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## Residential Tree Care Survey

Researchers are studying costs and benefits associated with trees on residential property. We are interested in finding out the cost of a variety of tree-maintenance services, as well as how frequently these services are performed. This information will be used to model and estimate the net benefits of residential trees as they mature.

### 1) GENERAL:

Name of company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Company address:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2) PLANTING:

Please answer the following questions with prices and information based on a **typical residential shade tree**.

Provide costs for two sizes/types most often planted:

Cost Category	Typical size 1	Cost 1 (\$/tree)	Typical size 2	Cost 2 (\$/tree)
Purchase price				
Installation cost				
Total cost				

What is the normal % tree loss over the first 5 yrs after planting? \_\_\_\_\_

Assume 100 trees survive the first five years after planting, how many are likely to be alive in 35 years? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the typical life span of representative shade tree in a residential location? \_\_\_\_\_

### 3) TREE & STUMP REMOVAL & DISPOSAL:

What is the estimated average charge for removing and disposing of a tree less than 3" dbh? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the estimated average charge of removing and disposing of a tree greater than 3" dbh, on a per-diameter-inch basis? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the estimated average charge for stump removal, disposal, and backfilling, on a per-diameter-inch basis?  
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**4) PRUNING AND MAINTENANCE:**

Please fill in the following table based on standard pruning techniques as detailed by the National Arborist Association ANSI 300. List the typical cost per tree in the first column and in the second indicate how frequently the operation is typically performed (i.e., 6-yr cycle, once every third year for 6 years).

<b>PRUNE TYPE</b>	<b>COST (\$/tree/visit)</b>	<b>FREQUENCY</b>
Training (new trees w/ clippers or saw)		
Raising		
Standard Prune: Small (e.g., <20-ft tall, from ground w/pole pruner)		
Med (e.g. 20-40-ft tall, limited climbing)		
Large (e.g., >40-ft tall, full climb or lift)		

**5) PEST & DISEASE CONTROL:**

If pest and disease control is a regular activity you perform, please list how much is charged for each treatment:

	<b>Treatment applied</b>	<b>Number of trees treated per client</b>	<b>Average cost per tree</b>
<b>1.</b>			\$
<b>2.</b>			\$
<b>3.</b>			\$

**6) GENERAL:**

In your opinion, what percentage of residential trees in the community(s) you serve are cared for by landscape professionals? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a copy of the Tree Guide when it is completed? \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

THANK YOU for participating in this survey. Your input is greatly appreciated.

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