

**Kansas City Driving Survey: Selected Items from Questionnaire**

a. *Have you driven a vehicle in Kansas or Missouri at least once in the past month?*

0 No (if no, thank and ask to speak with an adult in the household who has a license and who drives; if no one is there, ask a better time to call; if no one fits description, thank and end call, listing number as ineligible).

1 Yes

c. *Do you consider yourself...(allow for more than one)*

White or Caucasian

Black or African American

Asian, Pacific Islander

American Indian/Native American/Alaskan Eskimo

or some other race?

c3. *If you met someone who did not know you, what race do you think they would think you are? (assess for pretest)*

White or Caucasian

Black or African American

Asian, Pacific Islander

American Indian/Native American/Alaskan Eskimo

or some other race?

D1. Studies show that the police stop many drivers each year for a wide range of reasons. At any time while you were driving in the past 12 months, were you stopped by a police officer?

0 No

1 Yes

99 Don't know/refused (thank, and end survey)

2a. On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being "not at all" and 5 being "very much," for the average person, how embarrassing is it to say in public that they were stopped by the cops? 1 2 3 4 5

2b. Sometimes people who have been stopped by the cops will decide not to say so on a survey like this. On the same 1 to 5 scale, how likely would it be that the average person who has been stopped by the cops would deny that fact in a survey like this? 1 2 3 4 5

**Section 2: Driving Habits**

3. Thinking of the vehicle you drive most often, please answer the following:

3a. Manufacturer/Make (e.g. Ford, Toyota, Honda) \_\_\_\_\_

3b. Type/Model (Taurus, Civic) \_\_\_\_\_

3c. Year built \_\_\_\_\_

3d. How much do you think this vehicle is worth? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

5. On a typical weekday, about how many minutes do you spend driving for any purpose (work, recreation, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_ minutes

7. About how many miles do you think you drive in an average year? \_\_\_\_\_ miles

8. Most people's vehicles are not in new condition. Thinking of the vehicle you drive most often, has that vehicle had any of the following conditions for more than a month in the past year?

**Bad Condition**

Mud or road grime?	No	Yes
Missing hubcap?	No	Yes
Unrepaired damage from an earlier traffic accident?	No	Yes
Significant rust?	No	Yes
Faded or chipped paint?	No	Yes

**Illegal/Potentially illegal**

Cracked windshield?	No	Yes
Expired license plate?	No	Yes
Damaged, missing, or burned out headlight?	No	Yes
Damaged, missing, or burned out tail light?	No	Yes

9. Does your vehicle have:

Tinted windows  
Custom wheels  
Stereo with a subwoofer  
Other \_\_\_\_\_ (please describe)

10. I'd also like to ask you some questions about some common driving habits. We are trying to find out which of these things have been done by the largest number of people. Please tell me if you have done each of these things **often, sometimes, seldom, or never** during the past year (some are reverse coded for analysis).

- A. Slowed down at a yellow light even if you could make it through before it turns red.
- B. Made sure you dimmed your headlights at night when approaching other cars.
- C. Avoided driving in certain areas because of the way police might treat me
- D. Changed lanes without using your turn signal.
- E. Turned a corner without using your turn signal.
- F. Been careful about the clothes I wear because of how police might treat me.
- G. Driven shortly after having consumed a small amount of alcohol.
- H. Sped up to get through a yellow stoplight before it turns red.
- I. Rolled through a stop-sign without coming to a complete stop.
- J. Raced another auto for a short distance on a roadway.
- K. Changed lanes frequently in order to get ahead of a number of slow-moving vehicles.
- L. Talked on a cell or car-phone while driving.
- M. Driven while intoxicated
- N. Worn a seat belt while driving
- O. Used Cruise control

- P. Used a radar detector or laser pulse detector
- Q. Watch and follow the speed of faster moving vehicles
- R. Pay attention to where the police often set up speed traps, and slow down for those locations?

**Section 4: Trust/Confidence in Government and Police**

17. How much of the time do you think your can trust your local city or county government to do the right thing?

- Just about always
- Most of the time
- Only some of the time
- or Never.

18. How much of the time do you think you can trust the local police to do the right thing?

- Just about always
- Most of the time
- Only some of the time
- or Never.

19. How much confidence do you, yourself, have in the police in your community?

- A great deal of confidence
- Some confidence
- Almost no confidence
- No confidence

20. To what extent do police officers in the Kansas City area treat people fairly regardless of race?

- Just about always
- Most of the time
- Only some of the time
- or Never.

