



Northern Ireland Omnibus Survey

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Q1. Does your household pay rates?

(i) Analysis by Agegroup

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	<25	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 and over	Total
	%	%	%	%	%
Yes	73%	85%	90%	80%	84%
No	21%	14%	10%	20%	15%
Refusal		0%			0%
Don't Know	5%	1%			1%
Total	135	491	400	305	1331

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(ii) Analysis by Gender

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Yes	86%	82%	84%
No	13%	17%	15%
Refusal		0%	0%
Don't Know	1%	1%	1%
Total	580	751	1331

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(iii) Analysis by Religion

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Yes	81%	86%	[16]	84%
No	17%	14%	[3]	15%
Don't Know	2%	0%	[1]	1%
Total	519	717	20	1256

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(iv) Analysis by Marital Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Single, that is never married	Married/ civil partner & living with husband/ wife/ partner	Married/civil partner & separated from husband/wife/ partner	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Yes	75%	92%	[46]	[46]	64%	84%
No	22%	8%	[23]	[18]	36%	15%
Refusal		0%				0%
Don't Know	3%					1%
Total	407	653	69	64	138	1331

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Q1. Does your household pay rates?

(v) Analysis by Disability Status

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Yes	76%	85%	84%
No	24%	13%	15%
Refusal		0%	0%
Don't Know		1%	1%
Total	275	1056	1331

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(vi) Analysis by Urban/Rural areas

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Yes	79%	90%	84%
No	21%	9%	15%
Refusal		0%	0%
Don't Know	1%	1%	1%
Total	770	561	1331

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(vii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Yes	64%	85%	86%	93%	82%	84%
No	36%	13%	12%	7%	17%	15%
Refusal		0%				0%
Don't Know	0%	1%	1%		2%	1%
Total	190	339	334	270	198	1331

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(viii) Analysis by Dependent Status

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Yes	84%	84%	84%
No	16%	15%	15%
Refusal		0%	0%
Don't Know	0%	1%	1%
Total	502	829	1331

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Q1. Does your household pay rates?

(ix) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	%
Yes	[55]	97%	84%	85%	74%	[47]	[48]	[24]	84%
No	[5]	3%	14%	14%	25%	[30]	[36]	[8]	15%
Refusal			1%						0%
Don't Know	[1]		1%	1%	1%		[1]	[2]	1%
Total	61	333	248	265	223	77	85	34	1326

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Q2. Following the change to the rating system in April 2007, would you say the amount you are paying in rates has . . .

(i) Analysis by Agegroup

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	<25	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%
increased a lot	[23]	31%	35%	37%	33%
increased slightly	[34]	42%	39%	37%	39%
stayed more or less the same	[11]	14%	13%	16%	14%
decreased slightly	[3]	7%	10%	8%	8%
decreased a lot			1%	1%	0%
Don't Know	[22]	6%	2%	1%	6%
Total	93	402	349	224	1068

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(ii) Analysis by Gender

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
increased a lot	31%	34%	33%
increased slightly	37%	41%	39%
stayed more or less the same	13%	14%	14%
decreased slightly	9%	7%	8%
decreased a lot	0%	0%	0%
Don't Know	10%	3%	6%
Total	484	584	1068

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(iii) Analysis by Religion

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
increased a lot	34%	31%	[7]	32%
increased slightly	42%	38%	[6]	40%
stayed more or less the same	13%	14%	[1]	14%
decreased slightly	5%	9%		7%
decreased a lot	0%	0%		0%
Don't Know	6%	7%	[2]	6%
Total	406	587	16	1009

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Q2. Following the change to the rating system in April 2007, would you say the amount you are paying in rates has . . .

(iv) Analysis by Marital Status

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Single, that is never married	Married/ civil partner & living with husband/ wife/ partner	Married/civil partner & separated from husband/wife/ partner	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	Count	%
increased a lot	28%	35%	[9]	[10]	[33]	33%
increased slightly	39%	39%	[15]	[21]	[27]	39%
stayed more or less the same	13%	13%	[14]	[6]	[12]	14%
decreased slightly	3%	9%	[3]	[7]	[7]	8%
decreased a lot	0%	0%				0%
Don't Know	16%	2%	[5]	[2]	[4]	6%
Total	290	603	46	46	83	1068

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(v) Analysis by Disability Status

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
increased a lot	33%	33%	33%
increased slightly	36%	40%	39%
stayed more or less the same	16%	13%	14%
decreased slightly	7%	8%	8%
decreased a lot	1%	0%	0%
Don't Know	7%	6%	6%
Total	189	879	1068

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(vi) Analysis by Urban/Rural areas

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
increased a lot	27%	39%	33%
increased slightly	40%	38%	39%
stayed more or less the same	15%	12%	14%
decreased slightly	9%	6%	8%
decreased a lot	1%		0%
Don't Know	7%	5%	6%
Total	579	489	1068

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Q2. Following the change to the rating system in April 2007, would you say the amount you are paying in rates has . . .

(vii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
increased a lot	32%	31%	39%	31%	28%	33%
increased slightly	44%	35%	40%	41%	41%	39%
stayed more or less the same	12%	14%	11%	15%	17%	14%
decreased slightly	5%	13%	4%	7%	8%	8%
decreased a lot	0%	1%	0%			0%
Don't Know	6%	7%	6%	7%	7%	6%
Total	117	275	280	244	152	1068

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(viii) Analysis by Dependent Status

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
increased a lot	38%	30%	33%
increased slightly	36%	41%	39%
stayed more or less the same	13%	14%	14%
decreased slightly	10%	6%	8%
decreased a lot	0%	0%	0%
Don't Know	3%	9%	6%
Total	413	655	1068

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(ix) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	%
increased a lot	[22]	37%	35%	26%	28%	[18]	[17]	[5]	33%
increased slightly	[22]	39%	36%	44%	42%	[14]	[20]	[7]	39%
stayed more or less the same	[4]	14%	12%	13%	14%	[9]	[7]	[2]	14%
decreased slightly	[5]	7%	10%	7%	7%	[3]	[4]	[1]	8%
decreased a lot				0%	1%	[1]		[1]	0%
Don't Know	[2]	2%	7%	9%	7%	[2]		[8]	6%
Total	55	319	202	218	150	47	48	24	1063

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Q3. The rating system was changed in April 2007. No one likes paying taxes but thinking about your household position, which one of the phrases on the showcard best describes how paying rates affects your finances?

