

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

Inf.	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
29	30								

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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Name of Interviewer... KAYE ALMEYSERIAL
NUMBER

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

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Date(s) of interview(s) 16-12-68

Length of interview(s)

2 1/2 hours

or contacts

20-12-683/4 " + 1/2 hourTotal actual interviewing time 2 1/4 hours + 3/4 hours

Form of introduction

"My name is X. I'm from Essex/London University. We're preparing a report (writing a book) about standards of living in Britain today and how families manage. We think it's important for the Government and everyone else to know what the facts really are. We're hoping to talk to about 3,000 families throughout the country and I'd be very grateful if you could help us by answering some questions. All our information is, of course, strictly confidential."

SUMMARY : COMPLETE AFTER INTERVIEW

1. Interview carried out at first call	10	3. Which sections were answered in whole or in part by which persons on the household?	Write Section 1, 2, 3, etc.	5. Number of other households at address	21
at second call	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	Informant	13	None	0
at third or later call	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0		14		
2. Information for household —	11	2nd member	15	6. Household living on	22
— complete skip to Q. 3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y	3rd	16	ground	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
incomplete—answer 2a		4th	17	basement floor	Y
(a) Sections Housing	1	5th	18	1st floor	1
incomplete Employment	2	6th	19	2nd floor	2
Occupational	3	Other (specify)	20	3rd floor	3
Income	4			4th floor	4
Assets	5			5th or above	5
Health	6			Specify	
Soc. Services	7			(a) Is there a lift in the building?	
Inc. in kind	8			Yes	6
Style of living	9			No	7
(b) Reasons if incomplete —	12			7. Is there an internal or external flight of at least 4 steps or stairs to the dwelling entrance?	23
— ill/disabled	X	4. Semi or detached house	20	Yes	8
does not know	Y	or bungalow	X	No	9
information		Ter. h'se or bungalow	Y		
unwilling to give	0	Self-con. flat in block	0		
information		Self-con. flat in house	1		
other (specify)	1	Self-con. flat attached to shop/business	2		
		Room(s): furnished	3		
		Other (specify)	4		
		Type of Accom.			

QUESTION 10

At this point put any christian name of informant in first box on back flap, then christian names of all other adults and children in household. In complex households always list children immediately after their parent(s) or guardian(s). Otherwise, in the case, say, of a married couple and adolescent children you may find it easiest to list according to age: first the wife who is, say 54, husband 55, children 26, 24, 20, 17 and 14. When you write in information throughout the questionnaire please keep rigorously to the particular column for each named person in the household. Specifically "household" information is recorded in the first column. The informant's answers about himself should always be entered in the next column. The list of members under Q. 10 may have to be later modified according to who is temporarily residing in the household or who is temporarily away. This should be checked carefully. Boarders of more than four weeks residence should be recorded as members of the household; lodgers and sub-tenants will require separate questionnaires.

** HOUSEHOLD TYPE

On the back of the questionnaire you will find a code list of household compositions. When you are checking the questionnaire put the appropriate code for this household in the box allocated under the double asterisk

Definition of a Household

A private household comprises one person living alone or a group of persons living together, having some or all meals together and benefiting from a common housekeeping. Persons who have resided in the household for at least four weeks and are not expected to leave shortly, and persons who have resided in the household for less than four weeks but are not expected to leave again after that period, should be listed as members. Persons who are felt to be members of the household but are away (e.g. students or men at work) should only be included if they have been away for less than 13 weeks and are expected back within the total period of 13 weeks (code under 10(d)).

