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FAMILY RESOURCES SURVEY

2005-06

DATASET AND CHANGES

SUMMARY REPORT

RESTRICTED RELEASE (FULL YEAR)

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This report provides a summary of proposed changes to:

- Dataset structure
- Questions

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Summary of Changes

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Carers and Care

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I N D E X

INTRODUCTION

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- Variables
- Treatment within Processing (validation, editing and derivation of variables)
- Methodology

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In particular the following documents should be consulted, which can be found in http://asdweb/asd3/web/frs/documentation/2005_06/docscontents.

- The Interviewers Guide to Changes
- Changes Metadata

A summary version of this report, providing an overview of changes, and a covering minute, providing information on the 2005-06 processing cycle and user consultation, are also available. The dataset is also available on request.

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Insurance Premium

All questions on insurance premium are dropped from the FRS survey from 2005-06; consequently the INSURANCE table has been removed.

The variable changes are listed below with reference to the page in the **'Interviewers Guide to Changes'** that provides more details.

Changes in the FRS data can affect three main areas of processing;

- Editing

- Imputation

- Derived variables (DVs)

The tables below summarise for each change in the dataset for 2005-06 which areas have been affected. Full details on how these changes have been catered for are provided in the 'Further details on changes' section of this report.

Childcare

1. CHILDCARE QUESTIONS (Page 18)

The most significant change to the FRS questionnaire this year is the change to the way in which childcare is measured. The childcare question has been changed in order to try to reduce disparities between FRS measures of childcare and those on other surveys and to help in producing more robust estimates. The questions on childcare were revised to collect information on childcare use and childcare cost for each child.

The key changes that have been made are:

- childcare use in the past 7 days

- the distinction between term-time and holidays removed

- question on average childcare costs removed and replaced with question on most recent payment

- more than one paid childcare provider identified.

New Variable/s	Label/s (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
BENCCDIS	Does benefit account for Childcare cost		✔	✔
CHAMT	Costs of childcare		✔	✔
CHFAR	Time from home to where Child looked after		✔	✔
CHHR	How many hours in last seven days		✔	✔
CHINKND1	Payment in Kind: Looked after child(ren) in return		✔	✔
CHINKND2	Payment in Kind: Did favour		✔	✔
CHINKND3	Payment in Kind: Gave gift or Treat		✔	✔
CHINKND4	Payment in Kind: Nothing		✔	✔
CHINKND5	Payment in Kind: Other		✔	✔
CHLOOK	Childcare arrangements		✔	✔
CHPD	Pcode : Costs of childcare		✔	✔
CTRM	Week of childcare		✔	✔
EMPLPROV	Does employer provide this form of childcare			
REGISTRD	Whether registered		✔	✔

2. CHILDCARE COSTS (Page 18)

Only payments made by the parent or guardian of the child(ren) are recorded. Any other payments made by other relatives e.g. grandparents or payment made with childcare vouchers are excluded from the survey questions.

New Variable/s	Label/s (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
COST	Whether childcare costs anything		✔	✔
COST01	Whether cost for Playgroup or pre school		✔	✔
COST02	Whether cost for Day nursery or crèche		✔	✔
COST03	Whether cost for Nursery school		✔	✔
COST04	Whether cost for Infant's school (Reception/Nursery)		✔	✔
COST05	Whether cost for Primary school (Reception/Nursery)		✔	✔
COST06	Whether cost for Out of school club		✔	✔
COST07	Whether cost for Holiday scheme		✔	✔
COST08	Whether cost for Family / combined centre		✔	✔
COST09	Whether cost for Boarding school		✔	✔
COST10	Whether cost for Other Formal		✔	✔
COST11	Whether cost for grand parents		✔	✔
COST12	Whether cost for Non-resident parent / ex-spouse / ex-partner		✔	✔
COST13	Whether cost for Child's brother or sister		✔	✔
COST14	Whether cost for Other relatives		✔	✔
COST15	Whether cost for Childminder		✔	✔
COST16	Whether cost for Nanny / Au pair		✔	✔
COST17	Whether cost for Friends or neighbours		✔	✔
COST18	Whether cost for Other non-relatives		✔	✔
COST19	Not Used		✔	✔
COST20	Not Used		✔	✔

3. CHILDCARE PROVISION (Page 18)

The existing category collecting information on Childcare provision/vouchers has been separated out into two categories 'Workplace nursery' and 'Childcare vouchers/employer contracted childcare'.

Category	Changes (New Label/s)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
INKIND05	Received : Workplace nursery		✔	✔
INKIND06	Received : Childcare provisions / vouchers		✔	✔

Accounts

4. CHILD TRUST FUNDS (Page 68)

A new question has been introduced to collect information on Child Trust Fund (CTF) accounts. CTF is a long-term investment and savings account for children born on or after 1st September 2002.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
CFUND	Does child have a Child Trust Fund?		✔	✔
CFUNDH	Total in Child Trust Fund		✔	✔
CFUNDTP1	Child Trust Fund Type - Savings Account		✔	✔
CFUNDTP2	Child Trust Fund Type - Stakeholder Account		✔	✔
CFUNDTP3	Child Trust Fund Type - An Account investing in shares		✔	✔
FUNDAMT1	How much did parent put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT2	How much did outside hh parent put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT3	How much did Grandparents put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT4	How much did Other relatives put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT5	How much did Friend put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT6	How much did Other put into fund		✔	✔
GIVCFND1	CTF Cont : Child's Parent inside household		✔	✔
GIVCFND2	CTF Cont : Child's Parent outside household		✔	✔

GIVCFND3	CTF Cont : Child's Grandparents		✔	✔
GIVCFND4	CTF Cont : Child's Other relatives		✔	✔
GIVCFND5	CTF Cont : Friend of the family		✔	✔
GIVCFND6	CTF Cont : Other		✔	✔

5. POST OFFICE CARD ACCOUNTS AND BASIC BANK ACCOUNTS (Page 66)

A new category has been introduced to capture information on Post Office Card Accounts - separate from the Basic Bank Accounts.

Type	Category (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
ACCOUNT = 30	Post Office Card Account		✔	✔

Information on Post Office Card Accounts is mapped onto the ACCOUNTS table.

See '2005-06 Account' for more details.

6. TAX FREE SAVINGS AND NATIONAL SAVINGS (Page 67)

Since TESSA accounts no longer exist, all references to TESSA and Life Insurance ISA's have been dropped from the 2005-06 FRS questionnaire; to reflect the changes.

Type	Category	Editing	DVs	Imputation
ACCOUNT = 4	Dropped - Not Used		✔	✔
ASSETYPE = 4	Dropped - Not Used		✔	✔

Pensions

7. DEFERRAL OF STATE RETIREMENT PENSION (Page 53)

From April 2005, the DWP has introduced more generous incentives to defer taking-up a state pension, than were available before. A new question has been introduced to collect information on the number of people who defer taking-up their State Pension.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
DEFRPEN	Deferred taking up state pension		✔	✔

Disability

8. DISABILITY QUESTIONS IN THE FRS (Page 34)

The FRS uses the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) definition as the basis for questions on disability. To bring the survey further in line with the DDA definition, further changes have been incorporated, for 2005-06, in the wording of the adult and children's health and new follow up questions.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
DDATREP	illness/disability limited activities		✓	✓
CDDATREP	illness/disability limited activities		✓	✓
CDISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability		✓	✓
DISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability		✓	✓

Carers and Care

9. LENGTH OF TIME CARING (Page 28)

A new question has been introduced in the carers section to record information on how long the 'carer' has been continuously providing care; irrespective of whether there has been a change in the level of care given over that period. Disability and Care Directorate (DCD) are amongst the core users for this new block of enhanced questions and would therefore be the best source for further information regarding its analysis.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
HOWLNG01	How long spent given care by person 1			
HOWLNG02	How long spent given care by person 2			
HOWLNG03	How long spent given care by person 3			
HOWLNG04	How long spent given care by person 4			
HOWLNG05	How long spent given care by person 5			
HOWLNG06	How long spent given care by person 6			
HOWLNG07	How long spent given care by person 7			

HOWLNG08	How long spent given care by person 8			
HOWLNG09	How long spent given care by person 9			
HOWLNG10	How long spent given care by person 10			
HOWLNG11	How long spent given care by person 11			
HOWLNG12	How long spent given care by person 12			
HOWLNG13	How long spent given care by person 13			
HOWLNG14	How long spent given care by person 14			
HOWLNG15	How long spent given care by Relative			
HOWLNG16	How long spent given care by Friends			
HOWLNG17	How long spent given care by LA Help			
HOWLNG18	How long spent given care by Domestic			
HOWLNG19	How long spent given care by Nurse			
HOWLNG20	How long spent given care by Helpers			

Tax Credits

10. TAX CREDIT AWARDS (Page 49)

- Questions on 'year for which the New Tax Credit award apply' have been updated to include reference to the new financial year 2005-06.

- A new question also has been added to collect information about the reason for a "nil" Tax Credit award.

- A soft check has been introduced at TaxCred to double-check whether a working respondent with a child receives Child Tax Credit (CTC).

- A new question has been introduced to collect information on the disability element of the Working Tax Credit (WTC).

- A soft check has been added to questions where WTC and CTC are recorded as less than £26

- Information which is 'not available' from the recipient with regards to Income Support (IS), Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (JSA[IB]) Minimum Income Guarantee (MIG) and its replacement Pensions Credit (PC) has been collected / included for analysis purposes only.

Variable/s	Changes (Label/s)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
NTCDAT = 1	2005-06	✔	✔	
NTCDAT = 2	2004-05	✔	✔	
NTCDAT = 3	2003-04	✔	✔	
NTCDAT = 4	Not available - IS / JSA[IB] / MIG / PC recipient	✔	✔	

Pay

11. BENEFITS-IN-KIND (Page 46)

A new category has been added to collect information on receipt of home computer as a benefit-in-kind from the employer.

New Variable/s	Label/s (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
INKIND12	Received : Home Computer		✔	✔
INKIND13	Received : Any other payments in kind		✔	✔

12. SALARY SACRIFICE OPTIONS (Page 47)

A new question on salary sacrifice, SALSAC, has been introduced to the FRS questionnaire to monitor the take-up of salary sacrifice options. It is a follow on from the INKIND question which identifies whether employers are offering more support to employees via tax/ National Insurance Contribution (NIC) exemptions or whether employers are simply giving the support in lieu of pay.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
SALSAC	Salary sacrifice scheme		✔	✔

Benefits

13. SOCIAL FUND LOAN REPAYMENT (Page 16)

Information on Social Fund (SF) Loan repayments from Income Support (IS) or from Jobseekers Allowance (JSA) was dropped from April 2003, but has been reinstated in the FRS 2005-06 questionnaire as there is a new need for this information.

New Variable/s	Label/s (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation

SFRPIS	Whether repaying SF loan from IS	✓	✓	
SFRPJSA	Whether repaying SF loan from JSA	✓	✓	

14. LONE PARENT'S BENEFIT AND JOB GRANT (Page 64)

Lone Parents Benefit Run-On was replaced by a new Job Grant and questions on benefit have been updated to reflect this change.

Variable/s	Label Change/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
BEN5Q5	Rcpt last 6 months Lone Parent's Run-On / Job Grant	✓	✓	
BENEFIT (52)	Lone Parent Benefit Run-On / Job Grant	✓	✓	

Insurance

15. REMOVAL OF QUESTIONS ON INSURANCE PREMIUM (Page 15)

All questions on insurance premium have been removed from the 2005-06 FRS.

Variable/s	Category	Editing	DVs	Imputation
NUMPOLS1 – 9	Dropped		✓	✓

Note: See 'Changes Metadata' for a full list of variables

Other Changes

16. RENT QUESTIONS (Page 17)

Routing to the period for water or sewerage charges included with rent has been extended so that those who do not know the amount they pay in rent may still record an amount for their water/sewerage charges and the period that their water charges cover.

17. SCHOLARSHIP, BURSARY AND GRANT (Page 40)

The question Grant has been amended to refer a new grant, called the Higher Education Grant, introduced in England and Wales in September 2004 to help University students with a household income of less than £21,186 per year.

18. EDUCATIONAL MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (Page 40)

Educational Maintenance Allowance is no longer a pilot scheme and has been introduced nationally. Reference to the 'pilot' has been removed from Educational Maintenance questions.

Question rotation

19. QUESTIONS FOR 2005-06 ROTATED ON/OFF (page 6)

Vehicle ownership and NHS treatment have been rotated-on. Please note, as in 2002-03, there are two additional questions on school meals asked in Northern Ireland (NI) only. Travel to work has been rotated-off for the 2005-06 FRS.

Questions regarding :-	Status	Editing	DVs	Imputation
Vehicle Ownership	Rotated-On		✓	✓
NHS Treatment	Rotated-On		✓	✓
Travel to Work	Rotated-Off		✓	✓

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TREATMENT WITHIN PROCESSING

Changes in the information collected and structure of that information needs to be taken into account within the processing of the FRS dataset. Most of these changes can be treated by introducing new systems or through extending our current methodologies, and are detailed in this section across the four processing areas;

- **Benefit Editing**
- **Non-Benefit Editing**
- **Imputation**
- **Derived Variables (DVs)**

BENEFIT EDITING

The re-introduction of repayment of a Social Fund loan from JSA or IB has resulted in additional checks for missing values for both being revived.

NON-BENEFIT EDITING

Changes to the dataset have required new checks to be added. These will be fully documented for the twelve month release.

IMPUTATION

The tables below provide further details on all the variable changes that have led to a change in our three imputation methods :

- **Bulk Edits**
- **Algorithms**
- **Hotdecks**

Bulk Edit : New variables

Variable	Label/s	Comments	Table
DDATREP	Illness/disability limited activities	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	ADULT
DEFRPEN	Deferred taking up state pension	Edited to No.	ADULT
DISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	ADULT
CDDATREP	Illness/disability limited activities	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
CDISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
CFUND	Does child have a Child Trust Fund?	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
GIVCFND1	CTF Cont : Child's Parent inside household	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
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GIVCFND6	CTF Cont : Other	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
BENCCDIS	Does benefit account for childcare cost	Edited to mode.	CHLDCARE

CHFAR	Time from home to where Child looked after	Edited to mode.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND1	Payment in Kind : Looked after child(ren) in return	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND2	Payment in Kind: Did favour	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND3	Payment in Kind: Gave gift or treat	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND4	Payment in Kind: Nothing	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND5	Payment in Kind: Other	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
COST	Whether childcare costs anything	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CTRM	Week of childcare	Edited to mode.	CHLDCARE
REGISTRD	Whether registered	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
INKIND12	Received: Home Computer	Edited to No. consistent with existing ones.	JOB
INKIND13	Received: Any other payments in kind	Edited to No. consistent with existing ones.	JOB
SALSAC	Salary sacrifice scheme	Edited to No.	JOB

Bulk Edits : Rotated on variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
DENTIST	Last 4 weeks : whether visited NHS dentist	ADULT
EYETEST	Last 4 weeks : whether had eye test	ADULT
HOSP	Last 4 weeks : whether been to NHS hospital	ADULT
PRSCRPT	Last 4 weeks : whether NHS prescriptions	ADULT
SPECS	Last 4 weeks : whether bought specs/lenses	ADULT
VOUCHER	NHS Voucher for Glasses / Contact Lenses	ADULT
DENTIST	Last 4 weeks: whether visited NHS dentist	CHILD
EYETEST	Last 4 weeks: whether had eye test	CHILD
HOSP	Last 4 weeks: whether been to NHS hospital	CHILD
PRSCRPT	Last 4 weeks: whether NHS prescriptions	CHILD
SPECS	Last 4 weeks: whether bought specs/lenses	CHILD

VOUCHER	NHS Voucher for Glasses/Contact Lenses	CHILD
USEVCL	Number of vehicles owned/contin. use of	HOUSEHOL
VEHIC	Type of vehicle	VEHICLE
VEHOWN	Whether own vehicle	VEHICLE

Bulk Edits : Dropped variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
FUTURE	May we contact you in the future	ADULT
ISA3TYPE	Whether Life insurance in an ISA	ADULT
BENCCDIS	Does benefit account for childcare cost	CHILD
CHFAR	Time from home to where Child looked after	CHILD
CHLOOK01	Childcare from : close relative	CHILD
CHLOOK02	Childcare from : other relative	CHILD
CHLOOK03	Childcare from : friend/neighbour	CHILD
CHLOOK04	Childcare from : childminder	CHILD
CHLOOK05	Childcare from : nursery/school/playgroup	CHILD
CHLOOK06	Childcare from : creche	CHILD
CHLOOK07	Childcare from : employer provide nursery	CHILD
CHLOOK08	Childcare from : nanny/au pair	CHILD
CHLOOK09	Childcare from : before/after school or holiday play scheme	CHILD
CHLOOK10	Childcare from : other	CHILD
CHPAY1	Whether payment in kind for childcare	CHILD
CHPAY2	Whether childcare on an exchange basis	CHILD
CHPAY3	Whether Payment made by "Other"	CHILD
CLONE	Whether anyone else pays for child to have childcare	CHILD
COST	Whether childcare costs anything	CHILD
REGISTR1	Whether childminder registered	CHILD
REGISTR2	Whether nursery/playgroup registered	CHILD
REGISTR3	Whether creche registered	CHILD
REGISTR4	Whether employer nursery registered	CHILD

REGISTR5	Whether nanny/au pair registered	CHILD
PREMIUM	Whether anyone paid an insurance premium	HOUSEHOL
NUMPOLS1	Policy covers : personal accident	INSURANC
NUMPOLS2	Policy covers : private medical treatment	INSURANC
NUMPOLS3	Policy covers : Permanent health insurance	INSURANC
NUMPOLS4	Policy covers : Critical illness cover	INSURANC
NUMPOLS5	Policy covers : Friendly sickness benefit	INSURANC
NUMPOLS6	Policy covers : Hospital cover	INSURANC
NUMPOLS7	Policy covers : Long term care	INSURANC
NUMPOLS8	Policy covers : Other sickness insur.	INSURANC
NUMPOLS9	Policy covers : Redundancy policy	INSURANC
POLMORE	Whether anymore policies	INSURANC
POLPAY	Person who pays insurance premiums	INSURANC

Bulk Edits : Rotated off variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
FARE	Cost of journey (where no pass)	ADULT
NITTWMOD	Usual method of travel to work	ADULT
ONEWAY	Whether one-way or return fare	ADULT
TTWCODE1	Respondent is passenger and contributes	ADULT
TTWCODE2	Respondent is driver and receives money	ADULT
TTWCODE3	Some other arrangement(neither of above)	ADULT
TTWFAR	Distance travelled to work	ADULT
TTWMOD	Usual method of travel to work	ADULT
TTWPAY	Whether pays all/some of travel costs	ADULT
TTWPSS	Whether has season ticket/travelcard	ADULT

Bulk Edits : Category Change

Variable	Comments	Table
TOTSAVE	Changed edit to 8 as that is the new "does not wish to say".	CHILD

Hotdecks : New variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
CFUNDH	Total in Child Trust Fund	CHILD
CFUNDTP	Child Trust Fund Type	CHILD
FUNDAMT1	How much did parent put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT2	How much did outside household parent put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT3	How much did Grandparents put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT4	How much did Other relatives put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT5	How much did Friend put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT6	How much did Other put into fund	CHILD
CHHR	How many hours in last seven days	CHLDCARE

Hotdecks : Rotated on variables

None

Hotdecks : Dropped variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
CHHR1	Hours a week childcare in term-time	CHILD
CHHR2	Hours a week childcare in the holidays	CHILD
POLAMT	Premium: Amount Paid on this Policy	INSURANC
CHAMT1	Costs of childcare during term time	CHILD
CHAMT2	Costs of childcare during holidays	CHILD
CHAMT3	Costs of childcare during term time (paid by other)	CHILD
CHAMT4	Costs of childcare during holidays (paid by other)	CHILD

Hotdecks : Rotated off variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
FARE	Cost of journey (where no pass)	ADULT
ONEWAY	Whether one-way or return fare	ADULT
PSSAMT	Cost of season ticket/travel pass	ADULT

TTWCOST	Cost of weekly travel to work	ADULT
TTWFRQ	Frequency of journey to work	ADULT
TTWREC	Travel costs: passengers' contributions	ADULT

Algorithms

There has been a change from 2004-05; with a new variable **CHAMT** appearing in the CHLDCARE table. This is imputed by calculating the median hourly rate of childcare (**CHAMT / CHHR**) for each type of childcare (CHLOOK, 20 different types) and then multiplying this by the number of hours that childcare is used (**CHHR**).

