

**Generations and Gender Survey**  
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Optional sub-modules deal with topics that are relevant and important for GGS, but they may be of only limited importance in some potential GGS countries. Four optional sub-modules have been developed: (a) Nationality and Ethnicity, (b) Previous Partners, (c) Intentions of Breaking Up, and (d) Housing. It is strongly recommended to include these standard modules in order to facilitate comparative research on these topics.

The four modules do not form an integrated package, hence, using only some of them would not pose any problems beyond not receiving the information contained in the dropped modules. However, the QDG foresees that when implemented, each module is implemented fully, without dropping any of the questions.

## A. NATIONALITY AND ETHNICITY

Comment: Questions on nationality and ethnicity are designed for being inserted into the different parts of the questionnaire where certain characteristics of R and those of people close to R are dealt with.

### Household

#### To be inserted after question 107.

A01. What is your mother tongue?

[Some most common languages in a country to be provided, along with an open answer.]

A02. What language or languages do you usually speak at home?

**Code or write in up to 2 languages, starting with the one used most often.**

First language

[Some most common languages in a country to be provided, along with an open answer.]

Second language

[Some most common languages in a country to be provided, along with an open answer.]

A03. Could you look at this card please and tell me which of these groups you consider you belong to?

**Show Card A03: Ethnic Group.**

[Card with a list of most sizeable ethnic groups in a country, with a possibility for an open answer.]

A04. What is your present citizenship? **Write in.** \_\_\_\_\_

A05. a. Is that since birth?

1 – yes → **go to 108 (core)**

2 – no ↓

b. In what year did you receive [British] citizenship?

year |\_\_|\_\_|

### Partnerships

#### To be inserted after questions 303 & 312

A06. What is your partner's/ spouse's mother tongue?

[Some most common languages in a country to be provided, along with an open answer.]

A07. Could you look at this card please and tell me which of these groups your partner/ spouse considers himself/ herself belong to?

**Show Card A03: Ethnic Group.**

[Card with a list of most or all sizeable ethnic groups in a country, with a possibility for an open answer.]

A08. What is your partner's/spouse's present citizenship?

**Write in.** \_\_\_\_\_

A09. a. Is that since birth?

1 – yes → **go to 304/313 (core)**

2 – no ↓

b. In what year did he/she receive [British] citizenship?

year |\_\_|\_\_|

## Parents and Parental Home

Past tense to be used if the parent is deceased.

### To be inserted before questions 505, 522, 525, 536, and 564

Comment: When inserting the optional questions, the routing that now goes to the questions before which the optional ones are inserted should then be directed to A10 which is the first of the set of questions inserted there.

A10. a. Was your father born in the UK?

1 – yes → **go to A11**

2 – no → continue with b ↓

b. In which country was he born?

Country of birth \_\_\_\_\_

A11. Could you look at this card please and tell me which of these groups your father considers himself belong to?

#### **Show Card A03: Ethnic Group.**

[Card with a list of most or all sizeable ethnic groups in a country, with a possibility for an open answer.]

A12. What is your father's present citizenship?

**Write in.** \_\_\_\_\_

A13. Is that since birth?

1 – yes

2 – no

### To be inserted before questions 508, 511, 519, 539, and 564

Comment: When inserting the questions on mother before question 564 (core), they follow the questions on the father (A10–A13 above) that are also inserted there.

A14. a. Was your mother born in the UK?

1 – yes → **go to A15**

2 – no → **continue with b** ↓

b. In which country was she born?

Country of birth \_\_\_\_\_

A15. Could you look at this card please and tell me which of these groups your mother considers herself belong to?

#### **Show Card A03: Ethnic Group.**

[Card with a list of most or all sizeable ethnic groups in a country, with a possibility for an open answer? The list could be taken from some general national surveys.]

A16. What is your mother's present citizenship?

**Write in.** \_\_\_\_\_

A17. Is that since birth?

1 – yes

2 – no

## B. PREVIOUS PARTNERS

Comment: Below, the entire part *Partnership History* is presented so that the optional questions on the previous partners' pre-union children are included. The optional questions are in violet colour, the core questions in normal (black) colour.

### Partnership History

B01. (Apart from your current partnership or marriage,) have you ever before lived together with someone as a couple or have you ever been married? As I mentioned previously, our survey also concerns same-sex partnerships. If you ever had a same-sex partnership, please answer the following questions for those partnerships as well.

