

# GANG MEMBER SURVEY

## PART 1: BACKGROUND

November 24, 2015

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### CONSENT SCRIPT:

Hello, my name is \_\_\_ and I work for American University. The purpose of this project, funded by the National Institute of Justice, is to learn more about cliques in the United States and El Salvador. I would like to ask you some questions that will take 45 to 90 minutes to answer. Participation in this study is voluntary. You are not required to participate and there is no negative recourse for not participating. You will receive no personal benefit from participation. Some of the questions asked may cause feelings of guilt or discomfort. You can refuse to answer any question, and you may stop the interview at any time for any reason. This means you can ask for any question to be explained, skip any questions you do not want to answer or that make you feel uncomfortable, and stop the interview at any time. Some of the questions request sensitive information, such as your criminal history, your immigration status, or basic information about your family. If you choose to participate in the interview, the information you provide will be confidential. In other words, nobody outside our research team will have access to the information you provide. Multiple safeguards are in place to maintain the confidentiality of information you provide. Also remember that you can refuse to answer any question, and you may stop the interview at any time for any reason. The results of this research may be published, but your name will never be used. De-identified data will be archived in the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data for future use by researchers. If you choose to participate, you will receive a small thank you gift.

[\*For prison-based gang members only\*]: The information that you provide cannot be used in any other law enforcement or judicial proceeding per 42 USC 3789g. Information about future crimes is not protected and can be reported. Prison officials will not have access to the information you provide.

Do you have any questions?

#### 1. Do you want to participate in this study?

- Agreed
- Declined
- Not Available - e.g. ill, taken to court, released, transferred, violent, isolation, etc.

#### 2. Do you speak English fluently?

- No English
- Minimal English
- Moderate English
- Fluent English

# Demographic Information

I want to begin by asking some questions about you.

3. How old are you?

0	0	0
1	1	1
2	2	2
3	3	3
4	4	4
5	5	5
6	6	6
7	7	7
8	8	8
9	9	9

4. SEX

- Male
- Female

5. In what country were you born?

- United States
- El Salvador
- OTHER (specify below)

6a. What is your current immigration status?

- United States Citizen
- Resident (e.g. PR, Green Card, etc.)
- Visa / TPS
- No Status

6b. Do you have foreign citizenship? [MARK ALL THAT APPLY]

- El Salvador
- OTHER (specify below)

6c. Have you ever been deported from the United States?

- No
- Yes

6d. If yes, please answer the following questions:

How many times have you been deported from the United States? \_\_\_\_\_

How many times have you returned to the United States legally? \_\_\_\_\_

How many times have you returned to the United States illegally? \_\_\_\_\_

7a. Have you ever lived in El Salvador?

- No
- Yes

7b. If yes, what was the most recent city and state where you lived?

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

8. In what city and state do you currently live?

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

9. How many years of total years of formal education have you successfully completed?

Out of that total, how many years were completed:

TOTAL	El Salvador	United States	Elsewhere
0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7
8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9

Questions 10-14 ask you about your family members. Please include only those who are still  About your family....	How many live in another countries?			
	How many live in the United States?			
	How many live in El Salvador?			
	How many?			
	Yes	No?		
10. Do you have any children or stepchildren?				
11. Do you have any brothers or sisters?				
12. Do you have any parents?				
13. Do you have any grandparentsparents ?				
14. Do you have any other relatives [Include aunts/uncles, 1st cousins]?				
If "other" countries indicated, which other country(ies)?				

**15. Are any of your friends currently members of a clique?**

in El Salvador?

- No
- Yes

in the United States?

- No
- Yes

in other countries?

- No
- Yes

**16. Have you ever been a member of a clique?**

- Yes, currently a member.
- Yes, formerly a member.
- No, never a member.

If you answered "YES" to question 16, please answer the following questions.

