

## CHAPTER 11

### BLAISE QUESTIONNAIRE

#### HOUSEHOLD ADMIN DETAILS

- **VARIABLE NAME**  
*Ask condition for the variable*  
*Question text for the variable*  
Values for the variable  
Note: A note on the variable

- **BLOCKNO (Block Number)**

*Please enter the Block number.*

*Enter a numeric value between 90000 and 92601*

Note: This is the unique 5-digit number assigned to a Block. Block numbers are the same as the old QNHS sample block numbers with the following exception, All block numbers are 5-digit with a leading 9. If the Block number (i.e. the Old QNHS block number) was 1666 then please key 91666.

- **LDU\_NO (Dwelling Sequence Number)**

*Please enter the household number.*

Note: This is the 3-digit number within a block, which is unique to the dwelling unit. Again leading zeros are required, note in particular that this is not the house number in the address.

- **Visit\_No (Visit number from Grid)**

*Please insert the visit number for this Block.*

1. **First Visit**
2. **Second Visit**
3. **Third Visit**
4. **Fourth Visit**

Note: This is the visit number as indicated by your Grid, which is given to you by your co-ordinator. Please ensure you key in the correct **visit number** for the BLOCK. If you do not key in the correct **Visit\_No**, the question as to whether the household will participate in SILC in the following year may not be asked

- **Sample\_Hse (Sample House)**

*Is this household a 'sample household' or a 'substitute household'?*

1. Sample household
2. First substitute household
3. Second substitute household
4. Third substitute household

Note: There are 3 substitute addresses supplied for each sample house. Each sample house in the address list is denoted with a whole number e.g. 1,2,3 etc. The first substitute households on the address list are denoted with a 1.1 or a 2.1. etc. Second substitute households are denoted with 1.2 or 2.2 etc and third substitute households are denoted with 1.3 and 2.3 etc.

- **IA\_Num (Interviewer Area Number)**

*Please insert your Interviewer Area (IA) number?  
Enter a text of at most 3 characters*

- **INTVWRNO (Interviewer Number)**

*Please enter your interviewer number.  
Enter a text of at most 4 characters*

- **Quarter**

*Which quarter does this entry refer to?*

1. Quarter 1
2. Quarter 2
3. Quarter 3
4. Quarter 4

Note: This is the same quarter as the QNHS quarter and **Not The Calendar Quarter**. As each SILC data model (questionnaire) only covers 2 Quarters, in any one questionnaire there are only 2 keying options. i.e. for the first data model in a given year the options are 1 & 2 whereas the options for the second data model are 3 & 4.

- **Week**

*Which week does this entry refer to?  
Enter a numeric value between 1 and 13*

Note: The value keyed in for week should be the week as specified by the coordinator for the particular block i.e. the week to which the Block is assigned and not necessarily the week in which the interview was completed.

- **Int\_Cntact (Interviewer contact at the address)**

***INTERVIEWER: PLEASE RECORD CONTACT AT ADDRESS***

1. Address contacted
2. Address cannot be located
3. Unable to access address
4. Address does not exist or is a non-residential address or is unoccupied or not a principal address
5. Address not needed

Note: This variable should be coded FOR ALL ASSIGNED (i.e. both sample and substitute) LDUs. If the sample house for a specific block in a given **Quarter** is interviewed, then in the case of this variable, a value of 5 is keyed for the three substitute houses (i.e. address not needed).

- **YEARX (Year of the survey)**

This is entered automatically by the system

- **Can\_Int (Can you (continue to) interview the household)**

*Ask if Int\_Cntact=1*

*If the address is contacted*

***May I continue to interview this household?***

***If this is a Longitudinal Household (i.e. a household that had been interviewed at this address last year) and NO HOUSEHOLD MEMBER INTERVIEWED last year currently resides at this address PLEASE CODE 2.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Whynot (Why (cant you continue the interview) not)**

*If Can\_Int = 2*

*If the household cannot be interviewed*

***Why was permission not given? (Please select and enter a code).***

1. Refusal to co-operate
2. Entire household temporarily away for the duration of the fieldwork
3. Household unable to respond (illness, incapacity...)
4. Other reason.
5. No current household member participated in SILC last year

- **WhyNtxt (Why Not Text)**

*if Whynot=4*

*WhyNtxt is asked if the value for Whynot was 'Other reason'*

***INTERVIEWER: Please describe why permission to interview was not given?  
Enter a text of at most 40 characters***

- **NO\_PERS (Number of Persons resident in household)**

*Ask if Can\_Int=1*

*If the Interviewer can continue to interview the household*

***Please enter the number of persons usually resident in the household  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 20.***

Note: See 6.3 above for definition of a household member.

- **NoNotRes**

*Ask if Can\_Int=1 and the household is longitudinal*

*If the Interviewer can continue to interview the longitudinal household*

***How many people (not on this list) should now be listed?  
(LISTING OF NAMES AND SURNAMES THAT WERE KEYED IN <The  
equivalent data model last year>)  
Interviewer: Remember this list refers to the lines in the interview carried out  
in <The equivalent data model last year>.***

Note: The names of the household members from last year's questionnaire appear on the screen. If there are no new household members since the date of the last interview then key in 0 (zero) for the **NoNotRes** variable. If there are new household member(s) then the value keyed for **NoNotRes** should reflect this, in order to open up additional lines to collect data on the new household member(s).

- **Under\_23 (Anybody under 23 in household)**

*Ask if Can\_Int=1*

*If the Interviewer can continue to interview the household*

*Is there any person usually resident in the household under 23 years old?*

1. Yes
2. No

Note: The reason this question is asked is that, regardless of means, households cannot qualify for certain social welfare payments unless at least 1 household member is aged 22 or less e.g. Family income supplement, Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance. This means that if no household member is under 23 then certain questions relating to the receipt of specific social welfare payments will not be asked.

- **Int\_Instruct**

*Ask if Can\_Int=1*

*You are about to commence a personal questionnaire. Please ensure that the person entered on line 1 is 16 years or over, ideally the household member on line 1 should be a household member capable of answering questions on*

*Household expenses*

*Press RETURN to continue*

## INDIVIDUAL DETAILS

- **Name**

*Ask if Can\_Int=1*

*If the Interviewer can continue to interview the household*

***Please identify the person by keying in their first name.***

Note: Names should be recorded as there is a longitudinal aspect to SILC. This means that certain households will be interviewed for 4 years. Names should be keyed in accurately as personal interviews will be conducted with most household members every year for 4 years. If someone refuses to give a name it will make it more difficult to identify the Line number of the household member in following years.

- **Surname**

*Ask if Can\_Int=1*

*If the Interviewer can continue to interview the household*

***Please enter <Name> surname.***

- **Sex**

*Ask if Can\_Int=1*

*If the Interviewer can continue to interview the household*

***Please enter the gender of <Name>.***

1. Male
2. Female

- **Hist (History (i.e. temporarily absent or resident in household))**

*Ask if Can\_Int=1*

*If the Interviewer can continue to interview the household*

***Please indicate <Name> usual situation by selecting the appropriate code***

1. The person is a household member and has spent (will spend) at least one night at this address during the week of the SILC interview

2. The person is a household member but he/she is temporarily absent (i.e. has not spent (will not spend) at least one night at this address during the week of the SILC interview)
3. This person has moved since the SILC interview
4. This person has passed on since the last SILC interview

Note: If it is a respondent's first year in SILC then you cannot key in a value of 3 or 4.

- **Month\_MoveM (Month former household member moved)**

*Ask if Hist = 3*

*If a former household member has moved out*

***In which month did <Name> move out?***

1. January
2. February
3. March
4. April
5. May
6. June
7. July
8. August
9. September
10. October
11. November
12. December

- **Year\_MoveM (Year former household member moved out)**

*Ask if Hist = 3*

*If a former household member has moved out*

***In which year did <Name> move out?***

***Enter a numeric value between 2003 and 2020.***

- **Move\_Activity (Former member's occupational status)**

*Ask if Hist = 3*

*If a former household member has moved out*

***Between <Date of Last Interview> and the date when <Name> moved out, which of the following best describes <Name's> activity?***

1. At Work
2. Unemployed
3. Retired
4. Other (e.g. student, home care)

- **Move\_Where (Where former household moved to)**

*Ask if Hist = 3*

*If a former household member has moved out*

***Where did this person move to?***

1. Private household in the Republic of Ireland
2. To a collective household (e.g. boarding school) or institution (e.g. old person's home) in the Republic of Ireland
3. Abroad

- **Where\_Add (New address of former household member)**

*Ask if Move\_Where=1*

*If a former household member has moved into a private household in the Republic of Ireland.*

***Could you please give me <Name's> new address and phone number?***

***Enter a text of at most 60 characters.***

- **Mth\_MoveIn (Month new household member moved in)**

*Ask if No\_Pers >0 and NoNotRes >0*

*Ask if the respondent is a new household member in a longitudinal household.*

*If the line was empty in the interview in Year N-1.*

***In what month did <Name> move into (arrive home, in the case of a child born in hospital) this household?***

1. January
2. February
3. March
4. April
5. May
6. June
7. July
8. August
9. September
10. October

11.November

12.December

- **Year\_MoveIn (Year new member moved into household)**

*Ask if No\_Pers >0 and NoNotRes >0*

*Ask if the respondent is a new household member in a longitudinal household*

***In what year did <Name> move into (arrive home, in the case of a child born in hospital) this household?***

**Enter a numeric value between 2003 and 2020.**

- **Skip**

*Ask if Hist=1 or Hist=2*

*If the person is currently a household member*

***Interviewer: Do you want to skip this person for now?***

***Press 2 to interview now.***

1. Yes

2. No

Note: Any household that has a Skip value of 1 for any household member will not be accepted for the final SILC data set.

- **Days (Day of birth)**

*Ask if Skip=2*

*If the person has not been skipped*

***Please enter (Name)'s day of birth***

- **Mth (Month of birth)**

*Ask if Skip=2*

*If the person has not been skipped*

***Please enter (Name)'s month of birth***

- **Yea (Year of birth)**

*Ask if Skip=2*

*If the person has not been skipped*

***Please enter (Name)'s year of birth***

- **Agreed**

*If Yea= blank*

*In cases where the exact date of birth cannot be ascertained*

***Please agree (Name)'s current age and enter it here***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 110.***

Note: In cases where the exact date of birth cannot be ascertained, the agreed age in years MUST be entered here.

- **Calc (Calculated age)**

Note: The age will be automatically entered here, as calculated from **Days**, **Mth** and **Yea**. Otherwise, this field will be filled automatically with what has been entered at **AGREED**.

- **Silc\_Oth (Other household where new household member participated)**

*Ask if NoNotRes > 0 and Calc >15 (if the respondent is a new household member since the date of the previous interview and he/she is over 15)*

***Did you participate in the SILC survey in another household prior to moving into this household?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Where\_Silc (Address of previous Silc interview)**

*Ask if Silc\_Oth =1*

*If the new household member participated in SILC in another household.*

***Could you please tell me the address at which you lived when you participated in SILC?***

***Enter a text of at most 60 characters***

- **IrishNat (Irish National)**

*Ask if Skip=2*

*If the person has not been skipped*

***Are you an Irish citizen?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Some people may have dual nationality. We are not interested in recording this here. We only need to know if the person is an Irish citizen or not.

- **National (Nationality (i.e. if not an Irish National))**

*Ask if IrishNat = 2*

*If the respondent is not an Irish citizen*

***What is your nationality?***

2. Northern Ireland
3. Africa (North)
4. Africa (Other)
5. Africa West
6. Australia and Oceania
7. Austria
8. Belgium
9. Bulgaria
10. Canada
11. Central & South America
12. China
13. Cyprus
14. Czech Republic
15. Denmark
16. Estonia
17. Finland
18. France
19. Germany
20. Greece
21. Holland
22. Hungary
23. Iceland
24. India
25. Italy
26. Latvia
27. Lithuania
28. Luxembourg
29. Malta
30. Middle East and Near East
31. Norway
32. Other
33. Other Asia
34. Other European

35. Pakistan
36. Poland
37. Portugal
38. Romania
39. Slovak Republic
40. Slovenia
41. Spain
42. Sweden
43. Switzerland
44. Turkey
45. United Kingdom
46. United States

• **Born\_Irl (Born in Ireland)**

*Ask if IrishNat = 1*

*If the respondent is an Irish citizen*

***Were you born in Ireland (Republic)?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Bornwher (Born where)**

*Ask if Born\_Irl = 2 or IrishNat = 2*

*If the respondent is an Irish citizen but was not born in Ireland or is not an Irish citizen*

***In what country were you born?***

1. Ireland
2. Northern Ireland
3. Africa (North)
4. Africa (Other)
5. Africa (West)
6. Australia and Oceania
7. Austria
8. Belgium
9. Bulgaria
10. Canada
11. Central & South America
12. China
13. Cyprus
14. Czech Republic

15. Denmark
16. Estonia
17. Finland
18. France
19. Germany
20. Greece
21. Holland
22. Hungary
23. Iceland
24. India
25. Italy
26. Latvia
27. Lithuania
28. Luxembourg
29. Malta
30. Middle East and Near East
31. Norway
32. Other
33. Other Asia
34. Other European
35. Pakistan
36. Poland
37. Portugal
38. Romania
39. Slovak Republic
40. Slovenia
41. Spain
42. Sweden
43. Switzerland
44. Turkey
45. United kingdom
46. United States

- **Dual\_Cit (Dual citizenship)**

*Ask if Skip=2*

*If the person has not been skipped*

***Do you have dual citizenship?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Oth\_Cit (Other citizenship)**

*Ask if Dual\_Cit=1*  
*If the person has dual citizenship*

***What other citizenship do you hold?***

2. Northern Ireland
3. Africa (North)
4. Africa (Other)
5. Africa (West)
6. Australia and Oceania
7. Austria
8. Belgium
9. Bulgaria
10. Canada
11. Central & South America
12. China
13. Cyprus
14. Czech Republic
15. Denmark
16. Estonia
17. Finland
18. France
19. Germany
20. Greece
21. Holland
22. Hungary
23. Iceland
24. India
25. Italy
26. Latvia
27. Lithuania
28. Luxembourg
29. Malta
30. Middle East and Near East
31. Norway
32. Other
33. Other Asia
34. Other European
35. Pakistan
36. Poland
37. Portugal
38. Romania
39. Slovak Republic

40. Slovenia
41. Spain
42. Sweden
43. Switzerland
44. Turkey
45. United Kingdom
46. United States

NOTE:

**Code 2.** (North Africa) Consists of the following countries:

(Algeria, Egypt, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Morocco, Sudan, Tunisia, Western Sahara)

**Code 4.** (West Africa) Consists of the following countries:

(Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Ivory coast, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Saint Helena, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo)

**Code 27.** (Near and Middle East) Consists of the following countries:

(Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Georgia, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Occupied Palestine territory, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Yemen)

- **R1, R2, etc. (Relationship to other household members)**

*What is <name of person on current line> relationship to <name of person on line 1> ?*

*What is <name of person on current line> relationship to <name of person on line 2> ? etc.*

Relationship codes applicable to R1, R2 ...etc:

1. Husband/Wife
2. Cohabiting Partner
3. Son/Daughter (own or of spouse/partner or adopted/foster)
4. Mother/Father (including step/adopted/foster)
5. Brother/Sister (including step/adopted/foster)
6. Grandchild (including step/adopted/foster)
7. Grandparent (including step/adopted/foster)
8. Son-in-law/Daughter-in-law (including cohabiting relationships)
9. Mother-in-law/Father-in-law (including cohabiting relationships)
10. Other relative

11. No relation

## UNDER 16 QUESTIONNAIRE

- **Edlevel\_Kid (Education level of Under 16 year old)**

*Ask if Calc>3 and <16*

*If the child is over 3 and less than 16 year old*

***Which of the following best describes the level of education or training that <Name> is receiving?***

1. Pre-primary/Not yet started education
2. Primary
3. Secondary 1(e.g. Group, Inter and Junior Certs, O Levels, NCVA Foundation)
4. Transition Year Programme
5. Secondary 2(e.g. Leaving Cert, A Levels, NCVA/FAS/FETAC level 1)
6. Technical or Vocational (e.g. Secretarial, PLC, NCVA level 2 or 3, Teagasc Cert/Diploma, Technical training certificate).
7. Higher Education; Certificate/Diploma (e.g. Undergraduate National Cert/Diploma, Cadetship (Army, Navy etc.), Diploma in Police Studies).
8. Primary Degree
9. Professional (degree equivalent or higher)
10. Postgraduate certificate or Diploma
11. Postgraduate degree (taught or researched)
12. Doctorate
13. Other (e.g. language courses, computer courses, seminars etc.)
14. Special School
15. State sponsored training (e.g. FAS course)
16. Sheltered workshop

- **Buskid (School bus)**

*Ask if Edlevel\_Kid=2,3,4,5 or 14*

*If the child is in Primary school, Secondary school or in a Special Needs School*

***Does <Name> use a school bus for transport to and from school?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Children who live excessive distances from primary or 2nd level schools are provided with school bus transport. The service is common in country areas. It also arises in city areas in special circumstances.

- **Buskd\_Pay (Have to pay for school bus)**

*Ask if Buskid=1*

*If the child uses a school bus*

***Does <Name> have to pay for this transport or is it provided free (State school bus)?***

1. Has to pay
2. Provided free

- **Ed\_Grt\_Kid (Education grant)**

*Ask if Edlevel\_Kid =2, 3, 4 or 5*

*If the child is in Primary or Secondary School*

***Has <Name> received any scholarship (include reduced fees) or grant in the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Grant\_Kid (Value of grant)**

*Ask if Ed\_Grt\_Kid=1*

*If the child received an education grant in the past 12 months*

***What was the gross value of this (these) scholarship(s), grant(s) received by <Name> over the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Child\_Care**

*Ask if Calc <13 years on Jan 1st*

*If the child was under 13 on Jan 1<sup>st</sup>*

***The following questions ask about childcare services during a 'Usual Week'. If a child is in childcare on a regular basis, then a 'Usual week' is a week that the child is in childcare.***

***Press RETURN to continue***

***Enter a text of at most 1 characters***

- **Pre\_Schl (Hours spent in pre school)**

*Ask if Calc in (4,5,6) and Edlevel\_Kid =1 or*

*Ask if Calc in (2,3)*

*If the child is aged 2 or 3 or if the child is aged 4,5 or 6 and the education level of the child is Preschool/Not yet started school*

***During a usual week how many hours is <Name> cared for by a Pre-School or Equivalent (Kindergarten, Montessori)***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 60***

***Note: if the child didn't spend any time in a pre-school then enter 0 for this variable***

- **Pre\_Swks (Weeks when PreSchool education was paid for in the last year)**

*If Pre\_Schl >0*

*If the number of hours that the child is cared for in a preschool during a usual week >0.*

***In the past 12 months, approximately how many weeks did you pay Pre-School (or equivalent) fees for <Name>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Pre\_Scst (Weekly payment)**

*If Pre\_Swks >0*

*If the child spent more than 1 week in the care of a paid preschool in the last 12 months.*

***In a typical week how much do you pay in Pre-School (or equivalent) fees for <Name>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999.***

- **Com\_Schl (Hours spent in compulsory school)**

*Ask if Calc >3 and <13 on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> AND Edlevel\_Kid=2 or 3*

*If the child is over 3 and less than 13 on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> AND is in either Primary or Secondary 1*

***During a usual week how many hours is <Name> cared for by Compulsory school (primary or secondary school)***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 60***

- **Centre**

*Ask if Calc >3 and <13 on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> AND Edlevel\_Kid=2 or 3*

*If the child is over 3 and less than 13 on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> AND is in either Primary or Secondary 1*

***During a usual week how many hours is <Name> cared for by a centre based service outside school hours (before and/ or after school even if it is at the school)***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 60***

- **Centre\_W**

*Ask if Centre>0.*

*If the number of hours that the child is cared for in a centre during a usual week >0.*

***In the past 12 months, approximately how many weeks did you pay centre based childcare fees for <Name>***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Centre\_C**

*Ask if Centre\_W>0*

*If the child spent more than 1 week in the care of a paid centre in the last 12 months.*

***In a typical week how much do you pay in centre based childcare fees for <Name>***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

- **Creche (Hours spent in creche or day care centre)**

*Ask if <13 years on Jan 1st*

*If the child is less than 13 on Jan 1<sup>st</sup>*

***During a usual week how many hours is <Name> cared for by a creche or day care centre***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 60***

- **Creche\_W ((Weeks when creche fees were paid in the last year)**

*If Creche >0*

*If the number of hours that the child is cared for in a creche during a usual week >0.*

***In the past 12 months approximately how many weeks did you pay creche fees for <Name>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52.***

- **Creche\_C (Weekly creche payments)**

*If Creche\_W > 0*

*If the child spent more than 1 week in the care of a paid creche in the last 12 months.*

***In a typical week how much do you pay in creche fees for <Name>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

- **Child\_Mindr (Hours spent with child minder)**

*Ask if <13 years on Jan 1st*

*If child is less than 13 on Jan 1<sup>st</sup>*

***During a usual week how many hours is <Name> cared for by a professional child minder at the child minder's home or the child's home (this includes au pairs, friends and relatives when the friends or relatives are paid for child minding)***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 60***

Note: For this variable there are direct arrangements between the carer and the parents: "Professional" childminder shall be understood as a person for whom looking after the child represents a job of work or paid activity. The term "professional" does not content a notion of qualification or of quality of the care. Baby sitters and "au pair" are also included here.

- **Mindr\_W (Weeks made payment)**

*If Child\_Mindr > 0*

*If the number of hours that the child is cared for by a professional child minder during a usual week > 0.*

***In the past 12 months approximately how many weeks did you pay child minder fees for <Name>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52.***

- **Mindr\_C (Weekly payments)**

*If Mindr\_W > 0*

*If the child spent more than 1 week in the care of a paid professional child minder in the last 12 months*

***In a typical week how much do you pay in child minder fees for <Name>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999.***

- **Family\_Mnd (Hours spent with family relative)**

Ask if <13 years on Jan 1st <Last Year>

If child is less than 13 on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>

*During a usual week how many hours is <Name> cared for by Grandparents, other members of the household (excluding parents/guardians or partners of same) other relatives, friends or neighbours where there is no payment for childminding.*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 60*

- **Family\_MW (Weeks cared for by family relative)**

If Family\_Mnd>0

If the number of hours that the child is cared for by a family member >0.

*In the past 12 months approximately how many weeks was <Name> cared for by a relative, friend or neighbour (without payment)?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52.*

- **Priv\_Cr\_Kid (Private medical insurance)**

Ask if Calc<16

If the child is under 16

*Has <Name> private medical insurance?*

1. Yes, as a family member
2. No

- **Priv\_T\_Kid (Insurance scheme)**

Ask if Priv\_Cr\_Kid =1

If the child is covered by a private insurance policy

*Which scheme/plan is <Name> covered by?*

1. VHI Group A	9. VHI D Options	17. Other
2. VHI Group B	10. VHI E Options	
3. VHI Group C	11. VHI Health Steps	
4. VHI Group D	12. VHI Global	
5. VHI Group E	13. BUPA Essential Scheme	
6. VHI A Options	14. BUPA Essential Plus,	
7. VHI B Options	15. BUPA Health Manager Scheme	
8. VHI C Options	16. BUPA Gold	

- **Med\_Crd\_Kid (Medical card)**

*Ask if Calc <16*

*If the child is under 16*

***Is <Name> covered by a medical card?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: This question is asked even of those covered by private medical insurance. In the Health module (QNHS) approximately 5% of those with medical cards also had private insurance. Children covered by private medical insurance, who have certain chronic medical conditions may have medical cards.

- **Free\_GP\_Kid (Free GP visit)**

*Ask if Med\_Crd\_Kid=1*

*If the child has a medical card*

***How many free GP visits had <Name> in the last 4 weeks?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99***

- **Free\_Md\_Kid (Free Prescriptions)**

*Ask if Med\_Cr\_Kid=1*

*If the child has a medical card*

***How many free prescriptions has <Name> had filled in the last 4 weeks?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99***

- **DOA\_Kid (Dental, Ophthalmic, Aural treatment)**

*Ask if Calc<16*

*If the child is under 16*

***Have <Name> had free or subsidised dental, ophthalmic or aural treatment over the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

**DOA\_T\_Kid (Dental, Ophthalmic, Aural treatment scheme)<sup>1</sup>**

*Ask if DOA\_Kid=1*

*If the child had free or subsidised dental, ophthalmic or aural treatment over the last 12 months*

***Was the treatment under the school health scheme, medical card or another scheme?***

1. Treatment under school health scheme
2. Medical card holder
3. Other

**Hosp\_s\_Kid (Hospital stay)**

*Ask if Calc<16*

*If the child is under 16*

***Has <Name> had to spend a night in a hospital as an inpatient over the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

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<sup>1</sup> Treatment Benefit Scheme

Treatment Benefit is a scheme in Ireland operated by the Department of Social and Family Affairs. Under this scheme, contributions made by people to the national social insurance fund are paid back to fund the cost of certain health benefits. These health benefits are Dental Benefit, Optical Benefit, Contact Lenses, and Hearing Aids.

**Rules**

HSE Areas are obliged to provide dental services free of charge to:

- Medical Card holders and their dependants
- People who have contracted Hepatitis C directly or indirectly from the use of Human Immunoglobulin-Anti-D or from the receipt within Ireland of any blood product or a blood transfusion and who have a Health Amendment Act Card,
- Preschool children and school children attending state primary schools referred from child health service and school health service examinations.

Priority is usually given to children referred from child and school health services.

- **State\_Kid (Inpatient public hospital)**

*Ask if Hosp\_s\_Kid=1*

*If the child spent a night in hospital in the last 12 months*

*Could you please tell me whether <Name> was an inpatient in a state funded hospital, a private hospital or both and the number of nights spent in the different types of hospital over the last 12 months.*

*Number of nights in state funded hospital?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 365*

- **Priv\_Kid (Inpatient private hospital)**

*Ask if Hosp\_s\_Kid=1*

*If the child spent a night in hospital in the last 12 months*

*Number of nights <Name> spent in a private hospital?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 365*

Note: If the respondent hasn't spent any night in a state funded hospital then insert 0 (likewise for a private hospital).

Note that the Mater and St. Vincent's hospitals in Dublin (State funded) have private hospitals attached. These private hospitals are coded to the 'private' category.

- **Income\_Kid**

*Ask if Calc>13 and <16*

*If the child is over 13 and under 16*

*Did <Name> have an independent source of income in the last year?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Income\_Kamt**

*Ask if Income\_Kid =1*

*Ask if the child had received income in the last year*

*How much did <Name> receive in the last 12 months*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99*

- **No\_Ans\_U16**

*Ask if Calc<16*

*Ask if the child is Under 16*

*Please insert the line number of the person who answered the questions that related to <Name>*

*Enter a numeric value between 1 and 20*

**End of Under 16 Questionnaire.**

- **Dir (Direct or Proxy interview)**

*Ask if Calc>15 and No\_Pers> 1*

*Ask if the person is aged 16 or over and there is more than 1 person in the household*

***Is the information being supplied directly by the person concerned?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Proxy\_Id**

***Which person is supplying information about <Name>?***

***Interviewer If the variable is pre-filled with a 0 value PLEASE PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE***

In the case of a first time interview it is likely that the information collected about the person on line 1 is by direct interview. If it is a longitudinal interview then the information collected about the person on line 1 may be by proxy. In longitudinal interviews when the information collected about the person on line 1 is by proxy i.e. **Dir**=2, then **Proxy\_Id** is pre-filled with a 0 and the interviewer should press return to bring the interview to the variable **Proxy\_Name**. The interviewer then keys the name of the individual who is giving the information about the person on line 1.

- **Proxy\_Name**

*Ask if Proxy\_Id=0*

***Please enter the name of the person who is supplying information about <Name>***

***Enter a text of at most 20 characters***

- **Evermarr (Ever married)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is aged 16 or over*

***Are you, or have you ever been married?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **CurrMarr (Currently married)**

*Ask if EverMarr = 1*

*If the respondent has ever been married*

***What is your current marital status?***

1. Widowed
2. Remarried, following widowhood
3. Remarried, following dissolution of previous marriage ( incl. divorce, annulment)
4. Married
5. Divorced
6. Other separated

## EDUCATION

The following question **Educat** asks about the highest level of education or training successfully completed. The word ‘successfully’ is critical to the correct interpretation of this question.

We are looking for educational standards that have been attained and can be compared in some measurable way. Therefore ‘successfully’ means that any tests, exams, dissertations, thesis etc. must be taken or submitted, and passed.

For example, to have completed the leaving certificate syllabus but not to have actually sat and passed the leaving certificate exams is not considered for our purposes to be ‘successfully completed’.

By way of exception a household member could be coded as 1 (Primary) even though he/she may not have successfully sat an exam at the end of primary education

- **Educat (Highest level of Education attained)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is aged 16 or over*

***What is the highest level of education or training you have attained?***

1. No formal education
2. Primary
3. Secondary 1(e.g. Group, Inter and Junior Certs, O Levels, NCVA Foundation)
4. Transition Year Programme
5. Secondary 2(e.g. Leaving Cert, Transition Year, A Levels, NCVA/FAS/FETAC level 1)
6. Technical or Vocational (e.g. Secretarial, PLC, NCVA/FAS/FETAC level 2 or 3, Teagasc Cert/Diploma, Youthreach)
7. Higher Education; Certificate/Diploma (e.g. Undergraduate National Cert/Diploma, Cadetship (Army, Navy etc.), Diploma in Police Studies)
8. Primary Degree
9. Professional (degree equivalent or higher)
10. Postgraduate certificate or Diploma
11. Postgraduate degree (taught or researched)
12. Doctorate
13. Other

### ***About FETAC***

As the national awarding body for further education and training in Ireland, the Further Education and Training Awards Council (FETAC) gives people the

opportunity to gain recognition for learning in education or training centres, in the work place and in the community.

FETAC's functions include:

- making and promoting awards
- validating programmes
- monitoring and ensuring the quality of programmes
- determining standards

Programmes leading to FETAC awards are offered nationwide by a wide range of providers in diverse settings, including BIM, Fáilte Ireland (CERT), FÁS and Teagasc centres, VECs, adult and community education and training centres, Institutes of Technology and in the workplace.

FETAC was set up as a statutory body on 11 June 2001 by the Minister for Education and Science under the Qualifications (Education & Training) Act, 1999. FETAC has responsibility for making awards previously made by BIM, Fáilte Ireland (CERT), FÁS, NCVA and Teagasc.

