

MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD

Christian name
for reference only

Age last birthday

Inft.	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Amelia									
65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66	65-66

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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



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Name of Interviewer *Paula Rattie*SERIAL
NUMBER

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Date(s) of interview(s) *6/1/69*Length of interview(s) *55 min.*or contacts *6/1/69*Total actual interviewing time *55 min.*

Form of introduction

"My name is X. I'm from Essex/London University. We're preparing a report (writing a book) about standards of living in Britain today and how families manage. We think it's important for the Government and everyone else to know what the facts really are. We're hoping to talk to about 3,000 families throughout the country and I'd be very grateful if you could help us by answering some questions. All our information is, of course, strictly confidential."

SUMMARY : COMPLETE AFTER INTERVIEW

1. Interview carried out at first call at second call at third or later call	10	3. Which sections were answered in whole or in part by which persons on the household?	Informant	Write Section 1, 2, 3, etc.	5. Number of other households at address → None	21		
	X			13		(R)	None	(0)
	0			14				
2. Information for household	11	CODE ALL THAT APPLY Housing Employment Occupational Income Assets Health Soc. Services Inc. in kind Style of living	2nd member 3rd 4th 5th 6th Other (specify)	6. Household living on	22			
— complete	skip to Q. 3			ground	Y			
— incomplete	— answer 2a			basement floor	1			
(a) Sections	Housing			1st floor	2			
CODE	Employment			2nd floor	3			
ALL THAT	Occupational			3rd floor	4			
APPLY	Income			4th floor	5			
	Assets			5th or above				
	Health			Specify				
	Soc. Services							
	Inc. in kind							
	Style of living							
(b) Reasons if incomplete	12	Answer 6a						
— ill/disabled	X	(a) Is there a lift in the building?	Yes	6				
does not know	Y	No	7					
information								
unwilling to give								
information								
other (specify)	0							
.....	1							
.....								
.....								
4.	Semi or detached house or bungalow	20	7. Is there an internal or external flight of at least 4 steps or stairs to the dwelling entrance?	23				
Type of	Ter. h'se or bungalow	X	Yes	8				
Accomm.	Self-con. flat in block	Y	No	9				
	Self-con. flat in house	0						
	Self-con. flat attached	1						
	to shop/business	2						
	Room(s): furnished	3						
	Other (specify)	4						
							
							
							

(i)

SB

Old person
getting SB
Feels poor



QUESTION 4 Special schools & centres

This question is asked only of persons who have been ill and off work or confined to bed or the house for eight weeks or more continuously, and those who are coded for any item in Question 3.

QUESTION 5 Date of onset of sickness or disabling condition

Our object is to establish the year of onset but the question is worded 'first have any condition' so as to allow for the fact that some conditions develop out of others. For persons with a disabling condition you ask, in effect, when all the trouble started.

Previous occupation

In the section on Employment you have already asked for the last occupation of everyone not now at work (p. 7). Some people change their occupation because of a disabling condition before finally being obliged to give up work. You should probe for the (previous) occupation which people had before any history of illness or disability started.

QUESTION 6 Mobility

You should code people according to their usual mobility, taking no account of a temporary illness or injury. "Usual mobility" may be interpreted as "for at least eight weeks and unlikely to become more mobile in the immediate future" or "for less than eight weeks but unlikely to become more mobile within at least that total period." Someone who spends most of the time in bed and needs help to get out to sit in a chair is defined as bedfast. Someone who can get out of his bed into a chair or wheelchair and who can walk indoors but not even a few yards outdoors without help is defined as housebound. The test is whether someone can walk on his own (without the assistance or company of any other person — though with or without sticks or crutches).

QUESTION 7 Incapacity

In prompting this series of questions you may find it simplest to ask the question without the variation in brackets, unless it seems appropriate. Remember you are asking whether they have any difficulty in doing X. Sometimes certain questions will not apply to particular people or to particular situations. You will meet people who do not (or say they do not) wash down, negotiate stairs (living in bungalows), go shopping and do housework (especially some men). The question should then be asked in terms of "But would you have any difficulty in doing X if you had to?" The codes 0, 1, 2 are listed in increasing order of difficulty and you should check that you ring one of them for each item.

