

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

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| H/w | Mrs Benson | ROBERT | | | | | | | |
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| 44 | 47 | 12 | | | | | | | |

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

5/27

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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. 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 }
 2 DK } SKIP TO Q.24

(a) Do you feel poor at any of these times or in any of these situations?
 PROMPT AND CODE ALL THAT APPLY
 3 at weekends
 4 mid-week
 5 at Christmas
 6 with some of your friends NO
 7 with some of your relatives
 8 with some of the people round here
 9 other (SPECIFY)

[Empty box for answer to Q.23(a)]

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? *

yes
 no
 DK
 Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.25
 WRITE IN ANSWER

(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 those?
 5 DK

ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER AND HOUSEWIFE ABOUT ALL AGED 25 AND OVER CODE ALL AGED 23 & 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
 nothing
 DK
 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?

WRITE IN ANSWER
 The government should not give with one hand and take away with another, should they. Such as ^{severely} also men who refuse to take jobs because they can manage on social security, there are people that need the help.

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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.

Pensioners and widows
with children. ← *

they must have an
awful time to manage

The recent increase
in family allowances. ←
for people ^{and} ~~and~~ ^{don't} need this,
and this can be
(deducted from widows
pension, who need it)