

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

Inft.	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
<i>Sydney</i>									
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
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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 *A.H. Waagan*

SERIAL NUMBER

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Date(s) of interview(s) *7th Nov. 1968*
or contacts

Length of interview(s) *55 min. 2 has 10 min*

Total actual interviewing time *2 hrs 10 minutes*

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 at first call at second call at third or later call	10	3. Which sections were answered in whole or in part by which persons on the household?	Write Section 1, 2, 3, etc.	5. Number of other households at address →	21
	X Y 0		Informant		13
2. Information for household — complete skip to Q. 3 incomplete—answer 2a	11	3rd	14	6. Household living on ground basement floor 1st floor 2nd floor 3rd floor 4th floor 5th or above Specify	22
	X Y		2nd member		15
(a) Sections Housing incomplete Employment Occupational Income Assets Health Soc. Services Inc. in kind Style of living	1	CODE ALL THAT APPLY AS LISTED IN Q'AIRE (Some Sections may be listed twice)	16	Answer 6a { (a) Is there a lift in the building? Yes No	6
	2		4th		17
(b) Reasons if incomplete — ill/disabled does not know information unwilling to give information other (specify)	12	5th	18	7. Is there an internal or external flight of at least 4 steps or stairs to the dwelling entrance? Yes No	8
	X		6th		19
Other (specify)	Y	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		
	0		Type of Accomm.		
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			4		

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be $\frac{3}{80}$.

Peter -
Main says
wrong

Pl. correct

Carl says

I believe we shd. estimate
 $\frac{1}{80} \times \text{no. of yrs of service} = 5 + 11 = 16$
 $= 20\%$.

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$$\frac{84}{10} \times 3 = 252$$

$$3 \times \frac{40}{10} = 120$$

$$\frac{30}{10} \times 3 = 90$$

$$\frac{12.1}{50} \times 605 = 14.521$$

26. IF HOUSEHOLDER PAYS RENT

Does Not Apply

(a) How much do you pay a week in rent? 0200

(b) Do you have a rent holiday?
 yes 1 no of wks rent OFFICE total
 no 2 paid in year USE rent
52 ONLY last year

(c) Do you pay rates in addition?
 IF YES amount general rates last yr _____ yes
 amount water rates last yr _____ DK
 IF YES (i) How much was it? _____ SPECIFY PERIOD _____ yes
 (ii) Did you get it as a lump sum payment _____ DK
 or was it deducted from your rates or _____ deducted from rent
 rent? _____ deducted from rates
 lump sum payment _____

(e) Does your rent include:
 lighting 1 other service or commodity 5
 gas 2 electric power 6
 coal 3 none of these 7
 meals 4 DK 8

(f) How much have you spent in the last 12 months for alterations, decorations or repairs (including paint or tools for work by yourself)?
 Total £ 20

DESCRIBE ITEMS IF NECESSARY AND COSTS _____ total
 _____ OFFICE annual
 _____ USE housing
 _____ ONLY cost

27. IF HOUSEHOLDER RENTS PRIVATELY

Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.28

(a) Is this accommodation owned Y yes ASK Q.27(a)(i)
 by your employer? 0 no } SKIP TO Q.27(b)
 1 DK }

IF YES (i) Do you pay less than it 2 yes ASK Q.27(a)(ii)
 would cost if you rented it in the 3 no } SKIP TO Q.27(b)
 ordinary way? 4 DK }

IF YES (ii) How much extra rent per year would you expect to pay if you were renting it privately? * extra rent per yr
 GIVE YOUR ESTIMATE IF INFORMANT UNCERTAIN £ _____

(iii) Would you have to leave this house/flat if you stopped working for him or when you retire? yes
 no
 DK

(b) Are you on a council housing list?
 1 yes, entire household } ASK Q.27(b)(i)
 2 yes, part of household }
 3 no } SKIP TO Q.30
 4 DK }

(i) How long? _____ number of years

28. IF HOUSEHOLDER RENTS FROM COUNCIL

Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.30

(a) How long were you (the tenant) on the list before getting council accommodation?
 inherited tenancy
 DK
 number of years

(b) When was this house/flat built?
 before war
 1946-1954
 1955 or later
 DK

(c) How long have you been living in council accommodation? _____ years

(d) Why did you get a council house/flat when you did? Was it because you reached the top X inherited tenancy
 of the list or were there other reasons? Y bad housing
 0 health of member of family
 1 overcrowding
 2 other (SPECIFY)
 3 solely top of list
 4 DK