(i) Analysis by Agegroup

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	<25	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	[32]	44%	56%	45%	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	[30]	43%	38%	44%	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	[5]	3%	4%	4%	4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials	[4]	5%	1%	7%	4%
Refusal	[1]		0%		0%
Don't Know	[21]	4%	1%	1%	5%
Total	93	402	349	224	1068

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(ii) Analysis by Gender

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	43%	49%	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	41%	40%	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	3%	4%	4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials	5%	3%	4%
Refusal		1%	0%
Don't Know	8%	3%	5%
Total	484	584	1068

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Q3. The rating system was changed in April 2007. No one likes paying taxes but thinking about your household position, which one of the phrases on the showcard best describes how paying rates affects your finances?

(iii) Analysis by Religion

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	46%	47%	[3]	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	37%	42%	[12]	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	5%	3%		4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials	6%	2%		4%
Refusal	1%			0%
Don't Know	5%	6%	[1]	5%
Total	406	587	16	1009

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(iv) Analysis by Marital Status

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Single, that is never married	Married/ civil partner & living with husband/ wife/ partner	Married/civil partner & separated from husband/wife/ partner	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	Count	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	37%	51%	[21]	[20]	[32]	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	35%	42%	[18]	[18]	[39]	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	4%	3%	[4]	[3]	[5]	4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials	4%	3%	[3]	[5]	[6]	4%
Refusal	1%	0%				0%
Don't Know	17%	1%			[1]	5%
Total	290	603	46	46	83	1068

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Q3. The rating system was changed in April 2007. No one likes paying taxes but thinking about your household position, which one of the phrases on the showcard best describes how paying rates affects your finances?

(v) Analysis by Disability Status

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	45%	47%	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	32%	42%	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	11%	2%	4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials	8%	3%	4%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Don't Know	4%	6%	5%
Total	189	879	1068

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(vi) Analysis by Urban/Rural areas

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	50%	43%	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	38%	42%	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	3%	5%	4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials	4%	4%	4%
Refusal		1%	0%
Don't Know	5%	5%	5%
Total	579	489	1068

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Q3. The rating system was changed in April 2007. No one likes paying taxes but thinking about your household position, which one of the phrases on the showcard best describes how paying rates affects your finances?

(vii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	47%	53%	45%	46%	39%	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	38%	35%	45%	40%	43%	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	3%	5%	3%	3%	5%	4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials	5%	2%	4%	5%	5%	4%
Refusal		0%			2%	0%
Don't Know	8%	4%	4%	7%	6%	5%
Total	117	275	280	244	152	1068

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(viii) Analysis by Dependent Status

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	47%	46%	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	44%	38%	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	4%	4%	4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials	4%	4%	4%
Refusal		1%	0%
Don't Know	2%	8%	5%
Total	413	655	1068

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Q3. The rating system was changed in April 2007. No one likes paying taxes but thinking about your household position, which one of the phrases on the showcard best describes how paying rates affects your finances?

(ix) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	[24]	54%	45%	43%	40%	[22]	[26]	[10]	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	[30]	39%	44%	43%	36%	[19]	[19]	[5]	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	[1]	2%	4%	3%	9%	[3]	[1]	[1]	4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials		2%	3%	7%	6%		[1]	[1]	4%
Refusal						[1]	[1]		0%
Don't Know		3%	5%	4%	9%	[2]		[7]	5%
Total	55	319	202	218	150	47	48	24	1063

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(x) Analysis by Rate Change

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Increased a lot	Increased slightly	Stayed more or less the same	Decreased	Don't Know	Total
	%	%	%	Count	Count	%
I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it	26%	57%	67%	[56]	[19]	46%
I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much	62%	33%	25%	[26]	[11]	40%
I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it	5%	3%	3%	[1]	[2]	4%
It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials	4%	4%	4%	[1]	[2]	4%
Refusal	1%	0%				0%
Don't Know	1%	3%	2%		[26]	5%
Total	347	420	157	84	60	1068

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Q4a. Rate relief and rebates are available to some households. Would you consider applying for help?

(i) Analysis by Agegroup

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	<25	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%
Yes	[26]	27%	29%	33%	29%
No, I don t need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	[16]	18%	21%	19%	19%
No, I already receive help	[3]	2%	3%	6%	3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	[15]	32%	26%	22%	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	[6]	11%	14%	14%	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits		3%	2%	5%	3%
No, other please specify	[9]	4%	2%	1%	4%
Refusal	[2]		0%		1%
Don't Know	[16]	2%	1%	0%	4%
Total	93	402	349	224	1068

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(ii) Analysis by Gender

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Yes	24%	33%	29%
No, I don t need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	22%	17%	19%
No, I already receive help	4%	3%	3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	25%	27%	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	12%	12%	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits	3%	2%	3%
No, other please specify	3%	4%	4%
Refusal	0%	1%	1%
Don't Know	6%	1%	4%
Total	484	584	1068

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Q4a. Rate relief and rebates are available to some households. Would you consider applying for help?

(iii) Analysis by Religion

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Yes	33%	28%	[4]	30%
No, I don t need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	15%	22%	[1]	19%
No, I already receive help	5%	2%		3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	27%	24%	[5]	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	10%	14%	[2]	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits	2%	3%	[1]	3%
No, other please specify	4%	3%	[2]	4%
Refusal	1%	0%		0%
Don't Know	2%	4%	[1]	4%
Total	406	587	16	1009

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(iv) Analysis by Marital Status

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Single, that is never married	Married/ civil partner & living with husband/ wife/ partner	Married/civil partner & separated from husband/wife/ partner	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	Count	%
Yes	31%	27%	[16]	[19]	[26]	29%
No, I don t need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	19%	20%	[11]	[6]	[15]	19%
No, I already receive help	4%	2%	[4]	[3]	[7]	3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	16%	31%	[7]	[11]	[16]	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	8%	14%	[5]	[5]	[11]	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits	2%	3%	[2]	[1]	[5]	3%
No, other please specify	6%	3%	[1]	[1]	[2]	4%
Refusal	2%	0%				1%
Don't Know	11%	1%			[1]	4%
Total	290	603	46	46	83	1068

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Q4a. Rate relief and rebates are available to some households. Would you consider applying for help?

(v) Analysis by Disability Status

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Yes	41%	27%	29%
No, I don t need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	13%	20%	19%
No, I already receive help	8%	2%	3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	19%	27%	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	10%	12%	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits	5%	2%	3%
No, other please specify	1%	4%	4%
Refusal	1%	0%	1%
Don't Know	2%	4%	4%
Total	189	879	1068

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(vi) Analysis by Urban/Rural areas

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Yes	28%	31%	29%
No, I don t need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	22%	16%	19%
No, I already receive help	3%	3%	3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	25%	27%	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	12%	12%	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits	3%	3%	3%
No, other please specify	3%	4%	4%
Refusal		1%	1%
Don't Know	4%	3%	4%
Total	579	489	1068

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Q4a. Rate relief and rebates are available to some households. Would you consider applying for help?

