

## MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name  
for reference only

Age last birthday

Infant	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
VALERIE	DORIS	JANE							
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
25	66	04							

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  
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IX Style of Living

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Name of Interviewer: ROGER GILES

SERIAL  
NUMBER

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3	1	6	2	5	5	4	0	1

Date(s) of interview(s) 11. Dec. 1968  
or contacts

Length of interview(s) 2 1/2 hr

Total actual interviewing time 2 1/2 hr

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



# QUESTION 14 Second job

This will have been established in the earlier section on Employment. Repeat the question because earnings from subsidiary occupations tend to be forgotten. For example, painters and decorators may have done one remunerative weekend job for a few weeks several months earlier in the year. A gardener may have done some intensive paid work for various local people in the evenings and weekends of the summer months. Or a university lecturer may have had a remunerative consultancy or a series of well-paid broadcasts at some point in the year. Remember that extra earnings from a source other than usual employment may not be thought of as a second job. You should probe for all kinds of additional earnings, depending on the nature of the usual employment.

## QUESTION 15

This is laid out as concisely as possible on one page and you are asked to ring 01, 02, 03, etc., as appropriate and then to enter the rates per week and amounts below, carefully writing in the code "01" (i.e. Family Allowances) "02" (i.e. Retirement Pension) and so on so that we are clearly aware of the allowances to which the amounts refer.

Amounts will sometimes be joint — e.g. retirement pension for man and wife — or will be for several members of the household — e.g. sickness benefit for man and wife and children. In these instances the amount should be entered (if necessary, after the interview) in one column only under the number of household receiving the benefit specially when elderly) to show

Third Fourth & subsequent  
10s. 15s.  
17s. 17s.  
time education or college or an

pensions are paid if retirement state pensions (averaging about 10s. or a deficient contribution) other benefits. Pensions and payment. You will be prompted to list the amount you would like you to list the amount. But whenever the rate given is the reason.

0d. 0d.  
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for the first 26 weeks after

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nd (armed service and so on) ances are received in addition

s pension benefit

week. Find what was the last Sunday, makes up a "week's" benefit. Note that an earnings-related supplement may be paid in addition to the flat rate benefits listed below. Moreover, these benefit rates depend on the contribution record.

Single person	...	...	...	£4 10s. 0d.
Married woman	...	...	...	£2 16s. 0d.
1st dependent child	...	...	...	£1 5s. 0d.
Each subsequent child	...	...	...	17s. 0d.

CODE 06 Supplementary Benefit  
The former "national assistance". Rent is sometimes paid direct to the landlord by the Supplementary Benefits Commission. There is a check later that the amount is known and counted as income.

CODE 07 Industrial Injury Benefit  
£6 7s. 0d. (with additions for dependants) is payable for the first 26 weeks after injury after which the injured person goes before a Board to have his injury assessed for an individual disablement pension.

CODES 08 and 09 Industrial and Disablement Pensions  
The 100 per cent rate is £7 12s. 0d. (with additions for dependants). CODE 09: Note that these are war pensions, not service pensions included under occupational pensions later in Q. 19.

CODE 10 Maternity Allowance  
The standard rate of maternity allowance is £4 a week. It is paid to women who have been paying full national insurance contributions. It begins 11 weeks before the expected confinement and ends after the sixth week following it.

CODE 11 Maternity Grant  
This grant is £22 either for home or hospital confinement.

CODE 14 Single Grant  
This is officially described as an exceptional needs grant. The Ministry of Social Security has replaced the former National Assistance Board and you may need to explain "a grant from the Assistance". Probe carefully for this for all income units who are not employed, whether or not they receive supplementary benefit. A large number of people obtain single grants, e.g. for spectacles or dentures, even though they are not normally eligible to receive supplementary benefit. Note also that since you are asking about a period of 12 months there will be instances of people now in work who obtained a grant at an earlier point in the year.

Peter  
obviously  
can't get  
for both -  
we some  
mentary

strictly shd. go back to  
interviewer to check. My guess  
is that she used to get widows  
allowance after her husband's death  
4 years ago and then this  
got converted  
into the retirement  
pension. She may be  
getting 9s  
automatic  
addition as  
well as rent  
allowance.  
Assume £5.10.  
total of interview  
cannot check.  
Pl. check with "Information" at  
Ministry of Soc Security when  
necessary with queries.

Third Fourth & subsequent  
10s. 15s.  
17s. 17s.  
time education or college or an

2nd  
2 weeks to  
come this week

+ Her daughter  
says she gets  
a combination  
of O.A.P + w. P  
which comes to  
£5.00  
but 2nd  
"thinks" she  
has full  
payments on  
both

Count one  
combined benefit  
of rep p &  
sub b?



#### QUESTION 7 Food

Actual nutritional levels cannot be established by an interview of this kind, but it is hoped that these questions will show very roughly (i) whether a family member goes short of food occasionally, (ii) whether the family is able to buy relatively expensive foods frequently, (iii) whether any member of the family goes short of food occasionally, and (iv) to what extent patterns of food consumption vary with income.

