

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name
for reference only

Inf.	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
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X	X	Susan	Amanda	Delbie	Ronald				
Max.	Max.								
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66				
31	34	11	07	04	02				
Age last birthday									

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
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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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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.

I have failed to see husband in this house, and it was by no means easy to interview wife, who is obviously not very bright, rather frightened of husband. V. over-crowded house - '2 beds for 6 of them - they also 'live' in the kitchen because "the floor in the front is boards, > I couldn't stand the noise the kids feet made". The kitchen is about 9' x 6' contains a small table, 2 chairs, > a shelf holding a 23" television set. I tried to imagine where they sat for meals, etc. etc. but failed! wife tried to answer what she could, but income etc. She said she didn't know. I thought this was probably the truth. The 4½ yr old was at home the first time I went, was alternately drinking pop from a bottle, and kicking the table - no sign of toy or book in the house. It's a pity I didn't get the income as I felt that possibly it was quite large - husband gets up for tea, goes out to see to his pigeons, straight to the Labour Club, > then straight on to work.

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 CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY
ONE ONLY 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
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.

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
Poor people - or these gypsies' tinkers.

(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 1 - 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 DKASK 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
DKAASK 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
DKWRITE IN ANSWER
I don't care about any of these sorts - its hard enough keeping going.

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