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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 and the University of London (L.S.E.)

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Name of Interviewer H. Fitch

SERIAL NUMBER

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Date(s) of interview(s) 15t February 54 1968
or contacts

2rd 31st March 1968

Length of interview(s)

12.0 to 4.0 2.0 to 3.0 C.I.C.

Total actual interviewing time 5 k

#### 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	Which sections were answered in whole or in part by which persons on the household?     Informant	Write Section 1, 2, 3, etc.	5. Number of other households at address None	21
incomplete—answer 2a  (a) Sections Housing incomplete Employment Occupational Income	11 X Y 1 2 3 4 5	CODE ALL THAT APPLY AS LISTED IN Q'AIRE (Some Sections 4th may be	14 15 0 (7) 16	6. Household living on  ground basement floor 1st floor 2nd floor 3rd floor 4th floor 5th or above Specify	22 X Y 1 2 3 4 5
Health Soc. Services Inc. in kind Style of living  (b) Reasons if incomplete	6 7 8 9	listed twice)	17 Ø ③ 18	(a) Is there a lift in the building? Yes No	6 7
ill/disabled does not know information unwilling to give information	X Y O	6th Other (specify)	19	7. Is there an internal or external flight of at least 4 steps or stairs to the dwelling entrance?	23
other (specify)	1	4. Semi or detached house or bungalow Ter, h'se or bungalow Self-con. flat in block Self-con. flat in house Self-con. flat attached to shop/business Room(s): furnished Other (specify)	20 Y 0 1 2 3 4	Yes No	899

#### QUESTION 4 Special schools & centres

This question is asked only of persons who have been ill and off work or confined to bed or the house for eight weeks or more continuously, and those who are coded for any item in Question 3.

#### QUESTION 5 Date of onset of sickness or disabling condition

Our object is to establish the year of onset but the question is worded 'first have any condition' so as to allow for the fact that some conditions develop out of others. For persons with a disabling condition you ask, in effect, when all the trouble started.

#### Previous occupation

In the section on Employment you have already asked for the last occupation of everyone not now at work (p. 7). Some people change their occupation because of a disabling condition before finally being obliged to give up work. You should probe for the (previous) occupation which people had before any history of illness or disability started.

## QUESTION 6 Mobility

You should code people according to their usual mobility, taking no account of a temporary illness or injury. "Usual mobility" may be interpreted as "for at least eight weeks and unlikely to become more mobile in the immediate future" or "for less than eight weeks but unlikely to become more mobile within at least that total period." Someone who spends most of the time in bed and needs help to get out to sit in a chair is defined as bedfast. Someone who can get out of his bed into a chair or wheelchair and who can walk indoors but not even a few yards outdoors without help is defined as housebound. The test is whether someone can walk on his own (without the assistance or company of any other person — though with or without sticks or crutches).

## QUESTION 7 Incapacity

In prompting this series of questions you may find it simplest to ask the question without the variation in brackets, unless it seems appropriate. Remember you are asking whether they have any difficulty in doing X Sometimes certain questions will not apply to particular people or to particular situations. You will meet people who do not (or say they do not) wash down, negotiate stairs (living in bungalows), go shopping and do housework (especially some men). The question should then be asked in terms of "But would you have any difficulty in doing X if you had to?" The codes 0, 1, 2 are listed in increasing order of difficulty and you should check that you ring one of them for each item. that you ring one of them for each item.

# **QUESTION 7e**

It would be insensitive and unnecessary to ask questions about the daily activities of the bedfast. They are therefore excluded from this question and the rest of the series. You may encounter other people (e.g. advanced obesity) of whom it is clear that they cannot do certain activities. You may refrain from putting questions to them. The same is true of any situations in which the questions are likely to cause great distress. BUT AS A GENERAL RULE QUESTIONS 7 (e) to (i) SHOULD BE ASKED FOR ALL OTHER THAN THE BEDFAST AND CHAIRFAST.

### QUESTIONS 8 & 9 Variation in incapacity

These questions explore whether the pattern of answers to Question 7 is permanent. Question 8 seeks any indication of seasonal variations (e.g. bronchitis) and Question 9 day-to-day variations in the effects of disability.

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VIII INCOME IN KIND FOR ALL

1. Now I'd like to ask about any help you give or receive from your family and friends.

Do you see any of your family or a relative who doesn't live here most days in the week or at least once a week? I ream, for example, your nother, your husband's mother, a married sister or trother, son or daughter? I'm thinking especially of any of your own family or in-lews living near. seen one or more relatives most or all days in week seen one or more relatives at least weekly no relatives or none seen weekly Do you regularly help anyone - a friend, a neighbour or someone In the family (PROMPT RELATIVES IN Q.1) - by doing things for then for example - minding children and taking them out? - <u>preparing</u> meals for a child or someone in the family, a friend or an old person? PROMPT AND - shopping? CODE ALL THAT - helping to arrange money matters? APPLY -- laundry or washing? MENTIONING - cleaning? AGAIN THE - looking after/dressing them? RELATIVES IN - driving to work, school or elsewhere? 0.1 - gardening? - anything else? (SPECIFY) CODE yes, helps relative yes, helps friend/neighbour no, help not given DK IF ANY HELP GIVEN About how many hours a week altogether would you say you spend doing (ail) these things? WRITE IN TOTAL\* HOURS WRITE IN TOTAL\* HOURS 3. Does anyone - a friend, a neighbour or someone in the family (PROMPT RELATIVES IN 0.1) - help you or anyone living with you by doing things for you, for example:

- minding children and taking them out? - preparing meals for you (your husband, children)? PROMPT AND - shopping? CODE ALL THAT - helping to arrange money matters? APPLY \_ - laundry or washing? MENTIONING - cleaning? AGAIN THE - looking after you (your husband, children)? RELATIVES - driving you (husband, children) to work, school or elsewhere? IN 0.1 - gardening? - anything else? (SPECIFY)\_ CODE yes, a relative helps
ALL THAT yes, a friend/neighbour helps
APPLY no, one-one helps
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FOR ALL 9. Have you stayed overnight with relatives or friends (on holiday or otherwise) in the last year, either without paying or not paying the full cost? Or has anyone taken you on holiday or lent you a house or a cottage of their own in which to stay? yes, relatives ASK Q.9(a) yes, friends OK SKIP TO Q.10 (a) How many nights altogether in the year? WRITE IN NUMBER IF STAYING 30 NIGHTS OR MORE
(b) How much a week do you think you saved compared with what you would have spent if you had stopped at home or had to pay the cost of the holiday yourself? Does Not Apply nothing DK APPROXIMATE SAVINGS IN SHILLINGS PER WEEK

10. Has anyone stayed overnight with you in the last 12 months, either without paying or not paying full costs? Or have you taken anyone on holiday or lent them a place of your own in which to stay?

Yes, friends

ASK D Job Company Com res, relatives ASK Q.10(a) res, friends SKIP TO NEXT SECTION

IF STAYING 30 NIGHTS OR MORE

IF STAYING 30 NIGHTS OR MORE
(b) How much a week more do you think this cost compared with what you would have usually spent Callowing for anything they may have paid you)?

WRITE IN NUMBER (a) How many nights altogether in the year? WRITE IN AMOUNT IN COLUMN FOR HOUSEWIFE ONLY

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I have coded under Inft. as Items were all he relatives - even Hough they were of the ofters

## 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.

family allowance boards fills

Inft 4th 5th 6th ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H.

23.\*\*Do you think you could GENUINELY say you are poor now? — X Does 71 X X Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.24 Y all the time } ASK Q.23(a) sometimes | never | SKIP TO Q.24 PROMPT AND CODE ONE ONLY those times 3 at weekends
ons? 4 mid-week
6 with some of your friends
7 with some of your relatives
8 with some of the people round here
9 other (SPECIFY) (a) Do you feel poor at any of these times or in any of these situations?

PROMPT AND CODE ALL THAT APPLY Au the time 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 0 Does Not Apply SKIP TO Ø 0 8 X B Ó (b) What would you describe as poverty? PRITE IN MISHER When you have no money, no food, no prospect of either, no shelter, and it is a degree below bear. (c) Would you say that if people are in poverty its mainly X - their own fault?
Y - the Covernment's fault?
O - the fault of their education?
I - the fault of industry not providing the right jobs?
Z - anything else? (SPECIFY) 3 - a combination of (some of) these? 4 - none of those? 5 DK 3 ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER AND HOUSEWIFE ADOUT ALL AGED 23 AND OVER 25. Do you mind telling me if you voted in the last Ceneral Election (I don't mean who you voted for, Just whether you voted?)\* ALL AGED 23 & OVER 8 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 On Communist. Spread out the riches more equally. Nationalise all Instruments with a net profit of over \$2000 per. annum. 77

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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 a 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. told me at the end of interview that Wy [2nd] Mich on P.18 Q about this durin other thing Hat in different Clies He they Interiored iwould be able to get hoped Hat 1

# INTERVIEWER PLEASE CODE ALL THAT APPLY AFTER INTERVIEW

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(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 $12\ months$ )	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 (b) borderline 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

COMPOSITION OF H	DUSEHOLD: CODES (Q. 10, p. 3)	
One generation	Man: and widowed or separated daughter	22
Man alone: aged 60 or over	Woman: and widowed or separated daughter	22
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Woman alone: aged 60 or over	Otherwise two generations: all related	224
Woman alone: aged under 60	Otherwise two generations: at least one person not	
	related to any other	22
Husband and wife: at least one aged under 60	106 Other (SPECIFY)	220
Husband and wife: both under 60	107	
Man and woman: otherwise related	Three generation	
Man and woman: unrelated	109 Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15	30
Two or more men only: related	110 Man son and d-in-law grandchildren: at least one	00
Two or more men only: unrelated	111 under 15 and one over 15	30
Two or more women only: related	112 Man, daughter & son-in-law, grandchildren; all under	
Two or more women only: unrelated	113 15	30
Other (SPECIFY)	114 Man, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at least	
Two generation	one under 15 and one over 15	30
	Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15	30
Man, wife: + 1 child under 15	201 Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one	
Man, wife: + 2 children both under 15	202 under 15, one over 15	30
Man, wife: + 3 children all under 15	Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: all	-
Man, wife: + 4 or more children all under 15	204 under 15	30'
Man, wife: + children, at least 1 under 15 and at least 1 over 15, none married	Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at	000
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Man, wife: + children all over 15, at least 1 aged 25 or	Married couple, married child and child-in-law, grand- children under 15	309
over, none married	Otherwise 3-generations:	30:
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	—at least one child under 15	31
Man and three or more children under 15	—all persons related	312
Man and children at least one under and one over 15.	—unrelated	313
none married	211 Other (SPECIFY)	314
Man and children all aged 15-24 none married	212	
Man and children all over 15 at least one 25 or over	Four generation	401
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