- **Lowsec (Lower secondary education categories)**

*Ask if Educat=3*

*If the highest level of education the respondent has attained is lower secondary*

***Please specify level achieved***

1. Junior Certificate
2. Intermediate Certificate
3. O Levels
4. Group Certificate
5. NCVA Foundation Certificate

- **Uppsec (Upper secondary education categories)**

*Ask if Educat=5*

*If the highest level of education the respondent has attained is higher secondary*

***Please specify level achieved***

1. Leaving Certificate
2. A Levels
3. Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP)
4. Applied Leaving Certificate
5. NCVA Level 1 Certificate

- **Tecvoc (Technical/Vocational categories)**

*Ask if Educat=6*

*If the highest level of education the respondent has attained is a technical/vocational qualification*

***Please specify level achieved***

1. NCEA foundation certificate
  2. National Craft Certificate
  3. Completed Apprenticeships
  4. NCVA Level 2 or 3 certificate
  5. Teagasc (farming/horticulture) certificate or diploma
  6. PLC (Post Leaving Certificate Course)
  7. Secretarial
1. FAS course (Not apprenticeship)

• **Highed (Higher education categories)**

*Ask if Educat=7*

*If the highest level of education the respondent has attained is higher education certificate/diploma*

***Please specify level achieved***

1. Undergraduate national certificate (NCEA/DIT/IOT)
2. Undergraduate national diploma (NCEA/DIT/IOT)
3. Cadetship (army, air corps or naval service)
4. Diploma in Police Studies

• **High\_Age (Age when attained highest education level)**

*Ask if Educat = 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12 or 13*

*If the respondent has attained a specified level of education*

***What age were you when you attained your highest level of education or training?***

• **Left\_Ed (Left education age)**

*Ask if Educat = 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12 or 13*

*If the respondent has attained a specified level of education*

***What age were you when you first left full time education?***

***INTERVIEWER: If this person has never left full time education please insert a numeric value of 1***

Note: Initial education is that in which the person participated on a continuous basis since beginning their education. The key issue is participation on a continuous basis without a break to, for example, begin work, take care of

children etc., apart from semester or summer breaks that are a normal part of the educational programme. The year at which initial education is completed need not be the same as the year at which the highest level of education was attained.

A person may return to education after a break of several years in order to gain additional qualifications. The participation need not have been full-time. For example, a person may participate in Third Level on a part-time basis (or by correspondence course) while working for pay, or engaging in home duties. As an exception, someone taking a year off between the completion of second level and beginning third level education could be considered to have completed initial education at the end of third level, unless they were 'at work' for the year. This approach would seem to best meet the requirements of a variable for use in studying school to work transitions.

- **Current\_Ed (Current education status)**

*Ask if  $Educated=1$*

*Ask if  $Calc>15$  and  $Left\_Ed >4$  or*

*Ask if  $Calc>15$  and  $Left\_Ed = Don't\ know\ or\ Refused$*

*If the respondent has never attained a recognised level of education.*

*If the respondent is aged 16 or over and has (at least once) left full time education.*

*If the respondent is aged 16 or over and gave an answer of 'Don't know' or 'Refused' to the question as to his age when he/she first left full time education.*

***Are you currently receiving any education or training (including state training schemes e.g. FAS course)?***

***INTERVIEWER: Exclude sport/recreation training and self-development courses that are not part of a recognised programme of education.***

1. Yes

2. No

- **Edlevel (Education level currently received)**

*Ask if  $Current\_Ed=1$  or*

*Ask if  $Left\_Ed=1$*

*If the respondent is currently receiving education*

*If the respondent has never left full time education*

***Which of the following best describes the level of education or training that you are receiving?***

***INTERVIEWER: If the respondent is in a special school or a sheltered workshop. Please code as 13 (Other)***

2. Primary
3. Secondary 1 (e.g. Group, Inter and Junior Certs, O Levels, NCVA Foundation)
4. Transition Year Programme
5. Secondary 2 (e.g. Leaving Cert, Transition Year, A Levels, NCVA/FAS/FETAC level 1)
6. Technical or Vocational (e.g. Secretarial, PLC, NCVA/FAS/FETAC level 2 or 3, Teagasc Cert/Diploma, Youthreach)
7. Higher Education; Certificate/Diploma (e.g. Undergraduate National Cert/Diploma, Cadetship (Army, Navy etc.), Diploma in Police Studies)
8. Primary Degree
9. Professional (degree equivalent or higher)
10. Postgraduate certificate or Diploma
11. Postgraduate degree (taught or researched)
12. Doctorate
13. Other

**NOTES RE EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:**

- |                |   |  |
|----------------|---|--|
| <b>1. NCVA</b> | - | <b>National Council for Vocational Awards</b>  |
| <b>PLC</b>     | - | <b>Post Leaving Certificate</b>                |
| <b>NCEA</b>    | - | <b>National Council for Educational Awards</b> |

**2. Secretarial/Technical Training Certificate:**

- **City & Guilds Certificates**
- **Pitman Certificate in Typing**
- **Office Procedures**
- **Word Processing**

**3. Undergraduate Diploma/Certificate:**

- **Certificate/Diploma in Marketing (IMI)**
- **Certificate for accounting technician**
- **Certificate in Business Studies**
- **Certificate in Medical Laboratory Science**
- **Certificate in Civil Engineering**
- **Certificate in Design**
- **Certificate in Construction Technology**
- **Certificate in Travel & Tourism**
- **Certificate in Applied Social Sciences**
- **\*\*Diploma in Nursing**
- **Diploma in Health Care Technology**
- **Diploma in Business Studies**
- **Diploma in Civil Engineering**
- **Diploma in Applied Science**

- **Diploma in Environmental Design**
- **Diploma in Construction Technology**
- **Diploma in Computer Science**
- **Diploma in Hotel Management**
- **Diploma in Language & Business**
- **Diploma in Applied Social Studies**

**\*\* Nursing**

- \* **Degree in Nursing relates to recently qualified nurses who have undergone a formal degree course.**
- \*\* **The Diploma in Nursing corresponds to those who qualified via hospital apprenticeships etc.**

**4. Primary Degree:**

- **Bachelor of Arts**
- **Bachelor of Science**
- **Bachelor of Business**
- **Bachelor of Commerce**
- **Bachelor of Engineering**
- **Bachelor of Dentistry/Dental Science**
- **Medical Degree (MB, B. Ch., BAO)**
- **Degree in Veterinary Medicine**
- **Bachelor of Education**
- **Bachelor of Agricultural Science**
- **Bachelor of Design**
- **Bachelor in Marketing**
- **Degree in Nursing**
- **Degree Equivalent**
- **Chartered/Certified Accountant**

**5. Postgraduate Diploma or Degree:**

- **Graduate Diploma**
- **Higher Diploma (Computers/Statistics/Business)**
- **Master of Arts**
- **Master of Science**
- **Master of Commerce**
- **Master of Literature**
- **Master of Philosophy**
- **Master of Architecture**
- **Master of Agricultural Science**
- **Master of Medicine**
- **Master of Dentistry**

**(Masters degrees can be taught or by research)**

**6. Doctorate:**

- **Doctor of Philosophy**
- **Doctor of Laws**
- **Doctor of Literature**
- **Doctor of Science**
- **Doctor of Music**

- **Edlevel\_Cm (Education level comment box)**

*Ask if Edlevel = 13*

*If the respondent classified the level of education he is receiving as 'OTHER'*

***Please describe the education / training that you are receiving.***

***Enter a text of at most 40 characters***

- **Lowrsec**

*Ask if Edlevel = 3*

*If the respondent is currently in Secondary 1*

***Please specify level you are receiving***

1. Junior Certificate
2. Intermediate Certificate
3. O Levels
4. Group Certificate
5. NCVA Foundation Certificate

- **Upprsec**

*Ask if Edlevel = 5*

*If the respondent is in Secondary 2*

***Please specify level you are receiving***

1. Leaving Certificate
2. A Levels
3. Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP)
4. Applied Leaving Certificate
5. NCVA Level 1 Certificate

- **Tecnvoc**

*Ask if Edlevel = 6*

*If the respondent is in technical or vocational education/training*

***Please specify the level you are receiving***

1. NCEA foundation certificate
2. National Craft Certificate
3. Completed Apprenticeships
4. NCVA Level 2 or 3 certificate

5. Teagasc (farming/horticulture) certificate or diploma
6. PLC (Post Leaving Certificate Course)
7. Secretarial
8. FAS course (Not apprenticeship)

- **Higheduc**

*Ask if Edlevel=7*

*If the respondent is in Higher Education*

***Please specify the level you are receiving***

1. Undergraduate national certificate (NCEA/DIT/IOT)
2. Undergraduate national diploma (NCEA/DIT/IOT)
3. Cadetship (army, air corps or naval service)
4. Diploma in Police Studies

- **School\_Bus**

*Ask if Edlevel =2,3,4 or 5 and Calc<20*

*If the respondent is in primary or secondary education and is under 20 years*

***Do you use a school bus for transport to and from school?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Students who live excessive distances from primary or 2nd level schools are provided with school bus transport. This service is common only in country areas, but it also arises in city areas in special circumstances. This service is free (means tested) or a subsidised fee is charged each term.

- **Schbus\_Pay (Pay for school bus)**

*Ask if School\_Bus =1*

*If the respondent uses a school bus for transport to and from school*

***Do you have to pay for this transport or is it provided free (state school bus)?***

1. Has to pay
2. Provided free

- **Ed\_Grant (Education grant)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Scholarships/Grants/FAS and other training allowances***

***Have you received any scholarship (include reduced fees), grant or allowance from a State or other training scheme, such as a FAS or CERT course, a sheltered workshop or anything like this during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: The total annual value of the educational grant(s), scholarship(s) or allowance(s) which the household member received from either public (i.e. Department of Education and Local Authorities) or private (i.e. University or school) sources, over the last 12 months should be recorded. Note that this total value should include both the amounts received directly in cash and those received in kind (e.g. where registration fees are paid directly to the educational institution without the student or parents first receiving the money; also the value of any free books supplied should be included). For example, if the scholarship consisted of €300 in cash plus registration fees which amount (say) to €700 the total value entered by the Interviewer would be €1,000. The term "grant" in the question includes educational maintenance grants for clothing (excluding payments made by the Department of Social and Family Affairs e.g. Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance), travelling, living expenses, books, stationery, etc.

- **Grant\_Type (Type of Grant)**

*Ask if Ed\_Grant=1*

*If the respondent received an education grant, training allowance in the last 12 months*

***<Name> Please describe the type of grant/allowance received and if it is/was received regularly (e.g. weekly, fortnightly or monthly)***

***Enter a text of at most 60 characters***

- **Grant\_Value**

*Ask if Ed\_Grant=1*

*If the respondent received an education grant, training allowance in the last 12 months*

**What was the TOTAL value of this (these) grants, schemes over the last 12 months?**

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

## EMPLOYMENT DETAILS

- **Paidwork (Work for payment or profit)**

*Ask if Calc >= 15*

*If the respondent is aged 16 or over*

***In the past week, did you do any work for payment or profit, even if it was for one hour?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: It is important that the threshold of one hour is stressed. – Some people work from time to time for small durations. If the person did such work in the week prior to the interview week, then the answer should be Yes. The fact that it was a “minor” job will be picked up later when subsequent questions are asked.

Also, working for payment or profit in this context means ANY work for pay or profit done in the reference week. Even for those still at school, a Saturday/Sunday paper round or baby-sitting for pay/profit should be included if it lasted longer than one hour in the reference week.

Working for Payment or Profit refers to work which is considered to be of a gainful nature, i.e. working in a job in which payment is received – either in cash or in kind – or from which profit is made. However, a person that performed a task for himself/herself, in the sense that he/she receives the end product should not be recorded as working or having a job. Thus, knitting or dressmaking only for oneself or one’s own family or as a gift should not be regarded as work for the purpose of this question. Similarly, painting one’s own home should not be recorded as work.

Self-employed people are regarded as working if they work in their own business, farm or practice for the purpose of making a profit – even if the enterprise is not making a profit or has just been established.

- **Wrk\_Stus (Self perceived Work Status)**

*Ask if Calc > 15*

*If the respondent is aged 16 or over*

***How would you define your current economic status?***

1. Working (including unpaid work in a family business or currently not at work due to maternity, parental, sick leave or holidays)
2. Out of work (i.e. unemployed or not yet at work)
3. Not working (i.e. in education, retired, disabled or engaged in home duties)

Note: This is a self-perception question, i.e. the person classifies himself/herself according to how he/she sees his/her situation.

- **Wrk\_Time (Full-time or Part-time)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as working*

***Would you consider your work full-time or part-time?***

1. Full-time
2. Part-time

- **Wrk\_Type (Type of work)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as working*

**Are you?**

1. Working as an employee
2. On a community employment scheme
3. Assisting relative(s) (in unpaid capacity)
4. In an apprenticeship
5. Self-employed with employees
6. Self-employed without employees

- **Unem\_Prd (Period out of work)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus =1*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as working*

***Was there a period in the last 12 months when you did not receive employment income?***

***Interviewer: If the respondent was away from work at any time during the last 12 months (e.g. on sick leave) AND his/her employer continued to pay the employee during this absence then please key 2.***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: The purpose of asking this question is to accurately estimate total income over the income reference period (i.e. the 12 months prior to the interview date)

- **Unem\_Lgth (Length of time unemployed/retired)**

*Ask if Unem\_Prd=1*

*If the respondent had a period in the last 12 months where he/she was not in receipt of employment income.*

***For how many weeks in the last year were you NOT in receipt of employment income?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52.***

Note: If the household member was not in receipt of employment income for less than a week please code as 0.

- **Away\_Work (Away from work)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1 and Paidwork=1*

*Or Ask if Wrk\_Type=3 and Paidwork=2*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as working AND has worked for payment in the last week*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as an unpaid family worker and didn't receive payment for work in the last week*

***Are you presently away from work for more than the last 5 working days?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: The respondent may have worked for payment or profit for more than 1 hour in the reference week (e.g. a teacher on school holidays marking exam papers) and still classify himself/herself as away from work. The person may have worked in the last week but may not have received payment e.g. Assisting relative(s) (in unpaid capacity)

- **Away\_Week (Weeks away from work)**

*Ask if Away\_Work=1*

*or Ask if Paidwork=2 AND Wrk\_Type = 1,2,4,5 or 6*

*If the respondent is away from work at present*

*If the respondent didn't work for profit in the last week and classified himself/herself as Working as an employee or on a Community employment scheme or in an Apprenticeship or Self-employed with employees or Self-employed without employees*

***For how many weeks have you been away from work?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Away\_Why (Reason for current work absence)**

*Ask if Away\_Week = 'Refused' or 'Don't know' or Away\_Week >0*

*If the respondent is away from work for 1 week or more*

*If the respondent doesn't know the amount of weeks he/she is away from work*

*If the respondent refused to give the number of weeks he/she is away from work*

***What is the reason for your absence?***

1. New job which had not started by the week of interview
2. Bad weather
3. On temporary lay-off
4. Slack work
5. Short-time work (including systematic week-on/week-off)
6. Job sharing
7. Education or training outside the place of work
8. Labour dispute
9. Own illness or injury
10. Maternity Leave
11. Holiday
12. Career Break
13. Other leave for personal or domestic reasons
14. Other reasons.

Note: Someone who answers 1 (new job that had not started by that week) should have obtained the job by date of the interview. Otherwise, the person was not absent from the job in the week of interview.

Many on a community employment scheme will be on a week-on/week-off arrangement and thus will be coded 5.

Someone who answers 12 (career break) should have an arrangement to return to work for the previous employer after a specified time. The career break should be 3 months or more – otherwise code the person to 11 (holiday).

In some employments, special paid leave is granted for domestic reasons (bereavement, sick child etc.). Code 13 (other leave for personal or domestic reasons) here. If a person takes leave out of annual leave entitlement, the correct response is 11 (holiday).

Code 8 (labour dispute) should only be used for somebody directly involved in the dispute. Otherwise, code 4 (slack work) or 5 (short-time work, including systematic short-time work) should be used, whichever is appropriate.

- **Away\_Pay**

*Ask if Away\_Work = 1 and Wrk\_Type in (1,2,4) and Away\_Week >0  
Ask if Away\_Work = 1 and Wrk\_Type in (1,2,4) and Away\_Week in ('Don't know', 'Refused')*

*If the respondent is either working as an employee, on a community employment scheme or is in an apprenticeship **and** the respondent is away from work for more than 1 week (or if the respondent didn't know (or refused to tell the interviewer) the number of weeks he/she is away from work) .*

***What pay are you receiving from your employer during this absence?***

1. Full Pay
2. Part pay
3. No Pay

• **Return\_Wrk**

*Ask if Away\_Week >0 or Away\_Week = 'Don't know' or Away\_Week = 'Refused'.*

*If the respondent is away from work for more than a week or didn't know how long he/she is away from work or if he/she refused to tell the interviewer how long he/she is away from work.*

***Do you expect to return to your job or business?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Oow\_Type (Out of work Type (category))**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=2*

*If the respondent is Out of Work*

**Are you?**

1. Unemployed but seeking work.
2. Unemployed but not seeking work
3. Unemployed because of illness, sickness, etc. but intending (not currently seeking) to seek work.
4. Not yet at work.

Note: If the respondent is out of work because of illness but he/she is seeking work code as 1. Unemployed but seeking work.

- **Notw\_Type (Not working Type (category))**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=3*

*If the respondent classified his/her current economic status as Other (e.g. in education, retired, disabled or engaged in home duties)*

***Are you?***

1. Engaged in home duties
2. Retired or in early retirement
3. In full-time training, education, training course or unpaid work experience
4. Unable to work because of permanent illness or disability
5. Other reason

- **Wrk\_Lstyr (Work in the last year (12 months))**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=3 and Calc <75 or*

*Ask if Oow\_Type= 1,2 or 3*

*If the respondent is under 75 and if the respondent classified his/her current economic status as Other (i.e. retired, disabled in education etc)*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as Unemployed but seeking work, Unemployed but not seeking work or unemployed because of illness, sickness etc but intending (not currently seeking) to seek work.*

***Did you work at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: This question is also asked of someone who has classified himself/herself as 'Unable to work because of permanent illness or disability'. The reason for this is that the onset of the illness may have been within the last 12 months.

- **Weeks\_Wrk (Weeks worked in last year)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Lstyr=1*

*If the respondent worked in the last year*

***For how many weeks did you work in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 1 and 52***

- **Ever\_Wrk (Ever work)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Lstyr=2 or*

*If Wrk\_Stus=3 and Calc >74*

*If the respondent didn't work in the last year*

*If the respondent is over 74 and if the respondent classified his/her current economic status as Other (i.e. retired, disabled, in education etc.)*

***Apart for holiday or casual work, have you ever had a job?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Vacation jobs undertaken by students, from which they return to studies or to other non-work situation, and any other casual work undertaken from time to time are disregarded. Normally having ever worked refers to persons who worked on full or partial time basis for at least 6 months.

- **Unemp\_Yr (Year when last worked)**

*Ask if Ever\_Wrk=1*

*If the respondent has ever worked*

***In what year did you last work?***

***Enter a numeric value between 1920 and 2005.***

- **Unemp\_Mth (Month of Year in which respondent last worked)**

*Ask if Ever\_Wrk=1 and Unemp\_Yr in (2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 or 2006)*

*If the respondent worked and the year in which he/she last worked was 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 or 2006*

1. January
2. February
3. March
4. April
5. May
6. June
7. July
8. August
9. September
10. October
11. November
12. December

- **Past\_Wrk (Past work Category)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Lstyr=1 or if Ever\_Wrk=1*

*If the respondent worked in the last year or if he/she ever worked*

***When you last worked were you?***

1. Working as an employee
2. On a community employment scheme
3. Assisting relative(s) (in an unpaid capacity)
4. In an apprenticeship
5. Self-employed with employees
6. Self-employed without employees

• **Lkanjob (Looking for a job)**

*Ask if Oow\_Type=4 or*

*Ask if Notw\_Type=1,2,3 or 5 and Age<75 or*

*Ask if Return\_Wrk=2*

*If the respondent is not yet at work*

*If the respondent is under 75 and is engaged in home duties or retired or in full time education or 'other reason' for not working*

*If the respondent has classified himself/herself as working is currently away from work for more than the last 5 working days and does not expect to return to work*

***Are you looking for work / change of work / job after you finish your education?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Students who are not working are routed to this question. In many cases students will not be 'currently looking' for a job. This means that **Lkanjob** will be coded 2. In other cases students may be looking for a full time job (e.g. they are in the final week(s) of their studies, or they are in education because they are waiting for a specific job to come up). A Household member who has classified himself/herself as working but are currently away from work **and** do not expect to return to his/her job is also routed to this question

• **Job\_Type**

*Ask if Lkanjob =1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for a job or If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Are you looking for full-time or part-time work?***

1. Full-time
2. Part-time

## **Job Search Methods**

The following sequence of questions relates to job-search methods.

- **Job\_FAS (FÁS Job search method)**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***I am now going to ask a series of questions about job search methods. I would like you to answer Yes or No to whether you used the particular method I mention during the last 4 weeks.***

***Did you contact a FÁS office to look for work?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Empl\_Agency (Private employment agency)**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Did you contact a private employment agency?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Aply\_Drct (Apply Direct)**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Did you apply directly to employers?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Ask\_Rely (Ask a relative)**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Did you ask friends, relatives etc.?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Insert\_Ad (Insert an advertisement)**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Did you insert, answer or study ads in newspapers, journals or the internet?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Take\_Test (Take a test)**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Did you take a test, interview or examination?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Look\_Prem (Look for premises (to set up a business))**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Did you look for land, premises or equipment or look for permits, licenses or financial resources to set up a business?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Wait\_Reslt (Wait for results (of an application))**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Are you waiting the results of an application for a job, waiting for a call from a FÁS office or awaiting the results of a competition for recruitment to the public sector?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Other\_Mthd (Other (job search) Methods)**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Any other method used?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Avail\_Wrk (Available for Work)**

*Ask if Lkanjob=1 or Ask if Oow\_Type=1*

*If the respondent is looking for work/another job*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'unemployed but seeking work'*

***Are you available for work immediately (i.e. within two weeks)?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Why\_Na (Why Not Available (for work within the next 2 weeks))**

*Ask if Avail\_Wrk =2*

*If the respondent is not available for work immediately*

***May I ask why you are not available?***

1. Must complete education
2. Personal/domestic needs or responsibilities
3. Own illness or incapacity
4. Other reason

• **Not\_s\_Work (Not Seeking Work)**

*Ask if Lkanjob=2 or Ask if Oow\_Type=2*

*If the respondent is not seeking work*

*If the respondent classified himself/herself as 'Unemployed but not seeking work'*

***Which of the following reasons best describe why you are not seeking work?  
Because:***

1. you have already found a job, which will start later within a period of at most 3 months
2. you have already found a job, which will start in more than 3 months time
3. of illness or disability
4. of personal or family responsibilities
5. of education or training
6. of retirement.
7. of compulsory community service
8. of the belief that there is no work available
9. of other reason

Note: This question is asked of a respondent even if he/she was self classified as not working because he/she is in full time training, education or training course. Such a respondent could be in full time training because he/she is of the belief that there is no work available. In other words the reason that best describes why this respondent is not seeking work is value 8 above 'because of the belief that there is no work available' and not value 5 'because of education'.

• **Change\_Mth (Month in which there was a change in activity status)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Lstyr=2, Unemp\_Prd=2, Oow\_Type=4*

*If the respondent is currently not working and didn't work in the last year*

*If a working respondent didn't have a period in the last 12 months when he/she didn't receive employment income*

*If the respondent is 'Not yet at work'*

***Was there any month during the last 12 months when there was a change in your principal activity status?***

***INTERVIEWER: e.g. If the respondent works full-time, was there a month in the last 12 months when he/she worked part-time, a month when he/she took parental leave, a month when he/she was out of work? etc.***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Mth\_StusQ (Monthly activity status)**

*Ask if Unem\_Prd=1 OR Wrk\_Lstyr=1 OR Change\_Mth=1*

*If a working respondent had a period in the last 12 months when he/she was not in receipt of employment income*

*If the respondent is currently not working and worked in the last year  
If the respondent answered yes to the question as to whether there was a month  
where there was a change in activity in the last year.*

***INTERVIEWER Please key the current month***

1. January
2. February
3. March
4. April
5. May
6. June
7. July
8. August
9. September
10. October
11. November
12. December

**Note:** In the data models that proceeded the Q34 2006 data model, the variables **CurrYear [1]** etc. read into the system date of the laptop. For example if an interview was carried out in January and **Change\_Mth=1** then the respondent was asked questions re. his/her activity for each of the 12 months prior to the interview month e.g.

***In December last year were you?***

1. Employee (full-time)
2. Employee (part-time) etc.

This worked well except if an interviewer opened up the same interview in a month after the interview month. In this case the value for the last month(s) of the income reference period was deleted. By specifying the month of the interview date the values of **CurrYear [1]** etc are now anchored to the value keyed for **Mth\_StusQ**

- **CurrYear[1] CurrYear[2],PrevYear [1] (Activity status for each of the last 12 months [ ] = MONTH)**

*Ask if Unem\_Prd=1 OR Wrk\_Lstyr=1 OR Current\_Mth=1*

***In <Month> were you***

- 1 Employee (full-time)
- 2 Employee (part-time)

- 3 Self-employed (full-time)
- 4 Self-employed (part-time)
- 5 Unemployed
- 6 Retired
- 7 Student
- 8 Employee on parental leave
- 9 Other (e.g. home duties)

**Note:** If more than 1 type of activity occurs in the same month, priority should be given to economic activity e.g. if a person worked for 2 weeks and was on home duties for 2 weeks then the person should be defined as working

## INDUSTRY & OCCUPATION

- **Chnge\_job (Change job)**

*Ask if Paidwork=1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1*

*If the respondent worked for payment or profit in the last week*

*If the respondent classified himself as working*

***Have you changed your main job in the last 12 months?***

***If the respondent was interviewed last year has he/she changed job since the last interview?***

***Respondents who classified themselves as not working are asked this question if they worked for payment or profit in the past week***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: For employees, a change of job means a change of employer, not moving from one set of duties to another with the same employer. A change of contract with the same employer is considered a change in job. For the self-employed, a change of job means a change in the nature of the activity performed (or moving between employee and self-employed statuses). Completing one contract and beginning another does not constitute a change of job for the self-employed.

- **Chnge\_Rsn (Reason for changing job)**

*Ask if Chnge\_Job=1*

*If the respondent changed jobs*

***What was the main reason you left your previous job***

1. To take up or seek a better job
2. End of a temporary contract
3. Obligated to stop by employer (e.g. business closure, redundancy etc.)
4. Sale or closure of own/family business
5. Marriage
6. Childbirth/need to look after children
7. To look after person requiring care because of infirmity/disability
8. Partner's job required us to move to another area
9. Study
10. Own illness or disability
11. Wanted to retire or live off private means
12. Other reason

Obligated to stop by employer in **Chnge\_Rsn** covers a number of situations, such as dismissed or made redundant, closures of the employer's business, or early retirement. Termination for other reasons - such as due to end of contract (and refusal by employer to renew it), retirement at normal age, or retirement 'by own choice' i.e. not as a result of economic factors such as market problems, or due to closure of own business in the case of the self-employed are included in other response categories.

- **Industry**

*Ask if Paidwork=1, Wrk\_Stus=1, Ever\_Wrk=1 or Wrk\_Lstyr=1*

*If the respondent is considered to be in employment in the given week, or has ever been in employment.*

***What is (was) the main activity of the business/organisation (at your place of work)?***

***(What does (did) the business mainly make or do?)***

***Please enter a full description.***

***Industry***

***Enter a text of at most 60 characters***

Note: If the respondent has classified himself as retired (or otherwise non working) and he/she has worked for payment or profit in the week prior to the SILC interview date, then this question relates to the Industry in which he/she worked in the week prior to the SILC interview and not the Industry from which he retired (if the Industry is different).

The text entered here should be an ACTIVITY, not a title, name or a vague heading (such as health-care, leisure, motor trade, selling, manufacturing, distribution).

Also, the Ask condition for this question is different than the QNHS equivalent question because the industry of all respondents that have been in employment is asked {there is no cut off year (1984 in the case of the QNHS)}. This is because SILC examines the different living conditions of retired professionals versus non-professionals.

- **Ind2 (Coding respondent's Industry) Press the backspace key to code the Industry (Choose description that nearest matches the Industry given by respondent) and press return.**

- **Occup (Occupation)**

*Ask if Paidwork=1, Wrk\_Stus=1, Ever\_Wrk=1 or Wrk\_Lstyr=1*

*If the respondent is considered to be in employment in the given week, or has ever been in employment.*

***What is (was) your occupation in this job?***

***(What do (did) you mainly do in the business/organisation?)***

***Please enter as full a description as possible.***

***Occupation***

***Enter a text of at most 60 characters***

Note: See above in relation to **Industry**

- **Occ2 (Coding respondent's occupation) Press the backspace key to code the Occupation (Choose description that nearest matches the Occupation given by respondent) and press return.**

## THE FARM QUESTIONNAIRE

- **Farm\_Own**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Do you own or rent a farm/market garden or did you own or rent a farm/market garden at any time during the last 12 months?***

***If the farm owner has let out ALL his/her land during the last 12 months, please code as 1.***

***If the farm is jointly owned with another household member(s) please Code 1 for ONLY 1 of the household members.***

1. Yes
2. No

**Note:** If a farm is jointly farmed by 2 or more household members please key 1 for **Farm\_Own** in the personal questionnaire of **one** of the farmers. Please get the details of the farm from the chosen farm respondent. For example, if a husband and wife jointly own and farm a 100 acre farm and the farm is stocked with 100 dairy cows, in the case of **one** of the farm owners please key 1 for **Farm\_Own**. Please key 100 for **Acres\_Own** and 100 for **Cat\_No\_DC** (i.e. the number of Dairy cows jointly owned).

For the other farm owner please key 2 for **Farm\_Own**. Please write a comment in the comment box that the farm is jointly owned by the husband and wife and once the SILC processing section has made an estimate of the farm income then the estimated income can be adjusted to reflect a farm employment income value for each respondent. If there is more than 1 farmer in a household and the farms are independently farmed then **Farm\_Own=1** in the case of each individual farmer.

- **Acres\_Own (Acres owned)**

*Ask if Farm\_Own=1*

*If the respondent owns rents or let land in the last 12 months.*

***How many acres of land did you own in <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.***

Note: The farmer is asked for Acres of land owned not hectares. The value should be in 'Statute Acres'. In a very small minority of cases the respondent may be able to provide information only in terms of Irish or Cunningham acres. If this happens then the Cunningham acre amount should be divided by 1.2913 to

give the statute acre amount. Most Department of Agriculture related forms that farmers fill in now ask for values in hectare amounts. Teagasc (The Agriculture and Food Development Authority) believe that farmers are more likely to express land values in acres. If a farmer gives a value in hectares, divide this amount by .4047 to calculate the equivalent acre value.

- **Land\_Let ( Let out Land)**

*Ask if Farm\_Own =1*

*If the respondent owns rents or let land in the last 12 months*

***Did you let any of this land to anyone else in <Last year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Acres\_Let**

*Ask if Land\_Let =1*

*If the respondent let out land*

***How many acres did you let?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

- **Rent\_Let (Rent received for Land)**

*Ask if Land\_Let =1*

*If the respondent let out land*

***How much annual rent did you receive for this land?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.00***

- **Land\_Take (Land Rented)**

*Ask if Farm\_Own =1*

*If the respondent owns rents or let land in the last 12 months*

***Did you take (rent) or farm any other land (excluding commonage) on conacre or otherwise, in <last year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Conacre is a short-term lease of land that usually coincides with a growing season, e.g. a farmer may take land from February to September to plant wheat.

- **Acres\_Rent (Acres Rented)**

*Ask if Land\_Take =1*

*If the respondent took (rented) land*

***How many acres did you rent?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

- **Land\_Rent (Amount paid for rented land)**

*Ask if Land\_Take=1*

*If the respondent took (rented) land*

***How much annual rent did you pay for this land?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.00***

- **Commonage**

*Ask if Farm\_Own=1*

*If the respondent owns rents or let land in the last 12 months*

***Did you have any commonage entitlements in <Last Year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Commonage refers to land that is not owned by an individual farmer, but a collection of farmers may have rights to graze particular livestock within a defined area. Certain sheep that graze in hill / mountainous areas graze in commonage areas. There has been recent controversy regarding the over grazing of livestock in commonage areas and there has been a readjustment of quotas because of environmental fears associated with over grazing

- **Acres\_Comm (Acres Commonage)**

*Ask if Commonage=1*

*If the respondent had commonage entitlement in <Last Year>*

***How many acres of commonage did you avail of in <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

Note: Total Acres Farmed = ((Acres\_Own + Acres\_Rent + Commonage) – Acres\_Let)

- **Tillage**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

*Had you any tillage (cereal / potatoes / root crops) in <Last Year>?*

1. Yes
2. No

Note: There is a note at the end of tillage questions that describes different crop types.