(e) Do you know if the council operates a differential rents or rent rebate scheme to adjust rents to needs?
 yes ASK Q.28(a)(i)
 no } SKIP TO Q.30
 DK }

(i) Have you had your rent reduced or obtained a rebate, or have you applied but not had a reduction or a rebate?
 rent reduced (ASK Q.28(a)(ii))
 applied, no rent reduction }
 not applied } SKIP TO
 other (SPECIFY) } Q.30
 DK

(ii) Do you know by how much? _____

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 8.14.5
 Per calendar months.
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QUESTION 6a Cars, Vans

Note that in Section II you will have noted any car owned by the business or firm and whether it is also used privately. Do not count this car here also but find out whether there is a second car—e.g. wife's. **If informant unable to value a vehicle** note instead its make, type and year of manufacture to enable us to look up its value.

QUESTION 6c Debts on vehicles

Note that the question does not apply only to payments which are overdue but to the total sum still owing. You will usually have difficulty in excluding interest from the amount owed. If the amount owed is estimated at less than £50 record the sum and do not take up time making sure that the interest is deducted. But if the amount owed including the interest element is £50 or more ask for the details listed under (c). We will then make an estimate in the office.

QUESTION 7 Life Insurance

If there is more than one policy add up the payments and, if necessary, note any difference in frequency or years of payment. Note that our main object is to establish the equivalent current value in cash of policies they hold. The majority of households will hold policies of little current value and you will see that if they pay less than 10s. a week we do not ask for any details.

QUESTION 8 Value of saleable assets

Please note that we do not envisage that goods in everyday use—beds, blankets, basic furniture, crockery, clothes—need to be valued. We are interested only in items of value that could be sold without serious detriment to the household and its daily life if some ready cash was badly needed. Jewellery, furs, stamp collections, works of art, antiques, and collections of books, might be sold and we need to obtain an approximate estimate of their total current worth. Naturally enough we cannot expect precise valuations and you will find the minimum value of £25 for an article (or a group of articles—e.g. a number of pieces of jewellery) helpful in avoiding protracted discussion of the value of articles used every day in the home.

QUESTION 9 Other assets

Rarely will there be any kind of asset not covered by our other questions. But by asking this general question you may be given information that belongs in the answer to another question. The informant may have misunderstood a question. But be careful not to include an item here which is already covered elsewhere.

QUESTIONS 10 & 11 General assets sold and windfalls

It may be difficult for you to secure an estimate of money raised or spent on "ordinary living expenses" but you will find that our object is fairly clear and once you understand it you can probe for an estimate. We do not want information about sums of money invested in new assets, in replacing old assets (e.g. property, including houses and cars) and in savings, but only information about sums of money spent in the ordinary way on housekeeping, food, clothing, and entertainment. An estimate is better than nothing. Note that we are not asking you to waste time checking small amounts of less than £25.

QUESTION 10 Assets sold in last 12 months

Some people, especially the elderly, will have sold some of their assets in the last 12 months to bolster a low income. This can be an important contribution to their standard of living. Savings—Note that each item should be prompted carefully, especially to persons who have already told you they have sizeable amounts in savings, stocks and shares, etc. Note that we are not interested in this question in total sums which amount to less than £25 in the 12 months. Nor are we interested in amounts that may have been saved from income and spent in the same year (e.g. savings for Christmas or a holiday).

Partial use of sales or savings for living expenses—In some cases property might have been sold, say, and part of the money spent but part of it saved. Try to get a total estimate only of the sum spent on ordinary living expenses.

Several times respondent said "These belonged to the Duke of Wellington personally" - especially about the chair - - - and I came to the conclusion that the possessor probably have a history attached to these which it is not my business to ferret out. Respondent's parents had been in the service of "The Duke of Wellington" so your guess as to how they came into their possessions is as good as mine!

*PS
Please note that 'ho' at the top I had some doubt about respondent's ownership on the subject of his possessions - I later on was shown some of the items he referred to - - - when he decided he could trust me, presumably, the house shown me included sets of very old Dresden china - both coffee & tea sets - - - very old Inlay wood case for a gramophone - quite a number of toys & figurines - china (2) figurines - very old crystal - 4 boxes (I think) - and some trinkets which seemed valuable & old to us*

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.

