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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & SCIENCE SURVEY OF SCHOOL LEAVERS, Spring/Summer 2006
LEAVERS OF SCHOOL YEAR, 2003/2004

Interviewer's Name: _____ Interviewer's No: _____

Date of interview: Day _____ Month _____ Time Began (24 hour clock) : ____ : ____

Respondent's (i.e. School Leaver's) Sex: Male 1 Female.....2

A. Did you contact the respondent or someone who could complete the questionnaire on his/her behalf?

Yes1 No.....2

Why not?

- Respondent deceased.....2
- Household moved/gone away permanently.....3
- Household temporarily absent (holidays etc.).....4
- House demolished/vacant/could not locate5
- Refusal/nobody in household could give information.....6
- Non-contact (no answer, despite repeated calls).....7
- Other (Specify)8

TERMINATE INTERVIEW

B. Has the respondent left the school specified on the Assignment Sheet?

Yes.....1 No.....2 → **TERMINATE INTERVIEW**

C When did he/she leave the school on the assignment sheet? _____ month _____ year.

[SCHOOL LEAVING DATE]

D Did the respondent attend another mainstream second level school after leaving the school named on the assignment sheet i.e. after the date at C above? This includes attendance at Post-Leaving Cert or VPT courses in a Secondary, Vocational, Community or Comprehensive school, 'grind school' or private/unregistered school.

Yes.....1 No.....2 → **GO TO CHECK BOX BELOW**

E What was/is the respondent doing at this other school?

Repeating Leaving Cert	Yes ... 1	No ... 2
Doing a Post Leaving Cert Course (PLC)	Yes ... 1	No ... 2
Other	Yes ... 1	No ... 2

F What type of school was this?

- Secondary..... 1
- Vocational 2
- Community/Comprehensive..... 3
- Other (Specify)..... 4

G Name of new school _____

Interviewer: If this is a grind school or unregistered/private secondary school and date at C is between September 2003 and August 2004, Proceed to Interview]

H Has the respondent completed this course or left this other school?

Yes.....1 No.....2 → **TERMINATE INTERVIEW**

I Date of leaving course or school _____ (mth) _____ (yr)

[SCHOOL LEAVING DATE]

→ **GO TO CHECK BOX BELOW**

INTERVIEWER CHECK BOX – check date when respondent finally left school (date at either C or I above)

If date is between 1st September 2003 and 31st August 2004 CONDUCT INTERVIEW

If date is before 1st September 2003 or after 31st August 2004 TERMINATE INTERVIEW

Background Information

1. **Information from?** School Leaver him(her) self 1 Parent 2 Other (specify) _____ 3
2. (a) **Could I just check your (school leaver's) date of birth?:** Month _____ Year _____
- (b) **Place of birth** (write in county or country) _____
(i.e. usual residence of mother at time of birth, not the address of the hospital where born)
- (c) (If born outside Ireland) **In what year did you come to live in Ireland?** _____ (year)
- (d) **Do you [school leaver] have any children who are living with you?** Yes ... 1 No ... 2 → Go to 2(g)
- (e) **If yes, how many?** _____ (number of children of school leaver)

(f) **How old are the children?** _____ (age of youngest) _____ age of oldest (if more than one)
- (g) **Which of the following best describes the household in which you [school leaver] live at the moment?**
(For students, describe their term-time household)
- With Parents 1
With Parents-in-law 2
In own household (possibly with spouse/partner + Children) 3
Sharing house or flat with persons other than spouse/partner 4
Hall of residence or other institution 5
- (h) **What is your marital status?**
Single 1 Married 2 Living with Partner 3 Other 4
3. (a) [Interviewer: Check address on assignment sheet] **Is this still your address?** Yes 1 No 2
- (b) **If No, what is your present address** _____

Interviewer: If person is now resident outside the Republic of Ireland, ask Q. 4(a) and (b) below. If person is still resident in Ireland, go to Question 5.