1 – yes ↓

2 – no → **go to 401 (core)**

I would like to ask a few questions about each of your previous partners or spouses. If you have lived with the same partner more than once, this counts as separate partnerships. Let us start with your first partnership.

Previous Partners

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
B02. In what month and year did you start living together with your first/second/... partner or spouse?	month ... year ...	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□
B03. a. Were you and he/she legally married?	1 – yes 2 – no → <b>go to B04</b>								
b. In what month and year did you legally marry him/her?	month ... year ...	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□
B04. In what month and year was he/she born?	month ... year ...	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□	□□□ □□□
B05. What was the highest level of education that your first/ second/ ... partner/spouse had while you were living together?	[Country-specific list to be compatible with ISCED]								
B06. When you started living together, how many children, if any, did your partner/spouse already have that were not yours? Please include adopted and foster children.	number 0 – none → <b>go to B11</b>								
B07. How many were girls and how many were boys? [If one child: Is this child a boy or a girl?]	girls boys	□□ □□	□□ □□	□□ □□	□□ □□	□□ □□	□□ □□	□□ □□	□□ □□
B08. What was the age of the youngest/ younger child when you started living with her/his mother/father?	age								
B09. How many of these children ever lived regularly in your joint household?	number								
B10. How often do you now see one or more of these children, including those who never lived with you? <i>W= week M= month Y= year</i>	times per W M Y 0 – never	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —
B11. How did this partnership end? Please choose your answer from the card. <b>Show Card 330: End of Partnership</b>	1 – Broke up 2 – Partner died								



Previous Partners

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
B12. In what month and year did that happen?	month ... year ...								
<b>Interviewer Check: If the partner died (see B11) go to B19. If the partnership ended in breaking up continue ↓</b>									
B13. Did you have children together with him/her?	1 – yes 2 – no → <b>go to Interviewer Check before B17</b>								
B14. With whom did your children mainly stay in the first year after you broke up? Please choose your answer from the card. You may choose more than one answer if your shared children mainly lived at different places from each other.  <b>Show Card 333: Where Did Children Mainly Stay</b>	1 – with me 2 – with my ex-partner 3 – with both of us on a time-shared basis 4 – with relatives 5 – with others 6 – at a children's home 7 – started to live independently 8 – child was already living independently 9 – other								
B15. On average, how often did you see the child(ren) who did not stay with you in the first year after you broke up?	times per W M Y 0 – never 99 – not applicable	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B16. On average, how often did your partner/spouse see the child(ren) who stayed with you in the first year after you broke up?	times per W M Y 0 – never 99 – not applicable	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Interviewer Check: If R was married to this partner (B03) continue ↓ . If not married to this partner go to B19.</b>									
B17. a. Did you and he/she get divorced?	1 – yes 2 – no → <b>go to B19</b>								
b. In what month and year did you get divorced?	month ... year ...								
B18. Who started the legal process of divorce?	1 – R 2 – R and P together 3 – P								

Previous Partners

B19. Have you had any other partnership afterwards (apart from your current partnership)?

- 1 – yes → **go to B02 on the next partner** ↑      2 – no → continue with B20

B20. a. As mentioned, our survey also deals with same-sex partnerships. May I ask you, have any of your previous partners been of the same sex as you?

- 1 – yes ↓      2 – no → **go to the Interviewer Check before 338 (core)**

b. Which one(s)?

**Write reference numbers of same-sex partners from the table on the line below.**

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**C. INTENTIONS OF BREAKING UP**

To be included after question 410, regardless of the answer given to 410

C01. Do you [singular you] intend to break up with your partner/ spouse during the next 3 years?

- 1 – definitely not
- 2 – probably not
- 3 – probably yes
- 4 – definitely yes

C02. (Even though it may be very unlikely,) Think for a moment about how various areas of your life might change if you would break up with your partner/ spouse in the next three years.