(a) **Cooked breakfast**

Many women do not eat breakfast. Bacon and eggs is only an example. Others would be boiled or fried egg, haddock, kipper, etc. But not porridge, toast, fried bread or potatoes (the distinction is between carbohydrates and other foods).

(b) **No cooked meal**

Stress the whole day. A heavy breakfast but nothing later, or a heavy meal at supper-time will not count as going without a cooked meal during the day.

(c) **Fresh meat**

This will be difficult for households where children have school dinners, or members of the household eat canteen meals. It would be reasonable to code such persons "Yes" in the absence of any better information. It is highly possible that some housewives may have very little fresh meat (defined to include chicken, chops, frozen meat of any kind but not corned beef, tinner meat, boiled ham or sausages). Care is needed as meat-eating is probably over-stated, and when there is meat the men in the household and not the women may have it.

*1 pt Welfare  
Milk per Day*

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#### QUESTION 8 (a) Joint

Accept what the informant understands by a joint.

#### QUESTION 8 (b) and (c) Milk

Do not include school milk (a correction for this will be made in the office). Check for extra milk at weekends. Include sterilised milk ("stera") as fresh. Some houses buy milk in powder or liquid in tins for babies too, but do not attempt to assess the quantities of this. Just make a note that it is bought.

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#### QUESTION 9 (b) Clothing

Clothing cheques are "Provident" cheques and the like where a cheque for £1, for example, entitles a person to shop at certain shops and repayment is made at 1s. in the £1 for 21 weeks. Clubs include any kind of arrangement through a catalogue, shop, or door-to-door salesman.

#### QUESTION 9 (c) and (d) Spending on clothing clubs

Some clubs include coal and furniture as well as clothes; try to get an estimate of the proportion of money spent on clothes. Informants often give a maximum figure, when in fact they miss or only pay something on account.

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#### QUESTION 11 Adequate footwear

Includes state of repair as well as fit. Plimsolls and sandals in winter are not adequate, nor are boots alone adequate for summer. Plastic sandals are coded not adequate, unless there are other shoes.

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#### QUESTION 12 Smoking, pools and betting

Smoking is often underestimated in surveys. By asking quantities we hope to be able to work out roughly the expenditure. Note if cigars and not cigarettes. Take care to make betting seem a very common activity (which it is, of course), since information may not readily be forthcoming in the context of all these questions on shortages.

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#### QUESTION 13 Christmas

Make sure that the sum you have is the extra expense on top of normal housekeeping for the household unit.



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

When you can't afford anything  
Having to scrape around for enough food.

(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 those?

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.

26. If there is poverty what do you think can be done about it?

CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY

nothing

DK

WRITE IN ANSWER

Govt. should put up pensions and things like that.

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
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4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
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Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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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

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X
Y
0
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
68
X
Y

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 related to any other ... ..	225	
Husband and wife: both aged 60 or over ... ..	105	Other (SPECIFY) ... ..	226	
Husband and wife: at least one aged under 60 ... ..	106	Three generation		
Husband and wife: both under 60 ... ..	107	Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 ... ..	301	
Man and woman: otherwise related ... ..	108	Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one under 15 and one over 15 ... ..	302	
Man and woman: unrelated ... ..	109	Man, daughter & son-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 ... ..	303	
Two or more men only: related ... ..	110	Man, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at least one under 15 and one over 15 ... ..	304	
Two or more men only: unrelated ... ..	111	Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 ... ..	305	
Two or more women only: related ... ..	112	Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one under 15, one over 15 ... ..	306	
Two or more women only: unrelated ... ..	113	Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 ... ..	307	
Other (SPECIFY) ... ..	114	Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at least one under 15, one over 15 ... ..	308	
Two generation		Married couple, married child and child-in-law, grandchildren under 15 ... ..	309	
Man, wife: + 1 child under 15 ... ..	201	Otherwise 3-generations: —all persons related, at least one child under 15 ... ..	310	
Man, wife: + 2 children both under 15 ... ..	202	—at least one child under 15 ... ..	311	
Man, wife: + 3 children all under 15 ... ..	203	—all persons related ... ..	312	
Man, wife: + 4 or more children all under 15 ... ..	204	—unrelated ... ..	313	
Man, wife: + children, at least 1 under 15 and at least 1 over 15, none married ... ..	205	Other (SPECIFY) ... ..	314	
Man, wife: + children all aged 15-24, none married ... ..	206	Four generation		
Man, wife: + children all over 15, at least 1 aged 25 or over, none married ... ..	207	DESCRIBE COMPOSITION BELOW	401	
Man and one child under 15 ... ..	208			
Man and two children both under 15 ... ..	209			
Man and three or more children under 15 ... ..	210			
Man and children at least one under and one over 15, none married ... ..	211			
Man and children all aged 15-24, none married ... ..	212			
Man and children all over 15 at least one 25 or over, none married ... ..	213			
Woman: and one child under 15 ... ..	214			
Woman: and two children both under 15 ... ..	215			
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			