## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & SCIENCE SURVEY OF SCHOOL LEAVERS, Autumn 2004

### LEAVERS OF SCHOOL YEAR, 2002/2003

**Interviewer’s Name:** ______________________________  **Interviewer’s No:** __________________

1. **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?**

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   **Why not?**

   - Respondent deceased.........................................................2
   - Household moved/gone away permanently................................3
   - Household temporarily absent (holidays etc.)...........................4
   - House demolished/vacant/could not locate...............................5
   - 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 Quota Sheet?**

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   C. **When did he/she leave the school on the quota sheet?**

   _________ month _________ year.

   D. **Did the respondent attend another mainstream second level school after leaving the school named on the quota 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.

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

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<td>Doing a Post Leaving Cert Course (PLC)</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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   F. **What type of school was this?**

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<td>Community/Comprehensive</td>
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   G. **Name of new school**

   ________________________________________________________________

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

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   **TERMINATE INTERVIEW**

   I. **Date of leaving course or school**

   ___________ (mth) ___________ (yr)

   **GO TO CHECK BOX BELOW**

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

If date is between 1st September 2002 and 31st August 2003 CONDUCT INTERVIEW

If date is before 1st September 2002 or after 31st August 2003 TERMINATE INTERVIEW
1a Information from? School Leaver him(her) self ……1 Parent …… 2 Other (specify)___________________ 3

1b Date of interview: Day_____________ Month_____________

2. (a) Date of birth: Month_____________ Year_____________

(b) Place of birth (write in) __________________________ Area Code_________

(i.e. usual residence of mother at time of birth, not the address of the hospital where born)

(c) Marital status: Single…… 1 Married…… 2 Living with Partner…… 3 Other…… 4

(d) Which of the following best describes the household in which the respondent lives 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

3. (a) Address supplied by school (Confirm) __________________________________________ Area Code_________

(b) Is this still your address?………………………………………………………… Yes ….. 1 No ….. 2

(c) If No, what is your present address __________________________________________ Area Code_________

Int: 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 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 school-leaver leave country? Month________________ Year _________________

5. When did you leave school? Month________________ Year_________________

6. (a) What was the last certificate examination you sat for before leaving school?

- Established Junior Certificate ……………… 1 → Go to 6(b)
- Junior Certificate School Programme……. 2 → Go to 6(b)
- Established Leaving Certificate ………….. 3 → Go to 6(b)
- Leaving Certificate Applied Programme….. 4 → Go to 6(b)
- Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme . 5 → Go to 6(b)
- Never sat for any official examination……… 6 → Go to 6(c)

[Int: Does not include PLCs]

(b) In what year did you sit for this exam? ………………………….. → Go to 7(a)

(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? (Tick all that apply).

- School Factors ………………………………………… 1
- Health Factors ……………………………………… 4
- Economic or Work Factors ……………………… 2
- Other (Specify) ……………………………………… 5
- Family Factors…………………………….. 3

(d) (If resp never sat for any exam. – code 6 at (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.]

(c) Int: If respondent sat the Leaving Certificate Applied:  
(i) Did he/she receive: [Tick one only]  
   Pass  □ 1  
   Merit  □ 2  
   Distinction  □ 3  
   Fail  □ 4  
   Record of experience  □ 5  

(ii) Vocational Specialisms taken

(iii) Languages Taken

(d) [Int: To be answered only if respondent cannot provide complete details on subject level and grade on last examination sat in Q.7(b) above.] 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?

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<th>LEVEL</th>
<th>No. of Subjects</th>
<th>No. of A,B,C's</th>
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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. If resp DID NOT take LCA OR LCVP:  
Would you have liked to take part in one of these programmes?  
   Yes, LCA........... 1  Yes, LCVP........... 2  No .......... 3

8f. Apart from the examination mentioned at Question 6, what previous examinations did you sit for? (Circle appropriate number(s))  
   Junior Certificate.................................................. 1  
   Established Leaving Certificate or equivalent....................... 2  
   Leaving Certificate Applied Programme ......................... 3  
   Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme....................... 4  
   No previous examination......................................... 5
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]

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<td>My teachers didn’t care about me</td>
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<td>There were too many troublemakers in my classes</td>
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<td>My teachers helped me to do my best</td>
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<td>My school dealt well with bullying</td>
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<td>My teachers made sure I did homework they set</td>
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<td>If there was a problem there was always a teacher I could talk to</td>
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<td>My school had a wide range of after-school activities (such as sports, clubs)</td>
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11. Again thinking back to your last year of formal second level (excluding PLCs), how often did you skip lessons (or ‘mitch’)?