4. (a) **Why did you [school-leaver] leave the country?** (Specify one reason only)
- Because family was emigrating 1
To continue further education 2
To take up employment/training which
was arranged before leaving country 3
To look for work 4
Other reason 5
- (b) **When did you [school-leaver] leave the country?** ..Month _____ Year _____
5. (a) **When did you leave school?** Month _____ Year _____ [SCHOOL LEAVING DATE]
- (b) **Was this when you left full-time education for the first time?** Yes 1 → Go to 6 No 2
- (c) **When did you leave full-time education for the first time?** Month _____ Year _____

Examination Results

6. (a) **What was the last certificate examination you sat for before leaving school?** [Int: Does not include PLCs]
- (Established) Junior Certificate 1
Junior Certificate School Programme 2
(Established) Leaving Certificate 3 } → (b) **In what year did you sit for this exam?** _____
Leaving Certificate Applied Programme 4
Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme 5
Never sat for any official examination 6... → Go to 6(c)

6(c) (if resp left prior to Leaving Cert/Leaving Cert Applied — codes 1,2, or 6 at Q.6(a)),
What were the main factors influencing you to leave school before the Leaving Cert? [Circle all that apply]

- | | |
|--|--|
| Found school work difficult..... 1 | Health factors (own illness/disability) 6 |
| Found school work boring/not interesting... 2 | Wanted to get a job and earn money 7 |
| Didn't get on with teachers 3 | Other economic/job factors (specify)..... 8 → Go to 6(d) |
| Didn't get on with other students 4 | Family factors (specify) 9 → Go to 6(d) |
| Other school related factors (specify)..... 5 → Go to 6(d) | Other reasons (specify)..... 10 → Go to 6(d) |

6(d) Specify (if code 5,8,9 or 10, above) _____

6 (e) (If resp never sat for any exam. – code 6 at 6(a)) **What year were you in when you left school?**

- First year 1→ Go to 7(b)
 Second year 2→ Go to 7(b)
 Third year 3→ Go to 7(b)
 Other (specify)..... 4→ Go to 7(b)

7. (a) [Int: If respondent sat for an official examination i.e. codes 1-5 at Question 6(a)]. **At this examination, what subjects did you sit for, what level paper did you take and what grades did you get?**
 [Int: Enter Subject, Level and Grade below. Note this does not include PLCs]

(b) [Int: If you never sat for an official examination i.e. code 6 at Question 6(a)] **What subjects did you take in your final year at school?** [Int: List Subjects below, leaving Level and Grade blank.]

Subject	Level	Grade
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

(c) Int: If respondent sat the **Leaving Certificate Applied:**

(i) Did he/she receive: [Circle one only]

- | | |
|----------------------|---|
| Pass | 1 |
| Merit | 2 |
| Distinction | 3 |
| Fail | 4 |
| Record of experience | 5 |

(ii) Vocational Specialisms taken

(iii) Languages Taken

7d. [In summary] perhaps you could tell me: (a) how many honours and pass subjects you sat for in your last examination; (b) of these, in how many did you achieve an A, B or C; a D; or an E, F or NG?

[Interviewer: This summary is particularly important if you are not able to get the detailed information at 7a and 7b above]

LEVEL	No. of Subjects	No. of A,B,C's	No. of D's	No. of E,F or NG's
Honours Subjects				
Pass Subjects				

Transition Year, Leaving Cert, Final Year in School

8a. Did you ever participate in the Transition year? Yes 1 No.....2

8b. Did you complete it or leave before completion? Completed Trans Year 1 Left before comp..... 2

8c. Were you ever enrolled in the Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA) or Leaving Certificate Vocational (LCVP) programmes.

LCA..... 1 LCVP..... 2

Neither 3

8d. If resp DID LCA OR LCVP:
Why did you decide to enrol in this programme? (Please circle all that apply).

- Everyone in the school was taking it (obligatory) 1
 Most of my friends were taking it..... 2
 I was told by the school to take it 3
 I wanted to do more practical subjects 4
 My teacher(s) advised me to take it 5
 I did not think I would do well on the Established (regular) Leaving Cert 6
 Other (specify)..... 7

8e. Would you have liked to take part in one of these programmes?

- Yes, LCA 1
 Yes, LCVP 2
 No..... 3

9. At what stage of education did you leave (Code the first of the following that applies and make sure it is consistent with Q.6 above.)