(vii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Yes	23%	24%	29%	35%	34%	29%
No, I don't need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	26%	23%	19%	13%	20%	19%
No, I already receive help	6%	4%	2%	2%	5%	3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	22%	23%	27%	31%	25%	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	15%	15%	14%	9%	7%	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits		5%	2%	3%	2%	3%
No, other please specify	3%	4%	4%	4%	2%	4%
Refusal		0%			3%	1%
Don't Know	6%	3%	3%	5%	3%	4%
Total	117	275	280	244	152	1068

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(viii) Analysis by Dependent Status

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Yes	30%	29%	29%
No, I don't need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	19%	19%	19%
No, I already receive help	3%	3%	3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	30%	24%	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	12%	12%	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits	2%	3%	3%
No, other please specify	4%	4%	4%
Refusal		1%	1%
Don't Know	1%	5%	4%
Total	413	655	1068

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Q4a. Rate relief and rebates are available to some households. Would you consider applying for help?

(ix) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	%
Yes	[9]	24%	28%	36%	31%	[16]	[20]	[6]	29%
No, I don't need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	[13]	24%	16%	19%	18%	[5]	[8]	[5]	19%
No, I already receive help		2%	3%	4%	7%	[4]	[2]	[1]	3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	[19]	28%	31%	22%	18%	[16]	[8]	[5]	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	[13]	15%	11%	8%	14%	[3]	[5]	[1]	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits		2%	4%	5%	1%		[2]		3%
No, other please specify	[1]	3%	3%	3%	5%	[1]	[2]	[1]	3%
Refusal		0%				[1]	[1]		1%
Don't Know		2%	3%	4%	6%	[1]		[5]	4%
Total	55	319	202	218	150	47	48	24	1063

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(x) Analysis by Rate Change

<i>All persons answering 'Yes' at Q1</i>	Increased a lot	Increased slightly	Stayed more or less the same	Decreased	Don't Know	Total
	%	%	%	Count	Count	%
Yes	32%	33%	27%	[13]	[10]	29%
No, I don't need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill	13%	20%	23%	[29]	[10]	19%
No, I already receive help	3%	4%	4%	[1]	[6]	3%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house	29%	25%	28%	[23]	[6]	26%
No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings	14%	11%	9%	[15]	[2]	12%
No, I do not like claiming for benefits	3%	3%	5%	[2]		3%
No, other please specify	4%	3%	3%	[1]	[6]	4%
Refusal	1%	0%				1%
Don't Know	1%	1%	1%		[20]	4%
Total	347	420	157	84	60	1068

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Q4b. Please specify other.

1		<i>because other people might need it more</i>
2		<i>don't know how to</i>
3		<i>parents pay the rates</i>
4		<i>i am a student</i>
5		<i>cannot be bothered</i>
6		<i>didn't realise you could get help</i>
7		<i>never think of it</i>
8		<i>never have thought about it</i>
9		<i>not eligible</i>
10		<i>because other people need help more than me</i>
11		<i>would not know how to</i>
12		<i>i do not think i am eligible</i>
13		<i>paying tax on pension</i>
14		<i>rent is included in rates</i>
15		<i>included in rent</i>
16		<i>don't think eligible</i>
17		<i>has never thought about it-not working for only a short period</i>
18		<i>probably not eligible</i>
19		<i>parents pay, not me</i>
20		<i>not until I retire/rates may be higher if alterations had been done</i>
21		<i>Do not qualify</i>
22		<i>too much paperwork with intrusive questions</i>
23		<i>because i don't think it is that dear</i>
24		<i>Not thought about it</i>
25		<i>have applied and been turned down</i>
26		<i>my parents own the house</i>
27		<i>paid through rent which has increased</i>
28		<i>live here with parents rent free, don't pay rate</i>
29		<i>has been told that it would not be worth the trouble</i>
30		<i>would not be eligible</i>
31		I APPLIED BUT WAS REFUSED
32		<i>wouldn't qualify</i>
33		<i>i think you have to be on income support to get it</i>
Total	N	39

Omnibus Questionnaire

Introductory Questions

serno *[Pre-filled]*
Serial Number

1..9995

housten In which of these ways do you occupy this accommodation?

- | | | |
|---|------------------|--|
| 1 | <i>ownout</i> | Own it outright |
| 2 | <i>mortloan</i> | Buying it with the help of a mortgage or loan |
| 3 | <i>coown</i> | Pay part rent and part mortgage (co-ownership) |
| 4 | <i>housexec</i> | Rented from Housing Executive |
| 5 | <i>housasst</i> | Rented from a housing association |
| 6 | <i>private</i> | Rented privately |
| 7 | <i>rentfree</i> | Live here rent free |
| 8 | <i>squatting</i> | Squatting |

ageaccom I would like to ask you a couple of questions about your
accommodation. Could you tell me when your property was built.
Was it ...

- | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | <i>B1919</i> | Before 1919 |
| 2 | <i>F1919T39</i> | Between 1919 and 1939 |
| 3 | <i>F1940T44</i> | Between 1940 and 1944 |
| 4 | <i>F1945T64</i> | Between 1945 and 1964 |
| 5 | <i>A1965</i> | 1965 or later |

estimage *[Ask if the age of the property is not known or refused: ageaccom =
don't know OR refusal]*

Please estimate age of dwelling

- | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | <i>B1919</i> | Before 1919 |
| 2 | <i>F1919T39</i> | Between 1919 and 1939 |
| 3 | <i>F1940T44</i> | Between 1940 and 1944 |
| 4 | <i>F1945T64</i> | Between 1945 and 1964 |
| 5 | <i>A1965</i> | 1965 or later |

persex Sex of respondent:

- 1 *Male*
- 2 *Female*

perage Age of respondent:

1..99

stillsch I would like to ask you a few questions about your education. Are you...