**Tell me how strongly would you agree or disagree with the following statements on a scale from 1 to 7 with 1 indicating *strongly disagree* and 7 indicating *strongly agree*:**

21. If I needed help, I would feel comfortable calling the local police. (1-7)  
[social distance]

22. The local police department does a good job helping and protecting people like me. (1-7) [relational identity]

23. I feel that the local police don't care about people like me. (1-7)  
[relational identity]

24. Sometimes police make mistakes, but I believe that they are try hard to be fair to and protect everyone. (1-7) [procedural justice]

25. The local police are rude to people like me. (1-7) [procedural justice]

26. Even if I think they are wrong, I voluntarily accept the decision of the local police. (1-7) [decision acceptance, deference]

27. I have always been treated fairly by the local police. (1-7) [distributive]

justice]

28. If I think the local police are wrong, I think it is important to stand up for myself.

(1-7) [identity conflict with authority; compliance]

29. If the local police are rude to me, then I am rude to them. (1-7)

[identity conflict with authority; deference]

30. The local police are out to get people like me. (1-7) [coercive relationship]

### Section 5: Social/Group Identity (most based on Tyler)

Tell me how strongly would you agree or disagree with the following statements on a scale from 1 to 7 with 1 indicating *strongly disagree* and 7 indicating *strongly agree*:

31. We are all members of different ethnic or racial groups. Being a member of my ethnic or racial group is very important to me. (1-7) [sub-group identity strength]

32. When someone from outside criticizes my ethnic group, it feels like a personal insult. (1-7) [sub-group identity strength]

33. Next I'm going to list several types of people who have different personal styles. Could you tell me how much you look like them using a scale from 1 to 10, with 1 being "I don't look like this at all," and 10 being "I look exactly like that."

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|--|----------------------|
| 33a) a lawyer or doctor                        | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33b) a construction worker                     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33c) a 20-something single person              | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33d) a retiree                                 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33e) a suburban parent                         | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33f) a hip-hop star or d-jay                   | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33g) a college student                         | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33h) Someone in the military                   | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33i) a working person trying to make ends meet | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33j) a business-person                         | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33k) a street bum                              | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33l) a music star                              | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33m) an artist or intellectual                 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33n) a professional athlete                    | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| 33o) a factory worker                          | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |

### Section 6: (asked of those who were stopped)

#### Stop 1

When you were stopped by police most recently, approximately what was your location when you pulled over (city, cross streets or estimated address, landmarks, etc.) and what day of the week was it and time of day. Please provide as much detail as possible.

36. City: \_\_\_\_\_

36a. State: \_\_\_\_\_

37. Address: \_\_\_\_\_

38. Cross Streets: \_\_\_\_\_
39. Landmarks (e.g. On Null St, near Walmart): \_\_\_\_\_
40. What Month was it? \_\_\_\_\_
41. (If month not known), what season was it? \_\_\_\_\_
42. Day of Week:
- Sunday
  - Monday
  - Tuesday
  - Wednesday
  - Thursday
  - Friday
  - Saturday
43. (if day not known) was it:
- 1 a weekend day?
  - 2 a weekday day?
44. Time of Day: \_\_\_\_\_ time am or pm? \_\_\_\_\_
45. Were the weather conditions:
- 1 Fair (warm, not raining or snowing)
  - 2 Raining or snowing
  - 3 Cold
46. Where were you driving from when you were stopped? (e.g. work, store, friend's house, etc); (please describe)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (250 characters)
47. Was the officer
- 1 A state trooper
  - 2 A County Sheriff
  - 3 A local (city) police officer
  - 4 Other (such as campus police)
48. Were you driving the vehicle you drive most often when you were stopped?
- Yes
  - No
49. If no, what make, model, and year was this vehicle?
- Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_
50. How many people were in the vehicle when you were stopped? \_\_\_\_\_
51. (If more than 1) how many of these people were aged 16 or older? \_\_\_\_\_
52. (If more than 1) How many of these people were the same race as you? \_\_\_\_\_
53. Were there any people on the street or sidewalk watching the police pull you over?
- No
  - Yes

Many people who are stopped are nervous, angry, or resentful. On a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 being "not at all" and 5 being "very much," please rate your own feelings and behavior in the following areas?

- 54. To what extent did you try to keep both of your hands in the open during the stop?
- 55. To what extent did you feel tense or nervous during the traffic stop?
- 56. To what extent did you speak with an angry voice to the officer?
- 57. To what extent did you speak loudly to the officer?
- 58. To what extent did you speak sarcastically to the officer?

After stopping the vehicle, did you do any of the following?

