



*Northern Ireland Omnibus Survey*

*September 2012*

*SSA Module*

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# Q1 Do you think that the current welfare system is working?

## (i) Analysis by Agegroup

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	[ 12]	11%	9%	8%	9%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	[ 37]	55%	59%	57%	56%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	[ 37]	31%	28%	32%	30%	31%
Refusal			1%	1%		0%
Dont Know	[ 4]	3%	3%	2%	6%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## (ii) Analysis by Gender

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	10%	8%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	57%	54%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	29%	34%	31%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## (iii) Analysis by Religion

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	10%	8%	[ 3]	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	51%	62%	[ 11]	57%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	35%	28%	[ 6]	31%
Dont Know	4%	2%	[ 1]	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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# Q1 Do you think that the current welfare system is working?

## (iv) Analysis by Marital Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	11%	8%	[ 7]	[ 7]	11%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	49%	61%	[ 22]	[ 44]	52%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	37%	28%	[ 26]	[ 22]	28%	31%
Refusal	1%	0%				0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	[ 2]	[ 3]	9%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## (v) Analysis by Disability Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	12%	9%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	43%	59%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	40%	29%	31%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	5%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## (vi) Analysis by Dependant Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	10%	9%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	57%	55%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	31%	31%	31%
Refusal		1%	0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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# Q1 Do you think that the current welfare system is working?

## (vii) 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	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	[ 5]	9%	8%	8%	11%	[ 13]	[ 10]	[ 3]		9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	[ 27]	59%	54%	63%	53%	[ 32]	[ 34]	[ 9]	[ 13]	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need	[ 13]	28%	33%	27%	33%	[ 29]	[ 33]	[ 11]	[ 6]	31%
Refusal		1%					[ 1]			0%
Dont Know		3%	5%	3%	4%	[ 2]	[ 2]		[ 1]	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## (viii) Analysis by Employment Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	8%	11%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	62%	49%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	27%	35%	31%
Refusal		1%	0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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## (ix) Analysis by Economic Activity

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	8%	12%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	61%	49%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	29%	33%	31%
Refusal		1%	0%
Dont Know	2%	5%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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# Q1 Do you think that the current welfare system is working?

## (x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	7%	7%	10%	10%	[ 11]	10%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	60%	60%	57%	52%	[ 55]	52%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	31%	32%	29%	34%	[ 22]	33%	31%
Refusal	1%					1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	4%	5%	[ 4]	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## (xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	10%	8%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	54%	59%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	33%	28%	31%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## (xii) Analysis by Area

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people	13%	9%	9%	9%
No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits	46%	61%	53%	56%
No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?	38%	27%	34%	31%
Refusal		0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q1 Do you think that the current welfare system is working?**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>BELB</b>	<b>NEELB</b>	<b>SEELB</b>	<b>SELB</b>	<b>WELB</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people</b>	13%	7%	9%	9%	9%	9%
<b>No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits</b>	46%	61%	59%	56%	52%	56%
<b>No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?</b>	38%	28%	29%	31%	34%	31%
<b>Refusal</b>			1%		2%	0%
<b>Dont Know</b>	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	167	260	274	255	175	1131

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Belfast HSC Trust</b>	<b>Northern HSC Trust</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Southern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Western HSC Trust</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Yes, it s giving financial support to the right people</b>	10%	7%	11%	10%	9%	9%
<b>No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits</b>	48%	58%	60%	59%	52%	56%
<b>No, it s not providing enough financial support to the people who need it?</b>	40%	31%	26%	27%	34%	31%
<b>Refusal</b>			1%		2%	0%
<b>Dont Know</b>	2%	4%	3%	4%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	212	288	229	227	175	1131