- 1 *still* Still at school
- 2 *left* Left school
- 3 *never* Never went to school

anyqua01 -
anyqua10

INTERVIEWER: SHOWCARD QUALIFICATIONS

Do you have any of the qualifications, or passed any of the examinations of the types listed on this card, whether you are making use of them or not? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

- 1 *CSEGI* CSE – Grade 1
- 2 *CSEG2_5* CSE – Grade 2 –5
- 3 *CSE-ug* CSE – ungraded/DK grade
- 4 *Junior* Junior certificate
- 5 *GCSEa_c* GCSE – Grades A – C
- 6 *GCSEd_g* GCSE – Grades D – G
- 7 *GCE01_6* GCE O-Level 1-6 (pre 1975)
- 8 *GCE0a_c* GCE O-Level A-C (1975 or after)
- 9 *AS* AS - Level
- 10 *GCEA* GCE A-Level or equivalent
- 11 *Senior* Senior Certificate
- 12 *Apprent* Recognised apprenticeship completed
- 13 *Clercom* Clerical and commercial quals
- 14 *NCVQI* NCVQ – Level 1
- 15 *NCVQII* NCVQ – Level 2
- 16 *NCVQIII* NCVQ – Level 3
- 17 *NCVQIV* NCVQ – Level 4
- 18 *NCVQV* NCVQ – Level 5
- 19 *VCE* Vocational Certificate in Education
- 20 *AVCE* Advanced Vocational Certificate in Education
- 21 *CityGI* City and Guilds Cert Part I
- 22 *CityGII* City and Guilds Cert Part II
- 23 *CityGIII* City and Guilds Cert Part III

24	<i>ONCD_BEC</i>	ONC/OND, BEC/TEC general cert
25	<i>HNCD_BEC</i>	HNC/HND, BEC/TEC higher cert
26	<i>Nursing</i>	Nursing quals eg SEN, SRN, SCM
27	<i>Nursdeg</i>	Nursing degree
28	<i>Teach</i>	Teaching qualification
29	<i>Unidip</i>	University/Polytechnic diploma
30	<i>Degree</i>	University or CNAA First Degree (eg BA BSc)
31	<i>Hideg</i>	University or CNAA Higher Degree (eg MSc PhD)
32	<i>Other</i>	Other qualification (inc other school exams and membership of professional institutions)
33	<i>None</i>	None of these

highqual

[Automatically computed from anyqual

None : highqual = None

CSEG2_5, CSE_ug, Junior, GCSEd_g, Apprent, Clercom, NCVQI,

other: highqual=GCSED2G

CSEG1, GCSEa_c, GCE01_6, GCE0a_c, Senior, CityGI, NCVQII:

highqual=GCSEA2C

AS, GCEA, CityGII, ONCD_BEC, VCE, AVCE, NCVQIII:

highqual = A Level

CityGIII, HNCD_BEC, Nursing, teach, unidip NCVQIV:

highqual=HighEd

Nursedeg, degree, hideg, NCVQV: highqual=degree]

Highest qualification level attained

<i>None</i>	No qualifications
<i>GCSED2G</i>	GCSE grades D to G or equivalent
<i>GCSEA2C</i>	GCSE grades A to C or equivalent
<i>A Level</i>	GCE A Level or equivalent
<i>HighEd</i>	Higher Education – Diploma or equivalent
<i>Degree</i>	Degree Level or higher

empst

[Automatically computed]

Current employment status

1	<i>atwork</i>	worked last week
2	<i>awaywork</i>	away from work last week
3	<i>waitwork</i>	waiting to take up job
4	<i>lookwork</i>	looking for work
5	<i>sicklook</i>	not looking – sick
6	<i>inact</i>	economically inactive
7	<i>govtrain</i>	government training scheme

empst2 *[Automatically computed]*

Employment status

Whether the respondent is currently in paid employment or not. Those individuals who are temporarily away from work and those who are on a government training scheme are included as being in paid employment.

- | | | |
|---|--------------|------------------------|
| 1 | <i>emp</i> | In paid employment |
| 2 | <i>unemp</i> | Not in paid employment |

ilo *[Automatically computed]*

ILO Employment

This is the International Labour Office (ILO) measure of unemployment. It refers to people without a job who are able to start work in the two weeks following their omnibus interview and had either looked for work in the four weeks prior to the interview or were waiting to start a job they had already obtained.

- | | | |
|---|-----------------|----------------|
| 1 | <i>ilounemp</i> | ILO Unemployed |
|---|-----------------|----------------|

econact *[Automatically computed]*

Economic Activity

The economically inactive population is defined as people aged over 16 years, who are not in employment and are not unemployed on the ILO definition.

- | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | <i>active</i> | Economically active |
| 2 | <i>inactive</i> | Economically inactive |

paidwork *[Ask if informant is not still at school : stillsch <> still]*

Did you do any paid work in the 7 days ending Sunday the “.....”, either as an employee or as self-employed?
IF ON GOVERNMENT TRAINING SCHEME CHOOSE ‘NO’.

- | | |
|---|------------|
| 1 | <i>Yes</i> |
| 2 | <i>No</i> |

anywork *[Ask if informant did not do any paid work in the last 7 days: paidwork = no]*

Did you...

- | | | |
|---|----------------|---|
| 1 | <i>offwork</i> | have a job or business you were away from |
| 2 | <i>waiting</i> | were you waiting to take up a job already obtained |
| 3 | <i>looking</i> | were you looking for work |
| 4 | <i>unable</i> | were you intending to look for work, but were prevented by temporary sickness or injury |
| 5 | <i>none</i> | none of these |
| 6 | <i>train</i> | were you on a government training scheme |

evrwork *[Ask if informant does not have a job or business they were away from: anywork <> offwork]*

May I just check, have you ever had a paid job or any paid work?

- | | |
|---|------------|
| 1 | <i>Yes</i> |
| 2 | <i>No</i> |

unpaido *[Ask if informant did not do any paid work in the last 7 days and was waiting to take up a job already obtained or was looking for work, or was intending to look for work but was prevented by temporary sickness or injury, or none of these: (paidwork = no) and ((anywork = waiting) or (anywork = looking) or (anywork = unable) or (anywork = none))]*

Did you do any unpaid work in the seven days ending the Sunday the "....." for any business that YOU own?

- | | |
|---|------------|
| 1 | <i>Yes</i> |
| 2 | <i>No</i> |

unpaidr *[Ask if informant did not do any unpaid work in the last seven days for any business they own: unpaido = no]*

... or that a relative owns?

