

CODEBOOK for:

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Final Notes:

Variables withheld by the Institute to confidentialise the data

NOTES

1. The original variables are stored as an SPSS system file named `lifecrs.sys` and the created variables are stored as an SPSS file named `created.sys`
2. If you want to have access to both, the original variables and created variables, you will need the following statement at the beginning of your program:


```
match files file='../lifecrs.sys'
          /file='../created.sys'
          /by id.
```
3. The screening used in CATI was:
 - Are you aged between 25 and 70, or under 25 with a child?
 - Is anyone in the household aged between 25 and 70, or under 25 with a child?
4. The Australian Families Life Course Survey was the survey vehicle for three projects conducted within the Institute using these data. It is important to note that not all questions included in the survey were asked of all respondents who participated in the study.

Number of cases for each project:

Australian Families Life Course Project	n=1964
Later Life Families Project	n=721
Housing Across the Life Course Project	n=2685

5. If a variable is preceded with **LC** it indicates that respondents born before 1946 were not asked for this information. If a variable is preceded with **LL** this indicated that respondents born after 1945 were not asked for this information. Unless otherwise specified all variables are available for all 3 projects.
6. **##** followed by text or `[text]` denotes instructions given to interviewers for that particular question.
7. Special codes:
 - 9 skipped (question is logically not asked of respondent)
 - 8 not applicable (question is not applicable to respondent)
 - 3 no response (respondent did not answer question)
 - 2 refused (respondent refused to answer question)
 - 1 don't know (respondent did not know answer to question)
 - 10 negative income

These codes can be set to missing if you do not wish to include them in your analysis by using `missing value` statement.

Example: `missing value q25 to q30 (lo thru -1).`

8. A string variable is denoted by **[A]**. In some instances an openended response was too long to be read by SPSS as 1 variable so it was split into 4 string variables.
 - eg. q77a Interested in forming a relationship - 1 [A]
 - q77b Interested in forming a relationship - 2 [A]
 - q77c Interested in forming a relationship - 3 [A]
 - q77d Interested in forming a relationship - 4 [A]

9. For questions that allowed more than one response across items, each item was treated as a dichotomous variable with 1 indicating yes and 0 indicating no. In order to get a total number of responses by each respondent you need to use the following procedure:
- ```
mult response groups=q57 "House change after marriage"
 (q57a to q57k1 (1))
/frequencies=q57
```

# Original Variables

Q4 Date of interview [A]

### CHILDREN'S TABLE DATA

Q8A Gender of child 1  
1 Female  
2 Male

Q8B Gender of child 2

Q8C Gender of child 3

Q8D Gender of child 4

Q8E Gender of child 5

Q8F Gender of child 6

Q8G Gender of child 7

Q8H Gender of child 8

Q8I Gender of child 9

Q8J Gender of child 10

Q8K Gender of child 11

Q8L Gender of child 12

Q8M Gender of child 13

Q8N Gender of child 14

Q9A Birth month of child 1

1 January

2 February

3 March

4 April

5 May

6 June

7 July

8 August

9 September

10 October

11 November

12 December

Q9B Birth month of child 2

Q9C Birth month of child 3

Q9D Birth month of child 4

Q9E Birth month of child 5

Q9F Birth month of child 6

Q9G Birth month of child 7

Q9H Birth month of child 8

Q9I Birth month of child 9

Q9J Birth month of child 10

Q9K Birth month of child 11

Q9L Birth month of child 12

Q9M Birth month of child 13

Q9N Birth month of child 14

Q10A Birth year of child 1

Q10B Birth year of child 2

Q10C Birth year of child 3

Q10D Birth year of child 4

Q10E Birth year of child 5

- Q10F** Birth year of child 6  
**Q10G** Birth year of child 7  
**Q10H** Birth year of child 8  
**Q10I** Birth year of child 9  
**Q10J** Birth year of child 10  
**Q10K** Birth year of child 11  
**Q10L** Birth year of child 12  
**Q10M** Birth year of child 13  
**Q10N** Birth year of child 14
- Q11A** Where child 1 is living  
1 Here  
2 Independently  
3 With other parent  
4 With other guardian  
5 Deceased
- Q11B** Where child 2 is living  
**Q11C** Where child 3 is living  
**Q11D** Where child 4 is living  
**Q11E** Where child 5 is living  
**Q11F** Where child 6 is living  
**Q11G** Where child 7 is living  
**Q11H** Where child 8 is living  
**Q11I** Where child 9 is living  
**Q11J** Where child 10 is living  
**Q11K** Where child 11 is living  
**Q11L** Where child 12 is living  
**Q11M** Where child 13 is living  
**Q11N** Where child 14 is living
- Q12A** Who is child 1 's parent  
1 Our biological child  
2 My biological child  
3 Partner's biological child  
4 Adopted child  
5 Foster child  
6 Other child
- Q12B** Who is child 2's parent  
**Q12C** Who is child 3's parent  
**Q12D** Who is child 4's parent  
**Q12E** Who is child 5's parent  
**Q12F** Who is child 6's parent  
**Q12G** Who is child 7's parent  
**Q12H** Who is child 8's parent  
**Q12I** Who is child 9's parent  
**Q12J** Who is child 10's parent  
**Q12K** Who is child 11's parent  
**Q12L** Who is child 12's parent  
**Q12M** Who is child 13's parent  
**Q12N** Who is child 14's parent



- Q13A** Current activity of child 1
- 1 No kindergarten and no child care
  - 2 Child care only
  - 3 Kindergarten only
  - 4 Kindergarten and child care
  - 5 Primary school
  - 6 Secondary school
  - 7 Special school
  - 8 Studying tertiary
  - 9 Studying and working
  - 10 Working
  - 11 Looking for work
  - 12 Homemaker (family/kids)
  - 13 Other
- Q13B** Current activity of child 2
- Q13C** Current activity of child 3
- Q13D** Current activity of child 4
- Q13E** Current activity of child 5
- Q13F** Current activity of child 6
- Q13G** Current activity of child 7
- Q13H** Current activity of child 8
- Q13I** Current activity of child 9
- Q13J** Current activity of child 10
- Q13K** Current activity of child 11
- Q13L** Current activity of child 12
- Q13M** Current activity of child 13
- Q13N** Current activity of child 14
- Q14A** Marital status of child 1
- 1 Single
  - 2 Separated
  - 3 Divorced
  - 4 Widowed
  - 5 Married
  - 6 De facto
- Q14B** Marital status of child 2
- Q14C** Marital status of child 3
- Q14D** Marital status of child 4
- Q14E** Marital status of child 5
- Q14F** Marital status of child 6
- Q14G** Marital status of child 7
- Q14H** Marital status of child 8
- Q14I** Marital status of child 9
- Q14J** Marital status of child 10
- Q14K** Marital status of child 11
- Q14L** Marital status of child 12
- Q14M** Marital status of child 13
- Q14N** Marital status of child 14
- Q15A** Distance from child 1
- 1 Within 30 minutes
  - 2 30 minutes to 2 hours
  - 3 Elsewhere in Australia

## 4 Overseas

- Q15B** Distance from child 2  
**Q15C** Distance from child 3  
**Q15D** Distance from child 4  
**Q15E** Distance from child 5  
**Q15F** Distance from child 6  
**Q15G** Distance from child 7  
**Q15H** Distance from child 8  
**Q15I** Distance from child 9  
**Q15J** Distance from child 10  
**Q15K** Distance from child 11  
**Q15L** Distance from child 12  
**Q15M** Distance from child 13  
**Q15N** Distance from child 14

- Q16A** How often in contact with child 1  
 1 Every day  
 2 A few times a week  
 3 Once a week  
 4 Once a fortnight  
 5 Monthly  
 6 Less often  
 7 Special occasions  
 8 Not at all

- Q16B** How often in contact with child 2  
**Q16C** How often in contact with child 3  
**Q16D** How often in contact with child 4  
**Q16E** How often in contact with child 5  
**Q16F** How often in contact with child 6  
**Q16G** How often in contact with child 7  
**Q16H** How often in contact with child 8  
**Q16I** How often in contact with child 9  
**Q16J** How often in contact with child 10  
**Q16K** How often in contact with child 11  
**Q16L** How often in contact with child 12  
**Q16M** How often in contact with child 13  
**Q16N** How often in contact with child 14

**BASIC DEMOGRAPHICS**

- Q25** Your gender  
 1 Male  
 2 Female
- Q26** Your personal circumstances  
 1 Not presently in a relationship  
 2 In a relationship with someone, but not living with that person  
 3 Living with someone in an intimate relationship, but not legally married to that person  
 4 Married and living with spouse
- Q28** Your partner's gender  
 1 Male

2 Female

- Q29** Month you were born in
- Q30** Year you were born in
- Q31** Month your partner was born in
- Q32** Year your partner was born in
- Q33** Your country of birth
- 1 Australia
  - 2 England
  - 3 Scotland
  - 4 Wales
  - 5 Ireland (Northern)
  - 6 Ireland (Republic)
  - 7 New Zealand
  - 8 Italy
  - 9 Greece
  - 10 Turkey
  - 11 Netherlands (Holland)
  - 12 Vietnam
  - 13 China
  - 14 Malta
  - 15 Japan
  - 16 Kenya
  - 17 India
  - 18 Poland
  - 19 Malaysia
  - 20 Canada
  - 21 Germany
  - 22 Russia
  - 23 America (USA)
  - 24 Latvia
  - 25 Hong Kong
  - 26 Egypt
  - 27 Mauritius
  - 28 Lebanon
  - 29 Senegal
  - 30 Spain
  - 31 Czechslovakia
  - 32 Solomon Islands
  - 33 Austria
  - 34 Ukraine
  - 35 Chile
  - 36 Syria
  - 37 Yugoslavia
  - 38 Bolivia
  - 39 South Africa
  - 40 Pakistan
  - 41 Macedonia
  - 42 Taiwan
  - 43 Sri Lanka
  - 44 Philippines
  - 45 Fiji

- 46 Cyprus
- 47 Indonesia
- 48 Singapore
- 49 Serbia
- 50 United Kingdom
- 51 France
- 52 Hungary
- 53 Denmark
- 54 East Timor
- 55 Cambodia
- 56 Iran
- 57 Croatia
- 58 Timor
- 59 Papua New Guinea
- 60 Switzerland
- 61 Mexico
- 62 Trinidad
- 63 Venezuala
- 64 Brazil
- 65 Thailand
- 66 Transylvania
- 67 Portugal
- 68 Afghanistan
- 69 Macau
- 70 El Salvador
- 71 Sweden
- 72 Laos
- 73 Belgium
- 74 Slovenia
- 75 Morocco
- 76 Argentina
- 77 Seychelles
- 78 Norfolk Islands
- 79 Burma
- 80 Channel Islands
- 81 Zimbabwe
- 82 Peru
- 83 Namibia
- 84 Jordan
- 85 Libya
- 86 Lithuania
- 87 Vanuatu
- 88 Iraq
- 89 South Korea
- 90 Israel (Palestine)
- 91 Finland
- 92 Armenia
- 93 Ethiopia
- 94 Estonia
- 95 Belize (Central America)
- 96 Ilse of Man
- 97 Bahamas
- 98 Central Africa
- 99 Bosnia

**Q34** Year you first arrived in Australia

- Q35** Your partner's country of birth  
*codeframe same as Q33*
- Q36** Year your partner first arrived in Australia
- Q37** Main language spoken at home
- 1 English
  - 2 Arabic
  - 3 Cantonese/Hakka
  - 4 German
  - 5 Greek
  - 6 Italian
  - 7 Mandarin
  - 8 Vietnamese
  - 9 Gujarati (West Indies)
  - 10 Tamil
  - 11 Turkish
  - 12 Ukranian
  - 13 Lebanese
  - 14 Spanish
  - 15 Urdu (Indic)
  - 16 Macedonian
  - 17 Sinhalese
  - 18 Hindi
  - 19 Maltese
  - 20 Polish
  - 21 Delugu (India)
  - 22 Yugoslav
  - 23 French
  - 24 Cambodian/Khmer
  - 25 Hungarian
  - 26 Portugese
  - 27 Tieu Chau
  - 28 Croatian
  - 29 Serbian
  - 30 Armenian
  - 31 Dury
  - 32 Cebuano (Philippines)
  - 33 Latvian
  - 34 Lao
  - 35 Persian
  - 36 Kroil
  - 37 Tagalog (Philippines)
  - 38 Fukien (China)
  - 39 Dutch
  - 40 Hainanese
  - 41 Danush
  - 42 Korean
  - 43 Bosnian
  - 44 Thai
  - 45 Russian
  - 46 Hokkien (China/Malaysia)
  - 47 Punjabi (India)
- Q38** Your fluency in English

- 1 Very well
- 2 Well
- 3 Not well
- 4 Not at all

**Q39** Your partner's fluency in English

- 1 Very well
- 2 Well
- 3 Not well
- 4 Not at all

**Q40** Your labour force status

- 1 In paid work
- 2 On leave from paid work (maternity, sick, annual etc.)
- 3 Unemployed and looking for work
- 4 Not working but not retired and not looking for work
- 5 Retired

**Q41** Your partner's labour force status

- 1 In paid work
- 2 On leave from paid work (maternity, sick, annual etc.)
- 3 Unemployed and looking for work
- 4 Not working but not retired and not looking for work
- 5 Retired

**RELATIONSHIP HISTORY**

- Q43** This your first marriage  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q44** Ever married  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q45** Number of marriages
- Q47A** Month of first marriage  
**Q47B** Month of second marriage  
**Q47C** Month of third marriage  
**Q47D** Month of fourth marriage
- Q48A** Year of first marriage  
**Q48B** Year of second marriage  
**Q48C** Year of third marriage  
**Q48D** Year of fourth marriage
- Q49A** Live together before first marriage  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q49B** Live together before second marriage  
**Q49C** Live together before third marriage  
**Q49D** Live together before fourth marriage
- Q50A** Length in de facto before first marriage  
**Q50B** Length in de facto before second marriage  
**Q50C** Length in de facto before third marriage  
**Q50D** Length in de facto before fourth marriage
- Q51A** Months/years de facto before first marriage  
1 Months  
2 Years
- Q51B** Months/years de facto before second marriage  
**Q51C** Months/years de facto before third marriage  
**Q51D** Months/years de facto before fourth marriage
- Q52A** How first marriage ended  
1 Separated  
2 Divorced  
3 Widowed
- Q52B** How second marriage ended  
**Q52C** How third marriage ended  
**Q52D** How fourth marriage ended

- Q53A** Month final separation of first marriage  
**Q53B** Month final separation of second marriage  
**Q53C** Month final separation of third marriage  
**Q53D** Month final separation of fourth marriage
- Q54A** Year final separation of first marriage  
**Q54B** Year final separation of second marriage  
**Q54C** Year final separation of third marriage  
**Q54D** Year final separation of fourth marriage
- Q55A** Who decided to end first marriage  
     1 I decided  
     2 Partner decided  
     3 Both decided
- Q55B** Who decided to end second marriage  
**Q55C** Who decided to end third marriage  
**Q55D** Who decided to end fourth marriage
- Q56A** Year widowed from first marriage  
**Q56B** Year widowed from second marriage  
**Q56C** Year widowed from third marriage  
**Q56D** Year widowed from fourth marriage
- Q57A** House change after marriage ended: No change  
     1 Yes  
     0 No
- Q57B** House change after marriage ended: Moved to smaller dwelling  
**Q57C** House change after marriage ended: Moved to cheaper dwelling  
**Q57D** House change after marriage ended: Moved in with family  
**Q57E** House change after marriage ended: Moved closer to family  
**Q57F** House change after marriage ended: Moved to share with someone else  
**Q57G** House change after marriage ended: Someone else moved in to share with  
**Q57H** House change after marriage ended: Moved to retirement village  
**Q57I** House change after marriage ended: Moved to nursing home  
**Q57J** House change after marriage ended: Moved to old people's home  
**Q57K1** House change after marriage ended: Other
- Q57K2** House change after marriage ended: Other - text [A]
- Q58** This your first de facto relationship  
 ## NOT INCLUDING RELATIONSHIPS THAT ENDED IN MARRIAGE  
     1 Yes  
     0 No
- Q59** Ever lived in de facto relationship  
     1 Yes  
     0 No
- Q60** Number of de facto relationships  
 ## NOT INCLUDING RELATIONSHIPS THAT ENDED IN MARRIAGE