- Having completed the Established Leaving examination 1
 While studying for Established Leaving Certificate examination 2
 Having completed the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme..... 3
 While studying for the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme..... 4
 Having completed the Leaving Certificate Applied Programme 5
 While studying for the Leaving Certificate Applied Programme..... 6
 Having completed the Transition Year 7
 While doing the Transition Year 8
 Having completed the Junior Certificate examination or equivalent 9
 Without completing any official examination
 (i.e. never sat for Junior, Intermediate, Group or Leaving Certificate).....10

10. Thinking back to your last year of formal second level (excluding PLCs), please say whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? [Int: Show Card A]

	Agree	Disagree		Agree	Disagree
1 School work was worth doing	1	2	8 Teachers listened to my ideas and views	1	2
2 My teachers didn't care about me	1	2	9 Teachers often gave me homework	1	2
3 There were too many troublemakers in my classes	1	2	10 Teachers made sure I did homework they set	1	2
4 My teachers helped me to do my best	1	2	11 My school dealt well with bullying	1	2
5 My friends took school seriously	1	2	12 If I had a problem there was always a teacher I could talk to	1	2
6 Teachers could not keep order in class	1	2	13 My school had a wide range of after- school activities (such as sports, clubs)	1	2
7 Discipline was fair	1	2			

11a Again thinking back to your last year of formal second level (excluding PLCs), how often did you skip lessons (or 'mitch')?

Never A lesson here and there A day here and there Several days at a time Weeks at a time
 1 2 3 4 5

11b About how many days altogether would you have missed through skipping lessons ('mitching') in your final year of school?
 _____ (days)

11c Again thinking back to your last year of formal second level (excluding PLCs), how often did you miss lessons for any other reason, such as illness, disability, extended holiday, etc.?

Never A lesson here and there A day here and there Several days at a time Weeks at a time
 1 2 3 4 5

11d About how many days altogether would you have missed for any of these other reasons in your final year of school?
 _____ (days)

12. Again thinking back to your last year of formal second level (excluding PLCs), did you or your parents pay for private tuition ('grinds') for you in any subject?

Yes 1 No 2

Work Experience, Part-Time Work while at School

- 13 (a) Did you take part in any periods of work experience as part of your school courses? (Circle all that apply)
- Yes, Transition Year..... 1 → Go to Q13b
 Yes, Leaving Cert Applied..... 2 → Go to Q13b
 Yes, Leaving Cert Vocational..... 3 → Go to Q13b
 Yes, PLC..... 4 → Go to Q13b
 Yes, other (specify) 5 _____ → Go to Q13b
 No..... 6 → Go to Q14a

(b) If YES, In relation to the last period of work experience, how many days in total did you spend on work experience?
 _____ days

(c) In relation to the last period of work experience, what was the nature of the business carried out by the employer?

(d) How helpful did you find this work experience in deciding what to do after leaving school?

[Int: Circle one only]

Very helpful 1 Helpful 2 Not very helpful 3 Not at all helpful... 4

- 14a. Thinking back to when you were in school could you tell me whether or not you held a part-time job or jobs *during term-time* while you were still at school?

Yes, held a part-time job..... 1 No..... 2 → Go to Q15

- 14b. In which years did you hold a part-time job or jobs? (Int: Circle all that apply)

6th yr 6 5th yr 5 Transition year 4 3rd yr 3 2nd yr..... 2 1st yr..... 1

- 14c. Thinking about the most recent year in which you held this job/these job(s), did you usually work? [Int: Circle Yes/No in respect of each]

Yes No Yes No Yes No
 Saturdays 1 2 Sundays..... 1 2 Weekdays..... 1 2

- 14d. In total, about how many hours per week did you work in this/these part-time job(s) in the most recent year in which you held the job?

_____ hours per week

- 14e. How helpful did you find this/these part-time jobs in deciding what to do after leaving school?

Very helpful 1 Helpful..... 2 Not very helpful..... 3 Not at all helpful..... 4

- 14f. Have you worked with the same employer(s) at any time since leaving school (excluding summer holidays)?

Yes 1 No 2

15. Thinking back to before you left school, could you tell me whether or not you held a part-time or full-time job or jobs *outside of term-time, such as a summer or holiday job*, while you were still at school?

Yes, held a part-time job..... 1 Yes, held a full-time job..... 2 No 2

VPT or PLC

16. (a) Did you ever go on to do any form of full-time vocational preparation, secretarial or Post Leaving Cert. Course (PLC) in a second level school, even if only for a few days?