- | | |
|---|------------|
| 1 | <i>Yes</i> |
| 2 | <i>No</i> |

last4wk *[Ask if informant did not do any paid work in the last 7 days and was waiting to take up a job already obtained or was looking for work, or was intending to look for work but was prevented by temporary sickness or injury, or none of these: (paidwork = no) and ((anywork = waiting) or (anywork = looking) or (anywork = unable) or (anywork = none))]*

Thinking of the 4 weeks ending Sunday the “.....” were you looking for any kind of paid work or government training scheme at any time in those 4 weeks?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ifplace *[Ask if informant was looking for any kind of paid work or government training scheme at any time in the last 4 weeks: last4wk = yes]*
If a job or a place on a government scheme had been available in the week ending Sunday the “.....”, would you have been able to start in the next two weeks?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

nreason *[Ask if informant was not looking for any kind of paid work or government training scheme at any time in the last 4 weeks or would not be able to start a job or a place on a government training scheme in the next 2 weeks if one became available: last4wk = no or ifplace = no]*

What was the main reason you did not seek any work in the last 4 weeks or would not be able to start in the next 2 weeks?

- 1 *stu* student
- 2 *lah* looking after family/home
- 3 *tsi* temporarily sick or injured
- 4 *lts* long-term sick or disabled
- 5 *rpw* retired from paid work
- 6 *ore* other reasons
- 7 *wait* waiting to take up a job already obtained

ptime *[Ask if informant did any paid work in the last 7 days or has ever had a job or paid work : paidwork = yes OR evrwork = yes]*

In your (main) job were you working full or part-time?
Use respondent’s perception of full or part-time.

- 1 *ft* full time
- 2 *pt* part-time

empsemp Are/(were) you a... :

- 1 emp *Employee*
- 2 self *Self - employed*

esestat *[Ask if informant is/(was) an employee: empsemp = emp]*

Are/(were) you a... :

- 1 *man* Manager
- 2 *fman* Foreman/Supervisor
- 3 *other* Employee

manyemp *[Ask if informant is/(was) an employee: empsemp = emp]*

How many employees work/(worked) in the establishment?

- 1 *one_10* 1 – 10 employees
- 2 *more_11* 11 – 24
- 3 *more_25* 25 – 49
- 4 *more_50* 50 – 249
- 5 *more_250* 250 – 499
- 6 *more_500* 500 or more

empoth *[Ask if informant is/(was) self employed: empsemp = self]*

Do/(did) you employ any other people?

- 1 *Yes*
- 2 *No*

numemp *[Ask if informant employs/(employed) other people: empoth = yes]*

How many people do/(did) you employ?

- 1 *one_5* 1 – 5 employees
- 2 *six_24* 6 – 24 employees
- 3 *More_25* 25 or more

nssec *[For coders only]*

National Statistics Socio-Economic Classification

The NS-SEC has seven major classes, which are subsequently subdivided.

CLASS 1: Higher managerial and professional occupations

- 1.1 Large employers and higher managerial occupations
 - 1 Employers in large organisations
 - 2 Higher managerial occupations
- 1.2 Higher professional occupations
 - 3.1 Higher professionals (traditional) – employees
 - 3.2 Higher professionals (new) – employees
 - 3.3 Higher professionals (traditional) – self-employed
 - 3.4 Higher professionals (new) – self-employed

CLASS 2: Lower managerial and professional occupations

- 4.1 Lower professionals and higher technical (traditional) – employees
- 4.2 Lower professionals and higher technical (new) – employees
- 4.3 Lower professionals and higher technical (traditional) – self-employed.
- 4.4 Lower professionals and higher technical (new) – self-employed
- 5 Lower managerial occupations
- 6 Higher supervisory occupations

CLASS 3: Intermediate occupations

- 7.1 Intermediate clerical and administrative
- 7.2 Intermediate sales and service
- 7.3 Intermediate technical and auxiliary
- 7.4 Intermediate engineering

CLASS 4: Small employers and own account workers

- 8.1 Employers (small organisations, non-professional)
- 8.2 Employers (small – agriculture)
- 9.1 Own account workers (non-professional)
- 9.2 Own account workers (agriculture)

CLASS 5: Lower supervisory and technical occupations

- 10 Lower supervisory occupations
- 11.1 Lower technical craft occupations
- 11.2 Lower technical process operative occupations

CLASS 6: Semi-routine occupations

- 12.1 Semi-routine sales
- 12.2 Semi-routine service
- 12.3 Semi-routine technical
- 12.4 Semi-routine operative
- 12.5 Semi-routine agriculture
- 12.6 Semi-routine clerical
- 12.7 Semi-routine childcare

CLASS 7: Routine Occupations

- 13.1 Routine sales and service
- 13.2 Routine production
- 13.3 Routine technical
- 13.4 Routine operative
- 13.5 Routine agricultural

CLASS 8: Never worked and long term unemployed

- 14.1 Never worked
- 14.2 Long-term unemployed
- 15 Full-time students
- 16 Occupations not stated or inadequately described
- 17 Not classifiable for other reasons

sic2

Industry

- 1 Agriculture, hunting and forestry
- 2 Fishing
- 3 Mining and quarrying
- 4 Manufacturing
- 5 Electricity, gas and water supply
- 6 Construction
- 7 Wholesale and retail trade etc.
- 8 Hotels and restaurants
- 9 Transport, storage and communication
- 10 Financial intermediation
- 11 Real estate, renting and business activities
- 12 Public administration and defence; compulsory social security
- 13 Education
- 14 Health and social work
- 15 Other community social and personal service activities
- 16 Private households with employed persons
- 17 Extra territorial organisations and bodies
- 18 Insufficient information to classify

SOCMajor	Major Occupational Group
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Managers and Senior Officials 2 Professional Occupations 3 Associate Professional and Technical Occupations 4 Administrative and Secretarial Occupations 5 Skilled Trades Occupations 6 Personal Service Occupations 7 Sales and Customer Service Occupations 8 Process, Plant and Machine Operatives 9 Elementary Occupations
depend1	Do you have responsibility for the care of a child?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 <i>Yes</i> 2 <i>No</i>
depend2	Do you have responsibility for the care of a person with a disability or a dependant elderly person?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 <i>Yes</i> 2 <i>No</i>
depend3	How many people in total do you have responsibility for?
	1..16
dis1	Do you have a long-standing illness, disability or infirmity? By long-standing I mean anything that has troubled you over a period of time or that is likely to affect you over a period of time.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 <i>Yes</i> 2 <i>No</i>
dis2	Does this illness or disability limit your activities in any way?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 <i>Yes</i> 2 <i>No</i>

Specific Questions

ratePay Does your household pay rates?

- 1 *Yes*
- 2 *No*

rateAmt Following the change to the rating system in April 2007, would you say the amount you are paying in rates has . . .

