Australia ISSP 2009 – Social Inequality IV Questionnaire



Instructions

How to fill out this questionnaire

Please use a black or blue ballpoint pen	
Please answer the questions by:	
Marking the box that corresponds to your answer with a cross like this:	
Or writing a number in the space provided like this:	
18 number	
Not all questions will apply to you. Sometimes you will find an instruction telling you which questions to answer next like this:	
Yes	
Yes No Skip to 0	21
When there is a table with a list of items, again please mark a cross in the box that corresponds to your answer for each row in the table.	
Likely to do Unsure Unlikely Already doing/done	
Work part time	
Move to the coast	
If you make a mistake, cross out the incorrect box and place the cross in the correct box like this:	
Yes 🙀	
No 🔀	



Section A - Government services **A1.** If the government could balance the budget by either increasing personal income taxes or cutting social spending on services like health and education which do you think it should do? Please cross one option Strongly favour increasing taxes Mildly favour increasing taxes **Depends** Mildly favour cutting social spending Strongly favour cutting social spending Can't choose In general who do you think is best suited to deliver the following **A2.** services? Community organisations (including **Families** churches and Can't and Governments charities) Businesses relatives choose Education Health services Services for job-seekers Childcare Counselling or welfare support Care for the disabled Care for elderly persons **A3.** Which of the following best describes what you think? If the economy is moving into recession... It is better for government to spend money to support jobs and incomes even if this means a budget deficit for some time afterwards. It is better for government to limit spending to avoid a budget deficit even if this means more job losses and lower incomes for some time afterwards.



A4. Here are some statements about education today.	conomic j	policy in	n Austra	ılia				
Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.								
δ -	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose		
Award wages are the best way of paying workers an setting condition								
Privatisation of government services has more benefits than cost								
Government should redistribute income from the better-off to those who are less well-of								
Ordinary working people do not get their fair share of the nation's wealt								
Unions should have less say in how wages an conditions are se						[
A5. We would like to ask you some que welfare benefits in Australia today		out go	vernmen	ıt				
Please tell us how much you agree following statements.	•	ree with	ı each of	the				
10110 wing statements.	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose		
Cutting welfare benefits would damage too man people's lives	-		(IISagree					
People who receive welfare benefits should be under more obligation to find work								
It is too hard to qualify for welfare benefits i Australia today								
All families deserve payments from the government to help with the costs of raising children								
Around here most unemployed people could find job if they really wanted to								
Welfare benefits make people lazy and dependen	ı t.							
Most people getting welfare benefits are trying t find a job								
The government should limit the length of time the people can get welfare benefits even if they end u without an income	ір 🗀							
Single parents deserve government payments so the can be home to raise their children								



A6. Over the last <i>couple of years</i> , do you think the following have increased or decreased or stayed the same?
Increased of decreased of stayed the same: Increased Increased Stayed Decreased Decreased Can't
a lot a little the same a little a lot choose Unemployment
Prices
Taxes
The standard of health services including Medicare
The standard of public education
A7. Thinking of income levels generally in Australia today, would you say that the gap between those with high incomes and those with low incomes is?
Much too large
Too large
About right
Too small
Much too small
Can't choose
Section B - Social Inequality Now we have some questions about opportunities for getting ahead
B1. Please select one box for each of these to show how important you
think it is for getting ahead in life Please cross one box on each line
Essential Very Fairly Not very Not Can't
Important Important important choose at all
How important is coming from a wealthy family?
How important is having well- educated parents?
How important is having a good education yourself?
How important is having ambition?
How important is hard work?
How important is knowing the right people?
How important is having political connections?
How important is giving bribes?
How important is a person's race?
How important is a person's religion?
How important is being born a man or a woman?



	To what extent do you agree or dis statements?			00 11			
				Pleas	e cross one	e box on ea	ach line
		Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Can't choose
T	o get all the way up to the top in Australia today you have to be corrup						
	Australia only students from the best secondar chools have a good chance to obtain a universit education	xy					
	In Australia, only the rich can afford the costs o attending university						
	Australia people have the same chances to ente iniversity, regardless of their gender, ethnicity of social background	or					
В3.	Would you say that you earn If you are not working r	now nlease	a tall us ak	out vour la	stioh Ple	asa cross o	ine hov
	n you are not working t	iow, picase	, ion us al	-	-	han I deserv	
						han I deserv	<u> </u>
						hat I deserv	
						han I deserv	
				Μι		han I deserv	<u> </u>
						Jever worke	<u> </u>
						Can't choo	<u> </u>
B4.	We would like to know what you to actually earn. Please write in how earn each YEAR, BEFORE taxes sure about this, but your best guest difficult, but it is very important. Please write About how much do you think a doctor	much you i. Many p is is close So please in how mu	ou think people a e enougl e try. ach they A	they usure not example. This m	ially actly iay be	year before	e taxes.
	How much do you think a chairman of a large	national co	orporation	earns?	'3	. '9	
		hink a shor	p assistant	earns?			
	How much do you t			\$			
	How much do you think an unskilled		ı a factory	\$,	,	