QUESTION 10(e)

Age-group: code as below

0 - 1 01
2 - 4 02
5 - 9 03
10 - 14 04
15 - 19 05
20 - 29 06
30 - 39 07
40 - 49 08
50 - 59 09
60 - 64 10
65 - 69 11
70 - 79 12
80 and over 13
DK X
NA Y

QUESTION 10(d)

Code reasons as below

Hospital/nursing Home/convallescent Home 1
Staying with relative or friend 2
Otherwise away on holiday 3
In armed services/merchant navy 4
Otherwise working away from home 5
Prison, approved school, Borstal, detention, etc. 6
Children's Home or foster home 7
Boarding school, college, university 8
Other (specify) 9

The actual
Training
College is
in Leicester.
Peter was
at Newcastle
during the
field work

QUESTION 10(f) — Court order

A maintenance order secured through the courts. If no action has been taken to confirm the separation then code 1; in this situation at least the spouse in the household accepts that man and wife are not living together and there is no immediate prospect of them so doing.

QUESTION 11

If answer yes, complete other parts of question and amend Q. 10 if someone included in answers to that question who proves in fact to be a temporary visitor or guest (i.e. who has stayed less than 4 weeks and not expected to stay for total period longer than 4 weeks).

QUESTION 11(a)

If there is more than one visitor enter information for all in box or on this left hand page.

QUESTION 11(f) Code as follows:

Relative staying without payment 1
Friend staying without payment 2
Relative staying with payment 3
Friend staying with payment 4
Other person staying with payment 5
Other (e.g. nurse/student) —specify 6

QUESTION 12

If any person is felt to belong to the household and is expected to return to it after a total absence of less than thirteen weeks (e.g. at University, in hospital, at work, staying with relatives), then the interviewer should include such a person in the replies to Q. 10. But the information should also be recorded here in Q.12.

QUESTION 12(h) Prompt and code as follows:

Hospital/nursing/convallescent/residential Home 1
Staying with relative or friend 2
Otherwise away on holiday 3
In armed services/merchant navy 4
At boarding school, college or university 5
Otherwise working away from home 6
Approved school/Borstal/detention centre, etc. 7
Children's Home/foster home 8
Prison 9
Other (specify) 10

QUESTION 13(a)

"Marriage": include common law marriage if in fact revealed by informant.

QUESTION 13(b)

Code whereabouts of parents only in terms of the replies so far given (or given later) by the informant. Direct questions might seem to be very offensive **and they must be avoided**. Indirect questions will be helpful according to the circumstances. For example, it may transpire that one child is the half-sister of another. It would then be very reasonable to ask "How are they related?" Or when it becomes obvious that one parent is not present, it would be reasonable to ask "Does John see his father regularly?"

"Accepted stepfather" or "Accepted stepmother" describes a man or woman not legally married to the natural mother or father of the child(ren) who has been in the household for at least 13 weeks and who is clearly accepted by the informant as the "stepfather" or "stepmother" of the child(ren) living in the household, albeit not accepted by law in this role.

QUESTION 14(a) Play within easy reach

This means that the mother can rush to a tearful child within, say, 30 seconds of hearing a wail. A "safe place" could of course include the garden.

*Susan went
home for a time*

26. IF HOUSEHOLDER PAYS RENT

Does Not Apply

(a) How much do you pay a week in rent?

(b) Do you have a rent holiday?

yes 1 no of wks rent OFFICE total
no 2 paid in year USE rent
34 54 last year

(c) Do you pay rates in addition?

IF YES amount general rates last yr yes
amount water rates last yr DK

(d) Have you had a rates rebate?

IF YES (i) How much was it? SPECIFY PERIOD yes
(ii) Did you get it as a lump sum payment DK
or was it deducted from your rates or deducted from rent
rent? lump sum payment

(e) Does your rent include: lighting 1 other service or commodity 5
gas 2 electric power 6
PROMPT AND CODE ANY coal 3 none of these 7
THAT APPLY meals 4 DK 8

(f) How much have you spent in the last 12 months for alterations, decorations or repairs (including paint or tools for work by yourself)?
Total £ 10

DESCRIBE ITEMS IF NECESSARY AND COSTS

ONLY USE total
annual housing
cost

27. IF HOUSEHOLDER RENTS PRIVATELY

Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.28

(a) Is this accommodation owned Y yes ASK Q.27(a)(i)
by your employer? 0 no }
1 DK } SKIP TO Q.27(b)

