

**Scottish House Condition Survey**

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## 1. Household Information

T1 Some households have more than one home. Is this your household's only home or do you own or rent other accommodation as well as this?

T2 Does anyone from your household live there at least part of the year?

T3 Which do you consider to be your household's main home, the home we are in now, or your other home?

NEWT4 Do any other householders -that is, the adult/s in whose name(s) the accommodation is owned or rented - live here for most of the year?

How many people are there in your household, including any children or babies?

HA1 Could you tell me {number}? (name of each person in household)

HHA1an Please could you tell me the names of the people who are householders - that is, the adults in whose name(s) is the accommodation is owned or rented?

HIHA2 You have told me that {names} {jointly} own or rent the accommodation. Which of them has the highest income (from earnings, benefits, pensions and any other sources)?

## 2. Relationships

HA2 Could you tell me how {sub} is related to {sub2}?

## 3. Personal Details

HA4 Could you tell me {sub} Date of Birth?

HA5 Could I just confirm {name} age?

HA6 Is {name} male or female?

HA7 And which of the items on this card would you say best describes {hhname} current situation?

- Self employed
- Employed full time
- Employed part time
- Looking after the home or family
- Permanently retired from work
- Unemployed and seeking work
- At school
- In further education / college
- In Higher education/ university
- Gov't work or training scheme

- Permanently sick or disabled
- Unable to work because of short-term illness or injury
- Pre school/Not yet at school
- Other

HA8 Which of the phrases on this card best describes *{sub}* marital status?

- Married
- Cohabiting (living together)
- Single / never been married
- Widowed
- Divorced
- Separated

HA9 How would you describe *{your/their}* cultural or ethnic background?

CX1 What religion, religious denomination or body *{do/you/they}* belong to?

CX1 What religion, religious denomination or body *{were/you/they}* brought up in?

#### **4. Occupancy**

HA10 *{hhname}* normally live here during the week in school term time?

HA11 *{hhname}* normally live at this house/flat during the week in university\college term time?

HA12 Is anyone you have just mentioned away at the moment, and has been living away from the rest of your household continuously for the last six months? E.g. Working away, living abroad.

HA13 Please indicate which person/persons

HC11 INTERVIEWER: CODE WHETHER HOUSE OR FLAT

HC12 Does anyone else live in your home with your household (other than the people you just mentioned)?

HC13 Does your household share any rooms with any other person or household? IF YES: Which rooms?

HC14 So overall, how many people in total live in this home?

HD7 Are there any cars normally available for private use by you or members of your household?

HD8 In total, how many cars are normally available for use?

#### **5. Accommodation Type**

Accom Please code the household's accommodation

HseType Is it (the house or bungalow)

- Detached
- Semi-detached
- Or terraced/end of terrace?

FltTyp Is it (the flat/maisonette):

- A purpose-built block?
- A converted house/some other type of building?

xTenBlk Which of these best describes the accommodation in this block/building:

- mainly renters,
- mainly owners,
- or, mix of owners and renters
- Don't know?

AccOth Is it (the accommodation): a caravan, mobile home or houseboat or some other kind of accommodation?

## 6. Tenure

T13 Which of these best describes your tenure here?

- Own
- Rents
- Rent free
- Crofting
- Part of a Co-ownership scheme (incl. Housing Assoc. co-ownership scheme)
- Partly own/partly rent (shared ownership)
- Living here without permission ("squatting")

T14 Can I just check, is this home owned or being bought by someone who lives here permanently, or by someone who lives somewhere else?

T15 In whose names is this property owned?

T16 What is your relationship with the owner of this house or flat?

T17 Do you consider yourself to be the owner or the tenant of this house on this croft?

T18 Does this house/flat go with the present job of anyone in the household?

T19 Do you rent this accommodation furnished, part-furnished or unfurnished?

T21 Who is your landlord? IF RENT FREE Who is it provided by?

T21x Do you also pay your rent to them, or do you pay your rent to another person/organisation?

T21y Who do you pay your rent to?

T22 You mentioned that you rent your property from your employer. Can I just check, which of these best describes your employer?

- Local Council
- Scottish Homes/Communities Scotland
- Other public sector e.g. MoD, Forestry Commission, Health Board etc
- Housing association/trust
- Housing co-operative
- Charitable trust/church commissioners
- Property company
- Other private sector organisation
- Relative
- Private individual
- Don't know

T23 As you may know, Scottish Homes has passed the management of its properties to local housing associations and other organisations. Are you sure this house/flat is still managed by Scottish Homes or is it another body, such as a housing association?

T24 As you may know, some local authorities in Scotland have passed the ownership and management of their housing to local housing associations. Are you sure this house/flat is still owned and managed by *{sub}* council or is it another body, such as a housing association?

T26 Taking everything into account, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the overall service provided by your landlord?

T27 Would you say that the management of your home by your landlord has improved, remained about the same, or got worse during the last five years (or since you moved in, if more recent)?

T28 In what particular ways has the service improved?

T29 And what do you think has caused those improvements to the service you get?

T30 In what ways has the service got worse?

T31 And what do you think has caused the service to get worse?

T33 Does your landlord live in this building? (Asked of all private renters who rent from a person)

T34 Have you personally ever owned a property other than this one? This refers to residential property only

T35 Who was this property bought from?

T36 Can I check, were you renting this property just before you bought/acquired it?

T37 Was this house ever owned by a local council or housing association?

T38 On what date did your household first start renting this property?

T39 And on what date did your household first own this property?

## **7. Neighbourhood Perception**

T42 Thinking now about the neighbourhood you live in, how would you rate it as a place to live? If pressed, define 'your neighbourhood' as: 'the street you live in and the streets nearby' (urban) or 'the local area' (rural).

T43 All things considered do you think this area/neighbourhood has got better, worse or remained about the same as a place to live during the past two years or, if less than two years, since you moved in?

T45 As far as you know, do most people around here own their homes, do most people rent, or is it about equal?

T46 What aspects of this immediate neighbourhood, if any, do you particularly like?