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**Q2 To what extent, if at all, are you aware of the recent or proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Assessing the work capability of benefit claimants claiming sickness benefits?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	[ 4]	8%	11%	6%	4%	7%
Know a little	[ 32]	42%	47%	51%	38%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	[ 33]	29%	28%	27%	37%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	[ 20]	18%	14%	16%	19%	17%
Refusal			1%			0%
Dont Know	[ 1]	2%			2%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	9%	6%	7%
Know a little	40%	47%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	30%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	18%	16%	17%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Know a great deal	7%	7%	[ 3]	7%
Know a little	40%	46%	[ 10]	43%
Heard of but don't know any details	33%	32%	[ 2]	32%
Haven't heard of at all	19%	16%	[ 5]	17%
Dont Know	1%	0%	[ 1]	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Know a great deal	9%	6%	[ 6]	[ 8]	4%	7%
Know a little	40%	47%	[ 25]	[ 27]	32%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	31%	[ 15]	[ 29]	36%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	17%	16%	[ 11]	[ 12]	26%	17%
Refusal	0%					0%
Dont Know	1%	0%			2%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	9%	7%	7%
Know a little	42%	44%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	30%	31%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	18%	17%	17%
Refusal	1%		0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	8%	7%	7%
Know a little	47%	42%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	29%	33%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	17%	17%	17%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q2 To what extent, if at all, are you aware of the recent or proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Assessing the work capability of benefit claimants claiming sickness benefits?**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Know a great deal	[ 7]	8%	10%	6%	4%	[ 5]	[ 4]		[ 3]	7%
Know a little	[ 22]	48%	42%	41%	43%	[ 36]	[ 31]	[ 7]	[ 11]	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	[ 12]	32%	33%	31%	32%	[ 19]	[ 24]	[ 7]	[ 5]	31%
Haven't heard of at all	[ 4]	11%	14%	21%	21%	[ 15]	[ 20]	[ 9]	[ 1]	17%
Refusal							[ 1]			0%
Dont Know		1%	2%		0%	[ 1]				1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	9%	6%	7%
Know a little	44%	45%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	31%	31%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	15%	17%	16%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	9%	5%	7%
Know a little	44%	45%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	31%	30%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	15%	18%	16%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q2 To what extent, if at all, are you aware of the recent or proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Assessing the work capability of benefit claimants claiming sickness benefits?**

**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Know a great deal	11%	9%	9%	6%	[ 5]	5%	7%
Know a little	52%	49%	45%	46%	[ 31]	37%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	28%	32%	31%	30%	[ 36]	33%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	9%	10%	15%	17%	[ 18]	24%	17%
Refusal						0%	0%
Dont Know	1%		0%	1%	[ 2]	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	8%	6%	7%
Know a little	47%	38%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	29%	35%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	16%	19%	17%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	9%	6%	7%	7%
Know a little	57%	48%	36%	44%
Heard of but don't know any details	24%	31%	34%	31%
Haven't heard of at all	9%	15%	21%	17%
Refusal			0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	0%	1%	1%
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<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>BELB</b>	<b>NEELB</b>	<b>SEELB</b>	<b>SELB</b>	<b>WELB</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Know a great deal</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>Know a little</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>44%</b>
<b>Heard of but don't know any details</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>31%</b>
<b>Haven't heard of at all</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>17%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>					<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Belfast HSC Trust</b>	<b>Northern HSC Trust</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Southern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Western HSC Trust</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Know a great deal</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>Know a little</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>44%</b>
<b>Heard of but don't know any details</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>31%</b>
<b>Haven't heard of at all</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>17%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>					<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q3 To what extent if at all, are you aware of the proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Making the system simpler and providing a clear incentive to work?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	[ 4]	5%	6%	3%	6%	5%
Know a little	[ 22]	41%	40%	43%	29%	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	[ 31]	29%	28%	33%	39%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	[ 32]	23%	25%	21%	25%	25%
Refusal			1%			0%
Dont Know	[ 1]	2%			1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	5%	4%	5%
Know a little	37%	36%	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	33%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	25%	26%	25%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Know a great deal	5%	4%	[ 1]	5%
Know a little	31%	40%	[ 7]	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	34%	[ 7]	33%
Haven't heard of at all	31%	21%	[ 5]	26%
Dont Know	1%	0%	[ 1]	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**Q3 To what extent if at all, are you aware of the proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Making the system simpler and providing a clear incentive to work?**

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total	
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%	
Know a great deal	6%	5%	[ 6]		1%	5%	
Know a little	33%	40%	[ 19]	[ 25]	23%	36%	
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	33%	[ 13]	[ 32]	38%	33%	
Haven't heard of at all	27%	23%	[ 19]	[ 19]	35%	25%	
Refusal	0%					0%	
Dont Know	1%	0%			2%	1%	
<b>Total</b>		342	524	57	76	132	1131

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	4%	5%	5%
Know a little	31%	38%	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	35%	32%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	29%	24%	25%
Refusal	1%		0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	249	882	1131

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	5%	5%	5%
Know a little	39%	35%	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	33%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	24%	26%	25%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	396	735	1131