Variable	Label/s	Status	Table
CHAMT	Costs of Childcare	New	CHLDCARE

DERIVED VARIABLES (DVs)

DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION ACT (DDA)

The changes and extensions to the questions on **HEALTH** were implemented to bring the FRS further in line with current DDA definitions. Incorporating the extended categories fits within our current methodology; however, this will introduce a discontinuity to the current DDA series due to recipients:-

- being without medication or treatment
- having a long-term illness, disability or infirmity
- or being without medication and/or treatment and having a long-term illness, disability or infirmity which limits normal day-to-day activities

The mapping of base variable changes to DVs is shown below : -

Base Variable/s	Label/s	Status	DVs Affected
DDATREP	illness/disability/infirmity limits daily activities	New	adDDA adDDAbu adDDAhh
DISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability/infirmity	New	
CDDATREP	illness/disability/infirmity limits daily activities	New	chDDA chDDAbu chDDAhh
CDISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability/infirmity	New	

This change has been incorporated at both the ADULT and CHILD level and will feed through into both the BENUNIT and HOUSEHOL level DVs.

The changes to the DVs are shown below :-

DVs	Label/s	Table
adDDA	whether an ADULT has a DDA defined disability	ADULT
adDDAbu	the number of ADULTs within a Benefit Unit who have a DDA defined disability	BENUNIT
adDDAhh	the number of ADULTs within a Household that have a DDA defined disability	HOUSEHOL
chDDA	whether a CHILD has a DDA defined disability	CHILD
chDDAbu	the number of CHILDren within a Benefit Unit who have a DDA defined disability	BENUNIT
chDDAhh	the number of CHILDren within a Household that have a DDA defined disability	HOUSEHOL

ETHNICITY OF AN ADULT

ETHGR2 has been created to harmonise the ADULT ethnic groups found in Great Britain and Northern Ireland (**ETHGRP** and **NIETHGRP** respectively); bringing the FRS in line with other Government surveys. This change has been incorporated at the ADULT level and will feed through into both the BENUNIT and HOUSEHOL level DVs.

Derived Variable	Label/s	Table
ETHGR2	Ethnicity of ADULT (harmonised version)	ADULT
BUETHGR2	Ethnicity of ADULT head of benefit unit	BENUNIT
HHETHGR2	Ethnicity of ADULT head of household	HOUSEHOL

ADDITIONAL ACCOUNTS / ASSETS HELD

The Post Office Card Account (POCA) can only be used to receive benefit, state pensions and tax credit payments. No other payments, such as Housing Benefit, occupational pensions, or wages can be paid into it. This type of account cannot go overdrawn, incur any charges or garner any interest on payments received. Only £1,500 in benefit payments can be accrued; once this is exceeded the entire amount of the POCA is transferred to a Savings or Easy Access Account, where different investment rules will apply.

The mapping of the base variable changes to DVs is shown below :-

Base Variable	Label/s	Status	DVs Affected
ACCOUNT = 30	Post Office Card Account held	New	ACCOUNTA
ASSETYPE = 30	Post Office Card Account held	New	ACCOUNTA POCARDI POCARDB POCARDH

NB - Ownership of a Post Office Card Account (POCA) has been recorded as with other account types.

The changes to the DVs are shown below :-

Derived Variable	Label/s	Table
POCARDI	Post Office Card Account held by ADULT	ADULT
POCARDB	Number of Post Office Card Accounts held in benefit unit	BENUNIT
POCARDH	Number of Post Office Card Accounts held in household	HOUSEHOL

NB - As a POCA can earn no interest, the Net (**NININV**) and Gross Investment Income (**ININV**) DVs will remain unchanged.

GOVERNMENT OFFICE REGIONS

COUNTRY is a DV that has been created to aggregate the UK Government Office Regions (**GVTREGN**) into geographical areas (England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland).

Derived Variable	Label/s	Table
Country	Re-classifies GVTREGN into UK geographical areas	HOUSEHOL

REMOVED DVs

A number of DVs have been removed from the dataset. This is to ensure that the process runs efficiently and continues to produce accurate results. Many of the DVs were no longer being used for analysis and some were seen to have been replaced.

Derived Variable	Label/s	Status	Table
HBSUPRAN	Pensions contributions from earnings	removed	ADULT

SUPERAN	Pensions contributions from earnings incl. any voluntary pensions	removed	ADULT
NETOCPEN	Income received from all occupational pensions from former employers (nett)	removed	ADULT
EQUIVAHC	Household equaliser - After housing costs	removed	HOUSEHOL
EQUIVBHC	Household equaliser - Before housing costs	removed	HOUSEHOL
KIDSBU0	Number of dependants under age 1	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU1	Number of dependants aged 1	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU2	Number of dependants aged 2	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU3	Number of dependants aged 3	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU4	Number of dependants aged 4	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU5	Number of dependants aged 5	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU6	Number of dependants aged 6	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU7	Number of dependants aged 7	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU8	Number of dependants aged 8	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU9	Number of dependants aged 9	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU10	Number of dependants aged 10	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU11	Number of dependants aged 11	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU12	Number of dependants aged 12	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU13	Number of dependants aged 13	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU14	Number of dependants aged 14	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU15	Number of dependants aged 15	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU16	Number of dependants aged 16	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU17	Number of dependants aged 17	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU18	Number of dependants aged 18	removed	BENUNIT

REPLACED DVs

To ensure that the DV process runs efficiently, some DVs have been replaced.

OLD DV	Label/s	NEW DV	TABLE
BUETHGRP	Ethnic group of Head of Benefit Unit	**BUETHGR2**	BENUNIT
HHETHGRP	Ethnic group of Head of Household	**HHETHGR2**	HOUSEHOL

CHILD DEPENDANTS

KIDSBU has been re-coded to replace 19 of the previously removed DVs (KIDSBU0-18); which grouped children by age. This will now create four new DVs which can be used to group all dependant children within a Benefit Unit.

Derived Variable	Label/s	Table
KID04	No. of dependant children aged 0 - 4 inc.	BENUNIT
KID510	No. of dependant children aged 5 - 10 inc.	
KID1115	No. of dependant children aged 11 - 15 inc.	
KID1618	No. of dependant children aged 16 - 18 inc.	

BENEFIT RECEIPT INDICATOR

HBINDBU2 and **HBINDHH2** have been created to indicate receipt of Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (JSA [IB]) as well as Council Tax (CTB), Housing Benefit (HB) and Income Support or Pensions Credit (IS/PC) within a Benefit Unit and/or Household. Users will be asked to consider whether these should replace the DVs which are currently being used - **HBINDBU** / **HBINDHH**.

DV Result - Current			
Derived Variable	Label/s	Table	No. of Cases
HBINDBU	BU - in receipt of HB, CTB, IS / PC	BENUNIT	731
HBINDHH	HH - in receipt of HB, CTB, IS / PC	HOUSEHOL	720

DV Result - New			
Derived Variable	Label/s	Table	No. of Cases
HBINDBU2	BU - in receipt of HB, CTB, IS / PC / JSA [IB]	BENUNIT	1259
HBINDHH2	HH - in receipt of HB, CTB, IS / PC / JSA [IB]	HOUSEHOL	1251

METHODOLOGY CHANGES

In some cases changes in information will require changes to the way we process and present data; there will also be instances where we identify the need for changes in response to user comment or from our own review of systems.

Details on the methodological changes we are proposing for 2005-06 are shown below under the area for which they are most applicable:

- **Benefit Editing**
- **Non-Benefit Editing**

- **Imputation**

- **Derived Variables (DVs)**

None

Changes to the dataset have required new checks to be added. These will be fully documented for the twelve month release.

There has been one amendment to existing methodologies from 2004-05. In previous years, mortgages that were taken out for essential repairs (rather than to purchase the property) had to be imputed manually – so as not to confuse them with purchase mortgages. As there are very few of these mortgages (11 in the six-month release) it is difficult to design a sensible hot-deck for them. For the time being they are being matched with essential repair mortgages using the loan year (LOANYEAR) if one exists, otherwise any record is chosen at random.

NB -   This will be reviewed following the six month release.

Hot-deck :

Variable	Label/s	Table
MORTEND	Term of mortgage	MORTGAGE

FREE SCHOOL MEALS - MONETARY VALUE (FSMVAL)

- Following on from consultation with users, the FSMVAL will now be up-rated using the Retail Price Index (RPI) for inflation; ensuring that the FRS remains in-step with other Government departments. This method is a point-in-time estimate and it is not proposed that we adjust the back-series; though users are free to make the necessary adjustments if needed.

Type of School	2004-05 Value	2005-06 Value	RPI % Increase
Primary	£1.40	£1.44	**2.9**

Secondary	£1.50	£1.54	

NB - for RPI information see - http://www.statistics.gov.uk/STATBASE/tsdataset.asp?vlnk=229&More=N&All=Y

ACCOUNTS AND ASSETS - NEW CONSTANTS AND FORMATS

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Derived Variable	Label/s	Table
POCARDI	Post Office Card Account held by ADULT	ADULT
POCARDB	Number of Post Office Card Accounts held in a benefit unit	BENUNIT
POCARDH	Number of Post Office Card Accounts held in a household	HOUSEHOL

NB - As a POCA can earn no interest, the Net (**NININV**) and Gross Investment Income (**ININV**) DVs will remain unchanged.

ADJUSTMENT FOR RATES PAID WITHIN RENT (Northern Ireland only)

- Where rates is included in rent **(NORATE=1)** and rent is greater than zero, the amount for **HHRENT** is adjusted to rent minus rates paid. If this new amount is less than zero, then a value of zero is imputed (**HHRENT- NIRATE*NINRV)**. The adjustment is also applied to **TUHHRENT**

Family Resources Survey

Interviewer's Guide to Changes

April 2005

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1   SUMMARY

This booklet describes the main changes made to the FRS questionnaire from April 2005. The changes have been made to meet the changing information needs of policy makers for example to reflect the changes in benefit recipient rules. Changes have also been made to improve the survey by actioning suggestions made by interviewers in the last survey year.

Thank you to all the interviewers who worked on the 2004/05 FRS. Some interviewers also made suggestions to improve the questionnaire for 2005/06 mainly through the Field Report, telephone and also via suggestions at briefings. Experienced interviewers are also involved in testing the program before the start of the survey year and during the survey year to monitor how well the changes have been incorporated. Sometimes it is not possible to act on suggested changes if they will create inconsistencies with other surveys, for example where the change will affect a harmonised question. Sometimes the DWP could not agree to a change that would reduce the amount of information collected. There can be unanticipated knock-on effects to some changes. Where possible suggested changes are made and these are acknowledged in the guide to changes.

What's Gone and What's Back?

Three sections of the questionnaire have been rotated on or off the questionnaire in an annual cycle as shown in Table 1.

Table 1: rotated topics since 2003/2004

Question Topic	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
Vehicles	On	Off	On
NHS	On	Off	On
Travel to Work	Off	On	Off

The Travel to Work section of the survey has been 'rotated off' for the coming year (i.e. removed for 2005/06). The NHS questions and Vehicle questions have been re-introduced.

In addition to the rotated questions, questions on Insurance Premia have been dropped from the 2005/06 survey. Questions on Social Fund Loan Repayments have been reintroduced since having been dropped since the 2003/04 survey.

Details of these questions are displayed in Section 2.

What's New?
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Showcards

At the request of interviewers, numbering of showcards has been increased to allow respondents to answer more confidentially on topics they may find sensitive.

2   Rotation of Question Blocks

'Rotated' sections of the questionnaire are usually asked every *other* year. This yields enough data for useful analysis, whilst reducing the burden on respondents and interviewers.

Two sections of the questionnaire will be 'rotated on' and one will be 'rotated off' for the 2005-06 survey year.

Questions on prescriptions, dentist and hospital treatment, eye tests and glasses, free school milk and free school meals

(Block: Welfare)

The 'NHS' questions concerning prescriptions, dentist and hospital treatment, eye tests and glasses will be rotated onto the questionnaire in 2005/2006.

Question Name	Question wording	Change made
NHS	In the past 4 weeks, have any of you ... READ OUT ...CODE ALL THAT APPLY... (enter at most 5 codes) 1: ... received something on prescription? 2: ... visited the dentist for a NHS examination or treatment? 3: ... had an eyesight test? 4: ... purchased glasses or contact lenses? 5: ... or been to hospital for NHS treatment? 6: (None of these)	ROTATE ON
Per	Who received the items on prescription? Who visited the dentist? Who had the eyesight test? Who purchased the glasses or contact lenses? Who went to hospital?	ROTATE ON
PrIt	How many items did [name] receive during the past 4 weeks?	ROTATE ON

Free	Were the items free of charge or did [name] have to pay? 1: Free of charge 2: Had to pay Was the examination or treatment free of charge or did [name] have to pay? 1: Free of charge 2: Had to pay Was the sight test free of charge or did [name] have to pay? 1: Free of charge 2: Had to pay	ROTATE ON
WhyFree	What are the main reasons for that being free of charge? 1. Entitled through a social security benefit (IS, JSA, Tax Credits) 2. Because they have a charges certificate HC2 3. Due to a medical condition (or a relative's medical condition) 4. Because they required strong 'complex' lenses 5. Expecting a baby 6. Other reason	ROTATE ON
Voucher	For the glasses/contact lenses, was a NHS voucher used to help with the cost? 1: Yes 2: No	ROTATE ON
Trav	Did [name] get any money back at the hospital, for travel costs?	ROTATE ON

Question name	Question wording	Change made
WhyTrav	What are the main reasons for getting money back for travel costs? 1. Entitled through a social security benefit (IS, JSA, Tax Credits) 2. Because they have a charges certificate HC2 3. Due to a medical condition (or a relative's medical condition) 4. Because they required strong 'complex' lenses 5. Expecting a baby 6. Other reason	ROTATE ON
Xintro	Has anyone else had anything on prescription ... Has anyone else visited the dentist ... Has anyone else had an eyesight test ... Has anyone else purchased glasses or contact lenses ... ... during the past 4 weeks?	ROTATE ON

The questions below on Free Welfare Milk and Free School Meals were included in the questionnaire in 2004/2005 when the NHS questions were removed and will remain in the 2005/2006 survey.

Question name	Question wording	Change made
FreeItem	QUESTIONS ABOUT FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND WELFARE MILK. In the last 7 days, have any of you (including any children under 16) had. READ_OUT 1. any free welfare milk? 2. any free school milk? 3. any free school meals? 4. None of these	REMAIN
WMkPer	Who received the free welfare milk? INTERVIEWER: type in person number.	REMAIN
WMkIt	Thinking just of the PAST SEVEN DAYS ending yesterday – how many pints did [NameOf CHILD] receive?	REMAIN

	: 0..97	
WMIntro	INTERVIEWER PROMPT: Has anyone else had any free welfare milk during the past seven days ending yesterday? 1. Yes 2. No	REMAIN
SMkPer	Who received the free school milk? ONLY APPLICABLE TO CHILDREN AT STATE SCHOOLS INTERVIEWER: type in person number HELP <F9> : THHSize	REMAIN
SMkIt	Thinking just of the PAST SEVEN DAYS ending yesterday – how many cartons or bottles did ^DMName[SmkPer] receive? : 0..97	REMAIN
SMIntro	INTERVIEWER PROMPT: Has any other child had any free school milk during the past seven days ending yesterday? ONLY APPLICABLE TO CHILDREN AT STATE SCHOOLS. 1. Yes 2. No	REMAIN
LPer	Who received the free school meals? ONLY APPLICABLE TO CHILDREN AT STATE SCHOOLS. CAN INCLUDE 16-18 YEAR OLDS. INTERVIEWER TYPE IN PERSON NUMBER. : THHSize	REMAIN

SMllt	Thinking just of the PAST SEVEN DAYS ending yesterday, how many free school meals have you had? : 0..97	REMAIN
MLIntro	INTERVIEWER PROMPT: Has any other child had any free school meals during the past seven days ending yesterday? ONLY APPLICABLE TO CHILDREN AT STATE SCHOOLS. CAN INCLUDE 16-18 YEAR OLDS.@/" 1. Yes 2. No	REMAIN

Northern Ireland variation - Extra questions on free school meals

(Block: Meals)

There are two additional questions on school meals asked in Northern Ireland only. These questions were last included in the 2002/2003 FRS.

Due to the eligibility criteria at these questions (based on whether respondents are in receipt of particular benefits) they will be asked after the questions on benefits in the Benefit Unit Schedule.

Question name	Question wording	Change made
Apply	Earlier you said your child(ren) did not receive free school meals. Do you know how to go about applying for free school meals? 1. Yes 2. No	**'New' question**
WhyNot	Why have you not applied for free school meals?	**'New' question**

Questions on Vehicle Use and Ownership

(Block: Qvehicle)

Questions on the number and type of vehicles owned or used by members of the household will be rotated onto the 2005/2006 survey.

Question name	Question wording	Change made
UseVcl	Do you, or any members of your household, at present own or have continuous use of any motor vehicles? INTERVIEWER: include company vehicles – if available for private use 0. None 1. One 2. Two 3. Three 4. Four or more	ROTATE ON

Question name	Question wording	Change made
TypeVcl	SHOW CARD Q I would now like to ask about the [first/second etc] vehicle. Is it... 1. a car 2. a light van 3. a motor cycle, 4. or some other motor vehicle?	ROTATE ON
PrivVcl	Is the [car/light van/motorcycle/other motor vehicle]... 1. privately owned, 2. or is it a company vehicle?	ROTATE ON
AnyMore	Do (any of) you at present own or have continuous use of any more motor vehicles?	ROTATE ON

Questions on Travel to Work

(Block: Qtravel)

Questions on travel to work are rotated off the survey for 2005/2006.