- **Acres\_WinW (Acres Winter Wheat)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Winter Wheat?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, please insert a numeric value of 0.*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_SprW (Acres Spring Wheat)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Spring Wheat?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_WinB (Acres Winter Barley)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Winter Barley?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_SprB (Acres Spring Barley)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Spring Barley?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_Malt (Acres Malting Barley)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Malting Barley?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_Oats**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Oats?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_OilR (Acres Oilseed rape)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Oilseed rape?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_Lins (Acres Linseed)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Linseed?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_Maiz (Acres Maize)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Maize?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_Fodd (Acres Fodder Root Crops)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Fodder Root Crops?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_Pots (Acres potatoes)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Potatoes?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Acres\_SugB (Acres Sugar Beet)**

*Ask if Tillage=1*

*What was the number of acres under Sugar beet?*

*INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres under a particular crop was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

Note: Malting barley is usually grown in the South and SouthEast. Counties Wexford and Cork are the 2 biggest producers of Malting Barley. Malting barley used to be sold directly to the breweries. A Company called Minch Norton now buys most malting barley.

Winter Barley is normally harvested in July, Spring Barley is harvested in August. The decision to grow a winter or a spring crop will be taken based on spreading the workload on the farm or the chances of getting better weather earlier in the Summer. Winter Wheat is normally harvested in August and Spring Wheat harvested in September.

Excess produced Sugar Beet can be fed as fodder to certain livestock but most of the produce is sent to the Irish Sugar Company for processing (This will change in 2006 with the shutting down of the last remaining processing plant in Mallow).

Most Oilseed rape is exported where it is used in the manufacture of oils and margarine.

Linseed is grown for the production of oil, paints and lubricants amongst other things.

Fodder root crops consists of Fodder beet (usually fed to cows).

- **F\_veg\_Grow (Fresh Fruit or vegetables)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

***Did you grow fresh fruit or vegetables for sale (excluding mushrooms) in <Last Year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Acres\_O\_F**

*Ask if F\_veg\_Grow=1*

*If respondent grew fresh fruit and vegetables*

***What was the total number of acres under Open Field?***

***INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999.***

- **Acres\_M\_G (Acres Fruit and vegetables in market garden)**

*Ask if Mkt\_Grdn =1*

***What was the total number of acres under Market Garden?***

***INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999.***

- **Acres\_U\_G (Acres grown under glass)**

*Ask if Undr\_Glass =1*

***What was the total number of acres under Glass?***

***INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99.***

- **Acres\_Orc (Acres of orchards)**

*Ask if Orchard =1*

***What was the total number of acres under Orchard?***

***INTERVIEWER: If the number of acres was less than half an acre, insert a numeric value of 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999.***

- **Mushrooms**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

***Did you grow any mushrooms in <Last Year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Mush\_Metre (Square metres of mushrooms grown)**

*Ask if Mushrooms =1*

*If the respondent produced mushrooms in <Last Year>*

***Could you tell me how many square metres of mushrooms you produced in <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 15,000***

Note: Mushrooms are ‘planted’ as part of compost. Some mushroom farmers may refer to the production of mushrooms in terms of ‘tons of compost’ used for mushroom production and they may refer to the yield in ‘pounds of mushrooms per ton of compost’. For estimating income we require that mushroom production is expressed in terms of ‘Square metres’.

- **Other\_Crop**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

***Could you tell me if you produced any other crops in <Last Year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **O\_c\_Acre (Acres of other crops)**

*Ask if Other\_Crop=1*

*If the respondent has land under other crop types*

***What was the total number of acres under Other Crops?***

***Enter a numeric range between 0 and 999.***

- **Acres\_Past (Acres of pasture)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

***Could you tell me approximately how many acres were in Pasture (including silage and hay)?***

***Interviewer: If none of the land farmed was under this category please insert 0.***

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.*

- **Acres\_Rghg (Acres of rough grazing)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

*Could you tell me approximately how many acres were in Rough grazing?*

*Interviewer: If none of the land farmed was under this category please insert 0.*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.*

Note: Rough grazing usually refers to bog land and hill land as distinct from pasture.

- **Acres\_Fall (Acres of Fallow land)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0.*

*Could you tell me approximately how many acres were in Fallow (including Setaside) ?*

*Interviewer: If none of the land farmed was under this category please insert 0.*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.*

Note: Fallow land refers to land not used for agricultural purposes. In certain circumstances grants are available for 'non-production'. Some economists call this 'envelope farming'. During the 'core' setaside period from January to the end of August it is forbidden to use land in setaside for any type of agricultural production or for any other lucrative use, except where contracts exist for the production of non-food crops. Failure to comply in this regard may render a producer ineligible for all benefits under the support system.

- **Acres\_Wood (Acres of woodland/forestry)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0.*

*Could you tell me approximately how many acres were in Woodlands/Plantation?*

*Interviewer: If none of the land farmed was under this category please insert 0.*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **For\_Sub (Forestry Subsidy)**

*Ask if Total Acres\_Wood >0*

*How much did you receive in forestry subsidy in <Last Year>?*

*Interviewer. If the respondent didn't receive a forestry subsidy please insert 0.  
Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99.*

- **Acres\_Bogs**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

*Could you tell me approximately how many acres were in Bogs (owned bogs not turbery rights)?*

*Interviewer: If none of the land farmed was under this category please insert 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

Note: A household member with turbery rights has the right to 'cut and save' turf in a particular bog (he/she does not own the bog).

- **Acres\_Othr (Acres other land)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

*Could you tell me approximately how many acres were in Other areas (besides those already described under crops)?*

*Interviewer: If none of the land farmed was under this category please insert 0*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.*

Note: A lake would come under this category.

- **Cattle**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

*Did you have any cattle on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Cat\_No\_MA (Number of male cattle over 2 yrs)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Male cattle 3 years old and upwards you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Please exclude Breeding Bulls.*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Cat\_No\_FA (Number of female cattle over 2)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

***Could you tell me the number of Female cattle 3 years old and upwards you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Please exclude Dairy cows, culled dairy cows and cows kept for raising calves***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

- **Cat\_No\_MB (Number of male 2 year olds)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

***Could you tell me the number of Male cattle 2 years old and under 3 you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Please exclude Breeding Bulls.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

- **Cat\_No\_FB (Number of 2 year old female cattle)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

***Could you tell me the number of Female cattle 2 years old and under 3 you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Please exclude Dairy cows. Heifers in calf and Cows kept for raising calves.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999.***

- **Cat\_No\_MC (Number of 1 year old male cattle)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

***Could you tell me the number of Male cattle 1 year old and under 2 you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Please exclude Breeding Bulls.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

- **Cat\_No\_FC (Number of 1 year old female cattle)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

***Could you tell me the number of Female cattle 1 year old and under 2 you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Please exclude heifers in calf.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

- **Cat\_No\_MD (Number of male cattle under 1 year)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

*Could you tell me the number of Male cattle under 1 year you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Cat\_No\_FD (Number of female cattle under 1 year)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

*Could you tell me the number of Female cattle under 1 year you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Cat\_No\_DC (Number of dairy cows)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

*Could you tell me the number of Dairy cows you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Mlk\_Yield (Milk yield)**

*Ask if Cat\_No\_DC >0*

*If the respondent has dairy cows*

*Approximately what was your average milk yield in gallons per cow in <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Mlk\_Sold (Gallons of milk sold)**

*Ask if Cat\_No\_DC >0*

*If the respondent has dairy cows*

*How many gallons of milk did you sell during <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999999*

- **Mlk\_Quota**

*Ask if Cat\_No\_DC >0*

*If the respondent has dairy cows*

*What was your milk quota, in gallons (including leased quota) for the quota year ending March <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999999*

- **Mlk\_lsed (Milk leased)**

*Ask if Cat\_No\_DC >0*  
*If the respondent has dairy cows*

***How much of this milk quota was leased?***  
***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999999***

- **MLk\_1\_Cst (Amount paid for leased milk)**

*Ask if Mlk\_lsed >0*  
*If the respondent leased milk quota*

***How much was paid for the leased quota (Cents per gallon)?***  
***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99***

- **Super\_Levy**

*Ask if Cat\_No\_DC >0*  
*If the respondent has dairy cows*

***How much superlevy did you pay in <Last Year>?***  
***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99999***

Note: Dairy farmers are given quotas for the production of milk. If the farmer exceeds his/her quota in relation to the production of milk then he/she can be liable to payment of a fine, this is the 'super levy' referred to in the questionnaire

- **Cat\_No\_BL (Number of bulls)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

***Could you tell me the number of Bulls (used for breeding) you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

- **Cat\_No\_OC (Number of non dairy cows)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

***Could you tell me the number of Cows (excluding dairy cows) you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Included here are cows kept principally for rearing calves and culled dairy cows.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

- **Cat\_No\_HC (Number of dairy heifers in calf)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

*Could you tell me the number of Dairy heifers in calf you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Cat\_No\_OH (Number of other heifers in calf)**

*Ask if Cattle=1*

*Could you tell me the number of Other Heifers in calf you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Sheep**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

*Did you have any sheep on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Shp\_No\_BR (Number of breeding rams)**

*Ask if Sheep =1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Breeding rams you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Shp\_No\_BO (Number of breeding ewes 2 years and over)**

*Ask if Sheep=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Breeding ewes 2 years and over you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Shp\_No\_BU (Number of breeding ewes under 2 years)**

*Ask if Sheep=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Breeding ewes under 2 years you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Shp\_No\_OS ( Number of other sheep 1 year and upwards)**

*Ask if Sheep =1*

***Could you please tell me the number of Other sheep 1 year old and upwards you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

- **Shp\_No\_LB (Number of lambs)**

*Ask if Sheep =1*

***Could you please tell me the number of Sheep under 1 year including lambs you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

- **Shp\_No\_TL (Number of lowland sheep)**

*Ask if Sheep =1*

***Could you please tell me the total number of Lowland sheep you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

- **Shp\_No\_TH (Number of hill sheep)**

*Ask if Sheep=1*

***Could you please tell me the total number of Hill sheep you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

Note: Sheep are broadly divided into 2 categories, lowland and hill sheep. Hill sheep are sometimes referred to as ‘mountainy’ sheep.

- **Poultry**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

***Did you have any poultry on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Plt\_No\_LB (Number of laying stock)**

*Ask if Poultry =1*

***Could you please tell me the number of Laying stock you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 200000*

- **Plt\_No\_BB (Number of breeding birds)**

*Ask if Poultry=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Breeding birds you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 200000*

- **Plt\_No\_TB (Number of table birds)**

*Ask if Poultry =1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Table birds you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Plt\_No\_TT (Number of table turkeys)**

*Ask if Poultry=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Table Turkeys you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Plt\_No\_BT (Number of breeding turkeys)**

*Ask if Poultry =1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Breeding Turkeys you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Plt\_No\_GS (Number of Geese)**

*Ask if Poultry =1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Geese you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Plt\_No\_DS (Number of ducks)**

*Ask if Poultry =1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Ducks you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Plt\_No\_OP (Number of other poultry)**

*Ask if Poultry =1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Other poultry (e.g. ostrich, quail) you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Pigs**

*Ask if Total Acres farmed >0*

*Did you have any pigs on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Pg\_No\_BS (Number of boars)**

*Ask if Pigs =1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Boars you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

Note: A boar in this context is an un-castrated male domestic pig.

- **Pg\_No\_FB (Number of female breeding pigs)**

*Ask if Pigs =1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Female breeding pigs you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Pg\_No\_PO (Number of pigs over 20kgs)**

*Ask if Pigs =1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Pigs 20kg (45lbs) liveweight and over you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999*

- **Pg\_No\_PU (Number of pigs under 20kgs)**

*Ask if Pigs =1*

***Could you please tell me the number of Pigs under 20kg (45lbs) liveweight you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

Note: The pig categories denoted by a weight range are non-breeding pigs, they are bred for slaughter.

- **Horses**

*Ask if Total Acres farmed >0*

***Did you have any horses, mules, jennets, asses, goats or deer on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Mules are the sterile offspring of a male donkey and a female horse.

- **Hor\_No\_BM (Number of brood mares)**

*Ask if Horses=1*

***Could you please tell me the number of Thoroughbred brood mares you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

Note: A brood mare is a mare in foal or a mare with a foal at foot (A female horse used for breeding).

- **Hor\_No\_OT (Number of other thoroughbred horses)**

*Ask if Horses=1*

***Could you please tell me the number of Other thoroughbred horses you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

Note: Thoroughbred is pedigree

- **Hor\_No\_NT (Number of ponies and non thoroughbred brood mares)**

*Ask if Horses=1*

***Could you please tell me the number of Non thoroughbred mares and ponies you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999***

- **Hor\_No\_ON ( Number of Other non thoroughbred horses)**

*Ask if Horses=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Other non thoroughbred horses you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Hor\_No\_MJ (Number of mules, jennets and asses)**

*Ask if Horses=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Mules, Jennets and Asses you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Hor\_No\_GT (Number of goats)**

*Ask if Horses=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Goats you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Hor\_No\_BE (Number of breeding female deer)**

*Ask if Horses=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Breeding female deer you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Hor\_No\_OD (Number of other deer)**

*Ask if Horses=1*

*Could you please tell me the number of Other Deer you had on June 1<sup>st</sup> <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999*

- **Milk\_Lease (Milk leased out)**

*Ask if Mlk\_Lsed = 0 or*

*Ask if Cat\_Typ\_DC =0 or*

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed =0*

*If respondent hasn't leased any milk quota*

*If the respondent hasn't any dairy cows*

*If the respondent has let out all his/her land*

***Did you lease out any milk quota in <Last Year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Strict rules govern leasing of quotas. A farmer can only temporarily lease out a quota. In the case of milk quota, the farmer can only lease out the quota for 1 year. The farmer would have to sell the quota to a dairy if he/she were not to produce in the second year.

- **M\_q\_Value (Amount received for leased milk)**

*Ask if Milk\_Lease = 1*

*If respondent leased out some milk quota*

***How much did you get for the milk quota that you leased in <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99999***

- **Mach\_Hire (Machine hire)**

*Ask if Total Acres farmed > 0*

***In <Last Year>, did you hire any machinery or a contractor for such purposes as harvesting crops, making silage, spraying cereals, tillage work, etc?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **LFA (Less favoured area)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed > 0*

***Is the majority of your farm located in a less favoured area (LFA)?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **LFA\_Categ (Less favoured area category)**

*Ask if LFA = 1*

*If respondent's farm is located in LFA*

***Is your farm located in a***

1. More severely handicapped area?

2. Less severely handicapped area?
3. Coastal area with specific handicaps?

- **REPS (Rural Environment Protection Scheme)**

*Ask if Total Acre\_Farmed >0.*

***Are you participating in the Rural Environment Protection Scheme (REPS)?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **REPS\_Amt**

*Ask if REPS =1*

*If the respondent participate in REPS*

***How much did you receive in REPS payment in <Last Year>?  
Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 9999999.99.***

- **REPS\_No**

*Ask if REPS =1*

*If the respondent participate in REPS*

***Could you please give me your REPS number so that the Department of Agriculture and Food can supply the CSO with details of payments you may have received from that Department during the last number of years?***

***You are under no obligation to give me your REPS number.***

***Enter text of at most 8 characters.***

Note: REPS is a scheme designed to reward Farmers for carrying out their farming activities in an environmentally friendly manner and to bring about environmental improvement on existing farms. REPS numbers are 8 characters in length. They take the following sequence. 2 digit, 1 letter followed by 5 digits. The REPS scheme is administered by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development and operates throughout the state. Participants in the scheme must carry out their farming activities for a five year period under an Agri-environmental Plan prepared in accordance with the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development's Agri-environmental specifications.

The objectives of REPS include:

1. The establishment of farming practices and production methods, which reflect the need for environmental conservation and protection.
2. The protection of wildlife habitats
3. The production of high quality foods in an environmentally friendly manner.

REPS Annual Payment	Farm
€200 per hectare	First 20 hectares (50 acres)
€175 per hectare	Next 20 hectares
€70 per hectare	Next 15 hectares
€10 per hectare	For remaining hectares

REPS Annual Payment	Commonage Land, Natural Heritage Areas, Special Areas of Conservation and Special Protection Areas.
€242 per hectare	For eligible areas up to a max. of 40 hectares. (100 acres)
€24 per hectare	Between 40 and 80 hectares.
€18 per hectare	Between 80 and 120 hectares.
€5 per hectare	For areas above 120 hectares.

Additional payments may also be made for participating in Supplementary Measures such as: Organic farming, traditional orchards etc. (Dept of Agriculture and Food).

### **From 1994 – 1999**

- over 45,500 farmers joined REPS
- approximately 33% of the utilisable agricultural area was farmed under REPS guidelines;
- over €590 million was paid to farmers.

### **From 2000 – 2006**

- the number of REPS farmers has grown to over 53,000
- the projected expenditure is €1.9 billion.

REPS is co-financed 75% by the EU and 25% by the Irish Exchequer.

- **SAC (Special Area of Conservation)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

***Is your farm located in a ‘Special Area of Conservation’ (SAC)?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **SAC\_Amt (SAC Amount of payment)**

*Ask if SAC=1*

*If respondent received SAC payment*

***How much did you receive in non-REPS SAC payment in <Last Year>?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

Note: Under Natura 2000, the European Union’s habitat protection scheme, Ireland has designated a list of sites that are considered to be of European importance for heritage and flora/fauna. These sites (which comprise of over 10% of the country – Teagasc) are given the title SACs. There are 400 sites in Ireland, which have been drawn from Ireland’s ASIs (Areas of Scientific Interest). The remaining ASI sites have been renamed Natural Heritage Areas (NHAs).

- **Direct\_Pay (Single Farm Payment)**

*Ask if Farm\_Own=1*

***Have you received your Single Farm Payment ?***

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not relevant as the farmer has no Single Farm Payment entitlement

- **Direct\_Amt (Single Farm Payment amount)**

*Ask if Direct\_Pay = 1*

*If respondent is in receipt of Single Farm Payment*

***How much is your Net Single Farm Payment, i.e. after National Reserve and Modulation reduction?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99.***

Note: Because of changes to the Common Agricultural Policy, most direct payments will be decoupled from production. Farmers receive a Single Farm Payment (SFP).

### The National Reserve.

Each Member State is obliged to reduce individual farmer's entitlements by up to 3% in order to create a National Reserve of funds from which certain deserving categories of farmers including those who commenced farming after the 2000 – 2002 reference period may be allocated entitlements.

### Modulation

Modulation is a process whereby each farmer's single payment is reduced by a set percentage (3% in 2005, rising to 4% in 2006 and 5% in 2007). Up to 80% of funds generated through modulation can be retained in Ireland for spending on certain Rural Development measures.

- **Frm\_Assist (Farm assist)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

***Are you receiving payment under the 'Farm Assist Scheme'?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Assist\_Amt (Farm assist amount received)**

*Ask if Frm\_Assist=1*

*If the respondent is in receipt of Farm Assist*

***What was the weekly amount of Farm Assist you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

- **Assist\_Wks (Number of weeks farm assist received)**

*Ask if Frm\_Assist =1*

*If the respondent is in receipt of Farm Assist*

***For how many weeks in the last 12 months did you receive Farm Assist?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

Note: Farm Assist. The Farm assist scheme was introduced in the 1999 budget in recognition of the problems facing low-income farm households. Farm assist is a weekly means-tested payment. It was intended to replace the smallholder's assistance. The Department of Social and Family Affairs administers the Farm Assist scheme. The recipient must farm in order to remain eligible for payment and also be aged between 18 and 66 years.

- **Why\_No\_F\_A (Why not receiving Farm Assist)**

*Ask if Frm\_Assist=2*

*If respondent is not in receipt of Farm Assist*

***Which of the following reasons best describes why you aren't receiving payment under the Farm Assist Scheme?***

1. Don't know about it
2. Never applied
3. Did apply but was not eligible
4. Applied and awaiting answer

- **Herd\_No**

*Ask if Farm\_Own=1*

***Could you please give me your Herd number so that the Department of Agriculture and Food can supply the CSO with details of payments you may have received from that Department during the last year?***

***You are under no obligation to give me your Herd number.***

***Interviewer. If the respondent hasn't a Herd number please code as 1.***

***Enter text of 8 characters***

Note: Herd Numbers are always 8 characters long. The first character is usually a letter followed by 7 numeric values. Each farmer has a Herd Number. If there are 2 independent farmers living in the same household they will have independent Herd Numbers. There are approximately 140,000 herd number holders in the Irish Republic. If the farmer gives us his/her Herd Number then we can access register data pertaining to the Herd Number holder.

- **Full\_t\_Frm (Number of weeks when farming full time)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed > 0.*

***How many weeks of full-time farm work (5 or more days of 8 or more hours) did you do in <Last Year>?***

*Interviewer: The number of 'full-time farm work' weeks includes holiday weeks (i.e. if the farmer is a full time farmer and takes 4 weeks holidays per year, the number of weeks of full time farm work =52)*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52.*

- **Hrs\_F\_Time (Hours worked in full-time farming weeks)**

*Ask if Full\_t\_Frm>0*

*If respondent farmed Full-time*

*How many hours per week did you usually work in those (full-time) weeks?*

*Enter a numeric value between 40 and 168.*

- **Part\_t\_Frm (Part time farm weeks)**

*Ask if Full\_t\_Frm<52*

*If respondent worked less than 52 weeks full-time*

*For how many weeks did you do part-time farm work during <Last Year>?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52*

- **Hrs\_p\_Time (Hours worked in part-time farming weeks)**

*Ask if Part\_t\_Frm>0*

*If respondent farmed part-time*

*How many hours per week did you usually work in those (part-time) weeks?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 39*

- **Off\_f\_Job (Off farm job)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

*Do you have an off-farm job?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Off\_Farm**

*Ask if Off\_f\_Job=1*

*If respondent has an off farm job*

*What is your off farm job?*

*Enter a text of at most 60 characters*

- **Miles\_Job**

*Ask if Off\_f\_Job=1*

*If respondent has an off farm job*

***On average how many miles do you travel each day to your off-farm job?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 100***

**• Own\_Prod (Farm produce consumed by household)**

*Ask if Total Acres Farmed >0*

***Was any of your own farm produce (e.g. milk, fruit, vegetables) consumed by your household in <Last Year>?***

1. Yes
2. No

**• Own\_P\_Val (Value of farm produce consumed by household)**

*Ask if Own\_Prod=1*

*If respondent's household consumed any of the goods produced*

***What was the estimated value of this produce consumed by your household in <Last Year>?***

**END OF FARM QUESTIONNAIRE**

- **Locunit (Local unit/Place of employment)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Type = 1,2,3,4 or 5 or*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk=1,2,3,4 or 5*

*If the respondent is working or worked in the Past (excluding self-employed without employees).*

***How many people work(ed) in your place of employment?***

***INTERVIEWER: If the respondent works in more than 2 jobs' this question relates to the respondent's principal job.***

1. 1	6. 6	11. 11-19
2. 2	7. 7	12. 20-49
3. 3	8. 8	13. 50 people or more
4. 4	9. 9	14. Do not know but less than 11 people
5. 5	10. 10	15. Do not know but more than 10 people

Note: The respondent is included in the number. The values for this variable are different from the QNHS values. Respondents that have given their present or past work positions as self-employed without employees are routed away from this question

- **Wrk\_Ctract (Work contract)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Type = 1,2,3 or 4*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk=1,2,3 or 4*

*If the respondent works (or worked) as an employee*

***Could you please tell me what is (was) the type of your work contract?***

***INTERVIEWER: If farmer, this question relates to his/her employee held position.***

1. Permanent job/contract of unlimited duration
2. Temporary job/work contract of limited duration
3. Occasional work without a contract
4. Other working arrangement

Note: Temporary contract refers to a temporary job situation. According to the LFS, a contract may be regarded as temporary “if it is understood by both employer and the employee that the termination of the job is determined by objective conditions such as reaching a certain date, completion of an assignment or return of another employee who has been temporarily replaced. In the case of a work contract of limited duration the conditions of its termination are generally mentioned in the contract”. To be included in this

group are: persons with a seasonal job, persons engaged by an employment agency and hired out to a third party, unless they have a contract of unlimited duration with the agency concerned, persons with a specific training contract for a probationary period. This applies if a contract finishes automatically at the end of a probationary period, necessitating a new contract if the person continues to be employed by the same employer.

Work with no contract covers all cases when there is no formal, written contract, even if the work involved is not casual but regular or even long-term.

Some other working arrangement can cover various miscellaneous situations, such as 'outworkers' who may work for several 'employers' under differing work arrangements, and may indeed be on the borderline between employment and self employment.

- **Wrk\_Svise (Supervisory position)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =1*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk=1*

*If the respondent is or was an employee*

***Do (Did) you supervise or manage any personnel in your job?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wrk\_Prmote (Say in promotion of staff)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Svise=1*

*If the respondent supervised or managed employees*

***Do (Did) you have a say in the pay or promotion of the people you supervise or manage?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Job\_yrs**

*Ask if Chnge\_Job=2 and Wrk\_Stus=1*

*If the respondent hasn't changed jobs in the last year and if they are working*

***How many years are you in your current employment?***

***Interviewer if the respondent is less than 1 year in his/her current employment please insert 0;***

***Insert a numeric value between 0 and 80.***

- **Low\_Hrs**

*Ask if Paidwork=1 AND Farm\_Own=2*

*Ask if Paidwork=1 AND Farm\_Own=1 AND Full\_t\_Frm <52*

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1 AND Farm\_Own=2*

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1 AND Farm\_Own=1 AND Full\_t\_Frm<52*

*If respondent worked for payment in the last week and doesn't own rent or let a farm*

*If the respondent worked for payment in the last week, owns rents or lets a farm and full time work on the farm in the last 12 months was less than 52 weeks*

*If respondent classifies himself/herself as working and doesn't own rent or let a farm*

*If the respondent classifies himself/herself as working, owns rents or lets a farm and full time work on the farm in the last 12 months was less than 52 weeks*

***Does the total number of hours you work per week (in all employments) exceed 30 hours?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Resn\_Lowhr (Reason for working low hours)**

*Ask if Low\_Hrs=2*

*If respondent works less than 30 hours a week*

***What is your main reason for working less than 30 hours per week?***

1. Undergoing education or training
2. Personal illness or disability
3. Want to work more hours, but cannot find a full-time job or work more hours in this job
4. Do not want to work more hours
5. Number of hours in all jobs are considered as full-time job
6. Housework,
7. Looking after children or other persons
8. Other reasons

Note: If there are two reasons for working less than 30 hours per week and it is not clear which is the main reason then the list should be treated in order of priority, with code 1 having the highest priority and code 8 having the lowest priority.

- **First\_Job (Age when started first job)**

*Ask if Wrk\_ctract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Wrk\_ctract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Wrk\_ctract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Wrk\_ctract =1,2,3,4 AND Educat =1*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Educat =1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Educat=1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus =1 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*If the respondent is working AND has left full time education (i.e. an age given (or 'Don't know' or 'refused') for when first left full-time education)*

*If the respondent is working AND has no formal education*

*If the respondent is not working but worked in the past AND has left full time education (i.e. an age given (or 'Don't know' or 'refused') for when first left full-time education)*

*If the respondent is not working but worked in the past AND has no formal education*

***At what age did you start your first regular job or business?***

***(after you first left full-time education)***

**<Name> is <Calc>**

***Enter a numeric value between 8 and 65***

Note: Part-time or holiday jobs that the person may have engaged in while in school or university are not included. (Calc = Present age of respondent)

- **Yrs\_Wrk (Number of years at work)**

*Ask if Wrk\_ctract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Wrk\_ctract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Wrk\_ctract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Wrk\_ctract =1,2,3,4 AND Educat =1*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Educat =1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Educat=1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus =1 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*If the respondent is working AND has left full time education (i.e. an age given (or 'Don't know' or 'refused') for when first left full-time education)*

*If the respondent is working AND has no formal education*

*If the respondent is not working but worked in the past AND has left full time education (i.e. an age given (or 'Don't know' or 'refused') for when first left full-time education)*

*If the respondent is not working but worked in the past AND has no formal education*

***Since you started your first regular job or business, roughly how many years have you spent***

***At work, either as an employee or self-employed?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 65***

Note. When the respondent had a job but was absent because of illness, maternity leave a slack work period etc, this is to be included in Yrs\_Wrk

**• Yrs\_Unemp (Number of years unemployed)**

*Ask if Wrk\_contract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Wrk\_contract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Wrk\_contract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Wrk\_contract =1,2,3,4 AND Educat =1*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Educat =1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Educat=1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus =1 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*If the respondent is working AND has left full time education (i.e. an age given (or 'Don't know' or 'refused') for when first left full-time education)*

*If the respondent is working AND has no formal education*

*If the respondent is not working but worked in the past AND has left full time education (i.e. an age given (or 'Don't know' or 'refused') for when first left full-time education)*

*If the respondent is not working but worked in the past AND has no formal education*

***Since you started your first regular job or business, roughly how many years have you spent Unemployed?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 65***

- **Yrs\_Other (Number of years in other activity)**

*Ask if Wrk\_contract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Wrk\_contract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Wrk\_contract =1,2,3,4 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Wrk\_contract =1,2,3,4 AND Educat =1*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Past\_Wrk =5,6 AND Educat =1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Refused'*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Left\_Ed = 'Don't Know'*

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =5,6 AND Educat=1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus =1 AND Left\_Ed >4*

*If the respondent is working AND has left full time education (i.e. an age given (or 'Don't know' or 'refused') for when first left full-time education)*

*If the respondent is working AND has no formal education*

*If the respondent is not working but worked in the past AND has left full time education (i.e. an age given (or 'Don't know' or 'refused') for when first left full-time education)*

*If the respondent is not working but worked in the past AND has no formal education*

***Since you started your first regular job or business, roughly how many years have you spent at other activities (e.g. home duties, retired, career break, unable to work due to illness etc.)?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 65***

- **Wrk\_Income (Work income)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =3 AND Paidwork =2 or*

*Ask if Wrk\_Lstyr=1 AND Past\_Wrk =3 AND Paidwork=2*

*If respondent is/was classified as assisting relative in unpaid capacity and hasn't worked for payment or profit in the last 12 months*

***Have you received any income (or made a loss if self-employed) from working in the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Income\_Typ (Income type)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =1,2,4,5,6 or Paidwork=1 or Wrk\_Lstyr=1 AND Past\_Wrk =1,2,4,5 or 6 or Wrk\_Income=1*

*Ask if the respondent has worked for payment or profit in the week prior to the SILC interview*

*Ask if the respondent is working for profit (i.e. any work type except unpaid family worker)*

*Ask if the respondent isn't working but worked in the last year for profit (i.e. any work type except unpaid family worker)*

*Ask if the respondent is/was an unpaid family worker and received employment income in the last year*

***<Name> How would you classify your employment income (or loss) in the last 12 months e.g. was it all employee income or was there both employee and self employed income?***

**INTERVIEWER: NOTE IN FARMING CASES**

***ALL employment income from farm AND other self-employment income. Code 1***

***ALL employment income from employee AND farm income. Code 2***

***ALL employment income from employee AND farm AND other self-employment income. Code 3***

***ALL employment income from farming . Code 4.***

1. Self-employment (excluding Farming) OR Mixed Self-employment (e.g. Publican/Farmer)
2. Employee income OR Employee and Farming income
3. Self-employment (excluding farming) AND Employee income OR Mixed self-employment AND Employee income
4. Farming

**Note:** It is very important to code this variable correctly as routing of relevant income questions will be determined by the value keyed for this variable. If the respondent a self employed butcher and all employment income comes from this activity then he/she should be coded as 1.