T47 And what aspects of this immediate neighbourhood, if any, do you particularly dislike?

T48 Which of those would you say is the single biggest problem in your neighbourhood at the moment?

T49 More specifically, which of the issues on this list, if any, cause you or your family problems in your immediate neighbourhood?

- Drug abuse
- Drug related harassment or drug dealing
- Harassment of a racial nature
- Harassment due to gender or sexual preference
- Some other type of harassment
- Other types of anti-social behaviour
- None of these

## **8. Noise**

T50 When you are indoors at home, how often, if ever, are you bothered by noise?

T51 Which of these types of noise, if any, bother you when you are at home?

- Noise coming through shared walls
- Noise coming through floor/ceiling from flats above or below you
- Noise from communal stairs or landings
- Noise from animals nearby
- Noise from people outside
- Noise from traffic
- Noise from planes
- Other
- Don't know

T52 In general, how much does noise disturb your everyday life when you are at home indoors? Would you say it disturbs you...?

- A great deal
- A fair amount
- A little
- or, not at all
- Don't know

T53 Which of these aspects of daily life, if any, are disturbed by this noise?

- Sleep
- Mealtimes
- Leisure/TV watching
- Children's play
- Children's homework
- Adult studying
- Reading
- General conversation
- Other

## **9. Smoking**

T54 Changing the subject, does anyone smoke cigarettes, cigars or a pipe when they are inside your home, including people who don't live here?

T55 On a normal day how many cigarettes are smoked in your home either by people living here or by people visiting?

## **10. Pets**

T56 It is possible that pets in the home may be linked to some health conditions. What kind of pets, if any, have you EVER had either as a child or more recently inside your home?

T57 And what pets, if any, do you keep inside your home at the moment?

## **11. Previous Home and Reasons for Moving**

T60 Can I just check, have you ever lived anywhere else (other than this address)?

T61 Can you tell me the address of your previous home? IF NECESSARY: The reason we need the address is because we are interested in looking at the areas which people move to and from.

T62 Approximately how far away was that from here?

T63 How long did you stay there for?

T64 Can I just check, were you staying there temporarily while you were moving from one place to another, or did you own/rent it, either in your own name or jointly with others?

T65 What was this temporary accommodation?

T66 So when was the last time you had settled accommodation of your own, that is accommodation which you rented or owned in your own name or jointly with others?

T67 What was your main reason for leaving your last (settled) address?

T68 What was/were your reason(s) for moving to this area?

T69 Did you (or your husband/wife/partner) own or rent that previous accommodation or were you lodging or boarding there?

T70 Which of these best describes your former landlord?

- Local Council
- Scottish Homes/Communities Scotland
- Other public sector e.g. MoD, Forestry Commission, Health Board etc
- Housing association/trust
- Housing co-operative
- Charitable trust/church trustees or nominees
- Employer
- Company (incl. property company)
- Other private sector organisation (WRITE IN)
- Relative
- Employer (an individual)
- Other individual(s)
- Don't know

T71 Who was your employer? (Asked if answer to T70 is employer)

## **12. Accommodation Preference and Desire to Move**

PF1 If you had a choice, which type of property on this card would you most like to live in?

- Detached house
- Semi-detached house
- Terraced house
- Bungalow
- Flat or maisonette
- Bed-sit
- Other (WRITE IN)
- No preference

PF2 On what floor level would you like your flat or maisonette to be?

PF3 What type of block would you prefer the flat or maisonette to be in?

PF4 How likely do you think it is that you will be able to move to that type of property?

PF5 Why do you say that? (Asked if not likely to be able to move to preferred property or not able to)

- Too old to move
- Not enough money to move
- Happy where currently living
- Other

PF6 Do you expect to move from this house/flat within the next few years, or not? If yes, ask when do you expect to move?

PF7 Why do you expect to move from this house/flat?

PF8 Which of these different types of tenure would you prefer when you move?

- Own/buy own home
- Rent from Local Authority/Local Council
- Rent from a Housing Association
- Rent from a Housing Co-operative
- Rent from a Private landlord
- Other
- Don't care/don't know/none

PF8b Why do you say you would choose to own your own home?

PF8c Why do you say you would prefer to {x}? (Asked for those who give answers 2 to 5 to DF8)

### 13. Right to Buy

PF12 Do you know whether or not your household would qualify, now or in the future, to buy this home under the Right to Buy Scheme?

PF13 Does your household intend to buy this house/flat in the next 2 years?

PF14 Has anyone in your household done any of these things about buying your present home?

- Put name on list
- Filled in an application form
- Talked to council/housing association
- Talked to solicitor/estate agent
- Talked to building society/bank about a mortgage
- Talked Mortgage broker
- Looked over some houses to buy
- Started saving money
- Sent off an application
- Other
- None of these
- Don't know

PF15 Things could change in the future - so I'd like to ask you whether if certain changes did happen you would consider buying this house/flat? Would you consider buying this house/flat?

- If your financial situation changed?
- If your household circumstances changed (kids etc.)
- If there were improvements to the area

#### **14. Repairs**

R1 In the past five years, or since you moved in, have you/has your landlord done any of these jobs to your home?

R2 In the past year, since {daymonth} 2005 (or since you moved in if more recent) have you/ has your landlord done any of these jobs to your home?

- Build conservatory, porch, or extension
- Convert loft, attic or garage
- Completely refit kitchen
- Completely refurbish existing bathroom
- Provide additional bathroom or WC
- Work to foundations or structural work to walls or roof
- Any work to damp-proof course
- Replace drives or paths
- Completely rewire property
- Any work to stairs or staircase
- Re-plaster at least one wall or ceiling

- Replace/repair floor joists or boards
- Timber treatment (for dry/wet rot, woodworm)
- Paint the outside of windows
- Replace windows with same style single-glazed units
- Replace windows with double-glazed units
- Replace existing door and frame with new in UPV or hardwood
- Replace existing door and frame with similar type
- Install complete central heating system (including electrical central heating system) or storage heaters
- Install/replace gas fire(s) or heaters(s) or solid fuel fires(s)
- Replace Central Heating system
- Install or improve loft insulation
- Install wall insulation
- Replace a large area of roof covering (at least 6ft x 6ft or 2m x 2m)
- Replace flat roof with pitched roof
- Re-build or re-point chimney stack
- Replace gutters or down pipes
- Repair or replace rendering or harling on walls
- Replace external timber with UPVC
- Replace mains water connection
- Install entry phone system
- Basic repairs to corridors, stairway or main entrance
- Install or replace fire alarm
- Remove one or more storeys or demolish part of block
- none

R3 Which of those repairs or work done to your home, if any, did your landlord pay for in part or in full?