- Q61** Number of de facto relationships lasting 6 months or longer  
## NOT INCLUDING RELATIONSHIPS THAT ENDED IN MARRIAGE  
## NOT INCLUDING CURRENT DE FACTO RELATIONSHIP
- Q62** Ever had children in de facto relationship  
## DE FACTO RELATIONSHIPS OF 6 MONTHS OR MORE WITHOUT MARRYING  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q63** Number of de facto relationships before first marriage  
## DE FACTO RELATIONSHIPS OF 6 MONTHS OR MORE WITHOUT MARRYING
- Q64** Number of de facto relationships before the birth of first child  
[including any living together relationship you had at the time]  
## DE FACTO RELATIONSHIPS OF 6 MONTHS OR MORE WITHOUT MARRYING
- Q66A** Month started current de facto  
**Q66B** Month started first de facto  
**Q66C** Month started other significant de facto
- Q67A** Year started current de facto  
**Q67B** Year started first de facto  
**Q67C** Year started other significant de facto
- Q68** Likelihood of marrying current partner
- Q69B** Month first de facto finally ended  
**Q69C** Month other significant de facto finally ended
- Q70B** Year first de facto finally ended  
**Q70C** Year other significant de facto finally ended
- Q72** Year first started going out with present partner
- Q73** Amount of time spent with partner  
1 Every day  
2 Every second day, a few times a week  
3 Once a week  
4 Once a fortnight  
5 Monthly  
6 Less often
- Q74** Number of nights stay overnight (per week)  
8 Occasionally
- Q75** Likelihood of living together without marrying  
1 Likely  
2 Not sure  
3 Unlikely
- Q76** Likelihood of marrying partner  
1 Likely  
2 Not sure  
3 Unlikely

- Q77A** Even though don't have a partner, interested in forming a relationship at present - 1 [A]  
**Q77B** Even though don't have a partner, interested in forming a relationship at present - 2 [A]  
**Q77C** Even though don't have a partner, interested in forming a relationship at present - 3 [A]  
**Q77D** Even though don't have a partner, interested in forming a relationship at present - 4 [A]

## RELATIONSHIP

- Q78** Current legal marital status  
 (Not asked of those married (Q26=4))
  - 1 Married (including separated but not divorced)
  - 2 Divorced
  - 3 Widowed
  - 4 Never married
- Q83A** Who takes the main responsibility: Managing the finances
  - 1 I do
  - 2 We both do
  - 3 My partner does
  - 4 No children
- Q83B** Who takes the main responsibility: Doing household chores  
**Q83C** Who takes the main responsibility: Doing things for children  
**Q83D** Who takes the main responsibility: Being the economic provider  
**Q83E** Who takes the main responsibility: Organising social activities, like keeping in touch with relatives
- Q84** You and your partner do your fair share around the house
  - 1 I do more than my fair share
  - 2 We each do our fair share
  - 3 My partner does more than their fair share
- Q85** You feel appreciated by your partner for what you do around the house
  - 1 Yes
  - 2 Somewhat
  - 3 No
- Q86** In your household, who has the final say in big financial decisions
  - 1 I do
  - 2 We have equal say
  - 3 My partner does
- Q87** You have joint bank accounts
  - 1 Yes, at least one joint bank account
  - 2 No, all accounts are separate
- Q88** You share the cost of housing  
 ## E.G. SHARE RENT, CONTRIBUTE TO MORTGAGE, PAY FOR RENOVATIONS
  - 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q90A** You or your partner have problems with managing credit cards and charge accounts  
**Q90B** You or your partner have problems with the amount you or your partner spend on lotteries, pokies or gambling

- 1 A lot  
2 Some  
3 None
- Q91A** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Handling family finances  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q91B** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Leisure time interests and recreation
- Q91C** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Friends
- Q91D** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Aims, goals and values
- Q91E** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Amount of time spent on individual interests
- Q91F** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Ways of dealing with parents and in-laws
- Q91G** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Who makes major decisions
- Q91H** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Doing household tasks
- Q91I** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Showing affection
- Q91J** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: How we communicate
- Q91K** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Job and work
- Q91L** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Sexual relations
- Q91M** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Raising children
- Q91N1** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Other
- Q91O** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: No serious disagreements
- Q91P** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Nothing specific
- Q91N2** Main areas of disagreement for you and your partner: Other - text [A]
- Q93A** Reaction to serious disagreement: Just keep your opinions to yourself  
1 Often  
2 Sometimes  
3 Rarely  
4 Never
- Q93B** Reaction to serious disagreement: Discuss your disagreements calmly
- Q93C** Reaction to serious disagreement: Argue heatedly or shout at each other
- Q93D** Reaction to serious disagreement: End up hitting or throwing things at each other
- Q95A** Your commitment to your relationship
- Q95B** Your partner's commitment to your relationship  
1 Very committed  
2 Mostly committed  
3 Somewhat committed  
4 Not at all committed
- Q97A** How often do you talk over things that concern you  
1 Often  
2 Sometimes  
3 Rarely  
4 Never
- Q97B** How often do you spend time doing things together
- Q97C** How often have you considered ending your relationship

**Q97D** How often do you regret you married / live together

**Q98** Describe your relationship

- 1 Very happy
- 2 Happy
- 3 Mixed feelings
- 4 Unhappy
- 5 Very unhappy

**Q100** Descripton of your financial situation at the moment

- 1 Extremely difficult (spending more than you make)
- 2 Quite difficult (no money left over at the end of the week)
- 3 Coping (some money left but goes on irregular bills)
- 4 Managing well (able to put money aside each week for savings, holdays/improvements to the house)
- 5 Doing very well (able to have some investments)

**Q102A** How often feel: Too rushed even to do the things you have to do

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

**Q102B** How often feel: Tired or run down

**Q102C** How often feel: You are really enjoying life

**FERTILITY**

- Q104** Ever had any children  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q107** Plan to have any children  
 1 Yes  
 2 Pregnant (self or partner)  
 3 Undecided  
 4 No
- LC **Q108** Reason not planning to have children [A]
- LC **Q109** Ever consider having a child on your own  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q111A** You and your partner agree on: If you want to have children  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q111B** You and your partner agree on: When to have children  
 LC **Q111C** You and your partner agree on: How many children to have
- Q112** Any children living in household, apart from your own  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q114** Partner have any children living elsewhere  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q116** You expect to have any more children  
 1 Yes  
 2 Pregnant (self or partner)  
 3 Undecided  
 4 No
- LC **Q117A** You had a vasectomy or tubal ligation, or similar procedure  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q117B** Your partner had a vasectomy or tubal ligation, or similar procedure  
 LC **Q117C** Neither have been sterilised
- LC **Q118** Year you were sterilised
- LC **Q119** Year your partner was sterilised

**PARENTING**

**Q122A** Satisfaction with: Your relationship with your children

## YOUR OWN CHILDREN, INCLUDING ADULT CHILDREN

- 1 Very satisfied
- 2 Satisfied
- 3 Mixed feelings
- 4 Dissatisfied
- 5 Very dissatisfied

**Q122B** Satisfaction with: Your partner's relationship with your children

**Q122C** Satisfaction with: How well your children get along

**Q122D** Satisfaction with: Yourself as a parent

**Q123** Any children particularly difficult to raise

- 1 Yes
- 0 No

**Q124A** Child 1 difficult to raise

- 1 Yes
- 0 No

**Q124B** Child 2 difficult to raise

**Q124C** Child 3 difficult to raise

**Q124D** Child 4 difficult to raise

**Q124E** Child 5 difficult to raise

**Q124F** Child 6 difficult to raise

**Q124G** Child 7 difficult to raise

**Q124H** Child 8 difficult to raise

**Q124I** Child 9 difficult to raise

**Q124J** Child 10 difficult to raise

**Q124K** Child 11 difficult to raise

**Q124L** Child 12 difficult to raise

LC **Q126A** In our family, my partner does not spend enough time with the children

- 1 Strongly agree
- 2 Agree
- 3 Mixed feelings
- 4 Disagree
- 5 Strongly disagree

LC **Q126B** It bothers me that my partner seems to place more importance on the children than on our relationship

LC **Q126C** The children have brought us closer together as a couple

LC **Q126D** Because of the children, we seldom have time together as a couple

**Q128A** How often: Would you say the children get on your nerves

## ALL THE CHILDREN IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

- Q128B** How often: Do you feel the children are making too many demands on you
- Q128C** How often: Do you enjoy the time you have with the children
- Q129A** Any children living at home spend time with their other parent
- 1 Yes, they all do
  - 2 Yes, but not all do
  - 3 No, none do
  - 4 Other parent deceased
  - 5 Multiple other parents (optional comment)
- Q129B** Any children living at home spend time with their other parent - text [A]
- Q130A** Receive any financial support from the other parent  
## YOUR OWN CHILDREN LIVING WITH YOU
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
  - 3 Multiple other parents (optional comment)
- Q130B** Receive any financial support from the other parent - text [A]
- Q131A** Amount of influence other parent has in making major decisions about such things as the children's education, religion, or health care  
## YOUR OWN CHILDREN LIVING WITH YOU
- 1 No influence
  - 2 Some influence
  - 3 A great deal of influence
  - 4 Multiple other parents (optional comment)
- Q131B** Amount of influence other parent has in making major decisions - text [A]
- Q133A** Satisfaction with: the other parent's relationship with your children
- Q133B** Satisfaction with: the other parent's contribution to your children's financial support
- 1 Very satisfied
  - 2 Satisfied
  - 3 Mixed feelings
  - 4 Dissatisfied
  - 5 Very dissatisfied
- LC **Q135A** Who takes main responsibility for: Disciplining the children  
## ALL THE CHILDREN IN THE HOUSEHOLD
- 1 I take main responsibility
  - 2 My partner takes main responsibility
  - 3 We share the responsibility
  - 4 It depends on whose child is involved
  - 5 It depends on the situation (not the child involved)
  - 6 Neither of us takes main responsibility
- LC **Q135B** Who takes main responsibility for: Paying basic living expenses
- LC **Q135C** Who takes main responsibility for: Paying for the children's education
- LC **Q135D** Who takes main responsibility for: Involvement in their day-to-day lives
- LC **Q135E** Who takes main responsibility for: Discussing problems with children
- Q136** What you see as your role in the household
- 1 Mainly in a relationship with my partner
  - 2 Helping my partner raise his/her children

- 3 Being a parent to his/her children
- Q137** What you see as your partner's role in the household
- 1 Mainly in a relationship with me
  - 2 Helping me raise my children
  - 3 Being a parent to my children
- Q139A** It is harder to love step-children than it is to love your own children
- 1 Strongly agree
  - 2 Agree
  - 3 Mixed feelings
  - 4 Disagree
  - 5 Strongly disagree
- Q139B** A step-parent is more like a friend than a parent to step-children
- Q139C** It is just as easy to discipline step-children as to discipline your own children
- Q139D** Step-parents don't have the full responsibility of being a parent
- Q139E** Having step-children is just as satisfying as having your own
- LC **Q140A** Your children living with their other parent ever spend time with you
- 1 Yes, they all do
  - 2 Yes, but not all do
  - 3 No, none do
  - 4 Multiple other parents (optional comment)
- LC **Q140B** Your children living with their other parent ever spend time with you - text [A]
- LC **Q141** You give financial support to the other parent for these children  
## YOUR CHILDREN LIVING WITH THEIR OTHER PARENT
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- LC **Q142A** Amount of influence you have in making major decisions about such things as the children's education, religion, or health care  
## YOUR CHILDREN LIVING WITH THEIR OTHER PARENT
- 1 No influence
  - 2 Some influence
  - 3 A great deal of influence
  - 4 Multiple other parents (optional comment)
- LC **Q142B** Amount of influence you have in making major decisions - text [A]
- Q144A** Satisfaction with: your relationship with your children living with their other parent
- Q144B** Satisfaction with: your contribution to your children's financial support
- 1 Very satisfied
  - 2 Satisfied
  - 3 Mixed feelings
  - 4 Dissatisfied
  - 5 Very dissatisfied

## CHILD CARE



- LC **Q146A** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: I look after child  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q146B** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Partner looks after child
- LC **Q146C** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Grandparent of child
- LC **Q146D** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Aunt/uncle of child
- LC **Q146E1** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Other relative (specify)
- LC **Q146F** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Friend / neighbour
- LC **Q146G** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Paid babysitter or nanny
- LC **Q146H** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Family Day Care
- LC **Q146I** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Work-based child care
- LC **Q146J** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Private or community centre
- LC **Q146L** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Older siblings of child
- LC **Q146S1** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Other (specify)
- LC **Q146T** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: At pre-school
- LC **Q146E2** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Other relative - text [A]
- LC **Q146S2** Type of regular care for pre-school children when working: Other - text [A]
- LC **Q147** Use formal child care, on a casual basis, for pre-school age children  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q148H** Formal child care for pre-schoolers - not working: Family Day Care  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q148J** Formal child care for pre-schoolers - not working: Private or community centre
- LC **Q148K** Formal child care for pre-schoolers - not working: Occasional child care
- LC **Q149A** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: No problem  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q149B** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: Difficulty in finding suitable child care
- LC **Q149C** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: The times available (hours)
- LC **Q149D** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: Dealing with sick child
- LC **Q149E** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: Reliability
- LC **Q149F** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: How much it costs
- LC **Q149G** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: Standard of the place (e.g. hygiene)
- LC **Q149H** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: Access to the location
- LC **Q149I** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: Quality of actual care
- LC **Q149J** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: Multiple child care arrangements
- LC **Q149K1** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: Other (specify)
- LC **Q149K2** Problems with child care arrangements - pre-schoolers: Other - text [A]
- LC **Q150A** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: I look after child  
 1 Yes

0 No

- LC **Q150B** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Partner looks after child
- LC **Q150C** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Grandparent of child
- LC **Q150D** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Aunt/uncle of child
- LC **Q150E1** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Other relative (specify)
- LC **Q150F** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Friend / neighbour
- LC **Q150G** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Paid babysitter or nanny
- LC **Q150H** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Family Day Care
- LC **Q150I** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Work-based child care
- LC **Q150J** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Private or community centre
- LC **Q150L** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Older siblings of child
- LC **Q150M** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Before school program - child's school
- LC **Q150N** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Before school program - other school
- LC **Q150O** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: After school program - child's school
- LC **Q150P** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: After school program - other school
- LC **Q150R** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Other parent
- LC **Q150S1** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Other (specify)
- LC **Q150T** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: None
- LC **Q150E2** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Other relative - text [A]
- LC **Q150S2** Type of regular care for primary school children when working: Other - text [A]
- LC **Q151A** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: No problem  
1 Yes  
0 No
- LC **Q151B** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: Difficulty in finding suitable child care
- LC **Q151C** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: The times available (hours)
- LC **Q151D** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: Dealing with sick child
- LC **Q151E** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: Reliability
- LC **Q151F** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: How much it costs
- LC **Q151G** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: Standard of the place (e.g. hygiene)
- LC **Q151H** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: Access to the location
- LC **Q151I** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: Quality of actual care
- LC **Q151J** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: Multiple child care arrangements
- LC **Q151K1** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: Other (specify)
- LC **Q151K2** Problems with child care arrangements - primary kids: Other - text [A]
- LC **Q152A** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: I look after child
- LC **Q152B** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Partner looks after child
- LC **Q152C** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Grandparent of child
- LC **Q152D** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Aunt/uncle of child
- LC **Q152E1** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Other relative (specify)
- LC **Q152F** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Friend / neighbour
- LC **Q152G** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Paid babysitter or nanny

- LC **Q152H** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Family Day Care
- LC **Q152J** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Private or community centre
- LC **Q152L** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Older siblings of child
- LC **Q152Q** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Attends school program
- LC **Q152R** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Other parent
- LC **Q152S1** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Other (specify)
- LC **Q152E2** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Other relative - text [A]
- LC **Q152S2** Child care during school holidays - primary kids: Other - text [A]
- LC **Q153A** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: No problem  
     1 Yes  
     0 No
- LC **Q153B** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: Difficulty in finding suitable child care
- LC **Q153C** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: The times available (hours)
- LC **Q153D** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: Dealing with sick child
- LC **Q153E** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: Reliability
- LC **Q153F** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: How much it costs
- LC **Q153G** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: Standard of the place (e.g. hygiene)
- LC **Q153H** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: Access to the location
- LC **Q153I** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: Quality of actual care
- LC **Q153J** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: Multiple child care arrangements
- LC **Q153K1** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: Other (specify)
- LC **Q153K2** Problems child care - primary kids during school holidays: Other - text [A]
- LC **Q154** Satisfaction with your child care arrangements overall  
     1 Very satisfied  
     2 Satisfied  
     3 Mixed feelings  
     4 Dissatisfied  
     5 Very dissatisfied  
     6 Only one child in family
- LC **Q155** On average, amount you pay per week for child care  
     ## ROUND TO NEAREST WHOLE DOLLARS  
     ## 0 = NOT USING FORMAL CHILDCARE
- LC **Q156A** Receive any financial assistance for child care: No  
     1 Yes  
     0 No
- LC **Q156B** Receive any financial assistance for child care: Government
- LC **Q156C** Receive any financial assistance for child care: Other parent
- LC **Q156D** Receive any financial assistance for child care: Grandparent of child
- LC **Q156E1** Receive any financial assistance for child care: Other (specify)
- LC **Q156E2** Receive any financial assistance for child care: Other - text [A]

