MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name for reference only

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QUESTIONNAIRE ON HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES

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STANDARDS OF LIVING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM 1967-68

I	Housing	and L	iving	Facilities	

- II Employment
- III Occupational Facilities and Fringe Benefits
- IV Current Monetary Income
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 - VIII Private Income in Kind
 - IX Style of Living

A Survey carried out from the University of Essex and the University of London (L.S.E.)

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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

Interview carried out at first call at second call at third or later call	10 X Y	3. Which sections in whole or in persons on the	part by which	Write Section 1, 2, 3, etc.	5. Number of other households at address None	21
Information for household complete skip to Q. 3 incomplete—answer 2a	11 (x).		2nd member	14 / <u>3</u> 9 15	6. Household living on ground basement floor 1st floor	22 X X
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APPLY Health Soc. Services Inc. in kind Style of living	6 7 8 9	may be listed twice)	5th	17	(a) Is there a lift in the building? Yes	6 7
(b) Reasons if incompleteill/disabled does not know information unwilling to give information other (specify)	X Y O 1	Other (specify)	6th	19	7. Is there an internal or external flight of at least 4 steps or stairs to the dwelling entrance?	23
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QUESTION 14 Second job

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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 Allovances) "02" (i.e. Retirement Pension) and so on so that we are clearly aware of the allowances to which the amounts

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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 that member of household receiving the payment. Wherever possible encourage informants (especially when elderly) to show you the allowance or pension book.

CODE 01 Family Allowances

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CODE 02 Retirement Pension

Note that the actual amounts vary widely. Increased pensions are paid if retirement is deferred. There are now in addition small graduated state pensions (averaging about 3s.) and pensions may be reduced because of earnings or a deficient contribution record. Note that some of these points also apply to other benefits. Pensions and supplementary benefit can be combined in a single payment. You will be prompting for supplementary benefit and wherever possible we should like you to list the amount separately (as well as the fact that it is being received). But whenever the rate given to you exceeds the standard rate below you should check the reason.

Single person (husband)			10s.	
Wife's income			16s.	
1st dependent child		£1	5s.	
2nd dependent child			17s.	ua.

CODE 03 Standard Widow's Pension Note: not the widow's allowance which is paid for the first 26 weeks after

idowhood. Widow or widowed			10s. 2s.	
1st dependent child				
2nd child			14s.	

2nd child

3rd and subsequent child

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Depending on the circumstances of the death of the husband (armed service and so on) widows' pensions may differ in size. Note that family allowances are received in addition to dependent children's allowances.

Widow's Allowance: Widow £6 7s., children as for widow's pension

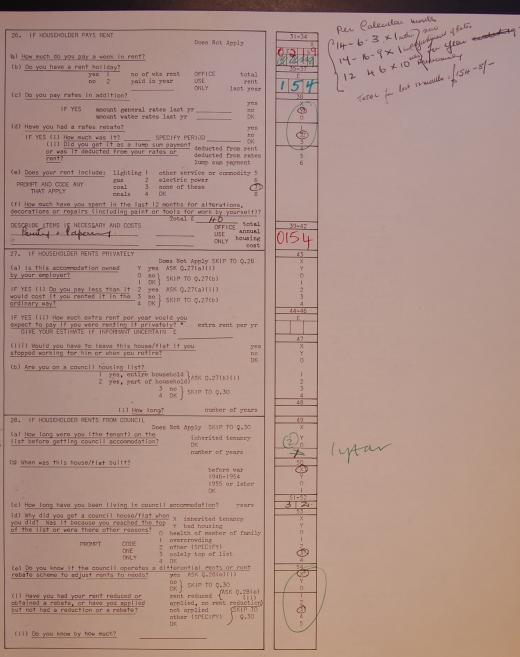
CODE 04 and 05 Sickness Benefit and Unemployment Benefit

Sickness benefit is often paid for periods other than a week. Find what was the last payment and for how many days (excluding Sundays). A payment for 6 days, excluding Sunday, makes up a "week's" benefit. Note that an earning-related supplement may be paid in addition to the flat rate benefits listed below. Moreover, these benefit rates depend on the contribution record.