Question name	Question wording	
TtwFar	NOW THERE ARE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT TRAVEL TO WORK About how far do you have to travel to your usual place of work? INTERVIEWER: GIVE ONE-WAY DISTANCE or AVERAGE of OUTWARD and RETURN JOURNEYS 1: Work at, or from home/live at work 2: Varies - no usual place of work 3: Under 1 mile 4: 1 but under 2 miles 5: 2 but under 5 miles 6: 5 but under 10 miles 7: 10 but under 15 miles 8: 15 but under 20 miles 9: 20 but under 25 miles 10: 25 but under 50 miles 11: 50 but under 100 miles 12: 100 miles and over	ROTATE OFF
TtWFrq	On how many days of the week do you usually travel to your usual place of work. INTERVIEWER: IF WEEKLY PATTERN VARIES, GIVE AVERAGE TO 1 DECIMAL PLACE.	ROTATE OFF
TtWMod	How do you usually travel to work? PROBE FOR MAIN METHOD 1: car/van (include minibus/works van) 2: motorbike/moped/scooter 3: bicycle 4: bus (include coach, private bus) 5: railway train 6: London underground train	ROTATE OFF

	7: Light railway/tram 8: walk 9: taxi 10: other	
NORTHERN IRELAND VARIATION **NiTtWMod**	NORTHERN IRELAND VARIATION How do you usually travel to work? PROBE FOR MAIN METHOD 1: car/van (include minibus/works van) 2: motorbike/moped/scooter 3: bicycle 4: bus (include coach, private bus) 5: train 6: walk 7: taxi 10: other	NORTHERN IRELAND VARIATION ROTATE OFF
TtWPss	Do you have a season ticket, bus pass or travel card?	ROTATE OFF
PssAmt	How much does the season ticket/bus pass/travel card cost?	ROTATE OFF
Pssdate	And how long is it valid for? 1. 1 week 2. 1 month 3. 3 months/school term 4. 6 months 5. 1 year 6. More than 1 year 7. Unlimited 8. Other	ROTATE OFF
OthDate	PLEASE SPECIFY... INTERVIEWER: ENTER NUMBER OF DAYS, WEEKS OR MONTHS COVERED, OR START AND END DATES.	ROTATE OFF
Fare	How much does the journey by (AS	ROTATE OFF

	APPROPRIATE) ...bus/train/tube/light rail/taxi ... cost each time? If you share the taxi with others please only include your share of the fare	
OneWay	Is that the one-way or return fare?	ROTATE OFF
TtWPay	Do you pay for ALL, SOME, OR NONE of the costs of taking the [car or van/motorcycle] to work? 1: Pay ALL 2: Pay SOME 3: Pay NONE	ROTATE OFF
TtWCode	1: Respondent is passenger and contributes money to others 2: Respondent is driver and receives money from passengers/employer etc 3: Some other arrangement (neither of the above)	ROTATE OFF
If TtwCode is coded 1: **TtWCost**	How much do you pay per week?	ROTATE OFF
If TtwCode is coded 2: **TtWRec**	How much do you receive per week?	ROTATE OFF

Removal of Questions on Insurance Premia

(Block: Qpolicies)

All questions on insurance premia have been removed from the FRS from 2005/2006.

Question name	Question wording	Type of Change
Premium	Do ANY of you have any insurance policies which cover you for any of the things shown on this card? (These are not life/death policies).	Removed
NumPols	SHOW CARD Q Thinking about (the first/second etc) policy, which of these things does it cover? Any others? CODE ALL THAT APPLY PLEASE INCLUDE ANY INSURANCE PROVIDED BY AN EMPLOYER OR PENSION SCHEME 1. Personal accident insurance 2. Private medical 3. Permanent health insurance 4. Critical illness cover 5. Friendly society sickness benefit 6. To provide an income while in hospital 7. Nursing home/long-term care 8. Any other sickness insurance 9. Unemployment/Redundancy NOTE: Codes 2, 7 and 8 are not followed up with details of payments because these policies do not provide an income.	Removed

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
PolPay	Who pays the premiums? 1: The person(s) insured 2: Someone else 3: Both of the above	Removed
PolAmt	How much was the last premium on this policy?	Removed
PolPd	How long did that cover?	Removed
PolMore	SHOW CARD Q Do ANY of you have any more policies for any of the things shown on this card?	Removed

Social Fund Loan Repayment

Information on Social Fund Loan repayments was dropped from April 2003. It has been added to the 2005/2006 questionnaire as there is a new need for this information.

(Block: QBenefit)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
SFRepay	Are you at present making any repayments on any Social Fund loan(s)?	
RepayAmt	How much in total do you repay per week? IF REPAYING MORE THAN ONE LOAN, GIVE COMBINED AMOUNT	
SFInc	Just now you said that you got [amount of Income Support/pension credit/JSA] last time. Was that BEFORE or AFTER taking off your Social Fund loan repayments? 1. BEFORE taking off amount for loan repayment 2. AFTER taking off amount for loan repayment	

3. Household Schedule

Rent questions

Routing to the question on the reference period for water or sewerage charges included with rent (RentPd2) has been extended so that those who do not know the amount they pay in rent may still record an amount for their water/sewerage charges and the period that their water charges cover.

(Block: QRenting)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
Rent	How much rent do you, that is just [Person 1 in BU 1] (and [Person 2 in BU 1]) currently pay?	
RENTPD	How long did this cover?	
WSIncAmt	How much was included for (water/sewerage)?	
Ask if Rent and RentFull are answered 'Don't know' or refused and WSIncAmt is not answered 'Don't know' or refused **RENTPD2**	 How long did this cover?	Routing to this question changed

Water charges

The wording of the question QWaterSew has been changed slightly to avoid ambiguity.

2004/05 wording of WaterMet
Are your water charges metered or not? 1.   Yes 2.   No

(Block: QWaterSew)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
WaterMet	Are your water charges metered? 1. Yes 2. No	Wording changed

Childcare

Recent research commissioned by the DWP and carried out by the Institute of Fiscal Studies has demonstrated disparities between results from childcare questions on the FRS and those on other surveys. Measurements of formal group-based care appear to be underestimated on the FRS. This understatement of childcare costs on the FRS described above has serious implications for the accuracy of tax credits costings and forecasting.

In order to try to reduce disparities between estimates of childcare on different surveys, the FRS has adopted the approach used on the Labour Force Survey (LFS) since the LFS was shown to produce more robust estimates. Questions from the Families and Children Survey have also been included where LFS alternatives do not exist.

The key changes that have been made are:

- childcare use in the past 7 days;

- the distinction between term-times and holidays removed;

- question on average childcare costs removed and replaced with question on most recent payment;

- multiple paid childcare providers identified.

Childcare costs
It is intended that only payments made by the parent or guardian of the child(ren) are recorded. Payments made by other relatives e.g. grandparents should be excluded. Also exclude payment made with childcare vouchers.

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of Change
Disp	The next questions are about childcare. (The questions should be directed at [parent's name] wherever possible) EMPTY	RETAINED INTRODUCTION

ASK OF EACH CHILD **CHATT**	At any time during the seven days ending Sunday the [Date], did [NAME OF CHILD] attend any of the following? CODE ALL THAT APPLY 1. Playgroup or pre school? [ASK ONLY IF CHILD AGED UNDER 6] 2. Day nursery or workplace creche? [ASK ONLY IF CHILD AGED UNDER 6] 3. Nursery school? [ASK ONLY IF CHILD AGED UNDER 6] 4. Infant's school? [ASK ONLY IF CHILD AGED OVER 3 & UNDER 6 5. Primary school? [ASK ONLY IF CHILD AGED OVER 2 & UNDER 6] 6. Breakfast / After school club? [ASK IF CHILD AGED OVER 2] 7. Holiday scheme / club? 8. Children's Centres/integrated centres/combined centres? 9. SPONTANEOUS ONLY – Boarding school [ASK ONLY IF CHILD AGED OVER 2] 10. SPONTANEOUS ONLY – Other 11. None of the above	New Question
ASK OF EACH CHILD **CHATT**	At any time during the seven days ending Sunday the [Date], did [NAME OF CHILD] attend any of the following?	

APPLIES IF CHATT=4 **CHINF**	(Can I just check), at the infants school, was [NAME OF CHILD] in a 1. Reception class? 2. Nursery class? 3. None of the above	New Question
APPLIES IF CHATT=5 **CHPRI**	(Can I just check), at the Primary school, was [NAME OF CHILD] in a 1. Reception class? 2. Nursery class? 3. None of the above	New Question
APPLIES IF CHAGE>=3 AND CHATT=1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 **OR CHINF=1,2 OR CHPRI=1,2** **CTRM**	(Can I just check) for [CHILD'S NAME] was that week in term time or was it a school holiday… 1. Term time 2. Half term 3. Or other school holiday? 4. Not applicable	
APPLIES for all children **CHPEO**	SHOW CARD R And during those seven days (ending Sunday the [DATE]) were there any other people who looked after [NAME]? INTERVIEWER: other than resident parent / guardian, and staff contact whilst at places previously mentioned	

	1. Child's grand parents 2. Child's non-resident parent/an ex-spouse/an ex-partner 3. Child's brother or sister 4. Other relatives 5. Childminder 6. Nanny/Au pair (includes both live-in and day nannies) 7. Friends or neighbours 8. Other non-relatives 9. SPONTANEOUS ONLY – Does not require minding 10. None of the above	
APPLIES IF CHATT=1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 OR CHINF=1,2 OR CHPRI=1,2 OR CHPEO=1-8 **ChFar**	How long does it take to travel from your home to the place where [NAME OF CHILD] is looked after? INTERVIEWER: if two or more types of care, record travel time for place of care with the most hours per week. 1. Cared for at home 2. Less than half an hour 3. Half to one hour 4. More than one, but less than 2 hours 5. Two hours or more	Question Retained
Loops round each of the types of care ^TEXTFILL CHILDMINDER Childminder = CHPEO=5 Playgroup or pre school = CHATT=1 Day nursery or creche = CHATT= 2 Nursery school =		Question retained and changed to include approved childcare

CHATT=3 **Infant's school =** **CHINF=1, 2** **Primary school =** **CHPRI=1,2** **Nanny/Au Pair =** **CHPEO=6** **Registrd**	Can I just check, is the ^childminder registered or approved, or not?" 1. Registered or approved, 2. Not registered or not approved	

ASKED FOR EACH PROVIDER **Childminder = CHPEO=5 or** **Day nursery or creche = CHATT= 2 or** **Nanny/Au Pair = CHPEO=6** **EmplProv**	Is the childcare ^inwith [childcare type] provided by your employer? 1. Yes 2. No 3. Does not apply – child's parents / guardians have no employer	New question
ROUTE QUESTIONS **BELOW FOR EACH** **CHILD AND FOR EACH** **PROVIDER.** **APPLIES IF CHATT=1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10** **OR CHINF=1,2 OR** **CHPRI=1,2 OR** **CHPEO=1-8** **ChHr1**	About how many hours in the seven days ending on Sunday the [date] did [NAME] spend in [child-care]. Include both paid and unpaid childcare Unpaid childcare is any care provided on a regular basis for which no cost is attached. This may include regular after school care provided by grandparents, a neighbour etc. 0..60	

ROUTE QUESTIONS BELOW FOR EACH CHILD AND FOR EACH PROVIDER. **APPLIES IF CHATT=1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 OR CHINF=1,2 OR CHPRI=1,2 OR CHPEO=1-8 AND ASK IF CHHR1>0 Cost** **Cost**	Thinking of the childcare [in/with][type care listed at CHATT AND CHPEO] for [NAME OF CHILD], does this cost you anything? INTERVIEWER: exclude payments made by others e.g. grandparents or where payment is made with childcare vouchers. Include payments made by parents / guardian 1. Yes 2.No	
ROUTE QUESTIONS BELOW FOR EACH CHILD AND FOR EACH PROVIDER. **APPLIES IF CHATT=1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 OR CHINF=1,2 OR CHPRI=1,2 OR CHPEO=1-8 AND ASK IF CHHR1>0 and Cost=1** **ChAmt1**	How much was your most recent payment for the childcare [in/with][type care listed at CHATT AND CHPEO] for [NAME OF CHILD?	

	IF UNABLE TO ATTRIBUTE COSTS PER CHILD, THEN ENTER AN ESTIMATE BY DIVIDING TOTAL COSTS FOR EACH PROVIDER BY NUMBER OF CHILDREN INTERVIEWER: exclude payments made by others e.g. grandparents or where payment is made with childcare vouchers. Include payments made by parents / guardian 0.00 …99997.00	

ROUTE QUESTIONS BELOW FOR EACH CHILD AND FOR EACH PROVIDER. **APPLIES IF CHATT=1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10** **OR CHINF=1,2 OR CHPRI=1,2 OR CHPEO=1-8** **AND** **ASK IF CHHR1>0 and chamt1>0**		
ChPeriod	And what period did that payment cover? (1) One week, (2) Two weeks, (3) Three weeks, (4) Four weeks, (5) Calendar month, (7) Two Calendar months, (8) Eight times a year, (9) Nine times a year, (10) Ten times a year, (13) Three months/13 weeks, (26) Six months/26 weeks, (52) One Year/12 months/52 weeks, (90) Less than one week, (95) One off/lump sum, (97) None of these (EXPLAIN IN A NOTE)	

ASK OF EACH CHILDCARE PROVIDER AT CHPEO=1TO 8 **ChInKnd**	SHOW CARD S [And/And apart from any money which you paid] do you do any of the things on this card to repay [type care listed at CHPEO] for looking after [NAME OF CHILD]. 1. Looked after his/her child(ren) in return 2. Did him/her a favour 3. Gave him/her a gift or treat 4. No, nothing 5. Other	

ASKED ONCE IF Childminder = CHPEO=5 or Playgroup or pre school = CHATT=1 or Day nursery or creche = CHATT= 2 or Nursery school = CHATT=3 or Infant's school = CHINF=1, 2or Primary school = CHPRI=1,2 Nanny/Au Pair = CHPEO=6 AND (ChAge < 13) AND (QRenting.HBenAmt > 0 OR QRenting.HBenefit = Yes OR QCounTax.CTRebAmt > 0 OR QCounTax.CTReb = Yes OR QNIRates.RTRebAmt > 0 OR QNIRates.RTReb = Yes) **BenCCDis**	You said earlier that you get [Housing Benefit/Council Tax Benefit]. Does the benefit take account of the cost of the [nursery / school / creche / playgroup etc]? 1. Yes 2. No	

Carers and Care

a) Length of time caring

There is a great deal of cross-departmental interest in informal care and this is likely to remain the case for the foreseeable future.

The carers section has a new question in 2005/06 to record information on how long the carer has been providing care. It is that this question records how long care has been given continuously irrespective of whether there has been a change in the level of care given over that period.

(Block: QCare)

Name of Question	Question Wording	Type of Change
HowLng	About how long has/have [carer(s)] been providing help for or looking after [name of person receiving care]? PROMPT AS NECESSARY 1. Less than 6 months 2. 6 months, less than 1 year 3. 1 year, less than 3 years 4. 3 years, less than 5 years 5. 5 years, less than 10 years 6. 10 years, less than 15 years 7. 15 years, less than 20 years 8. 20 years or more	New Question

b) Help Screen at NeedHelp and GiveHelp
A help screen has been added at questions NeedHelp and GiveHelp where it is established whether anyone receives or gives care inside or outside the household. The respondent is asked to refer to Showcard T which lists the types of care that should be included when answering NeedHelp and GiveHelp. Some respondents may need some help in reading these items or may not be able to decide whether the care they give fits the types of care listed on the card. As the types of care listed on Showcard T were not available on screen to interviewers it made helping the respondent with these questions more difficult than it might be. Interviewers asked that the contents of Showcard T be made available as a help screen.

You will be able to access the help screen by using the F9 help key.

Content of help screen at NeedHelp and GiveHelp

Keeping an eye out, 'being there':
Being available if needed
Making your whereabouts known so you can be contacted if needed

Social support and assistance:
Sitting with
Chatting with/ listening to/reading to
Making/receiving telephone calls to talk to them
Encouraging them to do things for themselves

Accompanying on trips out to go:
Shopping
To hospital/ GP/optician/dentist/chiropodist
To the park/church/restaurant

Paperwork/official/financial:
Helping with paperwork
Dealing with 'officials' (including by phone)

Home and garden:
Making meals
Going shopping for someone
Washing/ironing/changing sheets
Cleaning /housework
Gardening
Odd jobs/maintenance

Medical:
Collecting prescriptions/giving medication
Changing dressings

Moving about the home: Giving help with
Getting up and down stairs
Moving from room to room
Getting in and out of bed

Personal care: help with
Getting dressed
Feeding
Washing/bathing/using the toilet

c) Checks on inconsistencies between carer questions and carer's benefits questions

New checks have been added to the questionnaire to prevent inconsistencies in information collected on informal care. Checks for inconsistencies between information on informal care in the household and information collected on receipt of carer's benefits have also been added.

Prevent information on people living outside the household where the only carer also lives outside the household being recorded.

Name of Question	Question Wording	Type of Change
GiveHelp	CARD T And how about people <u>not living with you</u>: do you/ does anyone <u>in this household provide</u> any help or support for anyone not living with you who has a long-term physical or mental ill-health problem or disability, or problems relating to old age? 1. Yes 2. No	Where Givehelp is Code 1 'Yes', only household members will be able to be coded as carers at the following question Wholook.
WhoLook	Who looks after, or provides help for [name]? Anyone else? <u>CODE ALL THAT APPLY</u> 1: to 14: [names of household members] **Cannot code 15 to 20 for people who are cared for outside the household** 15: Relatives 16: Friends/neighbours 17: Local Authority home help or home care worker 18: Private domestic help 19: District nurse, health visitor or other kind of nurse 20: Other outside helpers	

Cases have been found where someone NOT living in the household is recorded as being cared for by someone else who also does NOT live in the household (e.g. Givehelp is Code 1 'Yes', QneedPer is Code 15 'Parent outside Household' and WhoLook is Code 19 'District nurse, health visitor or other kind of nurse'). The DWP do not want to record information about caring which is given to household members who do not live in the household. This is because there is no record of caring either being given or received by anyone in the 'FRS household' and so the information on formal care cannot be linked with answers given in other parts of the questionnaire.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You will be prevented from coding people outside the household as carers when the person being cared for also lives outside of the household.

If the respondent reports that help is given to someone not living in the household at Givehelp and then tells you that ONLY the district nurse (or some other person NOT living in the household) gives the care return to GiveHelp and code 2 'No' (make sure that the ONLY carer is outside the household as we want to make sure that we record any carers who live in the 'FRS household'. Make a note of the circumstances if someone inside the household did not want to be identified as a carer).

PLEASE NOTE: that for people being cared for who live in the FRS household we want to know about who cares for them whether the carer lives in the household or not (e.g. Person 1 (husband) is receiving care from his wife and the district nurse so at Wholook the interviewer records Code 2 (which is person 2 in the household grid (wife)) and Code 19 (District nurse, health visitor or other kind of nurse).

Soft check for conflict between record of Carer's Allowance and Disability Living Allowance (Care Component) and Attendance Allowance

On analysing data collected on the FRS, a number of cases have been found where Carers Allowance is recorded as being received by the carer but the person they care for in the 'FRS household' is not recorded as being in receipt of either Disability Living Allowance (Care component) or Attendance Allowance. This conflict in responses is a problem to data analysts at the DWP and Inland Revenue.