B5.	Next, what do you think people in these jobs ought to be paid. How much do you think they should earn each YEAR, BEFORE
	taxes, regardless of what they actually get
l	Please write in how much they SHOULD earn each year before taxes.
A	About how much do you think a doctor in a general practice should earn?
H	low much do you think a chairman of a large national corporation should earn?
	How much do you think a shop assistant should earn?
	How much do you think an unskilled worker in a factor should earn?
How	much do you think a cabinet minister in the Federal government should earn? \$
B6.	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
	Please cross one box on each line
	Strongly Agree Neither Disagree Strongly Can't Agree agree nor Disagree choose disagree
D	ifferences in income in Australia are too large.
	the responsibility of government to reduce the income between people with high incomes and those with low incomes
The go	overnment should provide a decent standard of living for the unemployed
The go	vernment should spend less on benefits for the poor.
В7.	Do you think people with high incomes should pay a larger share of their income in taxes than those with low incomes, the same share, or a smaller share?
	Please cross one box
	Much Larger The same Smaller Much Can't larger share share smaller choose share
B8.	Generally, how would you describe taxes in Australia today for those with high incomes? Taxes are
	Please cross one box
	Much Too high About right Too low Much Can't
	too high too low choose



В9.	Is it fair or unfair that people with higher in health care than people with lower incomes?		can buy	better
				Please cross one box
	Very fair So	Somewhat fair	nor unfair, mixed	Somewhat Very unfair Can't unfair choose
			feelings 	
B10.	Is it fair or unfair that people with higher in education than people with lower incomes?		s can buy	/ better
				Please cross one box
	Very fair So	Somewhat fair	Neither fair nor unfair, mixed feelings	Somewhat Very unfair Can't unfair choose
B11.	In all countries, there are differences or ever different social groups. In your opinion, in A conflict is there between		llia how n	
		ery strong	Strong	Not very There are Can't
	C	conflicts	conflicts	strong no conflicts choose conflicts
	Poor people and rich people?			
	The working class and the middle class?			
	Management and workers?	, <u> </u>		
	People at the top of society and people at the bottom?	, <u> </u>		
	Older people and younger people?	, <u> </u>		



B12.	In our society there are groups which tend to be towards the top and groups which tend to be towards the bottom. Below is a scale that runs from top to bottom. Where would you put yourself now on this scale?	
	Please cross one box	
	Top 10	
	9 📩	
	8 📜	
	7	
	6	
	5 📮	
	4 📜	
	3	
	2	
	Bottom 1	
B13.	And if you think about the family that you grew up in, where did	
	they fit in then? Please cross one box	
	Top 10	
	9	
	8	
	7	
	6	
	5	
	4	
	3	
	2	
	Bottom 1	



B14. Please think about your present job have one now). If you compare this when you were 14 would you say the job is (or was)	job to	the job	your fath	ner had				
joo is (or was)				Ple	ase cross o	ne box		
			Much h	igher than	your father	's 🔲		
					High	er 📥		
About equal								
					Low	er 📗		
			Much l	ower than	your father	's		
				I ne	ver had a jo	ов 🗍		
I don't know what my father did/fath	ner never	had a job/	never knew	v father/fat	her decease	ed		
B15. In deciding how much people ough should each of these things be, in year					e box on ea	ch line		
	Essential	Very important	Fairly important	Not very important	Not important	Can't choose		
How much responsibility goes with the job – how important do you think that ought to be in deciding pay?	g				at all			
The number of years spent in education and training?								
What is needed to support a family?								
Whether the person has children to support- how important should that be in deciding pay?								
How well he or she does the job- how important should that be in deciding pay?								
How hard he or she works at the job?	?							



B16.	like to earn- bu	it what you feel is	king about how m s fair given your s ase tell us about y	skills and effort						
				_	Please cross one box					
				Much	n less than is fair					
	A little less than is fair									
	About fair for me									
	A little more than is fair									
				Much	more than is fair					
					Never had a job					
					Can't choose					
B17.	the description		rent types of socie diagrams and de	<u> </u>						
	tnink dest desci	rides Australia								
	Type A	Type B	Type C	Type D	Туре Е					
	A small elite at the top, very few people in the middle and the great mass of people at the bottom.	A society like a pyramid with a small elite at the top, more people in the middle, and most at the bottom.	A pyramid except that just a few people are at the bottom.	A society with most people in the middle.	Many people near the top, and only a few near the bottom.					
	First, what type	e of society is Au	stralia today- whi	ich diagram						
	comes closest?									
				ı	Please cross one box					
					Type A					
					Type B					
					Type C					
					Type D					
					Type E					
					Can't choose					



