

Northern Ireland Life & Times Survey 2002

Self completion Questionnaire

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Joint Project between
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To begin, we have some questions about women.

1 Do you agree or disagree . . . ? *(Please circle one number on each line)*

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
<i>WWRELCHD</i> A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who does not work	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>WWCHDSUF</i> A pre-school child is likely to suffer if his or her mother works	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>WWFAMSUF</i> All in all, family life suffers when the woman has a full-time job	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>WANTHOME</i> A job is all right, but what most women really want is a home and children	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>HWIFEFFL</i> Being a housewife is just as fulfilling as working for pay	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>FEMJOB</i> Having a job is the best way for a woman to be an independent person	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>

2 And, do you agree or disagree...? *(Please circle one number on each line)*

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
<i>BOTHEARN</i> Both the man and the woman should contribute to the household income	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>SEXROLE</i> A man's job is to earn money; a woman's job is to look after the home and family	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>MENHWORK</i> Men ought to do a larger share of household work than they do now	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>MENCCARE</i> Men ought to do a larger share of childcare than they do now	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>

- 3 Do you think that women should work outside the home full-time, part-time or not at all under these circumstances?

(Please circle one number on each line)

	Work Full-time	Work Part-time	Stay at Home	Can't Choose
<i>WWCHD1</i> After marrying and before there are children	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>WWCHD2</i> When there is a child under school age	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>WWCHD3</i> After the youngest child starts school	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>WWCHD4</i> After the children leave home	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>

- 4 Do you agree or disagree . . . ?

(Please circle one number on each line)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
<i>MARVIEW1</i> Married people are generally happier than unmarried people	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>MARVIEW5</i> It is better to have a bad marriage than no marriage at all	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>MARVIEW6</i> People who want children ought to get married	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>MARVIEW10</i> One parent can bring up a child as well as two parents together	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>MARVIEW11</i> It is all right for a couple to live together without intending to get married	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>MARVIEW12</i> It's a good idea for a couple who intend to get married to live together first	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>MARVIEW13</i> Divorce is usually the best solution when a couple can't seem to work out their marriage problems	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>

- 5 Do you agree or disagree . . . ?
(Please circle one number on each line)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
CHDVIEW2 Watching children grow up is life's greatest joy	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
CHDVIEW6 People who have never had children lead empty lives	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>

- 6 Do you agree or disagree . . . ?
(Please circle one number on each line)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
MATLEAVE Working women should receive paid maternity leave when they have a baby	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
CHLDCRBN Families should receive financial benefits for child care when both parents work	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>

- 7 MARCOHAB
Are you ...
(Please circle one number only)

... married or living as married Answer Q8
or not? Go to Q16

PLEASE ANSWER Q8 TO Q15 IF YOU ARE MARRIED OR LIVING AS MARRIED

- 8 CPLINCOM
How do you and your spouse/partner organise the income that one or
both of you receive? Please choose the option that comes closest.
(Please circle one number only)

I manage all the money and give my spouse/partner his/her share	<input type="text" value="1"/>
My spouse/partner manages all the money and gives me my share	<input type="text" value="2"/>
We pool all the money and each take out what we need	<input type="text" value="3"/>
We pool some of the money and keep the rest separate	<input type="text" value="4"/>
We each keep our own money separate	<input type="text" value="5"/>
Not married or living as married	<input type="text" value="6"/> Go to Q16

9 In your household who does the following things...?

(Please circle one number on each line)

	Always me	Usually me	About equal or both together	Usually my spouse/ partner	Always my spouse/ partner	Is done by a third person	Can't choose
<i>HHJOB1</i> Does the laundry	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>HHJOB2</i> Makes small repairs around the house	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>HHJOB3</i> Looks after sick family members	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>HHJOB4</i> Shops for groceries	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>HHJOB6</i> Does the household cleaning	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>HHJOB7</i> Prepares the meals	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>

RHLDWORK

10a On average, how many hours a week do you personally spend on household work, not including childcare and leisure time activities?

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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 Hours

SHLDWORK

10b And what about your spouse/partner? On average, how many hours a week does he/she spend on household work, not including childcare and leisure time activities?