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V SAVINGS AND ASSETS

QUESTION 1 Personal

This excludes a business bank account which is covered by Q. 4. Avoid double-counting the same bank balance or assets when questioning husband

QUESTION 2 Savings

Note that you should proceed by prompting all items to see how many are appropriate, then try to establish a total and then establish totals for each item only as a check or if necessary. Care should be taken to avoid double-counting. If the informant is hesitant or confused repeat the question to make sure he or she knows what kind of savings you are referring to and THEN show Flashcard No. 4 to get the total. Then try to obtain an absolute total rather than a range. For example, you could ask: "Would you say the figure was at the top end or the lower end of that range—nearer X or nearer Y?"

QUESTION 2(c) Interest

Try to establish the amounts the informant receives in the form he receives it—that is, before tax is deducted or after it has been deducted at source. In difficult instances you need not waste time converting a "before tax" total into "after tax" so long as you make plain what it is. We will do that work in the office.

QUESTION 3 Value of stocks and shares

This question of the value of stocks and shares is crucial and every encouragement should be used to obtain an answer. Some informants simply will not know. Remember that brokers sometimes send an annual valuation. If there is considerable uncertainty, tactfully suggest or imply that it would be very helpful to know and take any opportunity to see the valuation or to leave a note (and s.a.e.) so that a more reliable estimate can be made and either you can pick it up at a second call or ask for it to be sent on.

QUESTION 3(b) Interest

Proceed as in Q. 2c above. Mostly amounts will be received after tax has been deducted.

QUESTION 4

This is to cover any type of business which is owned in part or in whole by the informant. Being a director does not necessarily mean ownership. The answer to this question should not duplicate the answer to the previous question. Shares come under Q. 3. This is to cover such things as shops, professional practices and small businesses of every kind except limited companies. In all cases make sure that money in the business, bank account and stocks are borne in mind when the valuation is made. When the business (e.g. shop or farm) is run from the owner occupier's dwelling, the value of the dwelling will often have been included in the answer to this question (i.e. Q. 25 in Section V). UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THE DWELLING BE COUNTED TWICE. The valuation should be on the assumption that the informant had to sell but was in no great hurry. A year or even more could be taken to find a purchaser. The valuation should NOT be made on the basis of: "What would you take for your business?" — that is, when the informant has to be persuaded to sell. NOTE that vehicles should be included in the valuation of a business—say of a haulage contractor, a cab owner or even a building contractor or window cleaner.

QUESTION 5 Other property

Remember that some people use two houses. Others have houses which they rent off to others, This last is not uncommon among elderly people who may be very poor themselves. A "boat" may include anything from a luxury yacht to a small rowing boat.

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QUESTION 9 Staying overnight

The question concentrates on holidays and stays which are directly or indirectly paid for or subsidised by relatives and friends. It may be difficult to obtain an estimate of saving. We have in mind not only the instance of holiday but also an elderly person or a child staying with a member of the family for a lengthy period of the year during a time of loneliness or financial difficulty. Note that space allows only 8 columns on this page. In the unlikely event of interviewing in a household with 9 or 10 persons write in the details for the 9th and 10th persons lower on the page.

QUESTION 9 (b) Saving

Note that there are two alternatives in the question. The saving from staying in a relative's or a friend's home should be estimated in terms of the comparable cost of living at home. The saving from being taken on holiday should be estimated in terms of the cost of going on holiday on one's own.

QUESTION 10 Visitors

This question reverses $Q,\,9$ but estimates of cost should be written into the column allocated for the housewife.

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QUESTION 19 Housekeeping and board

The question refers to ALL INCOME RECIPIENTS including pensioners, as well as earners, who contribute to the housekeeping expenses. Be careful that you probe for everyone in the house, including adolescent earners. Sometimes the actual sum available for housekeeping will be quite different from that suggested by the total income of the household. The husband or teenagers may retain quite large sums not only for their own use but because the pattern of responsibility in one household for expenditure may be different from that in another household which has the same composition. Housekeeping can be a touchy point if both husband and wife are present, and it is perhaps best dealt with by interviewing one of them on their own (the housewife preferably) and, if possible, checking later with the other (the husband). If both husband and wife are present avoid expressing any surprise or criticism if you think the housekeeping is small. Also avoid indicating any opinion on the question of whether wage-earners should pay bills. Try to imply that all arrangements are equally possible. We have listed the common ones, but there will be others. REMEMBER TO CODE EACH INCOME RECIPIENT.

QUESTION 19 (b) Money back

This can be daily fares, insurances or clubs paid, dinner money, or simply "spending money". Some teenagers hand over their wages but get clothing bought. Usually this question will apply to teenagers, but some husbands may get money from the housekeeping for their cigarettes and beer mid-week.

