

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Inf.	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
<i>Ivy</i>	<i>Gina</i>	<i>Susan</i>							
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
<i>50</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>13</i>							

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

2/10

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QUESTIONNAIRE ON HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES
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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

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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)

No. not poor any time - not really poor.

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
 Poverty is when there isn't enough food or fire - or heat. Some old people have a very bad time - when you put yourself in need - and you have expenses.

(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

disturbance health
 physical ailments

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
 ← see 20es

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X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
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X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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→ They get it - at the same time, old people who have lived very decently and honourably are not able to make ends meet - or make any extra expense such as a cracked lavatory pan - now only get it would be their children help!

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Q26 Informant note

Old people worried of property that they have saved for - not able to afford even simple repairs - worried for fear the States are down - it costs a £1 every time for the man to come - & yet others - who have not saved get a lot of old people flats & houses and

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.

have no voice - makes them feel they would be better off if they had not saved & bought their cottage.

Please write in any additional notes.

Q26

H.O.M.

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You want to get the perfect welfare state until you get the perfect people - but that's what we need. Housewives go out to work full time, & I don't think they would have to do this - we want a new system of life altogether - the Income Tax makes it too hard for everyone. Everyone is trying too hard to get too much - it makes all our services too dear. People haven't the right values. Cost of living is based on the ordinary wage - but there are many who fall below this - and without bringing back any kind of means test, there should be some concession made to the lower income groups - its particularly hard on young widows with children but not entitled to widow payments - they were also troubled about their old parents - & the added note above. They quite surely feel that the world is somehow out of gear - & people want to march and yet are not happy & free

ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER 23. Do you think you are poor?
ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER 24. Do you feel poor or in any of the...
ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER 25. Do you mind to General Electi...
ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER 26. If there is poverty can be done about...
ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER 27. How do you feel about the world?