- 1 *incA* increased a lot
- 2 *incS* increased slightly
- 3 *same* stayed more or less the same
- 4 *decS* decreased slightly
- 5 *decA* decreased a lot

rateFin The rating system was changed in April 2007. No one likes paying taxes but thinking about your household position, which one of the phrases on the showcard best describes how paying rates affects your finances?

- 1 *budget* I can budget for it even though I may not like paying it
- 2 *tooMuch* I can afford to pay the bill but I think I am being asked to pay too much
- 3 *trans* I get transitional relief but when full rates are payable I will not be able to afford it
- 4 *hard* It causes me serious financial hardship and I am not able to pay for essentials

rateRlf Rate relief and rebates are available to some households. Would you consider applying for help?

- 1 *Yes*
- 2 *nAff* No, I don't need to apply for it as I can afford the rate bill
- 3 *nAlr* No, I already receive help
- 4 *nHouse* No, I do not think I am eligible because I own my house
- 5 *nSave* No, I do not think I am eligible because I have too much savings
- 6 *nBene* No, I do not like claiming for benefits
- 7 *nOther* No, other please specify

rateRlfO Please specify other.

String of length [250]

Recoded Variables

religion

- 1 Catholic
- 2 Protestant
- 3 Other
- 4 None/missing/refused, etc

worship

- 1 Catholic
- 2 Protestant
- 3 Other

cathpro

- 1 Catholic
- 2 Protestant

area

- 1 Belfast
- 2 East
- 3 West

urban

- 1 Urban
- 2 Rural

areanew

- 1 Belfast
- 2 Urban
- 3 Rural

area2

- 1 Belfast

	2	North-East
	3	South-East
	4	South
	5	West
segrec		
	1	Professional
	2	Managerial and Technical
	3	Skilled Non-Manual
	4	Skilled Manual
	5	Partly Skilled
	6	Unskilled Manual
	7	Never worked
	8	Full time students
	9	Missing
agegroup		
	1	16-24
	2	25-34
	3	35-49
	4	50-64
	5	65 and over
paniage		
	1	<25
	2	25-44
	3	45-64
	4	65 and over
qualevel		
	1	Primary
	2	Secondary
	3	Tertiary
marital		Marital Status of the Respondent
	1	Single, that is never married
	2	Married and living with husband\wife
	3	A civil partner in a legally-recognised Civil Partnership
	4	Married and separated from husband\wife
	5	Divorced
	6	Or widowed?
	7	(Spontaneous only) - In a legally-recognised Civil Partnership and separated from his/her civil partner

- 8 Spontaneous only - Formerly a civil partner, the Civil Partnership now legally dissolved
- 9 Spontaneous only - A surviving civil partner: his/her partner having since died
- elb Education and Library board areas
- 1 BELB Belfast
- 2 NEELB North Eastern
- 3 SEELB South Eastern
- 4 SELB Southern
- 5 WELB Western

health Health Board Areas

- 1 Northern
- 2 Eastern
- 3 Southern
- 4 Western

dependens Dependent Status

- 1 Has dependents
- 2 No dependents

disabil Disability Status

- 1 Has disability
- 2 No disability

The definition of disability is those answering yes to both of the questions below:

dis1 Do you have a long-standing illness, disability or infirmity? By long-standing I mean anything that has troubled you over a period of time or that is likely to affect you over a period of time.

- 1 Yes*
- 2 No*

dis2 Does this illness or disability limit your activities in any way?

- 1 Yes*
- 2 No*

TECHNICAL NOTES – SUMMARY

1.1 The Sample

The sample for the October survey consisted of a systematic random sample of addresses selected from the Land and Property Services Agency list of private addresses. This is the most up-to-date listing of private households and is made available to the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency for research purposes. People living in institutions (though not in private households in such institutions) are excluded. A total of 2,200 addresses were selected for interview.

The Land and Property Services Agency provides a good sampling frame of addresses, but contains no information about the number of people living at an address. Further selection stages were therefore required to convert the listing of addresses to a listing of individuals from which one person (the ‘selected respondent’) is chosen to complete the questionnaire.

Interviewers are instructed to call at each address issued in their assignments. At the first stage of the survey, they have to identify the number of households resident at the address and, where necessary, select one using a selection table (Table 1.1).

Number of households	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Household selected	1	1	2	3	4	4	2	7	6	8	6	6

The interviewers then list all members of the household who are eligible for inclusion in the sample: that is, all persons currently aged 16 or over living at the address. From this listing of eligible adults, the interviewer's computer randomly selects one adult. This person, the selected respondent, is then asked to complete the interview.

1.2 The Fieldwork

Addresses were issued to a panel of 177 interviewers at the start of September 2007. The fieldwork period was 24th September to the 27th October 2007.

	Number	Percent
Set sample of addresses	2200	
- Ineligible known	211	
- Ineligible unknown (pre-adjustment)	18	
- Eligible known (pre-adjustment)	1989	
- Ineligible (after adjustment)	213	
Eligible (after adjustment) ¹	1987	100
Fully co-operating	1331	67
Partially co-operating	0	0
Total co-operating	1331	67
Refusal to co-operate	453	23
Non-contact	203	10

¹ The adjusted eligible households include all pre-adjustment eligible households and a proportion of the pre-adjustment “eligibility unknown” households. The proportion of the pre-adjustment ‘eligibility unknown’ households reclassified as eligible is set at the proportion of pre-adjustment eligible households in the set sample of households: 90%.

1.3 Representativeness of the Sample

In any survey there is a possibility of non-response bias. Non-response bias arises if the characteristics of non-respondents differ from those of respondents in such a way that they are reflected in the responses given in the survey. Accurate estimates of non-response bias can be obtained by comparing characteristics of the achieved sample with the distribution of the same characteristics in the population at the time of sampling. Such comparisons are usually made to the current Census of Population data.

To assess how accurately the Omnibus Survey sample reflects the population of Northern Ireland the sample has been compared with characteristics of the Northern Ireland population from the 2001 Census of Population (Table 1.3). The Omnibus Sample has also been compared to the achieved sample of the Continuous Household Survey (CHS).

	2001 Census (16+)	CHS 2004/05 (all members of household 16+)	Omnibus (all members of household 16+)	Selected Respondent
Age				
<25	16	15	14	10
25-44	38	36	36	37
45-64	28	31	32	30
65 and over	17	18	18	23

Gender				
Male	48	47	49	44
Female	52	53	51	56
Base=100%	1,292,169	5439	2596	1331

1.4 Weighting

Selecting only one individual for interview at each sampled address means that the probability of selection for the survey is inversely related to the size of the household. In other words individuals living in large households have a lower chance of being included in the sample than individuals in small households.

