

ANNUAL POPULATION SURVEY

October 2006 – September 2007 Dataset

Table 1 provides a list of changes that were made to the LFS questionnaire in the JM07 quarter. Instances where a variable has a “7” suffix (e.g., Degree7) indicate that the variable replaces an older version. For example, Degree4 was replaced by Degree7. Therefore, there is only nine months of data (covering the period January 2007-September 2007) on the dataset for all variables with a “7” suffix (please see additional note on Cryox7 and Natox7).

Table 1: Summary of changes made the LFS questionnaire in JM07.

Section	2007 Version of LFS Variable	2006 Version of LFS Variable	Nature of change
Household and respondent characteristics	CYMSF		New question
	CRYO7	CRYO	New country coding frame
	NATO7	NATO	New country coding frame
Main job	NITAX		New question
	SUPVIS		On-screen interviewer guidance added
Second job	SUPVIS2		On-screen interviewer guidance added
Looking for work	WAIT		Modified filter / age threshold increased
Education & training	QUALCH5 (1-5)		Response category modified - change to code 4
	QUALS6(1-30)		Response category modified - change to codes 27, 28,30
	TYPQUL(1-3)		New question
	OTHQU(1-4)		New question
	QLSTYR6(1-30)		Response category modified - change to codes 27, 28,30
	DEGREE7(1-5)	DEGREE4	Variable changed from a single code to a multi-code
	DEGCLS7	DEGCLS	Question wording amended
	ADVHST		Response categories modified - code 3 added
	HST		Response categories modified - code 3 added
	BTEC7	BTEC	Response categories modified - change to code 1
	BTECOTH(1-3)		New question
	SCTVEC		Response categories modified - change to code 1
	CANDGO(1-2)		New question
	GNVQ4O(1-4)		New question
	QULHI4		Response category modified - change to codes 27, 28,30
	OTHIGH(1-3)		New question
	OTHQU(1-4)		New question
	MODAPP4		Response category modified - change to codes 1, 2, 3
	ED13WK		Modified filter / age threshold increased
	ED4WK		Modified filter / age threshold increased

	FUTUR13	Modified filter / age threshold increased
	FUTUR4	Modified filter / age threshold increased
Adult learning	TAUTQ7	New question
	NFE1(1-4)	New question
	NTINF7	New question

Please note

The country coding frame used for the country-of-birth and nationality questions on the LFS was expanded in JM07 to produce a more comprehensive list of countries. The 2007 versions of the country-of-birth and nationality derived variables are called Cryox7 and Natox7, respectively. They are not compatible with the pre-2007 versions. If you intend to perform an analysis using these new variables please be aware that the data they contain only covers the nine-month period January 2007 – September 2007. The 2006 versions of the variables appear as Cryox and Natox on the dataset and these cover the period October 2006-December 2006.

If you plan to undertake country-of-birth or nationality analysis across this period, 2006 into 2007, you may wish use the variables Cryox7y and Natox7y. These new variables map the 2007 coding frame back onto the 2006 coding frame. Please be aware that use of these variables will lose the finer detail given in the 2007 version.

Weighting variable

Please be aware that a new naming convention has been adopted for the APS weighting variable; it is now called PWTAPS.

2007 Re-weighting Exercise

Please be aware that the October 2006 – September 2007 APS dataset will be the last one to be weighted using the old population estimates. The January 2007 – December 2007 dataset will be produced on a re-weighted basis only.