

DECENT STANDARD OF LIVING SURVEY

NAME: _____
TEL NO: _____ E-MAIL: _____
DATE: _____ INTERVIEWER: _____

INTERVIEWER: Determine home language and proceed in respondent's language of choice:

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| English | 1 | |
| isiZulu | 2 | |
| isiXhosa | 3 | PROCEED |
| Sesotho | 4 | |
| <u>Afrikaans</u> | 5 | |
| Other | 6 | TERMINATE |

INTRODUCTION / INFORMED CONSENT

Good morning/afternoon. You are speaking to I am calling you from BDRC Africa. We are an independent market research company in South Africa.

We are conducting a survey about the things that people need in order to have a decent standard of living in present-day South Africa. Your responses could help inform policy so we'd like to ask you some questions about yourself and your household.

The interview will take about 20 minutes. Participating is voluntary and you can stop at any time. This call will be recorded for quality control purposes, but your information will be kept confidential and anonymous. If you have any questions about participating in the survey, you can contact our office by telephone at any time on 021 825 9796.

The research study has been approved by the South African Medical Research Council.

Are you willing to participate in this survey?

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| YES | 1 | PROCEED TO SCREENER |
| NO | 2 | THANK AND CLOSE |

SCREENER

ASK ALL

S1 In which province do you live?

Gauteng	1	
Western Cape	2	
Kwazulu Natal	3	PROCEED
Eastern Cape	4	
<u>Free State</u>	<u>5</u>	
Other	6	TERMINATE

S2 Do you live in an urban, peri-urban or rural location?

Urban	1	
Peri-urban	2	CHECK QUOTA
Rural	3	

S3 **DO NOT ASK - RECORD GENDER FROM OBSERVATION**

Male	1	CHECK QUOTA
Female	2	CHECK QUOTA

S4 Which of the following best describes your age group?

<u>17 or younger</u>	<u>1</u>	TERMINATE
<u>18 – 24</u>	<u>2</u>	CHECK QUOTA
25 – 29	3	
30 – 39	4	CHECK QUOTA
40 – 49	5	
<u>50 – 59</u>	<u>6</u>	
60 – 69	7	CHECK QUOTA
70 – 79	8	
80 or over	9	

S5 For statistical purposes, please can you tell me which ethnic group you belong to?

Black African	1	
Coloured	2	CHECK QUOTA
Indian/Asian	3	
White	4	
Other	5	

S6 Are there any children aged under 18 living in your household?

Yes	1
No	2

S7 Would you say that you and your family are wealthy, very comfortable, reasonably comfortable, just getting along, poor, or very poor?

Wealthy	1
Very comfortable	2
Reasonably comfortable	3
Just getting along	4
Poor	5
Very poor	6

S8 Which of the following best describes your monthly household income?

Up to R4,999	1	
R5,000 – R9,999	2	CHECK QUOTA
R10,000 – R19,999	3	
R20,000 – R39,999	4	
R40,000 or more	5	
DO NOT READ OUT: Refused	6	

MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE

DEFINITIONS OF POVERTY AND SOCIAL EXCLUSION

Q Please say whether you think each of the following is essential for everyone to have in order to enjoy an acceptable standard of living in South Africa today. If you think it is essential, please say 'ESSENTIAL'. If you think it is desirable but not essential, please say 'DESIRABLE'. If you think it is not essential and not desirable, please say 'NEITHER'. So the three possible answers are 'ESSENTIAL', 'DESIRABLE' or 'NEITHER'.