- |  |     |    |
|--|-----|----|
| 59. Talk on a cell phone or make a phone call                  | Yes | No |
| 60. Tell the officer that it was unfair that you were stopped? | Yes | No |
| 61. Open the vehicle door?                                     | Yes | No |
| 62. Exit the vehicle and approach the police?                  | Yes | No |

63. How many police cars were present during the stop? (note: additional cars may have appeared at some point during the stop). \_\_\_\_\_

64. How many police officers were present during the stop? (note: additional officers may have appeared at some point during the stop). \_\_\_\_\_

65. Were the police officers White, Black, or some other race?

- All White
- All Black
- All some other race
- Mostly White
- Mostly Black
- Mostly some other race
- Equally mix
- Don't know

66. Did the officer ask you why you did not stop when he first tried to pull you over?

- No
- Yes

67. Did the officer ask you if you knew why you were being stopped?

- No
- Yes

68. Did the police officer give a reason for stopping the vehicle?

- No
- Yes

If so, what reason(s) did he or she provide? (**allow for more than one answer**)

69. Did not tell me \_\_\_\_\_ y n

70. Speeding y n

70a. if speeding, how many miles per hour over the speed limit \_\_\_\_\_ mph

- 71. Driving too slow y n
- 72. Failure to stop at sign or light
- 73. Stopping too long
- 75. Failure to signal turn
- 76. Failure to signal a lane change
- 77. License plate light out
- 78. Erratic or dangerous driving (weaving, fast start, etc.)
- 79. Vehicle condition violation, such as a burned out headlight
- 80. Expired license plate, tab, or display violation (e.g. no plate in front)
- 81. Roadside check for drunk drivers
- 82. Suspicion of driving under the influence
- 83. Failure to have headlights on
- 84. Having brights or high beams on improperly
- 85. To check your license plate, driver's license, or vehicle registration
- 86. You may have been involved in a traffic accident
- 87. The police thought you might have been a witness to a crime
- 88. The police asked you questions about a crime they thought you were involved in
- 89. The police had a warrant for your arrest
- 90. Some other reason I haven't mentioned

Please describe \_\_\_\_\_ (250 characters)

91. Did the officer give you a "lecture" concerning your driving behavior or concerning the reason you were stopped?

- No
- Yes

92. What would you estimate the officer's age to be? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

On a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 being "not at all" and 5 being "very much," please rate the police officer(s) behavior in the following areas.

- 93. To what extent did the officer seem tense or nervous?
- 94. To what extent did the officer speak with a stern voice?
- 95. To what extent did the officer speak loudly?
- 96. To what extent did the officer approach you more closely than felt comfortable for you?
- 97. To what extent did the officer's behavior overall seem hostile?
- 98. To what extent did the officer tell you to keep your hands in the open?
- 99. To what extent would you say that the police officer had a legitimate or good reason for stopping you?

100. Looking back on this situation, do you feel the police behaved properly or improperly?

- Properly
- Neither/Don't know
- Improperly

During the stop, did you: (allow for more than one)

- 101. Argue with or disobey the police officer? Yes No
- 102. Curse at, insult, or call the police officer a name? Yes No

103. Resist being handcuffed or arrested? Yes No

104. Resist being searched or having the vehicle searched? Yes No

105. Say something threatening to the police officer? Yes No

106. Do anything else that might have caused the police officer to use or threaten to use physical force against you? Yes No

106a. Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

107. Did the police officer search your person, frisk you, or pat you down? (all search questions from BJS)

No

Yes

107a. (if yes) Do you think the police officer had a legitimate reason to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?

No

Yes

Don't know

107b. (if yes) Did the police officer ask you for permission to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?

No

Yes

107c. (if yes) Did you give the police officer permission to search you, frisk you, or pat you down?

No

Yes

108. (if yes) Did the police officer find any of the following items on you or near you? (allow for more than one response).

108a. Legal weapons Yes No

108b. Illegal weapons Yes No

108c. Illegal drugs Yes No

108d. Drug paraphernalia Yes No

108e. Open containers of alcohol, such as beer or liquor Yes No

108f. Other evidence of a crime? Yes No

108f2. Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

108g. None of the above Yes No

109. Did the police officer search the vehicle?

No

Yes

109a. (if yes) Do you think the police officer had a legitimate reason to search the vehicle?

No

Yes

Don't know



109b. (if yes) Did the police officer ask you for permission to search the vehicle?

- No
Yes

109c. (if yes) Did you give the police officer permission to search the vehicle?

- No
Yes

(if yes) Did the police officer find any of the following items in the vehicle? (allow for more than one response).