- LC **Q157** Receive any Child Care Rebate through the Medicare office  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LC **Q158** Assessed by the Department of Social Security to see if you are eligible for Child Care Assistance  
 [This used to be called fee relief]  
 1 Yes, assessed as eligible  
 2 Yes, assessed as ineligible  
 3 No, not assessed

## CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

- Q160** Any children ever skipped a year and gone up a level at school  
 ## ANY SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN IN THE HOUSEHOLD

1 Yes  
 0 No

- Q161A** Child 1 skipped a year

1 Yes  
 0 No

- Q161B** Child 2 skipped a year  
**Q161C** Child 3 skipped a year  
**Q161D** Child 4 skipped a year  
**Q161E** Child 5 skipped a year  
**Q161F** Child 6 skipped a year  
**Q161G** Child 7 skipped a year  
**Q161H** Child 8 skipped a year  
**Q161I** Child 9 skipped a year  
**Q161J** Child 10 skipped a year  
**Q161K** Child 11 skipped a year  
**Q161L** Child 12 skipped a year

- Q162A** Year level skipped: kindergarten

1 Yes  
 0 No

- Q162B** Year level skipped: prep  
**Q162C** Year level skipped: year 1 (grade 1)  
**Q162D** Year level skipped: year 2 (grade 2)  
**Q162E** Year level skipped: year 3 (grade 3)  
**Q162F** Year level skipped: year 4 (grade 4)  
**Q162G** Year level skipped: year 5 (grade 5)  
**Q162H** Year level skipped: year 6 (grade 6)  
**Q162I** Year level skipped: year 7 (form 1)  
**Q162J** Year level skipped: year 8 (form 2)  
**Q162K** Year level skipped: year 9 (form 3)  
**Q162L** Year level skipped: year 10 (form 4)  
**Q162M** Year level skipped: year 11 (form 5)  
**Q162N** Year level skipped: year 12 (form 6)

- Q163A** Why skipped: I/other parent wanted child to skip ahead  
## PROMPT WHETHER DUE TO MOVE E.G. INTERSTATE  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q163B** Why skipped: School wanted child to skip ahead
- Q163C** Why skipped: Child's abilities
- Q163D** Why skipped: Different states have different names for different year levels
- Q163E** Why skipped: Composite classes (joint year level classes)
- Q163F** Why skipped: Change of school within the same area
- Q163G** Why skipped: Change of school in different area but same state
- Q163H** Why skipped: Change of school to interstate or overseas
- Q163I1** Why skipped: Other (specify)
- Q163I2** Why skipped: Other - text [A]
- Q164** Any of your children ever repeated a year at school  
## ANY SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN IN THE HOUSEHOLD  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q165A** Child 1 repeated a year  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q165B** Child 2 repeated a year
- Q165C** Child 3 repeated a year
- Q165D** Child 4 repeated a year
- Q165E** Child 5 repeated a year
- Q165F** Child 6 repeated a year
- Q165G** Child 7 repeated a year
- Q165H** Child 8 repeated a year
- Q165I** Child 9 repeated a year
- Q165J** Child 10 repeated a year
- Q165K** Child 11 repeated a year
- Q165L** Child 12 repeated a year
- Q166A** Year level repeated: kindergarten  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q166B** Year level repeated: prep
- Q166C** Year level repeated: year 1 (grade 1)
- Q166D** Year level repeated: year 2 (grade 2)
- Q166E** Year level repeated: year 3 (grade 3)
- Q166E** Year level repeated: year 4 (grade 4)
- Q166G** Year level repeated: year 5 (grade 5)
- Q166H** Year level repeated: year 6 (grade 6)
- Q166i** Year level repeated: year 7 (form 1)
- Q166J** Year level repeated: year 8 (form 2)
- Q166K** Year level repeated: year 9 (form 3)
- Q166L** Year level repeated: year 10 (form 4)
- Q166M** Year level repeated: year 11 (form 5)

- Q166N** Year level repeated: year 12 (form 6)
- Q167A** Why repeated: I/other parent wanted child to repeat a year  
## PROMPT WHETHER DUE TO MOVE E.G. INTERSTATE  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q167B** Why repeated: School wanted child to repeat a year
- Q167C** Why repeated: Learning difficulties
- Q167D** Why repeated: Social development problems
- Q167E** Why repeated: Physical / intellectual problems
- Q167F** Why repeated: (Other) health problems
- Q167G** Why repeated: Different states have different names for different year levels
- Q167H** Why repeated: Composite classes (joint year level classes)
- Q167I** Why repeated: Change of school within same area
- Q167J** Why repeated: Change of school to a different area but same state
- Q167K** Why repeated: Change of school to interstate or overseas
- Q167L1** Why repeated: Other (specify)
- Q167M** Why repeated: Too young
- Q167L2** Why repeated: Other - text [A]
- Q169** Any of your children have specific difficulties with learning, development or emotional problems  
## ANY CHILDREN IN THE HOUSEHOLD  
1 Yes  
2 No  
3 Too young to know
- Q170A** Child 1 has specific learning, development or emotional problems  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q170B** Child 2 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170C** Child 3 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170D** Child 4 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170E** Child 5 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170F** Child 6 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170G** Child 7 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170H** Child 8 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170I** Child 9 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170J** Child 10 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170K** Child 11 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q170L** Child 12 has specific learning, development or emotional problems
- Q172A** What problems do they have - 1 [A]
- Q172B** What problems do they have - 2 [A]
- Q172C** What problems do they have - 3 [A]
- Q172D** What problems do they have - 4 [A]
- Q173A** Need special services: No services needed

- 1 Yes
- 0 No

- Q173B** Need special services: Physiotherapy  
**Q173C** Need special services: Occupational therapy  
**Q173D** Need special services: Audiology  
**Q173E** Need special services: Speech therapy  
**Q173F** Need special services: Remedial help  
**Q173G** Need special services: Intergration aide  
**Q173H** Need special services: Counselling, psychiatric  
**Q173I** Need special services: Respite care  
**Q173J1** Need special services: Other (specify)
- Q173K** Need special services: Special school  
**Q173L** Need special services: Extra tutoring outside school
- Q173J2** Need special services: Other - text [A]
- Q174A** Any problems with these special services - 1 [A]  
**Q174B** Any problems with these special services - 2 [A]  
**Q174C** Any problems with these special services - 3 [A]  
**Q174D** Any problems with these special services - 4 [A]
- Q175** Satisfaction with these services
  - 1 Very satisfied.
  - 2 Satisfied
  - 3 Mixed feelings
  - 4 Dissatisfied
  - 5 Very dissatisfied

## INTERGENERATIONS

- Q177** Any of your or your partner's children married or living with a partner
  - 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q178A** Child 1 married or living with a partner
  - 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q178B** Child 2 married or living with a partner  
**Q178C** Child 3 married or living with a partner  
**Q178D** Child 4 married or living with a partner  
**Q178E** Child 5 married or living with a partner  
**Q178F** Child 6 married or living with a partner  
**Q178G** Child 7 married or living with a partner  
**Q178H** Child 8 married or living with a partner  
**Q178I** Child 9 married or living with a partner  
**Q178J** Child 10 married or living with a partner  
**Q178K** Child 11 married or living with a partner  
**Q178L** Child 12 married or living with a partner

- Q182A** Provide your adult children with emotional support or advice  
## OWN CHILDREN ONLY  
## ADULT CHILDREN = 18 OR OVER  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q182B** Help your adult children financially if they need it  
**Q182C** Provide them with any practical support [doing things for them]  
**Q183** Any of your adult children need more help from you than others  
## ONLY ONE CHILD = NO  
## OWN CHILDREN ONLY  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q184A** Child 1 needs more help  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q184B** Child 2 needs more help  
**Q184C** Child 3 needs more help  
**Q184D** Child 4 needs more help  
**Q184E** Child 5 needs more help  
**Q184F** Child 6 needs more help  
**Q184G** Child 7 needs more help  
**Q184H** Child 8 needs more help  
**Q184I** Child 9 needs more help  
**Q184J** Child 10 needs more help  
**Q184K** Child 11 needs more help  
**Q184L** Child 12 needs more help
- Q185A** Why do they need more help - 1 [A]  
**Q185B** Why do they need more help - 2 [A]  
**Q185C** Why do they need more help - 3 [A]  
**Q185D** Why do they need more help - 4 [A]
- Q187A** Any of your adult children provide you with emotional support or advice  
## OWN CHILDREN ONLY  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q187B** Any of your adult children help you financially if they need it  
**Q187C** Any of them provide you with any practical support [doing things for you]
- Q188** Any of your adult children provide you with more support than others  
## ONLY ONE CHILD = NO  
## OWN CHILDREN ONLY  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q189A** Child 1 provides more help  
1 Yes  
0 No



- Q189B** Child 2 provides more help  
**Q189C** Child 3 provides more help  
**Q189D** Child 4 provides more help  
**Q189E** Child 5 provides more help  
**Q189F** Child 6 provides more help  
**Q189G** Child 7 provides more help  
**Q189H** Child 8 provides more help  
**Q189I** Child 9 provides more help  
**Q189J** Child 10 provides more help  
**Q189K** Child 11 provides more help  
**Q189L** Child 12 provides more help

- Q190** Think any of your or your partner's children are likely to return home to live with you  
 1 Yes  
 0 No

- Q191A** Changed your housing once children left: Stayed put  
 ## YOUR AND YOUR PARTNER'S CHILDREN  
 1 Yes  
 0 No

- Q191B** Changed your housing once children left: Stayed put and reversed mortgage  
**Q191C** Changed your housing once children left: Moved somewhere cheaper  
**Q191D** Changed your housing once children left: Moved somewhere more expensive  
**Q191E** Changed your housing once children left: Moved somewhere smaller  
**Q191F** Changed your housing once children left: Moved somewhere bigger  
**Q191G** Changed your housing once children left: Moved in with child(ren)  
**Q191H** Changed your housing once children left: Moved to countryside  
**Q191I** Changed your housing once children left: Moved to seaside  
**Q191J1** Changed your housing once children left: Other (specify)

- Q191K** Changed your housing once children left: Not because of kids

- Q191J2** Changed your housing once children left: Other - text [A]

## GRANDCHILDREN

- Q193** Number of grandchildren

- Q194A** Child 1 has children  
 1 Yes  
 0 No

- Q194B** Child 2 has children  
**Q194C** Child 3 has children  
**Q194D** Child 4 has children  
**Q194E** Child 5 has children  
**Q194F** Child 6 has children  
**Q194G** Child 7 has children  
**Q194H** Child 8 has children  
**Q194I** Child 9 has children

- Q194J** Child 10 has children  
**Q194K** Child 11 has children  
**Q194L** Child 12 has children
- Q196** Age of eldest grandchild  
 (Age of only grandchild)  
 ## BABIES UNDER 1 = "0"
- Q197** Age of youngest grandchild  
 ## BABIES UNDER 1 = "0"
- Q198** How often in touch with your grandchildren  
 ## RECORD MOST FREQUENT CONTACT IF MORE THAN ONE
  - 1 Once a week or more often
  - 2 Fortnightly, a few times a month
  - 3 About once a month
  - 4 Every few months
  - 5 Occasionally
  - 6 Not at all
- Q199** How often do you or your partner look after the grandchildren  
 ## ON A REGULAR BASIS E.G. HOW OFTEN OVER THE LAST YEAR
  - 1 Once a week or more often
  - 2 Fortnightly, a few times a month
  - 3 About once a month
  - 4 Every few months
  - 5 Occasionally
  - 6 Not at all
- Q200A** Age of the grandchildren you look after most often: Babies/toddlers (0-2 yrs)
  - 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q200B** Age of the grandchildren you look after most often: Pre-school (3-5 yrs)  
**Q200C** Age of the grandchildren you look after most often: Primary (6-11 yrs)  
**Q200D** Age of the grandchildren you look after most often: Secondary (12+ yrs)
- Q201** Look after grandchildren when parents are at work
  - 1 Yes, often
  - 2 Yes, occasionally
  - 3 No
- Q202** You or your partner take the main responsibility in caring for grandchildren
  - 1 I do
  - 2 My partner does
  - 3 We both do
- Q203** How you find looking after grandchildren
  - 1 Positive and satisfying
  - 2 Mixed feelings
  - 3 Quite a strain
- Q204** Importance of being a grandparent to you
  - 1 Very important
  - 2 Important
  - 3 Not at all important

**PARENTS**

- Q206** Parents still living  
## BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE PARENTS - NOT STEP-PARENTS
- 1 Both are still living
  - 2 Mother living, unsure of father's whereabouts
  - 3 Mother living, father has died
  - 4 Father living, unsure of mother's whereabouts
  - 5 Father living, mother has died
  - 6 Unsure of whereabouts of both
  - 7 Both have died
- Q207** Age of your mother  
## IF 100 OR OVER, RECORD AS 99 WITH COMMENT
- Q208** Age of your father  
## IF 100 OR OVER, RECORD AS 99 WITH COMMENT
- Q209** Year your mother died
- Q210** Year your father died
- Q211** Your mother's country of birth  
*Codeframe same as Q33*
- Q212** Your father's country of birth  
*Codeframe same as Q33*
- Q213** Your father's occupation [A]  
## FATHER'S LAST OCCUPATION IF RETIRED OR DECEASED  
## FULL TITLE: ACCOUNTING CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
## IF IN DEFENCE FORCES WANT THEIR OCCUPATION NOT RANK
- Q214** Your parents ever divorce or separate from each other
- 1 Yes
  - 2 No
  - 3 Never married or de facto
- Q215** Did you or do you have any step-parents  
## INCLUDING DEFACTO PARTNERS OF PARENTS
- 1 No, none
  - 2 Yes, step-mother only
  - 3 Yes, step-father only
  - 4 Yes, both step-mother and step-father
- Q216** Step-parents still alive  
## CODE AS LIVING ONLY IF WHEREABOUTS ARE KNOWN
- 1 Both step-mother and step-father living
  - 2 Step-mother living
  - 3 Step-father living
  - 4 No step-parents living
- Q217A** Any other parent figure when you were growing up - 1 [A]
- Q217B** Any other parent figure when you were growing up - 2 [A]

- Q217C** Any other parent figure when you were growing up - 3 [A]  
**Q217D** Any other parent figure when you were growing up - 4 [A]
- Q218** Your partner's parents still alive  
## BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE PARENTS - NOT STEP-PARENTS
- 1 Both are still living
  - 2 Mother-in-law living, unsure of father-in-law's whereabouts
  - 3 Mother-in-law living, father-in-law has died
  - 4 Father-in-law living, unsure of mother-in-law's whereabouts
  - 5 Father-in-law living, mother-in-law has died
  - 6 Unsure of whereabouts of both
  - 7 Both have died
- Q219** Your partner's parents ever divorce or separate from one another
- 1 Yes
  - 2 No
  - 3 Never married or defacto
- Q220** Your partner have any step-parents still living  
## INCLUDING DE FACTO PARTNERS OF PARENTS-IN-LAW  
## CODE AS LIVING ONLY IF WHEREABOUTS ARE KNOWN
- 1 Both step-mother and step-father living
  - 2 Step-mother living
  - 3 Step-father living
  - 4 No step-parents living
- Q221** Description of your relationship with your mother now  
## BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE PARENTS - NOT STEP-PARENTS
- 1 Very close
  - 2 Close
  - 3 Not close
- Q222** Description of your relationship with your mother when you were growing up as a teenager  
## BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE PARENTS - NOT STEP-PARENTS
- 1 Very close
  - 2 Close
  - 3 Not close
- Q223** Description of your relationship with your father now  
## BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE PARENTS - NOT STEP-PARENTS
- 1 Very close
  - 2 Close
  - 3 Not close
- Q224** Description of your relationship with your father when you were growing up as a teenager  
## BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE PARENTS - NOT STEP-PARENTS
- 1 Very close
  - 2 Close
  - 3 Not close
- Q226A** Distance from: Your parents  
## USUAL METHOD OF TRAVEL
- 1 Live with me
  - 2 Within 30 minutes
  - 3 30 minutes to 2 hours
  - 4 Elsewhere in Australia
  - 5 Overseas