R3 Which of those repairs or work done to your home, if any, did you have to pay for in part or full?

R3b Were any of these repairs grouped together so that you only know a total cost?

R4n How did you pay for the work / your share of the work? (R4n-R11n are for grouped repairs)

R5n Roughly - how much did it cost to have this work done?

R6n Did you receive a grant from the local council, or any other body, to pay for any of this work?

R7n How much of a grant did you receive for this job?

R8n Would you have done this job if you had not received a grant from the council?

R9n Who was the work done by?

R10n Why did you do this job yourself?

R11n Do you consider this work to be a repair or an improvement to your home?

R4 How did you pay for the work / your share of the work? (R4-R11 are for individual repairs)

R5 Roughly - how much did it cost to have this work done?

R6 Did you receive a grant from the local council, or any other body, to pay for any of this work?

R7 How much of a grant did you receive for this job?

R8 Would you have done this job if you had not received a grant from the council?

R9 Who was the work done by?

R10 Why did you do this job yourself?

R11 Do you consider this work to be a repair or an improvement to your home?

R12 Thinking about all the jobs in the last year, which of these jobs, if any, were communal where more than one household contributed towards the costs?

R13 What proportion of total cost was your share?

R14 Of all the jobs in the last year, which of them was completed most recently?

R15 Which of these reasons best describes what prompted you/your landlord to do this job?

- Planning on selling house soon
- Recently moved in and wanted to improve house
- Part of general improvements
- Job was identified as needing to be done in house survey
- Emergency
- To fix/replace something broken/faulty/old
- To improve value of house
- None of these

R16 And again, thinking about that most recent job, did you get professional advice or information on this before going ahead with the work?

R17 In terms of repairs and maintenance, but not decoration, of your home what do you think you are responsible for?

R18 I'm going to read out a series of statements about the way people maintain their homes. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each?

- I/we regularly inspect my/our home to see if any repairs are needed

- I/we regularly maintain my/our home by doing some of the smaller jobs such as cleaning gutters and painting the outside of windows
- If a big job needs to be done I/we get a number of quotes and decide who gets the job on that basis
- The only time I/we arrange for the house to be repaired is in an emergency

R19 In total, including all the repairs and decoration, roughly how much have you spent on your home in the past year, that is since {daymonth} 2005?

R20 As far as you are aware, are there any jobs or repairs to your property that currently need to be done?

R20b Which of these are needed? (Same list as R2 but with 'none' replaced with 'other minor work')

R21 Which of these, if any, do you intend to do, or contact your landlord about, in the next 12 months? (Same list as R2 but with addition of 'other minor work')

R22 Why do you not intend to do these other job(s)/contact your landlord about them?

R23 Overall, how do you rate the general condition of this house/flat?

R24 Can I just check - does this building have a common flight of stairs?

R25 Who repairs and looks after the common parts of the block, like any common stairs, or the roof?

XR25 PAY Would you consider paying a factor/property management agent to maintain and repair the common parts of this building?

R26 Do the people who live in this block regularly meet to discuss things like repairs and maintenance?

R27 How easy or difficult is it to get common repairs done in this block?

R28 Are you aware of any occasions when people have failed to pay their share of repairs?

R29 What did you do in that situation?

R30 And thinking about the roof - who pays for the maintenance of the roof or for repairs when it is damaged?

R31 Is there a maintenance fund or account that everyone pays into on a regular basis to cover repairs and maintenance of the common parts?

R32 Still thinking of the common parts - are they regularly inspected and maintained or is work done only when there is an emergency?

R31 Is there a maintenance fund or account that everyone pays into on a regular basis to cover repairs and maintenance of the roof.

R32 Still thinking of the roof - is it regularly inspected and maintained or is work done only when there is an emergency?

R33 Which of these things, if any, does the factor/council/Housing Association etc. do to maintain the common parts of this building?

- Upkeep and maintenance of common grounds (grass cutting etc.)
- Maintenance/cleaning of common stair
- Window cleaning
- Repairs to roof
- Cleaning gutters
- Repairs to outside walls and windows
- Repairs to door entry system
- Surveys to identify problems
- Don't know
- None of these

R34a Does your household pay a regular service charge for this in addition to the mortgage/rent?

R34B And, are any irregular payments made by your household to cover this?

R35 How satisfied are you with the management and maintenance of the common parts of this block/building?

## **15. Satisfaction with Property**

PA1 On the whole, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with this house/flat?

PA2 What is it about this house/flat that you are dissatisfied with?

PA3 And more specifically, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the overall size of this house/flat?

PA4 In your view, does your house/flat have too few rooms, too many rooms, or about the right number for your current household?

## **16. Gardens and Water Supply**

PA5 Does this house/flat have a front garden, for your sole use, for shared use with other households, or does it not have a front garden?

PA6 And does it have a back garden either for your sole use, for shared use with other households, or does it not have a back garden?

PA7 Approximately how much, if anything, have YOU spent on improvements to the garden like paving, decking, steps etc., but NOT plants, in the last year?

PA8 Does your home have a private water supply? That is a water supply that is not connected to a mains water supply

## 17. Heating and Fuel Costs

HT1 Can I just check, which of these rooms do you have?

- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Main Living Room
- Hall
- Main Bedroom
- 2nd Bedroom
- 3rd Bedroom
- Other Public Room
- Utility Room
- Other Room
- Living room/kitchen
- Living room/bedroom
- Living room/kitchen/bedroom

HT2 Which of these best describes the main form of heating you use at home (that is the type you use most often)?