If the butcher is also a farmer then he/she should also be coded as 1.

If the butcher also had an employee position (e.g. working 2 days a week in a meat factory) then he/she should be coded as 3

If a farmer has an employee position e.g. a psychiatric nurse and part-time farmer then he/she should be coded as 2.

- **Wks\_Emp**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=3*

*If the respondent received both employee and self employed income in the income reference period.*

***<Name> how many weeks employee income did you receive in the last 12 months?***

Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52

Note: In a limited number of cases certain respondents earned/received both employee and self employed income during the income reference period. This question is asked, in order to precisely estimate the total employee income earned by the respondent in the income reference period.

## EMPLOYEE INCOME

- **Wage\_Part (Wage particulars)**

Ask if *Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

*Please give the following particulars of the last wage/salary payment you received which relates to your principal employee position.*

*Interviewer. If the respondent is currently not working, the following questions relate to particulars of the last wage/salary payment the respondent received in the last 12 months.*

**PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE**

Note: The information we want at this juncture is details pertaining to the respondent's last pay-cheque.

- **Wage\_Prd (Period wage covers)**

Ask if *Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***How long of a period did your last wage/salary payment cover?***

1. Day
2. Week
3. Fortnight
4. Four week period
5. Month
6. Quarter
7. Other

**Wage\_Txt (Wage period text)**

Ask if *Wage\_Prd=7*

*If period last wage covers was 'Other'*

***Please specify how long***

***Enter a text of at most 20 characters***

Note: You will rarely have to enter text for this variable as most wage payment periods will be covered by **Wage\_Prd** values.

- **Wage\_Hrs**

Ask if *wage\_prd* in (1,2,3,4,5,6 or 7)

*If the period that the last wage covers is answered by the respondent.*

***How many hours a week (excluding meal intervals) were you PAID FOR in your last wage payment?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 168***

Note: If the number of hours per week that the employee was paid for differed from week to week, then please estimate an average e.g. If the last wage period was 4 weeks and the respondent was paid for 35 hours for 3 of the weeks and 40 hrs for other week, then the average number of hours paid for per week was approximately 36 hrs and 36 should be keyed for Wage\_Hrs

- **Wage\_Slip**

*Ask if Income\_Typ in (2,3)*

***Interviewer has the respondent supplied you with a wage slip?***

1. Yes
2. No
3. Respondent doesn't receive a wage slip from his/her employer

- **Wage\_Grs (Gross wage)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***Gross amount principal employee position***

***What was the total gross amount earned in your last wage/salary payment?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals.***

Note: This amount will appear on a wage slip as 'Gross amount' or 'Total taxable'. The Gross amount is the amount before any deductions i.e. the amount of the wage before tax, social insurance, pension deduction or any other deduction is taken from the wage.

Pay-slips should be consulted on every possible occasion; only in this way are we assured of getting the precise details.

**What is the difference between salary and wages?**

Salary is a fixed periodical payment paid to a person for regular work or services, whereas a wage is usually paid by the day or week for work or services which are of a more irregular nature.

- **Wage\_Usul (Usual wage)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0*

*If the Gross wage amount is greater than Zero.*

***Was this the gross amount you would usually earn in your typical wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wage\_Usamt (Usual wage amount)**

*Ask if Wage\_Usul = 2 or*

*If Wage\_Grs = 'Don't know' or 'Refused'*

*If the amount received in the last wage was not the usual amount that the respondent receives OR if the respondent didn't know the amount in the last wage.*

***What gross amount do you usually earn in your wage/salary payment?  
Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **Wage\_Uprd (Period usual wage covers)**

*Ask if Wage\_Usamt > 0*

*If the usual wage gross amount is greater than Zero.*

***How long of a period did your usual wage/salary payment cover?***

1. Day
2. Week
3. Fortnight
4. Four week period
5. Month
6. Quarter
7. Other

- **Wage\_UprdTxt (Wage usual period covers text box)**

*Ask if Wage\_Uprd = 7*

*If the period the usual gross amount covers is 'Other'*

- **Wage\_Net (Net wage)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ = 2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***What was the total Net amount (i.e. after deductions at source) you received in your last wage/salary payment?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

Note: Net wage is the amount of money received by the employee. The Net wage is the Gross wage-ALL deductions.

- **N\_Wage\_Usul (Usual net wage)**

*Ask if Wage\_Net > 0*

*If the Net wage is greater than Zero.*

***Was this the Net amount you would usually receive in your typical wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **N\_Wage\_Usamt (Net wage usual amount)**

*Ask if N\_Wage\_Usul = 2 or*

*Ask if Wage\_Net = Don't know*

*If the Net amount received in the last wage was not the usual amount received or*

*If the respondent didn't know the Net amount received in the last wage*

***What Net amount do you usually receive in your wage/salary payment?  
Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **N\_Wage\_Uprd (Net wage usual period)**

*Ask if N\_Wage\_Usamt > 0*

*If the Net amount in the usual wage is greater than Zero.*

***How long of a period did your usual wage/salary payment cover?***

1. Day
2. Week
3. Fortnight
4. Four week period
5. Month
6. Quarter
7. Other

- **WgUprdTxt (Net wage usual period text box)**

*Ask if N\_Wage\_Uprd = 7*

*If the period that the usual wage covered is 'Other'*

***Please specify how long***

***Enter a text of at most 20 characters***

- **Wage\_TaxD (Tax deduction)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Wage\_Net >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages AND the values given for Gross and Net wages were not equal.*

***Was there income tax deducted from your last wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wage\_Tax**

*Ask if Wage\_TaxD=1*

*If respondent had tax deducted from his/her last wage*

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Income Tax***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

Note: Tax on income you earn from employment in Ireland is deducted directly from your salary/wages by your employer. This tax is then paid by your employer directly to the Revenue Commissioners who collect taxes on behalf of the Irish Government.

The 'tax year' in Ireland operates on the calendar year basis (i.e., January - December). At the start of each 'tax year', you will receive a statement from the Revenue Commissioners. This statement is called a "Notice of determination of tax credits and standard rate cut-off point". The Notice, shows you the value of your tax credits and your standard rate cut off point.

- **Wage\_SID (Social Insurance Deduction)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Wage\_Net >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages AND the values given for Gross and Net wages were not equal.*

***Was there Social Insurance (PRSI) deducted from your last wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wage\_SI**

*Ask if Wage\_SID=1*

*If respondent had social insurance deducted from his/her last wage*

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Social insurance contribution (incl. levies)***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

Note: Most employers and employees (over 16 years of age) in Ireland pay social insurance contributions into Ireland's national Social Insurance Fund. In general, the payment of social insurance is compulsory.

Ireland's Social Insurance Fund is made up of a current account and an investment account managed by the Minister for Social and Family Affairs and the Minister for Finance, respectively. The current account consists of monies collected from people in employment. This money is then paid back to fund social insurance benefits and entitlements. The investment account is a savings account that is managed by the Minister for Finance. The Comptroller and Auditor General has responsibility for ensuring that the accounts are kept in order and reports are made to the Houses of the Oireachtas.

If you are in employment, the amount of social insurance you pay depends on your earnings and the type of work you do. Your social insurance contributions in Ireland are referred to as PRSI (Pay Related Social Insurance). Sometimes, you will hear people describe their PRSI record as "stamps". This term dated from before 1979 when employers would literally stamp a card each week of employment. That card was then brought to a local social welfare office in order to claim social welfare payments.

Since 1979, your employer keeps a record of the insurance contributions you make. These monies are now collected by the Revenue Commissioners who in turn make annual returns of these records to the Department of Social and Family Affairs. All records of your insurance contributions are kept by the PRSI Records section in the Department of Social and Family Affairs.

### **Social insurance benefits**

There is a wide range of benefits that are available to people who have paid social insurance. Entitlement to these benefits is dependent on a number of conditions other than the social insurance requirements. The social insurance qualifying criteria vary, depending on what payment you are applying for. In general, the following will be examined:

- What class/classes of social insurance you have paid
- The age when you started making social insurance contributions (this applies in the case of pensions)

- How many paid and/or credited contributions you have made since entering insurable employment
- The number of contributions paid and/or credited in the relevant tax year before the benefit year in which you make the claim. The relevant tax year is the second last complete tax year before you make a claim.
- A yearly average of the number of your contributions in the case of some pensions.

- **Wage\_PenD (Pension Deduction)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Wage\_Net >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net*

*If there was a value >0 given for either Gross wages or Net wages AND the values given for Gross and Net wages were not equal.*

***Was there a Pension contribution deducted at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wage\_Pens**

*Ask if Wage\_PenD=1*

*If respondent had a pension contribution deducted from his/her last wage*

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Superannuation or pension contribution***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

Note: In general, large employers in Ireland have occupational pension schemes, but many smaller employers throughout the country do not. Each pension scheme has its own set of rules. Pension schemes nationally are generally regulated by the Pensions Board. Members of schemes have certain rights in respect of such matters as information. The contributions to approved occupational pension schemes may attract tax relief. Regulation for tax purposes is supervised by the Retirement Benefits District of the Revenue Commissioners.

## **Occupational pensions and personal pensions**

Occupational pensions are organised by employers to provide pensions to one or more employees on retirement or to surviving dependants on the death of an employee.

A *personal pension scheme* properly known as a Retirement Annuity Contract (RAC) is an arrangement by a self-employed person or an employee, generally a person who is not a member of an occupational pension scheme, to provide a pension on retirement or to surviving dependants on death.

You may be a member of an occupational pension scheme and also arrange a personal pension. However, it may not be possible to avail of the tax benefits in respect of both. You may not contribute to an occupational pension scheme and a personal pension arrangement at the same time in relation to the same employment. However, you may make a personal pension arrangement in respect of earnings from another employment or from self-employment.

A person becoming an employee and joining an occupational pension scheme can now continue to contribute to the RAC schemes where they join an occupational pension scheme. However, tax relief will not be given to continued contributions.

From 2003 onwards, Personal Retirement Savings Accounts (PRSAs) became available. These are designed to be used instead of occupational pension schemes by employers who do not wish to sponsor such schemes. They may also be used to supplement occupational scheme benefits, as Additional Voluntary Contributions (AVCs) and as a substitute for personal pension schemes. From 15 September 2003, employers must offer access to at least one standard PRSA to any employee who is not eligible to join an occupational pension scheme within 6 months of joining employment and must offer a PRSA for AVC purposes if there is no facility for AVCs within the scheme.

### **Kinds of occupational pensions**

Occupational pension schemes may be contributory or non-contributory, funded or unfunded, defined benefit or defined contribution.

In contributory schemes, both you and your employer pay contributions towards the scheme.

In non-contributory schemes, you do not contribute but your employer does.

- **Wage\_TUD (Trade Union deduction)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Wage\_Net >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net*

*If there was a value >0 given for either Gross wages or Net wages AND the values given for Gross and Net wages were not equal.*

***Was there a Trade Union subscription deducted at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wage\_TU**

*Ask if Wage\_TUD=1*

*If respondent had a trade union subscription deducted from his/her last wage*

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Trade Union dues or subscription***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Wage\_LAD (Life Assurance Deduction)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Wage\_Net >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net*

*If there was a value >0 given for either Gross wages or Net wages AND the values given for Gross and Net wages were not equal.*

***Was there a Life Assurance Premium deducted at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes

2. No

- **Wage\_LA**

*Ask if Wage\_LAD=1*

*If respondent had a Life Assurance premium deducted from his/her last wage.*

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Life Assurance Premiums***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

**Note: Types of life assurance**

There are two main types of life assurance available; term assurance and whole of life.

Term assurance is the cheapest and simplest form of assurance available.

Basically a customer chooses to pay premiums for a certain term, for example 25 years, during which time, if they die, their beneficiaries will receive a lump sum. However at the end of this term, the cover ceases. Therefore if something were to happen to you the day after your policy finished, you would not be covered.

Whole of life assurance on the other hand is a more expensive option as you are paying premiums for the whole of your life, however you will be covered until the day you die.

- **Wage\_VHID (Health Insurance Deduction)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Wage\_Net >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net*

*If there was a value >0 given for either Gross wages or Net wages AND the values given for Gross and Net wages were not equal.*

***Was there a Health Insurance Payment deducted at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wage\_VHI**

*Ask if Wage\_VHID=1*

*If respondent had a health insurance premium deducted from his/her last wage*

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Health insurance deduction***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Wage\_MtgD (Mortgage Deduction)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Wage\_Net >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages AND the values given for Gross and Net wages were not equal.*

***Was there a Mortgage payment deducted at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wage\_Mtg**

*Ask if Wage\_MtgD=1*

*If respondent had a mortgage repayment deducted from his/her last wage*

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Mortgage repayments***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Wage\_OthD (Other Deductions)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Wage\_Net >0 AND Wage\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages AND the values given for Gross and Net wages were not equal.*

***Was there any other deduction(s) at source (e.g. savings, credit union payment, social club subscription etc) from your last wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes

2. No

- **Wage\_Oth**

*Ask if Wage\_OthD=1*

*If respondent had 'other deductions' from his/her last wage*

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Other deductions***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Wg\_Tot**

***Last Gross Wage does not equal Last Net Wage + Deductions from Last Gross Wage***

Note: If the Last Gross wage - deductions does not equal the Last Net wage.

The above error message is activated. The **Wg\_Tot** amount that appears in the error message is Last Gross Wage – ( Last Net Wage + Deductions from Last Gross Wage)

- **Wage\_Refnd (Business expenses refund)**

*Ask if Wage\_Grs >0 or Ask if Wage\_Net >0*

***Expenses refund in last wage***

***Did your last wage/salary payment (i.e. the figures you have just given) include a refund of business expenses (e.g. travel, subsistence etc.) or an allowance for motoring from your employer?***

***Interviewer. If the last wage/salary payment contained such a refund and the amount has already been deducted from the gross and net wage amounts keyed, please code 2.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wage\_Reamt (Refund amount)**

*Ask if Wage\_Refnd=1*

***How much was this refund/allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

Note: This provides for these instances where expenses incurred for business purposes are refunded by the employer. It is important that these should be excluded (e.g. in the case of commercial travellers, executives and the like).

- **Wage\_ReGrs (Regarding refund amount)**

*Ask if Wage\_Reamt > 0*

*Ask if respondent received a refund amount*

***Regarding the business expenses refund amount you have just given, was this amount included in:***

1. The Gross last Wage figure given
2. The Net last Wage figure given
3. Both Gross and Net last Wage figures given

- **PRSI\_Class**

*Ask if Income\_Typ =1,2,3 or 4*

*If the respondent received employment income in the last 12 months*

***Which class PRSI do (did) you pay?***

1. A
2. J
3. B
4. C
5. D
6. H
7. E
8. S
9. K
- 10.M
11. Doesn't pay PRSI

Note: In general PRSI deductions are decided by the nature of the employment and the amount of the employee's gross reckonable earnings in a week.

People in industrial, commercial and service-type employment under a contract of service and new entrants to the Public Service (recruited from April 6 1995) with reckonable earnings of € 38 or more per week are within Class A PRSI.

People with reckonable earnings of less than € 38 a week from all employments and employees over 66 years of age are within Class J PRSI.

Ministers of Religion employed by the Church of Ireland representative Body are within Class E PRSI.

Permanent and pensionable Civil Servants, registered doctors and dentists employed in the Civil Service and Gardai, recruited prior to April 6 1995 are within Class B PRSI.

Commissioned Army Officers and members of the Army Nursing Service recruited prior to April 6 1995 are within Class C PRSI.

Permanent and pensionable employees in the public service other than those mentioned in Classes B and C recruited prior to April 6 1995 are within Class D PRSI .

NCO's (Non Commissioned Officers) and enlisted personnel of the defence forces are within Class H PRSI.

People receiving income which is not subject to social insurance contributions but which is liable for the Health Contribution such as occupational Pensions, income deriving from positions of certain office holders (for example, Judiciary and State solicitors) and income of people over the age of 66 previously liable for Class S are within Class K PRSI.

People with nil contribution liability (e.g. employees under age 16, people within Class K with a Nil liability) are within Class M PRSI

Self employed people including certain company directors, people in business on their own account and people with income from investments and rents are within Class S PRSI.

Share-fishermen/women who are already paying PRSI under class S can pay a contribution over and above what is being paid under Class S, this is Class P PRSI.

Certain PRSI Classes are divided into sub-classes e.g. Class A is divided into Classes AO, AX A1 and A2. We do not ask for the sub class of PRSI that the respondent pays, so if for example the respondent pays Class AX social insurance, please Code as Class A.

- **Wrk\_Days (Days worked per week)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***How many days per week do (did) you usually work in this job?***

***Interviewer. In the case irregular working arrangements please estimate an average.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.0 and 7.0***

Note: if the person is a job sharer working one week on one week off and works 5 days during the 'on week' then key in 2.5.

- **Wrk\_Hrs (Hours worked per week)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has employee income*

***How many hours per week (excluding meal intervals) do (did) you usually work in this job?***

***Interviewer. In the case of irregular working arrangements please estimate an average.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 168.***

The number of hours corresponds to the number of hours the person normally works. This covers all hours including extra hours which the person normally works, but excludes the travel time between the home and the place of work as well as the main meal breaks.

When the respondent is unable to provide a figure for usual hours, the average of the hours actually worked per week over the past four weeks is used as a measure of usual hours. Apprentices, trainees and other persons in vocational training should exclude the time spent in school or other special training centres.

- **Salry\_Grs (Gross basic salary)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ = 2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months.*

***What is your CURRENT BASIC GROSS ANNUAL salary i.e. your current gross (before tax, social insurance or any other deduction) salary, excluding bonuses overtime etc.?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals.***

- **Doc\_P60 (P60 certificate)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***Do you have a P60 certificate that relates to this (these) employee position(s)?***

1. Yes
2. No

**Note: What is a P60?**

A P60 is a form issued by an employer to an employee certifying details of the employee's pay, tax and PRSI contributions for the tax year. The Form P60 must be given to each employee who is in employment at 31 December on any given year. This should be done before 15 February of any given year. This is a requirement of all employments

- **P60\_Year**

*Ask if Doc\_P60=1*

*If the respondent has a P60*

***Which tax year does the P60 relate to?***

***Enter a numeric value between 2000 and 2020.***

- **P60\_Pay**

*Ask if Doc\_P60=1*

*If the respondent has a P60*

***What is the Total Pay amount on this P60?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **P60\_Tax**

*Ask if Doc\_P60=1*

*If the respondent has a P60*

***What is the Total tax amount on this P60?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **P60\_EmpSI**

*Ask if Doc\_P60=1*

*If the respondent has a P60*

***What is the Employee's share of pay-related social insurance on this P60?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **P60\_EpyrSI**

*Ask if Doc\_P60=1  
If the respondent has a P60*

***What is the TOTAL (employer + employee) pay-related social insurance on this P60?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **Salary\_Shr (Forgo salary to purchase shares)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ = 2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***Did you forgo salary in the last 12 months in order to purchase shares in the company, where you are (were) employed?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Salary Forgone

Some employers offer employees the opportunity to forgo salary and receive the forgone amount in shares of the company where the employee works. These schemes should be operated within parameters set down by Revenue. Below are some of the 'rules' attached to Salary foregone schemes.

\_ salary forgone must be optional for each participant

\_ the maximum amount of salary that may be forgone is 7½% of basic salary

\_ where it is intended to include a provision for a minimum amount of salary to be forgone, that minimum amount cannot exceed the lesser of £100 or 1% of basic salary

\_ where varying percentages are included in a scheme the same choice must be given to all participants, and

- **SalShr\_Amt (Amount of salary used to purchase shares)**

*Ask if Salary\_Shr = 1*

*If respondent relinquished an amount from his/her salary to purchase shares in company where they worked.*

***How much salary did you forgo in the last 12 months, in order to purchase shares in the company, where you are (were) employed?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.***

- **Pay\_Rise (Salary pay rise)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ = 2 or 3*

*If respondent has received a pay rise in the last 12 months.*

***Did you get a pay rise in the last 12 months?***

***Interviewer. If the respondent changed jobs and the new job is better paid, then please key 1.***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Rise\_Amt (Amount of pay-rise)**

*Ask if Pay\_Rise = 1*

*If respondent has received a pay rise in the last 12 months.*

***Approximately what was the percentage pay rise?***

***Interviewer. If the respondent received more than 1 pay rise in the last 12 months, please key the percentage of the most recent pay rise. Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99.99.***

• **Rise\_Month (When pay rise received)**

*Ask if Pay\_Rise = 1*

*If respondent has received a pay rise in the last 12 months.*

***Approximately how many months ago did you get this pay rise?***

***Interviewer. If the only pay rise that the respondent received in the last year was within the last 2 weeks, please enter 0 or if the respondent received more than 1 pay rise in the last 12 months, please key how many months ago was the most recent pay rise?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 12.***

• **Sec\_Job (Second job)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

***Do or did you have a secondary employee job at any time during the last 12 months i.e. a job that runs (ran) concurrently with your principal employee job?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: This is a secondary employee position. If the respondent has another job and it is a self employed position then the answer to **Sec\_Job** should have been 2

- **Sec\_Occup (Second job description)**

*Ask if Sec\_Job = 1*

*If the respondent has/had a second employee position that runs/ran concurrently with his/her principal employee position during the last 12 months*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

**What is (was) your occupation in this job?**

**Enter a text of at most 60 characters.**

- **Sec\_w\_Part (Particulars relating to second job)**

*Ask if Sec\_Job=1*

*If the respondent has/had a second employee position that runs/ran concurrently with his/her principal employee position during the last 12 months*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

**Please give the following particulars of the last wage/salary payment(s) you received which relates to your secondary employee position(s).**

**Press RETURN to continue.**

Note: If the respondent had a second, third and fourth employee positions, then the questions which relate to 'second job' relate to income particulars from ALL employee positions except the principal position.

- **Sec\_JDUR (Duration of second job)**

*Ask if Sec\_Job=1*

*If the respondent has/had a second employee position that runs/ran concurrently with his/her principal employee position during the last 12 months*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

**How many weeks did you work in the Secondary Job during the last 12 months?**

**Enter a number between 0 and 53.**

- **Sec\_Prd (Wage period for second job)**

*Ask if Sec\_Job=1*

*If the respondent has/had a second employee position that runs/ran concurrently with his/her principal employee position during the last 12 months*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***How long of a period did your last wage/salary cover?***

1. Day
2. Week
3. Fortnight
4. Four week period
5. Month
6. Quarter
7. Other

• **Sec\_PrdTxt (Wage period second job text box)**

*Ask if Sec\_Prd=7*

*If period second wage covered was 'other'*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Please specify how long?***

***Enter a text of at most 20 characters***

• **Sec\_Grs (Gross amount second job)**

*Ask if Sec\_Job=1*

*If the respondent has/had a second employee position that runs/ran concurrently with his/her principal employee position during the last 12 months*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***What was the total gross amount earned in your last wage/salary payment(s)?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

• **Sec\_Usul (Second job usual)**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs >0*

*If gross amount earned is/was greater than zero.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Was this the gross amount you would usually earn in your typical wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Sec\_Usamt (Second job usual amount)**

*Ask if Sec\_Usul =2 or if*

*Sec\_Grs = Don't know*

*If the gross amount earned in the last wage/salary payment was not the usual amount OR if the respondent didn't know the gross amount earned in the last wage/salary payment*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***What gross amount do you usually earn in your wage/salary payment?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals.***

- **Sec\_Uprd (Second job usual period)**

*Ask if Sec\_Usamt>0*

*If the usual gross amount earned was greater than zero.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***How long of a period does your usual wage/salary payment(s) cover?***

1. Day
2. Week
3. Fortnight
4. Four week period
5. Month
6. Quarter
7. Other

- **Sec\_UprdTxt (Second job usual text box)**

*Ask if Sec\_Uprd= 7*

*If the period the usual wage/salary payment covered was 'other'.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Please specify how long***

***Enter a text of at most 20 characters.***

- **Sec\_Net (Second job net wage amount)**

*Ask if Sec\_Job=1*

*If the respondent has/had a second employee position that runs/ran concurrently with his/her principal employee position during the last 12 months*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***What was the total Net amount (i.e. after deductions at source) you received in your last wage/salary payment?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.***

- **S\_Wage\_Usul (Second job usual wage)**

*Ask if Sec\_Net>0*

*If the net amount received is greater than zero.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Was this the Net amount you would usually receive in your typical wage/salary payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

**• S\_Wage\_Usamt (Second job usual wage amount)**

*Ask if S\_Wage\_Usul=2 or*

*Ask if Sec\_Net= Don't know*

*If the amount received in the last wage/salary payment was not the usual amount received OR if the respondent didn't know the amount received in the last wage/salary payment.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***What Net amount do you usually receive in your wage/salary payment?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

**• S\_Wage\_Uprd (Second job usual wage period)**

*Ask if S\_Wage\_Usul >0*

*If the amount received in the usual wage/salary payment >0*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***How long of a period did your usual wage/salary payment cover?***

1. Day
2. Week
3. Fortnight
4. Four week period
5. Month
6. Quarter
7. Other

**• SUprdTxt (Second job usual wage period text box)**

*Ask if S\_Wage\_Uprd= 7*

*If the period that the usual wage/salary payment covered was 'other'*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Please specify how long?***

***Enter a text of at most 20 characters***

- **Sec\_TaxD**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs > 0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Sec\_Net > 0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Sec\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages from second job AND the values given for Gross and Net wages for second job were not equal.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Was there income tax deducted from the last wage/salary payment that you received from your second employee position?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Sec\_Tax**

*Ask if Sec\_TaxD=1*

*If respondent had tax deducted from his/her last wage from second job*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Income Tax***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Sec\_SID**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Sec\_Net>0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Sec\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages from second job AND the values given for Gross and Net wages for second job were not equal.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Was there Social Insurance (PRSI) deducted from the last wage/salary payment that you received from your second employee position?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Sec\_SI**

*Ask if Sec\_SID=1*

*If respondent had Social Insurance deducted from his/her last wage from second job.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Social insurance contribution (incl. levies)***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Sec\_PenD**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Sec\_Net>0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Sec\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages from second job AND the values given for Gross and Net wages for second job were not equal.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Was there a pension contribution deducted at source from the last wage/salary payment that you received from your second employee position?***

1. Yes

2. No

- **Sec\_Pens**

*Ask if Sec\_PenD=1*

*If respondent had a pension contribution deducted from his/her last wage from secondary job.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Superannuation or pension contribution***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99 .***

- **Sec\_TUD**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Sec\_Net>0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Sec\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages from second job AND the values given for Gross and Net wages for second job were not equal.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Was there Trade Union subscription deducted at source from the last wage/salary payment that you received from your second employee position?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Sec\_TU**

*Ask if Sec\_TUD=1*

*If respondent had a trade union subscription deducted from his/her last wage from second job*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Trade Union dues or subscription***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Sec\_LAD**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Sec\_Net >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Sec\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages from second job AND the values given for Gross and Net wages for second job were not equal.*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

***Was there a Life Assurance Premium deducted at source from the last wage/salary payment that you received from your second employee position?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Sec\_LA**

*Ask if Sec\_LAD=1*

*If respondent had a life assurance premium deducted from his/her last wage from secondary job*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Life assurance premiums***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Sec\_VHID**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Sec\_Net >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Sec\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages from second job AND the values given for Gross and Net wages for second job were not equal.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Was there a Health Insurance Payment deducted at source from the last wage/salary payment that you received from your second employee position?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Sec\_VHI**

*Ask if Sec\_VHID=1*

*If respondent had a health insurance premium deducted from his/her last wage from secondary job*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Health Insurance deduction.***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99.***

• **Sec\_MtgD**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Sec\_Net>0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Sec\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages from second job AND the values given for Gross and Net wages for second job were not equal.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Was there a Mortgage repayment deducted at source from your last wage/salary payment that you received from your second employee position?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Sec\_Mtg**

*Ask if Wage\_MtgD=1*

*If respondent had a mortgage repayment deducted from his/her last wage*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Mortgage deduction***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

• **Sec\_OthD**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Wage\_Net or*

*Ask if Sec\_Net >0 AND Sec\_Grs is not equal to Sec\_Net*

*If there was a value greater than zero given for either Gross wages or Net wages from second job AND the values given for Gross and Net wages for second job were not equal.*

***Was there any other deduction at source (e.g. savings, credit union payment, social club subscription etc.) from the last wage/salary payment that you received from your second employee position?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Sec\_Oth**

*Ask if Sec\_OthD=1*

*If respondent had an 'other deductions' from his/her last wage*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***How much was the following deduction made at source from your last wage/salary payment?***

***Other deductions***

***Enter a numeric between 0.00 and 999999.99***

• **Sec\_Refnd (Second job business expense refund)**

*Ask if Sec\_Grs >0 or Ask if Sec\_Net >0*

*If the gross amount earned or the net amount received from the second job is greater than zero.*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Did your last wage/salary payment (i.e. the figures you have just given for your second job) include a refund of business expenses (e.g. travel, subsistence etc.) or an allowance for motoring from your employer?***

***Interviewer. If the last wage/salary payment contained such a refund and the amount has already been deducted from the gross and net wage amounts keyed, code 2.***

1. Yes

2. No

- **Sec\_Reamt (Second job business refund amount)**

*Ask if Sec\_Refnd=1*

*If respondent received a refund*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

***How much was this refund/allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Secwrk\_Hrs (Second job hours worked)**

*Ask if Sec\_Job=1*

*If the respondent has/had a second employee position that runs/ran concurrently with his/her principal employee position during the last 12 months*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

***How many hours per week (excluding meal intervals) do you usually work in all secondary job(s)?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 168***

- **Sec\_Days (Second job days worked)**

*Ask if Sec\_Job=1*

*If the respondent has/had a second employee position that runs/ran concurrently with his/her principal employee position during the last 12 months*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

***How many days per week do you usually work in all secondary job(s)?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.5 and 7.0***

Note: If the respondent has 3 employee positions this question ask the number of hours worked in the non-principal employee positions i.e. the second and third employee positions.

