

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Elizabeth	Margaret	David							
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
26	08	06							

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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

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

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FOR OFFICE USE	PS 11 vi	Queries 11 vi	Income
NAP	TS1 AH	FP	BP
	TS2 SB		

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(a) (Refusal)

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SERIAL
NUMBER

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3/6/68 (full)

or contacts

Total actual interviewing time

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

	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
1. Interview carried out at first call at second call at third or later call	X Y 0		Informant	13		at address →	
				(1) - IX		None	(0)
2. Information for household —	11		2nd member	14	6.	Household living on	22
— complete skip to Q. 3 incomplete—answer 2a	X Y			(1)		ground basement floor	(X) Y
(a) Sections Housing incomplete Employment Occupational Income Assets Health Soc. Services Inc. in kind Style of living	(1) 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	CODE ALL THAT APPLY	3rd	15		1st floor	1
				(0)		2nd floor	2
			4th	16		3rd floor	3
				(2)		4th floor	4
			5th	17		5th or above	5
				(2)		Specify	
			6th	18		(a) Is there a lift in the building?	Yes No
(b) Reasons if incomplete —	12			19			6 7
— ill/disabled does not know information unwilling to give information other (specify)	X Y (0) 1	*	Other (specify)	(0)	7.	Is there an internal or external flight of at least 4 steps or stairs to the dwelling entrance?	23
			4.	20			Yes No
			Semi or detached house	X			8 9
			or bungalow	Y			
* wif. said at beginning she wasn't keen on divulging anything at all - persuaded her of value of survey & she agreed to let me into her but said she wouldn't tell me some of the considered too personal		Type of Accom.	Ter. h'se or bungalow	X			
			Self-con. flat in block	Y			
			Self-con. flat in house	1			
			Self-con. flat attached to shop/business	2			
			Room(s): furnished	3			
			Other (specify)	4			
			single room in back yard... shared toilet	(5)			

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anything she considered too

wouldn't discuss financial affairs - as it
was not part of it except the item (i) concerning

was I got most of it except the item (1) concerning
her husband - reserved, quite intelligent type - clean & neat, children well looked after.

RB

SECTION 11 EMPLOYMENT

1. Can you tell me who in the household was at work last week, for any number of hours, however few?

attended paid employment, or self employed *
not attending paid employment } SKIP TO Q.6
DK

2. Just the one job, or more than one? I mean did you do any spare-time or regular paid work? *

one job
two or more jobs

3. Is the work carried out here in the house or flat? *

yes, main/only occupation
yes, secondary occupation(s) only
no

4. What was the usual hour at which you started and finished work each day last week? *

X worked from before 8 am to 6 pm (or earlier)
CODE ONE Y before 8 am and finished after 6 pm
ONLY ON 0 8 am (or after) to 6 pm (or earlier)
BASIS OF 1 8 am (or after) and finished after 6 pm
ANSWER 2 after 6 pm to 8 am (or earlier)
3 no usual hour of starting and/or finishing

5. Can you tell me the total number of hours you worked last week (counting all jobs for which you received pay)? Insert number*

IF WORKED LESS THAN 30 HOURS ASK Q.5(a) DK
IF WORKED 30 HOURS OR MORE SKIP TO Q.8

(a) When did you last work 30 hours or more in a week? X less than 6 months ago
Y 6 months and less than 1 year ago

inf said she just keeps job till she gets fed up - likes present job very much - trusts it suitable
0 1 and less than 3 years
1 3 and less than 10 years
2 10 or more years
3 never
4 DK

(b) Would you work more hours if such a job were available?

5 yes, unconditionally
6 yes, with reservations
7 no, would not wish to
8 no, could not do so
9 DK

6. IF NOT AT WORK LAST WEEK OR WORKING LESS THAN 30 HOURS

Why weren't you at work last week? X housewife
OR Why weren't you at work full-time? Y retired

0 student
1 pre-school or school child SKIP TO NEXT SECTION

PROMPT

CODE ONE ONLY


* 2 unemployed
3 sick or injured
4 disabled or handicapped
5 paid holiday
6 unpaid holiday
7 not working because: school holidays
8 : caring for someone ill
9 : deputising for housewife

X other (specify) _____
Y DK

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7	8	9	10
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QUESTION 20 Miscellaneous allowances and cash income

The various kinds of income have been laid out as compactly as possible but remember that two or more may need to be coded and you should prompt carefully. Underneath describe the type of allowance (so that we know to which code a particular amount refers) and the amount per week or per month. Ring either "1" or "2" depending on whether the allowance did in fact cover last week and strike out "Before" or "After" tax as appropriate. Make sure that in the case of allowances of husbands temporarily away from home that you have not already written in his earnings earlier as a member of the household. If you have do not write in any amount he pays. All we want here is any income which is not covered by earlier entries.


wif must
have some other
source of income
probably from husband
but not by court
order - she wouldn't
give me any info.
on this.

QUESTION 20(b) Allowances for separated and divorced wives

Some wives receive money direct from their husbands (or via the court). Others have court orders but these are signed over to the Supplementary Benefits Commission, which collects the money and pays the mother a standard weekly allowance. We therefore want to avoid counting the amount in Q. 20 if that amount is already included in the figure for supplementary benefit listed under Q. 15. We also want to be able to sort out irregular payments of both money from court orders and supplementary benefit. Check carefully in all these instances and write a note if anything needs clarification. Fatherless families form a small proportion of the total sample of households. Where money from court orders is paid irregularly and the mother claims weekly from the Supplementary Benefits Office she might not always claim the full amount, or may delay her claim in which case she loses benefit. Check to see if such loss is occurring.