Yes, did vocational course (VPT, PLC etc.) 1 No, no vocational course..... 2

(b) When did you begin this course ____ (mon) ____ (yr) (c) And when did you end it ____ (mon) ____ (yr)

(d) Did you do the Vocational Course in

Same school as did your last exam (Junior/Leaving etc.) in 1
 Different Secondary School 2
 Different Vocational School..... 3
 Different Community/Comprehensive School 4
 Other (specify) 5

(e) (Name of school) _____

(f) Did you complete the course? Yes 1 No..... 2

(g) Did you receive a certificate or diploma on completion? Yes 1 No 2

(h) What was the name/title of this cert/diploma? _____

(i) If received a cert/diploma, what was the source of this cert/diploma?

FETAC/NCVA 1 Other (Specify) 2 Don't Know 3

(j) Did you receive a grant while attending this course? Yes 1 No 2

Apprenticeship or Training

- 17a. Were you ever offered a place on any state-sponsored scheme for unemployed young people since leaving school? Here is a list of the principal schemes. (Show card B and read out list) Which scheme(s) have you participated in? (If none, write "none" below and go to Question 18). Please name each scheme on which you were offered a place and state when you started on the scheme and when your participation ended. (If respondent refused the offer, write "offer refused" under "starting date". If still participating, write "still participating" under "ending date".)

SCHEME NAME	Participated? Circle if yes.	STARTING DATE (or "offer refused")		ENDING DATE (or "Still participating")	
		Month	Year	Month	Year
<i>Working (Note: Code at 1 at Q23a)</i>					
Apprenticeship with FÁS	1.				
Community Employment (FÁS)	2.				
Enterprise Scheme/Jobstart (FÁS)	3.				
<i>Public Sector Training (Note: Code at 4 at Q23a)</i>					
FÁS Skills Foundation Programme	4.				
FÁS Specific Skills Course (SST)	5.				
FÁS Community Youth Training Prog.	6.				
FÁS Community Training Workshops	7.				
Other FÁS training(specify)	8.				
CERT Unemployed Training Programme (Short Duration)	9.				
YOUTHREACH Programme	10.				
<i>Student (Note: Code at 6 at Q23a)</i>					
CERT Craft/Management Courses (i.e. long duration)	11.				
Bord Iascaigh Mhara Training in Fishing Industry	12.				
TEAGASC Certificate in Farming	13.				
Other State-sponsored scheme (SPECIFY)	14.				

- (b) Think now of this (most recent) scheme, how satisfied are/were you with it?

Very satisfied 1 Satisfied 2 Dissatisfied 3 Very Dissatisfied 4

- (c) Why were you dissatisfied with the scheme? Please specify as fully as possible.

Further Education Since Leaving School

18. Since leaving school, have you undertaken any form of education or training at a college or institution?

Yes, full-time 1 Yes, part-time . . . 2 No 3 → Go to 23a

- 19(a). Give the name and address of the college or institution you are attending [attended].

[Interviewer: If more than one, give the most recent].

- (b) (If attending full-time education) Are you receiving (did you receive) any type of scholarship or grant for attendance at third level to cover such expenses as fees or maintenance?

Yes 1 No 2

- (c) Was this:

Higher Education Grant from Local Authority (under 1968 Act) 1
 VEC Scholarship (transfers from Cert/Diploma to degree) 2
 Trainee Grant Scheme (Cert/Diploma in ITs) 3
 Disadvantaged 'Top Up' Grant 4
 Other grant scheme (specify) 5

20. (a) Give brief details of the main course(s) you followed (e.g. B.A. History and English, National Certificate – Mechanical Engineering). [Interviewer: If more than one, give details of the most recent].

- (b) Date Course Started: Month _____ Year _____
- (c) Expected total duration of course from beginning to end: _____ Months
- (d) What qualification or certificate is normally given on successful completion of this course?
- Bachelor's or Higher Degree1
 Diploma (minimum 3 years, recognised by HETAC)2
 Certificate (minimum 2 years, recognised by HETAC)3
 Other type of qualification.....4

21. Are you still on this course, did you complete it or did you leave before completion?

Still on course 1 Completed course..... 2 Left Before Completion 3

22. Thinking back to the end of May 2005, were you undertaking education or training at that time?

Yes..... 1 No 2

Economic Activity Since Leaving School

- 23a. Now I would like you to cast your mind back to the time since you left school. This card [show Card C] contains a list of categories which could be used to describe your usual situation with regard to employment. I would like you to think back to June 2004 and tell me what your main situation was with regard to employment in each month from June 2004 to date (current month).