B18.	What do you think Australia today ought to be like- which woul you prefer?	ld	
		Please cross one box	
		Type A	
		Туре В	
		Type C	
		Type D	
		Type E	
		Can't choose	
Se	ction C - Older people in society		
C1.	Do you think older workers (those aged 50 years and older) are treated by employers better, worse or about the same as younge workers?	r	
		Better	
		About the same	
		Worse	
C2.	Do you think older workers (those 50 years and older) on average contribute more or less to the workplace than younger workers?		
		More	
		Less	
		The same	
C3.	Do you think older people (aged 65 years and older) are treated better, worse or about the same as younger people by doctors, nurses or other health care professionals?		
		Better	
		About the same	
		Worse	



C4.	Do you think older adults (aged 65 years and older) are treated better, worse or about the same as younger people, by people they don't know such as people in shops, on buses or in other public areas?
	Better
	About the same
	Worse
C5.	Do you feel that people over 65 years get too much, too little, or about the right amount of respect from younger people these days?
	Too much
	Too little
	Right amount
	Don't know
C6.	How much influence do you think retired older Australians have - too much, too little, or about the right amount of influence?
	Too much
	Too little
	Right amount
	Don't know
C7.	Right now, do you think older people are getting more than their fair share, less than their fair share, or about their fair share of government benefits?
	More than fair share
	Less than fair share
	About fair share
	Don't know
C8.	Each generation has different social and economic opportunities over their lives. How would you say the life-long opportunities for baby boomers (aged 50 to 64 years now) compare to those for younger people today?
	Better for baby boomers
	About the same
	Better for younger people



C9.	How would you say the life-long opportuni (aged 50 to 64 years now) compare to those have already retired?	-	
		Better for baby boomers	
		About the same	
		Better for the already retired people	
C10.	The Australian Government is gradually refor the pension to 67 years by 2023. Do you		
		Support raising the pension age to 67 years	
		Oppose raising the pension age to 67 years	
		Don't know or are not sure	
Se	ection D - Body Image		
D1.	How physically attractive do you believe yo	ou are?	
		Very attractive	
		Attractive	
		Average	
		Unattractive	
		Very unattractive	
D2.	How satisfied are you with your body shap	e now?	
		Very satisfied	
		Satisfied	
		Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	
		Dissatisfied	
		Very dissatisfied	



D3.	How likely would you be to have your body altered by cosmetic ('plastic') surgery if you could afford to do so?
	Very likely
	Quite likely
	Not sure
	Not very likely
	Not likely at all
D4.	Have you ever had cosmetic ('plastic') surgery to enhance your appearance?
	Yes
	No Skip to D6
D5.	If you have had cosmetic surgery, which part(s) of your body was the surgery performed upon?
	Please cross all applicable options
	Eyes
	Nose
	Face
	Breasts
	Stomach
	Other
	Please specify
D6.	Do you believe cosmetic surgery should be made widely accessible, or only accessible under certain circumstances?
	Widely accessible
	Only in certain circumstances
	Unsure



D7.	Do you agree or disagree that cosmetic surgery should be subsidised by Medicare?		
	Strongly agree		
	Agree		
	Unsure		
	Disagree		
	Strongly disagree		
D8 .	Other than earrings, how many body piercings do you have?		
	piercings		
D9.	How many tattoos do you have?		
	tattoos		
Se	ction E - Crime and Criminal Justice		
E1.	How important are the following in informing your views of crime		
	trends and the criminal justice system?		
	Very Fairly Not very Not at all important important important		
	TV		
	Radio		
	Newspapers		
	Work colleagues		
	Friends		
	Family		
E2.	How would you rate the following problems in your local area?		
	A very big A fairly big Not a very Not a problem problem problem at all		
	Rubbish and litter		
	Graffiti on footpaths and walls		
	Unsupervised groups of young people		
	People drunk		
	People dealing illicit drugs		