- **SecDoc\_P60**

*Ask if Sec\_Job=1*

*If the respondent has/had a second employee position that runs/ran concurrently with his/her principal employee position during the last 12 months*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

***I am now going to ask questions that relate to your total annual income from your second employee position: Do you have a P60 certificate that relates to your second employee position?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **SecP60\_Year**

*Ask if SecDoc\_P60=1*

*If the respondent has a P60*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***Which tax year does the P60 relate to?***

***Enter a numeric value between 2000 and 2020.***

- **SecP60\_Pay**

*Ask if SecDoc\_P60=1*

*If the respondent has a P60*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***What is the Total Pay amount on this P60?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **SecP60\_Tax**

*Ask if SecDoc\_P60=1*

*If the respondent has a P60*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***What is the Total tax amount on this P60?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **SP60\_EmpSI**

*Ask if SecDoc\_P60=1*

*If the respondent has a P60*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***What is the Employee's share of pay-related social insurance on this P60?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **SP60\_EpyrSI**

*Ask if SecDoc\_P60=1*

*If the respondent has a P60*

***Secondary Job (Employee position)***

***What is the TOTAL (employer + employee) pay-related social insurance on this P60?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

**Sec\_s\_Grs**

*Ask if Sec\_Job=1*

*If the respondent received employment income from a second job*

**Secondary Job (Employee position)**

***What was the total gross amount (which relates to this second employee position) that you earned in the last 12 months?***

***INTERVIEWER: This value will most likely be different from the Gross amount that appeared on the P60 as the P60 values related to the Tax year. Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals.***

• **Occ\_Add (Occasional additions to wages)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***Additions to salary or wage***

***<Name> in the last 12 months did you receive any of the following additions to your wage or salary***

- Overtime,
- Commissions
- Tips
- Profit sharing bonus
- Christmas, holiday or quarterly bonuses,
- Other additions to wage/salary
- No Addition to wage/salary

• **Occ\_Amt [1] (Amount in overtime payments)**

*Ask if Overtime =  $\checkmark$  in Occ\_Add*

*If respondent received overtime payment*

***What amount did you receive in Overtime (before tax and social insurance) in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

• **Occ\_Tax [1] (Tax paid on overtime)**

*Ask if Overtime =  $\checkmark$  in Occ\_Add*

*If respondent received overtime payment*

*How much tax and social insurance did you pay on Overtime in the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99*

- **Occ\_Amt [1, 2] (Amount received in commissions)**

*Ask if Commissions =  $\checkmark$  in Occ\_Add*

*If the respondent received Commission payments in the last 12 months*

*What amount did you receive for Commission payments (before tax and social insurance) in the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99*

- **Occ\_Tax [1, 2] (Tax paid on commissions)**

*Ask if Commissions =  $\checkmark$  in Occ\_Add*

*If the respondent received Commission payments in the last 12 months*

*How much tax and social insurance did you pay on Commission payments in the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99*

- **Occ\_Amt [1, 2, 3] (Amount received in tips)**

*Ask if Tips =  $\checkmark$  in Occ\_Add*

*If the respondent received Tips in the last 12 months*

*What amount did you receive in Tips in the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99*

- **Occ\_Amt [1, 2, 3, 4] (Amount received in profit sharing payments)**

*Ask if Profit sharing bonus =  $\checkmark$  in Occ\_Add*

*If the respondent received Profit sharing payments in the last 12 months*

*What amount did you receive in Profit sharing payments (before tax and social insurance) in the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99*

**Note:**

A profit sharing payment could be a cash amount, which is subjected to tax. It could also be in the form of shares in the company for which the employee works. Below is a note on Approved Profit Sharing Schemes

Approved Profit Sharing Schemes allow an employer to give an employee shares in the company up to a maximum value of 12,700 euro per year tax-free (2006 threshold level). Approved Profit Sharing Schemes are subject to certain conditions set out in legislation and administered by the Revenue Commissioners.

Providing the scheme meets the required conditions, an employee will pay no tax on shares up to a maximum value of 12,700 euro per year. The employer must hold the shares for a period of time (called the "retention period") and the employee must not dispose of the shares before three years. If an employee disposes of shares before this time, he or she is liable to pay income tax on whichever is the lower of the following:

- The market value of the shares when they were given to the employee or,
- The value of the shares at the time of sale

- **Occ\_Tax [1, 2, 3, 4] (Tax paid on profit sharing payments)**

*Ask if Profit Sharing Bonus = ✓ in Occ\_Add*

*If the respondent received Profit sharing payments in the last 12 months*

***How much tax and social insurance did you pay on Profit sharing payments in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Occ\_Amt [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] (Amount received for holiday payment)**

*Ask if Christmas, holiday or quarterly bonus = ✓ in Occ\_Add*

*If the respondent received Holiday Pay in the last 12 months*

***What amount did you receive for Holiday pay (holiday allowances, including Christmas bonus)? (before tax and social insurance) in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.***

- **Occ\_Tax [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] (Tax paid in respect of amount received for holiday payment)**

*Ask if Christmas, holiday or quarterly bonus = ✓ in Occ\_Add*

*If the respondent received Holiday Pay in the last 12 months*

***How much tax and social insurance did you pay on Holiday pay (holiday allowances, including Christmas bonus) in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

Note: In the case of Holiday pay this is an additional payment (i.e. in addition to basic gross salary). Employees have legal holiday entitlements whereby they can avail of a specified days of **paid leave**. This questions asks for holiday pay an employer ‘gives’ to an employee over and above gross basic salary.

- **Occ\_Amt [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6] (Amount received for Other payments)**

*Ask if Other addition to wage/salary =  $\checkmark$  in Occ\_Add*

*If the respondent received ‘Other’ payment in the last 12 months*

***What amount did you receive for Other addition to wage/salary (before tax and social insurance) in the last 12 months***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Occ\_Tax [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6] (Tax paid on amount received for other payments)**

*Ask if Other addition to wage/salary =  $\checkmark$  in Occ\_Add*

*If the respondent received an ‘Other’ payment in the last 12 months*

***How much tax and social insurance did you pay on Other addition to wage/salary in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.***

- **BIK\_HLTH (Benefit in Kind-Health Insurance)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***<Name> In the last 12 months did your employer pay private Health insurance (e.g. VHI, BUPA, VIVAS) on your behalf***

1. Yes
2. No

- **BIK\_Hval (Value of Health Insurance BIK)**

*Ask if BIK\_Hlth = 1*

*If the respondent’s employer paid Health Insurance in respect of the respondent during the last 12 months.*

***What was the value of this health insurance benefit over the last 12 months?  
Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Co\_Car (Company Car)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***Are you supplied with a company car which is available for private use?  
Interviewer. Please do not include commercial vehicles.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Car\_Months (Number of months with company car)**

*Ask if Co\_Car=1*

*If the respondent has a company car*

***For how many months in the last 12 months have you had your company car?***

***Enter a numeric value between 1 and 12.***

- **Car\_Val (Company car value)**

*Ask if Co\_Car=1*

*If the respondent has a company car*

***Could you please give me the list price of the car?  
Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.***

- **Car\_Make (Make of company car)**

*Ask if Co\_Val = 'Don't know' or 'Refused'*

*If the respondent doesn't know the list price of the company car*

***Please state make, model and year of the car?***

***Enter a text of at most 40 characters.***

*Note: A description like 'Ford Mondeo 1.8 2002' will suffice.*

- **Bus\_Miles (Number of business miles travelled)**

*Ask if Co\_Car=1*

*If the respondent has a company car*

***Approximately how many business miles do you travel each year?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99999.***

Note: The reason this question is asked is to determine the Benefit in Kind value of the car to the respondent. If a company car is used by a sales representative who covers a large territory and a similar car is used by an office based employee (who in effect does little business mileage) then the 'benefit' is greater to the office based employee.

- **BIK\_TRAV (Travel Allowance)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***Does (did) your employer give you a car allowance or an allowance for transport to and from work in the last 12 months?***

***INTERVIEWER: This excludes reimbursement of business travel.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **BIK\_TRAV\_V (Value of travel allowance)**

*Ask if BIK\_TRAV =1*

*If the respondent received a cash allowance for transport to & from work from his/her employer during the last 12 months*

***What was the value of this car allowance / allowance for transport to and from work (excluding reimbursement of business travel) benefit over the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.***

- **BIK\_PAYE**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=2 or 3*

*If respondent has received employee income in the last 12 months*

***In the last 12 months have you received any of the following non cash benefits from your employer?***

- Free/Subsidised life assurance***
- Free shares***
- Low interest loan***
- Free/subsidised children's school fees***
- Free/subsidised Club subscriptions***
- Free/subsidised creche***
- Free/subsidised housing costs (electricity/gas/phone)***
- Lunch allowance/Luncheon vouchers***

□ *None of these non cash benefits*

• **BIK\_Val [1] (Value of Life Assurance BIK)**

*Ask if Free/Subsidised Life Assurance = ✓ in BIK\_PAYE*

*If the respondent's employer paid Life Assurance premiums in respect of the respondent during the last 12 months.*

***How much did your employer pay into a life assurance policy on your behalf in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.***

• **BIK\_Val [1, 2] (Amount received in free shares)**

*Ask if Free Shares = ✓ in BIK\_PAYE*

*If the respondent received free shares in the company for whom he/she worked during the last 12 months*

***What amount did you receive in free shares from your employer in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimal points.***

**Note:** This question is different to **Salary\_Shr**. **Salary\_Shr** asks if the respondent 'forgone salary' to purchase shares in the company in which he/she works. For example an employee might forgo a percentage of his/her salary and receive the forgone percentage in shares. This reduces the employees tax liability (assuming that he/she does not sell the shares before a defined time period elapses). **This question** asks the respondent whether he/she received Free shares from his/her employer. An example is a case where the employee took a 'bonus payment' in the form of shares. In other words the employee didn't forgo part of his/her basic salary to receive these shares.

• **BIK\_Val [1, 2, 3] (Value of Low interest loan BIK)**

*Ask if Low Interest Loan = ✓ in BIK\_PAYE*

*If the respondent received a low interest loan from his/her employer during the last 12 months*

***What was the value of this Low interest loan benefit over the last 12 months? i.e. What was the difference in the interest you paid in respect of this loan and the amount you would have had to pay if you borrowed an equivalent amount from a bank?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.***

- **BIK\_Val [1, 2, 3, 4 ] (Value of school fees)**

*Ask if Free/Subsidised Children's School Fees= ✓ in BIK\_PAYE*

*If the respondent received a payment in respect of school fees from his/her employer during the last 12 months*

***What was the value of this Children's school fees benefit over the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999***

- **BIK\_Val [1, 2, 3, 4, 5 ] (Value of Club subscription)**

*Ask if Free/Subsidised Children's School Fees= ✓ in BIK\_PAYE*

*If the respondent received a club subscription from his/her employer during the last 12 months*

***What was the value of this Club subscription benefit over the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.***

- **BIK\_Val [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 ] (Value of free crèche)**

*Ask if Free/Subsidised Creche= ✓ in BIK\_PAYE*

*If the respondent's employer paid crèche fees for respondent during the last 12 months*

***What was the value of this Free (subsidised) crèche benefit over the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.***

- **BIK\_Val [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 ] (Value of house expenses reimbursement)**

*Ask if Free/Subsidised Housing Costs (Electricity/Gas/Phone) = ✓ in BIK\_PAYE*

*If the respondent received a reimbursement of housing related expenses from his/her employer*

***What was the value of this reimbursement or payment of housing related expenses benefit over the last 12 months?***

***INTERVIEWER: Please disregard the amount paid by the employer in respect of rent. If the employer pays for electricity, gas, telephone etc. Please insert this amount.***

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.*

- **BIK\_Val [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8] (Value of meal vouchers)**

*Ask if Lunch Allowance/Luncheon Vouchers = √ in BIK\_PAYE*

*If the respondent receives luncheon vouchers/lunch allowance from his/her employer.*

*What is the weekly value of luncheon vouchers or lunch allowance received from your employer?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99.*

**END OF EMPLOYEE INCOME BLOCK QUESTIONS**

## SELF EMPLOYED INCOME

- **Self\_Empl (Self employed)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=1 or 3*

*If the respondent has self employed income*

### *Self Employment Income*

*In relation to your self-employed position (non-farming), did you make a profit or loss in the most recent 12 months for which you can give a figure?*

*Interviewer: If the respondent broke even please code as 2. i.e. a Loss and key in a value of 0 for Empl\_Loss.*

1. Profit
2. Loss

Note: Some respondents may be self-employed but have set up a company and are paid as employees of the company (Schedule E). In such cases income may have been collected as employee income if such an arrangement exists.

- **Empl\_Loss (Loss from self employed position)**

*Ask if Self\_Empl=2*

*If the respondent made a loss or broke even*

*How much was this loss?*

*Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals.*

- **Empl\_Prof (Profit from self employed position)**

*Ask if Self\_Empl=1*

*If the respondent made a profit*

*How much was your total net income or profit from your business or profession before Tax and Social insurance for the most recent 12 months for which you can give a figure?*

*Total net income=Net of business expenses*

*Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals.*

- **Refuse**

*Ask if Emp\_Prof='Refuse'*

*If the respondent refused to give a value for employment profit*

**INTERVIEWER:** *Why do you believe that the respondent refused to give income details?*

***Enter a text of at most 40 characters.***

Note: if the respondent refused to give income values the reason may be that he/she found the question too intrusive, they may not have wanted to search for documentation to support an answer, they may not believe that the answers given would be treated as confidential.

**Year\_end2a (Tax year end)**

*Ask if Empl\_Prof>0 or Empl\_Loss>0*

*If the respondent made an employment profit greater than zero Or an employment loss greater than zero.*

***To which year does the self-employment income amount refer to?***

***Enter a numeric value between 2000 and 2020.***

Note: The self-employed person makes returns under ‘Self Assessment Returns’. If the self-employed person has registered a company and is an employee of the company then he/she will pay tax under Schedule E.

The self-assessed tax year is the same as that for employees i.e. the calendar year. The tax year changed in 2000, prior to that the tax year ran from April 6<sup>th</sup> to April 5<sup>th</sup> of the following year. The tax year 2001 therefore was a short tax year. In effect it ran from April to December 2001.

• **Empl\_Doc(Documentation consulted)**

*If Empl\_Prof >0 or If Empl\_Loss >0*

*If there is a keyed value for self employed profit or loss*

***Interviewer. Please code the document consulted in relation to self-employment income for <Name>.***

1. Notice of tax assessment
2. Annual Accounts
3. Tax returns
4. No document

Note: The Self assessed send in their tax returns by October 31<sup>st</sup>. This form is called Form 11. The particulars specified in the tax return relate to the previous tax year i.e. Jan 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year preceding the October 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. The self-assessed also has to pay preliminary tax in respect of the current tax year. The Revenue Commissioners then sends out a notice of tax assessment to the self-assessed person. This is a standard form and it specifies the

amount of tax owed (if any) and it also specifies the amount of social insurance due. The self-assessed person's accountant prepares annual accounts.

After the Revenue receive your tax return, they will issue a **Notice of Assessment** to you which confirms your tax position for the year. If you have overpaid tax for the year, it will normally be refunded to you after this Assessment is issued

- **Drawings**

*Ask if `Income_Typ` is either 1 or 3*

*If the respondent had self employed income in the income reference period*

***Do you draw regular sums of money from the business for your own personal use?***

1. Yes
2. No

**Note:** Drawings for personal use are amounts taken by the self-employed individual for personal day to day living (not for business expense purposes). Drawings for personal use are not an allowable business expense.

- **Draw\_Amt** (Amount taken in drawings)

*Ask if `Drawings=1`*

*If the respondent made drawings from his/her business*

***How much do you usually draw out per month for personal use?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 9999.99***

- **Sol\_Own** (Sole owner or partnership)

*Ask if `Empl_Loss>0` or if `Empl_Prof>0`*

*If the respondent's self employment profit or loss >0*

***Are you the sole owner of your business or are you in a partnership?***

1. Sole owner
2. Partnership

- **Part\_Shr** (Partner's share included in income)

*Ask if `Sol_Own=2`*

*If the respondent is in a business partnership*

***Has your partner's share been included in the income figures you have given?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Part\_s\_Val (Respondents share of partnership)**

*Ask if Part\_Shr=1*

*If the partners share of business profits were included in the values given by the respondent*

***What percent was your partner's share?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99.99***

- **Part\_Hmem (Partner household member)**

*Ask if Part\_Shr=1*

*If the partners share of business profits were included in the values given by the respondent*

***Is your partner a household member?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Part\_Num (Name of partner)**

*Ask if Part\_Hmem=1*

*If the respondent's business partner is a household member*

***<Name> which household member is your business partner?***

***INTERVIEWER: Please insert the name of this household member.***

***Enter a text of at most 20 characters.***

Note: The reason for this sequence of questions is that we do not want to double count income. A husband and wife may jointly run a shop. If both household members gave total values then this employment income component of total household income would be double-counted.

- **Direct\_Fees (Director's fees)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=1*

*If all the respondent's income came from a self employed position*

***Did you receive Director's fees in that period?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: There is a difference between Director's Fees and remuneration paid to directors. Directors Fees are paid to a director in respect of duties performed by him solely in his capacity as a director of the company. Director's Fees will always be insurable under the S1 rate (in effect the fees will always be treated as self-employed income in the hands of the director).

If the director is an employee of the company (i.e. if he has a contract of service with the company) then the director's salary will normally be insurable under Class 'A' and the director will be treated as 'an employed contributor'.

- **Direct\_F\_Amt (Amount received in director's fees)**

*Ask if Direct\_Fees=1*

*If the respondent received director's fees*

*How much did you receive in Director's fees?*

*Enter a numeric value between 1 and 999999*

- **Self\_Hrs (Hours worked in self employed position)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=1 or 3*

*If the respondent has self employed income*

*How many hours per week (excluding meal intervals) did you work in self employment during the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 168*

- **Self\_Days (Days worked in self employed position)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=1 or 3*

*If the respondent has self employed income*

*How many days per week did you usually work in self employment during the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.5 and 7.0.*

- **SI\_Cont (Social insurance contributions)**

*Ask if Empl\_Prof >0*

*If the profit amount keyed for self employed income is greater than zero.*

*Did you make or do you expect to make any social insurance or health contribution payments in relation to the self-employment figure you have given?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **SIHLTH (Social insurance and levies amount)**

*Ask if SI\_Cont=1*

*If the respondent made a social insurance or health contribution payment*

***How much was (or how much do you expect) the TOTAL social insurance and health contribution payment?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

People who are self-employed are required to pay a 2% Health Contribution, a payment that goes to the Department of Health and Children towards funding the Health Services

- **Tax\_Direct (Tax paid)**

*Ask if Empl\_Prof>0*

*If the profit amount keyed for self employed income is greater than zero.*

***Self-employed income tax***

***Have you paid or do you expect to pay any income tax in relation to the self-employment figure you have given?***

***INTERVIEWER: If the respondent has farm income, this question relates to the income tax paid on non-farm self employed income.***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Respondents whose total self-assessed income comes from farming are not routed to this question. If the farmer has other self-assessed income (e.g. in the case of a farmer who is also a publican) then he/she is routed to this question and this question relates to the tax paid on non-farm income.

- **Tax\_d\_Paid (Amount of tax paid)**

*Ask if Tax\_Direct=1*

*If the respondent paid income tax on his/her self-employment income.*

***How much was (or how much do you expect) the Total tax amount for the self-employment income you have given?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **Farm\_Tax**

*Ask if Farm\_Own =1*

*If the respondent owns rents or let land in the last 12 months*

***What do you estimate will be your final tax payment to Revenue in respect of your farming activities in 2005?***

***Interviewer: If the farmer let out all his/her land this question asks the tax liability in respect of this rental income.***

***Enter a number of at most 11 positions with 2 decimals***

- **Oth\_s\_Inc (Other income)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=1 or 3*

*If the respondent has self employed income*

***<Name> Did you receive any other income from this business for personal use over that period (e.g. royalties, rental income from business properties or equipment that was not included in the amounts already stated)?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Oth\_Incamt (Other income amount)**

*Ask if Oth\_s\_Inc=1*

*If the respondent received other income from the business*

***What was the value of this other income (before tax and social insurance payments)?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Oth\_Inctax (Tax paid on other income)**

*Ask if Oth\_s\_Inc=1*

*If the respondent received other income from the business*

***How much tax and social insurance did you pay on this other income?***

***Interviewer. If the tax and social insurance amount in relation to this income was included in a tax and social insurance figure already given (e.g. in self-employed tax details), please enter 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

**END OF SELF EMPLOYED BLOCK OF QUESTIONS**

- **Tax\_Refund (Tax refund)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=1,2,3 or 4*

*If the respondent received any employment income in the past 12 months*

***Have you had any income tax directly refunded to you by the Revenue Commissioners during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Tax\_r\_Amt (Amount received in tax refund)**

*Ask if Tax\_Refund=1*

*If the respondent received a tax rebate in the past 12 months*

***How much was refunded?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Cap\_Tax (Capital gains tax)**

*Ask if Calc>20*

*If the respondent is 21 years or over.*

***Have you paid any capital gains tax to the Revenue Commissioners during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Capital Gains Tax (CGT) is chargeable on gains arising on the disposal of assets, other than that part of a gain which arose in the period prior to 6 April 1974. Any form of property including an interest in property (as, for example, a lease) is an asset for CGT purposes.

- **Cap\_t\_Amt (Amount paid in capital gains tax)**

*Ask if Cap\_Tax=1*

*If the respondent paid capital gains tax*

***What was the amount paid?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Occ\_Work (Occasional additional work)**

*Ask if Income\_Typ=1,2,3 or 4*

*If the respondent received any employment income in the past 12 months*

***Income from occasional work***

***Have you at any time during the past 12 months made any further money or profit from occasional work (e.g. grinds)?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: This question is asked of all respondents who have said that they had employment income in the last 12 months. An example of occasional work is a farmer who does some contract machinery work, or a teacher who gives grinds. In a PAYE situation where the person has a second job the values for second job should have been collected earlier and the value for **Sec\_Job** should have been 1.

• **Occ\_Inc (Amount received for occasional work)**

*Ask if Occ\_Work=1*

*If the respondent received income from 'Occasional work'*

***What was the income received for this 'Occasional work' (before tax and social insurance)?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

• **Occ\_i\_Tax (Tax paid on occasional work)**

*Ask if Occ\_Work=1*

*If the respondent received income from 'Occasional work'*

***How much tax and social insurance was paid on this amount in the last 12 months?***

***Interviewer. If the tax and social insurance amount in relation to this income was included in a tax and social insurance figure already given (e.g. in self-employed tax details), please enter 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

Note: In the majority of cases the respondent will be unable to give you a value for this variable. If the respondent hasn't declared (to Revenue) the income made from 'Occasional work' then insert a 0 value for **Occ\_I\_Tax**.

• **Rent\_Incm (Rental income)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

*Did you receive any income in the last 12 months from the rental of property or non-farming land?*

***INTERVIEWER:*** *If self-employed please disregard rental of business properties.*

1. Yes
2. No

Note: If the respondent rented out farmland then this should have been captured under **Land\_Let**. If the respondent let out property which was part of a self-employed business enterprise, then this should have been captured under **Oth\_s\_Inc**. This variable refers to rental income received from property that was not part of the respondents business.

- **Rent\_i\_Amt (Amount received in rental income)**

*Ask if Rent\_Incm=1*

*If the respondent has rental income*

*How much did you receive in the last 12 months after deducting allowable expenses and mortgage interest repayments?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99.*

Note: This variable proposes to measure income received from investment properties. The value may be different than that declared to Revenue as mortgage interest repayments on investment properties are not always an allowable expense for Revenue.

- **Rent\_i\_Tax (Tax paid on rental income)**

*Ask if Rent\_Incm=1*

*If the respondent has rental income*

*How much tax was paid on this amount in the last 12 months?*

*Interviewer. If the tax amount in relation to this income was included in a tax figure already given (e.g. in self-employed tax details). Please enter 0.*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99.*

- **Per\_Allow (Personal allowances)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

*<Name>In the last 12 months have you given any personal allowances to or paid for the maintenance of children away from home, care for an elderly/disabled relative or payment to others (outside the household)?*

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Paying for an elderly relative in a nursing home is an example of **Per\_Allow**.

- **All\_Des**

*Ask if Per\_Allow=1*

***Please describe the payment (e.g. was the money paid as a cash gift, child support payment(s) etc)***

Enter a text of at most 60 characters

- **Per\_a\_Amt (Amount given in personal allowances)**

*Ask if Per\_Allow=1*

*If the respondent gave an allowance to or paid for the maintenance of somebody outside the household.*

***What was the total of these payments over the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.***

- **Allow\_Rec (Allowances received)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***In the last 12 months did you receive money from somebody out (e.g. friend, relative)?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: An example of an Allow\_Rec payment is that of elderly parents who receive a monthly cash transfer from one of their children (which may be used for heating bills / groceries etc). Another example would be the case of a third level student who receives a payment (allowance) from his/her parents.

- **AllR\_Des**

*Ask if Allow\_rec=1*

***Please describe (e.g. was the money received a cash gift, child support payment etc)***

Enter a text of at most 60 characters

- **All\_r\_Amt (Amount received in personal allowances)**

*Ask if Allow\_Rec=1*

*If the respondent received a regular allowance from somebody outside the household.*

***What was the amount received (before tax )?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Per\_a\_Tax (Tax paid on personal allowances)**

*Ask if Allow\_Rec=1*

*If the respondent received a regular allowance from somebody outside the household*

***How much tax and social insurance was paid on this amount in the last 12 months?***

***Interviewer. If the tax amount in relation to this income was included in a tax figure already given (e.g. in self-employment tax details), please enter 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Trusts2 (Trusts & Covenants)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Have you received any payments in the last 12 months from trusts or covenants?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: A covenant is a legal agreement. Covenants to permanently incapacitated adults are fully tax deductible. Covenants to a permanently incapacitated minor child are fully tax deductible if paid by a person other than a parent. Covenants to individuals aged 65 years or over and not incapacitated, subject to an overall limit of 5% of the covenantor's total income are also relieved.

- **Trusts\_Amt (Amount received in trusts & covenants)**

*Ask if Trusts2=1*

*If the respondent received a Trust or covenant payment*

***How much did you receive (before tax and social insurance)?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **Trusts\_Tax (Tax paid on trusts)**

*Ask if Trusts2=1*

*If the respondent received a Trust or covenant payment*

***How much tax did you pay on this amount?***

***Interviewer. If the tax amount in relation to this income was included in a tax figure already given (e.g. in self-employment tax details), please enter 0.***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals.***

- **Dividend**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Have you receive any dividend payment in the last 12 months?***

***Interviewer. Please disregard amounts under €100.***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: A dividend is a taxable payment declared by a company's board of directors and given to its shareholders out of the company's current or retained earnings. Dividends are usually given as cash, but they can also take the form of stock. Dividends provide an incentive to own stock in stable companies even if they are not experiencing much growth. Companies are not required to pay dividends. The companies that offer dividends are most often companies that have progressed beyond the growth phase, and no longer benefit sufficiently by reinvesting their profits, so they usually choose to pay them out to their shareholders.

- **Div\_Amt (Amount received in dividends)**

*Ask if Dividend =1*

*If the respondent received a dividend payment in the last 12 months*

***How much did you receive in the last 12 months in dividends?***

***If shares are held jointly, please give your share of the dividend received.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

Note: Dividends represent a share of profits paid to shareholders of a company.

- **SSIA (Special Savings Incentive Account)**

*Ask if Calc > 22*

*If respondent is 23 years or older.*

*If you are an SSIA holder, has your SSIA account matured?  
If the respondent is not an SSIA holder, please key 2.*

1. Yes
2. No
3. Does not have an SSIA account

Note: Only household member who are 23 or over will be in receipt of matured SSIA's (in order to open such an account the account holder had to be at least 18 years old)

The Minister for Finance introduced a new savings scheme in the Finance Act 2001. Its principal objective was to encourage regular savings by individuals. The main features of the scheme are as follows:

For every amount saved in the scheme, the Exchequer contributes to the individual saver's account an additional 25% of that amount.

Income or gains from the savings investment are taxed at 23% and this will be deducted by the participating financial institutions at the end of the five years.

The scheme commenced on 1 May 2001 and accounts had to be opened before 30 April 2002 to benefit. The Exchequer contribution applies for a five year period only.

Every individual, who is resident in the State and 18 years of age or over, could save in one of these accounts. This is so whether an individual is married/unmarried, employed/unemployed, or working outside the home/working in the home. Each individual is allowed only one account and on opening the account was required to supply his or her PPSN (personal public service number) to the financial institution concerned.

The maximum amount that an individual can lodge to an account in any one month is be €254, and the Exchequer's contribution to the account is €63.50 for each €254 lodged. The minimum amount which had to be saved by an individual in any one month, in the first year of an account was €12.70 (£10), though an individual could save up to €254 maximum in any month. After the first year an individual could save any amount in a month up to €254 over the remaining 4 year period.

Special saving incentive accounts are managed, on behalf of an individual saver, by a range of bodies such as banks, building societies, credit unions, life assurance companies and fund managers. Exchequer contributions to each account are sent directly to the account manager and added to the savings in the account. The Government does not operate or guarantee the

account or the return under them - this is a matter between an individual and an account manager. It is a matter for each individual to assess any level of risk they wish to undertake.

- **SSIA\_Type (Type of SSIA Account)**

*Ask if SSIA = 1*

*If the respondent's SSIA matured*

***What type of SSIA account did you hold?***

1. Variable or fixed-rate cash SSIA's
2. Equity based SSIA plan
3. Part cash part equity SSIA

- **SSIA\_AMT (Total amount of SSIA on Maturity)**

*Ask if SSIA = 1*

*If the respondent's SSIA matured*

***What was the total amount in your SSIA on maturity (i.e. Saved amount + profit + Government bonus)?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 30000.00***

- **Dep\_Acc (Deposit accounts)**

*Ask if Calc > 15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Did you receive interest from money invested in non-SSIA deposit/saving accounts in the last 12 months?***

***Please disregard amounts under €100***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Dep\_a\_Int (Interest received from deposit account investments)**

*Ask if Dep\_Acc = 1*

*If the respondent received an interest payment from an investment in a deposit account in the last 12 months*

***How much interest did you receive?***

***If account is held jointly, please give your share of the interest received.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Trusts1 (Other investments)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Did you receive any other interest/profit payment(s) in the last 12 months, from money invested (e.g. in Unit Trusts, Unit linked policies, With profit bonds/policies)?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Trust\_Int (Interest received from other investments)**

*Ask if Trust1 =1*

*If the respondent received any other interest payment in the last 12 months*

***How much interest/profit did you receive?***

***If account is held jointly, please give your share of the interest received.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Pen\_Cont (Pension on retirement)**

*Ask if Wrk\_stus=1 and Income typ =1 or*

*Ask if Wrk\_stus=1 and Income typ =4 or*

*Ask if Wrk\_stus=1 and Income typ in (2,3) and Wage\_Grs= 'don't know' and Wage\_net= 'don't know' or*

*Ask if Wrk\_stus=1 and Income typ in (2,3) and Wage\_Grs= 'refused' and Wage\_net= 'refused'*

*Ask if Wrk\_stus=1 and Income typ in (2,3) and Wage\_Grs=Wage\_Net*

*Ask if Wrk\_stus=1 and Income typ in (2,3) and Wage\_PenD=2*

*If the respondent is working and his/her income is from self-employed or farming positions*

*If the respondent is an employee and the question as to whether a pension deduction from his/her last wage was not asked*

*If the respondent said that there was no pension deducted at source from his/her last wage*

***When you retire, will you be personally be entitled to a pension?***

***I'm referring here specifically to a pension after you retire in addition to a Social Welfare old age pension.***

***Interviewer. If the only pension that the respondent will receive when he/she retires is a SOCIAL WELFARE pension, then please Code 2.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Pen\_C (Pension contributor)**

*Ask if Pen\_Cont=1 AND Income\_Typ = 2 or 3*

*Ask if Wage\_PenD=1*

*If the respondent will be entitled to a pension AND some or all employment income is from an employee position*

*If the respondent has pension deducted at source from his/her last wage/salary payment*

***In relation to the pension you will receive when you retire from your work, who makes contributions towards this pension?***

***INTERVIEWER: This question relates to pension contributions and NOT PRSI contributions.***

***If the pension is a non-contributory civil service pension please key 2.***

1. Respondent only
2. Employer
3. Both the employer and the respondent
4. Other
5. Pension relates to a position held in a previous employment.

