MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name for reference only

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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
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		IX	Style of Living

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Name of Interviewer. Morag Macdonald NUMBER

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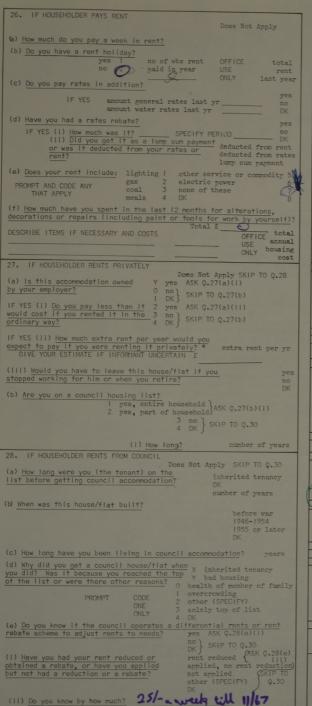
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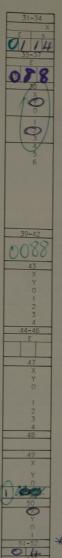
# Form of introduction

"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

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(b) Reasons if incomplete_	12		18		9
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		Room(s): furnished Other (specify)	2 3 4		







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Kent was reduced 25/- per week \* but this taken off when husband got 25/- 8/- more unemp ben

# VI HEALTH AND DISABILITY

#### QUESTION 1 Health

Do not probe for the names of disabling illnesses or conditions, unless the informant happens to mention them.

#### QUESTION 2 Unwell today

Note that the emphasis is on "today" and that you are instructed to complete the questionnaire as if all questions applied to the date when you first made contact with the household. This means that if you have postponed an interview because of illness you should ask all the questions about the day you first called.

#### QUESTION 2a Off work

Check with the work record (page 8) where weeks off work will have been established. But here the information is needed as the basis for general questions about current illness and disability.

# QUESTION 2a (i) & b (i) Number of weeks

If more than a year write "52". If the informant cannot be sure of the exact number and there is uncertainty whether it is less or more than eight weeks seek confirmation of the exact period from the individual concerned at a second call if necessary.

# QUESTION 2c Regularly

That is, at least once a month for the past three months in connection with the present illness or disability.

# QUESTION 3 Condition affecting activity

This question is designed to prepare the ground for the all-important Q. 7. You are not asked to trace every conceivable disability or condition from which people may suffer. Many of them, anyway, will not know diagnostic terms even if you ask them. Instead, you ask about conditions which restrict activity, show Flashcard No. 6 (which is nearly the same list as prompted verbally) and code any part of the body or faculty with which "trouble" is reported. You do not explore all possible effects but only a few examples of effects in which we are particularly interested. Remember you are only trying to find out about certain conditions, not every condition.

Nerves
Pay particular attention to the need to prompt for any trouble with "nerves".

#### Reading ordinary print

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Note that your code "No" only if a person cannot read print in a newspaper. Do not code "No" if a person merely has difficulty. For someone who cannot read interpret the question as "seeing" print in newspaper. We are interested at this point in sight not literacy.

Note that if an informant does not admit difficulty with hearing but it is observed, you can code accordingly.

#### VII SOCIAL SERVICES

General

It is assumed that the housewife will normally be the informant. It is also assumed that she will generally be the "parent" to whom many of the questions are addressed. If in fact there is another mother in the household with a child then you may accept answers by a proxy (i.e. the housewife). You should also use your discretion about the housewife's ability to answer questions about the visits to hospital, doctor or dentist by each member of the household. If she plainly does not know or is uncertain you should check the appropriate questions when you come to ask earners in the household Sections II, III & IV. If this still does not involve the right members of the household you must check directly with them. Remember to code carefully since the questions vary as to whom they apply. We have repeated instructions at the head of each question to help you.

### QUESTION 1 Welfare milk

Tokens are obtained from the Ministry of Social Security and handed to the milkman. All families with children under 5 can obtain a pint of milk for each child for each day for 6d. per pint cheaper than retail prices. Free milk tokens have to be claimed separately, and few parents claim them (other than those getting supplementary benefits).

Child welfare clinics are provided by local authority health departments. A visit to an ordinary hospital out-patient department does not count. Cod liver oil and orange juice are the main goods which may be purchased below normal shop prices. "Ever visited" means for the informant herself to obtain advice concerning herself or her child or to obtain goods. Accompanying another mother does not count.

# QUESTION 3 Baby in hospital

It is possible there may be two mothers in the household. On the National Health means free in a National Health Service hospital contracted to the N.H.S.

## QUESTION 4 Type of school

Write in the name of each school on the left. The parent will usually know the type of school but if he or she does not or is doubtful the interviewer may know. If in doubt please verify from the Education Department or a teacher who knows about the local schools. If the child is aged 16 or over and is at an institute, college or school (of commerce, for example), list under Q 12

Type	Maintained day nursery, nursery school or class		
Type of	Private nursery school or nursery class		
School	State primary school		
	Private primary/preparatory school		
	Secondary modern/elementary/non-grammar de	nominat	ionai
	Comprehensive		
	Technical school, Central, Intermediate		
	State grammar		
	Private or "public" school (secondary)		
	Other (SPECIFY)		

Whether built pre- or post-1940
Again, the parent may not know or may be unsure. Check if necessary

# QUESTION 5 School meals

Normally means when neither sick nor in the holidays. Did the child last week have school meals if attending school? If not attending school, when last attending school. Free school meals are provided to poorer children on a means test basis.