E3.	How worried are you that the following will occur to you?
	Very Fairly Not very Not worried worried worried at all
	Being physically attacked at home
	Being physically attacked on the street or other public space
	Being sexually assaulted
	Having your home/place of residence being broken into
	Having your identity stolen via the Internet
	Having your credit card stolen
	Having your credit card details used illegally via the Internet
E4.	How much confidence do you have in the police
	A great deal Quite Not very None at all confidence a lot of much
	confidence confidence to solve crime?
	to prevent crime?
	to respond quickly to crime?
	to act fairly when dealing with people?
E5.	Have you had any contact with the police in the past year?
	Yes
	No Skip to E7
TC	
E6.	If yes, what kind of contact?
Eb.	Select all that apply
Eb.	
Eb.	Select all that apply
Eb.	Select all that apply Random breath test
E6.	Select all that apply Random breath test Reporting a crime
Eo.	Select all that apply Random breath test Reporting a crime Traffic infringement Being a suspect in a crime
Eo.	Select all that apply Random breath test Reporting a crime Traffic infringement Being a suspect in a crime Being a victim of a crime
Eo.	Select all that apply Random breath test Reporting a crime Traffic infringement Being a suspect in a crime Being a victim of a crime Calling police for assistance
	Select all that apply Random breath test Reporting a crime Traffic infringement Being a suspect in a crime Being a victim of a crime Calling police for assistance
E7.	Select all that apply Random breath test Reporting a crime Traffic infringement Being a suspect in a crime Being a victim of a crime Calling police for assistance Other Have you had any contact with the criminal courts (magistrates,
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E8.	How much confidence do you have in the criminal courts
	A great deal Quite Not very None at all confidence a lot of much confidence confidence
	To have regard for defendants' rights?
	To have regard for victims' rights?
	To deal with matters quickly?
	To deal with matters fairly?
E9.	How much confidence do you have in prisons
	A great deal Quite Not very None at all confidence a lot of much confidence confidence
	To rehabilitate prisoners?
	To act as a form of punishment?
	To deter future offending?
	To teach practical skills to prisoners?
E10.	Do you think that the level of crime in Australia has changed over the past 2 years?
	A lot more crime
	A little more crime
	About the same
	A little less crime
	A lot less crime
	Don't know
	The following question asks you to give an answer out of 100. If you are not
	Sure about the number, please give your best guess. Of every 100 crimes recorded by the police, roughly what number
L11,	do you think involve VIOLENCE or the THREAT of violence? (0-100)
E12.	Of every 100 people charged with a violent crime and brought to court, roughly what number do you think end up convicted? (0-100)
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imposed for ass Out of every 10	ke you to think about the kinds of sentence that are sault. Of men aged 18 or over who are CONVICTED of w many do you think are sent to prison? (0-100)	
	home burglary. Out of every 100 MEN aged 18 or onvicted of HOME BURGLARY, how many do you to prison?	
Section F - De	ental care	
F1. Which of the fo would you pref	ollowing approaches to providing dental care er?	
	ents where most people pay for private dental care, which can be partlasurance, and where some people are covered by a public dental scher	
A new public dental sc	cheme that included free basic treatment on Medicare for everyone - e Medicare levy had to rise slightly to	ven if the
Section G - E	lderly Care	
and long term omost important important?	effective caring for others Put the letter of the statement in the appropr	attribute



G2. Imagine an elderly father or mother who lives alone and can no longer manage to live without regular help because of his or her physical or mental condition. In your opinion, what would be the best option for people in this situation?
Please cross two options, one for your first choice and one for your second choice. First choice Second choice
They should live with one of their children
One of their children should regularly visit their home, in order to provide them with the necessary care
A public service provider should visit their home and provide them with appropriate help and care
A private service provider should visit their home and provide them with appropriate help and care
They should move to a nursing home
G3. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about the care of the elderly?
Strongly Agree Neither Disagree Strongly Can't agree agree nor disagree choose disagree
The government should provide home care and/or institutional care for elderly people in need.
Every individual should be obliged to contribute to an insurance scheme that will finance care if and when they need it.
If a person becomes dependent and cannot pay for care from their own income, their flat or house should be sold or borrowed against to pay for care.
Children should pay for the care of their parents if their parents' income is not sufficient.
Care should be provided by close relatives of the dependent person, even if that means that they have to sacrifice their career to some extent.
The government should pay an income to those who have to give up working or reduce their working time to care for a dependent person.
From time to time, the government should pay for professional carers to take over from family carers so that family carers can take a break.
G4. At some point in their lives, people might need regular help looking after themselves because of illness, disability or old age. During the last ten years, have you needed any regular help or long term care?
Yes T
No L



OF		
G5.	What about people close to you? During the last ten years, has someone close to you needed any help or long term care?	
lf y	you know several people who have been in need of regular help and long term care, please consider only the experience that affected you most	
	No, no personal experience with long-term care needs	
	Yes, my partner	
	Yes, one of my parents	
	Yes, one of my children	
	Yes, one of my siblings (brother or sister)	
	Yes, another relative or friend	
	Yes, an acquaintance, colleague or neighbour	
G6.	In the future do you think that you would be provided with the appropriate help and long-term care if you were to need it?	
	Yes, definitely	
	Yes, probably	
	No, probably not	
	No, definitely not	
G7.	There are different ways of getting assistance if one becomes dependent and needs regular help and long term care. If you needed such assistance, which of the following is the most <u>likely</u> way you would be looked after?	
	In my own home by a relative (e.g. partner/spouse, child living nearby)	
	In my own home by a professional care service	
	In my own home, by a personal carer hired by me or by my relatives for me	
	In a nursing home	
	In the home of one of my close family members (e.g. a son or daughter)	



G8.	Still thinking about getting regular help and long term care if you needed such assistance in the future, which of the following is your most <u>preferred</u> way of being looked after?	
	In my own home by a relative (e.g. partner/spouse, child living nearby)	<u> </u>
	In my own home by a professional care service	Image: Control of the
	In my own home, by a personal carer hired by me or by my relatives for me	
	In a nursing home	
	In the home of one of my close family members (e.g. a son or daughter)	
G9.	If you needed regular help and long term care that required payment, who do you think <u>would</u> have the main responsibility for financing it?	
	I would	
	My partner/ spouse	
	My family, children or parents	
	My other relatives or friends	
	My private insurance	Ţ.
	The government	
G10.	And if you needed regular help and long term care that required payment, who do you think <u>should</u> have the main responsibility for financing it?	
	I should	
	My partner/ spouse	ļ.
	My family, children or parents	
	My other relatives or friends	<u> </u>
	My private insurance	
	The government	



