dec. m. don't know n. refused to answer

D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

- a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

- a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 11)

- (11) Other than any incident you have already mentioned, was anything (else) at all stolen from you or another member of your household during the last 12 months?

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 12)

- A. How many times did this happen?

a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

- B. Who did this happen to?

a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

- C. In what month did this incident occur?

a. Jan. b. Feb. c. Mar. d. Apr. e. May f. June g. July h. Aug.
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- D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

- E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

- F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

- G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

- H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

- I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

- J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

- K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

- L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

- M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 12)

- (12) Has any evidence been found which would indicate that someone ATTEMPTED to steal something that belonged to you or another member of your household?
☐ yes (go to A) ☐ no (skip to Q. 13)

- A. How many times did this happen?
a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

- B. Who did this happen to?
a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

- C. In what month did this incident occur?
a. Jan. b. Feb. c. Mar. d. Apr. e. May f. June g. July h. Aug.
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- D. What day of the week did this incident take place?
a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
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- E. What time of the day did this incident take place?
a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

- F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?
a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

- G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?
a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

- H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?
a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

- I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?
a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

- J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?
a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

- K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?
a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

- L. Did you report this incident to the police?
____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

- M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(Go to Q. 13)

- (13) During the last 12 months, did anyone break into or somehow illegally get into your (apartment/home), garage, or another building on your property?

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 14)

- A. How many times did this happen?

a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

- C. In what month did this incident occur?

a. Jan. b. Feb. c. Mar. d. Apr. e. May f. June g. July h. Aug.
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- D. What day of the week did this incident take place?

a. Mon. b. Tues. c. Wed. d. Thurs. e. Fri. f. Sat. g. Sun.
h. don't know i. refused to answer

- E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

a. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. b. 6 p.m. - 6 a.m. c. don't know d. refused to answer

- F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

- G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

- H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

- I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

- J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

- K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

- L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

- M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

- N. Were you or another member of your household at home when this incident occurred?

☐ yes

☐ no

☐ don't know

(Go to Q. 14)

(14) Has anyone attempted to get into your apartment/house illegally by breaking a window or jimmying a lock, or any other way? (Other than any incidents already mentioned.)

☐ yes (go to A)

☐ no (skip to Q. 15)

A. How many times did this happen?

- a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

C. In what month did this incident occur?

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E. What time of the day did this incident take place?

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F. Do you know or do you think you know who committed this crime?

- a. yes (go to Q. G) b. no (skip to Q. L) c. refused to answer

G. Do you know if the crime was committed by one or more than one person?

- a. only one b. more than one c. don't know d. refused to answer

H. Was/were the person(s) male or female?

- a. male/all male b. female/all female c. some male/some female d. don't know e. refused to answer

I. How old would you say the person(s) was/were?

- a. under 12 b. 12-19 c. 19 and over d. don't know e. refused to answer

J. Do you know or do you think you know what race the person(s) was/were?

- a. don't know b. white c. Negro d. other - specify _____ e. refused to answer

K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?

- a. yes b. no c. don't know d. refused to answer

L. Did you report this incident to the police?

____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

N. Were you or another member of your household at home when this incident occurred?

☐ yes ☐ no ☐ don't know

(Go to Q. 15)

- (15) Was anything at all stolen that is kept outside your home, or happened to be left out, such as a bicycle, a garden hose, or lawn furniture? (Other than any incidents already mentioned.)
☐ yes (go to A) ☐ no (skip to Q 16)

- A. How many times did this happen?
a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

- C. In what month did this incident occur?
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- K. Does this person(s) live in the Bemis Park area?
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- L. Did you report this incident to the police?
____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

- M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?
____ yes ____ no

- N. Were you or another member of your household at home when this incident occurred?
☐ yes ☐ no ☐ don't know
(Go to Q. 16)

(16) What was the total number of motor vehicles (cars, trucks, etc.) owned by you or any other member of this household during the last 12 months?
☐ none (Go to Q. 19) ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 or more

(17) Did anyone steal, TRY to steal, or use (it/any of them) without permission?
☐ yes IF YES ASK ☐ no (skip to Q. 18)

Was the car locked at this time? ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ don't know

A. How many times did this happen?

a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

B. Who did this happen to?

a. respondent b. husband c. wife d. grandmother e. grandfather f. son g. daughter
h. non-related male adult i. non-related female adult j. other k. refused to answer

C. In what month did this incident occur?

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____ no - Why wasn't this incident reported to the police? _____

____ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

____ yes

____ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

____ yes ____ no

(go to Q. 18)

(18) Did anyone steal or TRY to steal part of (it/any of them), such as a battery, hubcaps, tape-deck, etc.?

☐ yes IF YES ASK ☐ no (go to Q. 19)

Was the car locked at this time? ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ don't know

A. How many times did this happen?

a. once b. twice c. three times d. more than 3 times e. refused

The questions that you are now going to be asked refer to the most recent time that this incident occurred.

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___ yes - Did you feel the police were cooperative and helpful?

___ yes

___ no - Why were you not satisfied with the police action(s)? _____

M. To your knowledge, has this crime been solved?

___ yes ___ no

(Go to Q. 19)

- (19) Other than any incidents you have mentioned, did anything happen to you or another member of your household during the last 12 months which was thought to be a crime but was not reported to the police?

☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, what happened? _____

- (20) Other than any calls made to the police concerning the incidents you have just told me about, did you or another member of your household call the police during the last 12 months to report something that happened which one of you may have thought was a crime?

☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, what happened? _____

The next group of questions are about the types of protection you may . . . or may not . . . have for yourself and your home against crime. If you do these things, that's fine/OK . . . if you don't do these things, that's fine/OK, too. There are no right or wrong answers. We would simply like to find out what you do or don't do. First of all . . .

- (21) Codes for questions A thru I: 1. yes 2. no 3. refused 4. don't know Circle Response

- | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| A. Do you carry any insurance policy which covers any of your personal property against loss from theft or vandalism (exclude car insurance)? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| B. Are there lights outside your home that are regularly turned on at night that might help protect your home from criminal attack (exclude street lights)? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| C. Do you have a burglar alarm or other means of alerting the neighbors or the police in case of forced entry, when you are not home? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| D. Do you have a dog that serves as a watchdog, or do you have some other animal that helps guard your home? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| E. Is there a gun, pistol, rifle or shotgun in the house that is used for the protection of your home (even if it is also used for sport)? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| F. Is there some other kind of weapon in the house for the protection of the house (even if it also has other uses)? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| G. Have you installed extra locks on windows or doors to protect your home? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| H. Have you installed bars on windows or doors to protect your home? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| I. Do you display on your doors or windows Crime Prevention stickers? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

(22) If you left your home for a trip of about a week, would you take any special precautions to discourage someone from breaking-in?

1. yes (ASK 22a) 2. no (SKIP to Q. 23) 3. don't know (SKIP to Q. 23)

If "YES" ASK:

A. What would you do? (DO NOT READ RESPONSES, MARK ALL THAT ARE MENTIONED)

- 01. Stop/have someone pick up deliveries (milk, papers, mail, etc.)
- 02. Leave a light on outside
- 03. Leave a light on inside
- 04. Ask neighbors/relatives to watch property
- 05. Get someone to live-in
- 06. Ask police to watch property
- 07. Have a light set to an automatic timer
- 08. Lock garage, front door, etc. . . (Lock up)
- 09. Other _____
- 10. Don't know
- 11. Refused

(23) For each of the following situations that I read to you, please tell me whether you always, usually, sometimes, hardly ever, or never do them.

- CODES: 1. Always 2. Usually 3. Sometimes 4. Hardly Ever
 5. Never 6. Refused 7. Don't Know

	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Hardly Ever	Never	Refused	Don't Know
a. Do you lock your doors at night?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
b. When you leave the house for only a short time, do you lock the doors?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
c. Do you keep the doors locked when you are at home?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
d. Are your windows or screens locked at night?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
e. When you leave the house, even for a short time, are the windows or screens locked?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
f. When you leave the house at night, do you turn on indoor lights?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
g. Do you turn on outdoor lights when you leave the house at night?	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

(24) Finally, I'd like to ask you some questions about your attitudes toward crime in your neighborhood.

- (A) Do you feel safe working in your yard? ☐ yes ☐ no
- (B) Do you feel safe walking in your neighborhood alone at night? ☐ yes ☐ no
- (C) Would you feel safe walking alone in another neighborhood at night? ☐ yes ☐ no

(25) How would you describe the crime problem in Bemis Park? Would you say that it is a serious problem, an above average problem, an average problem, a less than average problem, or is not a problem at all?

- a. serious b. above average c. average d. less than average e. no problem f. don't know
 g. refused

As part of the survey, I need some information about you, the people who live here, your house/apartment, and things like that. (You may want to repeat again, that all this information will remain confidential.)

- (1) How many years have you been living at your present address?
 - (a) less than 1
 - (b) 1 - 4
 - (c) 5 - 9
 - (d) 10 or more
 - (e) don't know
 - (f) refused

- (2) Where did you live before you moved here?
 - (a) on the same block
 - (b) within the same neighborhood
 - (c) within the city limits of Omaha
 - (d) in the Omaha area, but not within the city limits
 - (e) another city or state
 - (f) always lived here
 - (g) refused
 - (h) don't know/don't remember

- (3) Do you rent or are you buying your house/apartment?
 - (a) rent
 - (b) own, buying
 - (c) other - specify _____
 - (d) don't know

- (4) How many living units are in this building?
 - (a) single family dwelling
 - (b) duplex or attached single family units (rowhouses)
 - (c) apartment house with 5 or less dwelling units
 - (d) apartment house with 5 - 10 units
 - (e) apartment house with more than 10 units

- (5) How many people live in your house/apartment? _____

5a. Of these how many are 18 years of age or older? _____

- (6) Do you know your neighbor(s) by name?
☐ yes ☐ no

- (7) Do you and your neighbor(s) visit regularly?
 - (a) not at all
 - (b) once a day
 - (c) once a week
 - (d) once a month
 - (e) once a year

That's all of the questions. Thank you for your help. You will be able to read about the results of this study in the Bemis Park Association Newsletter in about two months time.