Note: Many employers have a pension scheme for their employees where both the employer and the employee contribute to the scheme. Most schemes allow for Additional Voluntary Contributions (AVCs) which are a tax efficient means of increasing a person's pension on retirement. Employers who do not have a pension scheme with AVCs have to provide access to PRSAs Personal Retirement Savings Accounts.

PRSAs were introduced by the Pensions (Amendment) Act, 2002. A PRSA is an investment vehicle used for long term retirement provision by employees, self-employed, homemakers, carers, unemployed and any other category of person.

A PRSA is a contract between an individual and an authorised PRSA provider in the form of an investment account and the PRSA benefits will be determined by the contributions paid by and on behalf of the contributor and the investment return on those contributions.

- **Pen\_ContA (Monthly contribution to pension)**

*Ask if Pen\_Cont in (1, 3,4) AND Wage\_Grs= 'don't know' and Wage\_net= 'don't know'*

*Ask if Pen\_Cont in (1, 3,4) AND Wage\_Grs= 'refused' and Wage\_net= 'refused'*

*Ask if Pen\_Cont in (1, 3,4) AND Wage\_Grs=Wage\_Net*

*Ask if Pen\_Cont in (1, 3,4) AND Wage\_PenD=2*

*Ask if Pen\_Cont=1 AND Income\_Typ = 1 or 4*

*If the contributors to the pension are either (1) The respondent (2) The employer with the respondent (3) Other AND the respondent didn't know or refused to answer the gross and net employee income questions (therefore the respondent wasn't routed to the question Wage\_PenD i.e. the respondent wasn't asked whether he/she had a pension deduction at source from his/her last gross wage.)*

*If the respondent hadn't a pension deduction from his/her last wage BUT he/she is contributing to an occupational pension plan.*

*If the respondent income is self employed income and he/she will 'be entitled to a pension' when he/she retires.*

***How much is your monthly contribution towards this pension (Superannuation)?***

***Included here are AVCs & PRSA contributions***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

**• Income\_Prtct (Income Protection policy)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1*

*If the respondent is working.*

***Are you paying into an insurance policy (I'm referring here specifically to a private policy and not PRSI contributions) which would protect (or partly protect) your income or mortgage repayments in the case of illness/disability or unemployment?***

1. Yes
2. No

**• Prtct\_Amount (Monthly amount of protection policy contribution)**

*Ask if Income\_Prtct = 1*

*If the respondent paid into an income/mortgage protection policy.*

***How much is your monthly contribution to this policy?***

***Enter a numeric contribution value between 0.00 and 9999.99.***

- **Rec\_Prtct (Amount received from policy)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1*

*If the respondent paid into an income/mortgage protection policy.*

*How much have you received (if anything) from such a policy in the last 12 months?*

*Interviewer. If the respondent did not receive anything from such a policy in the last 12 months, please key 0.*

*Enter a numeric contribution value between 0.00 and 99999.99.*

## OCCUPATIONAL AND PRIVATE PENSION QUESTIONS

- **Ret\_Pension (Retirement pension)**

*Ask if Calc >39*

*If the respondent 40 years or over*

*Are you receiving a retirement pension from a former employment or (if applicable) your spouse's (or deceased spouse's) former employment?*

***INTERVIEWER: PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE STATE OLD PENSIONS (e.g. contributory or non-contributory old age pensions).***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Certain respondents will be in receipt of occupational pensions even though they are still working. Others may be in receipt of such a pension even if they never worked (pension from a deceased relative).

- **Former\_Pen (Pension from former employment)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus in( 2, 3) and 66 >Calc >40 and Wrk\_lstyr =1 and Ret\_Pension = 2*

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus in( 2, 3) and 66 >Calc >40 and Ever\_wrk =1 and Ret\_Pension = 2*

*If the respondent is not working (but worked in the past) and is over 40 years and under 66 yrs and is not in receipt of a retirement pension from a former employment.*

**Will you receive a retirement pension from your former employment?**

1. Yes
2. No

- **State\_Pen (State pension)**

*Ask if Ret\_Pension =1*

*If the respondent is receiving an employment pension*

***Does this pension relate to a position held in the***

1. Public sector?
2. Private sector?
3. Both Public and Private Sectors?
4. Other?

- **Ret\_Yrs (Years making pension contributions)**

*Ask if Ret\_Pension = 1*

*If the respondent is receiving an employment pension*

***In relation to the retirement pension you are receiving, for how many years were contributions made into the pension scheme?***

***Interviewer. If the pension relates to a position held by a deceased relative then please insert the number of years the deceased relative was paying into the pension scheme.***

***If the pension is a civil service pension please key the number of years the respondent was employed in the civil service.***

***If the interviewee is in receipt of 2 pensions this question relates to the pension with the greater value.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 80***

- **Ret\_YrsA**

*Ask if State\_Pen=3*

***How many years were contributions made into your other pension?***

***Interviewer***

***If the pension was a non-contributory civil service pension please key the number of years the respondent was employed in the civil service.***

- **Ret\_Occ (Past job(s) from which the respondent is receiving a pension)**

*Ask if Ret\_Pension = 1*

*If respondent is receiving an employment pension*

***<Name> From what job(s) are you receiving the retirement pension(s)?***

***Interviewer. Please insert the occupation to which the pension relates, if the pension relates to a position held by a deceased relative then please state this.***

Note: This question is asked because the occupation from which the respondent is receiving the pension may be different from the occupation given by the respondent in response to the variable **Occup** i.e.

***What is (was) your occupation in this job?***

***(What do (did) you mainly do in the business/organisation?)***

***Please enter as full a description as possible.***

- **Ret\_Period (Period of last pension payment)**

*Ask if Ret\_Pension = 1*

*If respondent is receiving an employment pension*

***How long a period did your last pension payment cover?***

*Interviewer. If the respondent has 2 non-social welfare retirement pensions, this refers to the pension with the greatest value.*

1. Day
2. Week
3. Fortnight
4. Four Week Period
5. Month
6. Quarter
7. Other

- **Week\_pens**

*Ask if Ret\_Pension=1*

*For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive this pension?*

Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52

- **NetPen\_Amt (Pension payment after tax)**

*Ask if Ret\_Pension = 1*

*If respondent is receiving an employment pension*

*What was the amount of this pension payment after deducting tax (if applicable)?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.*

- **State\_Val (Amount received from state pension)**

*Ask if State\_Pen=1*

*If pension comes from a position once held in the public sector*

*What was the total amount (before tax) of the Pension from public sector employment in the last 12 months?*

*Interviewer. Interviewer please consult a P60 (if available) as the total gross amount should be specified on the P60.*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.*

- **Ppen\_Val (Amount received from private sector pension)**

*Ask if State\_Pen=2*

*If pension comes from a position once held in the private sector*

*What was the total amount (before tax) of the Pension from private sector employment in the last 12 months?*

***Interviewer. Interviewer please consult a P60 (if available) as the total gross amount should be specified on the P60.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.***

- **Oth\_e\_Val (Pension from other employment)**

*Ask if State\_Pen=4*

*If pension comes from a position once held in other employment*

***What was the total amount (before tax) of this employment pension in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals.***

- **Pension\_Tax (Tax paid on retirement pension)**

*Ask if State\_Val>0 or Ask if Oth\_e\_Val>0 or Ask if Ppen\_Val>0 or*

*Ask if State\_Val>0 AND Ppen\_Val>0.*

*If the value for any of the categories of retirement pension >0.*

***What was the total tax paid on this (these) employment pensions in the last 12 months?***

***Interviewer. If the tax amount in relation to this income was included in a tax figure already given (e.g. in self-employed tax details), please enter 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Priv\_Pen (Private pension)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***<Name> Income from private pension scheme***

***Have you received any income in the last 12 months from a private pension scheme? By this I mean a pension scheme fully organised and paid for by yourself or by a deceased spouse/relative.***

***Please do not include payments from private insurance policies that cover out of work periods due to illness and also exclude capital accumulating life assurance schemes that pay a lump sum on maturity.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Priv\_p\_Amt (Amount received in private pensions)**

*Ask if Priv\_Pen =1*

*If the respondent received money from a private pension*

***What was the total amount received (before tax) in the last 12 months?  
Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Priv\_p\_Tax**

*Ask if Priv\_Pen =1*

*If the respondent received money from a private pension*

***How much tax was paid on this amount in the last 12 months?***

***Interviewer. If the tax amount in relation to this income was included in a tax figure already given (e.g. in self-employed tax details), please enter 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99.***

**END OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PRIVATE PENSION QUESTIONS**

- **Trade\_Un (Trade union payment)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Type =1,2,4 or*

*Ask if Wrk\_Lstyr=1 AND Past\_Wrk =1,2,4*

*If the respondent works or worked in the last year and the work status was categorised as employee, Community employment scheme or in an apprenticeship*

***Have you at any time during the last 12 months received a trade union sick or strike payment?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Trade\_Val (Amount received in trade union payment)**

*Ask if Trade\_Un=1*

*If the respondent received a trade union payment*

***What was the amount you received in the last 12 months from your trade union?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.***

- **Ret\_Grat (Retirement gratuity)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus =2,3 AND 70>Calc >40 and Wrk\_Lstyr=1*

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1 AND Calc>40*

*If the respondent is not working and is between 40 and 70 and worked in the last year*

*If the respondent is over 40 and working*

***Have you received a retirement gratuity payment in the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Ret\_g\_Amt (Amount received in retirement gratuity)**

*Ask if Ret\_Grat=1*

*If the respondent received a retirement gratuity*

***How much did you receive?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

- **Years\_w\_Em (Years with employer)**

*Ask if Ret\_Grat=1*

*If the respondent received a retirement gratuity*

***How many years did you work with that employer?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 65***

- **Redundancy**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1*

*Or Wrk\_Lstyr=1*

*If the respondent is working or worked in the last year*

***Have you received a redundancy gratuity within the last 12 months?***

1. Yes

2. No

Note: redundancy is asked even if the respondent didn't change jobs in the last 12 months as in certain cases redundancy lump sums can be paid over a number of years in order to minimise the tax liability on these payments.

- **Time\_w\_Emp (Time with employer)**

*Ask if Redundancy=1*

*If the respondent received a redundancy payment*

***How many years did you work with that employer?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 65***

- **Redund\_Amt (Redundancy amount)**

*Ask if Redundancy=1*

*If the respondent received a redundancy payment*

***How much did you receive (before tax)?***

***Enter a number of at most 10 positions with 2 decimals***

- **Redund\_Tax (Tax paid on redundancy)**

*Ask if Redundancy=1*

*If the respondent received a redundancy payment*

***How much tax did you pay on this amount?***

***Interviewer. If the tax amount in relation to this income was included in a tax figure already given (e.g. in self-employed tax details), please enter 0.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

## PPS NO AND SOCIAL WELFARE QUESTIONS

- **PPS\_SW (Personal Public Services Number)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If respondent is 16 years or over*

*<Name> PPS No and Social Welfare payments*

*If you will give me your Personal Public Service Number (PPS No) questions relating to payments you may have received from the Department of Social and Family Affairs (e.g. child benefit, unemployment payments, payments relating to old age) will be avoided.*

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Part IV of the Statistics Act empowers the CSO to access records from public authorities. See extract from the relevant part of the Statistics Act below

### **PART IV USE OF RECORDS OF PUBLIC AUTHORITIES FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES.**

For the purpose of assisting the Office in the exercise of its functions under this Act, the Director General may by delivery of a notice request any public authority to (a) allow officers of statistics at all reasonable times to have access to, inspect and take copies of or extracts from any records in its charge, and (b) provide the Office, if any such officer so requires, with copies of extracts from any such record, and the public authority shall, subject to subsection (2) of this section, comply with any such request free of charge. Subsection (1) of this section (a) shall not apply to records pertaining to a Court, the Garda Síochána, the prison administration or the Ombudsman or any of his officers; (b) shall apply to medical records which are not publicly available only with the agreement of the Minister for Health.

- **PPS\_No\_1 (Respondents PPS No)**

*Ask if PPS\_SW=1*

*If the respondent agrees to give the PPS\_No*

***INTERVIEWER: Please enter the PPS Number for <Name>.***

Note: The first 7 characters in a PPS No are a 7 digit number. These numbers are allocated sequentially and have no internal meaning. Character 8 is a Modulus 23 check character in the range A-W. The check character is calculated based on the contents of the first 7 digits of the number. The

calculation can be performed when the number is input to validate that the number has been correctly entered. This means that if the respondent gives you an invalid PPS No a hard warning will let you know that the PPS number entered is invalid. If a valid PPS No is inserted then most questions relating to payments from The Department of Social and family Affairs will be skipped.

- **Job\_Inc (Part-Time job incentive scheme)**

*Ask if PPS\_SW = 2 and Wrk\_Time = 2 and Wrk\_Type = 1*

*If respondent is an employee working part-time and if the PPS No. was not collected.*

***Are you participating in the Part-time Job Incentive (PTJI) Scheme?***

1. Yes
2. No

**Note: Description of Scheme**

The Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme is a scheme which allows persons who are long-term unemployed to take up part-time employment for up to 24 hours per week and receive a special weekly income supplement called the Part-Time Job Allowance. Participants in this scheme are expected however to continue to make efforts to find full-time work.

- **Inc\_Wk (Weeks on PTJI Scheme)**

*Ask if Job\_Incent = 1*

*If respondent is participating in PTJI scheme.*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive an allowance under this scheme?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52.***

- **Inc\_Amt (Weekly amount received on PTJI scheme)**

*Ask if Inc\_Wk > 0.*

*If respondent is participating in PTJI scheme.*

***What was the weekly amount you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99.***

- **Unemploy (Unemployment Benefit/Assistance)**

*Ask if 66 > CALC > 15 and PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is aged between 16 and 64 and didn't give the interviewer his/her PPS No*

*<Name>Unemployment Benefits / Assistance*

*Have you received an unemployment benefit payment or an unemployment assistance payment (or both) from the Department of Social and Family Affairs at any time during the last 12 months?*

1. Yes
2. No

Note: To qualify for unemployment benefit the respondent must have at least 39 weeks PRSI paid since he/she first started work and 39 weeks PRSI paid in the relevant tax year. To qualify for unemployment assistance the respondent has to satisfy a means test, this may entail an interview with a social welfare inspector.

- **Unemp\_Benw (Weeks on unemployment benefit)**

*Ask if Unemploy=1*

*If respondent received unemployment benefit or assistance*

*For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive Unemployment Benefit?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52*

- **Unemp\_Bval (Amount received in Unemployment benefit)**

*Ask if Unemp\_Ben>0*

*If the respondent received at least 1 weeks unemployment benefit*

*What was the weekly amount of Unemployment Benefit you received during the last 12 months*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99*

- **Unemp\_Ass (Weeks on unemployment assistance)**

*Ask if Unemploy=1*

*If respondent received unemployment benefit or assistance*

*For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive Unemployment Assistance?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52*

- **Unemp\_Aval (Amount received in Unemployment assistance)**

*Ask if Unemp\_Ass>0*

*If the respondent received at least 1 weeks unemployment assistance*

***What was the weekly amount of Unemployment Assistance you received during the last 12 months***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

- **Back\_WA (Back to work allowance)**

*Ask if Calc<66 AND Left\_Ed = "Don't know" or Left\_Ed>1 or Left\_Ed="Refused" AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent has left education (or refused to answer as to whether he/she left education) and refused to give the PPS No.*

***Have you received any of the following payments from the Department of Social and Family Affairs during the last 12 months***

***Back to Work Allowance***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: There are 2 type of Back to Work schemes, 1 for employees and the other to encourage unemployed people to become self-employed. Under these schemes an individual can keep a certain percentage of their social welfare payments over a given period (3 –4 years) and they can also keep secondary benefits (provided their household income remains under a specified amount). Secondary benefits include Fuel allowances and the Medical card.

- **Back\_Wk\_WA (Weeks received work allowance)**

*Ask if Back\_WA =1*

*If Respondent received Back to Work Allowance*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive Back to Work Allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Back\_Val\_WA (Weekly amount received in Back to Work allowance)**

*Ask if Back\_WA=1*

*If Respondent received Back to Work Allowance*

***What was the weekly amount of Back to Work Allowance you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

- **Back\_WE (Back to Work Enterprise Allowance)**

*Ask if Calc<66 AND Left\_Ed = "Don't know" or Left\_Ed>1 or Left\_Ed="Refused" AND PPS\_SW =2*

*If the respondent has left education (or refused to answer as to whether he/she left education) and didn't give the PPS No.*

***Back to Work Enterprise Allowance?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Back\_Wk\_WE (Number of weeks on Back to Work Enterprise Allowance)**

*Ask if Back\_We =1*

*If Respondent received Back to Work Enterprise Allowance*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive Back to Work Enterprise Allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Back\_Val\_WE (Weekly amount received in Back to Work Enterprise Allowance)**

*Ask if Back\_WE=1*

*If Respondent received Back to Work Enterprise Allowance*

***What was the weekly amount of Back to Work Enterprise Allowance you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

- **Back\_EA (Back to Education Allowance)**

*Ask if Calc<66 AND Left\_Ed = "Don't know" or Left\_Ed>1 or Left\_Ed="Refused" AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent had a break in education (or refused to answer as to whether he/she left education) and refused to give the PPS No.*

***Back to Education Allowance?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note:

If you live in Ireland and are unemployed, a single parent or have a disability, you may be able to pursue approved second-or third-level education courses through the Back to Education Allowance scheme. Participants in the scheme receive a standard rate of payment that is not means tested. The allowance is payable for the duration of the course, (**excluding the summer holiday periods**) and any maintenance grant you may receive will not affect your payment. If you are unable to secure employment during the summer months, you may be able to apply for Unemployment Benefit or Unemployment Assistance

Respondents who are have never left full time education are not routed to this question ( i.e. if Left\_Ed =1, then this question is not asked). To qualify for BTEA a respondent must be in receipt of Unemployment benefit or assistance or a One-Parent family Payment or Blind Person's pension or Disability Allowance for at least 6 months

- **Back\_Wk\_EA (Weeks on Back to education allowance)**

*Ask if Back\_EA =1*

*If the respondent received a Back to Education Allowance*

*For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive Back to Education Allowance?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52*

- **Back\_Val\_EA (Weekly amount received on Back to education allowance)**

*Ask if Back\_EA=1*

*If the respondent received a Back to Education Allowance*

*What was the weekly amount of Back to Education Allowance you received during the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99*

- **Ill\_Injury (Illness/Injury payments)**

*Ask if Calc>15 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and refused to give his/her PPS No*

*<Name> Illness, incapacitation or occupational injury payment*

*Have you received any payment from the Department of Social and Family Affairs or from a Health Service Executive (HSE) at any time during the last 12 months, that related to illness, incapacitation (including blindness) or*

*occupational injury (including occupational injuries or death (due to work accident or occupational disease) of a spouse, parent or child)?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **IllPay\_YB (Disability benefit)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months*

*<Name> From which of the following schemes did you get a payment Disability benefit?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wk\_Ill\_YB (Weeks in receipt of disability benefit)**

*Ask if IllPay\_YB=1*

*If the respondent received a Disability benefit*

*For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Disability benefit?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52*

- **Amt\_Ill\_YB (Weekly value of disability benefit)**

*Ask if IllPay\_YB=1*

*If the respondent received a Disability benefit*

*What was the weekly amount of the Disability you received during the last 12 months*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99*

Note:

Disability Benefit is a payment made by the Department of Social and Family Affairs to those in Ireland who are aged under 66 and incapable of work because of illness and **have enough social insurance contributions**. In general in Ireland, there is no existing employment legislation on the issue of sick pay or sick leave. This means that if you are on sick leave from employment (either with a medical certificate or not) you are **not automatically entitled** to pay from employment. Instead, it is at the discretion of the employer to decide

his/her own policy on sick pay and sick leave, subject to your contract or terms of employment

**If you are not entitled to pay for sick leave**

If there is no entitlement in your terms and conditions of employment to pay during sick leave, you may apply for Disability Benefit if you have enough social insurance contributions

**If you are entitled to pay for sick leave**

Where there is an entitlement in your contract of employment to sick pay, your employer will probably require you to sign over any Disability Benefit payment from the Department of Social and Family Affairs to the employer for as long as the sick pay continues.

• **IllPay\_DA (Disability allowance)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months*

***Disability Allowance?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Wk\_Ill\_DA (Weeks on disability allowance)**

*Ask if IllPay\_DA=1*

*If the respondent received a Disability Allowance*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Disability Allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

• **Amt\_Ill\_DA (Weekly value of disability allowance)**

*Ask if IllPay\_DA=1*

*If the respondent received a Disability Allowance*

***What was the weekly amount of the Disability Allowance you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99.***

Note: Disability Allowance is a weekly allowance paid to people with a disability in Ireland that are aged 16 or over and under age 66. The disability

must be expected to last for at least one year and the allowance is subject to both medical suitability and a means test.

- **IllPay\_BP (Blind payment)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months.*

***Blind person's pension?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wk\_Ill\_BP (Weeks in receipt of blind payment)**

*Ask if IllPay\_BP=1*

*If the respondent received a Blind pension*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Blind person's pension?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Amt\_Ill\_BP (Weekly value of blind payment)**

*Ask if IllPay\_BP=1*

*If the respondent received a Blind pension*

***What was the weekly amount of the Blind person's pension you received during the last 12 months***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99.***

Note: Blind person's pension is payable to blind people and those with low vision. The person is required to undergo an eye test. This pension is means tested.

- **IllPay\_IP (Invalidity pension)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months*

***Invalidity pension?***

1. Yes

2. No

- **Wk\_Ill\_IP (Weeks in receipt of invalidity pension)**

*Ask if IllPay\_IP=1*

*If the respondent received an Invalidity pension*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Invalidity pension?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Amt\_Ill\_IP (Weekly value of invalidity pension)**

*Ask if IllPay\_IP=1*

*If the respondent received an Invalidity pension*

***What was the weekly amount of the Invalidity pension you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note:

Invalidity Pension is a social insurance payment made to people in Ireland who have been incapable of work and receiving Disability Benefit for at least twelve months before the date of their claim. (This applies to those who will continue to be incapable of work for at least a further twelve months). It may be possible to go onto Invalidity Pension after a shorter period if the illness or disability is of such a nature that you are unlikely to be able to work for the rest of your life. At age 65, the rate of payment increases to the same rate as Retirement Pension. Invalidity Pension is taxable. You are entitled to a Free Travel Pass if you are receiving an Invalidity Pension. You may also be entitled to the Household Benefits Package (i.e. The Electricity Allowance The Natural Gas Allowance The Electricity (Group Account) Allowance The Bottled Gas Refill Allowance The Telephone Allowance The Free Television Licence).

### **Rules**

You must have at least 260 (i.e. 5 years) paid contributions since entering insurance and at least 48 contributions paid or credited in the last complete tax year before the date of your claim. You may be allowed to do rehabilitative type work (max. 20 hours per week) and retain your Invalidity Pension. You must get prior written approval from the Department.

- **IllPay\_IB (Injury benefit)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months*

***Injury Benefit?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wk\_Ill\_IB (Weeks on injury benefit)**

*Ask if IllPay\_IB=1*

*If the respondent received an injury benefit*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Injury benefit?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Amt\_Ill\_IB (Weekly value of injury benefit)**

*Ask if IllPay\_IB=1*

*If the respondent received an injury benefit*

***What was the weekly amount of the Injury benefit you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Injury Benefit is one of the benefits available under the Occupational Injuries Scheme.

It is a weekly payment made if somebody is unfit for work due to an accident at work or because he/she contracted a disease due to the type of work they do. An occupational disease is a disease that one contracts in the course of his/her work, for example, from contact with physical or chemical agents. Diseases from an occupation are generally contracted over time but may occasionally develop from a once-off accident at work.

- **IllPay\_DB (Disablement benefit)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months*

***Disablement benefit?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wk\_Ill\_DB (Weeks in receipt of disablement benefit)**

*Ask if IllPay\_DB=1*

*If the respondent received a disablement benefit*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you Disablement Benefit?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **AmtIII\_DB (Weekly value of disablement benefit)**

*Ask if IllPay\_DB=1*

*If the respondent received a disablement benefit*

***What was the weekly amount of the Disablement benefit you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

**Note: Description of Scheme**

Disablement Benefit is a payment under the Occupational Injuries Scheme which is payable to an insured person who suffers a loss of physical or mental faculty as a result of an occupational accident or a prescribed occupational disease. Disablement Benefit may be paid as a once off gratuity or in the form of a Disablement Pension.

The Scheme was introduced on 1 May 1967. However, cover for commuter accidents commenced on 27 March 1986 and cover for Gardai commenced on 6 April 1989.

- **IllPay\_PI (Constant Attendance Allowance)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months*

***Constant attendance allowance?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wk\_Ill\_PI (Weeks in receipt of constant attendance allowance)**

*Ask if IllPay\_PI=1*

*If the respondent received a constant attendance allowance*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Constant attendance allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Amt\_Ill\_PI (Weekly value of constant attendance allowance)**

*Ask if IllPay\_YB=1*

*If the respondent received a constant attendance allowance*

***What was the weekly amount of the Constant attendance allowance you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Constant attendance allowance is paid weekly if a respondent is so seriously disabled as to need someone to help him/her at home.

• **IllPay\_DP (Dependent parents pension)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months*

***Dependent parent(s) pension?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Wk\_Ill\_DP (Weeks in receipt of dependent parents pension)**

*Ask if IllPay\_DP=1*

*If the respondent received a Dependent parent(s) pension*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Dependent parent(s) pension?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

• **Amt\_Ill\_DP (Weekly value of Dependent parents pension)**

*Ask if IllPay\_DP=1*

*If the respondent received a Dependent parent(s) pension*

***What was the weekly amount of the Dependent parent(s) pension you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note:

If you were wholly or mainly dependent on your child for financial support, you may be entitled to a Dependent Parent's Pension if they die a work-related death or while receiving Disablement Pension. This pension may be significantly reduced if your deceased child was married.

You may also be entitled to other benefits or to a Bereavement Grant. You may be entitled to a Fuel Allowance. If you are aged 66 or over you are entitled to Free Travel. You may also qualify for Household Benefits Package (see under

**Amt\_Ill\_IP** for a description of this package) or a Medical Card (from your local HSE).

If a person dies as a result of an accident at work or occupational disease or if he/she was getting a disablement pension, a pension may be paid to each parent. To qualify the parent must have been wholly or mainly maintained by the deceased.

- **IllPay\_IM (Infectious diseases maintenance allowance)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months*

***Infectious diseases maintenance allowance?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Wk\_Ill\_IM (Weekly in receipt of Infectious diseases maintenance allowance)**

*Ask if IllPay\_IM=1*

*If the respondent received an Infectious diseases maintenance allowance*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Infectious diseases maintenance allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Amt\_Ill\_IM (Weekly value of Infectious diseases maintenance allowance)**

*Ask if IllPay\_IM=1*

*If the respondent received an Infectious diseases maintenance allowance*

***What was the weekly amount of the Infectious diseases maintenance allowance you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Infectious disease maintenance allowances are paid by the Health Service Executive (HSE) to certain people with infectious diseases who are under a certain income threshold.

Examples of infectious diseases that qualify a person for an 'Infectious disease maintenance allowances' are as follows.

Acute anterior poliomyelitis Diphtheria

Dysentery Salmonellosis

Tuberculosis Typhoid and paratyphoid fevers

Typhus and viral haemorrhagic diseases (including lassa fever and marburg disease).

- **Med\_Carea (Medical care)**

*Ask if Ill\_Injury=1*

*If the respondent received an 'Injury, incapacitation payment' from the DSFA in the last 12 months*

***Have you received a Medical care payment from the Department of Social and Family Affairs at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Med\_Careval (amount received in Medical care)**

*Ask if Med\_Care=1*

*If the respondent received a Medical care payment*

***What was the amount of the medical care payment (s) you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 9999.99***

Note: If the respondent was injured at work or contracted an occupational disease, he/she can claim for the cost of certain expenses which are not paid by the Health Service Executive (HSE).

- **Maternity (Maternity benefit)**

*Ask if Calc<46 AND Sex=2 AND Under\_23=1 or 'don't know' AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is female aged less than 46 didn't give her PPS No and there is a household member(s) under 23*

***Have you received Maternity Benefit at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Mat\_Weeks (Number of weeks in receipt of maternity benefit)**

*Ask if Maternity=1*

*Ask if IllPay\_IM=1*

*If the respondent received a maternity benefit*

***For how many weeks in the last 12 months did you receive maternity benefit?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Mat\_Amt (Weekly value of maternity benefit)**

*Ask if Maternity =1*

*If the respondent received a maternity benefit*

***What was the weekly amount of the Maternity benefit payment you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Maternity benefit is a payment to employee or self-employed women that satisfy certain PRSI conditions.

- **Adopt (Adoptive benefit)**

*Ask if Calc>25 and Calc <46 AND Under\_23=1 or 'Don't know' AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is between 25 and 46, there is a household member(s) under 23 and the household member didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received adoptive benefit at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Adopt\_Weeks (Weeks in receipt of adoptive benefit)**

*Ask if Adopt=1*

*If the respondent received Adoptive Benefit*

***For how many weeks in the last 12 months did you receive Adoptive benefit?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Adopt\_Amt (Weekly value of adoptive benefit)**

*Ask if Adopt =1*

*If the respondent received Adoptive Benefit*

***What was the weekly amount of the Adoptive benefit payment you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Adoptive benefit is a payment for an adopting mother or a single male who adopts a child. It is available to both employees and the self-employed that satisfy certain PRSI conditions.

- **Hlth\_Sfty (Health & Safety)**

*Ask if Calc <46 and Sex=2 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is female under 46 and didn't give her PPS No*

***Have you received a Health and Safety benefit payment at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Hlth\_Sfwks (Weeks in receipt of health and safety)**

*Ask if Hlth\_Sfty=1*

*If the respondent received health & safety payment*

***For how many weeks in the last 12 months did you receive Health and Safety benefit?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Hlth\_Samt (Weekly value of health & safety)**

*Ask if Hlth\_Sfty =1*

*If the respondent received health & safety payment*

***What was the weekly amount of the health and Safety benefit payment you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Health and benefit is a payment for employed women if they are pregnant, have recently had a baby or are breastfeeding and cannot continue at their employment because of a risk to their health and safety.

