

NCDS – 2008 Follow Up - Summary of questionnaire content.

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<p>Introduction</p>	<p>Introductions Confirmation of name, sex, date of birth etc. Type of accommodation</p>
<p>Household grid</p>	<p>Legal marital status of cohort member</p> <p>Details collected for each member of household: Sex Age Relationship to cohort member Reason those who have left household since last interview moved out</p> <p>Details of all children not living in household: Sex Age Relationship to cohort member</p> <p>Parenthood of children (living in household or elsewhere): Whether cohort members' partner is parent of cohort members' natural children Contact between children and absent parents</p> <p>Ethnicity National Identity Whether English is usual language spoken at home</p>
<p>Housing</p>	<p>Housing history: Whether living at same address as at last interview</p> <p>Details of all previous addresses: Dates of moves Reasons for moving Postcodes of addresses (or town if not known)</p> <p>Current home: Type of house (flat/terraced house etc) Number of rooms Tenure</p>

<p>Relationships</p>	<p>Relationship history:</p> <p>Information collected about all co-habiting relationships since previous interview (up to and including current partner):</p> <p>When started living together Whether male or female</p> <p>Age of partner when started living together</p> <p>Legal status of partner when moved in together Whether got married When got married When stopped living together (ex-partners only) Whether got divorced (ex-partners only) When got divorced (ex-partners only) When partner died (ex-partners only)</p> <p>Other relationships: (Asked of those with no co-habiting relationship since time of last interview)</p> <p>Whether in a relationship Length of relationship Sex of partner</p>
<p>Pregnancies</p>	<p>Whether been pregnant (or fathered a pregnancy) since previous interview</p> <p>For those who have been pregnant: Number of pregnancies since previous interview</p> <p>For each pregnancy: Number of babies carried</p> <p>For each baby carried: Outcome of pregnancy (Live birth, stillbirth, miscarriage, termination, currently pregnant)</p> <p>For each live birth: Whether child lives in household Sex of child Weight at birth Date of birth Whether anything wrong at birth (and details of the problem if so) Whether current partner is other parent</p>
<p>Adopted Children</p>	<p>Adopted Children</p> <p>Age of child when adopted Whether child adopted by both cohort member and partner Whether child is cohort member's partner's natural child</p>

Absent and Older Children	<p>Absent Children: Who child lives with When child last lived with cohort member Frequency of contact with child Whether cohort member contributes to child's maintenance (for children aged 18 or under)</p> <p>Older children (16+): Economic activity of child Whether still in full-time education / age left full-time education Highest qualification Whether cohort member's child has had any (natural) children of their own (and number of children). Age at which cohort member's child first had a child of their own</p>
Other relatives	<p>Whether cohort member's mother is still alive Age when mother died Whether cohort member's father is still alive Age when father died Whether parents live together Where parents live (postcode or town) Frequency of contact with parents (face-to-face and via telephone) Closeness of relationship with mother/father Worries about mother / father Assistance given to parents Hours spent caring for parents (per week)</p> <p>Whether partner's mother is alive Whether partner's father is alive Assistance given to partner's parents Hours spent caring for partner's parents (per week)</p>
Family Income	<p>Benefits received by cohort member and partner (type of benefit, amount received and details of who receives benefit) Other sources of income Savings and investments (Types of savings and investments held and total amount) Assessment of current financial situation Comparison of current financial position with position one year ago Expected financial position in one year's time</p>
Employment	<p>Economic Activity History:</p> <p>Details of all periods of economic activity: Dates If employed: Job details to derive SOC Reason for changing job</p> <p>Current employment: Number of jobs Whether been promoted (if still working for same employer as at last interview) Job details (SOC)</p>

If an employee:

Whether a private or public sector organisation
Net and gross pay – amount and period covered
Number of hours worked (excluding overtime)
Whether works overtime
Number of hours paid overtime per week
Number of hours unpaid overtime per week
Total hours worked per week
Frequency of working in the evening (6 p.m. to 10 p.m.)
Frequency of working at night (10 p.m. to 4 a.m.)
Frequency of working in the early morning (4 a.m. to 7 a.m.)
Frequency of working weekends
Whether job is permanent, temporary or fixed term contract

If self-employed:

Whether works on own or with employees
How many people employed
Number of hours worked per week
Frequency of working in the evening etc. (as above)
Type of self-employment
Whether draws up profit and loss accounts
Net profit in last 12 months (or most recent period for which figures available)
How much earned before tax in last 12 months (or most recent period for which figures available)

If employed / self-employed:

Travel to work time
Job satisfaction
Security of current job
Whether demands of work interfere with the demands of family and home life
Whether expects to be doing the same job in a year's time

If unemployed:

Reason for being unemployed
Whether currently looking for paid work
Whether would like to be in paid work

Income from any other paid work, odd-jobs, casual work etc.
Hours worked for this income

If looking after children:

Whether enjoys being at home looking after children
Whether would prefer to be in employment
Main reasons for not working at the moment

Pensions:

Pensions currently contributing to or have contributed to in the past

Private health insurance:

Whether has private health insurance
Whether paid for directly or via employer

Partner	<p>Age partner left full-time education Partner's current economic activity status Partner's job details (SOC) Partner's net pay</p>
Qualifications	<p>Age left full-time education (if not previously collected) Qualifications achieved in reference period For each type of qualification: Number of qualifications Subject Grade Date qualification achieved Whether studied full or part-time Who paid fees</p>
Work Related Training	<p>Whether been offered work-related training in reference period Number of courses (lasting 20 hours or more) attended in reference period Other courses attended for interest or leisure</p>
Computer use	<p>Whether has a computer at home Frequency of use of home computer Whether uses computer at work Frequency of use of computer at work Self-rating of computer skills Whether would like to improve computer skills Whether computer skills limit type of work that can do Whether accesses internet for reasons other than work</p>
Health	<p>Self-rating of general health Rating of health in comparison with one year ago Whether currently suffering from any health conditions (17 broad conditions with follow-up questions to identify specific conditions plus details of any 'other' conditions) Whether seen a doctor about each condition in the last 12 months Whether registered disabled Whether health limits daily activities (in comparison to most people of same age) Number of days spent at hospital as a day-patient or in-patient since previous interview</p>
Cognitive Function	<p>Word-list recall test Animal naming task Letter cancellation task Delayed word-list recall test</p>
Smoking and Drinking	<p>Smoking: Whether currently smokes regularly or occasionally, or has smoked in the past or has never smoked Number of cigarettes smoked per day Age started smoking Age stopped smoking (if applicable)</p>

	<p>Drinking: Regularity of drinking an alcoholic drink Amount of beer drank in last week Amount of spirits drank in last week Amount of wine drank in last week Amount of sherry drank in last week Other alcoholic drinks drank in last week</p>
Exercise	<p>Whether regularly takes part in physical activities Frequency of taking part in physical activities Whether gets out of breath or sweaty when taking part in physical activities Amount of physical work involved in cohort member's job (if applicable)</p>
Height and weight	<p>Height Weight Self-assessment of whether about the right weight, underweight or overweight Whether currently trying to change weight</p>
Social Participation	<p>Membership of organisations: Current and previous membership of organisations Regularity of taking part in activities of these organisations</p> <p>Political activity: Whether has attended a public meeting, taken part in a public demonstration or protest, or signed a petition in the last 12 months</p> <p>Religion: Whether as a child, cohort member was raised according to any particular religion and if so, which religion Whether currently practices any religion and if so, which religion. How often attends any kind of religious service or meeting</p>
Social Participation	<p>How much cohort member could rely on people around them if they were sick in bed or needed to talk about problems and private feelings Whether has visited friends in last 2 weeks Whether has had visits from friends in last 2 weeks How often has had contact with friends via phone or letter Whether feels that most people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful when dealing with people</p>
CASI Self-completion	<p>Voting behaviour and party support: Whether voted in last general election Who voted for Party who would vote for if there was an election tomorrow Strength of support for party who would vote for Level of interest in politics</p>

Menopause (women only):

Use of contraception
Whether has had hysterectomy or oophorectomy
Age had operation (if applicable)
Whether has had period or menstrual bleeding in last 12 months
Reason periods have stopped (if applicable)
Whether has had period in last 3 months
Date of last period
Whether regularity of periods has changed in last few years
When change in regularity of periods was noticed
Whether has experienced symptoms of menopause in the last 12 months
Whether currently on HRT
Whether has ever had HRT
When HRT started (if applicable)
Whether periods had stopped before starting HRT
Date of last period before HRT

AUDIT Scale (data collected via self-completion):

A scale of questions designed to identify problematic drinking behaviour

Malaise:

A series of questions designed to detect levels of emotional disturbance, well-being and stress

Marital / relationship satisfaction:

Happiness of relationship

Domestic division of labour:

How cooking, shopping, cleaning, laundry and ironing, household repairs / DIY, financial management and childcare is shared between cohort member and partner (if applicable)

Commitment to work:

Kanugo's scale of job involvement (4 items from a 10 item scale)

Attitudes towards pensions / retirement

Questions from DWP's Attitudes towards pensions study
6 item agree / disagree scale

Retrospective questions about childhood:

Questions asked about the time cohort member was aged 11:

Number of people in household
Number of rooms in household

	<p>Efficacy / life satisfaction: Whether cohort member feels that they usually get what they want out of life Whether cohort member feels that they usually have a free choice or control over their life Whether cohort member feels that they can usually run their lives as they wish Satisfaction with way life has turned out so far Expected level of satisfaction in ten years time</p>
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<p>Paper Send Ahead Questionnaire</p>	<p>Leisure activities Regularity of taking part in 12 leisure activities (from The British Household Panel Study)</p> <p>Personality inventory 50 questions from the International Personality Item Pool (IPIP)</p> <p>Health (SF-36) Whether cohort member's health limits 10 types of activity – e.g. lifting or carrying groceries, climbing several flights of stairs Whether cohort member's health has caused problems with work or other regular activities in last 4 weeks Whether emotional problems have caused problems with work or other regular activities in last 4 weeks Whether emotional problems have interfered with normal social activities with family and friends etc. Amount of bodily pain experienced in last 4 weeks How much pain has interfered with normal work in last 4 weeks How respondent has been feeling in last 4 weeks (e.g. full of life, nervous) Four statements about general health for cohort member to record level of agreement / disagreement – e.g. I am as healthy as anybody I know</p> <p>Sleep 4 questions from the Medical Outcomes Study</p> <p>Values and attitudes A series of 21 statements to measure a range of different attitudes - cohort member must record level of agreement / disagreement (used previously in cohort studies). An 8 item battery where cohort member must rate how important things are to them – e.g. owning their own home, having a fulfilling job 4 questions from British Household Panel Study</p>
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	<p>Neighbourhood</p> <p>9 questions on neighbouring and psychological sense of community</p> <p>CASP-14</p> <p>A battery of 14 questions designed to measure the quality of life of those aged 50 and over</p> <p>Prospective question</p> <p>Open question asking cohort members to imagine they are now 60 years old and describe what they are doing in terms of family life, employment, health etc.</p>
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