Categories to describe situation with regard to employment

Working for payment 1
 Unemployed, having lost or given up previous job 2
 Looking for first regular job since leaving school..... 3
 On a FÁS/CERT training scheme (other than Community Employment(CE))..... 4
 On PRIVATE training (not FÁS/CERT) – e.g. private secretarial course etc..... 5
 Student 6
 Engaged in home duties..... 7
 Unable to work due to permanent disability or illness..... 8
 Other 9

So, which of these categories best describes your usual situation with regard to employment in June 2004, July 2004 etc.

2004	Activity Code	2005	Activity Code	2005	Activity Code	2006	Activity Code
June		January		July		January	
July		February		August		February	
August		March		September		March	
September		April		October		April	
October		May		November		May	
November		June		December		June	
December						July	

- 23b Int: If the respondent is coded 4, 5 or 6 (training or a student) in **MAY 2005** ask Question 24b. Otherwise go to Question 25.

Please describe fully the type training you were doing or the main educational course you were following in May 2005.

May 2005 (training or education) _____

24. Were you resident in Ireland (Republic) on each of the following dates?

Yes No

End of September 2004..... Y..... N
 End of December 2004..... Y..... N
 End of March 2005 Y..... N
 End of June 2005 Y..... N
 End of September 2005..... Y..... N
 End of December 2005..... Y..... N
 End of March 2006 Y..... N

Job on May 31st 2005

25 Perhaps you could cast your mind back to the 31st May 2005. Could you tell me whether you held a job in the last week of May 2005, even if this was only a short-term or temporary job. How would you describe this job?

- Regular, full-time..... 1 → Go to 26
 Regular, part-time 2 → Go to 26
 Temporary, full-time..... 3 → Go to 26
 Temporary, part-time 4 → Go to 26
 No job held at end May 2005..... 5 → Go to 32

26. When did you take up that job which you held at the end of May 2005? _____ (month) _____ (year)

27. Please give the exact name of that job which you held at the end of May 2005 and a full description of the work done. (If farmer or relative assisting, give acreage. If relevant, give grade or rank e.g. Civil Service, Gardaí, Army, etc.)

28 What was the nature of the business carried out by your employer (or yourself; if you were self-employed) in the job which you held at the end of May 2005? (Describe the process carried out and the end-product if any).

29 What was your employment status in this job which you held at the end of May 2005?

- Employer..... 1
 Self-employed, without paid employees..... 2
 Employee 3
 Assisting a relative (not receiving a fixed salary or wage)..... 4

30. What was the total number of hours usually worked per week in that job which you held at the end of May 2005.

_____ hrs per week

31. And how much did you usually earn per week in that job which you held at the end of May 2005.

(a) Gross (before deductions) Gross € _____ (b) Net (i.e. take-home pay) € _____

Current Job

32 Did you hold a job last week, even for a short time?

Yes 1 No 2 Go to 52a

33a. How would you describe the job you held last week?

- Regular, full-time 1 → Go to 33(c)
 Regular, part-time 2 → Go to 33(b)
 Temporary, full-time..... 3 → Go to 33(c)
 Temporary, part-time 4 → Go to 33(b)

(b) If respondent was working part-time last week (codes 2 or 4 above).

Why do (or did) you have a part-time job?

- Respondent is in education/training..... 1
 Own illness or disability..... 2
 Did not want a full-time job..... 3
 Could not find a full-time job 4
 Family responsibilities..... 5
 Other (specify) _____ 6

(c) When did you take up this job that you held last week? Month _____ Year _____

(d) Were you working in this job (even on a part-time basis) before you left school? Yes 1 No 2

[INT: If more than one job held, answers to this and subsequent questions on job held last week should refer to the main or principal job - i.e. the one which accounted for most of the respondent's income last week]

- 34 Please give the name of the job held last week and a full description of the work done. (If farmer or relative assisting, give acreage. Be sure to describe job exactly. If relevant give rank e.g. Civil Service, Gardaí, Army etc)

- 35 In this job which was held last week, what was your employment status?