A soft check will be introduced to check that where Carer's Allowance is recorded for the carer there is a corresponding record of DLA(C) or AA for the person receiving care. If, on double-checking, it is established that the person receiving care is in receipt of DLA(C) or AA go back to Ben2Q and change the answer. Otherwise, suppress the check and make a note if appropriate.

Name of Question	Question Wording	Type of Change
Ben1Q	SHOW CARD NN Looking at this card, are you at present receiving any of these state benefits in your own right: that is, where you are the named recipient? 1. Child Benefit 2. Guardian's Allowance 3. **Invalid Care Allowance/Carer's Allowance** 4. Retirement Pension (NI), or Old Person's Pension 5. Widow's Pension, Bereavement Allowance or Widowed Parent's (formerly Widowed Mother's) allowance 6. War Disablement Pension or War Widow's/Widower's Pension (and any related allowances) 7. Severe Disablement Allowance 8. None of these	A soft check will appear when Ben1Q is Code 3 'Invalid Care Allowance/Carer's Allowance' for the carer and Ben2Q is Code 4 'None of these' for the person cared for.
Ben2Q	1: **CARE COMPONENT of Disability Living Allowance** 2: MOBILITY COMPONENT of Disability Living Allowance 3: **Attendance Allowance** 4: None of these	

Soft check for inconsistency between record of receipt of Invalid Care Allowance and record of informal care.

Each year there are a number of respondents who report being in receipt of Invalid Care Allowance but do not report providing care. A soft check will appear when Ben1Q is Code 3 'Invalid Care Allowance / Carer's Allowance' to double-check with the respondent whether they care for someone. If this is the case then return to the care block and ask them the care questions again. Make a note where you cannot reconcile the answer to Ben1Q and the carer questions, for example where the respondent may have refused to answer questions on the care they give.

Name of Question	Question Wording	Type of Change
Ben1Q	SHOW CARD NN Looking at this card, are you at present receiving any of these state benefits in your own right: that is, where you are the named recipient? 1. Child Benefit 2. Guardian's Allowance **3. Invalid Care Allowance/Carer's Allowance** 4. Retirement Pension (NI), or Old Person's Pension 5. Widow's Pension, Bereavement Allowance or Widowed Parent's (formerly Widowed Mother's) allowance 6. War Disablement Pension or War Widow's/Widower's Pension (and any related allowances) 7. Severe Disablement Allowance 8. None of these	A soft check will appear when Ben1Q is Code 3 'Invalid Care Allowance/Carer's Allowance' but the respondent has not been recorded as being a carer.

4. Benefit Unit Schedule

Health and Disability

Over the last couple of years the FRS has grown in use to become one of the main survey sources of information on disability. The FRS now provides the basis for DWP disability target setting and a variety of analytical work carried out by the Disability and Carers Directorate. Through this there is a key requirement to ensure that the FRS is fully in line with the recognised Disability Discrimination Act definition.

Changes were made in the 2004/2005 questionnaire to improve FRS compatibility with the Disability Discrimination Act definition. Further changes have been made for the 2005/2006 survey. The health questions will be as follows in 2005/6.

The description of continence now includes both bladder and bowel control at Code 4 'Continence (bladder and bowel control)' of Disdif and CdisDif after interviewer's sought clarification on whether bowel control should be included.

(Block: Qhealth)

Question Name	Question wording	Type of change
QUESTIONS ABOUT ADULTS' HEALTH **Health**	*Do you have any long-standing illness, disability or infirmity? By 'long-standing' I mean anything that has troubled you over a period of at least 12 months or that is likely to affect you over a period of at least 12 months 1. Yes 2. No	CHANGE IN WORDING
If HEALTH=1 'Yes' **HProb**	Does this physical or mental illness or disability (Do any of these physical or mental illnesses or disabilities) limit your activities in any way? INTERVIEWER: This is a question of opinion. 1. Yes 2. No	NO CHANGE
If HEALTH=1 'Yes' **DISDIF**	SHOW CARD W Does this/Do these health problem(s) or disability(ies) mean that you have substantial difficulties with any of these areas of your life? Please read out the numbers from the card next to the ones which apply to you. PROBE: Which others? 1: Mobility (moving about) 2: Lifting, carrying or moving objects 3: Manual dexterity (using	CHANGE IN WORDING AND SHOWCARD Code 4 at Disdif and CdisDif has been extended on the request of interviewers to give guidance on how to code Continence problems (e.g. Continence includes bladder and bowel control).

	your hands to carry out everyday tasks) 4: Continence (bladder and bowel control) 5: Communication (speech, hearing or eyesight) 6: Memory or ability to concentrate, learn or understand 7: Recognising when you are in physical danger 8: Your physical co-ordination (eg: balance) 9: Other health problem or disability 10: None of these	
DDATRE	Can I just check, do you receive medication or treatment without which your health problems (when taken together), would substantially affect your life in the areas we have been discussing? 1. Yes 2. No	CHANGE IN WORDING
DISDIFP	Have you ever had a long-term illness, disability or infirmity that affected your activities? (By long-term, I mean lasting for a year or more). 1. Yes 2. No	NEW QUESTION TO BE ROUTED FROM 'NO' TO HEALTH OR (YES TO DISDIF10 AND 'NO' TO DDATRE)
DDATREP	Did this health problem or disability (Did these health problems or disabilities, when taken singly or together,) substantially limit your ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities? If you were receiving medication or treatment, please consider what the situation would have been without medication or treatment. 1: Yes 2:No	NEW QUESTION TO FOLLOW DISDIFP

QUESTIONS ABOUT CHILDREN'S HEALTH		
CHEALTH	*Does [child's name] have any long-standing illness, disability or infirmity? By long-standing I mean anything that has troubled [child's name] over a period of at least 12 months or that is likely to affect him/her over a period of at least 12 months INTERVIEWER: THIS IS A QUESTION OF OPINION. 1. Yes 2. No	CHANGE IN WORDING
If CHEALTH=1 'Yes' **CHProb**	Does this physical or mental illness or disability (Do any of these physical or mental illnesses or disabilities) limit [child name]'s activities in any way? INTERVIEWER: This is a question of opinion. 1. Yes 2. No	NO CHANGE
If CHEALTH=1 'Yes' **CDISDIF**	SHOW CARD W Does this/Do these health problem(s) or disability(ies) mean that [child's name] has substantial difficulties with any of these areas of his/her life? Please read out the numbers from the card next to the ones which apply. Exclude difficulties which you would expect for a child of that age. PROBE: Which others? 1: Mobility (moving about) 2: Lifting, carrying or moving objects 3: Manual dexterity (using your hands to carry out everyday tasks)	CHANGE IN WORDING AND SHOWCARD

	4: Continence (bladder and bowel control) 5: Communication (speech, hearing or eyesight) 6: Memory or ability to concentrate, learn or understand 7: Recognising when you are in physical danger 8: Your physical co-ordination (eg: balance) 9: Other health problem or disability 10: None of these Probe and code at this question all substantial difficulties the illness causes the respondent. This is important to allow DWP to capture and analyse the extent to which disabilities/health problems affect the areas of respondents' lives.	
CDATRE	Can I just check, does [child's name] receive medication or treatment without which their health problems (when taken together), would substantially affect their life in the areas we have been discussing? 1: Yes 2:No	CHANGE IN WORDING
If 'no' to Chealth or ('yes' to CDISDIF10 and 'no' to CDDATre) **CDISDIFP**	Has [child's name] ever had a long-term illness, disability or infirmity that affected his/her activities? (By long-term, I mean lasting for a year or more). 1. Yes 2. No	NEW QUESTION TO BE ROUTED FROM 'NO' TO CHEALTH OR (YES TO CDISDIF10 AND 'NO' TO CDDATRE)

CDDATREP	Did this health problem or disability (Did these health problems or disabilities, when taken singly or together,) substantially limit [child's name] ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities? If they were receiving medication or treatment, please consider what the situation would have been without medication or treatment. 1. Yes 2. No	NEW QUESTION TO FOLLOW CDISDIFP

Educational Maintenance Allowance

Educational Maintenance Allowance is no longer a pilot scheme and has been introduced nationally. Reference to the 'pilot' has been removed from Educational Maintenance questions EMA and ChEMA.

(Block: QEduc)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
EMA	Do you receive an Educational Maintenance Allowance (EMA) as part of the Government scheme? 1. Yes 2. No	Reference to pilot scheme removed

(Block: IChInc)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
ChEMA	Does [child's name] receive an 'Education Maintenance Allowance' (EMA) as part of the Government scheme? HELP <F9> 1. Yes 2. No	Reference to pilot scheme removed

Scholarship, bursary and grant

a) Receipt of scholarship, bursary, grant or similar award

A new grant, called the Higher Education Grant, was introduced in England and Wales in September 2004 to help University students with a household income of less than £21186 per year. The question Grant has been amended so that 'grant' is explicitly referenced in the question. In the 2004/05 questionnaire, 'grant' only applied for Scotland.

(Block: QEduc)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
Grant	Are you receiving a scholarship, bursary, grant or similar award? INTERVIEWER: exclude loans. INTERVIEWER: include holiday periods / awards covering tuition fees only. HELP <F9> 1. Yes 2. No	Amended so that 'grant' is explicitly referenced in the question for England and Wales as well as Scotland.

b) How scholarship, bursary, grant or similar award is paid

Respondents were asked, in the 2004/05 questionnaire, how much money was paid in cash/cheque for their grant/scholarship even where a 0 value or 'don't know' was recorded for the current value of the award (at GrtAmt).

Routing to GrtDir has been changed for 2005/06 so that if a 'Don't know' or 0 value is recorded at GrtAmt the respondent will NOT be asked 'how much of this {amount at GrtAmt} is paid by cash or cheque'.

(Block: QEduc)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
GrtAmt	What is the current annual value of the award, excluding fees? INTERVIEWER: record amount as 0 if tuition fees only. 0.00..99997.00	
GrtVal	What is the current annual value of the award, including fees? INTERVIEWER: Include amounts covering tuition fees and other payments." 0.00..999997.00	

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
GrtDir	How much of this is paid direct to you by cash or cheque? 0.00..999997.00	Routing to GrtDir changed so that 'Don't knows' or 0 values at Grt Amt are not asked GrtDir

Government schemes for employment training

In order to prevent misrecording of age-related training schemes, soft checks have been added to the question Train. The soft checks aim to prevent people outside the appropriate age range being coded to particular schemes e.g those over 24 years being coded to New Deal for Young People and those under 50 years old being coded as being on New Deal 50+.

(Block: QCurst)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
Train	SHOW CARD Y Were you on any of the government schemes for employment training shown on this card? CODE ONE ONLY. HELP <F9>. 1. Work based learning for young people / Youth Training, 2. Work based learning for adults (WBLA) / Training for Work (TfW), 3. Work Trial, 4. New Deal 25+ / Employment Zones / Project Work, 5. Career Development Loans / Youth Credits, 6. New Deal for Young People (18-24), 7. New Deal 50+, 8. New Deal for Disabled People, 9. Any other training scheme, 10. None of these	

Items included in salary

Code 8 at InclPay1 =8 explicitly references Working Tax Credit rather than just Tax Credit from 2005/2006. This is hoped to avoid the potential of mixing up Tax Credit with tax refunds/returns.

(Block QEmpJob)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
InclPay	CARD DD Did your last wage/salary include any of the items on this card? CODE ALL THAT APPLY 1. Statutory Sick Pay 2. Statutory Maternity Pay 3. Statutory Paternity Pay 4. Statutory Adoption Pay 5. Income Tax Refund 6. Mileage Allowance or fixed allowance for motoring 7. Motoring expenses refund 8. Working Tax Credit 9. None of these	
InclPay1	SHOW CARD DD Does/Did your last wage/salary include any of the items on this card? CODE ALL THAT APPLY 1. Statutory Sick Pay 2. Statutory Maternity Pay 3. Statutory Paternity Pay 4. Statutory Adoption Pay 5. Income Tax Refund 6. Mileage Allowance or fixed allowance for motoring 7. Motoring expenses refund 8. Working Tax Credit 9. None of these	

Statutory Maternity Pay, Statutory Paternity Pay and Statutory Adoption Pay

Statutory Maternity Pay can be paid up to 26 weeks. The first six weeks are paid at 90 per cent of the respondent's average weekly earnings (normally based on two months' earnings). The remaining 20 weeks are paid at £102.80 a week or 90 per cent of the respondent's average earnings if less than £102.80.

Statutory Adoption Pay can be paid up to 26 weeks.and Statutory Paternity Pay is paid for 2 weeks.

(Block QEmpJob)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
PPPeriod	How many weeks is / was your employer paying Statutory Paternity Pay? INTERVIEWER: This can be for up to 2 weeks 0..997	Paternity pay period changed
Soft check at PPeriod	Statutory Paternity Pay can only be received for up to 2 weeks. Check the circumstances and explain in a note if you suppress this check.	Paternity pay period changed
PAPeriod	How many weeks is / was your employer paying Statutory Adoption Pay? INTERVIEWER: This can be for up to 26 weeks 0..997	Adoption pay period changed
Soft Check at PAPeriod	Statutory Adoption Pay can only be received for up to 26 weeks. Check the circumstances and explain in a note if you suppress this check.	Adoption pay period changed

Date of payslip

PayDat currently allows entry of a payslip date prior to the date given for starting work with current employer. A soft check has been added in the program for you to double-check with respondents that they have the correct dates. Make a note where the dates cannot be reconciled.

(Block: QEmpJob)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
PayDat	On what date were you last paid a wage or salary? IF CURRENTLY WORKING AND NOT YET PAID (I.E. NEW JOB), GIVE DETAILS OF EXPECTED PAY AND ENTER EXPECTED PAY DATE. (IF DAY NOT KNOWN, ENTER 15TH OF MONTH.) DATETYPE	Soft check added at PayDat to check where payslip date predates date given for starting work with current employer

Benefits-In-Kind

A new category of the benefit-in-kind question InKind has been added to collect information on home computer as a benefit-in-kind (Code 12 'Home computer').

The existing category collecting information on Childcare provision has been separated out into Code 5 'Workplace nursery' and Code 6 'Childcare vouchers/Employer contracted childcare'.

The difference between the 'employer contracted childcare' and 'workplace nursery' is that the employer funds and manage a workplace nursery rather than contracting out childcare to an approved provider.

Code 5 'Workplace nursery'

A workplace nursery should be coded where the employer provides a place in a nursery that they wholly or partially fund and manage.

Code 6 'Childcare vouchers/Employer contracted childcare'

Childcare vouchers are for the purpose of paying an approved childcarer.

Employer contracted childcare is where the employers contract directly with an approved childcarer.

(Block: QEmpJob)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
InKind	SHOW CARD FF Which, if any, of the benefits shown on this card have you made use of, or received, from your present employer in the last 6 months? 1. Luncheon Vouchers 2. Free meals (including free canteen at work) 3. Subsidised canteen 4. Free or subsidised goods (incl. store vouchers) 5. Workplace nursery 6. Childcare vouchers/employer contracted childcare 7. Free or subsidised medical insurance for self or family 8. Shares or share options 9. Payment of school fees for family members 10. Provision of a phone for personal use as well as work 11. Company vehicle 12. Home computer 13. Any other payments in kind 14. None of these	Former Code 5 'Childcare provisions and/or childcare vouchers' has been dropped and replaced by Code 5 'Workplace nursery' and Code 6 'Childcare vouchers/employer contracted childcare'. Code 12 'Home Computer' has been added.

Salary Sacrifice

a) New question on salary sacrifice
A new question on salary sacrifice is included in the 2005/2006 questionnaire due to increased need for information on take-up of salary sacrifice options.

With the new tax/NICs exemptions for employer provided childcare there is increasing Ministerial interest in salary sacrifice schemes. Figures on the extent of salary sacrifice schemes more generally are essential in assessing whether employers are offering more support to employees via tax/NIC exemptions or whether employers are simply giving the support in lieu of pay.

(Block: QEmpJob)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
SalSac	[Is this benefit-in-kind/Are any of these benefits-in-kind] received instead of some of your salary or wage? 1. Yes 2. No	New question on whether any of the benefits–in-kind mentioned at InKind were received instead of a wage.

b) Smart Pensions

'Smart pensions' is the name some are using for a new salary-sacrifice idea, whereby the employee agrees to a cut in their gross pay, offset by switching their contribution to the pension scheme onto the employer. This results in the employer saving on National Insurance Contributions and improved savings for the employee.

Firms operating Smart pensions will usually maintain a concept of 'reference pay' or 'base pay', higher than the gross pay received by the employee, for the purpose of calculating pensions, overtime etc. So, you might find on a payslip mention of 'reference pay' or 'base pay' which is higher than the gross pay.

Employees who take up the salary sacrifice scheme will receive lower gross pay.

You will NOT have to ask about Smart Pensions, just record the gross and net pay as reported by the respondent (as shown on the payslip). However, if you cannot reconcile the figures on the payslip (for example where 'reference pay' or 'base pay' are mentioned open a note to give details of any discrepancies in pay so that these can be accounted for when editing the data).

Tax Credits

a) Dates amended in Tax Credit Section for 2005/2006

(Block: QTaxCred)

The question on Tax Credits (NTCDat) has been updated to include reference to the new financial year 2005/2006. A new category allowing 2005/6 to be recorded as the reference year for the calculation of the Tax Credit has been added.

Question name	Question wording	Type of change
NTCDat	From the award notice, can you tell me the year from which income was used to calculate your tax credit award? INTERVIEWER: Tax credit awards for 2005/6 will initially be based on income in 2004/5 or 2003/4. However, recipients can report 2005/6 income to Inland Revenue within the year, and a new award notice is issued. The information asked about in this question will be in the second column on page 2. 1**. 2005/6** 2. 2004/5 3. 2003/4 3. Not available IS/JSA recipient	Question, instruction and categories updated to include 2005/6.
If NTCDat=3 **INCOLD**	SHOW CARD PPP I would like you to think about your total household income between April 2003 and March 2004. Which one of the categories on this card best describes your annual household income?	No change

b) Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit

In 2003-04, there were a large number of cases where families with children were only reported as receiving Working Tax Credit (WTC). If you receive WTC and have a child you will receive a combination of WTC and Child Tax Credit (CTC).

A soft check has been introduced at TaxCred to double-check whether the respondent receives CTC. If the respondent does not believe they receive CTC please make a note of the reason for this.

(Block: TaxCredit)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
Tax Cred	CARD HH Are you at present receiving any of these tax credit payments in your own right. Please include any lump sum payments under £105 received in the last year? 1. Working Tax Credit (excluding any childcare tax credit or disabled element of Working Tax Credit) 2. Child Tax Credit (including any childcare tax credit) 3. None of these	Soft check added to double-check whether people with children and WTC have also recorded CTC.

c) Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit award is £0

It is possible for someone to receive an award of £0 if the household is not eligible for Tax Credits, for example if the household income is too high.

A household, although eligible for receipt of Tax Credits may receive an award of £0 if an earlier overpayment of the Tax Credit was made.

Where WTCAmt or CTCAmt is £0 a new question has been added to collect information on the reason for the £0 being received.