# QUESTION 5(c) No facilities

There really are schools which do not offer school meals either because they lack dining space or there are too many children for the space available or for other reasons.

Absences due to visiting an out-patient department or a dentist should not be counted.

# QUESTION 8 Boarding school

If the child boards at a school which is primarily a day school code the

## QUESTION 4 Emergency help

Since this is rather a general question specific acts may be forgotten. Probe as seems appropriate in the light of previous answers. Most people have occasional help from family or friends in the neighbourhood.

wife had miscarriage about 6 months ago 9 no one what look after the children

### QUESTION 5 Gifts regularly made

This is the counterpart of Q. 2, dealing with gifts or commodities rather than services. Again repeat the question in reference to relatives seen often. Note that a meal that is given is distinct from the service of preparing a meal (prompted in Q. 2). Obtain the best total estimate that you can of the worth of these gifts, however rough.

# QUESTION 6 Occasional gifts made

We do not wish to waste time on occasional gifts of a value of less than f25

### QUESTION 7 Gifts (regularly) received

This is the counterpart of Q. 3. Refer to relatives seen frequently and repeat the question. Note that meals consumed should also be coded in this question. The service (of preparing them) was included under Q. 3. Probe according to the answers made previously.

#### QUESTION 8 Occasional gifts received

Do not waste time inquiring about gifts of a value of less than £25.

# IX STYLE OF LIVING

This section aims to find out some ways in which people spend their time, how they manage on their incomes, what kinds of things they buy and do, and how they feel about their situation. Most of the questions are pre-coded (but interviewers are urged to write any interesting comments on the blank spaces in the questionnaire or on the back). It is hoped that the answers will put some flesh on the income skeleton you have painstakingly built up in the rest of the questionnaire.

# QUESTION 1 Holidays

Note that this question immediately follows Questions 9 and 10 of Section VIII. Question 9 of Section VIII refers only to staying in the homes of relatives and friends or being subsidised by them on a joint holiday. Question 1 in this section applies to all "holidays" (as understood by the informant) which are away from home, excluding only those which were spent actually in the homes of relatives or friends. If there was more than one holiday add together their duration and code accordingly in Question 1 (a).

Sorry - this was shild in house

#### QUESTION 2 Meals out

Care should be taken because people may forget meals which were incidental to the visit. By "snack" you should understand something more than a biscuit and cup of tea, say at least a sandwich. Note that in this question and in later questions there are certain persons whom it is not expected you should code. Thus children under the age of 15 should be coded DNA.

### QUESTION 3 Friends to meals

Note that it is possible to code both "Yes, relative" and "Yes, friend".

## QUESTION 4 Friends in to play

There are few simple questions which can be asked about the child's own standard of living and social life. Some homes are too poor for the child to bring his friends in, so stress in the house.

# QUESTION 5 Afternoons and evenings out

The key point is entertainment for which someone spends money (youth clubs require entrance and weekly fees; scouts, guides, etc., require uniform and 'bus fares for outings). Examples of leisure-time activities will vary according to the age of the person to whom the question is addressed and you should probe accordingly. (Note that while we do not ask for amounts of expenditure we try to find the relative frequency of all forms of entertainments so that we can see how it varies with income.)

# QUESTION 6 Church

Accept any religious sect or denomination which may be mentioned.

#### QUESTION 7 Food

Actual nutritional levels cannot be established by an interview of this kind, but it is hoped that these questions will show very roughly (i) whether a family member goes short of food occasionally, (ii) whether the family is able to buy relatively expensive foods frequently, (iii) whether any member of the family goes short of food occasionally, and (iv) to what extent patterns of food consumption vary with income.

(a) Cooked breakfast
Many women do not eat breakfast. Bacon and eggs is only an example.
Others would be boiled or fried egg, haddock, kipper, etc. But not porridge, toast, fried bread or potatoes (the distinction is between carbohydrates and

(b) No cooked meal
Stress the whole day. A heavy breakfast but nothing later, or a heavy
meal at supper-time will not count as going without a cooked meal during the day.

(c) Fresh meat

This will be difficult for households where children have school dinners, or members of the household eat canteen meals. It would be reasonable to code such persons "Yes" in the absence of any better information. It is highly possible that some housewives may have very little fresh meat (defined to include chicken, chops, frozen meat of any kind but not corned beef, tinner meat, boiled ham or sausages). Care is needed as meateating is probably over-stated, and when there is meat the men in the household and not the women may have it.

#### QUESTION 8 (a) Joint

Accept what the informant understands by a joint.