- **Child\_Ben (Child benefit)**

*Ask if Calc>15 AND No\_Pers >1 AND Under\_23=1 or 'Don't know' AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If respondent is 16 years or over, there is more than 1 household member at least one of which is under 23 and the respondent didn't give his/her PPS No*

*<Name> Child benefit payments*

*Have you received child benefit payments (formerly children's allowance) at any time during the last 12 months?*

*INTERVIEWER: Child benefit is normally paid to the child's mother or step mother, if the child does not live with the mother or stepmother then Child benefit may be paid to the child's father or stepfather. Be careful, not to double count Child benefit.*

1. Yes
2. No

• **Child\_Bno (Number of qualifying children for child benefit)**

*Ask if Child\_Ben=1*

*If the respondent received Child Benefit*

*For how many children did you receive this payment?*

*Enter a numeric value between 1 and 20*

• **Child\_Bmth (Child benefit payments received for each of last 12 months for all qualifying children)**

*Ask if Child\_Ben=1*

*If the respondent received Child Benefit*

*Did you receive child benefit payment for the child (children) for every month during the last 12 months?*

1. Yes
2. No

• **Child\_Btot (Number of monthly child benefit payments received)**

*Ask if Child\_Bmth=2*

*If the respondent didn't receive payment in respect of the child or children for the last 12 months*

*What was the total number of monthly child benefit payments you received during the last 12 months?*

*INTERVIEWER: If child benefit was received for 2 children during the last 12 months, if the benefit was received for 1 child for 12 months and for 6 months for the other child, then the total number of monthly child benefits received was 18.*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 200*

Note: Child benefit is paid for each qualified child. There are no PRSI conditions or means test. Child benefit can be received in respect of children aged 16,17 or 18 in full-time education or physically or mentally disabled

- **Orphansa (Orphans allowance)**

*Ask if Calc>15 AND No\_Pers >1 AND Under\_23=1 or 'Don't know' AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is over 15 and there is more than 1 person in the household*

*Have you received an Orphan's allowance or pension at any time during the last 12 months?*

*INTERVIEWER: Be careful, not to double count Orphan's allowance or pension.*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Orph\_Weeks (Weeks in receipt of orphans allowance)**

*Ask if Orphans=1*

*If the respondent received an Orphan's allowance*

*For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the payment?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52*

- **Orph\_Amt (Weekly value of orphans allowance)**

*Ask if Orphans =1*

*If the respondent received an Orphan's allowance*

*What was the weekly amount of Orphan's pension / allowance you received during the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99*

Note: Orphan's Allowance / pension are normally paid to the guardian of the orphan. The Allowance is a contributory payment in that there is a PRSI contribution condition. The pension is Non-Contributory.

- **Back\_School (Back to school clothing and footwear allowance)**

*Ask if Calc>15 AND Under\_23=1 AND No\_Pers >1 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is over 15, there is a household member(s) under 23 AND the respondent didn't give his/her PPS No*

*Have you received a Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance in the last 12 months?*

*INTERVIEWER: Be careful not to double count Back to School clothing and footwear allowance*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Two\_Eleven (Children in 2-11 year age bracket)**

*Ask if Back\_School =1*

*If respondent received a Back to School Allowance*

*For how many children in the 2-11 year age group did you receive the allowance?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9*

- **Twelve\_Two (Children in twelve to twenty two age bracket)**

*Ask if Back\_School =1*

*If respondent received a Back to School Allowance*

*For how many children in the 12-22 year age group did you receive the allowance?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9*

Note: This allowance helps towards the cost of children's school uniforms and footwear. There are 2 rates of payments, one for children aged 2 to 11 and the other for children aged 12 to 22. This is why the questions are asked in the format above.

- **FIS (family income supplement)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1 AND No\_Pers >1 AND Under 23=1 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*Or Ask if Wrk\_Lstyr=1 AND No\_Pers>1 AND Under 23=1AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is working, there is more than 1 household member at least one of which is Under 23 and the respondent didn't give his/her PPS No*

*If the respondent is not working but worked in the last year, there is more than 1 household member at least one of which is Under 23 and the respondent didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received Family Income supplement at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Fis\_Weeks (Weeks in receipt of family income supplement)**

*Ask if Fis =1*

*If the respondent received FIS*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive family income supplement?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

• **Fis\_Amt (Weekly value of Family Income Supplement)**

*Ask if Fis =1*

*If the respondent received FIS*

***What was the weekly amount of Family Income Supplement you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

**Note: What is Family Income Supplement?**

Family Income Supplement (FIS) is a weekly tax-free payment for families, including one-parent families, at work on low pay.

To qualify one needs to meet **all** the following conditions:

- an employee in paid full-time employment which is expected to last for 3 months,
- work at least 19 hours every week, or 38 hours every fortnight,
- have at least one qualified child who normally lives with you and/or is supported by you. A qualified child is any child under age 18 or aged 18 to 22 if in full-time education,
- average weekly family income is below an amount specified for the family size.

• **Swaa (Supplementary Welfare allowance)**

*Ask if Wrk\_Stus=1 or 2 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*Or Ask if Notw\_Type =1,2,4 or 5 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is working or unemployed and didn't give his/her PPS No*

*If the respondent is 'Not working' (excluding those in full-time education) and didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received Supplementary Welfare Allowance (through your Community Welfare Officer) at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Swa\_Weeks (Weeks in receipt of SWA)**

*Ask if Swa =1*

*If the respondent received SWA*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive Supplementary Welfare Allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Swa\_Amt (Weekly value of SWA)**

*Ask if Swa =1*

*If the respondent received SWA*

***What was the weekly amount of Supplementary Welfare Allowance you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Supplementary Welfare Allowance provides a basic weekly allowance as a right to eligible people who have little or no income.

People with low incomes may also qualify for a weekly supplement under the Scheme to meet certain special needs. In addition, payments can also be made in respect of urgent or exceptional needs.

- **Spec\_Diet (Special diet/heating supplement)**

*Ask if Calc>15 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received supplements for special heating or dietary needs at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Spec\_Damt (Value of special diet/heating supplement)**

*Ask if Spec\_Diet=1*

*If the respondent receives a special diet or heating supplement*

***What was the total value of these supplements you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 9999.99***

- **Carers (Carer's allowance/ benefit)**

*Ask if Calc>17 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is 18 years or over and didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received Carer's Benefit or Carer's Allowance at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Carers\_Alwks (Weeks in receipt of carers allowance)**

*Ask if Carers=1*

*If the respondent received either a carer's benefit or carer's allowance*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive Carer's Allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Carers\_Alamt (Weekly value of carers allowance)**

*Ask if Carers\_Alwks>0*

*If the respondent received a Carer's Allowance (i.e. the number of week in receipt of a carer's allowance was >0)*

***What was the weekly amount of the Carer's Allowance you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

- **Carers\_Bewks (Weeks in receipt of carers benefit)**

*Ask if Carers=1*

*If the respondent received either a carer's benefit or carer's allowance*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive Carer's Benefit?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Carers\_Beamt (Weekly value of carers benefit)**

*Ask if Carers\_Bewks>0*

*If the respondent received a carer's benefit*

***What was the weekly amount of the Carer's Benefit you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Carer's Allowance is a means-tested payment for carers on low incomes who live with and look after certain people who need full-time care and attention. To qualify the person must be over 17 years and care for the person on a full-time basis.

Carer's Benefit was introduced in 2000, it is an insurance related i.e. not means tested scheme in that the Carer must satisfy certain PRSI conditions. Carer's benefit is available for a maximum of 15 months.

- **One\_Parent (One parent family payment)**

*Ask if Calc>15 AND Under\_23=1 AND No\_Pers >1 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over, there is more than 1 household member and at least 1 household member is under 23 and the respondent didn't supply his/her PPS No*

***Have you received One Parent Family payment at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **One\_Prtwks**

*Ask if One\_Parent=1*

*If the respondent received a One Parent family payment*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the One parent Allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **One\_Prtamt (Weekly value of One parent allowance)**

*Ask if One\_Parent =1*

*If the respondent received a One Parent family payment*

***What was the weekly amount of One Parent Allowance you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99.***

- **Deserted (Deserted wife's benefit / allowance)**

*Ask if Sex=2 AND Currmarr=5 or 6 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is female is currently divorced or separated and didn't give the PPS No*

***Have you received Deserted wife's benefit/allowance at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Des\_Ben (Deserted wife's benefit)**

*Ask if Deserted=1*

*If the respondent received a deserted wife's benefit/allowance*

***Did you receive Deserted wife's benefit?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Des\_Bamt (Weekly value of deserted wife's benefit)**

*Ask if Des\_Ben=1*

*If the respondent received a deserted wife's benefit*

***What was the weekly amount of Deserted Wife's benefit payment you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

• **Des\_All (Deserted Wife's allowance)**

*Ask if Deserted=1*

*If the respondent received a deserted wife's benefit/allowance*

***Did you receive Deserted wife's Allowance?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Des\_Aamt (Weekly value of deserted wife's allowance)**

*Ask if Des\_All=1*

*If the respondent received a deserted wife's allowance*

***What was the weekly amount of Deserted Wife's Allowance payment you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: The Department of Social and Family Affairs make no new Deserted wife's benefit/allowance payments. These payments are now made under the One-Payment Family Payment. Deserted wife's allowances that have been made long term are still called 'Deserted wife's allowances'. This is the reason why we do not ask respondents the number of months that they have been in receipt of such a payment in the income reference period. If a respondent is in receipt of such a payment then the respondent is in receipt of the payment for the past 12 months

- **Rent\_Supp (Rent supplement)**

*Ask if Calc>15 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If respondent is 16 years or over and didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Rent Allowance.***

***Did you receive any allowance, subsidy or other payment for renting costs at any time during the last 12 months- for example, rent supplement under the supplementary welfare allowance scheme obtained from the Community Welfare Officer at the Health Service Executive (HSE)?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Rent\_Sup\_M (Months in receipt of rent supplement)**

*Ask if Rent\_Supp=1*

*If the respondent received rent supplement*

***For how many months did you receive this Allowance?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 12.***

- **Rent\_Sup\_A (Monthly value of rent supplement)**

*Ask if Rent\_Supp=1*

*If the respondent received rent supplement*

***How much did you receive per month?  
Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99.***

Note; If you are living in private rented accommodation in Ireland and receive a social welfare or Health Services Executive (HSE) payment, you may qualify for a rent supplement from your local Health Services Executive (HSE) Area. Rent Supplement is paid to people living in private residential accommodation who cannot provide for the cost of their accommodation from their own resources. Prior to 1 February 2005 there was a requirement that applicants had to be renting for six months in the preceding twelve months to qualify for Rent

Supplement. This requirement has been discontinued. **From 1 February 2005** applicants must currently be renting accommodation, they must have been able to afford the rent from their own resources when they started to rent and should have had a reasonable expectation that they would continue to be able to afford the rent into the future. This provision does not apply to all applicants. See 'Rules' below for more information on eligibility.

The amount of rent supplement will be calculated by the HSE's Community Welfare Officer and will generally ensure that your income after paying rent does not fall below a minimum level.

- **Pre\_Retire (Pre-retirement allowance)**

*Ask if Calc > 54 AND < 67 AND PPS\_SW = 2*

*If the respondent is aged under 67 and over 54*

***Have you received a pre-retirement allowance at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Pre\_Retwks (Weeks in receipt of pre retirement allowance)**

*Ask if Pre\_Retire = 1*

*If the respondent received a pre-retirement allowance*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive a pre-retirement Allowance?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

- **Pre\_Retamt (Weekly value of pre-retirement allowance)**

*Ask if Pre\_Retire = 1*

*If the respondent received a pre-retirement allowance*

***What was the weekly amount of Pre-retirement allowance you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: The Pre-Retirement Allowance (PRETA) is available to people in Ireland aged 55 and over who have left the labour force. It is means tested and you no longer have to sign on as you do not need to be available for work. The Social Welfare Reform and Pensions Bill 2006 abolishes the Pre-Retirement Allowance but existing recipients are not affected and may continue to receive it.

• **State\_Ret (Retirement pension)**

*Ask if Calc>64 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is aged over 64 and didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received a retirement pension (i.e. a social insurance payment) from the Department of Social and Family Affairs at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **State\_Retwk (Weeks in receipt of retirement pension)**

*Ask if State\_Ret=1*

*If the respondent received a retirement pension (social welfare)*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the retirement pension?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

• **State\_Wkamt (Weekly value of retirement pension)**

*Ask if State\_Ret =1*

*If the respondent received a retirement pension (social welfare)*

***What was the weekly amount of retirement pension you received during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Retirement Pension is payable to people in Ireland aged 65 who have retired from work and who have enough social insurance contributions. It is not means tested. In general, you must have been an employee and paying full-rate social insurance contributions, but a small number of self-employed people also qualify.

At age 66, you may transfer to the Old Age Contributory Pension if that would be to your advantage. Whether you transfer or not, the retirement condition ends at 66. In effect, you may not be employed or self-employed while receiving a Retirement Pension before the age of 66, but, after that, you may earn an income from any source.

You should apply for Retirement Pension 4 months before reaching the age of 65.

## **Rules**

You must be aged 65, be retired and have enough social insurance contributions.

## **Retired**

Being "retired" means that you must not be in insurable employment or self-employment. That means that if you have earnings, they must be less than 38 euro a week (2006 rate) from employment or 3,174 euro a year from self-employment. If you have an income from savings or investments, you could be liable for self-employed PRSI but that would not debar you from Retirement Pension if you are not actually engaged in self-employment.

This condition ends when you reach the age of 66. At that stage, you may have earnings from any source without affecting your entitlement to Retirement Pension.

## **Social Insurance Contributions needed**

You need to  
have paid social insurance contributions before a certain age  
have a certain number of social insurance contributions paid and  
have a certain average number over the years since you first started to pay.

- **Old\_Agepen (Old age pension)**

*Ask if Calc>65 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is aged over 65 and didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received an old age pension at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Con\_Pen (Contributory old age pension)**

*Ask if Old\_Age=1*

*If the respondent received an old age pension*

***Did you receive an Old age contributory pension?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Old\_Conwks (Weeks in receipt of contributory old age pension)**

*Ask if Con\_Pen=1*

*If the respondent received a contributory old-age pension*

*For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the contributory old-age pension?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52*

- **Old\_Conamt (Weekly value of contributory old age pension)**

*Ask if Con\_Pen=1*

*If the respondent received a contributory old-age pension*

*What was the weekly amount of contributory old-age pension you received during the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99*

- **Noncon\_Pen (Non-contributory old age pension)**

*Ask if Old\_Age=1*

*If the respondent received an old age pension*

*Did you receive an Old age non-contributory pension?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Old\_Nconwks (Weeks in receipt of non-contributory old age pension)**

*Ask if Noncon\_Pen=1*

*If the respondent received a non-contributory old-age pension*

*For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the non-contributory old-age pension?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52*

- **Old\_Nconamt (Weekly value of non-contributory old age pension)**

*Ask if Noncon\_Pen=1*

*If the respondent received a non-contributory old-age pension*

*What was the weekly amount of non-contributory old-age pension you received during the last 12 months?*

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99***

Note: Old age Contributory pension is a social insurance payment made to people age 66 or over who satisfy certain conditions. The pension is not means tested. To qualify an individual should have started paying social insurance contributions (at full or modified rate) before reaching 56. People living alone or over 80 receive additional allowances.

• **Widow\_Pen (Widow/Widower's pension)**

*Ask if Currmarr=1 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is a widow or widower and didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received a Widow or Widower's (Survivor's) pension at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Widow\_Con (Widow's/ Widower's contributory pension)**

*Ask if Widow\_Pen=1*

*If the respondent received a widow/widower pension*

***Did you receive a Widow or Widower's Contributory pension?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Widow\_Cwks (Weeks in receipt of widows pension)**

*Ask if Widow\_Con=1*

*If the respondent received a widow/widower contributory pension*

***For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Widow or Widower's Contributory pension?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52***

• **Widow\_Camt (Weekly value of widows pension)**

*Ask if Widow\_Con=1*

*If the respondent received a widow/widower contributory pension*

***What was the weekly amount of Widow or Widower's Contributory pension you received during the last 12 months?***

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99*

• **Widow\_Nonc (Widow/Widower's non-contributory pension)**

*Ask if Widow\_Pen=1*

*If the respondent received a widow/widower pension*

*Did you receive a Widow or Widower's Non-contributory pension?*

1. Yes
2. No

• **Widow\_Nwks (Weeks in receipt of widow's non-contributory pension)**

*Ask if Widow\_Nonc=1*

*If the respondent received a widow/widower non-contributory pension*

*For how many weeks during the last 12 months did you receive the Widow or Widower's non-contributory pension?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0 and 52*

• **Widow\_Namt (Weekly value of widow's non contributory pension)**

*Ask if Widow\_Nonc=1*

*If the respondent received a widow/widower non-contributory pension*

*What was the weekly amount of the Widow or Widower's Non-contributory pension you received during the last 12 months?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999.99*

Note: A Contributory Widow's/Widower's Pension (CWP) may be payable if either the deceased person or the spouse has enough PRSI contributions. In order to qualify you must, of course, be a widow or widower and you must not be living with another person as man and wife. If you are divorced and you would have been entitled to a CWP had you remained married, you retain your entitlement to the CWP. The pension is payable regardless of other income.

### **Rules**

You automatically qualify for a widow's/widower's pension if your late spouse was receiving either a Retirement Pension or Old Age Contributory Pension, which included an increase for a dependent spouse (or would have included such an increase but for the fact that the spouse was in receipt of Old Age Non Contributory Pension, Blind Pension or Carer's Allowance).

If you are not in this situation, then you must have enough PRSI contributions. The Non-contributory pension is means tested.

- **WP\_Grant (Widowed Parent Grant)**

*Ask if Under\_23 =1 and CurrMarr = 1.*

*If respondent is currently widowed and there is a person usually resident in the household under 23 years of age.*

***Did you receive a Widowed Parent Grant during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: The Widowed Person's Bereavement Grant is a once-off payment to widows or widowers with dependant children whose spouse died after 1st December 1999. This grant is payable in addition to the Bereavement Grant for insured people.

- **Free\_Travel**

*Ask if CALC is > 65 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*Or Ask if Blind=1 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*Or Ask if Carers=1 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*Or Ask if Ill\_Pay\_IP=1 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*Or Ask if Ill\_DA=1 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*Ask if PPS\_SW=1*

*If the respondent gave his/her PPS No*

*If the respondent didn't give his/her PPS No AND is blind or received a carer's benefit or allowance or received an invalidity pension or disability allowance or is over 65.*

***Have you free travel?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Travel\_Val (Value of free travel)**

*Ask if Free\_Travel=1*

*If the respondent has free travel*

***Approximately how much have you saved over the last 4 weeks by using your free travel pass?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 9999.99***

Note: Free travel is available to people who are aged 66 or over and to certain incapacitated people aged under 66. It allows them to use public transport free of charge and entitles the spouse/partner of such a person to travel free of charge. The question has to be asked of individuals that give the interviewer their PPS No as these respondents are routed away from questions on SW payments received from the DSFA.

• **Ber\_Grant (Bereavement grant)**

*Ask if Calc>15 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received a bereavement grant in the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Bereavement grant is based on PRSI contribution. If the person hasn't adequate insurance payments then there is a grant available from the Department of Health called the 'Grant for burial expenses' this is under the Supplementary Welfare Allowance scheme.

• **Other\_Sch (Other payment scheme (not already specified))**

*Ask if Calc>15 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*Ask if Calc>15 AND PPS\_SW=2*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and didn't give his/her PPS No*

***Have you received payment from a Health Service Executive (HSE), FAS or from the Department of Social and family Affairs which has not already been mentioned?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Other\_Styp (Other payment scheme type)**

*Ask if Other\_Sch =1*

*If the respondent received another payment*

***Could you please describe the payment?***

***Enter a text of at most 40 characters.***

Note: There are some DSFA and Health Service Executive (HSE) administered schemes that have not been mentioned in the previous questions. If a respondent has received money from one of these schemes, please record

details of the scheme in this text box. The value of this/these schemes will be recorded in the next question

- **Other\_Samt (Other payment scheme value)**

*Ask if Other\_Sch=1*

*If the respondent received another payment*

***What was the total payment you received from this scheme (these schemes) during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Foreign\_SW**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Have you received a social welfare payment from another country in the last 12 months?***

1. Yes.
2. No.

- **Foreign\_Type**

*Ask if Foreign\_SW=1*

*If the respondent received a foreign social welfare payment*

***Could you please describe the payment and the currency in which it is/ was received?***

***Enter a text of at most 40 characters***

- **ForSW\_Per (Period foreign social welfare payment covered)**

*Ask if Foreign\_SW=1*

*If the respondent received a foreign social welfare payment*

***How long a period did your last payment cover?***

1. Day
2. Week
3. Fortnight
4. Four Week period
5. Month
6. Quarter
7. Year
8. Other

- **NetFW\_Amt (Net amount of foreign social welfare payment)**

*Ask if Foreign\_SW=1*

*If the respondent received a foreign social welfare payment*

*What was the amount of this payment?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99.*

- **Foreign\_Val**

*Ask if Foreign\_SW=1*

*If the respondent received a foreign social welfare payment*

*What was the total foreign social welfare payment you received during the last 12 months (in the currency in which the payment was received)?*

*Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99*

Note: You may encounter foreign nationals living in Ireland who are in receipt of social insurance payments from another country, e.g. retired Europeans who receive the equivalent of their old age pension from their mother country, the value of these payments is recorded in **Foreign\_Val**.

**END OF SOCIAL WELFARE QUESTIONS**

## PERSONAL DEPRIVATION QUESTIONS

- **SVDP (SVDP & Social insurance payments from other countries)**

*Ask if Calc > 15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Have you received a payment from a charitable organisation at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **SVDP\_Type (Description of type of payment)**

*Ask if SVDP = 1*

*If the respondent received a payment from a charitable organisation*

***Could you please describe the payment?***

***Enter a text of at most 40 characters***

- **SVDP\_Amt**

*Ask if SVDP=1*

*If the respondent received a payment from a charitable organisation*

***What was the total payment you received from this scheme during the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 99999.99***

- **Per\_Save (Savings)**

*Ask if Calc > 15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Can you save some of your income regularly?***

Interviewer. Income includes social welfare income or inter household transfer of money in addition to employment income.

1. Yes
2. No

- **Repay\_Burd (Debt repayment burden)**

*Ask if Calc > 15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

*How much of a financial burden is the repayment of debts from hire purchase or loans other than mortgage or loans connected with the house?*

*'INTERVIEWER: If the respondent had no loans over the last 12 months PLEASE CODE 4'*

1. Repayment is a heavy burden
2. Repayment is somewhat of a burden
3. Repayment is not a burden at all
4. Not applicable (No loans)

- **Hunger**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

*During the last fortnight was there ever a day (i.e. from getting up to going to bed) when you did not have a substantial meal due to lack of money?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Cold**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

*Have you ever had to go without heating during the last 12 months through lack of money? (I mean have you had to go without a fire on a cold day, or go to bed to keep warm or light the fire late because of lack of coal/fuel?)*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Soc\_Life (Social life)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

*Did you have a morning, afternoon or evening out in the last fortnight, for your entertainment (something that cost money)?*

1. Yes

2. No

- **No\_Soclife (Reason for no entertainment in the last 2 weeks)**

*Ask if Soc\_Life=2*

*If the respondent didn't have a social outing in the last fortnight*

***For what main reason haven't you had a morning afternoon or evening out in the last fortnight?***

1. Didn't want to
2. Full social life in other ways
3. Couldn't afford to
4. Couldn't leave the children
5. Illness
6. Other

- **No\_Soctxt (Reason for no entertainment in the last 2 weeks text box)**

*Ask if No\_Soclife=6*

*If the reason for no social life is 'Other'*

***Please specify the reason Enter a text of at most 40 characters***

- **Mobile (Mobile phone)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***<Name>***

***Interviewer. I am going to ask you some questions regarding possession of certain items***

***Do you own a mobile?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Mob\_Afrd (Ability to afford mobile phone)**

*Ask if Mobile=2*

*If the respondent doesn't own a mobile phone*

***Would you like to have a mobile phone but you cannot afford it?***

1. Yes

2. No

- **Priv\_Car (Private car)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

*Do you have a car (Do not include a company car which is available for private use)?*

*Interviewer. This question is on the personal questionnaire. Please do not double count, i.e. if 3 household members share the car, this variable should be keyed 1, in the case of one of the household members (i.e. not in the case of all 3 questionnaires).*

1. Yes

2. No

- **Car\_Afrd (Ability to afford a private car)**

*Ask if Priv\_Car=2*

*If the respondent doesn't own a private car*

*Would you like to have a car but you cannot afford it?*

1. Yes

2. No

## HEALTH QUESTIONS

- **Priv\_Care (Private health insurance)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

*<Name> I am now going to ask you some health related questions*

***Have you private medical insurance either in your own name or through another family member?***

1. Yes, in own name
2. Yes, as a family member
3. No

- **Priv\_Type (Health insurance scheme)**

*Ask if Priv\_Care =1 or 2*

*If respondent has medical health insurance*

***Which medical insurance scheme/plan are you covered by?***

1. VHI Group A	7. VHI Group B Options	13. BUPA Essential Scheme
2. VHI Group B	8. VHI Group C Options	14. BUPA Essential Plus
3. VHI Group C	9. VHI Group D Options	15. BUPA Health Manager Scheme
4. VHI Group D	10. VHI Group E Options	16. BUPA Gold
5. VHI Group E	11. VHI Health Steps	17. Other
6. VHI Group A Options	12. VHI Global	

Note: Value 17 'Other' includes the Garda health insurance scheme and the ESB scheme.

- **Med\_Card (Medical card)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If respondent is 16 years or over*

***Are you covered by a medical card?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: This question is asked even of those covered by private medical insurance. In the Health module (QNHS) approximately 5% of those with medical cards also had private insurance. The Over 70s are entitled to medical cards.

- **Free\_GP (Free GP visits)**

*Ask if Med\_Card=1*

*If the respondent has a medical card*

***How many free GP visits have you had in the last 4 weeks?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99***

- **Free\_Meds (Free medicines)**

*Ask if Med\_Card=1*

*If the respondent has a medical card*

***How many free prescriptions have you had filled in the last 4 weeks?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99***

- **DOA\_Treat (Dental, Ophthalmic & Aural treatment)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Have you had free or subsidised dental, ophthalmic or aural treatment over the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **DOA\_Type (Dental, Ophthalmic & Aural treatment scheme)**

*Ask if DOA\_Treat=1*

*If the respondent received Dental, Ophthalmic & Aural treatment*

***Was the treatment under the social insurance treatment benefit scheme, medical card or another scheme?***

1. Treatment under social insurance treatment benefit
2. Medical card holder
3. Other

Note: To qualify for dental, ophthalmic (optical benefit & Contact lenses) and Aural (hearing Aids) under the social insurance benefit scheme the insured person must satisfy certain PRSI contribution conditions.

- **Hosp\_Stay (Hospital stay)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Have you had to spend a night in a hospital as an inpatient over the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **State\_Hosp (Inpatient in public hospital)**

*Ask if Hosp\_Stay=1*

*If the respondent had a hospital stay in the last 12 months*

***Could you please tell me whether you were an inpatient in a state funded hospital and the number of nights spent in a state funded hospital?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 365***

- **Priv\_Hosp (Inpatient in private hospital)**

*Ask if Hosp\_Stay=1*

*If the respondent had a hospital stay in the last 12 months*

***Could you please tell me whether you were an inpatient in a private hospital and the number of nights spent in a private hospital?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 365***

Note: If the respondent hasn't spent any night in a state funded hospital then insert 0 (likewise for a private hospital) The numbers of nights which the household member may have spent in hospital should be recorded. State funded (i.e. Health Service Executive (HSE) and Voluntary) and private hospitals are separately distinguished. The latter are few in number and readily known. Note that the Mater and St.Vincent's hospitals in Dublin (State funded) have private hospitals attached. These private hospitals are coded to the 'private' category.

- **Hlth\_stus (Health status)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***How is your health in general?***

1. Very Good
2. Good
3. Fair

4. Bad
5. Very Bad

- **Smoke**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Do you smoke?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Chron\_ill (Chronic illness)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Do you suffer from any chronic (long-standing) illness or condition (health problem)?***

***INTERVIEWER: Problems that are seasonal or recurring should be included.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Ill\_Type (Type of illness)**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Chron\_ill =1*

*If respondent is 16 years or over and suffers from a chronic (long-standing) illness or condition.*

***Please describe the nature of your illness?***

***Enter a text of at most 60 characters.***

- **Lim\_Act (Limited activity)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***For at least the last 6 months have you been limited in activities people usually do, because of a health problem? (If limited, specify whether strongly limited or limited).***

1. Yes, strongly limited
2. Yes, limited
3. Not limited

Note: If the respondent has recently become limited because of a health problem and expects the limitation to persist for 6 months then code either 1 or 2.

- **Dent\_Cnslt (Dental consult)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Was there any time during the last 12 months when, in your opinion, you needed a dental examination or treatment, but you did not receive it?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **No\_d\_Cnslt (Reason for not consulting a dentist)**

*Ask if Dent\_Cnslt=1*

*If the respondent needed a dental consult*

***What was the main reason for not consulting a dentist?***

1. Could not afford to (too expensive)
2. Waiting list
3. Could not take time off work (or could not take time off from caring for children or others)
4. Too far to travel or no means of transport
5. Fear of dentist/examination/treatment
6. Wanted to wait and see if problem got better on it's own
7. Didn't know any good dentist
8. Other reason

- **Med\_Cnslt (Medical consult)**

*Ask if Calc>15*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over*

***Was there any time during the last 12 months when, in your opinion, you needed a medical examination or treatment for a health problem but you did not receive it?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **No\_m\_Cnslt (Reason for not consulting a doctor)**

*Ask if Med\_Cnslt=1*

*If the respondent needed a medical consult*

***What was the main reason for not consulting a medical specialist?***

1. Could not afford to (too expensive)
2. Waiting list
3. Could not take time off work (or could not take time off from caring for children or others)
4. Too far to travel or no means of transport
5. Fear of doctor/hospitals/examination/treatment
6. Wanted to wait and see if problem got better on it's own
7. Didn't know any good doctor or specialist
7. Other reason

**END OF HEALTH QUESTIONS**

## 2006 MODULE ON SOCIAL AND CULTURAL PARTICIPATION

- **Cinema**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview <Name>, during the last 12 months, how many times did you go to the cinema ?*

1. None
2. 1-3 times
3. 4-6 times
4. 7-12 times
5. More than 12 times

- **Dance**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

*<Name> during the last 12 months, how many times did you attend a play, concert, opera, ballet or dance performance?*

***INTERVIEWER: Attending live performances (of the types specified above) to watch one's own children should be included whereas participation by the respondent in such performances is excluded.***

1. None
2. 1-3 times
3. 4-6 times
4. 7-12 times
5. More than 12 times

- **Monuments**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

*<Name>, during the last 12 months, how many times did you visit historical monuments, museums, art galleries or archaeological sites?*

1. None
2. 1-3 visits
3. 4-6 visits
4. 7-12 visits
5. More than 12 visits

- **SPORT**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

*<Name> during the last 12 months, how many times did you attend a live sporting event (either professional or amateur)?*

**INTERVIEWER:** *Attending an event to watch one's own children should be included whereas participation by the respondent in live sporting events is excluded.*

1. None
2. 1-3 times
3. 4-6 times
4. 7-12 times
5. More than 12 times

- **Relatives**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

*<Name> how many times during a usual year do you get together with relatives?*

**INTERVIEWER:** *Only relatives who don't live in the same household as the respondent should be considered.*

1. Daily
2. Every week (not every day)
3. Several times a month (not every week)
4. Once a month
5. At least once a year (less than once a month)
6. Never
7. Not applicable as the respondent has no Relatives

- **Rel\_P**

*Ask if Relatives in (1,2,3,4,5,6,8 ('Don't know'),9('Refused'))*

*Ask if the respondent has relatives*

*<Name> how many times during a usual year do you contact relatives, by telephone, letter, fax, e-mail or sms (text messages)?*

**INTERVIEWER:** *Only relatives who don't live in the same household as the respondent should be considered.*

1. Daily

2. Every week (not every day)
3. Several times a month (not every week)
4. Once a month
5. At least once a year (less than once a month)
6. Never

- **FRIENDS**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

*<Name> how many times during a usual year do you get together with friends?*

***INTERVIEWER: Only friends who don't live in the same household as the respondent should be considered.***

1. Daily
2. Every week (not every day)
3. Several times a month (not every week)
4. Once a month
5. At least once a year (less than once a month)
6. Never

- **Friends\_P**

*Ask if Friends in (1,2,3,4,5,6,8 ('Don't know'),9('Refused'))*

*<Name> how many times during a usual year do you contact friends, by telephone, letter, fax, e-mail, sms (text messages)?*

***INTERVIEWER: Only friends who don't live in the same household as the respondent should be considered.***

1. Daily
2. Every week (not every day)
3. Several times a month (not every week)
4. Once a month
5. At least once a year (less than once a month)
6. Never

- **Help**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

*<Name> if the need arose would you feel able to ask a relative, friend or neighbour for help?*

***Interviewer: Only relatives and friends (or neighbours) who don't live in the same household as the respondent should be considered***

1. Yes
2. No
3. Has no friends relatives or neighbours

- **Vol\_a** (Participation in unpaid work for charitable organisations)

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

***<Name> during the last 12 months, did you participate in unpaid work for charitable organisations, groups or clubs.***

***Attending meetings connected with these activities is also included?***

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

- **Vol\_b** Participation in unpaid (outside an organisational context) charitable work

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

***<Name> during the last 12 months, did you undertake any private voluntary activities to help someone. For example did you, cook for others; take care of people in hospitals/at home; take people for a walk, shopping... It excludes any activity that you undertook for your household, or any activity that was part of your work or activities within voluntary organisations (which was asked in the last question).***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Politics**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

***<Name> during the last twelve months, did you participate in activities related to political groups, political associations, political parties or trade unions.***

***Attending meetings connected with these activities is included.***

***INTERVIEWER: Participating in formal strikes/demonstrations is not included.***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Prof\_A (Professional Associations)**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

***<Name> during the last 12 months, did you participate in activities related to a professional association. (e.g. IFA, ISME, ICGP). Attending meetings connected with these activities is included whereas any training received by such an association is excluded?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Church**

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

***During the last 12 months, did you participate in activities related to churches or other religious communions?***

***Attending meetings connected with these activities is included.***

***Attending masses or similar religious acts or helping during these services is also included.***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Recre**                      Recreational/Leisure Activities

*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*If the respondent is 16 years or over and the interview is a direct interview*

***<Name> during the last 12 months, did you participate in recreational/leisure activities arranged by a club or association.***

***Attending meetings connected with these activities is included.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Other\_G** Other group/organisation activities  
*Ask if Calc>15 and Dir=1*

*<Name> During the last 12 months did you participate in the activities of other groups e.g. environmental organisations, civil right groups, neighbourhood associations, etc.?  
Attending meetings connected with these activities is included.*

1. Yes
2. No

## **END OF MODULE**

- **P\_COMMNT**  
*Ask if Calc>15  
If the respondent is 16 years or over*

**INTERVIEWER:** *Please insert (if relevant) comments regarding this completed personal interview for <Name>  
Enter a text of at most 40 characters  
Press RETURN to continue if there are no relevant comments.*

Note: If there are no relevant comments please hit the RETURN key to continue.