QUESTION 7e

It would be insensitive and unnecessary to ask questions about the daily activities of the bedfast. They are therefore excluded from this question and the rest of the series. You may encounter other people (e.g. advanced obesity) of whom it is clear that they cannot do certain activities. You may refrain from putting questions to them. The same is true of any situations in which the questions are likely to cause great distress. **BUT AS A GENERAL RULE QUESTIONS 7 (e) to (i) SHOULD BE ASKED FOR ALL OTHER THAN THE BEDFAST AND CHAIRFAST.**

QUESTIONS 8 & 9 Variation in incapacity

These questions explore whether the pattern of answers to Question 7 is permanent. Question 8 seeks any indication of seasonal variations (e.g. bronchitis) and Question 9 day-to-day variations in the effects of disability.

QUESTION 13

NHS means free, wholly paid for by the National Health Service. Private and amenity (paying) beds in NHS hospitals should be coded as private.

QUESTION 13(b) Number of nights

If a person has had two or more spells in hospital add the total number of nights together.

QUESTION 13(c) Name of hospital

This will be used in the office to code type of hospital.

QUESTION 14

III in bed means actually in bed for at least half the day.

Q15

She has not
seen her own
doctor for over
a year. Her
doctor committed
suicide - back before
he died he gave
her a large
supply of pills
for her own use
and wants the
new doctor hasn't
been to see her or
her husband - the
doctor to who
came to see her
is the pil-doctor
who knew her husband
well.

QUESTION 15

Visits by and to a doctor will include calls when a person is no longer in bed but up and about. The questions are not, therefore, dependent on the answer yes to Q. 14. When the household is large and/or when there have been several visits it may take you a little time to obtain a reliable answer. Remember that in cases of difficulty it is usually best to approach the answer by asking: "When did you last see your doctor?" "And when was the time before that?" "So that means you saw your doctor seven times altogether in the last 12 months?" Remember that we want to count each consultation, even if there are two consultations on one day or on succeeding days. Remember also to include locums and other (alternative) doctor seen in this period.

QUESTION 15(e) Visits paid for

If the informant is a wife who makes a visit to her NHS doctor and pays later for the pill, which he prescribes, this should still be counted as a NHS visit.

QUESTION 16 Spectacles

Most people pay in part for spectacles even under the NHS but some obtain them free by paying and then claiming a refund on test of means (by the SBC).

QUESTION 18 Doctor at hospital

It is the number of occasions we want to know, not the number of doctors seen at the hospital.

Visits to dentist

Remember to ask number of visits, not number of courses of treatment.

Home help

We are interested only in the use of a local council's Home Help Service.

Someone from the Welfare

We mean a social worker or officer from a Council health, welfare or children's department who is concerned with some aspect of family welfare. Include a health visitor, say, but not an officer from the Supplementary Benefits Commission or someone from a voluntary organisation — like the WVS or Salvation Army.

QUESTION 18(a) Paying a dentist

The point is that very poor people can get free dentures and do not have to pay the £1 for a course of treatment.

QUESTION 18(b) Home help

Some councils charge for a home help's service on test of means.

VIII INCOME IN KIND

General

This section aims to discover the major exchanges of services and gifts between the household and relatives or friends living elsewhere. One major problem is that people ordinarily take for granted the exchanges between themselves and their closest relatives. When being asked questions about "help" and "gifts" a housewife may not think of her mother, or her husband's mother, who lives nearby. A grandfather may not think of his daily activity of seeing a grandchild home from school. The first question is designed to help overcome this problem. You should remember that most households in the UK have frequent contact with a relative (either of a wife or a husband or of both) living elsewhere in the locality. Remember that independently of his wife a husband may see someone in his family (eg: his mother or a brother at work) every day. It will be very unusual if you make no entry in the box alongside Q. 1, so probe for likely relatives (eg: parents in the case of young and middle-aged people, brothers and sisters in the case of unmarried people, sons and daughters in the case of the elderly). In the remaining questions the contacts with such relatives are a likely indication of a flow of services or small gifts. Note that earning members of the household should normally be asked these questions independently of the housewife.

Q1

She has two
named sons who
live near here
sons - but she
says they never
come to see her
and as she
cannot walk
at all well
she doesn't
go to see them.