*Informant states
he set aside
£5 per week
for housekeeping*

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.

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or something over
which they have no
control (P) I hate to
think that people throw
old folks out - I look
after my parents for years
they can't look after
themselves sometimes

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 Q.24

PROMPT AND CODE Y all the time } ASK Q.23(a)
 0 sometimes }
 ONE ONLY 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? *

Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.25

yes
 no
 DK

(b) What would you describe as poverty?

WRITE IN ANSWER

Poverty is the horrible situation in tenements such as Glasgow, Edinburgh & Dundee - oh terrible! I could name hundreds as well. (P) The old folks have a hard job to live - especially if they are living on their own (P)

(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)

PROMPT AND CODE ONE ONLY

3 - a combination of (some of) these?
 4 - none of these?
 5 DK

Then own fault & the government's fault

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

There could be more state homes built - run & inspected by the government - and personnel who are able to deal with old folk - not to push them about like they do these days. (P) a government scheme to educate people to denounce poverty - to educate them to look after themselves in a better way. Parents & teachers should encourage children to have a better life - not just to stay in the same mould as their erring parents.

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(0)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
(2)									
(1)									
(2)									
(4)									

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)

<p>One generation</p> <p>Man alone: aged 60 or over 101</p> <p>Man alone: aged under 60 102</p> <p>Woman alone: aged 60 or over 103</p> <p>Woman alone: aged under 60 104</p> <p>Husband and wife: both aged 60 or over 105</p> <p>Husband and wife: at least one aged under 60 106</p> <p>Husband and wife: both under 60 107</p> <p>Man and woman: otherwise related 108</p> <p>Man and woman: unrelated 109</p> <p>Two or more men only: related 110</p> <p>Two or more men only: unrelated 111</p> <p>Two or more women only: related 112</p> <p>Two or more women only: unrelated 113</p> <p>Other (SPECIFY) 114</p> <p>Two generation</p> <p>Man, wife: + 1 child under 15 201</p> <p>Man, wife: + 2 children both under 15 202</p> <p>Man, wife: + 3 children all under 15 203</p> <p>Man, wife: + 4 or more children all under 15 204</p> <p>Man, wife: + children, at least 1 under 15 and at least 1 over 15, none married 205</p> <p>Man, wife: + children all aged 15-24, none married 206</p> <p>Man, wife: + children all over 15, at least 1 aged 25 or over, none married 207</p> <p>Man and one child under 15 208</p> <p>Man and two children both under 15 209</p> <p>Man and three or more children under 15 210</p> <p>Man and children at least one under and one over 15, none married 211</p> <p>Man and children all aged 15-24, none married 212</p> <p>Man and children all over 15 at least one 25 or over, none married 213</p> <p>Woman: and one child under 15 214</p> <p>Woman: and two children both under 15 215</p> <p>Woman: and three or more children under 15 216</p> <p>Woman: and children, at least one under and one over 15, none married 217</p> <p>Woman: and children, all aged 15-24, none married 218</p> <p>Woman: and children all over 15, at least one 25 or over, none married 219</p> <p>Man: and widowed or separated son 220</p>	<p>Man: and widowed or separated daughter 221</p> <p>Woman: and widowed or separated son 222</p> <p>Woman: and widowed or separated daughter 223</p> <p>Otherwise two generations: all related 224</p> <p>Otherwise two generations: at least one person not related to any other 225</p> <p>Other (SPECIFY) 226</p> <p>Three generation</p> <p>Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 301</p> <p>Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one under 15 and one over 15 302</p> <p>Man, daughter & son-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 303</p> <p>Man, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at least one under 15 and one over 15 304</p> <p>Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 305</p> <p>Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one under 15, one over 15 306</p> <p>Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 307</p> <p>Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at least one under 15, one over 15 308</p> <p>Married couple, married child and child-in-law, grandchildren under 15 309</p> <p>Otherwise 3-generations:</p> <p>—all persons related, at least one child under 15 310</p> <p>—at least one child under 15 311</p> <p>—all persons related 312</p> <p>—unrelated 313</p> <p>Other (SPECIFY) 314</p> <p>Four generation</p> <p align="center">DESCRIBE COMPOSITION BELOW</p> <p align="right">401</p>
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