- 110a. Legal weapons Yes No
110b. Illegal weapons Yes No
110c. Illegal drugs Yes No
110d. Drug paraphernalia Yes No
110e. Open containers of alcohol, such as beer or liquor Yes No
110f. Other evidence of a crime? Yes No
110f2. Please describe:
110g. None of the above Yes No

111. Did the police officer threaten to arrest you?

- Yes
No

112. At any time during the incident were you handcuffed?

- No
Yes

113. Now I'd like to ask you how the police officer acted during the stop. I'd like to read first a list of several descriptions of ways that officers sometimes act during traffic stops, and then I'd like you to say whether the officer in your stop acted in these kinds of ways, on a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being "not at all like that" and 10 being "exactly like that."

- 113a. the officer was friendly 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
113b. the officer was business-like 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
113c. the officer was kind of cold 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
113d. the officer was surly 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
113e. the officer said insulting things 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
(If 5 or above) Please describe specifically what was said
113e2. (250 Characters)
113f. the officer used curse words while talking to me. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
(If 5 or above) Please describe specifically what was said
113f2. (250 Characters)
113g. the officer threatened me physically, like threatening to hit me 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
(If 5 or above) Please describe specifically what was said
113g2. (250 Characters)
113h. the officer actually hit me or pushed me 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
113i. the officer actually threw me against the car or to the ground 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

114. During the incident were you: (**allow for more than one**)
- |   |     |    |
|---|-----|----|
| 114a. Questioned about what you were doing in the area? | Yes | No |
| 114a. Given a verbal warning?                           | Yes | No |
| 114a. Given a written warning?                          | Yes | No |
| 114a. Given a traffic ticket or citation?               | Yes | No |
| 114a. Tested for drunk or impaired driving?             | Yes | No |
| 114a. Arrested?   | Yes | No |
| 114a. None of the above                                 | Yes | No |

115. You noted that you were given a traffic ticket or citation. What were you cited with? (**please list all**)

- |  |     |    |
|--|-----|----|
| 115a. Speeding   | Yes | No |
| 115b. Driving too slow   | Yes | No |
| 115c. Failure to stop at sign or light   | Yes | No |
| 115d. Stopping too long  | Yes | No |
| 115e. Failure to signal turn or a lane change  | Yes | No |
| 115f. License plate light out  | Yes | No |
| 115g. Erratic or dangerous driving (weaving, fast start, etc.)                               | Yes | No |
| 115h. Vehicle condition violation, such as a burned out headlight                            | Yes | No |
| 115i. Expired license plate, tab, or display violation (such as missing front license plate) | Yes | No |
| 115j. Driving under the influence  | Yes | No |
| 115k. Failure to have headlights on  | Yes | No |
| 115l. Having brights or high beams on improperly   | Yes | No |
| 115m. The police had a warrant for your arrest   | Yes | No |
| 115n. Some other reason I haven't mentioned  | Yes | No |
| 115n2. Please specify: _____   |     |    |

116. Not including anything just mentioned, were you cited with any of the following? (**allow for more than one**)

- |   |     |    |
|---|-----|----|
| 116a. Assaulting a police officer                 | Yes | No |
| 116b. Resisting arrest                            | Yes | No |
| 116c. Drug offense                                | Yes | No |
| 116d. Possession of a firearm or concealed weapon | Yes | No |
| 116e. Disorderly conduct                          | Yes | No |
| 116f. Something else                              | Yes | No |
| 115f2. Please specify: _____                      |     |    |
| 116g. None of the above                           | Yes | No |

117. On a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 being "not at all" and 5 being "very much," please rate your feelings after the incident

- |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 117b. To what extent was the outcome more severe than you deserved?               | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 117c. To what extent did you strongly consider challenging the citation in court? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 117d. To what extent did you feel guilty about your behavior?                     | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 117e. To what extent did you feel angry with yourself?                            | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

**Section 8: Other Demographics**

123. What is your highest level of education?

- 1 Less than 9<sup>th</sup> grade
- 2 Some High School
- 3 High School Degree or GED
- 4 Some College
- 5 2-yr Degree
- 6 4-yr Degree
- 7 Some Graduate School
- 8 Graduate Degree (MA PhD)

124. Which of the following income categories best describes your total combined household income for all of 2002? Please be sure to include income from welfare, Social Security, pensions, and investments, as well as any wages and salary, or any income from your own business.

- 1 Under \$20,000
- 2 \$20,000 - \$29,999
- 3 \$30,000 - \$39,999
- 4 \$40,000 - \$49,999
- 5 \$50,000 - \$59,999
- 6 \$60,000 - \$69,999
- 7 \$70,000 - \$79,999
- 8 \$80,000 - \$89,999
- 9 \$90,000 - \$99,999
- 10 \$100,000 - \$200,000
- 11 Over \$200,000

127. In what year were you born? \_\_\_\_\_ (open-ended; record verbatim)

130. Enter Gender of respondent

- 0 Female
- 1 Male