QUESTION 1 Relatives seen frequently

The question is designed to establish the existence of the relatives who have the most frequent contact with members of the household. Note that you ask "any of your family or a relative". The alternative wording will help to avoid information about really close relatives — eg: parents and children — who are thought of as "family" or even as members of a common household rather than as "relatives". By "most" days in the week is meant at least four of the seven days.

QUESTION 2 Help given

The unspoken assumption in the question is that these must be unpaid services. Prompt the items in the list carefully, emphasising those which are appropriate to the age or social situation of different members of the household. Make direct reference to the relatives listed in Q. 1. For example: "You say you see your mother every day. Do you do any of these things for her? And what about your sister?" Note that you prompt also for help given to friends and neighbours.

Hours

If two or three different services are undertaken, add together the informant's estimates of the time taken. Since the services are unpaid you should not expect informants to be able to give more than an approximate estimate of the time taken (that is, the time spent in the performance of the job, not interruptions for tea and conversations, etc).

QUESTION 3 Help received

The question reverses Q. 2 and proceed as in that question. Check in whatever way seems appropriate to establish the unpaid services being performed for members of the household. Again the question should be repeated for relatives seen frequently. "You've told me you see your mother every day. Does she do any of these things for you?" Two separate people might do the cleaning, for example. Add the hours together.

IX STYLE OF LIVING

This section aims to find out some ways in which people spend their time, how they manage on their incomes, what kinds of things they buy and do, and how they feel about their situation. Most of the questions are pre-coded (but interviewers are urged to write any interesting comments on the blank spaces in the questionnaire or on the back). It is hoped that the answers will put some flesh on the income skeleton you have painstakingly built up in the rest of the questionnaire.

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Hasil Chundreas
Stay with me
Son and his family
Hasil See the
line.

QUESTION 1 Holidays

Note that this question immediately follows Questions 9 and 10 of Section VIII. Question 9 of Section VIII refers only to staying in the homes of relatives and friends or being subsidised by them on a joint holiday. Question 1 in this section applies to all "holidays" (as understood by the informant) which are away from home, excluding only those which were spent actually in the homes of relatives or friends. If there was more than one holiday add together their duration and code accordingly in Question 1 (a).

QUESTION 2 Meals out

Care should be taken because people may forget meals which were incidental to the visit. By "snack" you should understand something more than a biscuit and cup of tea, say at least a sandwich. Note that in this question and in later questions there are certain persons whom it is not expected you should code. Thus children under the age of 15 should be coded DNA.

QUESTION 3 Friends to meals

Note that it is possible to code both "Yes, relative" and "Yes, friend".

QUESTION 4 Friends in to play

There are few simple questions which can be asked about the child's own standard of living and social life. Some homes are too poor for the child to bring his friends in, so stress in the house.

QUESTION 5 Afternoons and evenings out

The key point is entertainment for which someone spends money (youth clubs require entrance and weekly fees; scouts, guides, etc., require uniform and bus fares for outings). Examples of leisure-time activities will vary according to the age of the person to whom the question is addressed and you should probe accordingly. (Note that while we do not ask for amounts of expenditure we try to find the relative frequency of all forms of entertainments so that we can see how it varies with income.)

QUESTION 6 Church

Accept any religious sect or denomination which may be mentioned.

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

pit-pension attb' my husband worked a pit all
his life - he died too soon for the - I didn't get
a widow pension - I had to clean part-time
although I was very difficult - for me to try
and earn a bit.

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

ONE ONLY X Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.24

never Y all the time } ASK Q.23(a)

2 DK 0 sometimes }
1 5 at Christmas

(a) Do you feel poor at any of these times 3 at weekends
or in any of these situations? 4 mid-week

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)

*I feel poor all the time. I
haven't any money to do
anything at all.*

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? *

PROMPT Does Not Apply SKIP TO Q.25

yes
no
DK

(b) What would you describe as poverty?