G11. Imagine that in the future, you were in need of help and long term care. Should this situation arise, what could be the two main reasons why you did not receive all the help and long term care that you would need?		
 A. Financial reasons - it would be too expensive B. I could not rely on my family and relatives to look after me C. There would be care services in my area, but not of sufficient quality to meet my needs 		
D. I would not know who to turn to for help Put the letter of the statement in the appropriate box below		
First reason Second reason		
G12. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about the care of the elderly?		
Strongly Agree Neither Disagree Strongly Can't agree agree nor disagree choose		
Doctors, nurses and professionals in Australia are well-trained to care for the special needs of older people.		
People who have to care for older family members at home receive good support from social services in Australia.		
In Australia there are sufficient services to support frail older people so that they can stay in their own homes.		
In Australia, many frail older people cannot live independently because their homes are not adapted to their needs.		
Section H - Australia's Population		
The next few questions are about population growth. In 2008-09 immigration to Australia was higher than in any other year.		
H1. Do you think Australia needs more people?		
Yes		
No Skip to H4		
H2. If you answered 'Yes' to question H1, how would you like the population to grow? Please choose only one option		
Encourage people to have more children		
Encourage more migrants to come		
Encourage both migrants and larger families		



Н3.	If you answered 'Yes' to question H1, please indicate your top two reasons for thinking that Australia needs more people. A. We need more people for economic growth. B. Having more people means more cultural diversity. C. We could ease overpopulation overseas by taking in more migrants. D. A larger population could make it easier to defend Australia. E. We need skilled migrants for the work force. F. Having more babies and/or migrants could counteract the ageing of the population. G. We may need to increase total migration so that we can take in more refugees. H. More people could boost the housing industry and help support property prices. I. A larger population could give Australia more say in world affairs. Write the letters that match your reasons in the two boxes.
	Second reason Thank you – now please go to section I, question I1.
H4.	If you answered 'No' to question H1, please indicate your top two reasons for thinking that Australia does not need more people. A. Our cities are too crowded and there is too much traffic. B. We have too much cultural diversity already. C. We could still take refugees without high total migration. D. Population growth makes it harder for Australia to cut total greenhouse gas emissions. E. The cost of housing is too high. F. The natural environment is stressed by the numbers we already have. G. Having more people could make unemployment worse. H. Australia might not have enough water for more people. I. We should train our own skilled people, not take them from other countries. Write the letters that match your reasons in the two boxes. First reason Second reason
Se	ction - Loneliness
I1.	How often do you personally experience loneliness in your life?
	At least once a day
	At least once a week
	At least once a month
	At least once a year
	Less often/Never



I2.	Loneliness has been a serious problem for me at times
	Strongly agree
	Agree
	Disagree
	Strongly disagree
Ca	
5 e	ction J - Politics & Society
J1.	Most people see themselves as belonging to a particular class. Please tell me which social class you would say that you belong to?
	Lower class
	Working class
	Lower middle class
	Middle class
	Upper middle class
	Upper class
J2.	Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as Labor, Liberal, National or what?
	Liberal
	Labor (ALP)
	National
	Australian Democrat
	Green
	One Nation
	Family First
	No party Skip to J4
	Other (please specify)
	Other party (please specify)
	Other party (pictase specify)



J3.	Would you call yourself a very strong, fairly strong or not very strong supporter of that party?		
	Very strong supporter		
	Fairly strong supporter		
	Not very strong supporter		
J4.	Did you vote in the Federal Election held on November 24, 2007?		
	Yes		
	No		
J5.	If a Federal election for the House of Representatives and Senate were to be held next Saturday, which party would get your first preference in the House of Representatives?		
	Liberal Party		
	Labor Party (ALP)		
	National Party		
	Australian Democrats		
	Greens		
	One Nation		
	Family First		
	Would vote informal/Would not vote		
	Other (please specify)		
	Other (please specify)		



And in the Senate election?
Liberal Party
Labor Party (ALP)
National Party
Australian Democrats
Greens
One Nation
Family First
Would vote informal/Would not vote
Other (please specify)
Other (please specify)
In politics people sometimes refer to being on the left or on the right. Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? O-Left 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10- Can't Right choose
ection K - Personal Background
w we would like to finish up by asking you some questions about your background. The ormation you provide is totally confidential and will be used only for this research.
Firstly, are you
Female
Male
When were you born? Just the year will do.
Year of birth
All up, how many years of education have you completed?
Please include all primary and secondary schooling, and studies you've undertaken after high school (i.e TAFE and university) If your study was part time, give the number of years of equivalent full-time study.
Number of years



