

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

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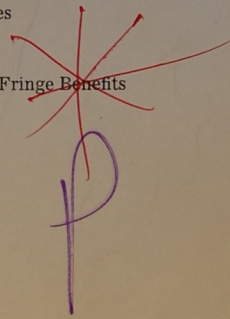
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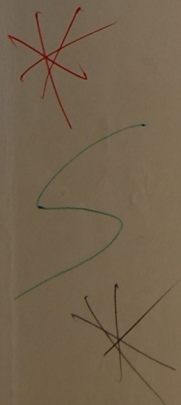
QUESTIONNAIRE ON HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES  
&  
STANDARDS OF LIVING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM  
1967-68


- 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



A Survey carried out from the University of Essex  
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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? —

- PROMPT AND CODE ONE ONLY
- 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

*People who drink meth. They are generally poor. Also those old people who didn't qualify for a pension.*

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

- PROMPT AND CODE ONE ONLY
- 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 CODE ALL AGED 23 & 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)? \*

- 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

*Change the Government.*

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7	8	9	10
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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 household lives in a tiny grey stone cottage built against the south east wall of about 6 acres of ground housing a spacious mansion. The family moved here when the husband had Thrombosis, which eventually made him unfit for work after 7 months of complete helplessness, when he was nursed at home by his wife. The wife has acted as caretaker and odd-job woman since arrival. Husband had no personal income because of retiral - also before retiral.

Both rooms and the tiny kitchen face west on to the garden, where only a large chestnut tree grows; the outlook is very pleasant and the main road and bus route is immediately over the wall.

The interior is simply furnished but cheerful and spotless. Gifts of flowers and a plant decorate the small windowsill. The gardener handed in a bunch of fresh parsley during my visit - a friend had given inf. a chicken leg that morning and she herself was making a baked dumpling for her brother in law in hospital that afternoon.

Inf. though <sup>initially very</sup> reluctant to participate and rather deaf, is very fresh-looking & young for her age. She has always had a little behind her, coming from a family of 6 with a father earning 18/- a week in their youth. She goes out a good deal "falls asleep when she sits down" and "would be very lonely without Margaret." Her work consists of a) giving a hand in the big house when the cook or maid is on holiday, b) looking in when the owners are away in summer & c) taking odd messages s.o.s. It is fairly light & she enjoys it. Inf. is actually the head of the household so have ~~take care~~ her or such.

The daughter is a compact, stocky, rather uncommunicative young woman, neatly dressed and nicely groomed. She knits expertly and makes suits dresses etc. for herself & cardigans for her mother. They are both TV addicts.

ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER... 23. Do you think you are poor... (a) Do you feel poor or in any of the... PROMPT AND CODE ALL TH... APPLY... FOR CHIEF WAGE EARNER 24. (a) There's been poverty. Do you think as REAL poverty... (b) What would you do... WRITE IN ANSWER... People are generally poor... a person... (c) Would you say that... X - their Y - the GO 0 - the fa PROMPT 1 - the fa AND CODE 2 - anything ONE ONLY 3 - a comb 4 - none of 5 DK... ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER AND H... 25. Do you mind telling me general Election (I don't get whether you voted)? \*... WRITE IN ANSWER... Change the...