

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
man	wife	Son Edward	Daughter Susan						
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

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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
- VIII Private Income in Kind
- IX Style of Living

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ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H.

23. * Do you think you could GENUINELY say CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY
you are poor now? —

X Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.24

PROMPT AND CODE Y all the time } ASK Q.23(a)
ONE ONLY 0 sometimes
I never }
2 DK SKIP TO Q.24

(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
PROMPT AND
CODE ALL THAT 6 with some of your friends
7 with some of your relatives
APPLY 8 with some of the people round here
9 other (SPECIFY) _____

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
Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.25
yes
no
DK

(b) What would you describe as poverty?

WRITE IN ANSWER
Couple with 4 or 5 children
husband sick or off work - on
National Assistance.

(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?
PROMPT I - the fault of industry not providing the right jobs?
AND CODE 2 - anything else? (SPECIFY)
ONE ONLY
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)? * CODE ALL AGED 23 & OVER
yes, voted
no
DK
DNA

ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H. ONLY
26. If there is poverty what do you think can be done about it? nothing
DK

WRITE IN ANSWER

Depends on the area. They're closing
plenty here, industrialising here.
No government can do more than
is being done. It's up to the
individual.

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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.

N.B. The house is up for sale and practically sold - so this household may move soon.

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.

This was not an easy one. The husband agreed reluctantly to help - and completed a form for himself except for giving details of his income. It was apparently against his principles to discuss this with anyone. The husband then insisted that his wife be left undisturbed - [she was tired & asleep in an adjoining room -] and he insisted on answering for her. She did come out and make a cup of tea but by then there was little for her to do and she disappeared again at her husband's suggestion. The husband also answered for his two children away at boarding school. He refused to give details of his wife's income also - but I feel there is enough to give for you to look it up. I tried hard to get more facts for you - sorry it didn't succeed. On telephoning later to check details - do section 3 with the wife - probed with her the possibility of getting more details on income - and she did not want to go against her husband's policy - so did not press the matter.