Before analysis, all households which provided a selected respondent are examined and the data are weighted in relation to the number of eligible adults at the address derived from the details of household structure recorded by interviewers on the questionnaire. This weighting process adjusts the results to those that would have been achieved if the sample had been drawn as a random sample of adults rather than of addresses. In this sample 35% of households consisted of one adult, while 47% of households consisted of two adults. 11% of households contained three adults, while 7% of households consisted of four or more adults.

Note: on occasions, in tables showing weighted data, the sum of column totals does not equal the grand total. This is due to the rounding process associated with weighting. The percentages in the tables are based on weighted data but the totals are unweighted.

Number of adults 16 and over	Number	Household Size x Number	Relative Scaled Weight
1	427	427	0.512712
2	666	1332	1.025424
3	146	438	1.538136
4	69	276	2.050847
5	16	80	2.563559
6	6	36	3.076271
7	1	7	3.588983

$$R = \frac{1331}{2596} = 0.512712$$

To demonstrate the effects of weighting on the responses given by selected respondents, the question “Does your household pay rates?” was analysed both weighted and unweighted (Tables 1.5 and 1.6).

Table 1.5 (Weighted)

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Yes	1114	83.7	83.7	83.7
No	203	15.2	15.2	98.9
Refusal	2	.1	.1	99.0
Don't Know	13	1.0	1.0	100.0
Total	1331	100.0	100.0	

Table 1.6 (Unweighted)

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Yes	1068	80.2	80.2	80.2
No	254	19.1	19.1	99.3
Refusal	1	.1	.1	99.4
Don't Know	8	.6	.6	100.0
Total	1331	100.0	100.0	

1.5 Sampling Error

No sample is likely to reflect precisely the characteristics of the population it is drawn from because of both sampling and non-sampling errors. An estimate of the amount of error due to the sampling process can be calculated. For a simple random sample design, in which every member of the sampled population has an equal and independent chance of inclusion in the sample, the sampling error of any percentage, p , can be calculated by the formula:

$$\text{s.e. } (p) = \sqrt{p*(100 - p)/n}$$

where n is the number of respondents on which the percentage is based. The sample for the NI Omnibus Survey is drawn as a random sample, and thus this formula can be used to calculate the sampling error of any percentage estimate from the survey.

A confidence interval for the population percentage can be calculated by the formula

$$95 \text{ per cent confidence interval} = p \pm 1.96 * \text{s.e. } (p)$$

If 100 similar, independent samples were chosen from the same population, 95 of them would be expected to yield an estimate for the percentage, p , within this confidence interval.

The absence of design effects in the survey, and therefore of the need to calculate complex standard errors, means that standard statistical tests of significance (which assume random sampling) can be applied directly to the data.

1.6 Notation

The percentages quoted in tables have been rounded to the nearest number. Where the base was less than 100, the actual number is given rather than the percentages denoted by the column label.

The following symbols are used:

category not applicable - cell is empty
figure less than 0.5%. - cell is '0'

Definition of areas:

Area	District Councils
Belfast	Belfast
East of Province	Antrim, Ards, Ballymena, Banbridge, Carrick, Castlereagh, Craigavon, Down, Larne, Lisburn, Newtownabbey, North Down
West of Province	Armagh, Ballymoney, Coleraine, Cookstown, Dungannon, Fermanagh, Limavady, Derry, Magherafelt, Moyle, Newry & Mourne, Omagh, Strabane
Urban/Rural	See Appendix One.

APPENDIX 1		URBAN	
Balloo	Boneybefore	Oldtown	Rathbrady
Ballycraigy	Burleigh Hill	Tullagh	Ballymacash
Farranshane	Clipperstown	Annagh	Ballymacoss
Fountainhill	Gortalee	Ballybay	Blaris
Greystone	Greenisland	Ballyoran	Collin Glen
Masserene	Killycrot	Brownstown	Derryaghy
Springfarm	Love Lane	Church	Dunmurry
Steeple	Northland	Corcrair	Harmony Hill
Stiles	Sunnylands	Court	Hilden
Bradshaws Brae	Victoria	Drumgask	Hillhall
Central	Ballyhanwood	Drumgor	Kilwee
Glen	Beechill	Drumanoe	Knockmore
Gregstown	Cairnshill	Edenderry	Lagan Valley
Movilla	Carrowreagh	Kernan	Lambeg
Scrabo	Cregagh	Killycomain	Lisnagarvey
Whitespots	Downshire	Knocknashane	Magheralave
Abbey Park	Dundonald	Mourneview	Old Warren
Callanbridge	Euler	Parklake	Poleglass
Demesne	Galwally	Taghnevan	Seymour Hill
Downs	Gilnahirk	Tavanagh	Tonagh
Observatory	Grahamsbridge	Woodville	Twinbrook
The Mall	Hillfoot	Audleys Acre	Wallace Park
Academy	Knockbracken	Ballymote	Altnagelvin
Ardeevin	Lisnsharragh	Cathedral	Ballynashallog
Ballee	Lower Braniel	Quoile	Beechwood
Ballykeel	Minnowburn	Ballysaggart	Brandywell
Ballyloughan	Newtownbreda	Coolhill	Carn Hill
Castle Demesne	Tullycarnet	Drumglass	Caw
Dunclug	Upper Braniel	Killymeal	Clondermot
Fairgreen	Wynchurch	Moygashel	Creggan Central
Galgorm	Atlantic	Mullaghmore	Creggan South
Harryville	Ballysally	Castlecoole	Culmore
Moat	Central	Devenish	Ebrington
Park	Churchland	Erne	Foyle Springs
Summerfield	Cross Glebe	Portora	Kilfennan
Carnany	Hopefield	Rossorry	Lisnagelvin
Fairhill	Knocklynn	Antiville	Pennyburn
Glebe	Mount Sandel	Ballyloran	Rosemount
Newhill	Portstewart	Blackcave	Shantallow East
Route	Royal Portstewart	Central	Shantallow West
Ballydown	Strand	Craigyhill	Springtown
Banbridge West	The Cuts	Gardenmore	Strand
Edenderry	University	Harbour	The Diamond
Fort	Waterside	Townparks	Victoria
Seapatrick	Gotalowry	Coolessan	Westland
The Cut	Killymoon	Enagh	Glebe
Bluefield	Newbuildings	Upper Glenshane	Townparks East