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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 Hours

SHAREWRK

11 Which of the following best applies to the sharing of household work between you and your spouse/partner?

(Please circle one number only)

I do much more than my fair share of the household work	<input type="text" value="1"/>
I do a bit more than my fair share of the household work	<input type="text" value="2"/>
I do roughly my fair share of the household work	<input type="text" value="3"/>
I do a bit less than my fair share of the household work	<input type="text" value="4"/>
I do much less than my fair share of the household work	<input type="text" value="5"/>

DSGRWORK

12 How often do you and your spouse/partner disagree about the sharing of household work?

(Please circle one number only)

Several times a week	<input type="text" value="1"/>
Several times a month	<input type="text" value="2"/>
Several times a year	<input type="text" value="3"/>
Less often/rarely	<input type="text" value="4"/>
Never	<input type="text" value="5"/>
Can't choose	<input type="text" value="8"/>

BRINGCHD

- 13 Who usually makes/made the decisions about how to bring up your children?
(Please circle one number only)

Mostly me	1
Mostly my spouse/partner	2
Sometimes me/sometimes my spouse/partner	3
We decide/decided together	4
Someone else	5
Does not apply	6

- 14 When you and your spouse/partner make decisions about the following, who has the final say?
(Please circle one number on each line)

	Mostly me	Mostly my spouse/partner	Sometimes me/sometimes my spouse/partner	We decide together	Someone else
SAYWKEND					
Choosing weekend activities	1	2	3	4	5
SAYBUY					
Buying major things for the home	1	2	3	4	5

HIINCOME

- 15 Considering all sources of income between you and your partner, who has the higher income?
(Please circle one number only)

My spouse/partner has no income	1
I have a much higher income	2
I have a higher income	3
We have about the same income	4
My spouse/partner has a higher income	5
My spouse/partner has a much higher income	6
I have no income	7
Don't know	8

EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

- 16 Do you agree or disagree?
(Please circle one number on each line)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	Doesn't apply
RUNOUTTM							
There are so many things to do at home, I often run out of time before I get them all done	1	2	3	4	5	8	
HOMSTRSS							
My life at home is rarely stressful	1	2	3	4	5	8	
EXTRAHRS							
There are so many things to do at work, I often run out of time before I get them all done	1	2	3	4	5	8	0
JOBSTRSS							
My job is rarely stressful	1	2	3	4	5	6	0

17 How often has each of the following happened to you during the past three months?

(Please circle one number on each line)

	Several times a week	Several times a month	Once or twice	Never	Doesn't apply/ no job
<i>TRDCHORE</i> I have come home from work too tired to do the chores which need to be done	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>
<i>DIFFRESP</i> It has been difficult for me to fulfil my family responsibilities because of the amount of time I spent on my job	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>
<i>TRDHWOR</i> I have arrived at work too tired to function well because of the household work I had done	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>
<i>CONCFAM</i> I have found it difficult to concentrate at work because of my family responsibilities.	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>

RUHAPPY2

18 If you were to consider your life in general, how happy or unhappy would you say
you are, on the whole?

(Please circle one number only)

Completely happy	<input type="text" value="1"/>
Very happy	<input type="text" value="2"/>
Fairly happy	<input type="text" value="3"/>
Neither happy nor unhappy	<input type="text" value="4"/>
Fairly unhappy	<input type="text" value="5"/>
Very unhappy	<input type="text" value="6"/>
Completely unhappy	<input type="text" value="7"/>
Can't choose	<input type="text" value="8"/>

SATISJOB

19 All things considered, how satisfied are you with your (main) job?

(Please circle one number only)

Completely satisfied	<input type="text" value="01"/>
Very satisfied	<input type="text" value="02"/>
Fairly satisfied	<input type="text" value="03"/>
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	<input type="text" value="04"/>
Fairly dissatisfied	<input type="text" value="05"/>
Very dissatisfied	<input type="text" value="06"/>
Completely dissatisfied	<input type="text" value="07"/>
Can't choose	<input type="text" value="98"/>
Doesn't apply/no job	<input type="text" value="08"/>

SATISFAM

- 20 All things considered, how satisfied are you with your family life?
(Please circle one number only)