- Q226B** Distance from: Your mother  
**Q226C** Distance from: Your father  
**Q226D** Distance from: Your step-mother  
**Q226E** Distance from: Your step-father  
**Q226F** Distance from: Your parents-in-law  
**Q226G** Distance from: Your mother-in-law  
**Q226H** Distance from: Your father-in-law
- LL **Q228A** How often speak to: your mother  
     1 Every day  
     2 Every second day, a few times a week  
     3 Once a week  
     4 Once a fortnight  
     5 Monthly  
     6 Less often  
     7 Special occasions  
     8 Not at all
- LL **Q228B** How often speak to: Your father  
 LL **Q228C** How often speak to: Your step-mother  
 LL **Q228D** How often speak to: Your step-father  
 LL **Q228E** How often speak to: Your mother-in-law  
 LL **Q228F** How often speak to: Your father-in-law
- Q230A** Your parents provide you with emotional support or advice  
     1 Yes  
     0 No
- Q230B** They help you financially if you need it  
**Q230C** They provide you with any practical support [doing things for you]
- Q232A** You provide your parents with emotional support or advice  
     1 Yes  
     0 No
- Q232B** You help them financially if they need it  
**Q232C** You provide them with any practical support [doing things for them]
- LL **Q233A** Who else provides help to your parents: no-one  
     1 Yes  
     0 No
- LL **Q233B** Who else provides help to your parents: Partner  
 LL **Q233C** Who else provides help to your parents: Mother / step-mother  
 LL **Q233D** Who else provides help to your parents: Father / step-father  
 LL **Q233E** Who else provides help to your parents: Mother-in-law  
 LL **Q233F** Who else provides help to your parents: Father-in-law  
 LL **Q233G** Who else provides help to your parents: Brother / -in-law  
 LL **Q233h** Who else provides help to your parents: Sister / -in-law  
 LL **Q233I** Who else provides help to your parents: Son  
 LL **Q233J** Who else provides help to your parents: Daughter  
 LL **Q233K** Who else provides help to your parents: Other relative

- LL **Q233L** Who else provides help to your parents: Female friend  
 LL **Q233M** Who else provides help to your parents: Male friend  
 LL **Q233N1** Who else provides help to your parents: Other (specify)  
 LL **Q233N2** Who else provides help to your parents: Other - text [A]

- LL **Q234** Find helping parents is a bit of a strain  
 ## CAN BE PARENTS, PARENTS-IN-LAW OR STEP-PARENTS  
 1 Yes  
 2 Somewhat  
 3 No

## SIBLINGS

- Q236** Number of brothers you have  
 ## LIVING, INCLUDING STEP-BROTHERS
- Q237** Number of sisters you have  
 ## LIVING, INCLUDING STEP-SISTERS
- LL **Q238** Number of brothers your partner has  
 ## LIVING, INCLUDING STEP-BROTHERS
- LL **Q239** Number of sisters your partner has  
 ## LIVING, INCLUDING STEP-SISTERS
- LL **Q240A** Distance from siblings: No siblings live within 30 minutes  
 ## SELECT ALL WHO LIVE WITHIN 30 MINUTES BY USUAL METHOD OF TRAVEL  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LL **Q240B** Distance from siblings: At least 1 brother lives within 30 minutes  
 LL **Q240C** Distance from siblings: At least 1 sister lives within 30 minutes  
 LL **Q240D** Distance from siblings: At least 1 of partner's brothers lives within 30 minutes  
 LL **Q240E** Distance from siblings: At least 1 of partner's sisters lives within 30 minutes
- LL **Q241** How often you speak to your brother  
 1 Every day  
 2 Every second day, a few times a week  
 3 Once a week  
 4 Once a fortnight  
 5 Monthly  
 6 Less often  
 7 Special occasions  
 8 Not at all
- LL **Q242** How often you speak to your sister  
 1 Every day  
 2 Every second day, a few times a week  
 3 Once a week  
 4 Once a fortnight  
 5 Monthly  
 6 Less often

- 7 Special occasions
- 8 Not at all

## FRIENDS AND RELATIONS

- Q244A** Who you would turn to if you became ill: No-one  
## NOT PROFESSIONAL HELP  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q244B** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Partner  
**Q244C** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Mother / step-mother  
**Q244D** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Father / step-father  
**Q244E** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Mother-in-law  
**Q244F** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Father-in-law  
**Q244G** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Brother / -in-law  
**Q244H** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Sister / -in-law  
**Q244I** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Son  
**Q244J** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Daughter  
**Q244K** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Other relative  
**Q244L** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Female friend  
**Q244M** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Male friend  
**Q244N1** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Other (specify)
- Q244O** Who you would turn to if you became ill: God / church / minister
- Q244N2** Who you would turn to if you became ill: Other - text [A]
- Q245A** Who do you confide in: No-one  
## NOT PROFESSIONAL HELP  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q245B** Who do you confide in: Partner  
**Q245C** Who do you confide in: Mother / step-mother  
**Q245D** Who do you confide in: Father / step-father  
**Q245E** Who do you confide in: Mother-in-law  
**Q245F** Who do you confide in: Father-in-law  
**Q245G** Who do you confide in: Brother / -in-law  
**Q245H** Who do you confide in: Sister / -in-law  
**Q245I** Who do you confide in: Son  
**Q245J** Who do you confide in: Daughter  
**Q245K** Who do you confide in: Other relative  
**Q245L** Who do you confide in: Female friend  
**Q245M** Who do you confide in: Male friend  
**Q245N1** Who do you confide in: Other (specify)
- Q245O** Who do you confide in: God / church / minister
- Q245N2** Who do you confide in: Other - text [A]
- Q246A** Who turn to in an emergency: No-one

## ## NOT PROFESSIONAL HELP

1 Yes

0 No

- Q246B** Who turn to in an emergency: Partner  
**Q246C** Who turn to in an emergency: Mother / step-mother  
**Q246D** Who turn to in an emergency: Father / step-father  
**Q246E** Who turn to in an emergency: Mother-in-law  
**Q246F** Who turn to in an emergency: Father-in-law  
**Q246G** Who turn to in an emergency: Brother / -in-law  
**Q246H** Who turn to in an emergency: Sister / -in-law  
**Q246I** Who turn to in an emergency: Son  
**Q246J** Who turn to in an emergency: Daughter  
**Q246K** Who turn to in an emergency: Other relative  
**Q246L** Who turn to in an emergency: Female friend  
**Q246M** Who turn to in an emergency: Male friend  
**Q246N1** Who turn to in an emergency: Other (specify)
- Q246O** Who turn to in an emergency: God / church / minister  
**Q246O** Who turn to in an emergency: Neighbours
- Q246N2** Who turn to in an emergency: Other - text [A]



**HEALTH AND CARING**

- Q249** Your overall health
- 1 Excellent
  - 2 Good
  - 3 Fair
  - 4 Poor
- Q250** Your partner's overall health
- 1 Excellent
  - 2 Good
  - 3 Fair
  - 4 Poor
- Q251** You or your partner have any long-term health problems or disabilities
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q252A** Your and/or your partner's health problems - 1 [A]
- Q252B** Your and/or your partner's health problems - 2 [A]
- Q252C** Your and/or your partner's health problems - 3 [A]
- Q252D** Your and/or your partner's health problems - 4 [A]
- Q253** Any of your or your partner's children have any long-term health problems or disabilities  
## CAN BE ANY OF YOUR [OR YOUR PARTNER'S] CHILDREN
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q254A** Child 1 has health problems
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q254B** Child 2 has health problems
- Q254C** Child 3 has health problems
- Q254D** Child 4 has health problems
- Q254E** Child 5 has health problems
- Q254F** Child 6 has health problems
- Q254G** Child 7 has health problems
- Q254H** Child 8 has health problems
- Q254I** Child 9 has health problems
- Q254J** Child 10 has health problems
- Q254K** Child 11 has health problems
- Q254L** Child 12 has health problems
- Q255A** Children's health problems - 1 [A]
- Q255B** Children's health problems - 2 [A]
- Q255C** Children's health problems - 3 [A]
- Q255D** Children's health problems - 4 [A]
- Q256** Any of your parents or parents-in-law have health problems or disabilities  
## PARENTS, STEP-PARENTS OR PARENTS-IN-LAW
- 1 Yes

- 0 No  
**Q257A** Who has health problems: Mother  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q257B** Who has health problems: Father  
**Q257C** Who has health problems: Step-mother  
**Q257D** Who has health problems: Step-father  
**Q257E** Who has health problems: Mother-in-law  
**Q257F** Who has health problems: Father-in-law
- Q258A** Parent's health problems - 1 [A]  
**Q258B** Parent's health problems - 2 [A]  
**Q258C** Parent's health problems - 3 [A]  
**Q258D** Parent's health problems - 4 [A]
- Q259A** In a nursing home or special accomodation: Mother  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q259B** In a nursing home or special accomodation: Father  
**Q259C** In a nursing home or special accomodation: Step-mother  
**Q259D** In a nursing home or special accomodation: Step-father  
**Q259E** In a nursing home or special accomodation: Mother-in-law  
**Q259F** In a nursing home or special accomodation: Father-in-law  
**Q259G** In a nursing home or special accomodation: No-one
- Q260** You the MAIN carer of any family member or friend with health problems or disabilities, or who is aged  
 ## Caring is whatever the respondent defines as care e.g. helping with shopping, bathing or dressing; however the respondent must be the MAIN carer i.e. no-one else spends more time caring for this person.  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q261A** Who needs care: No-one  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q261B** Who needs care: Partner  
**Q261C** Who needs care: Mother / step-mother  
**Q261D** Who needs care: Father / step-father  
**Q261E** Who needs care: Mother-in-law  
**Q261F** Who needs care: Father-in-law  
**Q261G** Who needs care: Brother / -in-law  
**Q261H** Who needs care: Sister / -in-law  
**Q261I** Who needs care: Son  
**Q261J** Who needs care: Daughter  
**Q261K** Who needs care: Other relative  
**Q261L** Who needs care: Female friend  
**Q261M** Who needs care: Male friend  
**Q261N1** Who needs care: Other (specify)

- Q261O1** Who needs care: Multiple care recipients (comment)
- Q261N2** Who needs care: Other - text [A]
- Q261O2** Who needs care: Multiple care recipients - text [A]
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- Q262A** What is their condition - 1 [A]
- Q262B** What is their condition - 2 [A]
- Q262C** What is their condition - 3 [A]
- Q262D** What is their condition - 4 [A]
- 
- Q263A** Amount of help needed
- 1 A lot
  - 2 Some
  - 3 A little
  - 4 Multiple care recipients (comment)
- 
- Q263B** Amount of help needed - text [A]
- 
- Q264** Use any community services
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- 
- Q265A** Services used: Home help
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- 
- Q265B** Services used: Home delivered meals
- Q265C** Services used: Home nursing (R.D.N.S)
- Q265D** Services used: Day care centre
- Q265E** Services used: Home maintenance
- Q265F** Services used: Chauffeur service (bus, driver, assistance with shopping)
- Q265G** Services used: Respite services
- Q265H** Services used: Podiatry
- Q265I** Services used: Ambulance
- Q265J** Services used: Subsidized taxi service
- Q265K1** Services used: Other (specify)
- 
- Q265K2** Services used: Other - text [A]
- 
- Q266A** Problems with services use - 1 [A]
- Q266B** Problems with services use - 2 [A]
- Q266C** Problems with services use - 3 [A]
- Q266D** Problems with services use - 4 [A]
- Q267A** Satisfaction with the services you are using
- 1 Very satisfied
  - 2 Satisfied
  - 3 Mixed feelings
  - 4 Dissatisfied
  - 5 Very dissatisfied
  - 6 Other (satisfied with some services, dissatisfied with others)
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- Q267B** Satisfaction with the services you are using - text [A]

- Q268** Need any services you are not receiving  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q269A** Services needed: Home help  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q269B** Services needed: Home delivered meals  
**Q269C** Services needed: Home nursing (R.D.N.S)  
**Q269D** Services needed: Day care centre  
**Q269E** Services needed: Home maintenance  
**Q269F** Services needed: Chauffeur service (bus, driver, assistance with shopping)  
**Q269G** Services needed: Respite services  
**Q269H** Services needed: Podiatry  
**Q269I** Services needed: Ambulance  
**Q269J** Services needed: Subsidized taxi service  
**Q269K1** Services needed: Other (specify)
- Q269K2** Services needed: Other - text [A]

## VALUES TO INTERGENERATIONAL TRANSFERS

- Q272A** Parents should help adult children financially if they need it  
 1 Strongly agree  
 2 Agree  
 3 Mixed feelings  
 4 Disagree  
 5 Strongly
- Q272B** Parents should let their adult children live with them if they need to  
**Q272C** Parents and adult children should stay in touch on a regular basis  
**Q272D** Adult children should help their parents financially if they need it  
**Q272E** Children should let aging parents live with them if they need to  
**Q272F** It is not the responsibility of adult children to take care of their elderly parents  
**Q272G** People should provide something for their own retirement instead of relying only on the aged pension  
**Q272H** I would rather use outside services than have help from family and friends  
**Q272I** Government services should be available to people who need help with cooking and housework
- Q275A** Contact with family members  
 1 Very important  
 2 Somewhat important  
 3 Not at all important
- Q275B** Time spent with friends  
**Q275C** Community involvement
- Q277A** Amount of time you have with your family  
 1 Enough  
 2 Too much  
 3 Not enough
- Q277B** Time for yourself

**Q277C** Time you have with your friends

## EDUCATION

**Q279A** Highest level of education you reached

## INCLUDE QUALIFICATIONS CURRENTLY BEING COMPLETED

- 1 Year 9 or below
- 2 Year 10
- 3 Year 11
- 4 Year 12
- 5 Trade / apprenticeship
- 6 Certificate (business college, TAFE)
- 7 Diploma (TAFE, CAE, college)
- 8 Degree (bachelor)
- 9 Post-graduate (PhD, Masters, Post-grad dip)
- 10 Other (specify)

**Q279B** Highest level of education you reached - text [A]

**Q280** Currently studying [doing a course]

- 1 Yes
- 0 No

**Q281** Studying full time or part time

- 1 Full time
- 2 Part time

**Q282A** Highest level of education your partner reached

## INCLUDE QUALIFICATIONS CURRENTLY BEING COMPLETED

- 1 Year 9 or below
- 2 Year 10
- 3 Year 11
- 4 Year 12
- 5 Trade / apprenticeship
- 6 Certificate (business college, TAFE)
- 7 Diploma (TAFE, CAE, college)
- 8 Degree (bachelor)
- 9 Post-graduate (PhD, Masters, Post-grad dip)
- 10 Other (specify)

**Q282B** Highest level of education your partner reached - text [A]

**Q283** Your partner currently studying [doing a course]

- 1 Yes
- 0 No

**Q284** Studying full time or part time

- 1 Full time
- 2 Part time

## WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION

**Q286** In main job, are you an employee or self-employed

- 1 Employee
- 2 Self-employed

- Q287** Your occupation [A]  
 ## FULL TITLE - EG ACCOUNTANT CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
 ## IF MEMBER OF DEFENCE FORCES - OCCUPATION NOT RANK
- Q288** Main tasks or duties you perform in your occupation [A]
- Q289** In main job, number of hours you usually work in an average week
- Q290** Number of hours in any other paid jobs  
 ## NO OTHER JOB = 0
- Q291** Apart from your main paid job, number of other paid jobs
- Q292** Your position permanent, contract or casual  
 ## PERMANENT: generally work a fixed number of hours per week and receive a salary with pro-rata entitlement to sick leave and annual leave.  
 ## CONTRACT: employed for a fixed period of time with no guarantee of continuing employment. May or may not get leave entitlements.  
 ## CASUAL: work a range of hours, paid hourly with no leave entitlements. Generally receive a casual loading in their hourly rate of pay.
- 1 Permanent, continuing
  - 2 Contract
  - 3 Casual
- Q293** Your partner's last occupation [A]  
 ## FULL TITLE - EG ACCOUNTANT CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
 ## IF MEMBER OF DEFENCE FORCES - OCCUPATION NOT RANK
- Q294** Your partner an employee or self-employed in his/her main job
- 1 Employee
  - 2 Self-employed
- Q295** Your partner's occupation [A]  
 ## FULL TITLE - EG ACCOUNTANT CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
 ## IF MEMBER OF DEFENCE FORCES - OCCUPATION NOT RANK
- Q296** Main tasks or duties your partner performs in his/her occupation [A]
- Q297** Number of hours usually worked by your partner in his/her main job in an average week
- Q298** Number of hours your partner works in any other paid jobs  
 ## NO OTHER JOB = 0
- Q299** Your partner's position permanent, contract or casual  
 ## PERMANENT: generally work a fixed number of hours per week and receive a salary with pro-rata entitlement to sick leave and annual leave.  
 ## CONTRACT: employed for a fixed period of time with no guarantee of continuing employment. May or may not get leave entitlements.  
 ## CASUAL: work a range of hours, paid hourly with no leave entitlements. Generally receive a casual loading in their hourly rate of pay.
- 1 Permanent, continuing
  - 2 Contract
  - 3 Casual

