

## MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name  
for reference only

Age last birthday

Infant	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Harry	Rosina	Stephen	Vivian	Pamela	Susan				
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
45	41	18	14	13	11	9			

QUESTIONNAIRE ON HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES  
&  
STANDARDS OF LIVING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM  
1967-68

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- 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

Possible to write up  
The book See p 39aUsed  
Chapter 9

A Survey carried out from the University of Essex  
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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? —

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? \*

yes  
no  
DK

(b) What would you describe as poverty?

WRITE IN ANSWER INE  
*Impossible to live in poverty today you are given enough for food & rent - what make people poor is buying fags and booze. It's their own doing. Poverty no such thing.*

(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. 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  
*Bar Smoking! Destroy all the tobacco & liquor manufacturers.*

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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.

This was where I met my relative! I eventually found this farm which was isolated from the rest of the village. I met the owner & admired his ~~pony~~ in the field and was told that the pony was a £1,000 racehorse which had been 'placed' 24 times. He did keep other horses for riding in another field. There were 2 cars in the drive, one a Land Rover and a private car. There appeared to be an army of spiv-type side-burned youths around tearing round in clouds of dust & expensive farm equipment. The owner had a Peter Ustinov figure which was only clothed in a pair of trousers. It took all my devotion to your cause not to turn tails & run. He had a thick Brumm accent & thought I came from Yorkshire, eventually between us & his various interruptions I explained my task & asked if maybe I could see his wife if he was so busy. He explained that usually he was gone from the farm by 11 am so I was lucky to see him as he had other businesses. I suggested anytime to sub him and perhaps if he could spare 1/2 hr I would help, so he suggested I returned 2 days later at 10.15. He said I couldn't see his wife that day. Reluctantly I returned even taking my large sabbador in the back of my car as added protection and ~~the house~~ I was asked by a youth to go into the house. The house had been gutted obviously and was full of baroque antiques, pictures & silver. My host still in the same clothing as before sat at a jade table & we had a somewhat rapid 2 hrs interview. He admitted to was a Bookie in business with his brother and he absorbed green grocers shops & the farm. He said he got a cleaf/0,000 a year and paid £5,000 tax. He also said that he took 30 a week out of the business (farm that is) and ploughed the rest of the profit back. I could not nail him down very much. I drew a sheet & I used the flash cards and cited down the numbers. He said his wife was deaf and could not answer my questions and that he employed his son so he could tell me all the details I needed. When he asked for my assurance that I had no Encyclopedia Britannica in my car, he was more amiable & offered me a cup of coffee which his wife brought. Occasionally his children knocked on the door and past through the room somewhat timidly. He is the Boss, is in no doubt, he even does part of the housekeeping and he is the one with the money. Eventually he showed me his house which was a fantastic place complete with a stainless steel kitchen—just like an operating theatre. He happened to get on with me, but I feel he has his limits & if I prodded too much he would be most difficult. In many ways he showed me great kindness and even moved his Land Rover so I could drive more easily down the drive, but please do I have to go back?!!