

Wave 15: Module summary

Development of the Wave 15 questionnaire content focussed on two themes: family and environment. Further to an [open consultation](#), revisions to environmental content include the discontinuation of the Environmental Attitudes module, the introduction of a new module (Environmental Identity), and new questions in the Household Questionnaire about heat-pumps. Revisions to family content reflect an increased emphasis on children aged under 16 who do not live with their parents and more information on the circumstances of parents who are separated. Additional quality improvements include better capturing of recent pregnancies and identification of complete fertility histories. An extra incentive was offered to respondents with children aged under 16 in recognition of the lengthier interview.

Wave 15 contains 44 updated modules, 3 of which are new: Current pregnancies, Family incentive and Environmental identity. The annual event history module (containing the same content) is now asked in 6 separate modules: Annual health conditions history, Annual partnership history, Annual residential history, Annual fertility history, Annual education history and Annual employment history. For the pre-existing modules, a number of data collection enhancements have also been developed (see the table below for details).

The [long-term content plan](#) lists the Waves in which all the modules were last asked and when they will be asked again. This table lists the modules in the order they are asked within the Wave 15 questionnaire.

Please note:

Soft checks are used to double check an answer. The respondent can proceed through the questionnaire without changing their answer e.g. You have said you have 15 mortgages?

Hard checks are used to double check an answer but the respondent cannot proceed through the questionnaire without editing their response e.g. The date you moved address is set in the future.

Rotating Modules do not always carry every question at each rotation. Use the [Variable Search](#) tool to establish in which Waves the variables appear.

Consent questions are mostly asked every 3 years to those who have not already consented to data linkage e.g. new entrants, 16+ year olds previously given consent by their parents and those who have previously refused consent less than twice before.

The column 'Changes in questions (variables) or responses' in the table below provides a detailed list of modifications within each module. We have not distinguished between minor and major changes, to see the exact change, please take a look at the [questionnaires](#).

Module	New or updated	Overview	Changes in questions (variables) or responses
HH Grid			- R: code list updated - R1 & R2: questions added

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New questions: WHOELSE14, NAME14, SNAME, TITLE14, TITLX14, NESEX14, NEBIRTHD14, NEBIRTHM14, NEBIRTHY14, AGEIF14, MORE14 CORESWHO: scripting note updated - MORES: Text update - CHHEALTH2: text removed in CAWI - 'Please select all that apply'
<i>Household Questionnaire</i>	updated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New questions: HTPMP, HTPMPPTF, HTPMPTS INTHHOLD: Covid related text removed - Removed: MATDEPA thru FOODBANKNO, HSUNITS - Questions added: RECGLASS, RECPAPER, RECPLASTIC, ENSZE, CARFUEL, CARAGE, SOLAR1, SOLAR2, SOLAR3, ETARIFF, NEEDLINK, NEEDEADD, WRYNOFOOD, LACKNUTR, FEWFDTYP, SKIPMEAL, ATELESS, RANOUTFD, HUNGRY, NOEATDAY, NEEDESENT - NEEDLINK: text changed from 'this address' to 'your address', and BEIS to ESNZ - CARFUEL: option 8 added 'Hydrogen' - ENSZE: option 8 updated - INOUTFLOWS: option 12 added 'Reduced usage of utilities (electricity/gas/water)' - XPELECY, XPGASY: softchecks updates to £2000 - XPDUELY: softcheck updated to £4000 - CDTV: CAWI text added - MGXTY: CAWI text added - RENTLL: response option updated
<i>Individual Questionnaire</i>			
Young adults	updated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Added questions: OCIMPA TO FUTRL - Removed: YPAMAR, YPAPAR, YAFUTA
Ethnicity & National Identity	updated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RACEL: source updated to 2021 Census (England) routing and value codes updated - RACELWT routing and value codes updated