QUESTION 21 Allowances and sums paid to others

This question complements some of the sub-questions in Q. 20. Here we are concerned to find out about all cash payments or allowances amounting to at least 10s. a week or £25 a year. Note that married children frequently pay rent or bills for elderly parents and old people sometimes make considerable cash gifts to their children. Examples are payments for grandchildren's clothing or holidays, payment of T.V. rentals and licence, cash gift for car.

QUESTION 22 Tax relief

Our object is to gain further evidence about reciprocal aid but also to help us in interpreting the figures for earnings and deductions given earlier. Note that you are not expected to probe for amounts.

QUESTION 23

Property income is considerable for a small percentage of informants and tends to be of two types: income from only one or two houses and income from a range of properties. With a few people considerable time may need to be spent on getting a reliable answer to this question. Net income after tax may not be known so we deliberately seek gross income before tax, then expenses, and only finally income after tax. You may not be able to get the third but make sure you get a figure for the first. It may also be difficult to secure a figure for expenses of rates and repairs but remember that property-owners will often know the total sums entered on their income tax returns. It may even be helpful to remind informants of this: "I mean the total like that in your income tax return — gross income less expenses." Note that many owner-occupiers and tenants rent rooms and flats to others in their accommodation. Do not count the rent from a boarder living in the household.

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		Y
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		3
		4
		56-58
		£
		59-61

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9	4	9	2	7	3	9		
1st			2nd			3rd		4th
INTERVIEWER: CODE 05, 06, etc. IF 5th, 6th MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD								
10-11			10-11			10-11		10-11
10-11			10-11			10-11		10-11
12			12			12		12
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Y			Y			Y		Y
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17-20			17-20			17-20		17-20
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X			X			X		X
Y			Y			Y		Y
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I			I			I		I
22-25			22-25			22-25		22-25
E s			E s			E s		E s
26-28			26-28			26-28		26-28
E			E			E		E
29			29			29		29
X			X			X		X
Y			Y			Y		Y
O			O			O		O
I			I			I		I
30-33			30-33			30-33		30-33
E s			E s			E s		E s
34-35			34-35			34-35		34-35
X			X			X		X
36-39			36-39			36-39		36-39

33. ASK ONLY IF IF SOME INFORMATION INCOMPLETE * Does Not Apply
Even though it may be difficult to go into details I wonder if you would mind looking at this card (SHOW FLASHCARD NO.22) and indicating the number that best tells us the total income, after deduction of all other deductions, for the last year, from all sources of yourself and your family in the last year. It is most important for us to have an idea of the total. range code
PROBE FOR SEPARATE INCOME UNITS

Refused. * total last year
(£'s only) .
I couldn't really offer card as inf's sister

+ chris + mrs own 2 children - all in room - mrs trying to get chris's meal so that she could get off to work + she'd made it clear that she wouldn't say any more on the question of income

QUESTION 11 "Windfalls"

The procedure is the same as in the last question (Q. 10). Remember that for some people an occasional windfall is the only hope they have of getting out of debt, and please make a note if you come across any interesting example.

QUESTION 12 Hire purchase

The informant may know neither the total amounts nor the amounts less interest which are owed. If the total is less than £25 simply write it in and do not waste time asking detailed questions about **original price**, etc. Otherwise ask each of the questions and tick the box if any documents are seen. Sometimes there may be several large items and you may need to use the margins on the page for any additional notes. Remember that we are concerned to establish the total owed altogether, less interest, and so long as this can be estimated you should not be concerned to take up time with every subsidiary question. If you cannot get the informant to give an estimate of the total owed less interest and succeed only in answering the questions under (a) you can leave to the office the job of estimating and writing in the total.

*inf says she
pays 15/- p. week
on sideboard &
chair - unwilling
to give me any
more inf - rather
than reproduce rest
of int I let it go.*

QUESTION 14 Rent or mortgage arrears

As elsewhere, remember to write in an amount in only one column (not in two columns, e.g. wife and husband). The amount should be debited to the person who normally pays the rent or the mortgage payments. Do not trouble to calculate the exact total amount owed. You have asked about the weekly or monthly payments earlier and so long as you tell us the **number** of payments (and whether weekly or monthly) we can calculate the figure in the office.

QUESTION 17 Total assets

Like the question at the end of the Income section, this question is designed to be used when an informant does not wish to go into detail or finds great difficulty, either in the first or in a subsequent interview, in answering preceding questions. Encourage him or her to help you gain at least a broad estimate of total assets, but remember this includes the value of any owner-occupied house, a car, the surrender value of any life insurance policy and personal possessions of value, as well as any savings or stocks and shares. Again, try to get a separate estimate for each income unit in the household, and if the informant shows willingness to go back to the preceding detailed questions encourage him to do so. Try if you can to get the informant to give an exact figure rather than a range.

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
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

well if your children had no shoes on their feet or if they couldnt get a meal

(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)? *

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

I dont know - I dont think they shld give them any more money (Exp) well them that work work - some of them get more for not working than they wd if they were working (AE) I think its different for a man with a very low wage to keep a family - wife, children, they shld get some assistance

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7	8	9	10
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Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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

67
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
Y
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1
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3
4
5
6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8
68
X
Y

COMPOSITION OF HOUSEHOLD: CODES (Q. 10, p. 3)

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