(Block: QTaxCred)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
TCZero	Can I just check, did you receive an award of £0 (zero pounds) because you are… 1. making repayments because of an overpayment of Tax Credit, 2. not eligible for payment of Tax Credit? 3. SPONTANEOUS - Other	

d) Soft check for minimum lump sum payments of Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit

A soft check has been added to questions on lump sum payments of Working Tax Credit and Children's Tax Credit where these are recorded as less than £26 either separately or in combination. It is expected that WTC and CTC lump sum will be more than £26.

(Block: QTaxCred)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
WTCLPay	You said you have received a Working Tax Credit lump sum payment covering the whole year. How much was this payment? INTERVIEWER: If respondent receives combined payment of Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit enter it here. 0.01..9997.00	
CTCLPay	CTCLPay You said you have received a Child Tax Credit lump sum payment covering the whole year. How much was this payment? 0.01..9997.00	

e) Working Tax Credit (disability element)

Prior to the New Tax Credits, FRS collected information on Disabled Person's Tax Credit but there are currently no questions on the Working Tax Credit (disability element) in the FRS questionnaire. Information on tax credits and benefits for disabled people is an increasingly important issue for policy makers.

For 2005/06 a question (WTCD) will be asked of people who receive Working Tax Credit (WTC) in order to check whether a disability element is received.

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of Change
WTCD	Does the payment [amount given for Working Tax Credit] include a Disability element? 1. Yes 2. No	NEW QUESTION

Minimum Income Guarantee (MIG)

In October 2003, Minimum Income Guarantee (MIG)for people aged 60 and over was replaced by Pension Credits. All references to MIG have been removed from the questionnaire for 2005/2006.

Some respondents (about 11 people per year in the whole FRS sample) will still receive Income Support/Minimum Income Guarantee (IS/MIG). So although it will be a very rare scenario, some respondents may correctly tell you that they receive IS/MIG. However as the vast majority of respondents will not be receiving IS/MIG we do not want to misrecord people who believe they are in receipt of MIG but are in fact receiving Pension Credit. Code any reports of Income Support/MIG as Pension Credit and make a note explaining that the respondent reports that they get MIG. If you can check any relevant documentation so that you can be sure MIG is received that would be helpful in verifying the respondent's claim to be in receipt of MIG.

Deferral of state retirement pension

From April 2005, DWP are introducing more generous incentives to defer taking up state pension than were available before April 2005. It is important therefore that DWP know how many people take advantage of this option.

State Pension deferral simply means putting off claiming your state pension when you reach State Pension age. You can also choose to stop claiming your State Pension after having claimed it for a period.

The State Pension age is set by law and is currently 60 for a woman and 65 for a man. State Pension age for women will begin to change from April 2010 so that by 2020, both men and women will have the same State Pension age of 65. The age at which you retire from employment does not affect when you can start drawing your State Pension.

From April 2005, you can put off claiming your State pension for as long as you want and in so doing you can choose one of the following options when you do claim:

- **Extra State Pension -** You can earn extra State Pension worked out at 1% for every five weeks you put off claiming (this is equivalent to about 10.4% extra for every year you delay claiming compared to about 7.5% extra before 6 April 2005). So, with this option someone who deferred their pension for five years would receive £159.60 per week instead of £105.

  You must put off claiming your State Pension for at least five weeks to get extra State Pension.

- **A lump sum payment -** A one-off lump sum payment is made based on the amount of normal weekly State Pension that would have been received, plus interest added each week and compounded. As well as the lump sum payment, the State Pension is also received when it is claimed and is paid at the normal rate.

  The compounded rate will be broadly equivalent to an annual interest rate of 2% above the Bank of England's base rate (so if the base rate was 4.75%, the annual rate of return would be 6.75%). As the Bank of England base rate may change from time to time, the rate of interest used to calculate the lump sum could also change.

  So, with this option, someone who deferred State Pension worth £105 per week for five years will get a lump sum of around £32, 306 (before tax) as well as the normal weekly State Pension entitlement.

  You have to put off claiming your State Pension for at least 12 consecutive months, which must all fall after 5 April 2005, to have the choice of a lump sum payment.

New question on deferral of State Pension

In order to provide DWP with information on the number of people who defer taking their State Pension, a new question has been introduced to replace a soft check used in the 2004/5 questionnaire.

2004/5 Soft Check

The respondent is over 65 (male) or 60 (female) and yet there is no NI Retirement Pension (or Widow's Pension/Bereavement allowance) or Old Person's Pension recorded for him/her.

Please check whether your answer is correct. If so, explain circumstances in a Note.

The new question (DefrPen) will be asked after BEN1Q of all males over 64 years of age and women over 59 years of age not in receipt of Retirement Pension. The questionnaire program will identify these respondents from their age in the Household Grid and their answer at Ben1Q.

(Block: QBenefit)

Question name	Question wording	Type of change
Ben1Q	SHOW CARD NN Looking at this card, are you at present receiving any of these state benefits in your own right: that is, where you are the named recipient? 1. Child Benefit 2. Guardian's Allowance 3. Invalid Care Allowance/Carer's Allowance 4. Retirement Pension (NI), or Old Person's Pension 5. Widow's Pension, Bereavement Allowance or Widowed Parent's (formerly Widowed Mother's) allowance 6. War Disablement Pension or War Widow's/Widower's Pension (and any related allowances) 7. Severe Disablement Allowance 8. None of these	

DefrPen	INTERVIEWER: The respondent is aged 64 or over (male) or over 59 (female) and so could collect state pension BUT they have not reported having NI retirement Pension (or Widow's pensions /bereavement allowance) or Old Person's pension. However, some people defer taking up their state pension in order to build up extra State Pension which they receive when they start claiming State Pension. This question is checking whether people have deferred taking up State Pension. Have you deferred taking up your State Pension? 1. Yes 2. No	NEW QUESTION

There are many reasons why someone may not collect their State Pension. We are interested only in recording someone as having deferred their state pension if he/she has taken up one of the deferral options (e.g. the Extra State Pension or the Lump Sum Payment as described above).

Code 1 'Yes' at DefrPen only if the respondent has taken up the Extra State Pension option or the Lump Sum Payment option.

Code 2 'No' if the respondent is not receiving Retirement Pension for any other reason, even though he/she is eligible to receive it.

How benefit is paid

(Block: QBenefit)

Question Name	Question wording	Type of change
HowBen	Thinking about your [name of benefit], how is it paid to you? PROMPT AS NECESSARY TO CLASSIFY INTERVIEWER: All bank and post office accounts should be included under Code 2 (including BASIC accounts/post office card accounts) 1. Order book (cashed at Post Office) 2. Direct to current bank/building society/post office account 3. Giro cheque 4. Paid directly for motability 5. Other <DESCRIBE IN A NOTE>	INFORMATION ON BENEFIT CARD REMOVED. NEW CATEGORY FOR MOTABILITY. Soft check added to Howben to make sure code 4 only recorded if DLA (mobility) received.

Giro cheque
The last 'Giro' cheques were issued in October 2004. A new contract has been set up since then with the Alliance and Leicester bank to enable cheque payments to be made to benefit recipients who are unable or unwilling to provide direct payment account details. Record these cheque payments as Giro cheques, as respondents are likely to continue to think of the Alliance and Leicester cheques as 'Giros'.

Motability
For validation and editing of Disability Living Allowance payments it is important to identify cases where the benefit is paid directly for motability. Currently these are recorded within the 'Other' category at the question HowBen. In 2003-04; of the 386 'Other' responses at HowBen, 203 were described as being for motability payments. As a result, a category at HowBen has been added for recording benefit paid directly for motability.

Soft check
A soft check has been added to Howben to make sure code 4 'Paid directly for motability' is only recorded if DLA (mobility) received.

Order Books

Order books for benefits and Retirement Pension will be phased out during 2005/2006. The last order books have been issued and will be valid until July 2005, although it is possible that respondents will refer to order books for a while after this time. A small number of respondents may legitimately keep their order book after July 2005. Respondents will be sent information on the amount of benefit and/or pension they will receive via an entitlement letter sent by the DWP, Benefits Agency or The Pensions Service (part of the Department for Work and Pensions).

The order books are very useful in identifying elements of benefits and providing detailed information on amounts received. With order books being phased out, collecting information on benefit amounts may be more difficult. All is not lost however! The entitlement letters include details of the amount of benefit received. Providing the respondent has kept their letter in a safe place, you will be able to use the letter(s) as documentary evidence of the amount of benefit/pension received.

For retirement pensions, the entitlement letter gives a detailed breakdown of the pension. The list of pension elements and the amounts to be received are not labelled by a lettering system as they are on the order books (e.g. A Basic Pension, B Basic Pension increments). The Retirement Pension elements listed on the entitlement letter also have slightly different descriptions to those shown on the order book. So that you can record information about Retirement Pension to the level of detail required, a new question (PenLtr) has been added to allow the Retirement Pension elements to be recorded as they appear on the entitlement letter. The new question is based on the same principle as the follow-up question for Retirement Pensions received via an order book (i.e. PenComp).

If Retirement Pension is received via a bank account / Post Office Card account with other benefits such as Attendance Allowance or Disability Living Allowance, you will be asked to record the amounts for DLA and AA separately. This is because the respondent should have received a separate entitlement letter for their disability/care benefits from the Disability and Carers Directorate.

If the respondent has an order book for their combined Retirement Pension and AA or DLA then you will code all of the components at PenComp and its follow-up questions (PenQ).

(Block: QBenefit)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
PenLtr	INTERVIEWER: Ask respondent to consult their entitlement notice letter from the Pension Service for the items relating to their pension components. Code all that apply 1. Basic Pension – based on National Insurance (NI) Contributions 2. Additional Pension – based on your earnings from 6 April 1978 to 5 April 1997 3. Additional Pension – Less contracted out Deductions (COD) 4. Additional Pension - to 5 April 1997 5. Additional Pension – based on your earnings from 6 April 1997 to 5 April 2002 6. Additional Pension – based on earnings, caring or incapacity from 6 April 2002 7. Shared Additional Pension – arising from your divorce settlement 8. Increments – Basic Pension increments 9. Increments – Additional Pension increments 10. Increments – Money we pay you to protect amount of any COD increments 11. Increments – Shared Additional Pension Increments 12. Graduated Retirement Benefit – based on contributions paid between 1961 and 1975 13. Invalidity Addition – paid if you were entitled to Invalidity Allowance 14. Money for other people	
PenL	Record amount of each pension component at PenLtr	

Pension Credit award notice

Since the introduction of Pension Credit in October 2003, the FRS has asked you to record whether you are consulting an award notice when recording information about Pension Credits. If you answer that you are doing so, you will then be asked to record details of the amounts received for elements of the Pension Credit. On analysing the data for 2003/2004 a large number of cases were found where pension components were recorded as 'Don't Know' despite an award notice having been consulted.

A cause for this discrepancy in responses could be found in what is meant by the 'award notice'. The award notice is made up of a number of pages. The section of the award notice entitled 'How pension credit has been worked out' gives the breakdown of the components of the pension. When you record that the award notice has been consulted it is assumed that the detailed breakdown has been consulted. Please make sure that you have seen the page of the award notice which details the components of the award when you record that you have seen the award notice.

Soft check
A check has been added to the programme where PComp is recorded as Code 1 'GUARANTEED ELEMENT RECEIVED (See Section titled 'His/Her Guarantee Credit')' or Code 2 'SAVINGS ELEMENT RECEIVED (See Section titled 'His/Her Saving Credit')' and the follow-up questions on amounts received for each element are coded 'Don't Know'.

"Respondent is consulting award notice but cannot give the breakdown of components. Please check ALL pages of award notice and look out for section titled "How pension credit has been worked out" to find the breakdown. If respondent has only kept first page, please make a note."

(Block: QBenefit)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
PComp	INTERVIEWER: Ask respondent to consult award notice to see if guarantee credit and savings credit is being received. Please check whether the section of the award notice entitled 'How pension credit has been worked out' is available. CODE ALL THAT APPLY 1: GUARANTEED ELEMENT RECEIVED (See Section titled 'His/Her Guarantee Credit') 2: SAVINGS ELEMENT RECEIVED (See Section titled 'His/Her Saving Credit') 3. <DO NOT USE THIS CODE>	
PCmpAmtG	And what is the amount received for the Guaranteed element? 0.00..9997.00	Soft check added where 'Don't Know' is recorded at this question.
PCmpAmtS	And what is the amount received for the Savings element 0.00..9997.00	Soft check added where 'Don't Know' is recorded at this question.

Benefit Amount

An interviewer instruction has been added to the screen where benefit amounts are collected. With fewer people receiving benefit books it is sometimes difficult to verify benefit amounts by referring to documents. Lower amounts of benefits than would have been expected have been found in the FRS data. One possible reason for the reporting of a lower amount would be respondents reporting the amount of benefit withdrawn from their account in any reference period. Please be aware that this could be the case and if necessary double-check with respondents that this is the full amount of benefit to which they are entitled and not a part of their entitlement.

(Block: QBenefit)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
BenAmt	How much did you get last time ^forBen^incl_AttAll? (IF COMBINED WITH ANOTHER BENEFIT AND UNABLE TO GIVE **SEPARATE** AMOUNT, ENTER 'Don't know' FOR BOTH/ALL SUCH BENEFITS" INTERVIEWER: Record the FULL amount of benefit actually received not just the amount withdrawn from the account. The amount taken from the account may be only part of the benefit received. If the respondent does not know the actual amount received, code don't know and make a note. 0.01..9997.00	

Winter Fuel Payment

A one-off payment of £100 is received by people aged 70 years or over to help them with living expenses including Council Tax bills along with the winter fuel payment. A note has been added to the screen to ask you to record this additional payment with Winter Fuel payments.

If the eligible respondent receives a £100 one-off payment to help with living expenses but does not receive the Winter Fuel payment please record this amount at Ben5q Code 9 'Any National Insurance or State benefit not mentioned earlier'.

(Block: QBenefit)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
WintFuel	In the last 12 months, have you received Winter Fuel Payment in your own right? INTERVIEWER: Please include any one-off payments paid to people aged 70 or over to help pay for living expenses, including Council tax bills which were paid with the Winter Fuel Payment. If the one-off payment was not paid with Winter Fuel Payment please use code 9 'Any national Insurance or State Benefit not mentioned earlier' at Ben5Q (the next question).	
WintFAmt	How much did you receive for your winter fuel payment? INTERVIEWER: Please include any one-off payments paid to people aged 70 or over to help pay for living expenses, including Council Tax bills. 0.00..99997.00	

Lone parent's benefit and Job Grant

Lone Parents Benefit Run-On was replaced by a new Job Grant in October 2004. Job Grant has been added to Code 5 'Lone Parent's Benefit Run-On' at Ben5Q.

(Block: QBenefit)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
Ben5Q	CARD RR 1. A Back to Work Bonus", 2. Extended payment' of ^HBBenCT (4 week payment only), 3. Bereavement Payment - paid in lump sum, 4. Child Maintenance Bonus / Child Maintenance Premium, 5. Lone Parent's Benefit Run-On/Job Grant, 6. Work-Search Premium, 7. In-work credit, 8. Return to work credit, 9. Any National Insurance or State Benefit not mentioned earlier, 10. None of these	

Receipt of pension share on divorce

In 2001/2002, a category was added to the question on pension receipt (AnyPen) to collect information on sharing of occupational or personal pension incomes between partners after divorce. On analysing the data for this question, it appears that a number of responses were miscoded. Respondents who were recorded as receiving widow's pension or benefits were reported at AnyPen to receive 'A share of an employee or personal pension from an ex-spouse/partner as a result of a court order or settlement made on divorce'. It would be more likely that the respondent received 'Widow's employee pension (PENSION FROM PREVIOUS EMPLOYER OF DECEASED SPOUSE OR RELATIVE)'.

A soft check has been added to AnyPen to double-check that Code 7 'A share of an employee or personal pension from an ex-spouse/partner as a result of a court order or settlement made on divorce' applies to the respondent who was earlier identified as being a widow in receipt of widow's pension or benefits.

(Block: QOIncA)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
AnyPen	SHOW CARD UU Are you at present receiving an income from any of the sources shown on this card? 1. An employee pension from a previous employer 2. **Widow's employee pension (PENSION FROM PREVIOUS EMPLOYER OF DECEASED SPOUSE OR RELATIVE)** 3. A personal pension 4. A pension as a member of a Trade Union or friendly society 5. An annuity (includes home income plan or equity release) 6. A trust or covenant 7. **A share of an employee or personal pension from an ex-spouse/partner as a result of a court order or settlement made on divorce'** 8. None of these	Soft check added to double check whether Code 7 is the appropriate code for someone who was earlier identified as receiving widow's pension or benefits

Post Office Card Accounts and Basic Bank Accounts

Information on Post Office Card Accounts and Basic Bank accounts will be collected separately in 2005/2006.

It has been reported by interviewers that respondents sometimes have difficulty differentiating between types of accounts, especially between Current accounts and Basic Bank accounts. An increase in Post Office Card Accounts which could accompany the abolition of order books might add to respondents' confusion. The description of types of accounts below has been added to the help screen at the question Accounts. You can access the help screen by using the F9 help key.

Types of accounts:

Current accounts – offer the widest range of banking services. You can pay other money into these accounts and some let you use the Post Office to get your money.

Basic bank accounts – have the basic features of a current account, but won't allow you to have an overdraft. Most allow Post Office access to your cash.

The Post Office card account – is an account designed for the collection of benefits, state pensions and tax credits only, so you can't pay any other money in. The POCA cannot be used for receiving cheques, setting up direct debits, standing orders or paying bills etc.

The table below shows the different features of current accounts, basic bank accounts and the Post Office card account.

Question	Current Account	Basic bank account	Post Office card account
Suitable for Direct Payment?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Can I pay other money like wages, into this account?	Yes	Yes	No
Free cash withdrawal?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Can I still use the Post Office	Yes, with some current accounts	Yes, with some accounts	Yes
Can I use cash machines?	Yes	Yes	No
Can I use 'cash-back'?	Yes	No	No
Do I get a cheque book?	Yes	No	No
Can I get a balance?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Can I pay bills by direct debit?	Yes	Yes	No
Can I arrange an overdraft?	Yes	No	No

(Block QAdInt)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
Accounts	SHOW CARD HHH Which of these accounts do you have now, or have you had in the last 12 months? 1. Current account with a bank, building society, supermarket/store or other organisation, 2. BASIC BANK ACCOUNTS INCLUDING INTRODUCTORY / STARTER ACCOUNTS 3. Post Office card accounts, 4. National Savings Bank (Post Office) – Easy Access Savings or Ordinary Account, 5. National Savings Bank (Post Office) - Investment Account, 6. ISA (Individual Savings Account), 7. Savings account, investment account/bond, any other account with bank, building society, supermarket/store or other organisation, 8. Credit Union, 9. None of these	

Post Office Card accounts will be identified as a separate category in the question Accounts. As Post Office Card Accounts do not receive interest where Accounts is Code 3 'Post office card accounts' the respondent will not be routed to any follow-up questions on interest gained on these accounts (AccInt and AccTax) or to the assets section of the questionnaire.

Tax Free Savings and National Savings

(Block: QAdInt)

TESSA accounts no longer exist. From April 2005, the separate life insurance component of ISAs will also cease to exist, instead they will be subsumed into the Stocks and Shares

component. As a result of these changes, all references to TESSA and Life Insurance ISAs have been dropped from the FRS 2005/2006 questionnaire.

