

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

Inft.	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
DOROTHY MAY	HERBERT	Douglas							
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QUESTIONNAIRE ON HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES
&
STANDARDS OF LIVING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM
1967-68

Chs (cont'd)
RPT
July 1972



- 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? — X Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.24

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

(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
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 Q.25
yes
no

(b) What would you describe as poverty?

— WRITE IN ANSWER

Older people having a job
to manage

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

X - their own fault?
Y - the Government's fault?
O - the fault of their education?
I - the fault of Industry not providing the right jobs?
2 - anything else? (SPECIFY)

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)? *

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
make the devils work harder.
Take family allowance away
I put it on to the pension for
the young have it too easy & the old have
Husband started early at 21 for 14. abdard low.
Husband started at 12 for 1/6 wkt.

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.

Douglas

This family consists of wife + Father and ^{Douglas} son who has 'National Ass' of £4-10-0 paireed. They have no savings as they say it takes more than £4-0-0 to look after the boy Douglas, who has ^{had} everything they can financially give him. A married son lives next door but they do not receive any help of any kind as they have all their time taken looking after Douglas. There is no furniture in the family flat over and they are a very lazy, contented + no. Their pensions + Douglas's £4-10-0 just get drawn out at the P. Office + spent. If there is an electric bill ^{use} their Herbert's monthly pension of £14 is used for these large items. They carry about £147 - Herbert £85-16-0 + Douglas £18 in ^{an} insurances. But they pay monthly from Herbert's pension. The parents have both worked extremely hard, he as a casual (and worker and his husband and as a roadman. He was now late for 32 years and had to cycle 16 miles to work each day starting at 5 AM with money. They have both struggled to rear + train Douglas who is a delightful ^{boy}. Their motto is food + train Douglas who is a delightful ^{boy}. Their motto is food before luxuries and wants. He is very aware of diet and they eat lots of salads + cold meats + soups and have lots of vegetables ~~every~~ every day for £14. She is anxious to keep Douglas's weight down. They have an extremely difficult garden which was the pride in the village last year. The wife states most firmly that they could not manage financially without the husband's Worcs. County council pension of £14.

NB This interview took longer because of the ^{39a} necessity of gaining Douglas's confidence and doing a lot of listening to what they had to say. They were most helpful & kind.