URBAN

Townparks West	Hollywood Demesne	Glencolin	
Bonamargy & Rathlin	Hollywood Priory	Highfield	
Dalriada	Loughview	Island	
Glentaisie	Princetown	Knock	
Knockland	Rathgael	Ladybrook	
Mosside & Moyarget	Silverstream	Legoniel	
Ballybot	Springhill	Malone	
Bessbrook	Whitehill	New Lodge	
Daisy Hill	Camowen	Orangefield	
Derrymore	Coolnagard	Ravenhill	
Drumalane	Dergmoney	Rosetta	
Drumgullion	Drumragh	Shaftesbury	
St Marys	Gortrush	Shankill	
St Patricks	Killyclogher	Stormont	
Windsor Hill	Lisanelly	Stranmillis	
Ballyduff	Strule	Sydenham	
Ballyhenry	Ballycolman	The Mount	
Burnthill	East	Upper Malone	
Carnmoney	North	Upper Springfield	
Cloughfern	South	Waterworks	
Collinbridge	West	Whiterock	
Coole	Andersonstown	Windsor	
Dunaney	Ardoyne	Woodstock	
Glebe	Ballyhackamore	Woodvale	
Glengormley	Ballymacarrett	Musgrave	
Hawthorne	Ballynafeigh		
Hightown	Ballysillan		
Jordanstown	Beechmount		
Monkstown	Bellevue		
Mossley	Belmont		
Rostulla	Blackstaff		
Valley	Bloomfield		
Whitehouse	Botanic		
Ballycrochan	Castleview		
Ballyholme	Cavehill		
Ballymaconnell	Cherryvalley		
Ballymagee	Chichester Park		
Bangor Castle	Cliftonville		
Bloomfield	Clonard		
Broadway	Crumlin		
Bryansburn	Duncairn		
Churchill	Falls		
Clandeboye	Falls Park		
Conlig	Finaghy		
Cultra	Fortwilliam		
Dufferin	Glen Road		
Harbour	Glencairn		

RURAL			
Aldergrove	Dunminning	Coagh	Coalisland West & Newmills
Clady	Glenravel	Dunnamore	Donaghmore
Cranfield	Glenwhirry	Killycolpy	Fivemiletown
Crumlin	Grange	Lissan	Killyman
Drumanaway	Kells	Moneymore	Moy
Randalstown	Portglenone	Oaklands	Washinbay
Templepatrick	Slemish	Pomeroy	Ballinamallard
Toome	Ballyhoe & Corkey	Sandholes	Belcoo & Garrison
Parkgate	Benvardin	Stewartstown	Belleek & Boa
Shildovan	Clogh Mills	The Loop	Boho Cleenish Letterbree
Ballygowan	Dervock	Tullagh	Brookeborough
Ballywalter	Dunloy	Aghagallon	Derrygonnelly
Comber North	Killoquin Lower	Bleary	Derrylin
Comber West	Killoquin Upper	Magheralin	Donagh
Donaghadee South	Knockaholet	The Birches	Florence Court & Kinawley
Donaghadee North	Seacon	Waringstown	Irvinestown
Killinchy	Stranocum	Derrytrasna	Lisbellaw
Kircubbin	The Vow	Donaghcloney	Lisnaskea
Loughries	Bannside	Ardglass	Maguiresbridge
Millisle	Dromore North	Ballymaglave	Newtownbutler
Portaferry	Dromore South	Ballynahinch East	Rosslea
Portavogie	Gilford	Castlewellan	Tempo
Whitespots	Katesbridge	Crossgar	Kesh, Ederny & Lack
Ballyrainey	Lawrencetown	Derryboy	Lisnarick
Carrowdore	Loughbrickland	Donard	Ballycarry
Comber East	Quilly	Drumaness	Carncastle
Lisbane	Ballyward	Dundrum	Carnlough
Ballymartin	Gransha	Dunmore	Glenarm
Carrigatuke	Rathfriland	Killough	Glynn
Charlemont	Blackhead	Killyleagh	Islandmagee
Derrynoose	Eden	Kilmore	Kilwaughter
Hamiltonsbawn	Knockagh	Murlough	Aghanloo
Hockley	Milebush	Saintfield	Ballykelly
Keady	Whitehead	Seaforde	Dungiven
Killeen	Woodburn	Shimna	Feeney
Killylea	Moneyreagh	Strangford	Forest
Laurelvale	Carryduff East	Tollymore	Glack
Loughall	Carryduff West	Altmore	Greysteel
Markethill	Agivey	Augher	Magilligan
Milford	Castlerock	Aughnacloy	Rathbrady
Poyntzpass	Dunluce	Ballygawley	Roeside
Richhill	Garvagh	Benburb	The Highlands
Tandragee	Kilrea	Caledon	Greystone
Ahoghill	Macosquin	Castlecaulfield	Ballymacbrennan
Broughshane	Ringsend	Clogher	Dromara
Craigyarwarren	Dundooan	Coalisland North	Drumbo
Cullybackey	Ardboe	Coalisland South	Glenavy

RURAL

Hillsborough	Mayobridge		
Maze	Newtownhamilton		
Moira	Rostrevor		
Ballinderry	Seaview		
Maghaberry	Silverbridge		
Banagher	Spelga		
Claudy	Tullyhappy		
Eglinton	Burren & Kilbroney		
Enagh	Derryleckagh		
New Buildings	Abbey		
Crevagh	Ballyclare North		
Hollymount	Ballyclare South		
Ballymaguigan	Ballynure		
Bellaghy	Doagh		
Castledawson	Mallusk		
Draperstown	Ballyrobert		
Gulladuff	Craigavad		
Knockloghrim	Crawfordsburn		
Lecumpher	Groomsport		
Lower Glenshane	Beragh		
Maghera	Clanabogan		
Swatragh	Dromore		
Tobermore	Drumnakilly		
Upperlands	Drumquin		
Valley	Drumragh		
Armoy	Fairy Water		
Ballylough	Fintona		
Bushmills	Gortin		
Carnmoon	Newtownsaville		
Dunservick	Owenkillen		
Gleanaan	Sixmilecross		
Glenariff	Termon		
Glendun	Trillick		
Glenshesk	Artigarvan		
Kinbane	Castledearg		
Annalong	Clare		
Binnian	Dunamanagh		
Camlough	Finn		
Clonallen	Glenderg		
Creggan	Newtownstewart		
Crossmaglen	Plumbridge		
Donaghmore	Sion Mills		
Fathom	Slievekirk		
Forkhill	Victoria Bridge		
Kilkeel Central			
Kilkeel South			
Lisnacree			