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			Removed - PAID thru ENGLANG
Annual Health Conditions (general health)	New	To reduce respondent burden family content questions were reduced to enable new questions on health. Annual event history (same content) is now asked this module and 5 others.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed: MHGAD, MHGADA - BRAINNERVTYPN: mixed mode alternatives text added - MHCONDN: text change
Covid19	updated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New: LONGCOVNOW, LONGCOVEVER, LGCVSYPNOWN, LGCVSYPNOWO, LGCVDANOW, LGCVWKNOW, LGCVWKYNOW - Removed: LONGCOVA, LGCVSYP, LGCVSYPOTH, LGCVDA, LGCVWK, LGCVWKY - Removed: TESTPOSCOVKID, LONGCOVAKID, LGCVSYPKID
Caring	updated		- AIDHU1, AIDHU2: added response options 7 and 8
Annual partnership history	New	To reduce respondent burden family content questions were reduced to enable new questions on health. Annual event history (same content) is now asked in this module and 5 others.	
Current pregnancies module	New		
Annual fertility history	New	To reduce respondent burden family content questions were reduced to enable new questions on health. Annual event history (same content) is now asked in this module and 5 others.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed: RELTOPWCNB - New questions: LCHNAME, PARTHADPREG, RELTOPWCNBIRTH, RELTOPWCNBDONOR, RELTOPWCNBLPAR, RELTOPWCNBCURR, LCHDODD, NBORN LW, LCHHGMIS - PREGY4: Hard check changed to soft check and text updated - PREGOUT: CATI alt mode added, routing and question text updated - Added question: MORPREG PREGM, PREG: routing updated, question text updated PREGSPD, BWTXP, LCHCHK: routing updated

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			ENDMNTH: textfills updated
Fertility History	updated	Answered by new entrants to the Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New questions: LCHDODMFH, LADODDFH, LADODMFH, LSDODDFH, LSDODMFH, RELTOPWCBBIRTH, RELTOPWCBDONOR, RELTOPWCBLPAR, RELTOPWCAELSE, RELTOPWBCCURR, RELTOPWCADOP, RELTOPWCACURR, RELTOPWCSTEP, LCHNAMEFH - Questions added: LACSX, LACAL - LCHDODYRFH new question based on LCHYD4FH LCHDOBDHFH new question based on LCHDOBD LCHDOBMFH new question based on LCHDOBM LCHDOBYRFH new question based on LCHDOBY LADODYRFH new question based on LACYD4 LADOBDFH new question based on LACBD LADOBMFH new question based on LACBM LADOBYRFH new question based on LACBY4 LSDODYRFH new question based on LACYD4 LSDOBDFH new question based on LSCBD LSDOBMFH new question based on LSCBM LSDOBYRFH new question based on LSCBY4 - Questions removed: RELTOPWCBFH, PARTPREGFH PREGDUEDFFH PREGDUEMFFH PREGDUEYFFH PREGOFH PREGDUEDMFH PREGDUEMMFH PREGDUEYMFH RELTOPWCFFH PREGFERTFH PREGFTFH, RELTOPWCAFH, RELTOPWCSFH - FERTINTROADP2: Question text updated - FERTINTROADP2, LPRNTADP2, LCHNOFH, LADOPTED2, LNADOPTED2, LSTEP2, LNSTEP2: routing updated - LNPRNT2: routing updated, question text updated - CHILDINT, LCHLVFH, LNADOPTED2, LNSTEP2, LCHALFH, LACYB4, ADOPTINT: question text updated
Family incentive	New		