Completely satisfied	1
Very satisfied	2
Fairly satisfied	3
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	4
Fairly dissatisfied	5
Very dissatisfied	6
Completely dissatisfied	7
Can't choose	8

MTHRWWRK

- 21 Did your mother ever work for pay for as long as **one year after** you were born and **before** you were 14?
(Please circle one number only)

Yes, she worked	1
No	2
Don't know	8

EVERCHLD

- 22 Have you ever had children?
(Please circle one number only)

Yes	1	Answer Q23
No	2	Go to Q25

PLEASE ANSWER Q23 AND Q24 IF YOU EVER HAD CHILDREN

- 23 Did you work outside the home full-time, part-time, or not at all . . .
(Please circle one number on each line)

	Worked full-time	Worked part-time	Stayed home	Does not apply
<i>RMARWRK1</i> After marrying/living as married and before you had children?	1	2	3	0
<i>RMARWRK2</i> And what about when a child was under school age?	1	2	3	0
<i>RMARWRK3</i> After the youngest child started school?	1	2	3	0
<i>RMARWRK4</i> And how about after the children left home?	1	2	3	0

- 24 What about your spouse/partner at that time - did he or she work outside the home full-time, part-time, or not at all . . .
(Please circle one number on each line)

	Worked full-time	Worked part-time	Stayed home	Does not apply
<i>SMARWRK1</i> After marrying/living as married and before you had children?	1	2	3	0
<i>SMARWRK2</i> And what about when a child was under school age?	1	2	3	0
<i>SMARWRK3</i> After the youngest child started school?	1	2	3	0
<i>SMARWRK4</i> And how about after the children left home?	1	2	3	0

EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER*WWRKNCHD*

- 25 Do you think that women should work outside the home full-time, part-time or not at all, when a couple has not yet had a child?

(Please circle one number only)

Work full-time	1
Work part-time	2
Stay at home	3
Can't choose	8

- 26 Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

(Please circle one number on each line)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
<i>WOMMPS</i> Women MPs better represent women's interests than do male MPs	1	2	3	4	5	8
<i>MENPOL</i> Most men are better suited for politics than are most women	1	2	3	4	5	8
<i>WPOLPROB</i> Women need to get more involved in politics to solve problems that concern them	1	2	3	4	5	8
<i>MEDIAWOM</i> When the media covers election campaigns they pay much less attention to women candidates than to men	1	2	3	4	5	8
<i>WOMMOVNI</i> The women's movement has been important in improving women's situation in Northern Ireland	1	2	3	4	5	8

27 How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following?

(Please circle one number on each line)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
<i>WEALTH1</i> Ordinary working people get their fair share of the nation's wealth	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>RICHLAW</i> There is one law for the rich and one for the poor	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>TRADVALS</i> There is no need for strong trade unions to protect employee's working conditions and wages	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>PRENTBST</i> Private enterprise is the best way to solve Northern Ireland's economic problems	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>PUBOWNST</i> Major public services and industries ought to be in state ownership	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>GOVJOB</i> It is the government's responsibility to provide a job for everyone who wants one	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>

28 How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following?

(Please circle one number on each line)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
<i>GOVNOSAY</i> People like me have no say in what the government does	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>GOVCOMP</i> Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>PTYNTMT</i> It doesn't really matter which party is in power, in the end things go on much the same	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>
<i>VOTEONLY</i> Voting is the only way people like me can have any say about how the government runs things	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>

RGENDER

- 29 And finally, can you record your gender?
(Please circle one number only)

Male	<input type="checkbox"/>
Female	<input type="checkbox"/>

AGEBDAY

- 30 And can you record your age last birthday?

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Age
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Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you very much for taking part in this year's *Northern Ireland Life and Times Survey*. The answers that you gave will help us to build up a picture of what people in Northern Ireland think about a wide range of social issues. When the results are put together they will be used by other people in the universities and within government to help develop social policy in Northern Ireland. Some of the questions that you answered are also being asked in over 30 other countries as part of an international survey and results of these will be used to compare people's opinions across the world. Without your help and the help of all the other people we interviewed this year we would not be able to provide this valuable insight into the opinions of the general public in Northern Ireland today.

Thank you again,

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