IF YES (i) Do you pay less than it 2 yes ASK Q.27(a)(ii)
would cost if you rented it in the 3 no }
ordinary way? 4 DK } SKIP TO Q.27(b)

IF YES (ii) How much extra rent per year would you
expect to pay if you were renting it privately? * extra rent per yr
GIVE YOUR ESTIMATE IF INFORMANT UNCERTAIN £

(iii) Would you have to leave this house/flat if you yes
stopped working for him or when you retire? no
DK

(b) Are you on a council housing list?

1 yes, entire household } ASK Q.27(b)(i)
2 yes, part of household }
3 no } SKIP TO Q.30
4 DK }

(i) How long? number of years

28. IF HOUSEHOLDER RENTS FROM COUNCIL

Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.30

(a) How long were you (the tenant) on the inherited tenancy
list before getting council accommodation? DK
number of years

(b) When was this house/flat built?

before war
1946-1954
1955 or later
DK

(c) How long have you been living in council accommodation? years

(d) Why did you get a council house/flat when you did? Was it because you reached the top of the list or were there other reasons?

0 health of member of family
1 overcrowding
2 other (SPECIFY)
3 solely top of list
4 DK

(e) Do you know if the council operates a differential rents or rent rebate scheme to adjust rents to needs?

yes ASK Q.28(e)(i)
no } SKIP TO Q.30
DK }

(i) Have you had your rent reduced or obtained a rebate, or have you applied (ii) applied, no rent reduction
but not had a reduction or a rebate? not applied } SKIP TO
other (SPECIFY) Q.30
DK }

(ii) Do you know by how much?

31-34

X

4 6

0500

35-37

1 2 3 4 5 6

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39-42

0260

43

X

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44-46

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51-52

53

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3

4

54

X

Y

0

1

2

3

4

5

Think 15/- a week but no demand received yet. Last accommodation inclusive Rent.

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 YOUNG COUPLE MOVED TO LEICESTER FROM LONDON
HE GAVE UP HIS JOB TO TRAIN FOR YOUTH WORK AND SHE
IS LOOKING ROUND FOR SUITABLE EMPLOYMENT. SUSAN
ANSWERED QUITE WELL AT FIRST CONTACT AND I PUT
QUESTIONS TO HER INTENDED FOR H.O.H. BECAUSE I EXPECTED
TO BE AWAY FOR CHRISTMAS BY THE TIME PETER RETURNED
FROM FIELD WORK. SUSAN EXPLAINED "NO INTEREST" FROM
P.O. AND SAVINGS CERTIFICATES BY SAYING SHE HAD ONLY
RECENTLY PLACED MONEY THERE. ON MY SECOND CALL TO
CHECK CERTAIN POINTS WITH SUSAN I FOUND PETER
WAS HOME AND I WAS ABLE TO ASK HIM "H.O.H."
QUESTIONS. THEY BOTH RESISTED QUERIES ABOUT H.K.
MONEY SAYING THEY JUST HAD NO IDEA. PETER
ALSO SAID HE COULD NOT REMEMBER HOW MUCH INCOME
TAX HE USED TO PAY WHEN HE WAS WORKING. PETER
WAS SO EMPHATIC ABOUT NOT ACCEPTING A
CLASS STRUCTURE THAT I COULDN'T GET HIM TO
ANSWER OTHER RELEVANT POINTS

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?

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? *

yes
no
DK

(b) What would you describe as poverty?

WRITE IN ANSWER

(01) PEOPLE LIVING IN WRETCHED CONDITIONS AND JUST SCRAPING ALONG.
(02) A LACK OF THE FUNDAMENTAL AMENITIES WHICH ONE EXPECTS FROM SOCIETY TODAY.