- Electric storage heaters
- Central heating with radiators
- Warm air central heating
- Fixed gas fire/Gas convector
- Portable gas heater (Calor gas) or paraffin heater
- Plug in Electric fire or heater
- Electric panel heating
- Solid Fuel-open grate, enclosed grate/stove
- Other
- Don't know

xCHcont Do you have central heating which uses a time clock or thermostat?

xCLKcont Do you (or anyone in your household) use the time clock to adjust how long you heat your home?

XCLKNOT So please can you tell me why you don't use the time clock?

xCLKease Do you find your central heating system with time clock easy to use and control?

xTHMcont Do you (or anyone in your household) use the thermostat to adjust how long you heat your home?

XTHMNOT So please can you tell me why you don't use the thermostat?

xTHMease Do you find your central heating system with thermostat easy to use and control?

xFIPICH Do you have full or partial central heating?

XDHT3 On winter weekdays for how long do you heat your rooms? (xDHT3 to xWkEdRm are asked of those with full central heating)

xWkDyOff Are there any rooms which are not heated on winter weekdays, for example, if the radiator is turned off?

xWkDyRm Which rooms?

xDH4 On winter weekends for how long do you heat your room?

xWkEdOff Are there any rooms which are not heated on winter weekends, for example, if the radiator is turned off?

xWkEdRm Which rooms?

HT3 On winter WEEKDAYS for how long do you heat your rooms? (Asked of each room in turn for those who only have partial central heating or no central heating)

HT4 On winter WEEKENDS for how long do you heat your rooms? (Asked of each room in turn for those who only have partial central heating or no central heating)

HT5 Which of these types of fuel do you use for lighting, heating and power?

- Electricity
- Gas
- Heating oil
- Solid fuel (coal/wood)
- Bottled gas
- Bulk liquid propane gas
- Paraffin
- Other fuel

HT5b Which of these types of fuel bills do you pay together? (Same list as above for HT5 but with additional option 'none paid together')

HT6 And thinking about the cost of your fuel bills ... how much do you spend on {fuel}?

HT7 What period does the amount you just gave cover?

HT8 What method of payment did you use to pay for {fuel}?

HT8A Do you have an arrangement or contract to service your heating?

HT8B How much do you pay for this service?

HT8D What period does the amount you just gave cover?

HT11 During the winter months, do you generally find that your heating keeps you warm enough at home, or not?

HT12 How much of a problem is this, if at all, to you?

HT13 Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your heating?

HT14 Which of these things, if any, make it difficult to heat your home?

- No central heating
- Not enough heaters/radiators
- Position of heaters/radiators
- Poor system/need new system
- Radiators not big enough
- Heating not working
- Dislike storage heaters
- Inadequate heating
- Diff to control/regulate
- Heating in part of house
- Hard to control heat
- Need new windows/dble glazing
- No insulation/poor insulation
- Room(s) too big
- Can't afford to heat house
- Can't afford to replace system
- None of these
- Other (Please specify)

## **18. Damp and Condensation**

CD1 Do you have any of these problems in your home as a result of condensation or damp?

CD2 Which of these problems do you have in the... (Asked of each room)?

CD3 Thinking about the rooms with mould growth, in which room is the mould problem worst, in your view?

CD4 Which of these best describes the mould in the worst affected room {cd3}, when the mould is at its worst..

- Small spots or
- Hand sized patches or
- Larger patches?

CD6 Overall, how much does the problem of condensation or damp bother you?

## 19. Health and Disability

HF1 Who, if anyone, in your household has any long-standing health problem or disability? By longstanding, I mean anything that affects how you live your life over an extended period of time or that is likely to affect you over an extended period of time. By disability as opposed to ill-health, I mean a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on their ability to carry out normal day to day activities.

HF2 Which of the conditions on this list best describes the ill-health or disability {name}?

- Arthritis
- A speech impairment
- Chest or breathing problems (asthma/bronchitis)
- Diabetes
- Difficulty hearing
- Difficulty seeing (even when wearing spectacles/contact lenses)
- Dyslexia
- Epilepsy
- Heart, blood pressure or circulation problems
- Learning or behavioural problems (e.g. autism, Down's syndrome)
- Mental health problems
- Problems or disabilities related to arms or hands
- Problems or disabilities related to legs or feet
- Problems or disabilities related to neck or back
- Severe disfigurement, skin condition or allergies
- Severe stomach, liver, kidney or digestive problems
- Some other progressive disability or illness
- Some other health problem or disability
- Refused

CC3 What adaptation or aids do you (or anyone else in your household) use to get about indoors?

CC4 Who would you say has most difficulty getting around indoors?

CC5 I am going to read out a number of daily activities. Please could you tell me from this card what difficulty, if any, {sub} have doing each one without assistance?

- Getting in or out of bed
- Getting up and down stairs
- Moving around the house
- Getting in and out of the house
- Cooking
- Using the bathroom/WC

CC6 What, if anything, is there about your home that limits the activities that you (or anyone in your household) can do?

CC7 Does your home require adaptations to make it easier for you (or anyone in your household) to go about daily activities?

CC8a Which, if any, of these adaptations do you have in your home, whether they are currently needed or not?

- Ramps
- Door widening
- Relocated light switches and power points
- Individual alarm system
- Stairlift
- Through floor lift
- Handrails
- Specially designed/adapted kitchen
- Specially designed/adapted bathroom/shower
- Specially designed/adapted toilet
- Door entry phone
- Extension to meet disabled person's needs
- Special furniture
- Other (TYPE IN)
- ONE needed/provided
- Don't know

CC8b And which are missing, but are required?

CC9 How suitable is this accommodation for your/their needs?

CC10 Which, if any, of these services do you or other household members receive at present?