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Annual residential history module	New	To reduce respondent burden family content questions were reduced to enable new questions on health. Annual event history (same content) is now asked in this module and 5 others.	
Annual education history module	New	To reduce respondent burden family content questions were reduced to enable new questions on health. Annual event history (same content) is now asked in this module and 5 others.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NMEGCSE: option 3 changed (only displays if NGCSE5 > 1) - TRMEGCSE: option 3 condition changed (only displays if TRGCSE5 > 1)
Annual Employment history	New	To reduce respondent burden family content questions were reduced to enable new questions on health. Annual event history (same content) is now asked in this module and 5 others.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NOTEMPCHK: routing updated
Employees	updated		- Removed: JBWAH and added JBWAHNEW
Self-employment	updated		- Removed: JSWAH and added JSWAHNEW
Parents Return to Work	updated		- MATLEAVENEW: Compute updated
Other Work	updated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed: OWWAH and added OWWAHNEW - OWPAYU: 'Amount in £' added to CAWI alt text mode and question box label - OWMAINTRV: showcard added and CATI and CAWI alt mode
Family Networks	updated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New question: LVRELADPB - CHO16N: new compute variable - NRELS: change to loop and routing conditions (removed sons/daughters) - CHSEE16: question text updated, routing updated (now routed on CHO16N) - Question text updated: MASEE MACON PASEE PACON CHCON16, CHFAR16 - Removed: BIOU161 thru LCH2UK16

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Child maintenance (0-15, 16-19 in Edu)	updated	Last seen in Wave 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New questions: SHARCARE, CSYEARLY, SEEKID2 (BASED ON SEEKID), CMSVCWHY, CMSVCWHYOTH, CMSVCFORM, CMSVCFORMOTH, CMRELTOPWC, CMSERVTYPE, CMSVCUSE, CMSVCCON - CMFLAG: routing amended - RNRPRE: routing amended to route out non-co-resident relationships. - ABSPARNAM: interviewer instruction updated - CPLMP: options updated - CMSERVTYPE: options updated - RLENGTH: routing updated
Non-resident children	updated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New questions: WEKIDNR, STAYKIDNR, STAYKIDWNR, FARKIDNR, RECON2NR, RELEXNR, RLENGTHNR, RLGTHUNR (with soft checks), NRPAGENR (with soft checks), RNRPRENR, RNRPMANR, RPCHLDNR, RPCHLDLVNR, ROTHCHLDNR, EXJOBNR, KIDSPTNR, FTEXVNR FTEXWNR, CPLMPNRC, CMSVCUSENR, CMSVCWHYNR, CMSVCWHYOTHNR, CMSERVTYPEPNR, CMSVCFORMNR, CMSVCFOROTH, NRCPSEX, PARCONEX, NRCPARREQ1, NRCPTITLE, NRCPFNAME, NRCPSNAME, NRCPTADD1, NRCPTADD2, NRCPTTOWN, NRCPTCNTY, NRCPTCODE, NRCPEMAIL, NRCPEMAIL2, NRCPTTEL1, NRCPTTEL2, PARLETTER, NRCPREASON, NRCPRESP, OTHPHHGMIS, SEEKIDFREQ (replaced SEEKIDNRC), SEEKIDNRC2 (replaced SEEKIDNRC1) - SHARCARENr: new question and routing - New compute variables: TOTALNRCA ALLNRCARCOPNR NRID2 OPNRID - Removed: NRCBIRTHC - PWCPARNAM: change to loop and routing - NRCLIVES: change to loop condition - RELTOPWC: question moved, new routing, code list updated - RELTOPWC: updated options list

