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SECTION B. YOUR MOTHER AND FATHER

Now we have some different questions, ones about your relatives and friends. They are important questions and are being asked in Britain, Germany, The United States, and several other countries as well as Australia. Please answer carefully...

Card 4 04 [1-6]
 [7-8]

17a. First, is your mother still alive?
 And your father?

No
 Yes

	Mother		Father	
	1		1	
	2	4	2	8
	1		1	
	2		2	
	3		3	
	4	5	4	9
	5		5	
	6		6	
	7		7	
	-		-	
	1		1	
	2		2	
	3		3	
	4		4	
	5	6	5	10
	6		6	
	7		7	
	8		8	
	-		-	
	1		1	
	2		2	
	3		3	
	4		4	
	5	7	5	11
	6		6	
	7		7	
	-		-	

b. How often do you see or visit your mother?
 Your father?

Lives in the same household
 Every day
 At least several times a week
 At least once a week
 At least once a month
 Several times a year
 Less often
 (No longer alive).

[9-10]

c. About how long would it take you to get to where
 your mother lives? (The time it usually takes,
 door to door.) And your father?

Less than 15 minutes
 Between 15 and 30 minutes
 Between 30 minutes and one hour
 Between 1 hour and 2 hours
 Between 2 and 3 hours
 Between 3 and 5 hours
 Between 5 and 12 hours
 Over 12 hours
 (No longer alive).

[11-12]

d. And how often do you have any other contact
 with your mother (besides visiting) either by
 telephone or letter? And your father?

Lives in the same household
 Every day
 At least several times a week
 At least once a week
 At least once a month
 Several times a year
 Less often
 (No longer alive).

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 SECTION C. YOUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS

18a. How many sisters aged 18 or older do you have?

>> We mean sisters who are still alive.

>> Please include step-sisters, half sisters and adopted sisters.

[15] 12

None 0
 How many? _____
 number.

b. How many brothers aged 18 or older do you have?

>> We mean brothers who are still alive.

>> Please include step-brothers, half brothers, and adopted ones.

[16] 16

None 0
 How many? _____
 number.

>> Now we have some questions about your adult sisters and brothers. If you have none, please skip the rest of this question.

>> If you have more than one sister over 18, please tell us about the one you have most contact with. And do the same if you have more than one brother.

>> Just so there is no confusion, please write their first names in the box...

c. How often do you see or visit your sister?
 Your brother?

- Lives in the same household 1
- Every day 2
- At least several times a week 3
- At least once a week 4
- At least once a month 5
- Several times a year 6
- Less often 7

Sister over 18	Brother over 18
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1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
13	
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
14	
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
15	

[17-18]

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d. About how long would it take you to get to where your sister lives? (The time it usually takes, door to door.) And your brother?

- Less than 15 minutes 1
- Between 15 and 30 minutes 2
- Between 30 minutes and one hour 3
- Between 1 hour and 2 hours 4
- Between 2 and 3 hours 5
- Between 3 and 5 hours 6
- Between 5 and 12 hours 7
- Over 12 hours 8

[19-20]

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e. And how often do you have any other contact with your sister (besides visiting) either by telephone or letter? And your brother?

- Lives in the same household 1
- Every day 2
- At least several times a week 3
- At least once a week 4
- At least once a month 5
- Several times a year 6
- Less often 7

[21-22]

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 SECTION D. YOUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS

19a. How many daughters aged 18 or older do you have?
 >> We mean daughters who are still alive.
 >> Please include step-daughters and adopted daughters.

[23] 20

None 0
 How many? _____
 number.

b. How many sons aged 18 or older do you have?
 >> Please include step-sons and adopted sons.

[24] 24

None 0
 How many? _____
 number.

>> Now we have some questions about your adult daughters and sons. If you have none, please skip the rest of this question.

>> If you have more than one daughter over 18, please tell us about the one you have most contact with. And do the same if you have more than one son.

>> Just so there is no confusion, please write their first names in the box...

c. How often do you see or visit your daughter?
 And your son?

[25-26]

	Daughter over 18	Son over 18
Lives in the same household	1	1
Every day	2	2
At least several times a week	3	3
At least once a week	4	4
At least once a month	5	5
Several times a year	6	6
Less often	7	7

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d. About how long would it take you to get to where your daughter lives? And your son?

[27-28]

	Daughter over 18	Son over 18
Less than 15 minutes	1	1
Between 15 and 30 minutes	2	2
Between 30 minutes and one hour	3	3
Between 1 hour and 2 hours	4	4
Between 2 and 3 hours	5	5
Between 3 and 5 hours	6	6
Between 5 and 12 hours	7	7
Over 12 hours	8	8

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e. And how often do you have any other contact with your daughter (besides visiting) either by telephone or letter? And your son?

[29-30]

	Daughter over 18	Son over 18
Lives in the same household	1	1
Every day	2	2
At least several times a week	3	3
At least once a week	4	4
At least once a month	5	5
Several times a year	6	6
Less often	7	7

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20. Now thinking of all your other adult relatives -- those still living and aged 18 or older -- how many of each do you have...

a. Grandmothers, grandfathers -- how many still living? [31] 29

None 0
 How many? _____
 number.

b. Adult grandchildren? [32] 30

None 0
 How many? _____
 number.

c. Aunts, uncles? [33] 31

None 0
 How many? _____
 number.

d. Parents-in-law and adult brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law? [34] 32

None 0
 How many? _____
 number.

e. About how many adult nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives? [35-36] 33
 >> Just your best guess. Only count those over 18.

None 00
 How many? _____
 number..

21a. Thinking of all these adult relatives, which one do you have most contact with? [37-38] 34

- Grandmother 01
- Grandfather 02
- Granddaughter 03
- Grandson 04
- Aunt 05
- Uncle 06
- Mother-in-law 07
- Father-in-law 08
- Sister-in-law 09
- Brother-in-law 10
- Other female relative 11
- Other male relative 12
- None of these 13

>> Now we would like to ask about that relative -- the adult relative you have most contact with...

b. How often do you see or visit this relative? (The one you have most contact with.) [39] 35

- Lives in the same household 1
- Every day 2
- At least several times a week 3
- At least once a week 4
- At least once a month 5
- Several times a year 6
- Less often 7

c. About how long would it take you to get to where this relative lives? [40] 36

- Less than 15 minutes 1
- Between 15 and 30 minutes 2
- Between 30 minutes and one hour 3
- Between 1 hour and 2 hours 4
- Between 2 and 3 hours 5
- Between 3 and 5 hours 6
- Between 5 and 12 hours 7
- Over 12 hours 8

d. And how often do you have any other contact with this relative (besides visiting) either by telephone or letter? [41] 37

- Lives in the same household 1
- Every day 2
- At least several times a week 3
- At least once a week 4
- At least once a month 5
- Several times a year 6
- Less often 7

SECTION F. FRIENDS

22. Think now of close friends -- not your husband or wife or de facto or family members -- but people you feel fairly close to. [42-43] 38

a. How many close friends would you say you have?

- None 00
- How many? _____

b. How many of these friends are people you work with now? [44-45] 39

- None 00
- How many? _____

c. How many of these friends are your close neighbours? [46-47] 40

- None 00
- How many? _____

23. Now thinking of your best friend, the friend you feel closest to...

>> We mean a friend outside the family, not your husband or wife or family members or someone you are living with in a de facto relationship -- but someone else you feel close to.

a. Just so there is no confusion, please write his or her first name...

First name _____

b. Is your best friend a man or a woman? [48] 41

- Man 1
- Woman 2