- Home care worker/home help (helping with housework, cooking, cleaning)
- Home care worker (helping with washing/bathing, dressing, toilet)
- Meals delivered to home/meals on wheels
- Day care/day centre (in hospital, residential home or other organisation)
- Respite/short term care in residential/nursing home
- Occupational therapy/physiotherapy
- Help with shopping
- Night care (someone present at night only)
- Assistance from relative/friend/neighbour
- Other (Please specify)
- Other (Please specify)
- Other (Please specify)
- None

CC11 And which of these do you need...?

CC12 Which one of these would do most to improve your or another household member's quality of life?

HE1 In general, how would you say your own health has been over the past 12 months?

HE2 Have you had any wheezing or whistling in your chest at any time in the last 12 months?

HE3 Have you been at all breathless when wheezing noise was present?

HE4 Have you had this wheezing or whistling when you did not have a cold?

HE5 Have you been woken up with a feeling of tightness in your chest at any time in the last 12 months?

HE6 Have you been woken by an attack of shortness of breath at any time in the last 12 months?

HE7 Are you currently taking any medicine (including inhalers, aerosols, or tablets) for asthma?

HE8 Have you ever had asthma?

HE9 Was this confirmed by a doctor?

HE10 Have you had an attack of asthma in the last 12 months?

HE11 How old were you when you had your first attack of asthma?

HE12 How old were you when you had your most recent attack of asthma?

HE13 How many attacks of asthma have you had in the last 12 months?

HE14 Do you have any nasal allergies including hay fever?

HE15 Have you ever suffered a two year period or more during which you experienced coughing and phlegm on most days?

HE16 And would you say that you suffered that problem for periods of 3 months or more each of those years?

HE17 Has {sub} had any wheezing or whistling in the chest in the last 12 months? (Questions HE17-26 refer to any children in the household and are asked about each child in turn)

HE18 How many attacks of wheezing has {sub} had in the last 12 months?

HE19 In the last 12 months how often, on average, has {sub2} sleep been disturbed due to wheezing?

HE20 In the last 12 months has wheezing ever been severe enough to limit {sub}'s speech to only one or two words at a time between breaths?

HE21 Has {sub} been woken by an attack of wheezing in the last 12 months?

HE22 In the last 12 months has {sub} chest sounded wheezy during or after exercise?

HE23 In the last 12 months has {sub} had a dry cough at night, apart from a cough associated with a cold or chest infection?

HE24 Has {sub} had more than 3 courses of antibiotics for respiratory infections (chest, ears or throat) in the last 12 months?

HE25 Is {sub} currently taking any medicine (including inhalers, aerosols or tablets) for asthma?

HE26 Has {sub} had an attack of asthma in the last 12 months?

## **20. Mental Health (self-completion section)**

PCGS<sub>c</sub> RESPONDENT SHOULD SELF COMPLETE. YOU CAN OFFER TO READ THE QUESTIONS FROM THE PRINTED SCRIPT BUT THE RESPONDENT SHOULD STILL TYPE THE ANSWERS INTO THE LAPTOP THEMSELVES IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. ENTER COMPLETION METHOD:

SCTest This question is just to help you to get used to answering the questions in this section...How much do you enjoy watching television?

GH1 Have you recently been able to concentrate on whatever you're doing?

GH2 Have you recently lost much sleep over worry?

GH3 Have you recently felt that you are playing a useful part in things?

GH4 Have you recently felt capable of making decisions about things?

GH5 Have you recently felt constantly under strain?

GH6 Have you recently felt you couldn't overcome your difficulties?

GH7 Have you recently been able to enjoy your normal day-to-day activities?

GH8 Have you recently been able to face up to your problems?

GH9 Have you recently been feeling unhappy and depressed?

GH10 Have you recently been losing confidence in yourself?

GH11 Have you recently been thinking of yourself as a worthless person?

GH12 Have you recently been feeling reasonably happy, all things considered?

PHowCmp Did the respondent complete the whole of this section as a self-completion?

## **21. Home Ownership Costs**

OH2 Can I just check, did you or someone in your household buy this property or was it inherited or a gift?

OH4 Did you or someone from your household buy this house/flat under the Right to Buy or Rent to Mortgage scheme?

OH5 Did your household get a discount off the price of the property because you or someone in your household was a tenant? (Asked of those who bought under Right to Buy or Rent to Mortgage Scheme)

OH6 Do you know the price of the property before any discount was taken off?

OH7 Can you tell me what percentage discount you received?

OH8 What was the purchase price of this property - that is the price paid after any discount?

OH9 What was the purchase price of this property? (Asked if not Right to Buy or Rent to Mortgage or if no discount received)

OH10 (And) roughly how much do you think you could sell this property for now, if you put it on the market?

OH11 From which of the sources on this card did your household get the money to buy this property?

- Building society mortgage/loan
- Bank mortgage/loan
- Insurance/finance company mortgage/loan
- Local authority mortgage/loan
- Other Government or public sector loans (e.g. from Dept of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland)
- Private loan from parents
- Other private loan
- Government grant e.g. Tenants' Incentive Scheme
- Gift
- Sale of previous property
- Savings
- Inheritance
- Another way (WRITE IN)
- Don't know
- Refused

OH13 Was the money your household borrowed at the time just to cover the cost of buying the house/flat itself, or was it also to cover the cost of repairs or improvements?

OH14 How much did you and your household borrow in total at this time? (OH14-16 are asked if amount borrowed was also to cover cost of repairs/improvements)

OH15 How much of this was borrowed for the purchase of the property?

OH16 How much was borrowed for the repairs or improvements?

OH17 How much did you and your household borrow at this time? (Asked if didn't include repairs)

OH18 Can I just check, does your household have a mortgage or loan outstanding on this property?

OH19 Which of these best describes your mortgage?

- Repayment
- Combined repayment and endowment
- Interest only - Endowment
- Interest only - ISA/PEP
- Interest only - Pension
- Combined current account/mortgage
- Other
- Don't know

OH20 How many years has your household had this mortgage/loan?

OH21 And how many years does the mortgage/loan have left to run?

OH22 At the moment, how much does your household pay each month in mortgage or loan payments excluding any endowment or insurance you may have?