K4.	What is the highest level of high school education you have completed?
	Did NOT go to school
	Did NOT complete High School to Year 10
	Completed High School to Year 10
	Completed High School to Year 12
	Still at High School Skip to K8
K5.	What is the highest level of education you have completed since leaving high school?
	None
	Trade qualification or apprenticeship
	Certificate or Diploma (TAFE or business college)
	Bachelor Degree (including Honours)
	Postgraduate Degree or Postgraduate Diploma
K6.	In your first job, after leaving full-time education, for whom did you work?
	Please cross one box only
	Employee of a private company or business
	Government (national, state or local government)
	Self-employed
	I have never had a paid job Skip to K8
	Other (please specify)
	Other (please specify)
K7.	In this first job, what was your main occupation? Describe fully, using two words or more (do not use initials or abbreviations).



K8.	Which of the following best describes what you were doing last week?
	Please cross one box only
	Working for pay or self-employed
	Unemployed – looking for work
	Retired from paid work
	A full-time school or university student
	Household duties Household duties
	Helping a family member
	Living with a disability
	Other (please specify)
	Other (please specify)
K9.	What kind of work do you (or did you) do in your main job?
	Please give your full job title, and as much detail as you can.
Fo	or public servants, state official designation and occupation. For armed services personnel, state rank and occupation. If you are unemployed, retired or had a job in the past, please tell us about your last main paid job.
	If you have NEVER worked for pay, please go to question K17
	Job title
K10.	What are (or were) the main tasks that you usually perform? Please give full details.
	Main tasks



K11.	And what industry do you (or did you) work in?
	By industry, we mean the type of business or service performed where you work or worked (e.g. Commonwealth government, hairdressing, construction, hospitality).
	Industry
K12.	How many hours do you usually work each week in all jobs?
	Please include regular overtime.
	Hours per week
K13.	Which of the following best describes the main position that you hold (or held)?
	Non-supervisory
	Supervisory
	Managerial
K14.	In your current main job, for whom do you work? If you are not
	working now, please tell us about your most recent job. Please cross one box
	A private company or business
	Federal/State/Local government
	A government owned business or enterprise
	A family business or farm
	Self-employed – without employees
	Self-employed – with employees
	A non-government organisation including charities
K15.	If you are (or were) self-employed, please tell us how many staff
	you employ (or did employ).
	Number of employees
	Not applicable
K16.	Do you belong to a union?
	Yes, currently a member
	Once a member but no longer
	Never a member



K17.	What country were you born in?	
		Australia
		Overseas
	Please specify country	•
K18.	And what country was your mother born in?	1 1
11101		Australia
		,
		Overseas
	Please specify country	
K19.	And your father?	
		Australia
		Overseas
	Please specify country	
K20.	If you were born overseas, in what year did you come to	
	Australia?	
		Year



21. Do you speak a language other than English at home?	
No, English only	
Yes, Italian	
Yes, Greek	
Yes, Cantonese	
Yes, Mandarin	
Yes, Arabic	
Yes, Vietnamese	
Yes, other	
Please specify	
22. What is your ancestry?	
Provide up to 2 ancestries on	ly.
English [
Irish _	
Italian	
German	
Chinese	
Scottish	
Greek	
Dutch [
Lebanese	
Indian	
Vietnamese [
Polish [
Australian [
Other (please specify)	
Please specify	



K23. Do you identify yourself as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?	
Yes	
No L	
K24. Would you say you now live in	
A rural area or village	
A small country town (under 10,000 people)	
A larger country town (over 10,000 people)	
A large town (over 25,000 people)	
Outer metropolitan area of a major city (over 100,000 people)	
Inner metropolitan area of a major city (over 100,000 people)	
K25. When you were 14 years old, for whom did your father work? If your father did not have a paid job at the time, please give	
information about his last job before that time.	
Please cross one box	
Employee of a private company or business	
Government (national, state or local government)	
Self-employed	
Can't choose	
Other (please specify)	
Please specify	
K26. When you were 14 years old, what kind of work did your father	
do; what was his main occupation? Describe fully, using two words or more (do not use initials or abbreviations). If your father did not have a paid	
job at the time, please give information about his last job before that time.	



K27.	When you were 14 years old, did your mother work outside the household? If your mother did not work when you were 14 years old, did your mother work before? If she worked before, when did she stop working.
	Please cross one box only
	Yes, my mother did have a job when I was 14 years
	No, my mother <i>never</i> had a job outside the household
	No, my mother stopped working <i>before</i> she got married
	No, my mother stopped working <i>after</i> she got married, but <i>before</i> her first child was born
	No, my mother stopped working <i>after</i> her first child was born
	Can't choose
K28.	In her last job- i.e when or before you were 14 years old, for whom did your mother work? If your mother did not have a paid job at the time, please give information about her last job before that time.
	Please cross one box
	Employee of a private company or business
	Government (national, state or local government)
	Self-employed
	My mother never worked outside the household
	Can't choose
	Other (please specify)
	Please specify
K29.	When you were 14 years old, what kind of work did your mother
	do; what was her main occupation? Describe fully, using two words or more (do not use initials or abbreviations). If your mother did not have a paid job at the time, please give information about her last job before that time.