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<th>Frequency</th>
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<th>A lesson here and there</th>
<th>A day here and there</th>
<th>Several days at a time</th>
<th>Weeks at a time</th>
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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

13. (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) What were the main subjects covered? (Read out and circle all that apply)

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<td>Secretarial/Office Procedures</td>
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<td>Teleservices</td>
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<td>Other (please specify)</td>
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(c) When did you begin this course  __________ (month)  __________ (year)

(d) And when did you end it  __________ (month)  __________ (year)

(e) 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

(f) Name of school  ________________________________________________

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

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

(i) What was the name/title of this cert/diploma?  ______________________________________

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

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

(k) Did you receive a grant while attending this course?  Yes ........... 1  No ........... 2
14a. 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 Q14b
Yes, Leaving Cert Applied.................2 Go to Q14b
Yes, Leaving Cert Vocational..............3 Go to Q14b
Yes, PLC ........................................... 4 Go to Q14b
Yes, other (specify) ...........................5 Go to Q14b
No................................................ .....6 Go to Q15a

(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 Tick one box only]

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

15a. 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 Q16

15b. 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

15c. 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

15d. 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

15e. 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

15f. Have you worked with the same employer(s) at any time since leaving school (excluding summer holidays)?

Yes ......... 1  No ........... 2

16 I would like you to think back to your last year in school. When you were deciding what to do after you left school:

(a) did you get any advice from any of the following people? [Int. Circle all that apply in column (A)]

(b) of those who gave you advice who do you think was the most help to you in deciding what to do after you left school. [Int. Circle one only in column (B)]

(A)  (B)  Any  Most  Advice  Helpful

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Which one? _____________________________
17. Are you at the moment participating in any state-sponsored programme for young people?

| Yes .......... 1 | No ............ 2 Go to Question 18a |

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<td>FÁS Skills Foundation Programme ................................ 04</td>
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<td>Other FÁS training (specify) .................................. 08</td>
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<td>CERT Unemployed Training Programme (Short Duration) .... 09</td>
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<td>YOUTHREACH Programme ........................................ 10</td>
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<td>Other State-sponsored scheme (PLEASE SPECIFY) .......... 14</td>
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Note to Interviewer

These courses classified as "working" (Code 1 at Q18a).

These courses classified as Public Sector training (Code 4 at Q18a).

These courses classified as student (Code 6) at Q18a.

18a. 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 2003 and tell me what your main situation was with regard to employment in each month from June 2003 to date (current month).

Categories to describe situation with regard to employment

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

So, which of these categories best describes your usual situation with regard to employment in June 2003, July 2003 etc.

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18b Int: If the respondent is coded 1, 4, 5 or 6 (working, training or a student) in August 2003 or October 2003 or January 2004 or May 2004 ask Question 18b. Otherwise go to Question 19.

Please describe fully the type of work or training you were doing or the main educational course you were following in respect of each date. (If farmer or relative assisting, state acreage. If relevant, record rank or grade e.g. Gardai, Army, Civil Service).

August 2003

__________________________________________________________

October 2003

__________________________________________________________

January 2004

__________________________________________________________

May 2004

__________________________________________________________
19 Are you currently unemployed i.e. actively looking for and immediately available for work?

| Yes .......... 1 | No ........... 2 → Go to 20 |

(b) Since when have you been continuously unemployed? _______ day _______ Mth _______ YR

[Int. Make sure this is consistent with the table in Question 18a].

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

| Yes ....... 1 | No ....... 2 → Go to 19(f) |

(d) Are you (code ONE only)

- Receiving Unemployment Benefit (i.e. “claiming on stamps”) ... 1 → Go to 19(e)
- Receiving Unemployment Assistance ... 2 → Go to 19(e)
- Receiving Other Social Welfare Payment ... 3 → Go to 19(e)
- Not entitled to benefits but signing on for credits ... 4 → Go to 19(f)
- Awaiting decision or adjudication on your entitlement ... 5 → Go to 19(f)

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

(f) Are you registered with FÁS

| Yes .... 1 | No .... 2 |

20 (a) Did you hold a job last week, even for a short time? How would you describe the job?

| Regular, full-time ... 1 → Go to 20(c) |
| Regular, part-time ... 2 → Go to 20(b) |
| Temporary, full-time ... 3 → Go to 20(c) |
| Temporary, part-time ... 4 → Go to 20(b) |
| No job held last week ... 5 → Go to 32 |

If no job held last week i.e. Code 5 circled at Question 20(a) above, skip to Question 33.