- Q301A** Do you have to work on weekends, or at night after 7.00pm  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q301B** Can you work flexible hours [choose starting and finishing times]  
**Q301C** Can you take leave for family reasons [e.g. a sick partner/child/sister]  
**Q301D** Do you have a job with little stress or pressure  
**Q301E** Do you have opportunities for career advancement
- Q302A** Important to you: Whether you have to work weekends or nights  
1 Yes  
2 Somewhat  
3 No
- Q302B** Important to you: To be able to choose your start and finish times  
**Q302C** Important to you: To be able to take family leave if you need it  
**Q302D** Important to you: A job with little stress or pressure  
**Q302E** Important to you: Opportunities for career advancement
- Q303** Amount of control you have in scheduling your work hours  
1 Complete control  
2 A lot of control  
3 Some control  
4 A little control  
5 No control
- Q305A** Satisfaction with: Your rate of pay  
1 Very satisfied  
2 Satisfied  
3 Mixed feelings  
4 Dissatisfied  
5 Very dissatisfied
- Q305B** Satisfaction with: Your job security  
**Q305C** Satisfaction with: The job you have
- Q306** Prefer to work more or less hours  
1 More hours a week  
2 Same hours as now  
3 Less hours a week  
4 Not work at all
- Q307** Number of hours prefer to work each week
- Q309A** You find: Your work life interferes with your home life  
1 Yes  
2 Somewhat  
3 No
- Q309B** You find: Your partner's work life interferes with your home life  
**Q309C** You find: Your home life interferes with work

- Q310** When things are not going well at home, do you generally gain satisfaction from your work  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q311** When things are not going well at work, do you generally gain satisfaction from your home life  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q312** If you had a reasonable income without having to work, would you still prefer to have a paid job  
 1 Yes, still prefer paid job  
 0 No
- Q313** Ever had a paid job  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q314** Your last occupation [A]  
 ## FULL TITLE - EG ACCOUNTANT CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
 ## IF MEMBER OF DEFENCE FORCES - OCCUPATION NOT RANK
- Q315** Looking for paid work  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q316** Want full time or part time work  
 1 Full time  
 2 Part time
- Q317A** Why not in paid work: Family / home responsibilities  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q317B** Why not in paid work: Child / elder care
- Q317C** Why not in paid work: Health
- Q317D** Why not in paid work: Do not want / need paid work
- Q317E** Why not in paid work: Cannot find a job with suitable conditions
- Q317F** Why not in paid work: Cannot find any work at all
- Q317G** Why not in paid work: Studying
- Q317H1** Why not in paid work: Other (specify)
- Q317I** Why not in paid work: fired/redundant/end of contract
- Q317J** Why not in paid work: part time self-employed
- Q317H2** Why not in paid work: Other - text [A]
- Q318** Have any kind of occasional paid work  
 [such as outwork, seasonal work, child minding or mail drops]  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q319** Type of occasional paid work [A]



- Q320** Preferred working arrangement
- 1 Full time employment
  - 2 Part time employment
  - 3 Not working at all
- Q321** Number of hours would like to work
- Q322** Since birth of first child, length of time out of the workforce  
## APPROXIMATE TOTAL ONLY
- Q323** Months/years out of the workforce
- 1 Months
  - 2 Years
- Q324** Working arrangements since having children
- 1 Worked mainly full time
  - 2 Worked mainly part time
  - 3 Worked a combination of full and part time
  - 4 Not been in the workforce
- Q325A** Intention to return to the workforce
- 1 Yes
  - 2 No
  - 3 Other (specify)
- Q325B** Intention to return to the workforce - text [A]
- Q326** When intend to return to the workforce
- Q327** Months/years intend to return to the workforce
- 1 Months
  - 2 Years
- Q328** Availability of the Parenting Allowance influenced whether you worked or not
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q329** There been times over the last five years when you were employed, but not as fully employed as you wanted to be
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q330** Amount of time not fully employed
- Q331** Months/years not fully employed
- 1 Months
  - 2 Years
- Q332** In the last five years, periods when you wanted but were not able to find a permanent or secure job
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q333** Amount of time not in a permanent or secure job
- Q334** Months/years not in a permanent or secure job

- 1 Months
- 2 Years

**Q335** In the last five years, had periods where you wanted to but were not able to find work in your field

- 1 Yes
- 0 No

- Q338A** Both partners should contribute to the household income
- 1 Strongly agree
  - 2 Agreee
  - 3 Mixed feelings
  - 4 Disagree
  - 5 Strongly disagree
- Q338B** A husband's job is to earn the money, a wife's is to look after the home and family
- Q338C** I would be unhappy if I was not in paid work
- Q338D** I would only be happy having a job if it fitted in with family life

## RETIREMENT

- LL **Q340** Prepared for your retirement
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- LL **Q341A** What you did: Participate in information/planning sessions provided by your workplace
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- LL **Q341B** What you did: Attend planning sessions provided by another organisation / person
- LL **Q341C** What you did: Read books, articles, watch TV programs, videos about retirement plans
- LL **Q341D** What you did: Invest
- LL **Q341E** What you did: Talk informally to friends or colleagues
- LL **Q341F1** What you did: Other (specify)
- LL **Q341F2** What you did: Other - text [A]
- LL **Q342** Age you retired  
## IF RETIRED EARLIER THAN 40 ENTER '99'
- LL **Q343** You preferred to retire earlier or later
- 1 Yes, earlier
  - 2 Yes, later
  - 3 No, happy to retire then
- LL **Q344A** Why you retired: Reached pension age (self or partner)
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- LL **Q344B** Why you retired: Partner was about to retire
- LL **Q344C** Why you retired: Had enough income
- LL **Q344D** Why you retired: Early retirement package
- LL **Q344E** Why you retired: Made redundant/dismissed
- LL **Q344F** Why you retired: Couldn't find any work
- LL **Q344G** Why you retired: Did not like work
- LL **Q344H** Why you retired: Wanted to do other things
- LL **Q344I** Why you retired: Poor health (self or partner)
- LL **Q344J** Why you retired: Health of other family members

- LL **Q344K** Why you retired: To care for family members
- LL **Q344L** Why you retired: To spend more time with family
- LL **Q344M1** Why you retired: Other (specify)
- LL **Q344N** Why you retired: Sold business
- LL **Q344M2** Why you retired: Other - text [A]
- LL **Q345** Age your partner retired  
## IF RETIRED EARLIER THAN 40 ENTER '99'
- LL **Q346** Your partner preferred to retire earlier or later
- 1 Yes, earlier
  - 2 Yes, later
  - 3 No, happy to retire then
- LL **Q347A** Why your partner retired: Reached pension age (self or partner)
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- LL **Q347B** Why your partner retired: You were about to retire
- LL **Q347C** Why your partner retired: Had enough income
- LL **Q347D** Why your partner retired: Early retirement package
- LL **Q347E** Why your partner retired: Made redundant/dismissed
- LL **Q347F** Why your partner retired: Couldn't find any work
- LL **Q347G** Why your partner retired: Did not like work
- LL **Q347H** Why your partner retired: Wanted to do other things
- LL **Q347I** Why your partner retired: Poor health (self or partner)
- LL **Q347J** Why your partner retired: Health of other family members
- LL **Q347K** Why your partner retired: To care for family members
- LL **Q347L** Why your partner retired: To spend more time with family
- LL **Q347M1** Why your partner retired: Other (specify)
- LL **Q347N** Why your partner retired: Sold business
- LL **Q347M2** Why your partner retired: Other - text [A]
- LL **Q348** You and your partner make decisions and plan for retirement together
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No

- LL **Q349** Age you will fully retire  
## NEVER RETIRE = 99
- LL **Q350** Age your partner will fully retire  
## NEVER RETIRE = 99
- LL **Q351A** Once retired, source of income: Wages/salary from job or business  
1 Yes  
0 No
- LL **Q351B** Once retired, source of income: Interest from investments
- LL **Q351C** Once retired, source of income: Age pension
- LL **Q351D** Once retired, source of income: My superannuation (government, private)
- LL **Q351E** Once retired, source of income: My partner's superannuation (government, private)
- LL **Q351F** Once retired, source of income: Savings
- LL **Q351G** Once retired, source of income: Other government benefits
- LL **Q351H** Once retired, source of income: Real estate (other than your own home)
- LL **Q351I** Once retired, source of income: Assistance from family
- LL **Q351J** Once retired, source of income: Life insurance
- LL **Q351K1** Once retired, source of income: Other (specify)
- LL **Q351K2** Once retired, source of income: Other - text [A]
- LL **Q352A** Once retired, MAIN source of income  
1 Wages/salary from job or business  
2 Interest from investments  
3 Age pension  
4 My superannuation (government, private)  
5 My partner's superannuation (government, private)  
6 Savings  
7 Other government benefits  
8 Real estate (other than your own home)  
9 Assistance from family  
10 Life insurance  
11 Other (specify)
- LL **Q352B** Once retired, MAIN source of income - text [A]
- LL **Q353** Receive any lump sum benefits from superannuation, insurance or workers' compensation when you or your partner retired  
1 Yes  
0 No
- LL **Q354A** Main use of this money: Invested in shares & other annuities  
1 Yes  
0 No
- LL **Q354B** Main use of this money: Invested in real estate
- LL **Q354C** Main use of this money: Paid off home mortgage
- LL **Q354D** Main use of this money: Cleared other debts
- LL **Q354E** Main use of this money: Paid for home improvements/renovations
- LL **Q354F** Main use of this money: Paid for holiday

- LL **Q354G** Main use of this money: Paid for car
- LL **Q354H** Main use of this money: Gifts for family
- LL **Q354I** Main use of this money: General living expenses
- LL **Q354J1** Main use of this money: Other (specify)
- LL **Q354J2** Main use of this money: Other - text [A]
- LL **Q356A** Important: to be financially secure and independent for your future  
 1 Very important  
 2 Important  
 3 Not at all important
- LL **Q356B** Important: to be able to leave something to your family or others
- LL **Q356C** Important: to be able to do the things you want to do now
- LL **Q358A** Have, or will, the needs of your parents influence your decisions about later life and growing older  
 ## PARENTS INCLUDES STEP-PARENTS AND PARENTS-IN-LAW  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- LL **Q358B** Have, or will, the needs of your children influence your decisions about later life and growing older  
 ## CHILDREN INCLUDES ADULT CHILDREN AND PARTNER'S CHILDREN
- LL **Q359A** In what way family influenced your decisions - 1 [A]
- LL **Q359B** In what way family influenced your decisions - 2 [A]
- LL **Q359C** In what way family influenced your decisions - 3 [A]
- LL **Q359D** In what way family influenced your decisions - 4 [A]
- LL **Q360** Your retirement made any difference to the amount of time you spend with your family  
 ## FAMILY INCLUDES EXTENDED FAMILY  
 1 Yes, spend more time with family  
 2 No, no difference  
 3 Yes, spend less time  
 4 No family or extended family whatsoever
- LL **Q362A** Your own retirement has been easy or difficult for you  
 1 Very easy  
 2 Easy  
 3 Mixed feelings  
 4 Difficult  
 5 Very difficult
- LL **Q362B** Your retirement has been easy or difficult for your partner
- LL **Q362C** Your partner's retirement has been easy or difficult for you
- LL **Q363A** Changed housing when retired: No, stayed put  
 1 Yes  
 0 No

- LL **Q363B** Changed housing when retired: Stayed put and reversed mortgage
- LL **Q363C** Changed housing when retired: Moved somewhere cheaper
- LL **Q363D** Changed housing when retired: Moved somewhere more expensive
- LL **Q363E** Changed housing when retired: Moved somewhere smaller
- LL **Q363F** Changed housing when retired: Moved somewhere bigger
- LL **Q363G** Changed housing when retired: Moved in with child(ren)
- LL **Q363H** Changed housing when retired: Moved to countryside
- LL **Q363I** Changed housing when retired: Moved to seaside
- LL **Q363J1** Changed housing when retired: Other (specify)
- LL **Q363K** Changed housing when retired: Moved to preferred location
- LL **Q363J2** Changed housing when retired: Other - text [A]
- LL **Q366A** I will have plenty to keep me occupied when I am old
- 1 Strongly agree
  - 2 Agree
  - 3 Mixed feelings
  - 4 Disagree
  - 5 Strongly disagree
- LL **Q366B** I will be able to do most things for myself
- LL **Q366C** I get nervous when I think about someone making decisions for me
- LL **Q366D** I am concerned about being alone
- LL **Q367A** If you find you can't manage to live on your own later in life, what will you do
- 1 Stay at home with outside help
  - 2 Move in with my children
  - 3 Move in with other relatives
  - 4 Move to a retirement village
  - 5 Move to a home for the aged (special accommodation)
  - 6 Move to a nursing home
  - 7 Other (specify)
  - 8 Euthanasia / suicide
- LL **Q367B** If you find you can't manage to live on your own later in life, what will you do - text [A]
- Q368** How you feel about the future
- 1 Mostly positive
  - 2 Mixed feelings
  - 3 Mostly negative

## FINANCES

- Q370** Your main source of income
- 1 Own wage or salary
  - 2 Business (including wages and profits)
  - 3 Pension or benefit, including family payment
  - 4 Superannuation, other investments and annuities
  - 5 No personal income (dependent on spouse/partner, parents or others)

- Q371** Your partner's main source of income
- 1 Own wage or salary
  - 2 Business (including wages and profits)
  - 3 Pension or benefit, including family payment
  - 4 Superannuation, other investments and annuities
  - 5 No personal income (dependent on spouse/partner, parents or others)
- Q372A** You get any government support: No
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q372B1** You get any government support: Other (specify)
- Q372C** You get any government support: Austudy / Abstudy
- Q372D** You get any government support: Child Disability Allowance
- Q372E** You get any government support: Family Payment
- Q372F** You get any government support: Home Child Care Allowance
- Q372G** You get any government support: New Enterprise Incentive Scheme (NEIS)
- Q372H** You get any government support: Parenting Allowance
- Q372I** You get any government support: Rent Assistance
- Q372J** You get any government support: Sickness Allowance
- Q372K** You get any government support: Age Pension
- Q372L** You get any government support: Carer Pension
- Q372M** You get any government support: Disability Support Pension
- Q372N** You get any government support: Job Search (unemployed < 1 yr)
- Q372O** You get any government support: Newstart (unemployed > 1 yr)
- Q372P** You get any government support: Partner's Allowance
- Q372Q** You get any government support: Sole Parent Pension
- Q372R** You get any government support: Special Benefit
- Q372S** You get any government support: Veteran's Affairs Pension (War Widow, War Service)
- Q372T** You get any government support: Widow's Pension
- Q372U** You get any government support: Wife Pension
- Q372V** You get any government support: Health Care Card only
- Q372B2** You get any government support: Other - text [A]
- Q373A** Your partner gets any government support: No
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q373B1** Your partner gets any government support: Other (specify)
- Q373C** Your partner gets any government support: Austudy / Abstudy
- Q373D** Your partner gets any government support: Child Disability Allowance
- Q373E** Your partner gets any government support: Family Payment
- Q373F** Your partner gets any government support: Home Child Care Allowance
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**Q373R** Your partner gets any government support: Special Benefit  
**Q373S** Your partner gets any government support: Veteran's Affairs Pension (War Widow, War Service)  
**Q373T** Your partner gets any government support: Widow's Pension  
**Q373U** Your partner gets any government support: Wife Pension  
  
**Q373V** Your partner gets any government support: Health Care Card only  
  
**Q373B2** Your partner gets any government support: Other - text [A]
- Q374** Your personal income BEFORE tax deductions in the 1995-1996 financial year  
 ## INCLUDE ALL SOURCES OF INCOME RECEIVED PERSONALLY PLUS BUSINESS OR FARM PROFIT BEFORE TAX.  
 ## REFUSED, NIL OR NEGATIVE = 99 FOR AMOUNT; 5 FOR WEEK/MONTH/YEAR.  
 ## IF RELUCTANT, ASK FOR AN ESTIMATE BEFORE RESORTING TO RANGES
- Q375** Period your income covers
  - 1 Weekly
  - 2 Fornightly
  - 3 Monthly
  - 4 Yearly
  - 5 Refused, Nil or Negative
- Q376** Estimate of your income  
 [Around \$10,000 ? Around \$30,000 ?]  
 [More or less than \$20,700 ? More or less than \$5,400 ?]
  - 1 Negative income
  - 2 Nil income
  - 3 \$1 - 5,400 per year
  - 4 \$5,401 - 20,700 per year
  - 5 \$20,701 - 38,000 per year
  - 6 \$38,001 - 50,000 per year
  - 7 Over \$50,000 per year
- Q377** Your partner's personal income BEFORE tax deductions in the 1995-1996 financial year  
 ## INCLUDE ALL SOURCES OF INCOME RECEIVED PERSONALLY PLUS BUSINESS OR FARM PROFIT BEFORE TAX.  
 ## REFUSED, NIL OR NEGATIVE = 99 FOR AMOUNT; 5 FOR WEEK/MONTH/YEAR.  
 ## IF RELUCTANT, ASK FOR AN ESTIMATE BEFORE RESORTING TO RANGES
- Q378** Period your partner's income covers
  - 1 Weekly
  - 2 Fornightly
  - 3 Monthly
  - 4 Yearly
  - 5 Refused, Nil or Negative
- Q379** Estimate of your partner's income  
 [Around \$10,000 ? Around \$30,000 ?]  
 [More or less than \$20,700 ? More or less than \$5,400 ?]
  - 1 Negative income
  - 2 Nil income
  - 3 \$1 - 5,400 per year
  - 4 \$5,401 - 20,700 per year

- 5 \$20,701 - 38,000 per year
- 6 \$38,001 - 50,000 per year
- 7 Over \$50,000 per year

## HOUSING [IN AUSTRALIA ONLY]

**Q381** Number of people in household

**Q382** Detached house

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

**Q383A** Type of house you are living in

- 1 Detached house
- 2 Semi-detached house, row, terrace or townhouse
- 3 Flat
- 4 Unit
- 5 Apartment
- 6 Other (specify)

**Q383B** Type of house you are living in - text [A]

**Q384** Dwelling more than 5 years old

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

**Q385** Own or are you purchasing the dwelling

- 1 Purchasing
- 2 Own
- 3 Neither

**Q386A** Home mortgaged in whose name

- 1 Mortgaged in your name only
- 2 Jointly mortgaged with your spouse/partner
- 3 Mortgaged in your spouse/partner's name only
- 4 Mortgaged in other name (whose?)

