

Series 6 - Expenditure and Food Survey

Description: The Expenditure and Food Survey (EFS) is the result of more than two years' development work to bring together the Family Expenditure Survey (FES) and the National Food Survey (NFS). Both survey series were well established and important sources of information for government and the wider community, charting changes and patterns in Britain's spending and food consumption since the 1950s. From 2001-2002, both series were completely replaced by the EFS. Whilst the NFS and FES series are now finished, users should note that previous data from both series are still available from the UK Data Archive (UKDA).

- **Available years:** 2001-2005
- **Principal investigator:** Office for National Statistics and Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

#6:42 – Expenditure and Food Survey 2001-2002

Universe: United Kingdom.

Sample size: 7330.

Methods: Face-to-face interview + diaries.

Sample: Multi-stage stratified random sample drawn from the small users file of the Postcode Address File; weighting used.

Fieldwork: 2001-2002.

Geography: Government Office Regions.

Access: SN 4697.

Alcohol consumption

Consumption: beverage-specific volume and spending and frequency (Two-week beverage-specific purchase diary).

Single occasion: n/a.

Other drinking

- Drinking location/source (Where alcohol was purchased from)

Other alcohol variables

None.

Health status and behaviour:

- Smoking (Medium)
- Diet (High, covered by diary record of daily expenditure)
- Fitness (Low)

Other variables

- Socialising (Low)
- Leisure (Low)
- Caring (Medium)
- Political opinions (Low)
- Use of services (Low)

Demographics

- Material quality of life (High)
- Income (High)
- Household type/composition (High)
- Finances/taxes/benefits (High)
- Employment (High)
- Education (Low)
- Ethnicity and religion (Medium)

#6:43 – Expenditure and Food Survey 2002-2003

Universe: United Kingdom.

Sample size: 6927.

Methods: Face-to-face interview + diaries.

Sample: Multi-stage stratified random sample drawn from the small users file of the Postcode Address File; weighting used.

Fieldwork: 2002-2003.

Geography: Government Office Regions.

Access: SN 5003.

Alcohol consumption

Consumption: beverage-specific volume and spending and frequency (Two-week beverage-specific purchase diary).

Single occasion: n/a.

Other drinking

- Drinking location/source (Where alcohol was purchased from)

Other alcohol variables

None.

Health status and behaviour:

- Smoking (Medium)
- Diet (High, covered by diary record of daily expenditure)
- Fitness (Low)

Other variables

- Socialising (Low)
- Leisure (Low)
- Caring (Medium)
- Political opinions (Low)
- Use of services (Low)

Demographics

- Material quality of life (High)
- Income (High)
- Household type/composition (High)
- Finances/taxes/benefits (High)
- Employment (High)
- Education (Low)
- Ethnicity and religion (Medium)

#6:44 – Expenditure and Food Survey 2003-2004

Universe: United Kingdom.

Sample size: 7048.

Methods: Face-to-face interview + diaries.

Sample: Multi-stage stratified random sample drawn from the small users file of the Postcode Address File; weighting used.

Fieldwork: 2003-2004.

Geography: Government Office Regions.

Access: SN 5210.

Alcohol consumption

Consumption: beverage-specific volume and spending and frequency (Two-week beverage-specific purchase diary).

Single occasion: n/a.

Other drinking

- Drinking location/source (Where alcohol was purchased from)

Other alcohol variables

None.

Health status and behaviour:

- Smoking (Medium)
- Diet (High, covered by diary record of daily expenditure)
- Fitness (Low)

Other variables

- Socialising (Low)
- Leisure (Low)
- Caring (Medium)
- Political opinions (Low)
- Use of services (Low)

Demographics

- Material quality of life (High)
- Income (High)
- Household type/composition (High)

- Finances/taxes/benefits (High)
- Employment (High)
- Education (Low)
- Ethnicity and religion (Medium)

#6:45 – Expenditure and Food Survey 2004-2005

Universe: United Kingdom.

Sample size: 6798.

Methods: Face-to-face interview + diaries.

Sample: Multi-stage stratified random sample drawn from the small users file of the Postcode Address File; weighting used.

Fieldwork: 2004-2005.

Geography: Government Office Regions.

Access: SN 5375.

Alcohol consumption

Consumption: beverage-specific volume and spending and frequency (Two-week beverage-specific purchase diary).

Single occasion: n/a.

Other drinking

- Drinking location/source (Where alcohol was purchased from)

Other alcohol variables

None.

Health status and behaviour:

- Smoking (Medium)
- Diet (High, covered by diary record of daily expenditure)
- Fitness (Low)

Other variables

- Socialising (Low)
- Leisure (Low)
- Caring (Medium)
- Political opinions (Low)
- Use of services (Low)

Demographics

- Material quality of life (High)
- Income (High)
- Household type/composition (High)
- Finances/taxes/benefits (High)
- Employment (High)
- Education (Low)
- Ethnicity and religion (Medium)