(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]

21 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, Gardai, Army etc)

_________________________ __________________________________

_________________________ __________________________________

22 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 |

23 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.)
24. 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

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

   Number of hours __________________

26a. Was this the normal number of hours worked in this job each week?
   Yes....... 1→Go to Q27       No..... 2

26b. 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

27. How much did you earn in this job last week? (to nearest €)
   (a) Gross (before deductions)       Gross €______________
   (b) Net (i.e. take-home pay)       €__________________

28a. Were you receiving any form of training at your place of work during last week?
   Yes ............... 1       No ................. 2 → Go to 29

28b. (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.

29. How did you first hear about your present job (or job you did last week)? (Code one of the following.)
   - Through FÁS (Training and Employment Authority) ..................................... 1
   - Through the Local Employment Services .................................................. 2
   - From an advertisement in the newspaper .................................................. 3
   - By phoning/writing to/calling on employers .............................................. 4
   - Through personal contacts (i.e. from relatives, friends etc.) ....................... 5
   - Through school careers’ guidance service .................................................. 6
   - Through work experience placement ....................................................... 7
   - Through private agency ........................................................................ 8
   - Internet/Web/ Teletext ........................................................................ 9
   - Other (specify) ___________________________________________________ 10

30. To what extent do you feel that the education and/or training which you had completed when you applied for your current job (or job you held last week) was important in actually getting the job. In terms of GETTING the job would you say that your education and/or training were

   Very Important     Quite Important     Not Very Important     Of no Importance at all
   1                  2                     3                        4

31. How useful has the education and/or training which you had completed BEFORE you secured your current job (or job you held last week) been to you in carrying out your present work? Would you say it has been:

   Very Useful... 1      Useful... 2       Not very useful... 3       No use at all... 4

32. 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
33. **What is your situation now with regard to looking for work?**

- Looking for work now.................................1 → Go to 34
- About to start looking for work .........................................2 → Go to 35
- Stopped looking as new job has been obtained ..................3 → Go to 35
- Not looking for work ......................................................4 → Go to 35

If looking for work, (code 1 above) ask Questions 34a - Question 34c. If not, go to Question 35.

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

Since___________ (DAY) __________ (MTH) __________(YR)

**What kind of work are 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.)

_________________________________________________ ____________________________
_________________________________________________ ____________________________

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

Immediately .......... 1 Not immediately .................2

**INT. ASK QUESTION 35 OF ALL RESPONDENTS – Q35-40b RELATE TO SITUATION AT THE END OF MAY 2004**

35. **Perhaps you could cast your mind back to the 31st May 2004. Could you tell me whether or not you held a job in the last week of May 2004, even if this was only a short-term or temporary job. How would you describe this job?**

- Regular, full-time.................................................. 1 → Go to Q36
- Regular, part-time.................................................. 2 → Go to Q36
- Temporary, full-time............................................... 3 → Go to Q36
- Temporary, part-time.............................................. 4 → Go to Q36
- No job held at end May 2004................................. 5 → Go to Q40(a)

36. **When did you take up that job which you held at the end of May 2004?**

______________ (month) _________(year)

37a. **Please give the exact name of that job which you held at the end of May 2004 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, Gardai, Army, etc.)

__________________________________________________ _________________________________

37b. **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 2004?** (Describe the process carried out and the end-product if any).

___________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________

38. **What was your employment status in this job which you held at the end of May 2004?**

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

39a. **What was the total number of hours usually worked per week in that job which you held at the end of May 2004?**

_______________ hrs per week

39b. **And how much did you usually earn per week in that job which you held at the end of May 2004.**

(a) Gross (before deductions) €______________

(b) Net (i.e. take-home pay) €______________

Int. If respondent held a job at the end of May 2004 skip to Q41, otherwise ask Q40.
40. (a) Were you unemployed at the end of May 2004?  
Yes... 1  No .... 2 → Go to 41(a)

40. (b) Thinking back to that period of unemployment which you were experiencing at the end of May 2004, when did that period of unemployment begin? 

_________ day _____(mth) _______(yr.)

41. (a) Have you ever looked for work of any sort?  Yes... 1  No.... 2 → Go to 42(a)

(c) What are (or were) the main ways in which you look (or looked) for work? (If more than one method used, place number 1,2, etc. in the boxes to indicate which method you think is most important. If only one method used, enter 1 in the appropriate box).