Employer 1
 Self-employed, without paid employees 2
 Employee 3
 Assisting a relative (not receiving a fixed salary or wage) 4

- 36 What is/was the nature of the business carried out by your employer (or yourself, if you are self-employed)? (Describe the process carried out, and the end-product, if any.)

- 37 Is your father, mother or any other relative the owner or part-owner of the business or farm in which you work (or worked) last week?

Yes 1 No 2

- 38 What was the total number of hours you worked in this job last week including overtime (if any)?

Number of hours _____

- 39a Was this the normal number of hours worked in this job each week? Yes..... 1 → Go to Q40 No 2

- 39b What was the main reason for not working normal hours?

Short-term 1
 Labour dispute 2
 Illness, accident or maternity leave 3
 Holiday 4
 Beginning or end of job 5
 Overtime 6
 On education or training outside the place of work 7
 Other 8

- 40 How much did you earn in this job last week? (to nearest €)

(a) Gross (before deductions) Gross € _____ (b) Net (i.e. take-home pay) € _____

41. Were you receiving any form of training at your place of work during last week?

Yes 1 No 2 → Go to Q43

42. (If Yes) In the job where you received this training were you:

Employed on a Statutory* Apprenticeship Scheme 1
 Employed on a Non-Statutory Apprenticeship Scheme 2
 Receiving other type of training 3

*Statutory Apprenticeship is one where apprentice is entitled to FÁS Apprentice Registration Card.

43. I would like to ask you a few questions about any education or training which has been paid for, or provided, by your current employer over the last year. If you are in your current job for less than 1 year I would like you to think about any education or training which your employer has provided, or paid for, since starting your employment with him or her.

Have you received any education or training paid for, or provided, by your present employer over the last year?

Yes 1... No2 go to Q48

44	Is the education or training continuing or has it been completed?	Continuing.....1	Completed 2
45	How long did (will) the education or training last?	Days_____	Weeks _____
		Months_____	
[Interviewer: Answer in terms of Days OR Months OR Years, depending on length of training]			
46	Do you feel that this education or training has been of use to you in carrying out your current job?		
	Yes 1	No 2	
47	Do you feel that the skills or knowledge which you have acquired in this education or training would be of any use to you in getting a job with another employer or was the education or training specific to your current job only?		
	Of use in getting job with another employer	1	Of use only in current job..... 2

48. Thinking of all of the tasks involved in your current job, to what extent do you use the knowledge and skills you acquired in the course of your education and training? Please answer on a scale from 1 to 5, where 1 means 'To a very great extent' and 5 means 'Not at all'.

To a very great extentNot at all
 1 2 3 4 5

49. Thinking of all aspects of your current job (e.g. position, tasks, pay etc.), to what extent is your current job appropriate to your level of education? Again, please answer on a scale from 1 to 5, where 1 means 'To a very great extent' and 5 means 'Not at all'.

To a very great extentNot at all
 1 2 3 4 5

50. How secure do you feel your job is?
 Very secure....1 Fairly secure2 Insecure.....3 Very Insecure 4

51. Are you a member of a trade union? Yes..... 1 No 2

Unemployment

52(a) Were you unemployed at the end of May 2005? [Interviewer: Check against 24a]

Yes... 1 No 2 → Go to 53

(b) Thinking back to that period of unemployment which you were experiencing at the end of May 2005, when did that period of unemployment begin? _____day _____(mth) _____(yr.)
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ALL RESPONDENTS

53. What is your situation now with regard to looking for work? [Int: Ask of ALL Respondents]

- Looking for work now.....1 → Go to 54a
- About to start looking for work2 → Go to 54b
- Stopped looking as new job has been obtained but not yet started.....3 → Go to 54b
- Not looking for work4 → Go to 55

54. (a) Since when have you been continuously looking for work

Since_____ (DAY) _____ (MTH) _____(YR)

54(b) What kind of work are (were) you looking for? (Give the name of the job and a description of the type of work done. Be specific about the type of work sought.)

(c) Are you available for work immediately? (i.e. within two weeks)

Immediately 1 Not immediately2

(d) Are you currently registered (“signing on”) at an Employment Office or Exchange?

