

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

Infant	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Arthur	Betty	Stephen	Paul						
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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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Name of Interviewer: Suey Hayfield

Date(s) of interview(s) 9th August 1968
 or contacts

Length of interview(s) 1 hour

Total actual interviewing time 1 hour

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	10	3. Which sections were answered	Write Section 1, 2, 3, etc.	5. Number of other households	21	
at first call	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Informant	13	at address		
at second call	<input type="checkbox"/>		14	None	<input type="checkbox"/>	
at third or later call	0		15			
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2. Information for household	11	2nd member	17	6. Household living on	22	
— complete skip to Q. 3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CODE ALL THAT APPLY AS LISTED IN Q'AIRE (Some Sections may be listed twice)	18	ground	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
incomplete—answer 2a	<input type="checkbox"/>		19	basement floor	<input type="checkbox"/>	
(a) Sections Housing	1		20	1st floor	<input type="checkbox"/>	
incomplete Employment	2		21	2nd floor	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Occupational	3		22	3rd floor	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Income	4		23	4th floor	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Assets	5		24	5th or above	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Health	6		25	Specify		
Soc. Services	7		26	(a) Is there a lift in the building?	Yes	6
Inc. in kind	8		27	No	No	7
Style of living	9	5th	28			
(b) Reasons if incomplete	12	6th	29	7. Is there an internal or external flight of at least 4 steps or stairs to the dwelling entrance?	23	
— ill/disabled	X	Other (specify)	30	Yes	8	
does not know	Y		31	No	9	
information unwilling to give	0		32			
information	1		33			
other (specify)			34			
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QUESTION 9

Exclude Bank Holidays in counting up holiday entitlement. List number of weeks to nearest week. Do not insert " $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

QUESTION 10 Occupation

See instructions above for Q. 7(b). Start by recording member of household in left-hand box (informant, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) and then carefully note occupation and industry or business. The office will code in the right-hand columns on the basis of your information. Avoid all vague terms, e.g. "engineer". If you find the answer too general or difficult to understand always ask "What do you do?" and write in the answer. In many households there will be only one or two persons who have been at work in the past twelve months. If necessary you can use all the space in the box just for one or two persons, providing it is clear to which person(s) the information applies.

QUESTION 11 Change of Job

Note that sub-questions (a) - (d) apply only to persons changing their jobs less than five years previously.

11(c). IRU, etc., means Industrial Rehabilitation Unit or any other Government training centre.

QUESTION 12 Training Course

Our object is to check on men taking a re-training or training course, whether or not they changed their job. Some men may have taken a course and gone back to their former job or employers. Others may be unemployed and yet have taken such a course.

QUESTION 13 Fall in Earnings

You may be asked what you mean by "big" fall. Accept whatever the informant thinks is big. Put the information in the box, including the approximate earnings previously as well as the subsequent earnings and code the extent of the fall in the right-hand columns.

As a self employed man he was not getting a regular weekly wage it fluctuated according to the amount of work. There is no possible way to estimate it.

OCCUPATIONAL FACILITIES AND FRINGE BENEFITS

General

Our intention is to invite anyone who has been working full-time to tell us about working conditions and fringe benefits. This will include anyone currently sick or unemployed who has been in full-time work in the last 12 months.

NORMALLY QUESTIONS SHOULD NOT BE ASKED ON SOMEONE ELSE'S BEHALF: THEY SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE PERSON IN OR RECENTLY IN A PARTICULAR EMPLOYMENT.

But if two brothers, or husband and wife, work in the same factory or if otherwise the informant has good reason for knowing the employment conditions, then the interviewer may exercise discretion.

QUESTION 1 Outdoors

In determining whether **mainly** outdoors, you should find whether proportion of working time spent outdoors exceeds 50 per cent. Those working outdoors but under cover (e.g. some dock labourers and railway porters) should be counted as outdoors. Where conditions have changed, the question should be applied to the **most recent** conditions (e.g. last week at work).

This man is away from the depot during all working hours.

QUESTION 2 Facilities

We are interested only in facilities provided by the employer. **Disregard** provisions and facilities which may happen to be available but which are not provided by the employer (e.g. garage hand who uses W.C. and washing facilities in neighbouring shop, or printer's apprentice who nips into local café for tea). For someone currently sick or unemployed the questions apply to the last job he held during the previous 12 months.