Registered with FÁS – the Training and Employment Authority ............... ...........
Registered with private agency.......................... ....................
Responded to advertisements in newspapers etc. .......................... ...........
By writing to/calling on employers.................................................
Placing advertisement in newspapers etc................................. ...........
Personal Contacts ................................................................. ...........
Internet/Web/Teletext ............................................................... ...........
Other (specify)________________________________________________________________________

42. (a) Apart from an apprenticeship, 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 excluding category 1, apprenticeship.) Which scheme(s) have you participated in? (If none, write “none” below and go to Question 43). 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”).

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(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

Why were you dissatisfied with the scheme? Please specify as fully as possible.

________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________
43. **Are you currently undergoing any form of education or training at a college or institution?**

- Yes, full-time …… 1
- Yes, part-time …… 2
- No …… 3 → Go to 46

44. **Give the name and address of the college or institution you are attending.**

44(a). Give the name and address of the college or institution you are attending.

(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

45. **(a) Give brief details of the main course(s) you are now following** (e.g. B.A. History and English, National Certificate – Mechanical Engineering).

- ____________________________________________________________
- ____________________________________________________________

(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 Degree ……… 1
- Diploma (minimum 3 years, recognised by HETAC) ……… 2
- Certificate (minimum 2 years, recognised by HETAC) ……… 3
- Other type of qualification ……… 4

46. **Thinking back to the end of May 2004 were you undergoing any form of education or training at a college or institution?**

- Yes, full-time …… 1
- Yes, Part-time …… 2
- No …… 3 → Go to 50

47. **Give the name and address of the college or institution you were attending at the end of May 2004.**

- ____________________________________________________________

48. **What qualification or certificate is normally given on successful completion of this course which you were attending at the end of May 2004?**

- Bachelor’s or Higher Degree ……… 1
- Diploma (minimum 3 years, recognised by HETAC) ……… 2
- Certificate (minimum 2 years, recognised by HETAC) ……… 3
- Other type of qualification ……… 4

49. **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

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

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

(a) Father (b) Mother

- At work as an employee ........................................... ............................... 1
- At work as an employer ........................................... ............................... 2
- Self-employed without employees ........................................... ............................... 3
- Unemployed ........................................................................................................... ............................... 4
- Retired ..................................................................................................................... ............................... 5
- Engaged on home duties ......................................................................................... ............................... 6
- Unable to work due to disability ............................................................................. ............................... 7
- Deceased .................................................................................................................. ............................... 8
- Other .......................................................................................................................... ............................... 9

52a. What is (or was) your Father’s main occupation? (If farmer or relative assisting, state acreage.)

__________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

52b. 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.)

__________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

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

(a) FATHER

- None/Primary not completed ........................................... ............................... 1
- Primary or equivalent ........................................... ............................... 2
- Junior/Inter Cert/Group Cert or equiv........................................... ............................... 3
- Leaving Cert or equivalent ........................................... ............................... 4
- Diploma/Certificate ........................................... ............................... 5
- Primary Degree or higher ........................................... ............................... 6
- Don’t know ........................................... ............................... 7

(b) MOTHER

- None/Primary not completed ........................................... ............................... 1
- Primary or equivalent ........................................... ............................... 2
- Junior/Inter Cert/Group Cert or equiv........................................... ............................... 3
- Leaving Cert or equivalent ........................................... ............................... 4
- Diploma/Certificate ........................................... ............................... 5
- Primary Degree or higher ........................................... ............................... 6
- Don’t know ........................................... ............................... 7

54a Is your father Irish? Yes ....... 1 No ........ 2 (b) Which country does he come from? ____________

55a Is your mother Irish? Yes ....... 1 No ........ 2 (b) Which country does she come from? ____________

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

57a Do you have any chronic, physical or mental health problem, illness or disability? Yes.... 1 No...... 2 → Go to 58

57b What is the nature of this illness or disability? ________________________________________________

57C Are you hampered in your daily activities by this physical or mental health problem, illness or disability?

Yes..........1 No ........ 2

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

Yes .......... 1 No ........ 2

59 Do you intend to leave?

- Definitely, Yes...... 1
- Probably Yes ...... 2
- Probably No....... 3
- Definitely No....... 4

60 (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.) ________________________________________________________________________ Area Code ____________

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

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

Thank you very much for your co-operation