

# Appendix – Finances and employment during lockdown

Initial findings from the COVID-19 Survey  
in Five National Longitudinal Studies

## A1: Worse or better off, by prior socio-economic status

		NCDS (age 62) N=5205		BCS70 (age 50) N= 4247		Next Steps (age 30) N=1921		MCS (age 19) N=2677 <sup>1</sup>	
		%	95% confidence interval	%	95% confidence interval	%	95% confidence interval	%	95% confidence interval
<b>Better off</b>	Has degree level qualification <sup>2</sup>	16	[14 - 17]	23	[21 - 25]	34	[30 - 39]	29	[25 - 33]
	Doesn't have degree level qualification	13	[12 - 14]	19	[17 - 21]	28	[23 - 33]	32	[28 - 36]
	Has low or none <sup>3</sup>	11	[9 - 14]	16	[13 - 20]	26	[15 - 41]	32	[24 - 41]
	Highest income quintile <sup>4</sup>	15	[13 - 17]	27	[24 - 30]	40	[33 - 49]	34	[29 - 40]
	Lowest income quintile	10	[8 - 13]	15	[12 - 19]	25	[17 - 36]	27	[20 - 35]
	Childhood social class - RG I or II <sup>5</sup>	13	[11 - 15]	19	[17 - 21]	35	[30 - 40]	31	[28 - 35]
	Childhood social class - RG IV or V	15	[12 - 17]	22	[19 - 25]	24	[18 - 32]	25	[18 - 32]
	Didn't claim benefits 3 months prior <sup>6</sup>	14	[13 - 15]	21	[20 - 23]	35	[31 - 39]	32	[29 - 35]
	Claimed benefits 3 months prior	11	[8 - 13]	17	[15 - 20]	16	[10 - 23]	24	[17 - 31]
<b>Worse off</b>	Has degree level qualification (NVQ 4 or NVQ 5)	31	[30 - 33]	33	[31 - 35]	28	[23 - 33]	25	[21 - 29]
	Doesn't have degree qualification	32	[30 - 33]	36	[34 - 38]	33	[28 - 39]	29	[25 - 33]
	Has low or none	35	[31 - 39]	34	[30 - 39]	32	[20 - 46]	25	[19 - 33]
	Highest income quintile	33	[30 - 36]	31	[28 - 34]	25	[19 - 32]	24	[19 - 31]
	Lowest income quintile	35	[31 - 39]	31	[26 - 36]	33	[23 - 44]	24	[17 - 33]
	Childhood social class - RG I or II	36	[33 - 38]	34	[32 - 37]	28	[24 - 32]	27	[23 - 31]
	Childhood social class - RG IV or V	32	[29 - 35]	34	[30 - 38]	36	[28 - 44]	29	[21 - 38]
	Didn't claim benefits 3 months prior	33	[32 - 34]	34	[33 - 36]	28	[25 - 32]	26	[23 - 29]
	Claimed benefits 3 months prior	32	[29 - 36]	39	[36 - 43]	41	[33 - 50]	35	[25 - 46]

Notes:

<sup>1</sup> MCS education, income and social class relates to parents of the cohort members

<sup>2</sup> Highest NVQ Level from an Academic or Vocational; NVQ 4 or NVQ5

<sup>3</sup> NVQ 1 or none

<sup>4</sup> Total equivalised household income in recent previous survey sweep; age 14 MCS, age 25 for Next steps, age 42 for BCS, Age 55 for NCDS

<sup>5</sup> Parental Social Class at Age 10/11/14

<sup>6</sup> Benefits before the lockdown including Carers/PIP/Disability Living Allowance; Council tax support or reduction; Housing benefit; Statutory sick pay; Employment and Support Allowance; Working Tax Credit or Child Tax credit; Income support/Job Seeker's Allowance; Pension credit; Universal credit; Free school meals