- **LASTQ\_PD**  
*Ask if Calc>15  
If the respondent is 16 years or over*

*<Name>  
Interviewer. Thank you for taking part in the EU-Silc survey.  
Press any key to end interview.....*

*Enter a text of at most 1 character*

## HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE

- Continue

*INTERVIEWER: About to begin housing interview now*

*Press any key to continue*

*Enter a text of at most 1 character*

- HS Wh\_Ans (Will somebody answer the housing questions)

*Will somebody answer the housing questions now?*

1. Yes
2. No

- No\_Ans\_H (Person number of household member answering household questionnaire)

*Ask if HS Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

*Please enter the line number of the person who is answering the housing questions.*

1. <Name>
2. <Name>

*Interviewer. The person who answers these questions must be 16 or over*

*Enter a numeric value between 1 and 20*

Note: If you have skipped a person's personal interview then the line option for this person will not appear on the screen. If you key the line number of the skipped household member for the variable **No\_Ans\_H** then the following error message is activated

***This person has not answered age and may be less than 16 years of age.***

This is because in the case of a skipped person the age questions have not yet been asked.

**If an interviewer is happy that the respondent is 16 years or over then the interviewer can suppress the error check.**

- Dwelling.

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Is this dwelling unit a***

1. Detached House?
2. Semi-detached house?
3. Terraced house?
4. Apartment/Flat/Bedsitter?
5. Mobile Home/Caravan/Temporary Building?
6. Houseboat?
7. Other?

• **Apartment\_Type (Type of apartment)**

*Ask if Dwelling=4*

*If dwelling type is an Apartment/Bedsitter?*

***Is this dwelling unit an***

1. Apartment or flat in a building with less than 10 dwellings?
2. Apartment or flat in a building with 10 dwellings or more?
3. Bedsitter in a building with less than 10 dwellings?
4. Bedsitter in a building with 10 dwellings or more?

Note: House means that no internal space or maintenance and other services are normally shared with other dwellings. Sharing of a garden or other exterior areas is not precluded.

- Detached means the dwelling has no common walls with another.
- Semi-detached refers to two dwellings sharing at least one wall, and 'terraced' refers to a row of (more than two) joined-up dwellings.
- Apartments or flats in a building normally share some internal space or maintenance and other services with other units in the building.
- Other kind of dwelling includes accommodations that are situated in buildings that are for use other than housing (schools, ...) and fixed habitations like a hut or a cave.

• **Rooms**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***How many rooms in the dwelling unit?***

***The following should not be counted as rooms : kitchenette, scullery, bathroom, toilet, garage, consulting rooms, office, shop.***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99***

Note: A room is defined as a space of a housing unit of at least 4 square meters such as normal bedrooms, dining rooms, living rooms and habitable cellars and attics with a height over 2 meters and accessible from inside the unit.

- Kitchens are not counted unless the cooking facilities are in a room used for other purposes; only exclude it if the space is used only for cooking. Thus for example, kitchen-cum-dining room is one room in the count of rooms.

- The following space of a housing unit does not count as rooms: bathrooms, toilets, corridors, utility rooms and lobbies. Verandas, lounges and conservatories do count only if they are used all year round.

- A room used solely for business use is excluded, but is included if shared between private and business use.

- If the dwelling is shared by more than 1 household all rooms are counted for the owner/tenant except those exclusively used by the other households.

- **Const (Year dwelling was constructed)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***In what year was the dwelling constructed?***

0. Don't know
1. Before 1919
2. 1919-1940
3. 1941-1960
4. 1961-1970
5. 1971-1980
6. 1981-1985
7. 1986-1990
8. 1991-1995
9. 1996 or later

- **Own\_Rent (Owned or rented)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Do you (or a member of the household) own or rent the dwelling ?***

1. Own
2. Rent

Note: - The owner of the accommodation should be a member of the household. If for instance the accommodation is provided by a relative (such as by parents to their children) who is not a member of the household, then Rent

should be keyed i.e. 2. A person is owner if he possesses a title deed independently if the house is fully paid or not.

- **Own\_Dwel (Own dwelling)**

*Ask if Own\_Rent=1*

*If the respondent owns the dwelling*

***Is your dwelling***

1. Owned outright?
2. Owned with a mortgage (including joint owner rental with the local authority)?
3. Owned under the tenant purchase scheme ?

Note: This question relates to formal mortgage arrangements (i.e. loan) used to purchase the accommodation occupied by the household. A formal arrangement means that there is a legal contract and fixed repayments at regular intervals.

If the accommodation was purchased with a loan from a relative (e.g. father) or from a Bank the arrangement would be regarded as a mortgage only if there are regular "contractual type" fixed repayments. If there are no regular fixed repayments (e.g. loan repaid at Head of household's convenience) the arrangement is treated as a "personal loan" (not a mortgage) and the accommodation should be treated as "owned outright". The organisation financing a house mortgage always retains the property title and lease for safe keeping; this is sufficient confirmation of the existence of a true "mortgage". If a loan or mortgage is not for home purchase (i.e. if it is for home improvement or some other purpose) it becomes in effect a "personal loan".

- **Per\_Own1 (Person 1 that owns the dwelling)**

*Ask if Own\_Rent=1 and No\_Pers>1*

*If the respondent owns the dwelling and there is more than 1 household member*

***Could you please tell me which household member(s) owns the dwelling?***

***Interviewer: Please insert the person number. (If jointly owned, please insert the person number of the eldest joint owner)***

Note: There is no age cut-off for this variable, e.g. if a household member is 2 months old, then the line on which this person appears is an option for this variable.

- **Per\_Own2 (Person 2 that owns the dwelling)**

*Ask if Own\_Rent=1 and No\_Pers>1*

*If the respondent owns the dwelling and there is more than 1 household member*

***Interviewer: If a number of household members jointly own the dwelling please insert the person number of the second eldest joint owner. If the dwelling is not jointly owned with another household member PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE***

Note: If this question is not relevant e.g a single parent with an infant child (assuming the infant child does not own the house) then PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE

- **Time\_Own (Length of time dwelling is owned)**

*Ask if Own\_Rent=1*

*If the respondent owns the dwelling*

***How long (in years) have you (or a household member) owned the house? Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99***

Note: if less than 6 months please code as 0. If dwelling jointly owned the name of the other person will also appear in question.

- **Morg\_Agency (Mortgage lender)**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel=2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

***From whom did you get the loan or mortgage to purchase this dwelling?***

1. Building Society
2. Local Authority
3. Insurance company
4. Bank
5. Housing Finance Agency
6. Other

Note: Building Societies are the most common ("interest and principal" arrangement) and Insurance Companies and Banks are also involved. Local Authority and Housing Finance Agency loans can be availed of by low income households. The residual category covers all other sources. For example, a house loan from an employer would be coded here as long as it is not a

Building Society, Insurance Co. or Bank. Private loans would also be coded here as long as there was a definite agreed repayment arrangement.

- **Morg\_in\_Am (Mortgage interest amount)**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel=2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

***Do you know the amount of interest you paid on your mortgage in the last 12 months?***

***If yes specify that amount***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999999***

Note: The lending institution will issue an annual 'Certificate of Interest' This states explicitly the amount of mortgage interest paid over a 12 month period.

- **Morg\_Type (Type of mortgage)**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel=2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

***Is your mortgage***

1. Endowment mortgage
2. Annuity mortgage
3. Interest only mortgage

Note: ENDOWMENT MORTGAGES In this arrangement an endowment policy is taken out with an Insurance Company either before or at the same time as the mortgage, and it is arranged that when this policy matures after a specified number of years it will cancel out (i.e. pay off) the original sum (i.e. the principal) borrowed under the mortgage. The full principal remains outstanding until the policy matures and interest is paid on the full amount until then. Effectively, the mortgage repayments consist of interest and the endowment policy premiums.

ANNUITY MORTGAGES This is the usual type of mortgage arrangement. The money borrowed for the purchase of the house is repaid over an agreed number of years; interest being paid on the amount outstanding at any particular time. Usually the payments in any one year consist partly of repayments of the original loan (i.e. the principal) and partly of interest. The same total amount is normally paid each year (assuming interest rates remain constant), and as time goes on the interest part becomes smaller and the principal repayments get larger as more and more of the original amount borrowed is repaid.

Interest Only mortgages . This option was only introduced to the questionnaire in Quarter 3, 2006. The reason for this is that interviewers reported that an increasing number of respondents answered ‘Interest only mortgage’ when asked about the type of their mortgage. An endowment mortgage is an interest only mortgage but in addition to endowment policies there are other types of interest only mortgages e.g. policies where the borrowed principal is repaid by a matured pension.

This is where you only repay the interest on your mortgage each month, so you'll need some sort of investment plan to pay off the capital, e.g. a pension, an endowment policy, an ISA or other long term investment plan. When your investment matures, you cash in the plan and use it to pay off your mortgage loan. You are responsible for the repayment of the capital when the mortgage reaches the end of the term

- **Fix\_Var (Fixed or variable)**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel=2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

***Is your mortgage rate fixed?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **M\_i\_Rate (Mortgage interest rate)**

*Ask if Fix\_Var=1*

*If mortgage is fixed*

***What rate is your mortgage fixed at?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 15.00***

- **Morg\_Mthly**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel =2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

***How much is your present monthly mortgage repayment before mortgage interest relief?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99999***

Note: Again this should be available on a bank statement, as most mortgages will be paid by direct debit. TRS (Tax relief at source) is credited to accounts on instruction of the Revenue Commissioners.

- **Morg\_Yr (Year mortgage was taken out)**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel=2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

***In what year was your mortgage taken out?***

***Enter a numeric value between 1960 and 2020.***

- **Loan\_Term (Term of mortgage)**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel=2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

***What is the term of your mortgage (in years)?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 40.***

- **Orig\_Morg (Original mortgage)**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel=2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

***What was the original amount of the mortgage?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999999***

Note: In some cases a person may re-mortgage a property in order to obtain money for housing purposes (e.g. repairs, renovations, maintenance etc.) or for non-housing purposes. The payments associated to that re-mortgagee will no be collected in SILC. We are looking for is the Original amount of the mortgage.

- **Morg\_Curr**

*Ask if Orig\_Morg >0 and If Morg\_Yr<2002*

*If the Original Mortgage >0 and if the mortgage was taken out before 2002*

***The amount you have just given, is this amount in Euros or Pounds?***

1. Euro
2. Pounds

- **Out\_Princ (Outstanding principal)**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel=2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

***How much of the principal amount remains outstanding?***

***Interviewer. If the respondent re-mortgaged, then this question asks the amount of the original mortgage that is outstanding.***

*Please ensure that the value given for this variable is in Euros.  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999999.*

- **Morg\_Supp (Mortgage supplement)**

*Ask if Own\_Dwel=2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is owned with a mortgage or under a tenant purchase scheme*

*Did you or anybody in your household receive a mortgage interest supplement, under the Supplementary Welfare Allowance Scheme at any time in the last 12 months or any other regular payment for housing costs from the Community Welfare Officer at the Health Service Executive (HSE)?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Morg\_s\_Amt (Amount received in mortgage interest supplements)**

*Ask if Morg\_Supp=1*

*If the household received a mortgage interest supplement*

*What was the monthly amount received?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.*

- **Morg\_s\_Mth (Months in receipt of mortgage interest supplement)**

*Ask if Morg\_Supp=1*

*If the household received a mortgage interest supplement*

*For how many months did you receive the payment in the last year?  
Enter a numeric value between 1 and 12*

- **Morg\_s\_crt (Currently in receipt of mortgage interest supplement)**

*Ask if Morg\_Supp=1*

*If the household received a mortgage interest supplement*

*Are you currently receiving this payment?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **Rent\_Dwel, (Rented amount)**

*Ask if Own\_Rent =2*

*If the dwelling is rented*

***When you consider the amount you pay in rent would you consider that your dwelling is rented?***

***Interviewer: If rent free Code as 4***

1. At market price ?
2. At a price lower than the market price?
3. From the Local Authority?
4. Rent free (i.e. the landlord receives no rent)?

• **Free\_Utility**

*Ask if Rent\_Dwel=4*

*If the dwelling was rent free*

***Do you have to pay for electricity/gas and heating?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Ten\_Rent (Rent amount)**

*Ask if Rent\_Dwel=1,2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is rented at market price, at an amount lower than market price or from a local authority*

***How much has the household paid in rent (before rent allowances if applicable) in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99999***

• **Loc\_Rent**

*Ask if Rent\_Dwel=3*

*If the respondent rents from a local authority*

***How much rent do you pay weekly to the local authority?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 999.99***

• **Monthly\_Ren (Monthly Rent amount)**

*Ask if Rent\_Dwel=1 or 2*

*If the dwelling is rented at market price, at an amount lower than market price*

***What was the amount your household paid in rent in the last month?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 9999.99***

• **Rent\_Char (Charges included in rent)**

*Ask if Rent\_Dwel=1,2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is rented at market price, at an amount lower than market price or from a local authority*

***Does the rent include known charges to cover any of the following services, electricity, gas, oil/solid fuel or heating/hot water?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Amt\_Elec (electricity costs)**

*Ask if Rent\_Char=1*

*If rent includes known charges*

***Does your rent cover your electricity costs?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Amt\_Gas (Gas Costs)**

*Ask if Rent\_Char=1*

*If rent includes known charges*

***Does your rent cover your gas costs?***

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not applicable for the household

• **Amt\_Oil (Liquid gas charges included in rent)**

*Ask if Rent\_Char=1*

*If rent includes known charges*

***Does your rent cover your oil costs?***

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not applicable for the household

• **Per\_Rent1 (Person 1 who rents the dwelling)**

*Ask if Own\_Rent =2*

*If the dwelling is rented*

***Could you please tell me which household member(s) rents the dwelling?***

**Interviewer: Please insert the person number. If jointly rented, please insert the person number of the eldest renter.  
Enter a numeric value between 1 and 20.**

- **Per\_Rent2 (Person 2 who rents the dwelling)**

*Ask if Own\_Rent =2*

*If the dwelling is rented*

**Interviewer: If a number of household members jointly rent the dwelling please insert the person number of the second eldest joint renter. If the dwelling is not jointly rented with another household member PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE**

**Note: If this question is not relevant PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE**

- **Time\_Rent (Time rented)**

*Ask if Own\_Rent =2*

*If the dwelling is rented*

**How long (in years) have you (or a household member) rented the dwelling at the rental rate currently paid?**

**Enter a numeric value between 0 and 99.**

- **Imput\_Rent (Estimated rent amount)**

*Ask if Own\_Rent=1*

*Or Ask if Rent\_Dwel=2,3,or 4*

*If the dwelling is owned by a family member*

*If the dwelling is rented from a local authority, is rented at a rate under the market rate or is rented rent free.*

**How much do you think you would pay as monthly rent (net of charges for heating, electricity etc.) if you rented a similar dwelling?**

**Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.**

- **Apt\_Charge (Service charge for flat/apartment)**

*Ask if Dwelling = 4 and Own\_Rent=1*

*If the household own the Apartment*

**How much is the annual service charge for your flat/apartment?**

**Enter a numeric value between 0 and 10000.**

- **Chrg\_LocAu (Local authority charge)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Did you make payments to cover the following in the last 12 months?  
Local Authority charges, Private refuse collection charges or Water  
Charges?***

***Interviewer. In the case of Apartment owners, if these charges are included  
in the Annual Service Charge, please key 2.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Amt\_LocAu (Local authority charge amount)**

*Ask if Chrg\_LocAu=1*

*If the household paid Local Authority charges, private refuse collection  
charges or Water scheme charges*

***How much did you pay in Local Authority charges, private refuse collection  
charges and Water scheme charges in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

Note: In some local authority areas the charge includes amounts in respect of refuse collection and water. In other areas you will have to add the amounts in respect of Local Authority charges, private refuse collection charges and Water scheme charges as these will be 3 separate charges

- **Chrg\_GdRnt (Ground rent)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Ground rent?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Amt\_GdRnt (Ground rent amount)**

*Ask if Chrg\_GdRnt=1*

*If the household paid Ground rent*

***How much did you pay in Ground rent charges in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.***

- **Chrg\_SrMnt (Service & maintenance charge)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Regular maintenance charges and repair charges?***

***INTERVIEWER:*** *Included here are costs of up-keeping the dwelling in normal decorative order and repairs.*

1. Yes
2. No

• **Amt\_SrMnt (Service & maintenance charge)**

*Ask if Chrg\_SrMnt=1*

*If household paid service charges maintenance charges*

***How much did you pay in regular maintenance and repair charges in the last 12 months?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.***

• **Hse\_Ins (House insurance)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Do you have the structure and/or the contents of this dwelling insured?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Typ\_Ins (Insurance type)**

*Ask if Hse\_Ins=1*

*If household have structure and/or contents insurance*

***What type of insurance policy (policies) do you have covering your dwelling/contents?***

1. Policy which covers the dwelling structure (separately)
2. Policy which covers contents (Separately)
3. Policy which covers both structure and contents
4. 2 separate policies covering structure and contents separately

• **Struct\_pre (Structural insurance premium)**

*Ask if Typ\_Ins=1 or Typ\_Ins=4*

*If the household pasy structural insurance*

***How much is your annual structural insurance premium?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

- **Cntent\_Pre (Content insurance premium)**

*Ask if Typ\_Ins=2 or Typ\_Ins=4*

*If the household pays content insurance*

***How much is your annual contents insurance premium?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999***

- **Joint\_Pre (Content & Insurance premium)**

*Ask if Typ\_Ins=3*

*If the household's insurance covers both structure and contents*

***How much is the annual insurance premium in respect of this policy?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999.***

Note: The household member may pay for insurance by direct debit and particulars relating to payment will be available on a bank statement. If the respondent is renting then it is unlikely that he/she is paying structural insurance, except in the case of a TV aerial, where the landlord may demand structural insurance to insure the roof against damage caused by a falling Aerial.

- **Ins\_hc\_Val (Insured value of house & contents)**

*Ask if Typ\_Ins=3*

*If the household's insurance covers both structure and contents*

***What is the insured value of the dwelling and contents?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999999***

- **Ins\_h\_Valu (Insured value of house)**

*Ask if Typ\_Ins=3*

*If the household's insurance covers both structure and contents*

***What is the insured value of the dwelling?  
Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999999***

- **Dwel\_Val (Value of dwelling)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***What would you say is the market value of the dwelling occupied by your household?***

***Enter a numeric value between 0 and 9999999***

- **Rent\_Arr (Rent arrears)**

*Ask if Rent\_Dwel =1, 2 or 3 or Ask if Own\_Dwel =2 or 3*

*If the dwelling is rented (not rent free) and is owned with a mortgage or through a tenant purchase scheme*

***Has the household been in arrears at any time in the last 12 months?***

***That is unable to pay as scheduled***

***(a) Rent for accommodation or mortgage payments***

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not applicable for the household

- **Util\_Arr (Utility bills)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Has the household been in arrears at any time in the last 12 months?***

***That is unable to pay as scheduled***

***(b) Utility bills, such as electricity, water or gas***

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not applicable for the household

- **HP\_Arr (Hire purchase arrears)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Has the household been in arrears at any time in the last 12 months?***

***That is unable to pay as scheduled***

***(a) Hire purchase instalments or other loan payments relating to household items***

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not applicable for the household

- **Debt**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Has the household had to go into debt within the last 12 months to meet ordinary living expenses such as mortgage repayments, rent, food, Christmas or back-to-school expenses?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Free\_TV**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Have you received a free television licence in the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: To qualify for a Free Television licence one needs to qualify for

- Free Electricity Allowance
- Free Natural Gas Allowance
- Free Bottle Gas Refill Allowance

- **Free\_Phone**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Have you received a telephone rental allowance in the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Free Telephone Rental Allowance covers the 2-monthly rental charges for the phone and also up to 20 free call units in each 2 monthly billing period. Qualification is based on receipt of other payments, age and means test.

- **Free\_Elec (Free electricity)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Have you received a Free Electricity Allowance at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Free electricity allowance is payable to people getting certain social welfare payments, other qualifying payments (e.g. Health Service Executive (HSE) payments) or who are aged 66 or over and satisfy a means test.

- **Free\_Gas**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Have you received Free natural gas at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: The Natural Gas Allowance is an alternative to the Free Electricity Allowance for people whose homes are connected to a natural gas supply.

- **Bottle\_Gas**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Have you received Free bottled gas refill vouchers at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note If the respondent's home is not connected to an electricity/natural gas supply but the respondent would otherwise qualify for the Free Electricity/Natural Gas Allowance, the respondent may qualify for Free Gas Refill Allowance instead

- **Fuel\_All (Fuel allowance)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Have you received a Fuel Allowance at any time during the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: Only one fuel allowance is payable to any one household and this is the reason that this question appears on the household questionnaire and not on the personal questionnaire. There are certain conditions for qualification including age and receipt of payments from the Health Service Executive (HSE) or the DSFA

- **Smokeless (Smokeless fuel allowance)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1 and Fuel\_All = 1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Have you received a smokeless fuel allowance in the last 12 months?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: This allowance helps low income households meet the extra costs of using smokeless or low smoke fuels in areas where the sale of bituminous fuel is banned. Therefore this question is relevant in urban areas where this ban is in place.

- **Amen\_RnWt (Amenities Running water)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does the dwelling have any or all of the following***

***Running water (piped)?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Amen\_CnHt (Central heating)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Central heating?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Amen\_HtWt (Hot water)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Hot water (piped)?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Amen\_BtSh (Bath)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Bath or shower?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Amen\_Tlet (Toilet)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

**Toilet (internal)?**

1. Yes
2. No

• **Amen\_DbGl (Double glazing)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Double glazing?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Amen\_BgAl (Burglar alarm)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Burglar alarm?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Amen\_PtDr (Patio door)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Patio doors?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Amen\_Garg (Garage)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Garage?***

1. Yes
2. No

• **Gar\_ow\_Rt (Garage owned or rented)**

*Ask if Amen\_Garg=1*

*If the dwelling contains a garage*

***Is the garage owned or rented?***

1. Own
2. Rent

• **Tele\_Fix (Telephone)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***I am going to ask you questions about whether or not the household possesses certain items. It does not matter whether the item is owned or rented.***

***If the household does not have an item, could you please tell me whether the household:***

- (i) *would like to have it but cannot afford it?, or*
- (ii) *does not have it for another reason*

***Telephone {fixed line (not a mobile)}***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

Note: In the case of this and following questions which inquire regarding 'Possession' of certain items, Possession of the item does not necessarily imply ownership: the item may be rented, leased or provided on loan.

In the case of telephones, this question inquires re. Possession of a landline (fixed line) phone NOT A MOBILE PHONE. Questions relating to mobile phones appear in personal questionnaire

- **TV**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Colour TV***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

Note: In the case of a colour television, the household is considered to possess it if any member possesses it.

- **Sat\_Dish (Satellite dish)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Satellite Dish***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Vid\_Rec (Video recorder)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Video recorder***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Stereo**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

### ***Stereo***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **CD\_Player**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

### ***CD Player***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Camcorder**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

### ***Camcorder/Palmcorder***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Computer**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

### ***Computer***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

Note: In the case of a computer, the household is considered to possess it if any member possesses it.

- A computer includes a portable computer or a desktop computer, but does not include machines dedicated to video games but without any broader functionality.
- If a computer is provided ONLY for work purpose, this does not count as possession of the item.

- **Wash\_Mac (Washing machine)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Washing machine***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

Note: A washing machine includes an automatic washing machine or a non-automatic 'twin-tub'.

- **Clo\_Dry (Clothes dryer)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Clothes drier***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Dish\_Wash (Dish washer)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Dish washer***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Vac\_Clean (Vacuum cleaner)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

- ***Vacuum cleaner***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Fri\_w\_Fre (Fridge with freezer)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Fridge with separate freezer section***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Fridge**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Fridge***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Deep\_Fre (Deep freeze)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Deep freeze***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Microwave**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Microwave***

1. Possesses item

2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **DF\_fryer (Deep fat fryer)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Deep fat fryer***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Liquidiser**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Liquidiser***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **F\_Proc (Food processor)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Food processor***

1. Possesses item
2. Doesn't possess because cannot afford
3. Doesn't possess other reason

- **Damp\_Walls**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Do you have any of the following problems with your dwelling?***

***Leaking roof, damp walls/ceilings/floors/foundations, or rot in the doors, window frames or the floor?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Dark\_Rooms**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Room(s) which are too dark or don't have enough light?***

1. Yes
2. No

Note: If they feel they have a problem with any of their rooms being too dark, not necessarily all of them

- **Noise**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Noise from neighbours or noise from the street (traffic, business, factories etc)?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Pollution**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Pollution, grime or other environmental problems in the area caused by traffic or industry?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Crime**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Crime, violence or vandalism in the area?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Ann\_Hol (Annual holiday)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***In the last 12 months has your household paid for a week's holiday away from home?***

***(If no was it because the household could not afford to or was there another reason)***

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

• **Newspaper**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does your household buy a daily newspaper?***

***(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)***

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

• **Meat\_Meal (Meal with meat)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does your household eat meals with meat, chicken, fish (or vegetarian equivalent) every second day?***

***(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)***

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

• **Joint (Joint of meat)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does your household have a roast joint (or its equivalent) once a week?***

*(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)*

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

- **Clothes**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Do household members buy new rather than second-hand clothes?***  
*(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)*

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

- **Coat (Overcoat)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does each household member possess a warm waterproof coat?***  
*(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)*

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

- **Shoes**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does each household member possess two pairs of strong shoes?***  
*(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)*

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

- **Furniture**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does the household replace any worn out furniture?***

***(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)***

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

- **Warm\_Hse (Warm house)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does the household keep the home adequately warm?***

***(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)***

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

- **Fam\_meal (Family socialising)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does the household have family or friends for a drink or meal once a month?***

***(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)***

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

- **Fam\_Pres (Family presents)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Does the household buy presents for family or friends at least once a year?***

***(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)***

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

- **Hobbies**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Do the household members have hobbies or leisure activities?***

***(If no was it because the household can not afford to or was there another reason)***

1. Yes
2. No because cannot afford
3. No other reason

- **Unex\_Exp (Unexpected expenses)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Can your household afford an unexpected expense of €875 without borrowing?***

***Interviewer. If the payment was made on credit then the account should be debited within 1 month.***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Sec\_Home (Second home)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Do you have a second home/holiday home?***

1. Yes
2. No

- **Hous\_Cost (Burden of housing costs)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***When you think of your household's total housing costs including payments on mortgage or rent, insurance and service charges (refuse removal, regular maintenance and repairs etc.)***

***Would you say they are***

1. A heavy burden?
2. Somewhat of a burden?
3. No burden at all

• **Ends\_Meet (Ability to make ends meet)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***A household may have different sources of income and more than one household member may contribute to it.***

***Concerning your household's total monthly or weekly income, with which degree of ease or difficulty is the household able to make ends meet?***

1. With great difficulty
2. With difficulty
3. With some difficulty
4. Fairly easily
5. Easily
6. very easily

• **Endsmeet**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***In your opinion what is the lowest net monthly income your household would need to make ends meet?***

***Please enter amount in Euro***

***Enter a numeric value between 0.00 and 999999.99***

• **LastQ\_HS**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Thank you for answering the household questions for the EU-SILC survey***

*Press any key to continue  
Enter a text of at most 1 character*

- **Participate**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

*Certain households will be interviewed, on an annual basis, as part of SILC for up to 4 years. Can your household be included in SILC next year?*

1. Yes
2. No

- **HH\_Cmnbx (Household comment box)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

*Interviewer. Please insert (if relevant) comments regarding this household. Press return to continue if there are no relevant comments.*

*Press INSERT to insert text.*

- **Contnam (Contact Name)**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

*Can I ask you for a contact name and telephone number for this household? This is to allow me to arrange an interview at a suitable time next year (if your household is selected to take part in SILC in <Year>) and to allow for random quality and customer service checks by the Central Statistics Office.*

*Note: As with all the information on this questionnaire, this data is strictly confidential and will never be divulged to a third party.*

*Enter a text of at most 25 characters.*

- **PHONENO**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

*Please enter Contact Phone Number*

*Enter a text of at most 11 characters.*

- **Address\_1**

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Please enter the first line of the address.***

***Enter a text of at most 30 characters.***

- ***Address\_2***

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Please enter the second line of the address.***

***Enter a text of at most 30 characters.***

- ***Address\_3***

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Please enter the third line of the address.***

***Enter a text of at most 20 characters.***

- ***Address\_4***

*Ask if Hs Wh\_Ans=1*

*If somebody will answer the household questionnaire*

***Please enter the fourth line of the address.***

***Enter a text of at most 20 characters.***