

## MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name  
for reference only

Age last birthday

Infant	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
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QUESTIONNAIRE ON HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES  
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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  
and the University of London (L.S.E.)

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23. \* Do you think you could GENUINELY say  
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CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY

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X Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.24

PROMPT AND CODE  
ONE ONLY

Y all the time  
0 sometimes } ASK Q.23(a)  
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

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APPLY

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.  
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

Probably a brown looking after 2 or 3 chickens on  
his own. I bet case it can do more going out  
buying all the money. Everyone can live on Nat but  
now there too much Nat but. I can live a Nat but  
I'm a good speaker for English. I don't know  
what it is in the Bible. I don't know  
(c) Would you say that if people are in poverty its mainly their own fault?  
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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? **14 X 4**  
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  
LL AGED  
3 & 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

Woe 3 cant see how there's. I mean  
we're sending millions away to other countries.  
So how can there be parity here as far as  
facts are concerned.

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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.

Q24.  
Possibly a woman  
looking after 2 or 3  
children on her own.  
I don't call it an old man  
going out & begging all the money.  
Everyone can live on Nat Assistance  
now, there's too much Nat Assistance.  
I can live on National Assistance.  
I'm only speaking for England, I  
don't know what it's like in Wales.  
I believe it's different for the masses.

Q26  
Well I can't see  
how there is. I mean  
we're sending millions  
away to other countries so  
how can there be poverty here  
as far as facts are concerned.