The help screen has been updated at the question ISAType to advise that Life Insurance ISAs, if mentioned by the respondent, should be recorded as Code 2 'Stocks and Shares'.

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
ISAType	There are different types of ISA. Do you have... INTERVIEWER: READ OUT, CODE ALL THAT APPLY HELP <F9> 1. Cash in an ISA?, 2. Stocks and shares (in an ISA)?	Code 3 'Life Insurance (in an ISA)?' removed for 2005/2006 as this type of ISA no longer exists.

Child Trust Fund accounts

From April 2005, Child Trust Fund accounts will be introduced.

What is the child Trust Fund?

The Child Trust Fund (CTF) is a long-term investment and savings account for children born on or after 1st September 2002.

A voucher to the value that the eligible child is entitled will be sent after Child Benefit has been awarded. The voucher can only be used to open a CTF account for the child.

The money in the CTF account belongs to the child and the child alone. But it cannot be taken out until he/she turns 18 when he/she can decide how to use it.

The amount of money that the children eligible for CTF will have in their accounts will vary but there is an account limit of £1,200 each year. Anyone can pay money into the account, so the child's parents, grandparents , aunts and uncles etc. can put money into the Child Trust Fund as long as the total amount does not exceed the maximum allowed for that year.

Children in families receiving Child Tax Credit with an income at or below £13,480 (the current income limit for 2004/2005) will receive an additional payment from the Government paid directly into their CTF account.

A further payment will be made by the Government for all children when they turn seven years old, again with a higher payment for children in families on lower incomes.

There are different CTF accounts available:

- **Savings Account** - With a savings account any money that you invest is secure. You will get the money you invest back plus earning some interest.

- **Stakeholder Account -** The stakeholder CTF account works by investing the child's money in shares to take advantage of the potential for higher growth that this kind of investment offers. Once the child turns 13, money in the account starts to be moved to lower risk investments or assets (such as cash).

- **Account investing in shares -** Accounts that invest in shares invest the child's money by buying shares in companies. Money can be made when those companies do well and the value of the shares goes up.

CTF providers (e.g. banks, building societies, stockbrokers) may offer savings accounts and/or accounts that invest in shares. All CTF providers have to offer a Stakeholder account.

You can find more information on the Child Trust Fund on this website:

www.childtrustfund.gov.uk.

Questions on Child Trust Fund

The CTF is one of the Government's flagship savings policies. The requirement for the FRS is to collect data on this major policy change by expanding information collected on children's savings and investments. There will be a high level of interest from ministers and others to monitor and evaluate the success of the CTF. Questions on the FRS will play a key role in improving understanding of the distribution both of funds and types of accounts across the income distribution.

There are currently two questions on children's savings on the FRS (ChSave and TotSave). These questions remain in the child's savings block but will be asked after the set of questions on Child Trust Fund accounts. Although asked of all children, ChSave and TotSave will remain the only questions on savings asked of children born BEFORE 1st September 2002, who are not eligible for Child Trust Fund accounts. So for these children you will notice little change to the children's savings questions. You will notice new interviewer instructions at these questions on how to record answers in relation to the Child Trust Fund.

Questions on Child Trust Fund will only be asked for each child born on or after 1st September 2002. The questionnaire programme will identify children's eligibility for Child Trust Fund based on the child's date of birth recorded in the Household Grid.

ChSave

Thinking of your child [child's name] does he/she have any savings in a bank or building society account; or any National Savings & Investments, such as Children's Bonus Bonds; or any stocks and shares, or other investments?

INTERVIEWER: If child has only a Child Trust Fund and no other savings code 2 'No'.

1. Yes
2. No

At ChSave **EXCLUDE** Child Trust Funds.

At this question we only want to know whether the child has any savings other than the Child Trust Fund. So if the child has a Child Trust Fund account and no other savings code 2 'No' at ChSave.

TotSave
SHOW CARD LLL
Thinking of [child name's] savings, in total roughly what would you say is the current value held by [child's name]?

INTERVIEWER: Record all savings including the Child Trust Fund.

1. Less than £500,
2. From £500 up to £1,000,
3. From £1,000 up to £1,500,
4. From £1,500 up to £3,000,
5. From £3,000 up to £8,000,
6. From £8,000 up to £20,000",
7. Over £20,000",
8. Does not wish to say

You will be routed to TotSave if the child has either a Child Trust Fund (identified in Child Trust Fund Questions) or another savings account (as identified at ChSave).

At TotSave INCLUDE Child Trust Fund savings to record the child's TOTAL savings. So if the child has a savings account with £50 in it and also has a Child Trust Fund account with £450 in it we want you to record both amounts so that your answer at TotSave will be Code 2 'From £500 up to £1,000'.

New children's savings questions

(Block: QChInt)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of Change
If child born on or after 1st September 2002 **Cfund** **.**	Does your child [NAME] have a Child Trust Fund? 1. Yes 2. No	NEW QUESTION
If Cfund=1 **CfundTp**	Does [child name] have a … 1. Savings account, 2. a stakeholder account, 3. an account investing in shares?	NEW QUESTION
If Cfund=1 **GivCFnd**	During the last 12 months who contributed to the Child Trust Fund? CODE ALL THAT APPLY SHOW CARD KKK 1. Child's Parent inside household 2. Child's Parent outside household 3. Child's Grandparents 4. Child's Other relatives 5. Friend of the family 6. Other 7. No contribution	NEW QUESTION
For each person who contributes to fund (at GivCFnd) loop round and ask amount provided and period covered **Fundamt**	INTERVIEWER: if more than one person contributes to the fund in one category (e.g. all grandparents or two friends of the family) record total amount given by both parties How much did (name at GivCFnd) put into [child name's] fund in the last 12 months? 0.0.. 9999997.00	NEW QUESTION

CfundH	Roughly how much is currently held in his / her fund? : 0..9999997.00	NEW QUESTION
QUESTION CHECK **To be located after CFUNDH** **CfundHRs**	It is very unusual for a child to have more than £5000 in their fund. Please check this with the respondent and explain the circumstances in a note if necessary." : EDITTYPE	SOFT CHECK FOR NEW QUESTION
Ask all Children **ChSave**	Thinking of your child [child's name] does he/she have any savings in a bank or building society account; or any National Savings & Investments, such as Children's Bonus Bonds; or any stocks and shares, or other investments? INTERVIEWER: IF CHILD HAS ONLY A CHILD TRUST FUND AND NO OTHER SAVINGS CODE 2 'NO'. 1. Yes 2. No	POSITION OF CHSAVE CHANGED IN THIS BLOCK OF QUESTIONS
If CHSave=Yes or CFund=1 **TotSave**	SHOW CARD LLL Thinking of [child name's] savings, in total roughly what would you say is the current value held by [child's name] INTERVIEWER: record all savings including child trust fund. 1. Less than £500, 2. From £500 up to £1,000, 3. From £1,000 up to £1,500, 4. From £1,500 up to £3,000, 5. From £3,000 up to £8,000, 6. From £8,000 up to £20,000", 7. Over £20,000", 8. Does not wish to say	

Regular Income

Our attention has been alerted to the fact that in 2004/5 the showcard at IncChnge and the screen instructions contradicted each other. The card instructed the respondent to include maintenance payments as a regular payment and the screen instructed interviewers to exclude maintenance payments as a regular payment.

It is intended that maintenance be included as a regular payment. Instructions on screen have been amended to make this clear.

(Block: Assets)

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
IncChnge	SHOW CARD NNN * Now I'd like you to compare your **present** income with your income of twelve months ago. By income I mean money coming in regularly from any source, such as the ones on this card. Thinking of [name] would you say your PRESENT income is higher, lower, or about the same as your income of 12 months ago? 'Regular' income is from jobs, pensions, benefits, **maintenance and** savings & investments. Exclude one-off sources of income such as grants, loans, redundancy payments, and living off capital. INTERVIEWER: THIS IS A QUESTION OF OPINION." 1. Present income higher, 2. Present income lower, 3. About the same	

Total Interest

Decimal places have been added to TotInt so that detailed amounts of interest can be recorded as applicable.

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
TotInt	Over the last 12 months, what was the overall amount of interest and dividends you received AFTER TAX from investments and savings? 0.00..99997.00	Decimal places added to answer code.

Northern Ireland variation - Questions on religion

Changes have been made to the questions on religion.

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
Religion	Would you tell me what religion you are? 1. Yes, 2. Unwilling to answer, 3. No religion	Change to question wording
Denomin	What is your religion, even if you are not practising? 1. Catholic, 2. Presbyterian, 3. Church of Ireland, 4. Methodist, 5. Baptist, 6. Free Presbyterian, 7. Brethren, 8. Protestant - not specified, 9. Other Christian, 10. Buddhist", 11. Hindu, 12. Jewish, 13. Muslim, 14. Sikh, 15. Any other religion (please describe)	Change to question wording and new categories
OtherRel	Please describe this other religion	
Practice	Do you consider that you are actively practicing your religion? 1. Yes, 2. No	New question

Review of procedures for FRS follow-up surveys

Currently FRS questions asking for permission to recontact the respondent for further research are split into two questions. The first question asks whether the respondent agrees to be re-contacted by ONS/NatCen. The second question then asks whether the respondent would agree to have their details passed to a third party.

The response to this second question is very low and so FRS follow-up studies are restricted to the consortium carrying out future research work. This can be problematic when research is needed at short notice and there are no sufficient resources available within the FRS consortium.

To address this, the current consent questions have been dropped from the questionnaire. A new question has been included in the questionnaire in their place. The consortium will conduct postal opt outs on behalf of other independent research organisations amongst respondents who say 'Yes' to FollowUp, when follow-up studies are requested.

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OLD FUTURE AND FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
Future	Sometime in the future, there may be a follow-up study to this one. Such a study would have to be agreed with the Department for Work and Pensions. If there was another study, would it be alright for us to contact you again? 1. Yes 2. No 3. Depends/Maybe	
Follow	Supposing that some other independent research organisation, rather than ourselves, were carrying out that survey, would it be all right for us to pass on your details to them? By that, I mean your name and address, phone number and, if necessary, the answers you have given me today? 1. Yes 2. No	

NEW QUESTION FollowUp

Question Name	Question Wording	Type of change
FollowUp	Sometime in the future there may be a follow-up study to this one. Such a study would have to be agreed with the Department for Work and Pensions. If there was another study, would you be willing for us to contact you again, either to carry out the study ourselves or to ask your permission for some other [independent research] organisation to do so. Please understand that we may not contact you again but, if we do, you will still be free to decide whether you wish to participate in any follow-up study. 1. Yes 2. No	

Details of changes to showcards

2005-2006	2004-2005	Question name	*Source code file*	AMENDMENT (in bold)
A	A	'TypeEd'	*HHGrid*	KEEP
B	B	'NatId'	*ethnic*	3 cards for England, Wales and Scotland NB: NI version of this
C	C	'Ethgrp'	*ethnic*	KEEP
D	D	'Tenure'	*owns1 address.*	NB: NI version of this
E	E	'Landlord'	*rents*	NB: NI version of this
F	F	'TenType'	*rents*	2 versions England & Wales and Scotland
G	G	'OthWay'	*rents*	KEEP
H	H	'RMPur'	*owns1*	KEEP
I	I	'MortType'	*owns1*	KEEP
J	J	'EndwPrin'	*owns1*	KEEP
K Not numbered	K	'MorAll'	*owns1*	KEEP
L Not numbered	L	'MorAll'	*owns1*	KEEP
M	M	'SerInc'	*rents*	KEEP
N	N	'OthPur'	*owns1*	KEEP
O Not numbered	O	'CTDisc' 'CT25D50D'	*countax*	KEEP BUT NB: NOT FOR NI
P	P	'Charge'	*owns2*	KEEP
-	Q	'Premium', 'NumPols', 'PolMore'	*polq*	REMOVED
Q	-	'TypeVcl'	*vehint*	**NEW CARD** 1. A car 2. A light van 3. A motorcycle (include scooters) 4. Some other motor vehicle
-	R	'Care'	*chcare*	**REMOVED**
R	-	'ChPeo'	*chcare*	**NEW CARD** 1. Child's grand parents **2. Child's non-resident parent/an ex-spouse/an ex-partner** 3. Child's brother or sister 4. Other relatives 5. Childminder **6. Nanny/Au pair (includes both live-in and day nannies)** 7. Friends or neighbours 8. Other non-relatives

S	-	'ChInKnd'	*chcare*	**NEW CARD** 1. Looked after his/her child(ren) in return 2. Did him/her a favour 3. Gave him/her a gift or treat 4. No, nothing 5. Other payment-in-kind
T Not numbered	S	'NeedHelp', 'GiveHelp'	*qcare*	KEEP
U	T	'Hour'	*qcarer*	KEEP
V	-	'HowLng'	*qcare*	**NEW CARD** 1. Less than 6 months 2. 6 months, less than 1 year 3. 1 year, less than 3 years 4. 3 years, less tha 5 years 5. 5 years, less than 10 years 6. 10 years, less than 15 years 7. 15 years, less than 20 years 8. 20 years or more
W	U	'DisDif'	*ihealth*	**CARD AMENDED** 1. Mobility (moving about) 2. Lifting, carrying or moving objects 3. Manual dexterity (using your hands to carry out everyday tasks) 4. Continence (bladder **and bowel** control) 5. Communication (speech, hearing or eyesight) 6. Memory or ability to concentrate, learn or understand 7. Recognising when you are in physical danger 8. Your physical co-ordination (e.g. balance) 9. Other health problem or disability
X Not numbered	V	'Rstrct'	*ihealth*	KEEP
Y	W	'Train'	*icurst*	KEEP
Z	X	'NewDType'	*icurst*	KEEP
AA	Y	'RetReas'	*icurst*	KEEP
BB	Z	'EType'	*ijobdes*	KEEP
CC	AA	'WatDid'	*ijobdes*	KEEP
DD	BB	'InclPay', 'InclPay1'	*iempjob*	**CARD AMENDED** 1. Statutory Sick Pay 2. Statutory Maternity Pay 3. Statutory Paternity Pay 4. Statutory Adoption Pay 5. Income Tax refund 6. Mileage allowance or fixed allowance for motoring 7. Motoring expenses refund 8. **Working** Tax Credit

EE Not numbered	CC	'HHInc'	*iempjob*	KEEP NB: NI version of this
FF	DD	'InKind'	*iempjob*	**CARD AMENDED** 1. Luncheon Vouchers 2. Free meals (including free canteen at work) 3. Subsidised canteen 4. Free or subsidised goods (incl. store vouchers) **5. Workplace nursery** **6. Childcare vouchers/employer contracted childcare** **7. Free or subsidised medical insurance for self or family** 8. Shares or share options 9. Payment of school fees for family members 10. Provision of a phone for personal use as well as work 11. Company vehicle **12. Home computer** 13. Any other payments in kind
GG Not numbered	EE	'OwnSum'	*iselfjob*	KEEP
HH	FF	'TaxCred'	*itaxcred* *May*	KEEP
II	GG	'WTCLum'	*itaxcred*	KEEP
JJ	HH	'CTCLum'	*itaxcred*	KEEP
KK	JJ	'EmpPay'	*ipension*	KEEP
LL	KK	'EPLong' 'PPDat' 'SPDat'	*ipension*	KEEP
MM	LL	'EpType'	*ipension*	KEEP
NN	MM	'Ben1Q'	*ibenef1*	KEEP
OO	NN	'Ben2Q', 'B2QFut'	*ibenef1*	KEEP
PP	OO	'Ben3Q', 'B3QFut'	*ibenef1*	KEEP
QQ	PP	'Ben4Q'	*ibenef1*	KEEP

RR	QQ	'Ben5Q'	*ibenef*	**CARD AMENDED** 1. A Back to Work Bonus 2. 'Extended Payment' of Housing Benefit / rent rebate or Council Tax Benefit (4 week payment only) 3. Bereavement Payment (paid in lump sum) 4. Child Maintenance bonus / Child Maintenance Premium 5. Lone Parent's Benefit Run-On / **Job Grant** 6. Work Search Premium 7. In-Work Credit 8. Return to Work Credit 9. Any National Insurance or State Benefit not mentioned earlier
SS	RR	'GOVPay'	*benblock*	KEEP
TT	SS	'Ben7Q'	*ibenef4*	KEEP
UU	TT	'AnyPen'	*iothinc1*	**CARD AMENDED** 1. An employee pension from a previous employer **2. Widow's employee pension (pension from a previous employer of deceased spouse or relative)** 3. A personal pension 4. A pension as a member of a Trade Union or friendly society 5. An annuity (includes home income plan or equity release) 6. Payment from a trust or covenant **7. A share of an employee or personal pension from an ex-spouse/partner as a result of a court order or settlement made on divorce**
WW	UU	'Royal'	*iothinc1*	KEEP
XX	WW	'PropRent'	*iothinc1*	KEEP
YY	XX	'Allow'	*iothinc2*	NB: NI version of this
ZZ	YY	'OddJob'	*iothinc2*	KEEP
AAA	ZZ	'AddHol' 'AdDmel' 'AdShoe' 'AdDDec' 'AdDIns'	*afford*	KEEP
BBB	AAA	'AdDMon' 'AdepFur' 'Af1'	*afford*	KEEP
CCC	BBB	'AddHol' 'AdDmel' 'AdShoe' 'AdDDec' 'AdDIns' 'AfDep2' 'AdDepLes'	*afford*	KEEP

DDD	CCC	'AdDmon' 'AdepFur' 'Af1'	*afford*	KEEP
EEE	DDD	'CDepHol' 'CDepBed' 'CDepEqp' 'CDepCel'	*afford*	KEEP
FFF	EEE	'CDepSum' 'CDepLes' 'CDepTEa' 'CPlay' 'CDepTrp'	*afford*	KEEP
GGG	FFF	'Debt'	*afford*	KEEP
HHH	GGG	'Accounts'	*iadint*	**CARD AMENDED** 1. Current account with a bank, building society, supermarket/store or other organisation, **2. Basic Bank Accounts including introductory / starter accounts** **3. Post Office card accounts,** **4. National Savings Bank (Post Office) – Easy Access Savings or Ordinary Account,** **5. National Savings Bank (Post Office) – Investment Account,** 6. ISA (Individual Savings Account), **7. Savings account, investment account / bond, any other account with bank, building society, supermarket/store or other organisation,** 8. Credit Union
III	HHH	'Invests'	*iadint*	KEEP
JJJ	III	'OtInvA'	***iadint***	KEEP **(2 cards)**
KKK	-	'GivCFnd	*ichint*	**NEW CARD** 1. Child's Parent inside household 2. Child's Parent outside household 3. Child's Grandparents 4. Child's Other relatives 5. Friend of the family 6. Other 7. No contribution
LLL	JJJ	'Totsave'	*ichint*	**NEW CARD** 1. Less than £500 2. From £500 up to £1,000 3. From £1,000 up to £1,500 4. From £1,500 up to £3,000 5. From £3,000 up to £8,000 6. From £8,000 up to £20,000 7. Over £20,000
MMM	JJJ	'TotSav'	*isave*	KEEP

NNN Not numbered	KKK	'IncChnge'	*isave*	KEEP
OOO	LLL	'IncHiLo'	*isave*	KEEP
PPP	MMM	'IncOld'	*isave*	KEEP
QQQ	NNN	'NSAmt'	*isave*	KEEP

I N D E X

INTRODUCTION

This summary report is produced in conjunction with the 2005-06 Family Resources Survey (FRS).