K30. About how many books were there around you when you were 14 years old?	our family's house
	Please cross one box only
	None
	1 or 2
	Around 10
	Around 20
	Around 50
	Around 100
	Around 200
	Around 500
	1,000 or more
K31. What is your current marital status?	
	Single, never married
	De facto
	Married
	Divorced
	Separated but not divorced
	Widowed
K32. Do you live together with a partner?	
	Yes
	No
K33. Are you	
	Heterosexual or straight
	Bisexual
	Gay
	Transgendered
	Can't choose
K34. How many people live in your house (includi	ng yourself)?
	People



K35. Thinking about t in your house, ple	ease tell	us how o	ld each	person is	and sel	lect the		
option that descr				Comple	te for eac	ch person liv		
Age	Person 2	Person 3	Person 4	Person 5	Person 6	Person 7	Person 8	Person 9
(in years)								!
Relationship								
(select only one)								
Partne	er 🔲							
Child or step-chil	ld 🗀							
Father/step-father/father-in-la	w 📥							
Mother/step-mother/mother-in la						Ċ		
Brother/step-brother/brother-in la								
Sister/step-sister/ sister-in-la	w 📥							
Grandfathe	er 🗀							
Grandmothe	er 🗀							
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Other female relativ								
Other male (i.e. friend of flatmate								Ļ
Other female (i.e. friend of flatmate								
K36. If you were to con					ays, hov	v happy		
or unhappy woul	u you s	ay you ar	e, on the	Very happy	Fairly	Not very	Not at	Can't
					happy	happy	all happy	choose
K37. In general, would	l vou sa	v vour he	ealth is					
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							Goo	od 🔲
							Fa	ir 🗂
							Po	
							Can't choo	se



K38.	Do you have a religion?	
	Yes	
•	No	Skip to K40
K39.	If you have a religion, please tell us what it is.	
	Catholic	
	Anglican/Church of England	ф.
	Uniting Church/Methodist	ф.
	Presbyterian and Reformed	
	Orthodox (e.g. Greek or Russian Orthodox)	ф
	Buddhist	ф
	Baptist	ф
	Islam	Image: Control of the
	Lutheran	Image: Control of the
	Pentecostal	Image: Control of the
	Other	
	Please specify	·
K40.	How often do you attend religious services?	
	Never	
	Less than once a year	
	About once or twice a year	D
	Several times a year	
	About once a month	ф
	2-3 times a month	
	Nearly every week	ф
	Every week	
	Several times a week	



	K41. Do you own outright, are you buying or renting the dwelling in which you now live?
]	Own outright
]	Own, paying off mortgage
]	Rent from private landlord
]	Rent from public housing authority
]	Other (boarding, living at home, etc)
	K42. In the past five years, have you or your partner received any of the following benefits from the government?
,	Please cross all that appl
	Family payments (Family Tax Benefit A and B)
]	Unemployment benefits (e.g. Newstart Allowance)
]	Age Pension
]	Disability Support Pension
]	Private Health Insurance Rebate
]	Child Care Benefit/Rebate
]	Baby Bonus or Maternity Payment
]	Single parent payment (Parenting Payment – Single)
]	Parenting Payment – Partnered
]	Youth Allowance
]	First Home Owner Grant
]	Have not received any government benefits in the last five years
]	Other
	Please specify



K43.	Now a question about share ownership. Do you own shares in any company listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (shares registered in your name or that of your family company)?
	No, don't own any shares
	Yes, in one company
	Yes, in two to five companies
	Yes, in six to ten companies
	Yes, in more than ten companies
	The next few questions are about the things you and your immediate family own.
K44.	About how much money would be left if the home or apartment you and/or your immediate family live in was sold, and any debts on it, such as a mortgage or personal loan, would have been paid off?
	Please give your best estimate.
	Please cross one box only Just debts
	I/we do not own a home
	\$1,000-80,000
	\$80,000-140,000
	\$140,000-200,000
	\$200,000-260,000
	\$260,000-320,000
	\$320,000-695,000
	\$695,000-1,070,000
	\$1,070,000-1,445,000
	\$1,445,000-1,820,000
	More than \$1,820,000
	Can't choose



K45.	About how much money would be left if you and/or your immediate family converted to cash all savings, stocks, or bonds you own, and then paid off any personal debts you have (not including any home loan)? Please give your best estimate.		
	Please cross one box	only	
	Just debts		
	Nothing		
	\$1,000-50,000		
	\$50,000-85,000		
	\$85,000-120,000		
	\$120,000-155,000		
	\$155,000-190,000		
	\$190,000-225,000		
	\$225,000-850,000		
	\$850,000-1,075,000		
	\$1,075,000-1,300,000		
	More than \$1,300,000		
	Can't choose		



K46.	What is your gross annual income, before tax or other deductions,
	from all sources?
	Please include any pensions and allowances, and income from
	interest or dividends.

