Administering the Transportation Security Index
The Transportation Security Index questionnaire and how the scoring works

Each “never” response is assigned a score of 0, each “sometimes” response, a score of 1, and each “often” response, a score of 2. The scores are added together to determine the respondent’s continuous transportation insecurity score.

1. To get to the places they need to go, people might walk, bike, take a bus, train or taxi, drive a car, or get a ride. In the past 30 days, how often were you late getting somewhere because of a problem with transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

2. In the past 30 days, how often did it take you longer to get somewhere than it would have taken you if you had different transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

3. There are times when we need to wait for transportation to pick us up. In the past 30 days, how often did you spend a long time waiting because you did not have the transportation that would allow you to come and go when you wanted? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

4. In the past 30 days, how often did you have to arrive somewhere early and wait because of the schedule of the bus, train, or person giving you a ride? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

5. In the past 30 days, how often did you have to reschedule an appointment because of a problem with transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

6. In the past 30 days, how often did you skip going somewhere because of a problem with transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

7. In the past 30 days, how often were you not able to leave the house when you wanted to because of a problem with transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

8. In the past 30 days, how often did you worry about whether or not you would be able to get somewhere because of a problem with transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

9. In the past 30 days, how often did you feel stuck at home because of a problem with transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

10. In the past 30 days, how often do you think that someone did not invite you to something because of problems with transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

11. In the past 30 days, how often did you feel like friends, family, or neighbors were avoiding you because you needed help with transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

12. In the past 30 days, how often did you feel left out because you did not have the transportation you needed? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

13. In the past 30 days, how often did you feel bad because you did not have the transportation you needed? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

14. In the past 30 days, how often did you worry about inconveniencing your friends, family, or neighbors because you needed help with transportation? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

15. In the past 30 days, how often did problems with transportation affect your relationships with others? [Often / Sometimes / Never]

16. In the past 30 days, how often did you feel embarrassed because you did not have the transportation you needed? [Often / Sometimes / Never]