This report provides a summary of proposed changes to:

- Dataset structure
- Variables
- Treatment within Processing (validation, editing and derivation of variables)
- Methodology

The information provided in this report should be used in conjunction with the standard FRS documentation available, which can be accessed via FRS Link Page (http://asdweb/asd3/web/frs/index.html).

In particular the following documents should be consulted, which can be found in http://asdweb/asd3/web/frs/documentation/2005_06/docscontents.

- The Interviewers Guide to Changes
- Changes Metadata

A summary version of this report, providing an overview of changes, and a covering minute, providing information on the 2005-06 processing cycle and user consultation, are also available. The dataset is also available on request.

If at any point you would like to discuss any issues or require further information or clarification, please contact one of the FRS team in Incomes Monitoring 1 (team frs@dwp.gsi.gov.uk).

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Childcare

Recent research commissioned by DWP has demonstrated disparities between FRS measures of childcare use and those in other surveys. To bring the FRS in line with other surveys, questions on childcare were revised and the outcome of such revision was to create a new hierarchical table, CHLDCARE, containing information on childcare and childcare cost separately from the CHILD Table.

Insurance Premium

All questions on insurance premium are dropped from the FRS survey from 2005-06; consequently the INSURANCE table has been removed.

OVERVIEW OF VARIABLE CHANGES

The variable changes are listed below with reference to the page in the **'Interviewers Guide to Changes'** that provides more details.

Changes in the FRS data can affect three main areas of processing;

- Editing

- Imputation

- Derived variables (DVs)

The tables below summarise for each change in the dataset for 2005-06 which areas have been affected. Full details on how these changes have been catered for are provided in the 'Further details on changes' section of this report.

Childcare

1. CHILDCARE QUESTIONS (Page 18)

The most significant change to the FRS questionnaire this year is the change to the way in which childcare is measured. The childcare question has been changed in order to try to reduce disparities between FRS measures of childcare and those on other surveys and to help in producing more robust estimates. The questions on childcare were revised to collect information on childcare use and childcare cost for each child.

The key changes that have been made are:

- childcare use in the past 7 days

- the distinction between term-time and holidays removed

- question on average childcare costs removed and replaced with question on most recent payment

- more than one paid childcare provider identified.

New Variable/s	Label/s (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
BENCCDIS	Does benefit account for Childcare cost		✔	✔
CHAMT	Costs of childcare		✔	✔
CHFAR	Time from home to where Child looked after		✔	✔
CHHR	How many hours in last seven days		✔	✔
CHINKND1	Payment in Kind: Looked after child(ren) in return		✔	✔
CHINKND2	Payment in Kind: Did favour		✔	✔
CHINKND3	Payment in Kind: Gave gift or Treat		✔	✔
CHINKND4	Payment in Kind: Nothing		✔	✔
CHINKND5	Payment in Kind: Other		✔	✔
CHLOOK	Childcare arrangements		✔	✔
CHPD	Pcode : Costs of childcare		✔	✔
CTRM	Week of childcare		✔	✔
EMPLPROV	Does employer provide this form of childcare			
REGISTRD	Whether registered		✔	✔

2. CHILDCARE COSTS (Page 18)

Only payments made by the parent or guardian of the child(ren) are recorded. Any other payments made by other relatives e.g. grandparents or payment made with childcare vouchers are excluded from the survey questions.

New Variable/s	Label/s (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
COST	Whether childcare costs anything		✔	✔
COST01	Whether cost for Playgroup or pre school		✔	✔
COST02	Whether cost for Day nursery or crèche		✔	✔
COST03	Whether cost for Nursery school		✔	✔
COST04	Whether cost for Infant's school (Reception/Nursery)		✔	✔
COST05	Whether cost for Primary school (Reception/Nursery)		✔	✔
COST06	Whether cost for Out of school club		✔	✔
COST07	Whether cost for Holiday scheme		✔	✔
COST08	Whether cost for Family / combined centre		✔	✔
COST09	Whether cost for Boarding school		✔	✔
COST10	Whether cost for Other Formal		✔	✔
COST11	Whether cost for grand parents		✔	✔
COST12	Whether cost for Non-resident parent / ex-spouse / ex-partner		✔	✔
COST13	Whether cost for Child's brother or sister		✔	✔
COST14	Whether cost for Other relatives		✔	✔
COST15	Whether cost for Childminder		✔	✔
COST16	Whether cost for Nanny / Au pair		✔	✔
COST17	Whether cost for Friends or neighbours		✔	✔
COST18	Whether cost for Other non-relatives		✔	✔
COST19	Not Used		✔	✔
COST20	Not Used		✔	✔

3. CHILDCARE PROVISION (Page 18)

The existing category collecting information on Childcare provision/vouchers has been separated out into two categories 'Workplace nursery' and 'Childcare vouchers/employer contracted childcare'.

Category	Changes (New Label/s)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
INKIND05	Received : Workplace nursery		✔	✔
INKIND06	Received : Childcare provisions / vouchers		✔	✔

Accounts

4. CHILD TRUST FUNDS (Page 68)

A new question has been introduced to collect information on Child Trust Fund (CTF) accounts. CTF is a long-term investment and savings account for children born on or after 1st September 2002.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
CFUND	Does child have a Child Trust Fund?		✔	✔
CFUNDH	Total in Child Trust Fund		✔	✔
CFUNDTP1	Child Trust Fund Type - Savings Account		✔	✔
CFUNDTP2	Child Trust Fund Type - Stakeholder Account		✔	✔
CFUNDTP3	Child Trust Fund Type - An Account investing in shares		✔	✔
FUNDAMT1	How much did parent put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT2	How much did outside hh parent put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT3	How much did Grandparents put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT4	How much did Other relatives put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT5	How much did Friend put into fund		✔	✔
FUNDAMT6	How much did Other put into fund		✔	✔
GIVCFND1	CTF Cont : Child's Parent inside household		✔	✔
GIVCFND2	CTF Cont : Child's Parent outside household		✔	✔

GIVCFND3	CTF Cont : Child's Grandparents		✔	✔
GIVCFND4	CTF Cont : Child's Other relatives		✔	✔
GIVCFND5	CTF Cont : Friend of the family		✔	✔
GIVCFND6	CTF Cont : Other		✔	✔

5. POST OFFICE CARD ACCOUNTS AND BASIC BANK ACCOUNTS (Page 66)

A new category has been introduced to capture information on Post Office Card Accounts - separate from the Basic Bank Accounts.

Type	Category (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
ACCOUNT = 30	Post Office Card Account		✔	✔

Information on Post Office Card Accounts is mapped onto the ACCOUNTS table.

See '2005-06 Account' for more details.

6. TAX FREE SAVINGS AND NATIONAL SAVINGS (Page 67)

Since TESSA accounts no longer exist, all references to TESSA and Life Insurance ISA's have been dropped from the 2005-06 FRS questionnaire; to reflect the changes.

Type	Category	Editing	DVs	Imputation
ACCOUNT = 4	Dropped - Not Used		✔	✔
ASSETYPE = 4	Dropped - Not Used		✔	✔

Pensions

7. DEFERRAL OF STATE RETIREMENT PENSION (Page 53)

From April 2005, the DWP has introduced more generous incentives to defer taking-up a state pension, than were available before. A new question has been introduced to collect information on the number of people who defer taking-up their State Pension.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
DEFRPEN	Deferred taking up state pension		✔	✔

Disability

8. DISABILITY QUESTIONS IN THE FRS (Page 34)

The FRS uses the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) definition as the basis for questions on disability. To bring the survey further in line with the DDA definition, further changes have been incorporated, for 2005-06, in the wording of the adult and children's health and new follow up questions.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
DDATREP	illness/disability limited activities		✓	✓
CDDATREP	illness/disability limited activities		✓	✓
CDISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability		✓	✓
DISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability		✓	✓

Carers and Care

9. LENGTH OF TIME CARING (Page 28)

A new question has been introduced in the carers section to record information on how long the 'carer' has been continuously providing care; irrespective of whether there has been a change in the level of care given over that period. Disability and Care Directorate (DCD) are amongst the core users for this new block of enhanced questions and would therefore be the best source for further information regarding its analysis.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
HOWLNG01	How long spent given care by person 1			
HOWLNG02	How long spent given care by person 2			
HOWLNG03	How long spent given care by person 3			
HOWLNG04	How long spent given care by person 4			
HOWLNG05	How long spent given care by person 5			
HOWLNG06	How long spent given care by person 6			
HOWLNG07	How long spent given care by person 7			

HOWLNG08	How long spent given care by person 8			
HOWLNG09	How long spent given care by person 9			
HOWLNG10	How long spent given care by person 10			
HOWLNG11	How long spent given care by person 11			
HOWLNG12	How long spent given care by person 12			
HOWLNG13	How long spent given care by person 13			
HOWLNG14	How long spent given care by person 14			
HOWLNG15	How long spent given care by Relative			
HOWLNG16	How long spent given care by Friends			
HOWLNG17	How long spent given care by LA Help			
HOWLNG18	How long spent given care by Domestic			
HOWLNG19	How long spent given care by Nurse			
HOWLNG20	How long spent given care by Helpers			

Tax Credits

10. TAX CREDIT AWARDS (Page 49)

- Questions on 'year for which the New Tax Credit award apply' have been updated to include reference to the new financial year 2005-06.

- A new question also has been added to collect information about the reason for a "nil" Tax Credit award.

- A soft check has been introduced at TaxCred to double-check whether a working respondent with a child receives Child Tax Credit (CTC).

- A new question has been introduced to collect information on the disability element of the Working Tax Credit (WTC).

- A soft check has been added to questions where WTC and CTC are recorded as less than £26

- Information which is 'not available' from the recipient with regards to Income Support (IS), Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (JSA[IB]) Minimum Income Guarantee (MIG) and its replacement Pensions Credit (PC) has been collected / included for analysis purposes only.

Variable/s	Changes (Label/s)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
NTCDAT = 1	2005-06	✓	✓	
NTCDAT = 2	2004-05	✓	✓	
NTCDAT = 3	2003-04	✓	✓	
NTCDAT = 4	Not available - IS / JSA[IB] / MIG / PC recipient	✓	✓	

Pay

11. BENEFITS-IN-KIND (Page 46)

A new category has been added to collect information on receipt of home computer as a benefit-in-kind from the employer.

New Variable/s	Label/s (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation
INKIND12	Received : Home Computer		✓	✓
INKIND13	Received : Any other payments in kind		✓	✓

12. SALARY SACRIFICE OPTIONS (Page 47)

A new question on salary sacrifice, SALSAC, has been introduced to the FRS questionnaire to monitor the take-up of salary sacrifice options. It is a follow on from the INKIND question which identifies whether employers are offering more support to employees via tax/ National Insurance Contribution (NIC) exemptions or whether employers are simply giving the support in lieu of pay.

New Variable/s	Label/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
SALSAC	Salary sacrifice scheme		✓	✓

Benefits

13. SOCIAL FUND LOAN REPAYMENT (Page 16)

Information on Social Fund (SF) Loan repayments from Income Support (IS) or from Jobseekers Allowance (JSA) was dropped from April 2003, but has been reinstated in the FRS 2005-06 questionnaire as there is a new need for this information.

New Variable/s	Label/s (New)	Editing	DVs	Imputation

SFRPIS	Whether repaying SF loan from IS	✓	✓	
SFRPJSA	Whether repaying SF loan from JSA	✓	✓	

14. LONE PARENT'S BENEFIT AND JOB GRANT (Page 64)

Lone Parents Benefit Run-On was replaced by a new Job Grant and questions on benefit have been updated to reflect this change.

Variable/s	Label Change/s	Editing	DVs	Imputation
BEN5Q5	Rcpt last 6 months Lone Parent's Run-On / Job Grant	✓	✓	
BENEFIT (52)	Lone Parent Benefit Run-On / Job Grant	✓	✓	

Insurance

15. REMOVAL OF QUESTIONS ON INSURANCE PREMIUM (Page 15)

All questions on insurance premium have been removed from the 2005-06 FRS.

Variable/s	Category	Editing	DVs	Imputation
NUMPOLS1 – 9	Dropped		✓	✓

Note: See 'Changes Metadata' for a full list of variables

Other Changes

16. RENT QUESTIONS (Page 17)

Routing to the period for water or sewerage charges included with rent has been extended so that those who do not know the amount they pay in rent may still record an amount for their water/sewerage charges and the period that their water charges cover.

17. SCHOLARSHIP, BURSARY AND GRANT (Page 40)

The question Grant has been amended to refer a new grant, called the Higher Education Grant, introduced in England and Wales in September 2004 to help University students with a household income of less than £21,186 per year.

18. EDUCATIONAL MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (Page 40)

Educational Maintenance Allowance is no longer a pilot scheme and has been introduced nationally. Reference to the 'pilot' has been removed from Educational Maintenance questions.

Question rotation

19. QUESTIONS FOR 2005-06 ROTATED ON/OFF (page 6)

Vehicle ownership and NHS treatment have been rotated-on. Please note, as in 2002-03, there are two additional questions on school meals asked in Northern Ireland (NI) only. Travel to work has been rotated-off for the 2005-06 FRS.

Questions regarding :-	Status	Editing	DVs	Imputation
Vehicle Ownership	Rotated-On		✓	✓
NHS Treatment	Rotated-On		✓	✓
Travel to Work	Rotated-Off		✓	✓

Note: See 'Changes Metadata' for a full list of variables

TREATMENT WITHIN PROCESSING

Changes in the information collected and structure of that information needs to be taken into account within the processing of the FRS dataset. Most of these changes can be treated by introducing new systems or through extending our current methodologies, and are detailed in this section across the four processing areas;

- **Benefit Editing**
- **Non-Benefit Editing**
- **Imputation**
- **Derived Variables (DVs)**

BENEFIT EDITING

The re-introduction of repayment of a Social Fund loan from JSA or IB has resulted in additional checks for missing values for both being revived.

NON-BENEFIT EDITING

Changes to the dataset have required new checks to be added. These will be fully documented for the twelve month release.

IMPUTATION

The tables below provide further details on all the variable changes that have led to a change in our three imputation methods :

- **Bulk Edits**
- **Algorithms**
- **Hotdecks**

Bulk Edit : New variables

Variable	Label/s	Comments	Table
DDATREP	Illness/disability limited activities	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	ADULT
DEFRPEN	Deferred taking up state pension	Edited to No.	ADULT
DISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	ADULT
CDDATREP	Illness/disability limited activities	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
CDISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
CFUND	Does child have a Child Trust Fund?	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
GIVCFND1	CTF Cont : Child's Parent inside household	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
GIVCFND2	CTF Cont : Child's Parent outside household	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
GIVCFND3	CTF Cont : Child's Grandparents	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
GIVCFND4	CTF Cont : Child's Other relatives	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
GIVCFND5	CTF Cont : Friend of the family	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
GIVCFND6	CTF Cont : Other	Edited to No. in line with similar variables.	CHILD
BENCCDIS	Does benefit account for childcare cost	Edited to mode.	CHLDCARE

CHFAR	Time from home to where Child looked after	Edited to mode.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND1	Payment in Kind : Looked after child(ren) in return	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND2	Payment in Kind: Did favour	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND3	Payment in Kind: Gave gift or treat	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND4	Payment in Kind: Nothing	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CHINKND5	Payment in Kind: Other	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
COST	Whether childcare costs anything	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
CTRM	Week of childcare	Edited to mode.	CHLDCARE
REGISTRD	Whether registered	Edited to No.	CHLDCARE
INKIND12	Received: Home Computer	Edited to No. consistent with existing ones.	JOB
INKIND13	Received: Any other payments in kind	Edited to No. consistent with existing ones.	JOB
SALSAC	Salary sacrifice scheme	Edited to No.	JOB

Bulk Edits : Rotated on variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
DENTIST	Last 4 weeks : whether visited NHS dentist	ADULT
EYETEST	Last 4 weeks : whether had eye test	ADULT
HOSP	Last 4 weeks : whether been to NHS hospital	ADULT
PRSCRPT	Last 4 weeks : whether NHS prescriptions	ADULT
SPECS	Last 4 weeks : whether bought specs/lenses	ADULT
VOUCHER	NHS Voucher for Glasses / Contact Lenses	ADULT
DENTIST	Last 4 weeks: whether visited NHS dentist	CHILD
EYETEST	Last 4 weeks: whether had eye test	CHILD
HOSP	Last 4 weeks: whether been to NHS hospital	CHILD
PRSCRPT	Last 4 weeks: whether NHS prescriptions	CHILD
SPECS	Last 4 weeks: whether bought specs/lenses	CHILD

VOUCHER	NHS Voucher for Glasses/Contact Lenses	CHILD
USEVCL	Number of vehicles owned/contin. use of	HOUSEHOL
VEHIC	Type of vehicle	VEHICLE
VEHOWN	Whether own vehicle	VEHICLE

Bulk Edits : Dropped variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
FUTURE	May we contact you in the future	ADULT
ISA3TYPE	Whether Life insurance in an ISA	ADULT
BENCCDIS	Does benefit account for childcare cost	CHILD
CHFAR	Time from home to where Child looked after	CHILD
CHLOOK01	Childcare from : close relative	CHILD
CHLOOK02	Childcare from : other relative	CHILD
CHLOOK03	Childcare from : friend/neighbour	CHILD
CHLOOK04	Childcare from : childminder	CHILD
CHLOOK05	Childcare from : nursery/school/playgroup	CHILD
CHLOOK06	Childcare from : creche	CHILD
CHLOOK07	Childcare from : employer provide nursery	CHILD
CHLOOK08	Childcare from : nanny/au pair	CHILD
CHLOOK09	Childcare from : before/after school or holiday play scheme	CHILD
CHLOOK10	Childcare from : other	CHILD
CHPAY1	Whether payment in kind for childcare	CHILD
CHPAY2	Whether childcare on an exchange basis	CHILD
CHPAY3	Whether Payment made by "Other"	CHILD
CLONE	Whether anyone else pays for child to have childcare	CHILD
COST	Whether childcare costs anything	CHILD
REGISTR1	Whether childminder registered	CHILD
REGISTR2	Whether nursery/playgroup registered	CHILD
REGISTR3	Whether creche registered	CHILD
REGISTR4	Whether employer nursery registered	CHILD

REGISTR5	Whether nanny/au pair registered	CHILD
PREMIUM	Whether anyone paid an insurance premium	HOUSEHOL
NUMPOLS1	Policy covers : personal accident	INSURANC
NUMPOLS2	Policy covers : private medical treatment	INSURANC
NUMPOLS3	Policy covers : Permanent health insurance	INSURANC
NUMPOLS4	Policy covers : Critical illness cover	INSURANC
NUMPOLS5	Policy covers : Friendly sickness benefit	INSURANC
NUMPOLS6	Policy covers : Hospital cover	INSURANC
NUMPOLS7	Policy covers : Long term care	INSURANC
NUMPOLS8	Policy covers : Other sickness insur.	INSURANC
NUMPOLS9	Policy covers : Redundancy policy	INSURANC
POLMORE	Whether anymore policies	INSURANC
POLPAY	Person who pays insurance premiums	INSURANC

Bulk Edits : Rotated off variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
FARE	Cost of journey (where no pass)	ADULT
NITTWMOD	Usual method of travel to work	ADULT
ONEWAY	Whether one-way or return fare	ADULT
TTWCODE1	Respondent is passenger and contributes	ADULT
TTWCODE2	Respondent is driver and receives money	ADULT
TTWCODE3	Some other arrangement(neither of above)	ADULT
TTWFAR	Distance travelled to work	ADULT
TTWMOD	Usual method of travel to work	ADULT
TTWPAY	Whether pays all/some of travel costs	ADULT
TTWPSS	Whether has season ticket/travelcard	ADULT

Bulk Edits : Category Change

Variable	Comments	Table
TOTSAVE	Changed edit to 8 as that is the new "does not wish to say".	CHILD

Hotdecks : New variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
CFUNDH	Total in Child Trust Fund	CHILD
CFUNDTP	Child Trust Fund Type	CHILD
FUNDAMT1	How much did parent put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT2	How much did outside household parent put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT3	How much did Grandparents put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT4	How much did Other relatives put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT5	How much did Friend put into fund	CHILD
FUNDAMT6	How much did Other put into fund	CHILD
CHHR	How many hours in last seven days	CHLDCARE

Hotdecks : Rotated on variables

None

Hotdecks : Dropped variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
CHHR1	Hours a week childcare in term-time	CHILD
CHHR2	Hours a week childcare in the holidays	CHILD
POLAMT	Premium: Amount Paid on this Policy	INSURANC
CHAMT1	Costs of childcare during term time	CHILD
CHAMT2	Costs of childcare during holidays	CHILD
CHAMT3	Costs of childcare during term time (paid by other)	CHILD
CHAMT4	Costs of childcare during holidays (paid by other)	CHILD

Hotdecks : Rotated off variables

Variable	Label/s	Table
FARE	Cost of journey (where no pass)	ADULT
ONEWAY	Whether one-way or return fare	ADULT
PSSAMT	Cost of season ticket/travel pass	ADULT

TTWCOST	Cost of weekly travel to work	ADULT
TTWFRQ	Frequency of journey to work	ADULT
TTWREC	Travel costs: passengers' contributions	ADULT

Algorithms

There has been a change from 2004-05; with a new variable **CHAMT** appearing in the CHLDCARE table. This is imputed by calculating the median hourly rate of childcare (**CHAMT / CHHR**) for each type of childcare (CHLOOK, 20 different types) and then multiplying this by the number of hours that childcare is used (**CHHR**).