Please cross one box only
Nil income
\$1 - \$119 per week (\$1 - \$6,239 per year)
\$120 - \$159 per week (\$6,240 - \$8,319 per year)
\$160 - \$199 per week (\$8,320 - \$10,399 per year)
\$200 - \$299 per week (\$10,400 - \$15,599 per year)
\$300 - \$399 per week (\$15,600 - \$20,799 per year)
\$400 - \$499 per week (\$20,800 - \$25,999 per year)
\$500 - \$599 per week (\$26,000 - \$31,199 per year)
\$600 - \$699 per week (\$31,200 - \$36,399 per year)
\$700 - \$799 per week (\$36,400 - \$41,599 per year)
\$800 - \$999 per week (\$41,600 - \$51,999 per year)
\$1,000 - \$1,499 per week (\$52,000 - \$77,999 per year)
\$1,500 - \$1,999 per week (\$78,000 - \$103,999 per year)
\$2,000 or more per week (\$104,000 or more per year)



K47. What is your gross <u>household</u> income, before tax or other deductions, from all sources? Please include any pensions and allowances, and income from interest or dividends.
If you are the only income earner in your household, please select SAME AS ABOVE
SAME AS ABOVE
\$1 - \$199 per week (\$1- \$10,399 per year)
\$200 - \$299 per week (\$10,400 - \$15,599 per year)
\$300 - \$399 per week (\$15,600 - \$20,799 per year)
\$400 - \$499 per week (\$20,800 - \$25,999 per year)
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\$800 - \$999 per week (\$41,600 - \$51,999 per year)
\$1,000 - \$1,499 per week (\$52,000 - \$77,999 per year)
\$1,500 - \$1,999 per week (\$78,000 - \$103,999 per year)
\$2,000 -\$2,499 per week (\$104,000 -\$129,999 per year)
\$2,500 - \$3,499 per week (\$130,000 - \$181,999 per year)
\$3,500 or more per week (\$182,000 or more per year)
Section L - Partner's information
If you do not have a partner, this is the end of the questionnaire. Please put the questionnaire in the pre-paid reply envelope and post it back to us. We really appreciate your cooperation and effort! If you have a partner, please continue.
L1. Is your partner
Female
Male



	Which of the following best describes what your partner was
	doing last week? Please cross one box only
	Working full-time for pay
	Working part-time for pay
	Working a few hours a week for pay
	Unemployed - looking for work
	Retired from paid work
	A full-time school or university student
	Household duties Household duties
	Helping a family member
	Living with a disability
	Other
	Places enseits
	Please specify
	What kind of work does (or did) your partner do in their main job? Please give their full job title, and as much detail as you can.
	What kind of work does (or did) your partner do in their main job? Please give their full job title, and as much detail as you can. If public servants, state official designation and occupation. For armed services personnel, state rank and occupation. If they are unemployed, retired or had a job in the past, please tell us about their last main paid job. If they have NEVER worked for pay, please go to question L8
	What kind of work does (or did) your partner do in their main job? Please give their full job title, and as much detail as you can. If public servants, state official designation and occupation. For armed services personnel, state rank and occupation. If they are unemployed, retired or had a job in the past, please tell us about their last main paid job.
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L5.	And what industry do they (or did they) work in?
	By industry, we mean the type of business or service performed where they work or worked (i.e. Commonwealth government, hairdressing, construction, hospitality)
	Industry
L6.	Which of the following best describes the position that your partner holds (or held)?
	Non-supervisory
	Supervisory
	Managerial Managerial
L7.	Who does (or did) your partner work for in their main job?
	A private company or business
	Federal/State/Local government
	A government owned business or enterprise
	A family business or farm
	Self-employed – without employees
	Self-employed – with employees
	A non-government organisation including charities
L8.	What is the highest level of high school education your partner has completed?
	Did NOT go to school
	Did NOT complete High School to Year 10
	Completed High School to Year 10
	Completed High School to Year 12



L9.	What is the highest level of education your partner has completed since leaving high school?
	None
	Trade qualification or apprenticeship
	Certificate or Diploma (TAFE or business college)
	Bachelor Degree (including Honours)
	Postgraduate Degree or Postgraduate Diploma
L10.	What is your <u>partner's</u> gross annual income, before tax or other deductions, from all sources? Please include any pensions and allowances, and income from interest or dividends.
	Nil income
	\$1 - \$119 per week (\$1 - \$6,239 per year)
	\$120 - \$159 per week (\$6,240 - \$8,319 per year)
	\$160 - \$199 per week (\$8,320 - \$10,399 per year)
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	\$1,500 - \$1,999 per week (\$78,000 - \$103,999 per year)
	\$2,000 or more per week (\$104,000 or more per year)
	That is the end of the questionnaire
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	We really appreciate your cooperation and effort!