### QUESTION 8 (b) and (c) Milk

Do not include school milk (a correction for this will be made in the office). Check for extra milk at weekends. Include sterilised milk ("stera") as fresh. Some houses buy milk in powder or liquid in tins for babies too, but do not attempt to assess the quantities of this. Just make a note that it

#### QUESTION 9 (b) Clothing

Clothing cheques are "Provident" cheques and the like where a cheque for £1, for example, entitles a person to shop at certain shops and repayment is made at 1s, in the £1 for 21 weeks. Clubs include any kind of arrangement through a catalogue, shop, or door-to-door salesman.

# QUESTION 9 (c) and (d) Spending on clothing clubs

Some clubs include coal and furniture as well as clothes; try to get an estimate of the proportion of money spent on clothes. Informants often give a maximum figure, when in fact they miss or only pay something on account.

# QUESTION 11 Adequate footwear

Includes state of repair as well as fit. Plimsolls and sandals in winter are not adequate, nor are boots alone adequate for summer. Plastic sandals are coded not adequate, unless there are other shoes.

# QUESTION 12 Smoking, pools and betting

Smoking is often underestimated in surveys. By asking quantities we hope to be able to work out roughly the expenditure. Note if cigars and not cigarettes. Take care to make betting seem a very common activity (which it is, of course), since information may not readily be forthcoming in the context of all these questions on shortages.

### QUESTION 13 Christmas

Make sure that the sum you have is the extra expense on top of normal housekeeping for the household unit.

\* Doubtfut of H/wife. was telling the truth from observation of Children's shoes.

ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H.
23. \*\* Do you think you could GENUINELY say you are poor now? — X Does X Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.24 Y all the time } ASK Q.23(a)
| never } SKIP TO Q.24 (a) Do you feel poor at any of these times or in any of these situations?

PROMPT AND

6 with some 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? \*\* Does Not Apply SKIP TO (b) What would you describe as poverty? - WRITE IN ANSWER not having enough to make ends meet. (c) Would you say that if people are in poverty its mainly X - their own fault?
Y - the rown fault?
O - the fault of their education?
AND CODE ONLY

X - their own fault?
O - the fault of their education?
I - the fault of industry not providing the right jobs?
ONE ONLY 3 - a combination of (some of) these? 4 - none of those? 5 DK ASK CHIEF ASE RANNER AND HOUSEWIFE ABOUT ALL AGED 23 AND OVER

25. Do you mind telling me if you voted in the last

Coneral Election (I don't mean who you voted for,

Just whether you voted)? \* 23 & OVER 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 nothing OK nothing DK WRITE IN ANSWER -Government could do more - raise family allowance. Take better care of the sick - give them more money. Make sure soc, sec. only goes to those who should have it.

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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.

a very poor household. Children & house extremely but dirty & cat sleeping inside a frying pan & then in the bed. Wife obviously bitter since her martiage - she says She was much better off before - it would appear that husband spends a good deat of time (4 possibly money) in drinking 4 gambling - wife's answers in questionnaire don't seem to suggest this, but her other conversation did.

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# INTERVIEWER PLEASE CODE ALL THAT APPLY AFTER INTERVIEW

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1)	Household in which there is a child, one of whose parents is not resident	X
)	Household consisting of woman and adult dependants	Y
)	Household in which there are five or more dependent children	0
1)	Household containing an adult who has been unemployed for eight weeks (consecutively or in last $12 \ \text{months}$ )	1
:)	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
)	Household containing a disabled adult under 65 (a) disabled	3
	(b) borderline disabled	4
(;)	Household containing a disabled or handicapped child (including child ill or injured for eight weeks or more) $$	5
1)	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
)	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 (a) non-white

(b) born in Eire

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COMPOSITION OF HOUSEHOLD: CODES (Q. 10, p. 3)								
One generation  Man alone: aged 60 or over  Man alone: aged under 60  Woman alone: aged 60 or over  Woman alone: aged under 60  Husband and wife: both aged 60 or over  Husband and wife: at least one aged under 60.	101 102 103 104 105 106	Man: and widowed or separated daughter Woman: and widowed or separated son Woman: and widowed or separated daughter Otherwise two generations: all related Otherwise two generations: at least one person not related to any other Other (SPECIFY)	221 222 223 224 225 226					
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Two generation  Man, wife: + 1 child under 15  Man, wife: + 2 children both under 15  Man, wife: + 3 children all under 15  Man, wife: + 4 or more children all under 15  Man, wife: + 4 children, at least 1 under 15 and at least 1 over 15, none married  Man, wife: + children all aged 15-24, none married  Man, wife: + children all over 15, at least 1 aged 25 or over, none married  Man and tone child under 15  Man and two children both under 15  Man and thore or more children under and one over 15, Man and children to the under and one over 15, Man and children to the under and one over 15, Man and children at least one under and one over 15,	201 202 203 204 205 206 207 208 209 210 211	one under 15 and one over 15  Woman, son and di-nlaw, grandchildren: all under 15 Woman, son and di-nlaw, grandchildren: at least one under 15, one over 15  Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15 Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: all least one under 15, one over 15  Married couple, married child and child-in-law, grand- children under 15 Otherwise 3-generations: —all persons related, at least one child under 15 —at least one child under 15 —all persons related —unrelated —unrelated —unrelated	305 306 307 308 309 310 311 312 313 314					
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