Variable	Label/s	Status	Table
CHAMT	Costs of Childcare	New	CHLDCARE

DERIVED VARIABLES (DVs)

DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION ACT (DDA)

The changes and extensions to the questions on **HEALTH** were implemented to bring the FRS further in line with current DDA definitions. Incorporating the extended categories fits within our current methodology; however, this will introduce a discontinuity to the current DDA series due to recipients:-

- being without medication or treatment
- having a long-term illness, disability or infirmity
- or being without medication and/or treatment and having a long-term illness, disability or infirmity which limits normal day-to-day activities

The mapping of base variable changes to DVs is shown below : -

Base Variable/s	Label/s	Status	DVs Affected
DDATREP	illness/disability/infirmity limits daily activities	New	adDDA adDDAbu adDDAhh
DISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability/infirmity	New	
CDDATREP	illness/disability/infirmity limits daily activities	New	chDDA chDDAbu chDDAhh
CDISDIFP	Ever had any long standing illness/disability/infirmity	New	

This change has been incorporated at both the ADULT and CHILD level and will feed through into both the BENUNIT and HOUSEHOL level DVs.

The changes to the DVs are shown below :-

DVs	Label/s	Table
adDDA	whether an ADULT has a DDA defined disability	ADULT
adDDAbu	the number of ADULTs within a Benefit Unit who have a DDA defined disability	BENUNIT
adDDAhh	the number of ADULTs within a Household that have a DDA defined disability	HOUSEHOL
chDDA	whether a CHILD has a DDA defined disability	CHILD
chDDAbu	the number of CHILDren within a Benefit Unit who have a DDA defined disability	BENUNIT
chDDAhh	the number of CHILDren within a Household that have a DDA defined disability	HOUSEHOL

ETHNICITY OF AN ADULT

ETHGR2 has been created to harmonise the ADULT ethnic groups found in Great Britain and Northern Ireland (**ETHGRP** and **NIETHGRP** respectively); bringing the FRS in line with other Government surveys. This change has been incorporated at the ADULT level and will feed through into both the BENUNIT and HOUSEHOL level DVs.

Derived Variable	Label/s	Table
ETHGR2	Ethnicity of ADULT (harmonised version)	ADULT
BUETHGR2	Ethnicity of ADULT head of benefit unit	BENUNIT
HHETHGR2	Ethnicity of ADULT head of household	HOUSEHOL

ADDITIONAL ACCOUNTS / ASSETS HELD

The Post Office Card Account (POCA) can only be used to receive benefit, state pensions and tax credit payments. No other payments, such as Housing Benefit, occupational pensions, or wages can be paid into it. This type of account cannot go overdrawn, incur any charges or garner any interest on payments received. Only £1,500 in benefit payments can be accrued; once this is exceeded the entire amount of the POCA is transferred to a Savings or Easy Access Account, where different investment rules will apply.

The mapping of the base variable changes to DVs is shown below :-

Base Variable	Label/s	Status	DVs Affected
ACCOUNT = 30	Post Office Card Account held	New	ACCOUNTA
ASSETYPE = 30	Post Office Card Account held	New	ACCOUNTA POCARDI POCARDB POCARDH

NB - Ownership of a Post Office Card Account (POCA) has been recorded as with other account types.

The changes to the DVs are shown below :-

Derived Variable	Label/s	Table
POCARDI	Post Office Card Account held by ADULT	ADULT
POCARDB	Number of Post Office Card Accounts held in benefit unit	BENUNIT
POCARDH	Number of Post Office Card Accounts held in household	HOUSEHOL

NB - As a POCA can earn no interest, the Net (**NININV**) and Gross Investment Income (**ININV**) DVs will remain unchanged.

GOVERNMENT OFFICE REGIONS

COUNTRY is a DV that has been created to aggregate the UK Government Office Regions (**GVTREGN**) into geographical areas (England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland).

Derived Variable	Label/s	Table
Country	Re-classifies GVTREGN into UK geographical areas	HOUSEHOL

REMOVED DVs

A number of DVs have been removed from the dataset. This is to ensure that the process runs efficiently and continues to produce accurate results. Many of the DVs were no longer being used for analysis and some were seen to have been replaced.

Derived Variable	Label/s	Status	Table
HBSUPRAN	Pensions contributions from earnings	removed	ADULT

SUPERAN	Pensions contributions from earnings incl. any voluntary pensions	removed	ADULT
NETOCPEN	Income received from all occupational pensions from former employers (nett)	removed	ADULT
EQUIVAHC	Household equaliser - After housing costs	removed	HOUSEHOL
EQUIVBHC	Household equaliser - Before housing costs	removed	HOUSEHOL
KIDSBU0	Number of dependants under age 1	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU1	Number of dependants aged 1	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU2	Number of dependants aged 2	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU3	Number of dependants aged 3	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU4	Number of dependants aged 4	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU5	Number of dependants aged 5	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU6	Number of dependants aged 6	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU7	Number of dependants aged 7	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU8	Number of dependants aged 8	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU9	Number of dependants aged 9	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU10	Number of dependants aged 10	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU11	Number of dependants aged 11	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU12	Number of dependants aged 12	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU13	Number of dependants aged 13	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU14	Number of dependants aged 14	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU15	Number of dependants aged 15	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU16	Number of dependants aged 16	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU17	Number of dependants aged 17	removed	BENUNIT
KIDSBU18	Number of dependants aged 18	removed	BENUNIT

REPLACED DVs

To ensure that the DV process runs efficiently, some DVs have been replaced.

OLD DV	Label/s	NEW DV	TABLE
BUETHGRP	Ethnic group of Head of Benefit Unit	BUETHGR2	BENUNIT
HHETHGRP	Ethnic group of Head of Household	HHETHGR2	HOUSEHOL

CHILD DEPENDANTS

KIDSBU has been re-coded to replace 19 of the previously removed DVs (KIDSBU0-18); which grouped children by age. This will now create four new DVs which can be used to group all dependant children within a Benefit Unit.

Derived Variable	Label/s	Table
KID04	No. of dependant children aged 0 - 4 inc.	BENUNIT
KID510	No. of dependant children aged 5 - 10 inc.	
KID1115	No. of dependant children aged 11 - 15 inc.	
KID1618	No. of dependant children aged 16 - 18 inc.	

BENEFIT RECEIPT INDICATOR

HBINDBU2 and **HBINDHH2** have been created to indicate receipt of Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (JSA [IB]) as well as Council Tax (CTB), Housing Benefit (HB) and Income Support or Pensions Credit (IS/PC) within a Benefit Unit and/or Household. Users will be asked to consider whether these should replace the DVs which are currently being used - **HBINDBU** / **HBINDHH**.

DV Result - Current			
Derived Variable	**Label/s**	**Table**	**No. of Cases**
HBINDBU	BU - in receipt of HB, CTB, IS / PC	BENUNIT	731
HBINDHH	HH - in receipt of HB, CTB, IS / PC	HOUSEHOL	720

DV Result - New			
Derived Variable	**Label/s**	**Table**	**No. of Cases**
HBINDBU2	BU - in receipt of HB, CTB, IS / PC / JSA [IB]	BENUNIT	1259
HBINDHH2	HH - in receipt of HB, CTB, IS / PC / JSA [IB]	HOUSEHOL	1251

METHODOLOGY CHANGES

In some cases changes in information will require changes to the way we process and present data; there will also be instances where we identify the need for changes in response to user comment or from our own review of systems.

Details on the methodological changes we are proposing for 2005-06 are shown below under the area for which they are most applicable:

- **Benefit Editing**
- **Non-Benefit Editing**

- **Imputation**
- **Derived Variables (DVs)**

BENEFIT EDITING

None

NON-BENEFIT EDITING

Changes to the dataset have required new checks to be added. These will be fully documented for the twelve month release.

IMPUTATION

There has been one amendment to existing methodologies from 2004-05. In previous years, mortgages that were taken out for essential repairs (rather than to purchase the property) had to be imputed manually – so as not to confuse them with purchase mortgages. As there are very few of these mortgages (11 in the six-month release) it is difficult to design a sensible hot-deck for them. For the time being they are being matched with essential repair mortgages using the loan year (LOANYEAR) if one exists, otherwise any record is chosen at random.

NB - This will be reviewed following the six month release.

Hot-deck :

Variable	Label/s	Table
MORTEND	Term of mortgage	MORTGAGE

DERIVED VARIABLES (DVs)

FREE SCHOOL MEALS - MONETARY VALUE (FSMVAL)

- Following on from consultation with users, the FSMVAL will now be up-rated using the Retail Price Index (RPI) for inflation; ensuring that the FRS remains in-step with other Government departments. This method is a point-in-time estimate and it is not proposed that we adjust the back-series; though users are free to make the necessary adjustments if needed.

Type of School	2004-05 Value	2005-06 Value	RPI % Increase
Primary	£1.40	£1.44	**2.9**

Secondary	£1.50	£1.54	

NB - for RPI information see - http://www.statistics.gov.uk/STATBASE/tsdataset.asp?vlnk=229&More=N&All=Y

ACCOUNTS AND ASSETS - NEW CONSTANTS AND FORMATS

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ADJUSTMENT FOR RATES PAID WITHIN RENT (Northern Ireland only)

- Where rates is included in rent **(NORATE=1)** and rent is greater than zero, the amount for **HHRENT** is adjusted to rent minus rates paid. If this new amount is less than zero, then a value of zero is imputed (**HHRENT- NIRATE*NINRV**). The adjustment is also applied to **TUHHRENT**

FAMILY RESOURCES SURVEY

2005-06

DATASET AND CHANGES

SUMMARY REPORT

RESTRICTED RELEASE (FULL YEAR)

This summary report is produced in conjunction with the 2005-06 Family Resources Survey (FRS).

This report provides a summary of proposed changes to:

- Dataset structure
- Questions

The information provided in this report should be used in conjunction with the standard FRS documentation available, which can be accessed via FRS Link Page (http://asdweb/asd3/web/frs/index.html).

The dataset is also available on request.

If at any point you would like to discuss any issues or require further information or clarification, please contact one of the FRS team in Incomes Monitoring (team frs@dwp.gsi.gov.uk).

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Summary of Changes

Childcare

To bring the FRS in line with other surveys, questions on childcare were revised and the outcome of such revision was to create a new hierarchical table, CHLDCARE, containing information on childcare and childcare cost separately from the CHILD Table.

Insurance Premium

All questions on insurance prem ium are dr opped from the FRS survey from 2005-06; consequently the INSURANCE table has been removed.

Childcare

1. CHILDCARE QUESTIONS

The most significant change to the FRS ques tionnaire this year is the change to the way in which childcare is m easured. The childcare qu estion has been changed in order to try to reduc e disparities between FRS measures of childcare and those on other surveys and to help in producing more robust estim ates. The questions on childcare were revised to collect inf ormation on childcare u se and childcare cost for each child.

2. CHILDCARE COSTS

Only payments m ade by the parent or guardian of the child (ren) are reco rded. Payments made by other relatives e.g. grandparents and paym ents made with childcare vouchers are excluded.

3. CHILDCARE PROVISION

The existing category collecting infor mation on Childcare provision/vouchers has been separated out into two categor ies 'Workplace nurse ry' and 'Child care vouchers/employer contracted childcare'.

Accounts

4. CHILD TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

A new question has been in   troduced to collect information on Child Trust Fund accounts.

5. POST OFFICE CARD ACCOUNTS AND BASIC BANK ACCOUNTS

A separate category has been added in the   question Accounts to identify Post Office Card accounts.

6. TAX FREE SAVINGS AND NATIONAL SAVINGS

TESSA and Life Insurance ISA's have been dropped from   the FRS 2005-06 questionnaire.

Pensions

7. DEFERRAL OF STATE RETIREMENT PENSION

A new question has been introduced to co llect information on the number of people who defer taking their State Pension.

Disability

8. DISABILITY

To   bring the survey further in line wi   th   the definition of the Disability Discrimination Act there have been furt   her changes incorporated from   2005-06. With the introduction of new follow-up que   stions, the wordings of adult's and children's health questions have been revised.

Carers and Care

9. LENGTH OF TIME CARING

A new ques tion has been introduced in the carers section to record inf   ormation on how long the 'carer' has been continuously   providing care; irrespective of whether there has been a change in the level of care given over that period.

Tax Credits

10. TAX CREDIT AWARDS

Questions on 'year for which the New Tax Credit award apply' have been updated to include reference to the new financial year 2005-06.

A new question has been added to collect information about the reason for "nil" Tax Credit award

A new question has been introduced to collect information on the disability element of the Working Tax Credit.

Pay

11. BENEFITS-IN-KIND

A new category has been added to collect information on receipt of a home computer as a benefit-in-kind from the employer.

12. SALARY SACRIFICE OPTIONS

A new question on salary sacrifice, SALSAC, has been introduced to the FRS questionnaire to monitor the take-up of salary sacrifice options. It is a follow on from the INKIND question which identifies whether employers are offering more support to employees via tax/ National Insurance Contribution exemptions or whether employers are simply giving the support in lieu of pay.

Benefits

13. SOCIAL FUND LOAN REPAYMENT

Information on Social Fund Loan repayments has been re-introduced to the 2005-06 questionnaire.

14. LONE PARENT'S BENEFIT AND JOB GRANT

Lone Parents Benefit Run-On was replaced by a new Job Grant at Ben5Q.

15. REMOVAL OF QUESTIONS ON INSURANCE PREMIA

All questions on insurance premium have been removed from the FRS from 2005-06.

16. RENT QUESTIONS

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Since Educational Maintenance Allowance has been intr oduced nationally, reference to the 'pilot' has been removed from all Educational Maintenance questions.

19. QUESTION ROTATION FOR 2005-06

Vehicle ownership and NHS treatment are rotated on.
Travel to Work is rotated off .

List of variables removed from the standard End User Licence version of SN 5742 Family Resources Survey, 2005-2006

TABLE	*VARIABLES*	*DESCRIPTION*
ADULT	AGE	For the purposes of non-disclosure, this variable is removed and is replaced by the Derived Variable '*age80*' which recodes all adults who are 'over 80' as '80'.
	NIREL	This variable is now removed from all datasets for non-disclosure purposes
ADULT **CHILD**	DOB	Date of birth is collected for respondents aged "under20" for use in the derivation of academic years
HOUSEHOL	*ACORN*	ACORN codes are copyrighted for DWP use only and so removed from the dataset before it is deposited in the UK Data Archive. A special request can be made for these to be made available for external research - for which a charge may be payable
	GROSSCT	These variables allow the identification of standard statistical regions and regions within LONDON. (see www.statistics.gov.uk/geography)
	LAC	
	LONDON	
	SSTRTREG	
	URINDEW	These *new* variables will indicate URBAN and RURAL areas
	URINDS	
	NICOUN	This variable is now removed from all datasets for non-disclosure purposes

All the following weekly INCOME variables contain COUNCIL tax information in their derivation and are "rounded" to the nearest £1 in the End User Licence version of the data:

TABLE	*VARIABLE*	*DESCRIPTION*
ADULT	age80	Derived Variable replaces AGE within the ADULT table only
	indinc	Derived Variable for adult income
	indisben	Derived Variable for adult disability benefit income
	inirben	Derived Variable for adult income related benefit income
	innirben	Derived Variable for adult non-income related benefit income
	inothben	Derived Variable for adult other benefits
	inrpinc	Derived Variable for adult RP/IS income
	nindinc	Derived Variable for adult net income
	ninearns	Derived Variable for adult net income from employment
	nininv	Derived Variable for adult net investment income
	ninpenin	Derived Variable for adult net pension income
BENUNIT	budisben	Derived Variable for benefit unit disability benefit income
	buinc	Derived Variable for benefit unit income

	buirben	Derived Variable for benefit unit income related benefit income
	bunirben	Derived Variable for BU non-income related benefit income
	buothben	Derived Variable for BU other benefit income
	burent	Derived Variable for BU rent
HOUSEHOL	ctamt	Amount of last CT payment
	ctrebamt	Amount of CT rebate
	cwatamt	Amount included in rent for CT water charge
	cwatamt1	Amount included in rent for CT water charge
	cwatamtd	Derived Variable for council tax water charge
	gbhscost	Derived Variable for GB Total Housing costs
	hbeninc	Derived Variable for HH benefit income
	hhdisben	Derived Variable for HH disability benefit income
	hhinc	Derived Variable for household income
	hhirben	Derived Variable for HH income related benefit income
	hhnirben	Derived Variable for HH non-income related benefit income
	hhothben	Derived Variable for HH other benefit income
	hhrent	Derived Variable for HH rent
	hhrpinc	Derived Variable for HH RP/IS income
	nihscost	Derived Variable for NI Total Housing costs
	nirate	Amount of District Council Rate