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Household finances	updated		- FIYRDB1-6: routing updated
Environmental behaviour	updated	Last seen in Wave 12	- Removed: ENVHABIT1, ENVHABIT11 and ENVHABIT5 - New question: ENVHABIT5NEW - ENVHABIT2: Text added: Now a few questions about the environment. Could you tell me how often you personally do each of the following things
CASI start	updated		- Removed: SCRF, SCRX, SCUN and SCUX SCAC: question text updated, interviewer instruction updated, option 4 text updated and option 6 and 7 added
CASI environmental identity	New		
CASI: GHQ	updated		- SCGHQA: routing updated
CASI: Satisfaction	updated		- SCLFSAT1: routing updated
CASI: Loneliness	updated		- SCLACKCOM: routing updated - Removed: SCLACKCOMPREP, SCLONELYTEXT
CASI: Partner	updated	Last seen in Wave 13	- SCRELPAREI, SCRELHAPPY: Routing updated
CASI: Young adults	updated	Rotating content asked. Questions added from module scasexandgender (Wave 12)	- BIRTHSEX - GENDERSELF: with display notes - GENDERSELFO: new routing
CASI: Non-co-resident relationships (SCALAT)	updated		- New questions: NCRRYNOT, NCRRYNOTM, NCRRYNOTY, NCRRSPOUS, SMNCRRAGE, NCRVIRTUAL (BASED ON NCRRREMOTE (REMOVED)) NCRRSTAY, NCRRSTAYN, NCRRSTAYU, NCRRLIVEM, NCRRLIVEY, NCRRSTOPM, NCRRSTOPY, NCRRINTRO, NCRRYLAT, NCRRYLATO, NCRRYLATCH, NCRRYLATCHO, NCRRYLATC, NCRRYLATCO, NCRRYLATP, NCRRYLATPO, NCRR3YRS, NCRRFIN, SCRELHAPPYLAT, SCRELHAPPY, SCLATAV, SCLATADVS, SCDISADVLAT, SCDISADVSLAT, NCRREQUEST, NCRTITLE, NCRFNAME, NCRSNAME, NCRCTADD1, NCRCTADD2, NCRCTCNTY, NCRCTTOWN, NCRCTPCODE, NCREMAIL, NCREMAIL2, NCRCTTEL1, NCRCTTEL2, NCRREASON, NCRLETTER, NCRRESP

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed: NCRR3, NCRR4NCRR11, NCRRAWHICH, NCRRIDALL, NCRRAMORE (Routing removed: 'if [No children identified from GRIDVARIABLES.PWCU16ABS NCRRAMORE = 1]') - Change in question text: NCRRPREG, NCRRRA, NCRRB, NCRRRC (range updated) - NCRRDUEMFFH, NCRRDUEYFFH: interviewer instructions added - NCRR1, NCRR5, NCRR12: routing updated - NCRRM: routing updated and code 13 removed
CASI Cohabitation	updated	Last seen in Wave 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SCCOHADV: routing updated - SCCOHADVS: updated option 9 'other' to 97 - SCDISADVS: updated option 6 'other' to 97
CASI: Child development	updated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CHDEV12: Added new grid variable to routing for 5 and 8 year old questions (now to be asked of 12 year olds). - CDPREAMBLE: question text updated to add reference to 12 year olds in the introductory text, routing updated. - CDCOND, CDCREAD, CDPHSC, CHRISK routing updated
General election	updated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - VOTE7: routing updated, added CATI alt mode and text fill - VOTE8: added CATI alt mode
CASI: Devolved election NI	updated	A duplicate version of this module was created to accommodate more than one potential Stormont election during the 2-year interviewing period for Wave 15. Variables in the duplicate module were labelled with the suffix 'b'. One election was held in 2022 resulting in one version being used. The version used for interviewing starts on page 1125 of the questionnaire.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WNIVT1: routing updated - WNIVT1: Text changed
CASI: Politics	updated	Last seen in Wave 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - VOTE4, VOTE3: Brexit party renamed to Reform UK, option 14 - VOTE1: routing updated

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CASI Political engagement	updated	Last seen in Wave 12	- CIVICDUTY: removed option 6 for CASI and CAWI - VOTEINTENT, PERPOLINF: routing updated
Political efficacy	updated	Last seen in Wave 12	- POLEFF1: routing updated
Attitudes towards immigration	updated	Last seen in Wave 12	- IMMECON: routing updated
Socio-political values	updated	Last seen in Wave 12	- OPSOCA: routing updated
Contact details	updated		- EMAILENT, REMAIL, REMAIL2, OWEDINCENT: routing updated
End of interview	updated		New question: LASTAINT Removed question: LASTACATI INDIVCOMPLETE: text updated including addition of early bird incentive text INCENTIVEVAL: moved to top of module, routing and compute updated PERKSEADD: routing updated LASTSCREENB: question text added
Proxy Questionnaire	updated		AIDHH: variable label updated

CAWI - Computer-assisted web interviewing

CATI - Computer-assisted telephone interviewing

CAPI - Computer-assisted personal interviewing

CASI - Computer-assisted self interview