**Show Card 320: Better or Worse.**

If you were to break up with your partner/ spouse, do you think this would be better or worse for ...	much better	better	neither better nor worse	worse	much worse	not applicable
a. the possibility to do what you want	1	2	3	4	5	×
b. your employment opportunities	1	2	3	4	5	×
c. your financial situation	1	2	3	4	5	×
d. your sexual life	1	2	3	4	5	×
e. what people around you think of you	1	2	3	4	5	×
f. the joy and satisfaction you get from life	1	2	3	4	5	×
g. the welfare of your children	1	2	3	4	5	99
h. the closeness between you and your children and grandchildren	1	2	3	4	5	99

C03. How much would your decision about whether or not to break up with your partner/ spouse in the next three years depend on the following things? Please choose an answer from this card.

**Show Card 321: How Much Would Your Decision Depend on ... ?**

	not at all	a little	quite a lot	a great deal	not applicable
a. your financial situation	1	2	3	4	99
b. your work	1	2	3	4	99
c. your housing conditions	1	2	3	4	99
d. your health	1	2	3	4	99

C04. Does your partner think that you and he/she should break up?

- 1 – yes
- 2 – no
- 3 – partner is not sure
- 97– R does not know

Intentions of Breaking Up

C05. Although you may feel that the decision to break up with your partner/spouse is yours and your partner's/spouse's, it is likely that others have opinions about what you should do. I'm going to read out some statements about what other people might think about you breaking up with your partner/spouse during the next three years. Please tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with these statements, choosing your answer from this card.

**Show Card 323: Agreement Scale.**

	strongly agree	agree	neither agree nor disagree	disagree	strongly disagree	not applicable
a. Most of your friends think that you should break up with your partner/spouse	1	2	3	4	5	99
b. Your parents think that you should break up with your partner/spouse (Interviewer: if necessary, ask for step-/foster-parents)	1	2	3	4	5	99
c. Your children think that you should break up with your partner/spouse	1	2	3	4	5	99
d. Most of your other relatives think that you should break up with your partner/spouse	1	2	3	4	5	99

## D. HOUSING

Comment: The optional questions are in violet colour, the core questions in normal (black) colour.

### Size of the Dwelling Unit

D01. Core question 1.14: How many rooms are there in the dwelling where you live, NOT counting kitchens, bathrooms and toilets? Exclude also rooms used solely for business, hallways and utility rooms.

Number of rooms \_\_\_\_\_

D02. What is the living floor space of the dwelling unit?

- 1 – under 30 square meters
- 2 – between 30 and 39 square m
- 3 – between 40 and 49 square m
- 4 – between 50 and 59 square m
- 5 – between 60 and 79 square m
- 6 – between 80 and 99 square m
- 7 – between 100 and 119 square m
- 8 – 120 square meters and over

### Tenure Status

D03. Core question 1.15: In what month and year did you [R is meant] start living in this [type of accommodation]?

month |\_\_|\_\_| year |\_\_|\_\_|

D04. Core question 1.16: Does your household own or rent this accommodation or does it come rent-free?

- 1 – owner .....→ continue with D05
- 2 – tenant or subtenant, paying rent.....→ continue with D05
- 3 – accommodation is provided rent-free .....→ go to D12
- 4 – other .....→ go to D12

D05. Which member of the household owns/rents the place you live in?

*Write in reference number of mentioned household member from Household Grid.*

Household Grid reference number \_\_\_\_\_

**Interviewer Check: Look at the answer to D04.**

**1 – owner → continue ↓**

**2 – tenant or subtenant, paying rent → go to D12**

D06. How did you/he/she obtain it?

- 1 – bought
- 2 – built
- 3 – expanded an existing home, e.g., built an annex or attic
- 4 – received from parents or (an)other relative(s)
- 5 – inherited
- 6 – other way

D07. In which year did he/she buy/acquire this accommodation? If this took place over a period of time, please mention the year when the process of buying/acquiring started.

year |\_\_|\_\_|\_\_|\_\_|

D08. How did you/he/she finance the purchase/construction/expansion?

**Code all answers provided by R.**

- 1 – mortgage..... → **go to D14**
- 2 – savings..... → **go to D14**
- 3 – proceeds from sale of previous home ..... → **go to D14**
- 4 – gift..... → continue with D09
- 5 – loan from a private person ..... → continue with D09
- 6 – loan from a bank, employer or other institution..... → **go to D14**
- 7 – inheritance ..... → **go to D11**
- 8 – insurance payment or accident compensation..... → **go to D14**
- 9 – other..... → **go to D14**

D09. Who provided the gift/loan? (more than one answer possible)

**Code using the List of Providers and Receivers.**

\_\_\_\_\_

D10. Did this person live in your household at that time?

