

**MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD**

Christian name  
for reference only

Age last birthday

4/24

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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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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 }  
1 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      6 with some of your friends  
CODE ALL THAT      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 CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY  
poverty. Do you think there's such a Does Not Apply SKIP TO  
thing as REAL poverty these days? \* Q.25  
yes  
no  
DK

(b) What would you describe as poverty?

WRITE IN ANSWER

D.K. really. Not too good  
living conditions?

(c) Would you say that if people are in poverty its mainly

X - their own fault?  
Y - the Government's fault?

PROMPT      0 - the fault of their education?  
AND CODE      1 - the fault of industry not providing the right jobs?  
ONE ONLY      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 CODE  
General Election (I don't mean who you voted for, ALL AGED  
just whether you voted)? \* 23 & OVER

yes, voted  
no  
DK  
DNA

ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER/H.O.H.

26. If there is poverty what do you think CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY  
can be done about it? nothing  
DK

WRITE IN ANSWER

D.K. hardly

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77									
78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78
9	(X)	(S)							

g/s

#### 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.

This has not been easy as the progress sheet shows. 1st. and 2nd were not keen at making much effort at estimating some of the answers—nor indeed did they seem mentally capable of quick thinking. I did probe as hard as I dared on the crunch questions—but on the whole failed here to get even an estimate of magnitude.

As things were not easy on visit 12, I didn't try to get them thinking back too far—and the information receded throughout the year. This applies to Oct 24th. '68.