**Q386B** Home mortgaged in whose name - text [A]

**Q387** Year you paid out your mortgage [on this home]

## NEVER HAD A MORTGAGE = 99

**Q388A** Dwelling owned in whose name

- 1 Owned in your name only
- 2 Jointly owned with your spouse/partner
- 3 Owned in your spouse/partner's name only
- 4 Other (in whose name)
- 5 Intergenerational ownership

**Q388B** Dwelling owned in whose name - text [A]

**Q389** Type of landlord currently renting from

## PUBLIC HOUSING: State gov; Local gov; Non-gov co-op/assocn/church;housing commission / trust / office / department

## PRIVATE LANDLORD: includes employer provided housing; boarders

## BOARDERS LIVING WITH PARENTS OR RELATIVES = not renting

- 1 Not renting
- 2 Private landlord
- 3 Public housing authority

**Q390A** Your current housing arrangements

- 1 Living rent free
- 2 House sitting
- 3 Living with parents
- 4 Other (specify)

**Q390B** Your current housing arrangements - text [A]

**Q391A** Reasons living in current housing arrangements - 1 [A]

**Q391B** Reasons living in current housing arrangements - 2 [A]

**Q391C** Reasons living in current housing arrangements - 3 [A]

**Q391D** Reasons living in current housing arrangements - 4 [A]

**Q392** Currently, do you own or are you involved in purchasing property

- 1 Yes
- 0 No

**Q393** Number of other properties

**Q394A** Other properties: A holiday home

- 1 Yes
- 0 No

**Q394B** Other properties: A home for your own use which you are not living in presently

**Q394C** Other properties: A home for use by someone in your family

**Q394D** Other properties: Other property for investment

**Q394E** Other properties: A gift, dowry

- Q395A** Ever been purchasing or owned your own home: Yes, been purchasing  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q395B** Ever been purchasing or owned your own home: Yes, owned  
**Q395C** Ever been purchasing or owned your own home: No
- Q396** Year bought dwelling currently living in  
 ## LIVED HERE SINCE BIRTH = 99  
 ## IF INHERITED RECORD YEAR INHERITED DWELLING
- Q397A** Reason you left your previous place - 1 [A]  
**Q397B** Reason you left your previous place - 2 [A]  
**Q397C** Reason you left your previous place - 3 [A]  
**Q397D** Reason you left your previous place - 4 [A]
- Q398A** Any other reasons why you choose to move to where you live now - 1 [A]  
**Q398B** Any other reasons why you choose to move to where you live now - 2 [A]  
**Q398C** Any other reasons why you choose to move to where you live now - 3 [A]  
**Q398D** Any other reasons why you choose to move to where you live now - 4 [A]  
 ## WHY DID YOU MOVE THERE RATHER THAN SOMEWHERE ELSE  
 e.g. FAMILY (birth of child, divorce)  
 HOUSING (sick of renting, more space)  
 FINANCIAL (could afford better, financial security)  
 NEIGHBOURHOOD (country air, better for schools)  
 EMPLOYMENT (close to work, retired)
- Q399** First home you've owned or been purchasing  
 ## FIRST HOME THAT YOU LIVED IN, NOT INVESTMENT PROPERTY  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q400** Year bought your first home  
 ## IF FIRST HOME WAS INHERITED RECORD YEAR INHERITED DWELLING
- Q401A** Main reason became home owner: Emotional security, stability, belonging  
 ## PROMPT FOR MORE INFORMATION THAN JUST "IT'S EXPECTED", "EVERYONE DOES IT"  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q401B** Main reason became home owner: Control, nobody can kick you out, bang nails in the wall  
**Q401C** Main reason became home owner: Status, pride, respect  
**Q401D** Main reason became home owner: Investment, financial security  
**Q401E** Main reason became home owner: For the kids  
**Q401F** Main reason became home owner: Renting is dead money  
**Q401G1** Main reason became home owner: Other (specify)
- Q401H** Main reason became home owner: Inherited dwelling  
**Q401I** Main reason became home owner: Australian dream  
**Q401G2** Main reason became home owner: Other - text [A]

- Q402** Refinanced or renegotiated the terms and conditions of your mortgage  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q403A** Reasons for refinancing: Property settlement  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q403B** Reasons for refinancing: To pay for extensions or renovations
- Q403C** Reasons for refinancing: To pay for a car, holiday, other non-housing item
- Q403D** Reasons for refinancing: To provide capital for a business
- Q403E** Reasons for refinancing: To get a better interest rate
- Q403F** Reasons for refinancing: To get a reverse mortgage
- Q403G** Reasons for refinancing: Because lost a job
- Q403H** Reasons for refinancing: Because of the birth of a child
- Q403I** Reasons for refinancing: Death of partner
- Q403J** Reasons for refinancing: Major illness, disability
- Q403K** Reasons for refinancing: To purchase other property
- Q403L1** Reasons for refinancing: Other (specify)
- Q403L2** Reasons for refinancing: Other - text [A]
- Q404** Amount of your current mortgage repayments
- Q405** Time of your current mortgage repayments  
1 Weekly  
2 Fortnightly  
3 Yearly
- Q406** Paying more than you have to  
## E.G. ACCELERATED PAYMENTS, MAKING MORE THAN MINIMUM PAYMENT  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q407** Mortgage cover more than just the dwelling  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q408** Able to meet your mortgage payments  
1 Very easily  
2 Easily  
3 Just managing  
4 Having difficulty  
5 Having great difficulty

- Q409** In the last twelve months, fall behind with your repayments  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q410A** Changes to meet housing costs: No change  
 ## E.G. GET SECOND JOB, POSTPONE CHILDREN, SELL ASSETS  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q410B** Changes to meet housing costs: Start or return to work
- Q410C** Changes to meet housing costs: Work longer hours
- Q410D** Changes to meet housing costs: Get second job
- Q410E** Changes to meet housing costs: Take in tenants / boarders
- Q410F** Changes to meet housing costs: Delay getting married
- Q410G** Changes to meet housing costs: Postpone having a child / more children
- Q410H** Changes to meet housing costs: Sell other assets
- Q410I** Changes to meet housing costs: Borrow from extended family
- Q410J** Changes to meet housing costs: Put house on market
- Q410K** Changes to meet housing costs: Considered selling and buying something less expensive
- Q410L** Changes to meet housing costs: Rent out property which you intended living in
- Q410M** Changes to meet housing costs: Renegotiate mortgage terms, payment conditions
- Q410N** Changes to meet housing costs: Economise on luxuries (spend less)
- Q410O** Changes to meet housing costs: Economise on essentials (spend less)
- Q410P1** Changes to meet housing costs: Other (specify)
- Q410P2** Changes to meet housing costs: Other - text [A]
- Q411** Ever fully owned a home of your own  
 [not having to make mortgage payments]  
 ## A HOME THAT YOU LIVED IN, NOT INVESTMENT PROPERTY  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q412A** Reason now have mortgage: Birth of child  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q412B** Reason now have mortgage: Parents moved in
- Q412C** Reason now have mortgage: Divorce / separation
- Q412D** Reason now have mortgage: New job
- Q412E** Reason now have mortgage: Pay rise
- Q412F** Reason now have mortgage: Wanted more space
- Q412G** Reason now have mortgage: Moved to a bigger / better place
- Q412H** Reason now have mortgage: Upgraded / extended existing place
- Q412I** Reason now have mortgage: To withdraw equity
- Q412J** Reason now have mortgage: Bankruptcy
- Q412K1** Reason now have mortgage: Other (specify)
- Q412K2** Reason now have mortgage: Other - text [A]
- Q413** BEFORE FIRST becoming a home owner, lived in rented accommodation  
 ## I.E. DID YOU RENT BEFORE PURCHASING YOUR FIRST HOME  
 1 Yes

0 No

- Q414** Before first becoming a home owner: Type of landlord  
 ## PUBLIC HOUSING: State gov; Local gov; Non-gov co-op/assocn/church;housing commission / trust / office / department  
 ## PRIVATE LANDLORD: includes employer provided housing; boarders  
 ## BOARDERS LIVING WITH PARENTS OR RELATIVES = not renting  
 1 Private landlord  
 2 Public housing authority
- Q415** SINCE FIRST becoming a home owner,ever moved into rented accommodation  
 ## I.E. HAVE YOU RENTED SINCE YOU PURCHASED YOUR FIRST HOME  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q416** Since first becoming a home owner: Type of landlord  
 ## PUBLIC HOUSING: State gov; Local gov; Non-gov co-op/assocn/church;housing commission / trust / office / department  
 ## PRIVATE LANDLORD: includes employer provided housing; boarders  
 ## BOARDERS LIVING WITH PARENTS OR RELATIVES = not renting  
 1 Private landlord  
 2 Public housing authority
- Q417** Owner / purchaser: Number of bedrooms  
 ## WHETHER USED AS BEDROOMS OR NOT
- Q418** Owner / purchaser: Number of bedrooms you could do without  
 ## NONE = 0
- Q420** Since moving here, carried out any major extensions  
 ## SPECIFICALLY TO GAIN MORE SPACE - NOT GENERAL RENOVATIONS  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q421A** Why needed extra space: Increase value of home  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q421B** Why needed extra space: More liveable (light, clean, view)  
**Q421C** Why needed extra space: More children  
**Q421D** Why needed extra space: Children got older  
**Q421E** Why needed extra space: Parents moved in  
**Q421F** Why needed extra space: Health/disability  
**Q421G1** Why needed extra space: Other (specify)
- Q421H** Why needed extra space: Leisure / recreation  
**Q421I** Why needed extra space: Home business / office  
**Q421I** Why needed extra space: Accommodate visitors
- Q421G2** Why needed extra space: Other - text [A]
- Q422A** Why you chose to stay and extend rather than move to a larger place - 1 [A]  
**Q422B** Why you chose to stay and extend rather than move to a larger place - 2 [A]  
**Q422C** Why you chose to stay and extend rather than move to a larger place - 3 [A]  
**Q422D** Why you chose to stay and extend rather than move to a larger place - 4 [A]

- Q423** Currently have or ever had a signed lease for this place  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q424** Amount of rent you pay for this dwelling  
 ## RENT OR BOARD  
 ## IF LIVING IN A SHARED/GROUP HOUSEHOLD, RECORD PERSONAL RENT ONLY
- Q425** Time of rent payment  
 1 Weekly  
 2 Fortnightly  
 3 Monthly
- Q426** At present, able to meet your rent payments  
 1 Very easily  
 2 Easily  
 3 Just managing  
 4 Having difficulty  
 5 Having great difficulty
- Q427** In the last twelve months, fall behind with your rent  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q428A** Changes to meet housing costs: No change  
 ## E.G. GET SECOND JOB, POSTPONE CHILDREN, SELL ASSETS  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q428B** Changes to meet housing costs: Start or return to work
- Q428C** Changes to meet housing costs: Work longer hours
- Q428D** Changes to meet housing costs: Get second job
- Q428E** Changes to meet housing costs: Take in tenants / boarders
- Q428F** Changes to meet housing costs: Delay getting married
- Q428G** Changes to meet housing costs: Postpone having a child / more children
- Q428H** Changes to meet housing costs: Sell other assets
- Q428I** Changes to meet housing costs: Borrow from extended family
- Q428J** Changes to meet housing costs: Renegotiate mortgage terms, payment conditions
- Q428K** Changes to meet housing costs: Economise on luxuries (spend less)
- Q428L** Changes to meet housing costs: Economise on essentials (spend less)
- Q428M1** Changes to meet housing costs: Other (specify)
- Q428M2** Changes to meet housing costs: Other - text [A]
- Q429A** Main reasons renting: You do not feel the need to own your own home  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q429B** Main reasons renting: You would rather spend the money on other things
- Q429C** Main reasons renting: You see buying your own home as a commitment you're not ready to make
- Q429D** Main reasons renting: You cannot afford to but your own place at present



- Q429E** Main reasons renting: You don't think you will ever be able to afford to buy  
**Q429F** Main reasons renting: You can't get a loan to buy  
**Q429G** Main reasons renting: You are saving for a deposit on your own home  
**Q429H** Main reasons renting: You are waiting for a property settlement  
**Q429I** Main reasons renting: Job-related circumstances  
**Q429J** Main reasons renting: You don't need to buy because housing is provided  
**Q429K** Main reasons renting: You are currently living away from a home that you own / are purchasing  
**Q429L1** Main reasons renting: Other (specify)
- Q429M** Main reasons renting: Mobility / travel  
**Q429N** Main reasons renting: Waiting to move into own home
- Q429L1** Main reasons renting: Other - text [A]
- Q430** Number of years continuously living in rented accommodation  
## 0 = UNDER 1 YEAR
- Q431** You or your partner currently saving to buy a property  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q432A** Changes to save for property: No change  
1 Yes  
0 No
- Q432B** Changes to save for property: Start or return to work  
**Q432C** Changes to save for property: Work longer hours  
**Q432D** Changes to save for property: Get second job  
**Q432E** Changes to save for property: Take in tenants / boarders  
**Q432F** Changes to save for property: Delay getting married  
**Q432G** Changes to save for property: Postpone having a child / more children  
**Q432H** Changes to save for property: Sell other assets  
**Q432I** Changes to save for property: Borrow from extended family  
**Q432J** Changes to save for property: Renegotiate payment conditions  
**Q432K** Changes to save for property: Economise on luxuries (spend less)  
**Q432L** Changes to save for property: Economise on essentials (spend less)  
**Q432M1** Changes to save for property: Other (specify)
- Q432M2** Changes to save for property: Other - text [A]

- Q433** If you had \$5,000 saved for a house deposit, and the government allowed you to borrow \$5,000 from your superannuation savings to add to the deposit, would you do it ?  
## IF QUERIED: [The government is considering allowing people to be able to borrow from their superannuation savings so that they can put a deposit on a house.]
- 1 Yes
  - 2 Possibly
  - 3 No
- Q434** You or your partner currently on the public housing waiting list
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q435** If the cost was the same for a similar home, landlord preference  
## PUBLIC HOUSING: State gov; Local gov; Non-gov co-op/assocn/church;housing commission / trust / office / department  
## PRIVATE LANDLORD: includes employer provided housing; boarders  
## BOARDERS LIVING WITH PARENTS OR RELATIVES = not renting
- 1 Prefer private
  - 2 Prefer/happy with public
- Q436A** Reason for landlord preference: Security of tenure  
## PROMPT FOR MORE THAN JUST LOCATION  
[E.G. WHAT IF IT WAS IN THE SAME LOCATION ?]
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q436B** Reason for landlord preference: No waiting list  
**Q436C** Reason for landlord preference: Choice in housing  
**Q436D** Reason for landlord preference: Close to schools  
**Q436E** Reason for landlord preference: Close to family  
**Q436F** Reason for landlord preference: Close to friends  
**Q436G** Reason for landlord preference: Close to work  
**Q436H** Reason for landlord preference: Close to other public services (shops, parks)  
**Q436I** Reason for landlord preference: Choice in location  
**Q436J1** Reason for landlord preference: Other (specify)
- Q436K** Reason for landlord preference: House quality / maintenance  
**Q436L** Reason for landlord preference: Tenant treatment  
**Q436M** Reason for landlord preference: Financial cost / subsidies
- Q436J2** Reason for landlord preference: Other - text [A]
- Q437** Ever been a public renter
- 1 Yes
  - 0 No
- Q438A** Why no longer a public renter - 1 [A]  
**Q438B** Why no longer a public renter - 2 [A]  
**Q438C** Why no longer a public renter - 3 [A]  
**Q438D** Why no longer a public renter - 4 [A]