**17. What is the name of the clique?**

**18. What is the name of the city and state in which the clique is located?**

**19. Is the clique part of a larger gang or group (like MS-13, Barrio-18, etc...)?  
If yes, which gang or group?**

**20. How old were you when you first joined your current clique?**

0	0
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9

**21. How many members does your current clique have? If you don't know exactly, please estimate to the best of your knowledge.**

0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7	7
8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9

**22. Does the clique have members or associates who are currently located in El Salvador?**

- No
- Yes

**23. Over the past 2 years, was the clique involved in a truce with any other cliques or gangs?**

- No
- Yes

**If yes, which of the following patterns have you observed? MARK ALL THAT APPLY**

- The truce is no longer active.
- The truce is weakening.
- The truce is holding steady, not getting weaker or stronger.
- The truce is getting stronger.

**24. Over the past 2 years, which of the following patterns did you observe with regard to crime in this jurisdiction?**

**MARK ALL THAT APPLY**

- Murders (major increase, minor increase, no change, minor decrease, major decrease).
- Disappearances (major increase, minor increase, no change, minor decrease, major decrease).
- Nonfatal shootings or woundings not resulting in death (major increase, minor increase, no change, minor decrease, major decrease).
- Robberies (major increase, minor increase, no change, minor decrease, major decrease).
- Extortion of businesses (major increase, minor increase, no change, minor decrease, major decrease).
- Extortion of individuals (major increase, minor increase, no change, minor decrease, major decrease).
- Rapes (major increase, minor increase, no change, minor decrease, major decrease).

### 25. In the past 30 days, how much money have you earned in total?

Of this total amount, how much was from legal sources and how much was from illegal sources? Of this total amount, how much was related to your association with your current/former clique?

TOTAL EARNINGS				LEGAL SOURCES				ILLEGAL SOURCES				CLIQUE SOURCES			
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
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8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9

### 26. In an average month, how much money do you typically earn?

Of this total amount, how much was from legal sources and how much was from illegal sources? Of this total amount, how much was related to your association with your current/former clique?

TOTAL EARNINGS				LEGAL SOURCES				ILLEGAL SOURCES				CLIQUE SOURCES			
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
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**PART 2: VICTIMIZATION SECTION:**  
 The next series of questions are about whether you have been the victim of a crime or not.

**In the 12 months prior to your apprehension, have you been . . ?**

	Happened in past 12 months?	How many times in the US?	How many times in El Salvador?	How many times while travelling from El Salvador to the US?
27. Threatened with a gun?	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
28. Shot at?	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
29. Shot?	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
30. Threatened with a weapon other than a gun? (knife, club, bat, taser, etc.)	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
31. Injured with a weapon other than a gun? (knife, club, bat, taser, etc.)	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
32. Sexually assaulted?	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
33. Assaulted or attacked without a weapon?	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
34. Robbed? (Personally robbed with force or threat of force - not burglary!)	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
35. Kidnapped or held against your will?	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
36. Extorted?	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
37. Had something stolen (burglary, car stolen, etc)?	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			
38. Victimized in some other way? _____	<input type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> Y			



**PART 4: CRIMINAL INVOLVEMENT**

This section asks about criminal activity. Please remember that we are not recording your name and that your responses are fully confidential. The sole purpose of this information is for use in a university-based research project.

		<b>In the past 12 months, have members of your clique ever...?</b>			
		<b>In the past 12 months, have you ever...?</b>			
		No	Yes	No	Yes
	46. Used illegal drugs?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
47.	Painted or drew graffiti on someone else's property without permission?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	48. Stolen property worth LESS than \$100?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	49. Stolen property worth MORE than \$100?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
50.	Broke into a house, store, or building to commit a theft, or burglary?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	51. Intimidated or threatened someone?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	52. Robbed someone by force or by threat of force?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
53.	Robbed a business through force or threat of force?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	54. Extorted an individual?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	55. Extorted a business?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
56.	Jumped or attacked someone in a way that resulted in injury?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	57. Kidnaped someone?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	58. Shot at someone but didn't hit them?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	59. Shot someone?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	60. Killed someone?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	61. Sold drugs locally?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	62. Sold or rented out guns locally?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
63.	Engaged in pimping or prostitution locally?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	64. Sold drugs to drug dealers?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y

