

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

Inft.	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
LOUISA	JOE								
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
80	54								

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

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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)

Have to have do and save hard for elec. and Rates - last Elec bill (Spring quarter) was over £12

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

*house's answer.
 not enough money for food and coal -
 bad housing conditions - wage earners
 spending money unnecessarily before handing
 over housekeeping.*

(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
 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

*Can't really say - make money less
 easy come - easy go - no poverty like
 the old days - but people have less
 sense on how to manage - but have
 too much money - don't save - just
 spend - must have every thing.*

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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.

Joe wouldn't commit himself in any way.

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 was a slightly difficult interview! Louise was really good for 80- but was hard to make her understand some of the questions - Joe was a little "simple" and when she tried to answer for him he got very frustrated. She was very upset as she'd just returned from seeing her dying daughter, and had lost her son-in-law who lived a couple of doors away a few months ago - She in no way felt hard done by by Joe - but he seemed very selfish - and spends most evenings in the pub - but does not "drink" she says. Though he was getting very impatient in the interview to finish so that he could be off to the pub -