- Q439** Ever been a private renter  
 1 Yes  
 0 No
- Q440A** Why no longer a private renter - 1 [A]  
**Q440B** Why no longer a private renter - 2 [A]  
**Q440C** Why no longer a private renter - 3 [A]  
**Q440D** Why no longer a private renter - 4 [A]
- Q441** Renter: Number of bedrooms  
 ## WHETHER USED AS BEDROOMS OR NOT
- Q442** Renter: Number of bedrooms could you do without  
 ## NONE = 0
- Q444A** Satisfaction with: space for your own needs  
 1 Very satisfied  
 2 Satisfied  
 3 Mixed feelings  
 4 Dissatisfied  
 5 Very dissatisfied
- Q444B** Satisfaction with: space for your family needs  
 ## FAMILY NEEDS = WHETHER HAVE CHILDREN OR NOT  
 E.G. SPARE ROOM FOR RELATIVES TO STAY; SPACE FOR FRIEND'S CHILDREN TO PLAY; EXTRA ROOM TO USE AS OFFICE/STUDY
- Q444C** Satisfaction with: your current housing
- Q446A** This neighbourhood is convenient for shops and other necessities  
 1 Strongly agree  
 2 Agree  
 3 Mixed feelings  
 4 Disagree  
 5 Strongly disagree
- Q446B** Medical services are easily available in this neighbourhood  
**Q446C** I am good friends with many people in this neighbourhood  
**Q446D** I am very attached to my neighbourhood  
**Q446E** I am very attached to my home

## GENERAL VALUES

- Q449A** Our family do lots of things together  
 ## IMMEDIATE FAMILY = PARTNER, PARENTS, BROTHERS, SISTERS, CHILDREN  
 (CODE 6 IF NO IMMEDIATE FAMILY)  
 1 Strongly agree  
 2 Agree  
 3 Mixed feelings  
 4 Disagree  
 5 Strongly disagree  
 6 No immediate family whatsoever
- Q449B** Family members seem to avoid contact with each other  
**Q449C** We really get along well with each other

- Q449D** Family members really help and support one another
- Q451A** Satisfaction with: Your standard of living
- 1 Very satisfied
  - 2 Satisfied
  - 3 Mixed feelings
  - 4 Dissatisfied
  - 5 Very dissatisfied
- Q451B** Satisfaction with: Your independence, the chance you have to do what you want
- Q451C** Satisfaction with: The way you handle problems that come up in your life
- Q451D** Satisfaction with: The sense of purpose and meaning in your life
- Q451E** Satisfaction with: The extent to which you are the kind of person you would like to be
- Q451F** Satisfaction with: What you're accomplishing in life
- Q451G** Satisfaction with: Your personal, emotional life
- Q451H** Satisfaction with: Your life as a whole
- Q453A** Predictability and security in relation to: your income
- 1 A lot
  - 2 Some
  - 3 None
- Q453B** Predictability and security in relation to: your health
- Q453C** Predictability and security in relation to: your housing
- Q454A** Importance of predictability and security in relation to: your income
- 1 Very important
  - 2 Important
  - 3 Not at all important
- Q454B** Importance of predictability and security in relation to: your health
- Q454C** Importance of predictability and security in relation to: your housing
- Q455** Your religion
- 1 No religion (atheist, agnostic)
  - 2 Catholic
  - 3 Anglican, Episcopalian
  - 4 Uniting
  - 5 Presbyterian
  - 6 Baptist
  - 7 Lutheran
  - 8 Orthodox (Greek, Armenian etc.)
  - 9 Other Christian
  - 10 Jewish
  - 11 Muslim
  - 12 Buddhist
  - 13 Church of England/Scotland/Ireland
  - 14 Hindu
  - 15 Protestant
  - 16 Evangelical
  - 17 Assemblies of God
  - 18 Salvation Army

- 19 Pentecostal
- 20 Methodist
- 21 Christadelphian
- 22 Seventh Day Adventist
- 23 Dutch Reform Church
- 24 Czech Brothers
- 25 Baha'i
- 26 Brethren
- 27 Congregational
- 28 Mormon
- 29 Jehovah's Witness
- 30 Charismatic
- 31 Emmanuel - Wide World Missionary Movement
- 32 Welsh Church
- 33 Church of Christ
- 34 Revival Fellowship, Revivalist
- 35 Wiccan (white witch)
- 36 Spiritualist
- 37 Wesleyan
- 38 Body of Christ (Indonesian)
- 39 The Meeting (church had no name)
- 40 Christian Scientist
- 41 Unitarian
- 42 New Apostolic
- 43 Armenian Apostolic
- 44 Christian / Buddhist
- 45 Ancestor Worship
- 46 Cao Dai (Vietnam)
- 47 Sikh

**Q456** Your partner's religion  
*Codeframe same as Q455*

**Q457** Your mother's religion  
*Codeframe same as Q455*

**Q458** Your father's religion  
*Codeframe same as Q455*

- Q459** Often you attend religious service  
## NOT INCLUDING WEDDINGS, FUNERALS, BAPTISMS, ETC.
- 1 Never
  - 2 Less than once a year
  - 3 About once a year
  - 4 Several times a year
  - 5 About once a month
  - 6 2 or 3 times a month
  - 7 Nearly every week
  - 8 Every week or more often
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- Q460A** Major pressures - 1 [A]  
**Q460B** Major pressures - 2 [A]  
**Q460C** Major pressures - 3 [A]  
**Q460D** Major pressures - 4 [A]
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- Q461A** Further comments from respondent - 1 [A]  
**Q461B** Further comments from respondent - 2 [A]  
**Q461C** Further comments from respondent - 3 [A]  
**Q461D** Further comments from respondent - 4 [A]

# Created Variables

|                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>latelife</b> | This variable classifies respondents as to whether they are part of the Later Life Study or the Australian Families Life Course Study. The criteria used was the respondent's year of birth - if born <i>before</i> 1946 then they fall within the Later Life Project.<br>0 Australian Families Life Course Project<br>1 Later Life Project |
| <b>day_int</b>  | Day of the month respondent was interviewed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>mth_int</b>  | Month respondent was interviewed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>yr_int</b>   | Year respondent was interviewed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

### STANDARDISING TIME DATA INTO MONTHS

|                 |                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>dfb4mar1</b> | Number of months respondent was living with first husband/wife before marrying them.<br>(Original variable: q50a)                      |
| <b>dfb4mar2</b> | Number of months respondent was living with second husband/wife before marrying them.<br>(Original variable: q50b)                     |
| <b>dfb4mar3</b> | Number of months respondent was living with third husband/wife before marrying them.<br>(Original variable: q50c)                      |
| <b>dfb4mar4</b> | Number of months respondent was living with fourth husband/wife before marrying them.<br>(Original variable: q50d)                     |
| <b>born1kd</b>  | Number of months out of the workforce since the birth of respondents' first child.<br>(Original variable: q322)                        |
| <b>back2wk</b>  | Number of months when intend to return to the workforce.<br>(Original variable: q326)                                                  |
| <b>underemp</b> | Number of months, in the last 5 years, respondent has been underemployed.<br>(Original variable: q330)                                 |
| <b>nopermwk</b> | Number of months, in the last 5 years, respondent has not been employed in a permanent or continuing job.<br>(Original variable: q333) |



## STANDARDISING DATA FOR AGE OF PERSON INTO YEARS

|                 |                                                                                                            |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>age_kd1</b>  | Age, in years, of child 1.<br>(Original variables: q9a & q10a)                                             |
| <b>age_kd2</b>  | Age, in years, of child 2.<br>(Original variables: q9b & q10b)                                             |
| <b>age_kd3</b>  | Age, in years, of child 3.<br>(Original variables: q9c & q10c)                                             |
| <b>age_kd4</b>  | Age, in years, of child 4.<br>(Original variables: q9d & q10d)                                             |
| <b>age_kd5</b>  | Age, in years, of child 5.<br>(Original variables: q9e & q10e)                                             |
| <b>age_kd6</b>  | Age, in years, of child 6.<br>(Original variables: q9f & q10f)                                             |
| <b>age_kd7</b>  | Age, in years, of child 7.<br>(Original variables: q9g & q10g)                                             |
| <b>age_kd8</b>  | Age, in years, of child 8.<br>(Original variables: q9h & q10h)                                             |
| <b>age_kd9</b>  | Age, in years, of child 9.<br>(Original variables: q9i & q10i)                                             |
| <b>age_kd10</b> | Age, in years, of child 10.<br>(Original variables: q9j & q10j)                                            |
| <b>age_kd11</b> | Age, in years, of child 11.<br>(Original variables: q9k & q10k)                                            |
| <b>age_kd12</b> | Age, in years, of child 12.<br>(Original variables: q9l & q10l)                                            |
| <b>age_kd13</b> | Age, in years, of child 13.<br>(Original variables: q9m & q10m)                                            |
| <b>age_kd14</b> | Age, in years, of child 14.<br>(Original variables: q9n & q10n)                                            |
| <b>age_r</b>    | Age, in years, of respondent.<br>(Original variables: q29 & q30)                                           |
| <b>age_p</b>    | Age, in years, of partner.<br>(Original variables: q31 & q32)                                              |
| <b>agegp_r</b>  | Age, in years, of respondent grouped according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics standards.<br>1 < 25 |

|    |         |
|----|---------|
| 2  | 25 - 29 |
| 3  | 30 - 34 |
| 4  | 35 - 39 |
| 5  | 40 - 44 |
| 6  | 45 - 49 |
| 7  | 50 - 54 |
| 8  | 55 - 59 |
| 9  | 60 - 64 |
| 10 | 65 +    |

**agegp1\_r** Age, in years, of respondent in 5 groupings.

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| 1 | < 30    |
| 2 | 30 - 39 |
| 3 | 40 - 49 |
| 4 | 50 - 59 |
| 5 | 60 - 70 |

**agegp\_p** Age, in years, of partner grouped according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics standards.

|    |         |
|----|---------|
| 1  | < 25    |
| 2  | 25 - 29 |
| 3  | 30 - 34 |
| 4  | 35 - 39 |
| 5  | 40 - 44 |
| 6  | 45 - 49 |
| 7  | 50 - 54 |
| 8  | 55 - 59 |
| 9  | 60 - 64 |
| 10 | 65 +    |

**agegp1\_p** Age, in years, of partner in 5 groupings.

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| 1 | < 30    |
| 2 | 30 - 39 |
| 3 | 40 - 49 |
| 4 | 50 - 59 |
| 5 | 60 - 70 |

**age1born** Age, in years, of respondent at birth of their first child.

**age1mar** Age, in years, of respondent at first marriage.

**age1df** Age, in years, of respondent when first entered a de facto relationship but did not marry their partner.

**age\_df1** Age, in years, of respondent when first entered a de facto relationship whether or not the respondent married their partner.

**RELATIONSHIPS**

|                 |                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>marital</b>  | Current <i>legal</i> marital status of respondent.<br>1 Married<br>2 Divorced<br>3 Widowed<br>4 Never married                                                                      |
| <b>relnship</b> | Current <i>personal relationship</i> status of respondent.<br>1 First marriage<br>2 Divorced / separated<br>3 Widowed<br>4 Never married<br>5 De facto relationship<br>6 Remarried |
| <b>ever_mar</b> | Respondent ever been married.<br>1 Yes<br>0 No                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>ever_df</b>  | Respondent ever been in a de facto relationship.<br>1 Yes<br>0 No                                                                                                                  |
| <b>ever_sep</b> | Respondent ever separated or divorced from husband/wife.<br>1 Yes<br>0 No                                                                                                          |
| <b>ever_wid</b> | Respondent ever been widowed.<br>1 Yes<br>0 No                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>marry_yr</b> | Length, in years, of current marriage.                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>dfmar_yr</b> | Length, in years, of current marriage include time spent in de facto relationship with current partner.                                                                            |
| <b>defac_yr</b> | Length, in years, of current de facto relationship.                                                                                                                                |
| <b>time1mar</b> | Number of years in first marriage.                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>time2mar</b> | Number of years in second marriage.                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>time3mar</b> | Number of years in third marriage.                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>time4mar</b> | Number of years in fourth marriage.                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>manage\$</b> | Who takes main responsibility in managing the finances.<br>1 Male partner<br>2 Female partner<br>3 Both                                                                            |
| <b>do_chore</b> | Who takes main responsibility in doing household chores.                                                                                                                           |
| <b>mind_kd</b>  | Who takes main responsibility in doing things for children.                                                                                                                        |
| <b>eco_prov</b> | Who takes main responsibility in being the economic provider.                                                                                                                      |
| <b>social</b>   | Who takes main responsibility in organising social activities.                                                                                                                     |
| <b>big\$dec</b> | Who has the final say in big financial decisions.                                                                                                                                  |

**CHILDREN**

|                 |                                                                                                                                            |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>kids</b>     | Respondent and/or partner has ever had children or any other child living in the household, eg. nephew, niece, etc.<br>1 Kids<br>0 No kids |
| <b>kd_here</b>  | Number of children living in the household.                                                                                                |
| <b>kd_left</b>  | Number of children who have left home, living independently.                                                                               |
| <b>oth_par</b>  | Number of children living with their other parent or guardian.                                                                             |
| <b>kd_dead</b>  | Number of deceased children.                                                                                                               |
| <b>num_kds</b>  | Total number of children - excludes deceased children.                                                                                     |
| <b>kd_pres</b>  | Number of children in the household not yet at school.                                                                                     |
| <b>kd_prim</b>  | Number of children in the household at primary school.                                                                                     |
| <b>kd_sec</b>   | Number of children in the household at secondary school.                                                                                   |
| <b>kd_tert</b>  | Number of children in the household at tertiary.                                                                                           |
| <b>kd_spes</b>  | Number of children in the household at special school.                                                                                     |
| <b>kd_indep</b> | Number of independent children in the household.                                                                                           |
| <b>kd_othr</b>  | Number of children in the household doing other things.                                                                                    |
| <b>kd_ours</b>  | Number of children where the respondent and current partner are the biological parents.                                                    |
| <b>kd_resp</b>  | Number of children where the respondent is the only biological parent in the household.                                                    |
| <b>kd_part</b>  | Number of children where the respondent's partner is the only biological parent in the household.                                          |
| <b>kd_adop</b>  | Number of children who have been fostered or legally adopted into the household.                                                           |
| <b>kd_oth</b>   | Number of other type of children, eg. grandchild, niece, nephew, etc.                                                                      |

**mix\_kds** This variable is an indication of blended families, i.e. the various combination of children living in the household.

- 1 Our children only
- 2 Our children & only respondents' children
- 3 Our children & only partners' children
- 4 Our, only respondents' & only partners' children
- 5 Only Respondents' & only partners' children
- 6 Only Respondents' children
- 7 Only Partners' children

**xnuptial** This variable applies only to female respondents. It determines whether the first child was an ex-nuptial birth.

- 1 Ex-nuptial birth
- 0 Nuptial birth

## HOUSING

**hh\_comp** This is household composition variable but it makes no assumption about the dependency of children. There are also 3 case which evaluate to zero: 2 cases where respondent is married but the partner is living elsewhere for employment purposes; 1 case where the respondent is married but the partner is in prison.

- 1 Single person in household
- 2 Group household of unrelated individuals
- 3 Couple with no children
- 4 Couple with children in the household
- 5 Couple with children but not in the household
- 6 Single parent with children in the household
- 7 Single parent with children but not in household

**tenure** Residential property rights of respondent

- 1 Purchasing their dwelling
- 2 Own dwelling outright
- 3 Renting from private landlord
- 4 Renting from a public housing authority
- 5 Other, eg. living with parents, housesitting, etc.

