

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name
for reference only

Infant	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
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Age last birthday

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QUESTIONNAIRE ON HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES
&
STANDARDS OF LIVING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM
1967-68

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- I Housing and Living Facilities
- II Employment
- III Occupational Facilities and Fringe Benefits
- IV Current Monetary Income
- V Assets and Savings
- VI Health and Disability
- VII Social Services
- VIII Private Income in Kind
- IX Style of Living

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Chapter 9

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ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H. CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY
 23. * Do you think you could GENUINELY say you are poor now? —

X Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.24
 Y all the time } ASK Q.23(a)
 0 sometimes }
 1 never } SKIP TO Q.24
 2 DK }

(a) Do you feel poor at any of these times or in any of these situations?

PROMPT AND CODE ALL THAT APPLY
 3 at weekends
 4 mid-week
 5 at Christmas
 6 with some of your friends
 7 with some of your relatives
 8 with some of the people round here
 9 other (SPECIFY)

FOR CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H. CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY

24. (a) There's been a lot of talk about poverty. Do you think there's such a thing as REAL poverty these days? *

Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.25
 yes
 no
 DK

(b) What would you describe as poverty?

WRITE IN ANSWER

Those too proud to apply to Welfare State... old people, too, who don't qualify for a pension. Others who cannot provide a standard of living to cover essentials for their families. Still others whose savings have been eroded by inflation.

(c) Would you say that if people are in poverty its mainly

X - their own fault?
 Y - the Government's fault?
 0 - the fault of their education?
 1 - the fault of industry not providing the right jobs?
 2 - anything else? (SPECIFY)
 3 - a combination of (some of) these?
 4 - none of these?
 5 DK

ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER AND HOUSEWIFE ABOUT ALL AGED 23 AND OVER
 25. Do you mind telling me if you voted in the last General Election (I don't mean who you voted for, just whether you voted)? *

CODE ALL AGED 23 & OVER
 yes, voted
 no
 DK
 DNA

ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H. CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY
 26. If there is poverty what do you think can be done about it?

nothing
 DK

WRITE IN ANSWER
Basically this must be a function of government, since one assumes that people would provide for themselves if fit to do so.

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QUESTION 23 Poor now

Stress genuinely and try to avoid facetiousness at this point. Question 23 (a) explores what the informant understands by feeling "poor". If the word "poor" seems inappropriate use the alternative "very hard up".

QUESTION 24 Poverty

Stress the word "poverty". Do not explain what you think it means if you are asked. Seek from the informant his definition and write it in the box as clearly as you can.

QUESTION 25 Voting

Ask for those old enough to have voted in the last election (March 1965). We are not concerned who they voted for (although they will probably say) but would like to know if they are sufficiently involved to vote at all. Be careful to reassure people that this is confidential and as far as you are concerned non-voting is blameless—many people consider that voting is legally compulsory or morally obligatory and so voting figures are over-estimated. Try to get a clear recollection by fixing the incident (time of day, who they went with) if necessary. Stress National, not local elections.

QUESTION 26 Action on poverty

We are interested in what the informant thinks can be done. Give as full an answer as possible.

Please write in any additional notes.

This informant lives in a luxuriously appointed flat, in a mid-Victorian terrace facing south, east over extensive private gardens with a magnificent view in the heart of Edinburgh's West End, one minute's walk from the main north road to the city.

His parents live within walking distance: he dines twice a week with them and sees his brother & sister in law socially once or twice without reciprocal help. He is the youngest of three professional brothers, says he is spoilt by his mother's attention since he left home. The eldest lives in England and is a doctor. ^{now in}

He is a member of a fairly exclusive private golf club, twenty miles from the city & plays every week end, usually ^{Saturday} ~~Sunday~~. He is a church member ^{but prefers to get out on Sunday}.

Efficient, responsive and co-operative, he is a very typical representative of an Edinburgh-born professional man, apparently conformist, extravagant, rather over-indulgent and already looking ^{both} slightly dissipated and also too sober for his age. Not finding enough scope at work.

No bookshelves in sitting room. Taste in entertainment rather average. ^{lives very well.}

He believes in having an overdraft, says his salary is subject to annual review, and has mixed feelings about a possible promotion later this year which will involve living in London, giving up his flat which he greatly enjoys, and leaving his parents, relatives and friends here.

Goes to private gambling club occasionally usually after a party "when he has had too much to drink."

ASK CHIEF WAGE 23. Do you think you are poor?

(a) Do you feel or in any of

PROMPT

CODE ALL

APPLY

FOR CHIEF WAGE 24. (a) There's poverty. thing as REAL

(b) What would you

WRITE IN ANSWER

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(c) Would you sit

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AND CODE 2
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ASK CHIEF WAGE EA 25. Do you mind General Elect just whether you v

ASK CHIEF WAGE EA 26. If there is power can be done about

WRITE IN ANSWER

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