- 1 – yes
- 2 – no

**Go to D14.**

D11. Who left you/him/her the inheritance?

**Code using the List of Providers and Receivers.**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Go to D14.**

D12. Who is the accommodation rented from or provided by?

*[Comment: In the list below, countries should make sure they use appropriate labels for these categories so that they yield the intended answers. Some common providers of public housing may be singled out by name.]*

**Show Card D12.**

- 1 – public or communal agency ..... → **go to D14**
- 2 – household member's employer ..... → **go to D14**
- 3 – private company or firm ..... → **go to D14**
- 4 – housing association..... → **go to D14**
- 5 – private person ..... → continue with D13

D13. Who is this person?

**Code using the List of Providers and Receivers.**

\_\_\_\_\_

## Building

D14. When was this house built?

- 1 – Before 1919
- 2 – 1919–1945
- 3 – 1946–1960
- 4 – 1961–1970
- 5 – 1971–1980
- 6 – 1981–1990
- 7 – 1991–1995
- 8 – 1996–2000
- 9 – 2000 or later

## Occupancy

D15. Are there any persons who share this [type of accommodation] with you, but whom you do not consider as a member of your household?

1 – yes ↓

2 – no → **go to D17**

D16. How many?

Number of persons \_\_\_\_\_

D17. How many households in total occupy this [type of accommodation]?

Number of households \_\_\_\_\_

### **Interviewer Check:**

***If a single household lives in this dwelling unit go to D19.***

***If two or more households live in this dwelling unit continue with D18.***

D18. What is the living floor space occupied by your household in this dwelling unit?

- 1 – Under 30 square meters
- 2 – Between 30 and 39 square m
- 3 – Between 40 and 49 square m
- 4 – Between 50 and 59 square m
- 5 – Between 60 and 79 square m
- 6 – Between 80 and 99 square m
- 7 – Between 100 and 119 square m
- 8 – 120 square meters and over

## Kitchen and Cooking Facilities

D19. Which of the following does your household have?

- 1 – a kitchen with dining area,
- 2 – a kitchen without dining area
- 3 – a kitchenette
- 4 – other arrangements for cooking, e.g., a recess cupboard

## Water, Bathing and Toilet

D20. Does your household have access to piped water?

1 – yes ↓

2 – no → **go to D26**

D21. Is it accessible within your [type of accommodation], outside the apartment within the same building, or outside the building?

- 1 – in the dwelling unit
- 2 – outside the dwelling unit within the building
- 3 – outside the building

D22. Does your household have a bath or shower?

1 – yes ↓

2 – no → **go to D24**

D23. Is it within your [type of accommodation], outside the apartment within the same building, or outside the building?

- 1 – in the dwelling unit
- 2 – outside the dwelling unit within the building
- 3 – outside the building

D24. Does your household have a flush toilet?

1 – yes ↓

2 – no → **go to D26**

D25. Is it within your [type of accommodation], outside the apartment within the same building, or outside the building?

1 – in the dwelling unit

2 – outside the dwelling unit within the building

3 – outside the building

## Problems and Satisfaction with the Accommodation

D26. Do you have any of the following problems with your accommodation?

	yes	no
a. leaking roof, damp or rot walls, floors, foundation or window frames	1	2
b. too dark, not enough light	1	2
c. noise from neighbours or noise from the street	1	2
d. pollution or other environmental problems caused by traffic or industry	1	2
e. problems in finding a parking space	1	2
f. crime, violence or vandalism in the area	1	2

D27. Core question 117: How satisfied are you with your dwelling? On a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means 'not at all satisfied' and 10 means 'completely satisfied' and 5 means 'about average', what number best represents your satisfaction with your dwelling? Please use this card and tell me the value on the scale.

**Show Card 117: Satisfaction Scale.**

Value from Satisfaction Scale \_\_\_\_\_

## Intentions to Move

D28. Core question 118: Do you intend to move within the next three years?

1 – definitely not..... → **go to next section**

2 – probably not ..... → **go to next section**

3 – probably yes..... → continue with D29

4 – definitely yes ..... → continue with D29

D29. Core question 119: Would that be to another country, to another municipality or within the same municipality?

1 – to another country

2 – to another municipality

3 – within the same municipality

4 – within the country, but cannot say about municipality