QUESTION 19 (c) Payment of housekeeping bills

Often the husband will pay some larger bills, but alternatively he may pay housekeeping but expect to "help out" if a heavy bill comes in. We realise that an estimate may be rough but try to get an average contribution. Teenage children may buy food as "treats" for the household from the money they retain. Again try for an average.

QUESTION 20 Long-term saving

We are not interested in asking here whether the informant has savings (that was asked in Section V). Nor are we interested here in asking for short-term saving. Instead the question explores whether at the present time the informant manages to put aside savings for a long-term objective.

QUESTION 21 Ten years ago

To give us some idea of fluctuating fortunes we ask what things were like ten years ago. Some persons aged 35 or over will have been at home in their parents' households ten years ago and therefore we have to find what was the composition of the household. In any case, we require an estimate of the total money flowing into the household, and the number of adults and children that were supported at that time. Give the informant time to recollect. And check that income includes pensions, family allowances, etc. Fortunately, the informant will already have some idea of what you are after from the detailed questions asked earlier.

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.

Had excellent cooperation. all bank books a memon ex policier were consulted

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? — X Does Not Apply SKIP TO 0.24
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PROMPT AND CODE Y all the time ASK Q.23(a)
ONE ONLY I never 2 SKIP TO 0 24
(a) Do you feel poor at any of these times 3 at weekends or in any of these situations? 4 mid-week
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FOR CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H. CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY
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(b) What would you describe as poverty?
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When people dedut set the welfare
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living Eaux poverty - like light
real - too much Singo - too much
C) Would you say that if people are in poverty its mainly
X - their own fault?
Y - the Government's fault? O - the fault of their education?
PROMPT 0 - the fault of their education? 1 - the fault of industry not providing the right jobs? 2 - anything alse; (SPECIFY)
ONE ONLY 2 - anything else? (SPECIFY)
3 - a combination of (some of) these? 4 - none 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 CODE
General Election (I don't mean who you voted for, Just whether you voted)? ★ ALL AGED 23 & OVER
yes, voted
no DK
ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H. CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY
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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	X
(b)	Household consisting of woman and adult dependants	Y
(c)	Household in which there are five or more dependent children	0
(d)	Household containing an adult who has been unemployed for eight weeks (consecutively or in last $12\ \mathrm{months}$)	1
(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)	2
(f)	Household containing a disabled adult under 65 (a) disabled	3
	(b) borderline disabled	4
(g)	Household containing a disabled or handicapped child (including child ill or injured for eight weeks or more)	5
(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	6
(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	7 8
(j)	Household in which there are persons who are	68
	(a) non-white	X
	(b) born in Eire	Y

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One generation	Man: and widowed or separated daughter 2
	Woman: and widowed or separated son 2
Man alone: aged under 60	Woman: and widowed or separated daughter 2
Woman alone: aged 60 or over	Otherwise two generations: all related 2
Woman alone: aged under 60	Otherwise two generations: at least one person not
Husband and wife: both aged 60 or over	related to any other 2
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Husband and wife: both under 60	Three generation
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	Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 3
	110 Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one
	11 under 15 and one over 15 3
Two or more women only: related	12 Man, daughter & son-in-law, grandchildren: all under
Two or more women only: unrelated	13 15 3
Other (SPECIFY)	14 Man, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at least
Two generation	one under 15 and one over 15 3
	Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 3
Man, wife: + 1 child under 15 2	Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one
	under 15, one over 15 3 Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: all
Man, wife: + 3 children all under 15	Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15
Man, wife: + 4 or more children all under 15 2	under 15 3 Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at
	least one under 15, one over 15 3
	Married couple, married child and child-in-law, grand-
Man, wife: + children all over 15, at least 1 aged 25 or	children under 15 3
	Otherwise 3-generations:
	—all persons related, at least one child under 15 3.
	—at least one child under 15 3
Man and three or more children under 15	—all persons related 3
Man and children at least one under and one over 15.	—unrelated 3
none married	0ther (SPECIFY)
Man and children all aged 15-24, none married	
Man and children all over 15 at least one 25 or over	Four generation 40
none married 2	DESCRIBE COMPOSITION BELOW
Woman: and one child under 15 9	14
Woman: and two children both under 15 2	215
Woman: and three or more children under 15 2	16
Woman: and children, at least one under and one over	
15, none married 2	117
Woman: and children, all aged 15-24, none married 2	18
Woman: and children all over 15, at least one 25 or over, none married	
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man, and widowed or separated son 9	20