OH23 Does your household pay an additional separate amount for the endowment part of the mortgage?

OH24 You have said that your household pays a separate amount for the endowment part of the mortgage. How much do you pay for the endowment each month?

OH25 Do you have a mortgage protection insurance policy, that is a policy that will cover the repayments on your mortgage in the event of you being made redundant or being unable to work?

OH26 How much does your household pay each month for this?

OH27 Does your household pay a regular service charge for the maintenance or upkeep of the common areas around your house/flat?

## 22. Rental Costs

RH2 How much rent does your household currently pay?

RH3 How long does this cover?

HBenCnl Are you allowed Housing Benefit or Rent Rebate, to help with paying your rent? (Asked if landlord is local council)

HBenOth Are you receiving Housing Benefit or Rent Allowance, to help with paying your rent, either directly or by having it paid to your landlord on your behalf? (Asked if landlord other than local council)

REBATE Is the reason you paid no rent last time because you get 100% Housing Benefit?

RebateO Can I just check, what is the reason you paid no rent last time?

HBenAmt How much Housing Benefit/ Rent Rebate/ Rent Allowance are you and other members of your household allowed?

HBenPd How long does this cover?

HBenChk Can I just check, is the amount of £ {rent} for rent that you mentioned earlier, BEFORE or AFTER taking off Housing Benefit?

RentFull How much is your FULL rent - that is, BEFORE Housing Benefit/ Rent Rebate/ Allowance?

RentPd1 How long does this cover?

RH4 Overall, how many people are contributing towards the rent figure you just gave me?

RH5 Do you (or your husband/wife/partner) receive housing benefit from your local authority or local DSS office?

RH6 How much does your household actually pay for this accommodation after Housing Benefit is deducted?

RH7 How long a period does that rent cover?

RH8 Does the rent figure you have just given me include the cost of heating or hot water?

RH9 Does the rent figure you have just given me include a separate service charge for the maintenance or upkeep of this property, which is part of your tenancy agreement?

## **23. Council Tax**

CT1 I would now like to ask you about Council Tax payments. Certain types of household receive a discount to their Council Tax or are fully exempt from paying Council Tax. Does your household pay full council tax, or receive any of these types of reduction?

CT2A How much does your household pay for council tax? (Asked of those who pay full amount)

CT2B Is that the yearly amount, or a single instalment? IF A SINGLE INSTALMENT, ASK HOW MANY INSTALMENTS ARE THERE OVER A YEAR. (Asked of those who pay full amount)

CT3 How much do your household actually pay for council tax after any deductions? Is that the yearly amount, or a single instalment? IF A SINGLE INSTALMENT, ASK HOW MANY INSTALMENTS ARE THERE OVER A YEAR. (Asked of those who receive benefit/rebate)

CT4 Can you tell me, if your household had to pay the full amount for Council Tax, how much would it be FOR A WHOLE YEAR? (Asked of those who receive benefit/rebate)

## **24. Education**

RC1 Now on a different subject. Please look at this card and tell me which, if any, of the following educational qualifications you have.

- School Leaving Certificate, new National Qualification Access Unit
- Standard Grade, GCSE, CSE, Senior Certificate or equivalent
- GSVQ Foundation or Intermediate, SVQ Level 1 or 2, SCOTVEC Module or equivalent, New National Qualification Access 3 Cluster, Intermediate 1 or 2
- SCE Higher Grade/New National Qualification Higher or Advanced Higher/CSYS/A level, Advanced Senior Certificate or equivalent
- GSVQ Advanced, SVQ Level 3, ONC, OND, SCOTVEC National Diploma or equivalent
- City and Guilds
- HNC, HND, SVQ Levels 4 or 5 or equivalent
- First Degree, Higher degree
- Professional qualifications e.g. teaching, accountancy
- None of these

RC2 Are you currently taking part in any of these forms of education/classes or training? Which ones?

- On-the-job training
- An FE college course
- A university-based course
- Distance learning/Open University
- School

- Adult education or evening class
- Help with reading, writing or use of numbers
- Other
- None

## 25. Employment Status and History

HHPREAMB I would now like to change the subject and discuss the employment status and employment history of the householder with the highest income. All of this information is confidential and won't be seen by any one other than the Scottish House Conditions Survey research team.

HG1 Can I just check, did {sub} do any paid work in the seven days prior to last Sunday, either as an employee or as self-employed?

HG2 Last week, that is in the seven days ending last Sunday {sub} on any of the following schemes? (Asked of those who say they were not in paid work)

- Youth Training (YT)
- New Deal (including on the Gateway)
- Training for Work
- Any other kind of scheme
- None of these

HG3 May I just check, was that.....?

- A scheme in Scotland run by a Local Enterprise Council
- Or was it some other scheme?
- Don't know

HG4 In the week ending last Sunday, did {you} do any paid work or have any other paid job or business in addition to the government scheme/s you have just told me about?

HG5 Did {sub} have a job or business that {sub2} {sub3} away from? THIS COULD BE THAT THEY WERE ON HOLIDAY.

HG6 Did {sub} do any unpaid work in that week for any business that {sub2} {sub3} or that a relative owns?

HG9 If a job or a place on a government training scheme had been available in the week prior to last Sunday, would {sub} have been able to start within two weeks?

HG10 Why would {sub} not have been able to start in the next two weeks? Any other reasons?

HG11 How long is it since {sub} PERMANENTLY RETIRED from work?

HG14 {sub} had a paid job in the last five years?

HG16 How did {sub} come to leave {sub2} last job?

HG17 For how long did {sub} work in that job?

HG18 How many paid jobs did {sub} have in the week ending last Sunday?

HG19 Thinking about {sub} last/current paid job, what was/is the name or title of that job?

HG20 What does (did) the firm / organisation {sub2} work(ed) for make or do at the place where {sub} work(ed)?

HG21 What {sub} mainly do in {subs} job?

HG22 {sub3} working as an employee or were {sub4} self-employed?