(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)? *

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

(01) NOT BY DISHING OUT MONEY BUT BY GETTING DOWN TO ROOT CAUSES. MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE BY WELFARE - HELP WITH HOUSES, BUT GETTING BUT ABOVE ALL TRAINING PEOPLE TO DO A REASONABLY WELL PAID JOB.

(02) IMPLEMENTING THE FINDINGS OF THE SEER/BOHM REPORT.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7	8	9	10
71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9

72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5

74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5

INTERVIEWER PLEASE CODE ALL THAT APPLY AFTER INTERVIEW

- (a) Household in which there is a child, one of whose parents is not resident
- (b) Household consisting of woman and adult dependants
- (c) Household in which there are five or more dependent children
- (d) Household containing an adult who has been unemployed for eight weeks (consecutively or in last 12 months)
- (e) Household containing an adult under 65 years of age who has been ill or injured for eight weeks (consecutively or in last 12 months)
- (f) Household containing a disabled adult under 65
(a) disabled
(b) borderline disabled
- (g) Household containing a disabled or handicapped child (including child ill or injured for eight weeks or more)
- (h) Household containing a person aged 65 or over who has been bedfast or ill for eight weeks or more or who is otherwise severely incapacitated
- (i) Household in which there are
(a) earners, none earning £12 a week or more
(b) adult male earners (aged 21 to 64) earning less than £14 a week
- (j) Household in which there are persons who are
(a) non-white
(b) born in Eire

67
X
Y
0
1
2
3
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5
6
7
8
68
X
Y

AA

COMPOSITION OF HOUSEHOLD: CODES (Q. 10, p. 3)

One generation			Man: and widowed or separated daughter	221
Man alone: aged 60 or over		101	Woman: and widowed or separated son	222
Man alone: aged under 60		102	Woman: and widowed or separated daughter	223
Woman alone: aged 60 or over		103	Otherwise two generations: all related	224
Woman alone: aged under 60		104	Otherwise two generations: at least one person not	225
Husband and wife: both aged 60 or over		105	related to any other	226
Husband and wife: both under 60		106	Other (SPECIFY)	
Man and woman: otherwise related		107		
Man and woman: unrelated		108	Three generation	
Two or more men only: related		109	Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 ...	301
Two or more men only: unrelated		110	Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one	302
Two or more women only: related		111	under 15 and one over 15	
Two or more women only: unrelated		112	Man, daughter & son-in-law, grandchildren: all under	303
Two or more women only: unrelated		113	15	
Other (SPECIFY)		114	Man, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at least	304
Two generation			one under 15 and one over 15	305
Man, wife: + 1 child under 15		201	Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15	306
Man, wife: + 2 children both under 15		202	Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one	307
Man, wife: + 3 children all under 15		203	under 15, one over 15	
Man, wife: + 4 or more children all under 15		204	Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: all	308
Man, wife: + children, at least 1 under 15 and at least			under 15	
1 over 15, none married		205	Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at	309
Man, wife: + children all aged 15-24, none married ...		206	least one under 15, one over 15	
Man, wife: + children all over 15, at least 1 aged 25 or			Married couple, married child and child-in-law, grand-	310
over, none married		207	children under 15	
Man and one child under 15		208	Otherwise 3-generations:	
Man and two children both under 15		209	—all persons related, at least one child under 15 ...	311
Man and three or more children under 15		210	—at least one child under 15	
Man and children at least one under and one over 15,			—all persons related	312
none married		211	—unrelated	313
Man and children all aged 15-24, none married ...		212	Other (SPECIFY)	314
Man and children all over 15 at least one 25 or over,				
none married		213	Four generation	
Woman: and one child under 15		214	DESCRIBE COMPOSITION BELOW	
Woman: and two children both under 15		215		401
Woman: and three or more children under 15		216		
Woman: and children, at least one under and one over				
15, none married		217		
Woman: and children, all aged 15-24, none married ...		218		
Woman: and children all over 15, at least one 25 or				
over, none married		219		
Man: and widowed or separated son		220		