		<b>From the USA...?</b>							
		<b>To the USA...?</b>							
		<b>In the past 12 months, have members of your clique ever...?</b>							
		<b>In the past 12 months, have you ever...?</b>							
		No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
	65. Engaged in drug trafficking between two or more countries?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	66. Engaged in gun trafficking between two or more countries?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	67. Engaged in sex trafficking between two or more countries?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
	68. Engaged in labor trafficking between two or more countries?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y
69.	Engaged in smuggling of persons between two or more countries?	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y	<input type="radio"/> N	<input type="radio"/> Y



PART 5: YOUR CLIQUE  The following questions are about your current clique.	REFUSED			
	DK			
	NO	YES		
70. Does your clique claim certain turf or territory?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
71. If your clique claims turf or territory, would you or other members of your clique be willing to use violence to defend it against others?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
72. Does the clique have one person who serves as its leader?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
73. Does your clique have a formal hierarchy in which some members have more authority than others?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
74. Does your clique have regular meetings?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
75. Does your clique have clear rules that members have to follow?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
76. Are there punishments if rules or orders are not followed?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
77. Do members give money to the clique?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
78. Does your clique have special colors, symbols, signs, or clothing that clearly distinguish it from other cliques or other gangs?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
79. Does your clique follow instructions from gang leaders who are currently in prison?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



80. Please tell me how much you agree or disagree with each statement below. There are no right or wrong answers. Just tell me your opinion.

STRONGLY DISAGREE			
DISAGREE		AGREE	
STRONGLY AGREE			

A. My clique has very little to do with how I feel about myself.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
B. My clique is an important reflection of who I am.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
C. Belonging to my clique is an important part of me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
D. My clique has almost nothing to do with what kind of person I am.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
E. My clique is a big part of my life.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
F. The members of my clique are cooperative with each other.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
G. The members of my clique know that they can depend on each other.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
H. The members of my clique stand up for each other.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I. Being in a clique makes a person feel important.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
J. Clique members provide a good deal of support for one another.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
K. Being a member of the clique makes me feel like I am a useful person to have around.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
L. Being a member of the clique makes me feel like I really belong somewhere.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
M. Being a member of a clique is really enjoyable.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
N. Being in a clique is a good way to make money.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
O. A clique member expects to remain in the clique for many years.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
P. A clique member would leave the clique if something better came along.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Q. There is no future in belonging to a clique.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**PART 6: SOCIAL NETWORK**

The questions in this section ask about people in your social network. Please note that we are not interested in knowing anybody's real name. In the grid below, I would like you list ten people in El Salvador or the USA with whom you would feel comfortable engaging in criminal behavior or discussing a criminal opportunity. In lines 1-5, please list only people who are currently living in El Salvador. In lines 6-10, please list only people who are currently living in the USA. If there is nobody in El Salvador with whom you would feel comfortable engaging in criminal behavior or discussing a criminal opportunity, please leave lines 1-5 blank. If there is nobody in the USA with whom you would feel comfortable engaging in criminal behavior or discussing a criminal opportunity, please leave lines 6-10 blank. I do not want you to use anyone's real name. Please use a fake name or the person's initials to help you identify these people as I ask you questions about them.

USE NETWORK GRID ON FOLLOWING PAGE.



**PART 7: PRISON ADDENDUM**  
 This portion of the survey is only for respondents who are currently imprisoned.

**97. How long have you been in prison/jail?**

**98. What is the offense for which you were imprisoned?**

**98. Have you been convicted of this offense?**

No  
 Yes

**98b. If you have been convicted, how many years and months remain on your sentence?**

99. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements:  Due to my status as a clique/gang member....	STRONGLY DISAGREE			
	DISAGREE			STRONGLY DISAGREE
	AGREE		DISAGREE	
	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE		DISAGREE
I am afforded special privileges in prison/jail.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am safer than other inmates.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other inmates grant me respect.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am treated more harshly by guards.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am at greater risk than other inmates.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>