Facilities for washing Note that there must be **hot water**, soap and towel if "yes" is to be coded. Include liquid soap and paper towels in definition if necessary.

QUESTIONS 2 and 3 Writing in questions which do not apply

Working conditions vary widely and it is impossible to devise questions which fit them all. If you are satisfied that the answer yes or no to a particular question is meaningless or inappropriate **DO NOT CODE** alongside the item but write in underneath how many of the 8 or 10 items do not apply.

QUESTION 3 Sufficient Heating

The test is whether the informant feels cold at his work more often than the occasional instance of there being a heating breakdown or a really big freeze.

Facilities for washing Note that there must be hot water, soap, towel and mirror if "yes" is to be coded. You may count liquid soap as "soap" and paper towels and even a hand drying machine as equivalent to a towel if necessary.

Place for lunch Eating at bench or desk does not count.

Place to keep clothes e.g. cupboard, locker, wardrobe, hook in small room, etc. The wording should make clear that we are interested **both** in a place where clothes can be kept **and** one where they will be reasonably safe.

QUESTION 5

Note that the recent Industrial Employment Act gives employers the responsibility of notifying employees about certain terms of service. Many employees will have received some kind of notification.

QUESTION 6 Whether sick pay

Include only when employer pays cash directly to an employee who is sick. Contributions towards medical care costs come under Q. 11. Ideally we would like to have details of sick pay expected and length of time employer is expected to go on paying. (Sometimes a man is paid one proportion of pay for 3 months and then a lower proportion for a further 3 months.) Many informants, however, will not know and you should do your best to get a general idea at least of the starting level for the first month, recording underneath more specific information if known.

Sick pay amount What should be entered here is costs paid by employer. Sickness benefit should not be included even though employers contribute towards it. Earnings means earnings before tax.

QUESTION 7 Pension

Include any type of occupational pension, contributory or non-contributory, funded or unfunded.

QUESTION 7a Employee's contribution

Note that we are not attempting to establish what the employer pays, because many informants will not know. We require amount paid (preferably) or per cent of earnings before tax: many schemes are not of the type that the employer pays a fixed proportion of earnings. In these instances, code "None" or "Does not apply", according to the information you are given. When given a percentage note that it may be calculated on basic wages rather than earnings and you should note this so that we can adjust the figure in the office. Estimate the proportion of normal earnings the previous contribution amounts to — correct to nearest percentage point unless respondent names half a percentage point.

This man's firm are now working on a pension scheme - so he will eventually have a pension - but contributions are as yet not known

QUESTION 7b Pensionable age

That is, the age at which the pension is first payable.

QUESTION 7c Years towards pension

Do not count any years towards another pension in a previous employment unless those years have been accepted by the present employer as counting towards the pension from his employment.

QUESTION 7d Amount of pension

The question refers to the total occupational pension, though part of the cost may be paid by the informant. If the informant knows more details about his entitlement enter information in box (e.g. two-thirds of salary in last 5 years of service).

QUESTION 8 Meal vouchers

You may have to build up towards the average weekly value by asking "How much is each voucher worth?" "How many do you use in an average week?" Generally vouchers are additional to wage or salary but sometimes the employer will include them on a pay slip as part of earnings received. Watch that you do not count their value both here and later under net earnings.

QUESTION 9 Subsidised meals

Meals include drinks that may accompany them though we think it might cause offence to ask this in a formal question. We are interested to learn of anything from subsidised canteen meals to expense account lunches and dinners.

QUESTION 9a Saving on meals

Note that we are seeking an estimate of the difference between the actual cost to the employee and what he would have spent in the ordinary way if there were no subsidised canteen or restaurant available, or if his work did not allow him to charge the cost of outside meals. We are not seeking an estimate of the real value of the meals. Since some employees may not spend more outside on a poorer meal than they spend inside for a subsidised one, some entries may be "0" shillings.

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?

3 at weekends
4 mid-week
5 at Christmas

PROMPT AND

CODE ALL THAT

APPLY

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

↓ People who are too idle to work.

(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)? *

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

Cut down on National Assistance
If people worked for their money
they wouldn't spend it so fast on
drinking, being - then their kids wouldn't
not go short!

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