

Who uses the results?

The results are used by a wide range of Government departments including the Department for Communities (formerly DSD), Department for Work and Pensions, Her Majesty's Treasury and Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs.

They are also used by Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union, to produce EU-wide comparative statistics on income and living conditions.

The data are available to researchers and analysts outside government via the UK Data Service, for looking into areas such as health, disability and poverty. The results are also used by charities and other groups to help support their work.



66%

of NI households own their property outright or are buying with a mortgage

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Thank you for your help.

The Family Resources Survey



Why your help
is important

Family Resources Survey

This leaflet answers some of the questions you may have about taking part in this survey.

Who are we?

The Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) is the Government Agency responsible for the collection and publication of statistics on many aspects of everyday life. It is most widely known as the office responsible for carrying out the Census every ten years, and for the registration of births, deaths and marriages. The Central Survey Unit of the agency carries out many independent surveys throughout Northern Ireland.

What is the Family Resources Survey?

The Family Resources Survey is a study of the living standards and circumstances of people living in the UK today, including Northern Ireland. The study provides vital information which helps the Government develop and monitor policies that help everyone, from single people and families with children, to those with caring responsibilities and older people.



19% of the population have a disability

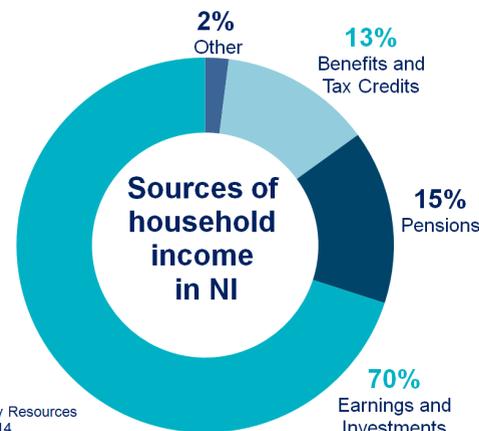
Why does this survey matter?

The results are used to help the Government understand how people are managing today. They enable the Government to plan for the future and monitor the impact of policy changes in the UK, which affect us all.

Is the survey confidential?

Yes, the information you give us will be treated as confidential as directed by the Code of Practice for Official Statistics. It will be used to produce statistics that will not identify you or anyone in your household. Survey information is also provided to other approved organisations for statistical purposes only. All such statistics produced are subject to the Code and the same standards of protection are applied to your information at all times.

Sources of household income in NI, financial year 2013/14



Source: Family Resources Survey, 2013/14



28% of all adults are contributing to a pension

Why did we choose you?

As it is not possible to ask everyone to take part in the study, a sample of addresses is selected to represent all of Northern Ireland. Your address is one of these and was selected at random from a list of all addresses in Northern Ireland.

You are important for the study because the random sample is a cross-section of the community. We are interested in people from all age groups and all parts of the country.

We cannot substitute another address for yours as this would bias the sample's results, so your contribution is vital. By taking part you help us provide an accurate picture of how changes in the economy and government policy affect you and the community.



115,000 carers in NI
That's **6%** of the population