Yes 1 No2 → Go to 54g

(e) (Are you (code ONE only)

Receiving Unemployment Benefit (i.e. “claiming on stamps”) 1 → Go to 54(f)
 Receiving Unemployment Assistance 2 → Go to 54(f)
 Receiving Other Social Welfare Payment 3 → Go to 54(f)
 Not entitled to benefits but signing on for credits 4 → Go to 54(g)
 Awaiting decision or adjudication on your entitlement 5 → Go to 54(g)

(f) (If receiving social welfare, codes 1, 2 or 3) How much do you receive each week?

€ _____

(g) Are you registered with FÁS Yes 1 No 2

(h) What are (or were) the main ways in which you look (or looked) for work? (Circle call that apply).

Registered with FÁS – the Training and Employment Authority 1
 Registered with private agency 2
 Responded to advertisements in newspapers etc. 3
 By writing to/calling on employers 4
 Placing advertisement in newspapers etc..... 5
 Personal Contacts 6
 Internet/Web/Teletext 7
 Other (specify) _____ 8

BACKGROUND

55. Which of the following best describes (a) your Father’s current situation (b) your Mother’s current situation with regard to employment?

	(a) <u>Father</u>	(b) <u>Mother</u>
At work as an employee	1	1
At work as an employer	2	2
Self-employed without employees	3	3
Unemployed	4	4
Retired	5	5
Engaged on home duties	6	6
Unable to work due to disability	7	7
Deceased	8	8
Other	9	9

56a. What is (or was) your Father’s main occupation? (If farmer or relative assisting, state acreage.)

56b. What is (or was) your Mother’s main occupation? (Applies only if Mother worked outside the home at some stage. If farmer or relative assisting, state acreage.)

57. Could you tell me the highest level of education reached by your (a) father and (b) your mother.

(a)FATHER		(b)MOTHER	
None/Primary not completed.....	1	None/Primary not completed.....	1
Primary or equivalent.....	2	Primary or equivalent.....	2
Junior/Inter Cert/Group Cert or equiv....	3	Junior/Inter Cert/Group Cert or equiv.....	3
Leaving Cert or equivalent.....	4	Leaving Cert or equivalent.....	4
Diploma/Certificate.....	5	Diploma/Certificate.....	5
Primary Degree or higher.....	6	Primary Degree or higher.....	6
Don't know.....	7	Don't know.....	7

58. What is your ethnic or cultural background? [Show Card D and circle one]

- A. White
 - Irish 1
 - Irish Traveller..... 2
 - Any other White background 3
- B. Black or Black Irish
 - African 4
 - Any other Black background..... 5
- C. Asian or Asian Irish
 - Chinese 6
 - Any other Asian background 7
- D. Other including mixed background
 - Other including mixed background, (specify)..... 8 _____

59. Are you a member of the Travelling Community? Yes 1 No 2

60a Do you have any chronic, physical or mental health problem, illness or disability? Yes....1 No..... 2 → Go to 61

60b What is the nature of this illness or disability? _____

60c Are you hampered in your daily activities by this physical or mental health problem, illness or disability?
Yes.....1 No2

61. Have you ever considered leaving this part of the country to live and work elsewhere?

Yes1 No 2 → Go to 64

62. Do you intend to leave?

Definitely, Yes.....1 Probably Yes2 Probably No.....3 Definitely No..... 4

63. (If "Yes" i.e. codes 1 or 2 above) Where do you intend to go? (Specify county if in Ireland and city and country if abroad.)

64. Could you say how satisfied or dissatisfied you are with your present economic situation?

Very satisfied.....1 Satisfied.....2 Dissatisfied.....3 Very Dissatisfied 4

65. In general, thinking back to the education and/or training which you received how useful do you feel this was to you in the following areas of work and life in general? How relevant was your education and/or training in terms of:

	Very Useful	Useful	Not Very Useful	No Use At All
(i) interpersonal communications.....	1	2	3	4
(ii) computer skills/ability.....	1	2	3	4
(iii) the work experience it provided before leaving school	1	2	3	4
(iv) the subjects/disciplines taken as a preparation for life skills.....	1	2	3	4

66. Time Ended (24 hour clock) : ____ : ____

Thank you very much for your co-operation