WRITE IN ANSWER

*People like me. People on the pension.
We can't make do decently at all
and nobody cares. I don't get a x*

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

PROMPT X - their own fault?
Y - the Government's fault?
0 - the fault of their education?
I - 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 DK

ASK CHIEF WAGE EARNER AND HOUSEWIFE ABOUT ALL AGED 23 AND OVER CODE C.W.E./H.O.H. ONLY

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

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
WRITE IN ANSWER

They should give people whose worked all their lives better pensions and make sure of these pay-above's who don't work well to pay fair and they should stop family allowances - people who will offend the children shouldn't have them I say.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7	8	9	10
71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71
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Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
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8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72
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Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75
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INTERVIEWER PLEASE CODE ALL THAT APPLY AFTER INTERVIEW

(a) Household in which there is a child, one of whose parents is not resident

(b) Household consisting of woman and adult dependants

(c) Household in which there are five or more dependent children

(d) Household containing an adult who has been unemployed for eight weeks (consecutively or in last 12 months)

(e) Household containing an adult under 65 years of age who has been ill or injured for eight weeks (consecutively or in last 12 months)

(f) Household containing a disabled adult under 65

(a) disabled

(b) borderline disabled

(g) Household containing a disabled or handicapped child (including child ill or injured for eight weeks or more)

(h) Household containing a person aged 65 or over who has been bedfast or ill for eight weeks or more or who is otherwise severely incapacitated

(i) Household in which there are

(a) earners, none earning £12 a week or more

(b) adult male earners (aged 21 to 64) earning less than £14 a week

(j) Household in which there are persons who are

(a) non-white

(b) born in Eire

67
X
Y
0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
68
X
Y

Chm

COMPOSITION OF HOUSEHOLD: CODES (Q. 10, p. 3)

One generation			Man: and widowed or separated daughter		221
Man alone: aged 60 or over	...		Woman: and widowed or separated son	...	222
Man alone: aged under 60	...	101	Woman: and widowed or separated daughter	...	223
Woman alone: aged 60 or over	...	102	Otherwise two generations: all related	...	224
Woman alone: aged under 60	...	104	Otherwise two generations: at least one person not	...	225
Husband and wife: both aged 60 or over	...	105	related to any other	...	226
Husband and wife: at least one aged under 60	...	106	Other (SPECIFY)	
Husband and wife: both under 60	...	107			
Man and woman: unrelated	...	108			
Man and woman: unrelated	...	109			
Two or more men only: related	...	110			
Two or more men only: unrelated	...	111			
Two or more women only: related	...	112			
Two or more women only: unrelated	...	113			
Other (SPECIFY)	114			
Two generation			Man: and son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15		301
Man, wife: + 1 child under 15	...		Man, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one	...	302
Man, wife: + 2 children both under 15	...	201	under 15 and one over 15	...	
Man, wife: + 3 children all under 15	...	202	Man, daughter & son-in-law, grandchildren: all under	...	
Man, wife: + 4 or more children all under 15	...	203	15	...	303
Man, wife: + children, at least 1 under 15 and at least	...	204	Man, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at least	...	
1 over 15, none married	...	205	one under 15 and one over 15	...	304
Man, wife: + children all aged 15-24, none married	...	206	Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: all under 15	...	305
Man, wife: + children all over 15, at least 1 aged 25 or	...	207	Woman, son and d-in-law, grandchildren: at least one	...	
over, none married	...	208	under 15, one over 15	...	306
Man and one child under 15	...	209	Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: all	...	
Man and two children both under 15	...	210	under 15	...	307
Man and three or more children under 15	...	211	Woman, daughter and son-in-law, grandchildren: at	...	
Man and children at least one under and one over 15,	...	212	Man, wife: + one over 15	...	308
none married	...	213	Married couple, married child and child-in-law, grand-	...	
Man and children all aged 15-24, none married	...	214	children under 15	...	309
Man and children all over 15 at least one 25 or over,	...	215	Otherwise 3-generations:	...	
none married	...	216	—all persons related, at least one child under 15	...	310
Woman: and one child under 15	...	217	—at least one child under 15	...	311
Woman: and two children both under 15	...	218	—all persons related	...	312
Woman: and three or more children under 15	...	219	—unrelated	...	313
Woman: and children, at least one under and one over	...	220	Other (SPECIFY)	314
15, none married	...				
Woman: and children, all aged 15-24, none married	...				
Woman: and children all over 15, at least one 25 or	...				
over, none married	...				
Man: and widowed or separated son	...				

Four generation 401
DESCRIBE COMPOSITION BELOW