HG23 {sub} supervise any other employees? (A supervisor or foreman is responsible for overseeing the work of other employees on a day-to-day basis; this is asked only of those who are employees)

HG24 How many employees of {sub2} firm/organisation are/were there at the place where {sub} actually works/worked? (Asked of those who are employees)

HG25 {sub} working on {sub2} own or did {sub3} have employees? (Asked if self-employed)

HG26 How many employees {are} there at the place where {sub} {works}? (Asked if self-employed and have employees)

HG27 Is {sub} (main) job full-time or part-time?

HG28 And is that job permanent or temporary (temporary, means fixed-term contract or seasonal)

## **26. Employment Income**

HH1 Now I'd like to ask you about the pay {sub} in this job. What is {sub2} usual TAKE-HOME pay, that is after all deductions for tax, national insurance, union dues and so on, but INCLUDING overtime, bonuses, commission or tips?

HH2 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH3 INTERVIEWER PROBE Is that exact or an estimate? INTERVIEWER OBSERVE: DID RESPONDENT CONSULT PAY SLIP.

HH4 How many hours A WEEK {sub} usually work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH7 What is {sub} usual pay BEFORE any deductions for tax, national insurance, union dues and so on, and INCLUDING overtime, bonuses, commission or tips? (Asked if don't know net pay/take home pay at HH1)

HH6 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH7 INTERVIEWER PROBE Is that exact or an estimate? INTERVIEWER OBSERVE:  
DID RESPONDENT CONSULT PAY SLIP.

HH8 How many hours A WEEK {sub} usually work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH9 LAST TIME {sub} paid, what was {sub2} total TAKE-HOME pay, that is after all deductions for tax, national insurance, union dues and so on, but INCLUDING overtime, bonuses, commission or tips? (Asked if no usual pay at HH7 and don't know usual take home pay or no usual pay at HH1)

HH10 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH11 INTERVIEWER PROBE Is that exact or an estimate? INTERVIEWER OBSERVE:  
DID RESPONDENT CONSULT PAY SLIP.

HH12 How many hours A WEEK {sub} usually work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH13 LAST TIME {sub} paid, what was {sub2} pay BEFORE any deductions for tax, national insurance, union dues and so on, INCLUDING overtime, bonuses, commission or tips? (Asked if don't know last take home pay after deductions)

HH14 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH15 INTERVIEWER PROBE Is that exact or an estimate? INTERVIEWER OBSERVE:  
DID RESPONDENT CONSULT PAY SLIP.

HH16 How many hours A WEEK {sub} usually work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH17 About how much income after tax and other deductions {sub} take out of the business for {sub2} use? (By income, I mean money drawn from the business which is used for personal, domestic, non-business use, in other words, what you have to live on.) Asked of those who are self-employed?

HH18 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH18X How many hours A WEEK {sub} usually work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH20 Can you give me an estimate of how much {sub} took out of the business in the last year after tax and other deductions?

HH21 How many hours a week {sub} usually work?

HH22 Thinking now about ANY OTHER JOBS {sub}, in total what is {sub2} usual pay AFTER any deductions for tax, national insurance and so on, for these other jobs?

HH23 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH22X How many hours A WEEK {sub} usually work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH24 Can you tell me {sub} usual total gross pay before deductions for these other jobs? (Asked if don't know net pay at HH22)

HH25 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH26 And, how many hours a week {sub} usually work for this pay?

HH27 Can I check, {sub} in paid work for 1 or more hours a week? (Asked about partner/spouse, as are questions HH28-54)

HH28 {sub} have one job at the moment, or more than one?

HH29 I'd like to ask you about the work {sub} for the most hours each week. In this job {sub2} an employee or self - employed? (Asked if partner/spouse has more than one job)

HH30 {sub} an employee or self-employed? (Asked if partner/spouse only has 1 job or if not sure how many jobs)

HH31 Now I'd like to ask you about the pay {sub} in this job. What is {sub2} usual TAKE-HOME pay after any deductions for tax, national insurance, union dues and so on, but INCLUDING overtime, bonuses, commission or tips?

HH32 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH33 CODE ACCURACY:

HH34 How many hours A WEEK {sub} work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH35 What is {sub} usual pay BEFORE any deductions for tax, national insurance, union dues and so on, and INCLUDING overtime, bonuses, commission or tips?

HH36 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH37 CODE ACCURACY:

HH38 How many hours A WEEK did {sub} work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH39 Last time {sub} paid what was {sub2} total TAKE-HOME pay - that is after any deductions for tax, national insurance, union dues and so on, but INCLUDING overtime, bonuses, commission or tips? (Asked if no usual net pay at HH31 and no usual gross pay at HH35)

HH40 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH40a CODE ACCURACY:

HH41 About how many hours A WEEK {sub} work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH42 Last time {sub} was paid what was {sub2} total pay BEFORE any deductions for tax, national insurance, union dues and so on, INCLUDING overtime, bonuses, commission or tips? (Asked if don't know last net pay)

HH43 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH44 CODE ACCURACY:

HH45 About how many hours A WEEK {sub} work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH46 About how much income after tax and other deductions {sub} take out of the business for {sub2} use? (By income, I mean money drawn from the business which is used for personal, domestic, non-business use, in other words, what you have to live on.). (Asked about self-employed partners/spouses).

HH47 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH48 How many hours A WEEK {sub} work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH49 Can you give me an estimate of how much {sub} took out of the business in the last year after tax and other deductions? (Asked if no usual pay at HH46)

HH51 How many hours A WEEK did {sub} work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH52 Thinking now about any other jobs {sub}, in total, what is {sub2} usual pay AFTER any deductions for tax, national insurance, and so on, for these other jobs?

HH53 How long a period does that pay cover?

HH53x How many hours A WEEK {sub} usually work for that pay, excluding meal breaks but including paid overtime?

HH54 Can you tell me {sub} total pay BEFORE deductions for these other jobs? (Asked if don't know usual net pay for other job(s))

## 27. Benefit Income

HH57 I'd now like to talk to you about income from sources other than work. Are you (or your partner) receiving any of the benefits listed on this card?