**yr1\_hse** Year bought first home

**area\_all** RARA Index classification of areas

- 1 Capital city
- 2 Other metro centre
- 3 Large rural centre
- 4 Small rural centre
- 5 Other rural area
- 6 Remote centre
- 7 Other remote area

**area\_3** RARA Index classification of areas (grouped)

- 1 Capital city
- 2 Other metro centre
- 3 Rural/remote

**FINANCE**

- r\_yrinc** Respondents' annual *gross* income. Where income was provided as grouped income, we took the median of the discrete income groups - using Q374 continuous income data. Nil income and negative income are treated as valid.  
(Original variables: Q374, Q375, Q376)  
-10 Negative income
- r\_mthinc** Respondents' monthly *gross* income. This is derived from r\_yrinc.  
-10 Negative income
- r\_incqnt** Respondents' annual *gross* income grouped into quintiles.  
1 Lowest quintile  
2 Second quintile  
3 Middle quintile  
4 Fourth quintile  
5 Highest quintile
- r\_incabs** Respondents' annual *gross* income grouped using the ABS 1996 census categories.  
-10 Negative Income  
0 Nil income  
1 \$1 - \$6239  
2 \$6,240 - \$8,319  
3 \$8,320 - \$10,399  
4 \$10,400 - \$15,599  
5 \$15,600 - \$20,799  
6 \$20,800 - \$25,999  
7 \$26,000 - \$31,199  
8 \$31,200 - \$36,399  
9 \$36,400 - \$41,599  
10 \$41,600 - \$51,999  
11 \$52,000 - \$77,999  
12 \$78,000 or more
- p\_yrinc** Partners' annual *gross* income. Where income was provided as grouped income, we took the median of the discrete income groups - using Q377 continuous income data. Nil income and negative income are treated as valid.  
(Original variables: Q377, Q378, Q379)  
-10 Negative income
- p\_mthinc** Partners' monthly *gross* income. This is derived from p\_yrinc.  
-10 Negative income
- p\_incqnt** Partners' annual *gross* income grouped into quintiles.  
1 Lowest quintile  
2 Second quintile  
3 Middle quintile  
4 Fourth quintile  
5 Highest quintile

|                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>p_incabs</b> | Partners' annual <i>gross</i> income grouped using the ABS 1996 census categories.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                 | -10 Negative Income                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                 | 0 Nil income                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                 | 1 \$1 - \$6239                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                 | 2 \$6,240 - \$8,319                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                 | 3 \$8,320 - \$10,399                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                 | 4 \$10,400 - \$15,599                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 5 \$15,600 - \$20,799                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 6 \$20,800 - \$25,999                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 7 \$26,000 - \$31,199                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 8 \$31,200 - \$36,399                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 9 \$36,400 - \$41,599                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 10 \$41,600 - \$51,999                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                 | 11 \$52,000 - \$77,999                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                 | 12 \$78,000 or more                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>dual_inc</b> | Combination of r_yrinc and p_yrinc. Where there is no partner, the respondents' income only is used. If both partners, or respondent if there is no partner, has nil income, the data are treated as missing (there are only 10 cases that fall in this category). But if only one of two partners has a nil income this is treated as valid. Whereas all cases where either the respondent or the partner has negative income have been treated as missing data. |
| <b>dual_qnt</b> | Combined annual gross income (dual_inc) grouped into quintiles.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|                 | 1 Lowest quintile                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                 | 2 Second quintile                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                 | 3 Middle quintile                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                 | 4 Fourth quintile                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                 | 5 Highest quintile                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>dual_abs</b> | Combined annual gross income (dual_inc) grouped using the ABS 1996 census categories.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 1 Less than \$10,400                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                 | 2 \$10,400 - \$15,599                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 3 \$15,600 - \$20,799                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 4 \$20,800 - \$25,999                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 5 \$26,000 - \$31,199                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 6 \$31,200 - \$36,399                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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|                 | 8 \$41,600 - \$51,999                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 9 \$52,000 - \$77,999                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                 | 10 \$78,000 or more                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

## WORKFORCE

|                |                                                                    |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>wkhrs_r</b> | Number of hours respondent works per week. This includes all jobs. |
| <b>wkhrs_p</b> | Number of hours partner works per week. This includes all jobs.    |
| <b>wkhgp_r</b> | Grouped total number of hours respondent works per week.           |
|                | 1 Less than 15 hours                                               |
|                | 2 15 to 29 hours                                                   |
|                | 3 30 to 39 hours                                                   |
|                | 4 40 hours                                                         |

5 41 or more hours

- wkhgp\_p** Grouped total number of hours partner works per week.
- 1 Less than 15 hours
  - 2 15 to 29 hours
  - 3 30 to 39 hours
  - 4 40 hours
  - 5 41 or more hours
- couplwk** Labour force participation of *couples only*
- 1 Both working full time
  - 2 Male working full time / female working part time
  - 3 Female working full time / male working part time
  - 4 Male working full time / female not in paid work
  - 5 Female working full time / male not in paid work
  - 6 Both working part time
  - 7 Male working part time / female not in paid work
  - 8 Female working part time / male not in paid work
  - 9 Both not in paid work
- fam\_wk** Labour force participation of single and couple households
- 1 Couple: both in paid work
  - 2 Couple: one partner in paid work
  - 3 Couple: both not in paid work
  - 4 Single: in paid work
  - 5 Single: not in paid work
- r\_occ1** The broadest level of classification of the *current* occupation for respondents where they are in paid work. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO).
- 1 Administrators and managers
  - 2 Professionals
  - 3 Para-professionals
  - 4 Tradespersons
  - 5 Clerks
  - 6 Personal service workers
  - 7 Machine or plant operators or drivers
  - 8 Labourers
- r\_occ6** The most detailed level of classification of the *current* occupation for respondents where they are in paid work. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO).  
Examples of such values are:
- 1101-11 Member of Parliament
  - 1103-11 Coroner
  - 1103-13 Judge
- r\_occ3gp** Grouping of respondents' *current* occupation into three groups.
- 1 White collar
  - 2 Low white collar
  - 3 Blue collar



- r\_xocc1** The broadest level of classification of the *previous* occupation for respondents where they are not in paid work. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO).
- 1 Administrators and managers
  - 2 Professionals
  - 3 Para-professionals
  - 4 Tradespersons
  - 5 Clerks
  - 6 Personal service workers
  - 7 Machine or plant operators or drivers
  - 8 Labourers
- r\_xocc6** The most detailed level of classification of the *previous* occupation for respondents where they are not in paid work. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO).  
Examples of such values are:
- 1101-11 Member of Parliament
  - 1103-11 Coroner
  - 1103-13 Judge
- r\_xocc3gp** Grouping of respondents' *previous* occupation into three groups.
- 1 White collar
  - 2 Low white collar
  - 3 Blue collar
- p\_occ1** The broadest level of classification of the *current* occupation for partners where they are in paid work. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO).
- 1 Administrators and managers
  - 2 Professionals
  - 3 Para-professionals
  - 4 Tradespersons
  - 5 Clerks
  - 6 Personal service workers
  - 7 Machine or plant operators or drivers
  - 8 Labourers
- p\_occ6** The most detailed level of classification of the *current* occupation for partners where they are in paid work. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO).  
Examples of such values are:
- 1101-11 Member of Parliament
  - 1103-11 Coroner
  - 1103-13 Judge
- p\_occ3gp** Grouping of partners' *current* occupation into three groups.
- 1 White collar
  - 2 Low white collar
  - 3 Blue collar

- p\_xocc1** The broadest level of classification of the *previous* occupation for partners where they are not in paid work. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO).
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  - 2 Professionals
  - 3 Para-professionals
  - 4 Tradespersons
  - 5 Clerks
  - 6 Personal service workers
  - 7 Machine or plant operators or drivers
  - 8 Labourers
- p\_xocc6** The most detailed level of classification of the *previous* occupation for partners where they are not in paid work. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO). Examples of such values are:
- 1101-11 Member of Parliament
  - 1103-11 Coroner
  - 1103-13 Judge
- p\_xocc3gp** Grouping of partners' *previous* occupation into three groups.
- 1 White collar
  - 2 Low white collar
  - 3 Blue collar
- dad\_occ1** The broadest level of classification of the *current or most recent* occupation for respondent's father. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO).
- 1 Administrators and managers
  - 2 Professionals
  - 3 Para-professionals
  - 4 Tradespersons
  - 5 Clerks
  - 6 Personal service workers
  - 7 Machine or plant operators or drivers
  - 8 Labourers
- dad\_occ6** The most detailed level of classification of the *current or most recent* occupation for respondent's father. Classifications are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue no. 1229.0, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO). Examples of such values are:
- 1101-11 Member of Parliament
  - 1103-11 Coroner
  - 1103-13 Judge
- d\_occ3gp** Grouping of respondent's father's *current or most recent* occupation into three groups.
- 1 White collar
  - 2 Low white collar
  - 3 Blue collar

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|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>fam_occ3</b> | Combining respondents' and partners' <i>current</i> occupation into 6 groups. |
|                 | 1 Both white collar                                                           |
|                 | 2 Both low white collar                                                       |
|                 | 3 Both blue collar                                                            |
|                 | 4 1 white collar, the other low white collar                                  |
|                 | 5 1 white collar, the other blue collar                                       |
|                 | 6 1 low white collar, the other blue collar                                   |

## GENERAL DEMOGRAPHIC

|               |                                                                                          |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>educ_r</b> | Highest qualification obtained by respondent, includes any course currently undertaking. |
|               | 1 Less than Year 10                                                                      |
|               | 2 Year 10                                                                                |
|               | 3 Year 11 or 12                                                                          |
|               | 4 Trade or apprenticeship                                                                |
|               | 5 Other certificate or diploma                                                           |
|               | 6 Tertiary qualifications                                                                |
|               | 7 Other type of qualifications                                                           |

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|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>educ_p</b> | Highest qualification obtained by partner, includes any course currently undertaking. |
|               | 1 Less than Year 10                                                                   |
|               | 2 Year 10                                                                             |
|               | 3 Year 11 or 12                                                                       |
|               | 4 Trade or apprenticeship                                                             |
|               | 5 Other certificate or diploma                                                        |
|               | 6 Tertiary qualifications                                                             |
|               | 7 Other type of qualifications                                                        |

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|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>nesb</b> | Respondent from a non-English-speaking background. This variable is based on country of birth. The classification adopted was that of the Australian Bureau of Statistics standard of main English speaking countries. |
|             | 1 Non-English-speaking background                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|             | 2 English-speaking background                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>lang</b> | Variable indicating whether the main language spoken at home is English. |
|             | 1 English                                                                |
|             | 2 Other language                                                         |

**GEOGRAPHIC**

|                 |                                                                                |                               |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>postcode</b> | Locality where respondent lives.                                               | Combination of Q464 and Q469. |
| <b>state</b>    | State where the respondent lives. This was derived using residential postcode. |                               |
|                 | 1                                                                              | Northern Territory            |
|                 | 2                                                                              | New South Wales               |
|                 | 3                                                                              | Australian Capital Territory  |
|                 | 4                                                                              | Victoria                      |
|                 | 5                                                                              | Queensland                    |
|                 | 6                                                                              | South Australia               |
|                 | 7                                                                              | Western Australia             |
|                 | 8                                                                              | Tasmania                      |

**SCALES**

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| <b>gen_sat</b> | This scale is derived from 8 items measuring respondents general life satisfaction. The variables used to compile this are Q451a through to Q451h. All items must have a valid response to be included in the scale. It ranges from 1 'very satisfied' to 5 'very dissatisfied'. [Cronbach's alpha = .8473; n = 2672].                                                       |  |
| <b>wrk_sat</b> | This scale is derived from 3 items measuring satisfaction with work. The variables used to compile this scale are Q305a, Q305b, and Q305c. All items must have a valid response to be included in the scale. It ranges from 1 'very satisfied' to 5 'very dissatisfied'. [Cronbach's alpha = .9916; n = 2672].                                                               |  |
| <b>hse_sat</b> | This is derived from 3 items measuring respondents satisfaction with their housing. The variables used to compile this scale are Q444a, Q444b, and Q444c. All items must have a valid response to be included in the scale. It ranges from 1 'very satisfied' to 5 'very dissatisfied'. [Cronbach's alpha = .7886; n = 2672].                                                |  |
| <b>neigh</b>   | This scale is derived from 3 items measuring attachment to the neighbourhood. The variables used to compile this scale are Q446c, Q446d, and Q446e. All items must have a valid response to be included in the scale. It ranges from 1 'strongly agree' to 5 'strongly disagree'. [Cronbach's alpha = .6879; n = 2639].                                                      |  |
| <b>service</b> | This scale is derived from 2 items measuring availability of amenities in the neighbourhood. The variables used to compile this scale are Q446a and Q446b. All items must have a valid response to be included in the scale. It ranges from 1 'strongly agree' to 5 'strongly disagree'. [Cronbach's alpha = .7918; n = 2639].                                               |  |
| <b>commit</b>  | This scale is derived from 2 items measuring commitment to current relationship - only couples who are either married or living together. The variables used to compile this scale are Q95a and Q95b. All items must have a valid response to be included in the scale. It ranges from 1 'very committed' to 4 'not at all committed'. [Cronbach's alpha = .8672; n = 1936]. |  |

- mar\_sat** This is derived from 5 items measuring relationship of couples - only those currently married or cohabiting - in terms of things they do together. The variables used to compile this scale are Q97a through to Q97d and Q98. The variables Q97c and Q97d were reversed so as they matched the direction of the other variables used in the factor analysis. All items must have a valid response to be included in the scale. It ranges from 1 'often' to 4 'never'. [Cronbach's alpha = .7474; n = 1936].
- goodpar** This scale is derived from 3 items measuring relationship, as parents, with children under 18 years old. The variables that compile this scale are Q122a, Q122b, and Q122d. All items must have a valid response to be included in this scale. It ranges from 1 'very satisfied' to 5 'very dissatisfied'. [Cronbach's alpha = .6801; n = 1108].
- steppar** This scale is derived from 5 items measuring parenting, as a step-parent, of children under 18 years old. The variables that compiled this scale are Q139a through to Q139e. The variables Q139c and Q139e were reversed to match the direction of the other variables used in the factor analysis. All items must have a valid response to be included in the scale. It ranges from 1 'strongly agree' to 5 'strongly disagree'. [Cronbach's alpha = .7963; n = 70].
- sat\_nrp** This scale is derived from 2 items measuring satisfaction with non-resident parent involvement with their children under 18 years old. The variables used to compile this scale are Q133a and Q133b. All items must have a valid response to be included in the scale. It ranges from 1 'very satisfied' to 5 'very dissatisfied'. [Cronbach's alpha = .7017; n = 150].

# Confidentialised data

To ensure the confidentiality of participants to the Australian Families Life Course Survey, no name, address or contact information about participants is included in either the original or created data files provided to SSDA.

To further safeguard the confidentiality of participants, please note that some variables which appear in the questionnaire and code book for the Australian Families Life Course Survey have been withheld by the Institute, to ensure that the deposited data are confidentialised. These variables mostly concern data information collected at a month level (for example month of birth of first child), or to geographic information (for example postcode, all address information) or to other identifying information (for example text describing a person's occupation).

Individuals wishing to use any of the variables which have been withheld should make direct contact with the Institute.

## Variables withheld by the Institute are:

1. **Q9B** Birth month of child 2  
**Q9C** Birth month of child 3  
**Q9D** Birth month of child 4  
**Q9E** Birth month of child 5  
**Q9F** Birth month of child 6  
**Q9G** Birth month of child 7  
**Q9H** Birth month of child 8  
**Q9I** Birth month of child 9  
**Q9J** Birth month of child 10  
**Q9K** Birth month of child 11  
**Q9L** Birth month of child 12  
**Q9M** Birth month of child 13  
**Q9N** Birth month of child 14  
  
**Q29** Month you were born in  
**Q30** Year you were born in  
**Q31** Month your partner was born in

Please note data about birth years are still available. Refer also to created variables for children and adult ages in the created variables file.

2. **Q47A** Month of first marriage  
**Q47B** Month of second marriage  
**Q47C** Month of third marriage  
**Q47D** Month of fourth marriage  
  
**Q53A** Month final separation of first marriage  
**Q53B** Month final separation of second marriage  
**Q53C** Month final separation of third marriage

- Q53D** Month final separation of fourth marriage
- Q66A** Month started current de facto
- Q66B** Month started first de facto
- Q66C** Month started other significant de facto
- Q69B** Month first de facto finally ended
- Q69C** Month other significant de facto finally ended
- Q71** Month first started going out with present partner

Refer instead to created variables for extensive range of variables about the length of de facto and legal marriages using both month and year variables.

- 3. **Q213** Your father's occupation [A]  
## FATHER'S LAST OCCUPATION IF RETIRED OR DECEASED  
## FULL TITLE: ACCOUNTING CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
## IF IN DEFENCE FORCES WANT THEIR OCCUPATION NOT RANK
- Q287** Your occupation [A]  
## FULL TITLE - EG ACCOUNTANT CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
## IF MEMBER OF DEFENCE FORCES - OCCUPATION NOT RANK
- Q288** Main tasks or duties you perform in your occupation [A]
- Q293** Your partner's last occupation [A]  
## FULL TITLE - EG ACCOUNTANT CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
## IF MEMBER OF DEFENCE FORCES - OCCUPATION NOT RANK
- Q295** Your partner's occupation [A]  
## FULL TITLE - EG ACCOUNTANT CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
## IF MEMBER OF DEFENCE FORCES - OCCUPATION NOT RANK
- Q296** Main tasks or duties your partner performs in his/her occupation [A]
- Q314** Your last occupation [A]  
## FULL TITLE - EG ACCOUNTANT CLERK; CLOTHING MACHINE OPERATOR  
## IF MEMBER OF DEFENCE FORCES - OCCUPATION NOT RANK

For occupation variables refer to the extensive range of variables in the created variables data set. Occupation variables have been coded using ABS 1996 ASCO codes, and are included in the created variables data.

- 4. **Q461A** Further comments from respondent - 1 [A]
- Q461B** Further comments from respondent - 2 [A]
- Q461C** Further comments from respondent - 3 [A]
- Q461D** Further comments from respondent - 4 [A]
- 5. **postcode** Postcode where respondent usually lives.

For geographic variables refer to the RARA based variables 'area\_all' and 'area\_3' in the created variables data.