

## MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name  
for reference only

Age last birthday

Infant	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
40	41								

4/20  
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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.

23. Do you think you could GENUINELY say you are poor now? —

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

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.

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

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

Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.25

yes

no

DK

(b) What would you describe as poverty?

WRITE IN ANSWER

Someone who hasn't sufficient money to buy food & heating.

(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

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

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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

It's a combination of so many factors. One factor is not only a basic necessity but a requirement through life - to be well educated or semi skilled to remain unskilled or semi skilled. One should be trained according to economy - even when 30-40-50-60-70-80-90-100.

Another factor - is to persuade people to move - people remain poor because in many cases they refuse to move from a poor area (mobility of labour). People should be able to keep their pension rights when changing jobs & the wife should have her husband's pension rights if he dies.

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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.

- help (ing). Insisted on giving her money but I wouldn't take them until husband had finished.
- Q24 b) Also include people who have enough money to buy necessities but don't buy through lack of education or providence.
- c) State regulations regarding O.A.P. Impudence - Education & personality inadequate. } Education & Ind. management  
There's not a large group who are idle.
26. O.A.P. If having paid in his scheme all their lives should have enough to get by on.
- Professional jobs have too much to cope with to keep a reasonable standard of living. i.e. Bad laws are vastly increasing work with no rewards (society). There is something common to them all - these people are having to make sacrifices. Everyone is feeling the effects of too much change. in teaching & new drugs for Gov. Hoffman's keeping up with the rate of change are not able to cope with basic jobs.
- (note: This family were most interested in survey) as you will gather.