- Income support
- Working Tax Credit (WTC)

- Child tax Credit (CTC)
- Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) - Income Based.
- Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) - Contribution Based
- Housing Benefit
- Guardian's Allowance
- Child Benefit
- Statutory Adoption Pay
- Maternity Allowance
- State retirement Pension
- Pension Credit
- Statutory Maternity Pay
- Statutory Paternity Pay
- Widow's Pension, Bereavement Allowance or Widowed Parent's Allowance
- Winter Fuel Payment
- None

HH57 Do you claim the 'Childcare Tax Credit component of the Working {fam}' Tax Credit'?

HH58 And are you (or your partner) receiving any of the benefits listed on this card?

- Incapacity Benefit (formerly Invalidity Benefit)
- Disability Living Allowance Care component
- Disability Living Allowance Mobility Component
- Industrial Injury Disablement benefit
- Carer's Allowance (formerly Invalid Care Allowance)
- Severe Disablement Allowance
- Statutory Sick Pay
- War Disablement pension or War Widow's Pension
- A disability premium with your Income Support/Housing Benefit
- Attendance Allowance
- None

HH58b In which band are you receiving disability living allowance mobility component?

HH58c In which band are you receiving disability living allowance care component?

HH58d In which band are you receiving attendance allowance?

HH58new And are you (or your partner) receiving any of the benefits listed on this card

- Grant from the Social Fund for funeral expenses
- Grant from the Social Fund for Maternity Expenses
- Sure Start Maternity Grant
- Social Fund Loans
- Extended Payment of Housing Benefit/Council Tax Benefit

- Child Maintenance Bonus
- Lone Parent's Benefit Run-on
- Any other benefit not already mentioned (please specify)
- None

HH59 Is it you, your partner or both of you who receive that benefit? (Asked about the first set of benefits i.e. HH57)

HH60 Is it you, your partner or both of you who receive that benefit? (Asked about the second set of benefits i.e. HH58)

HH60new Is it you, your partner or both of you who receive that benefit? (Asked about the third set of benefits i.e. HH58new)

HH61 How much did you (and your partner) receive in benefits last time you received {ben}? IF BOTH RESPONDENT AND PARTNER RECEIVE, ADD TWO TOGETHER. TAKE CARE NOT TO DOUBLE COUNT.

HH62 What period did that cover?

HH63 How much did you (and your partner) receive in {benefit} last time you received it? IF RESPONDENT AND PARTNER RECEIVE SEPARATE AMOUNTS< ADD TWO TOGETHER, TAKE CARE NOT TO DOUBLE COUNT.

HH64 What period did that cover?

HH63new How much did you (and your partner) receive in {benefit} last time you received it? IF RESPONDENT AND PARTNER RECEIVE SEPARATE AMOUNTS< ADD TWO TOGETHER, TAKE CARE NOT TO DOUBLE COUNT.

HH64new What period did that cover?

HH65 You have said that you not sure how much you received in one or more of the benefits. Adding all of the benefits on these two cards together, how much did you (and your partner) receive in TOTAL last time you received your benefits?  
IF BOTH RESPONDENT AND PARTNER RECEIVE, ADD TWO TOGETHER.

HH66 What period did that cover?

## **28. Other Income**

HH67 Do you (or your partner) receive any other regular income or payment from any sources on this card?

HH68 From which of these sources? Which others?

- Occupational/employer (non-state) pension(s)
- Benefit from annuity, trust or covenant
- Maintenance payments
- Rent from property or sub-letting, including boarders
- Dig money from other household members

- Benefit from accident/sickness scheme etc.
- Investment income e.g. Dividends from shares/interest from savings
- Student loan
- Grant
- Income Tax Refund
- Mileage Allowance (or fixed amount for motoring)
- Motoring Expenses Refund
- Other regular non-work income, from any other organisation (please specify)

HH69 Is it you, your partner or both of you who receive that other income? (Asked about the income sources in HH68)

HH70 How much did you (and your partner) receive in {ben} last time you received it?  
IF BOTH RESPONDENT AND PARTNER RECEIVE, ADD TWO TOGETHER.

HH71 What period did that cover?

## **29. Data Usage and Physical Survey Consent**

PS1 That is the end of this part of the survey. Thank you very much for your time. As mentioned in the letter you received, the second part of the survey involves a surveyor coming round to do a physical survey of the house. The survey is a visual one. It is a walk-through non-intrusive inspection and will not disrupt your home in any way. I'd like to arrange a time for the surveyor to call round.

PS2Date CHECK APPOINTMENTS ALREADY MADE AND ARRANGE DATE AND TIME FOR SURVEYOR TO CALL.

IDEALLY, THIS SHOULD BE 7-21 DAYS FOLLOWING THE INTERVIEW, IF POSSIBLE.

EXPLAIN THAT THE SURVEYOR WILL DO THEIR BEST TO ARRIVE WITHIN THE TIME SLOT AND THE SURVEY WILL THEN TAKE 30-60 MINUTES. MUCH OF THIS TIME IS SPENT LOOKING AT THE OUTSIDE OF THE HOUSE.

IF NECESSARY THE SURVEYOR CAN COMPLETE THE SURVEY IN 2 VISITS.

PS3b DO YOU CONSIDER THIS TO BE A FIRM APPOINTMENT? (Asked of the interviewer).

PS5 And please can I take a note of your full name so I can pass this on to the surveyor?

PS4 Please may I have a daytime telephone number? This will not be passed on to the surveyor. It will only be used in the unlikely event of the appointment having to be rearranged.

PERMISSION Finally, in the future, the Scottish Executive may want to commission follow-up research among particular groups of the public to improve public policies and services. Please be assured that any information you provide for this purpose will only be released for bone fide social research carried out by reputable research organisations and that your confidentiality will be protected in the publication of any results given.

Would you be willing to have your name, contact details and relevant answers you have given during the interview passed on to the Scottish Executive or other research agencies acting on behalf of, or in collaboration with, the Scottish Executive for this purpose?