	ITEM	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	NEITHER	(Don't Know)
1	A fridge	1	2	3	8
2	Having enough money to give presents on special occasions such as birthdays, weddings, funerals	1	2	3	8
3	Meat or fish or vegetarian equivalent every day	1	2	3	8
4	A cell phone	1	2	3	8
5	Special meal at Christmas or equivalent festival	1	2	3	8
6	Washing machine	1	2	3	8
7	Clothing sufficient to keep you warm and dry	1	2	3	8
8	For parents or other carers to be able to afford toys for children to play with	1	2	3	8
9	Satellite television/DSTV	1	2	3	8
10	Some new (not second-hand or handed-down) clothes	1	2	3	8
11	Regular savings for emergencies	1	2	3	8
12	A small amount of money to spend on yourself, not on your family, each week	1	2	3	8
13	Ability to pay or contribute to funerals/ funeral insurance/ burial society	1	2	3	8
14	A smart phone	1	2	3	8
15	Television / TV	1	2	3	8
16	A car	1	2	3	8
17	People who are sick are able to afford all medicines prescribed by their doctor	1	2	3	8
18	A sofa / lounge suite	1	2	3	8
19	A computer in the home	1	2	3	8
20	An armed response service for the house	1	2	3	8
21	A DVD player	1	2	3	8
22	For parents or other carers to be able to buy complete school uniform for children without hardship	1	2	3	8
23	A radio	1	2	3	8
24	Burglar bars in the house	1	2	3	8
25	Mains electricity in the house	1	2	3	8
26	A flush toilet in the house	1	2	3	8
27	Separate bedrooms for adults and children	1	2	3	8
28	A fence or wall around the property	1	2	3	8
29	A garden	1	2	3	8
30	A house that is strong enough to stand up to the weather, e.g. rain, winds, etc.	1	2	3	8
31	A bath or shower in the house	1	2	3	8
32	A burglar alarm system for the house	1	2	3	8
33	A lock-up garage for vehicles	1	2	3	8

Q Please say whether you think each of the following activities is essential for everyone to be able to do in South Africa today. If you think they are essential, please say 'ESSENTIAL'. If you think they are desirable but not essential, please say 'DESIRABLE'. If you think they are not essential and not desirable, please say 'NEITHER'.

	ACTIVITY	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	NEITHER	(Don't Know)
34	A holiday away from home for one week a year, not visiting relatives	1	2	3	8
35	Paid employment for people of working age	1	2	3	8
36	Being able to visit friends and family in hospital and other institutions	1	2	3	8
37	A family take-away or bring-home meal once a month	1	2	3	8

Q I am now going to read you a list of features relating to neighbourhoods. Please say whether you think each of the following are essential for everyone to have in South Africa today. If you think it is essential, please say 'ESSENTIAL'. If you think it is desirable but not essential, please say 'DESIRABLE'. If you think it is not essential and not desirable, please say 'NEITHER'.

	ITEM	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	NEITHER	(Don't Know)
38	Tarred roads close to the house	1	2	3	8
39	Street lighting	1	2	3	8
40	A place of worship (church/ mosque / synagogue) in the local area	1	2	3	8
41	A neighbourhood without smoke or smog in the air	1	2	3	8
42	A neighbourhood without rubbish/ refuse/ garbage in the streets	1	2	3	8
43	Having police on the streets in the local area	1	2	3	8
44	A large supermarket in the local area	1	2	3	8
45	Somewhere for children to play safely outside of the house	1	2	3	8

Q I am now going to ask you some questions about people's relationships with their friends and family. Please say whether you think each of the following are essential for everyone to have in South Africa today. If you think it is essential, please say 'ESSENTIAL'. If you think it is desirable but not essential, please say 'DESIRABLE'. If you think it is not essential and not desirable, please say 'NEITHER'.

	ITEM	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	NEITHER	(Don't Know)
46	Someone to look after you if you are very ill	1	2	3	8
47	Having an adult from the household at home at all times when children under ten from the household are at home	1	2	3	8
48	Someone to lend you money in an emergency	1	2	3	8
49	Someone to transport you in a vehicle if you needed to travel in an emergency	1	2	3	8
50	Someone to talk to if you are feeling upset or depressed	1	2	3	8

THANK RESPONDENT AND CLOSE