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**Q3 To what extent if at all, are you aware of the proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Making the system simpler and providing a clear incentive to work?**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Know a great deal	[ 4]	5%	8%	4%	2%	[ 3]	[ 3]		[ 2]	5%
Know a little	[ 19]	44%	33%	32%	38%	[ 27]	[ 24]	[ 3]	[ 11]	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	[ 13]	33%	36%	32%	30%	[ 22]	[ 27]	[ 7]	[ 5]	33%
Haven't heard of at all	[ 9]	18%	20%	32%	29%	[ 23]	[ 25]	[ 13]	[ 2]	25%
Refusal							[ 1]			0%
Dont Know		0%	2%		1%	[ 1]				1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	6%	4%	5%
Know a little	38%	36%	37%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	34%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	24%	24%	24%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	6%	4%	5%
Know a little	38%	36%	37%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	34%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	24%	25%	24%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q3 To what extent if at all, are you aware of the proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Making the system simpler and providing a clear incentive to work?**

**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Know a great deal	7%	5%	5%	4%	[ 3]	4%	5%
Know a little	48%	38%	38%	33%	[ 22]	34%	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	28%	41%	31%	36%	[ 34]	31%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	17%	17%	26%	26%	[ 31]	30%	25%
Refusal						0%	0%
Dont Know	1%			1%	[ 2]	0%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	5%	5%	5%
Know a little	38%	34%	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	33%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	24%	26%	25%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	6%	4%	5%	5%
Know a little	43%	40%	31%	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	34%	34%	31%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	16%	22%	31%	25%
Refusal			0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q3 To what extent if at all, are you aware of the proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Making the system simpler and providing a clear incentive to work?**

**(xiii) 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
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	6%	3%	4%	6%	6%	5%
Know a little	43%	39%	39%	30%	33%	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	34%	34%	34%	29%	34%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	16%	22%	23%	35%	27%	25%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%	0%		1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Belfast HSC Trust	Northern HSC Trust	South Eastern HSC Trust	Southern HSC Trust	Western HSC Trust	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	6%	3%	3%	6%	6%	5%
Know a little	45%	38%	36%	29%	33%	36%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	33%	35%	30%	34%	33%
Haven't heard of at all	16%	24%	24%	34%	27%	25%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%	0%		1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q4 To what extent, if at all, are you aware of the recent of proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Changes to how entitlement to a disability benefit will be assessed?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	[ 5]	6%	9%	4%	7%	7%
Know a little	[ 22]	32%	34%	39%	28%	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	[ 21]	34%	35%	35%	41%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	[ 41]	27%	21%	21%	23%	25%
Refusal			1%			0%
Dont Know	[ 1]	2%		0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	8%	6%	7%
Know a little	34%	32%	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	33%	37%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	26%	24%	25%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Know a great deal	7%	6%	[ 2]	6%
Know a little	29%	33%	[ 7]	31%
Heard of but don't know any details	37%	37%	[ 4]	36%
Haven't heard of at all	27%	23%	[ 7]	25%
Dont Know	1%	0%	[ 1]	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**Q4 To what extent, if at all, are you aware of the recent of proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Changes to how entitlement to a disability benefit will be assessed?**

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total	
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%	
Know a great deal	7%	7%	[ 5]	[ 5]	3%	7%	
Know a little	31%	34%	[ 17]	[ 22]	30%	33%	
Heard of but don't know any details	29%	38%	[ 19]	[ 34]	36%	35%	
Haven't heard of at all	31%	22%	[ 15]	[ 15]	28%	25%	
Refusal	0%					0%	
Dont Know	1%	0%	[ 1]		2%	1%	
<b>Total</b>		<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	6%	7%	7%
Know a little	31%	33%	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	38%	34%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	24%	25%	25%
Refusal	1%		0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	8%	6%	7%
Know a little	32%	33%	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	36%	35%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	24%	25%	25%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q4 To what extent, if at all, are you aware of the recent of proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Changes to how entitlement to a disability benefit will be assessed?**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Know a great deal	[ 5]	7%	11%	4%	3%	[ 6]	[ 5]	[ 1]	[ 3]	7%
Know a little	[ 17]	35%	30%	33%	33%	[ 25]	[ 26]	[ 2]	[ 10]	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	[ 15]	39%	34%	34%	37%	[ 25]	[ 26]	[ 5]	[ 6]	35%
Haven't heard of at all	[ 8]	19%	23%	29%	28%	[ 19]	[ 22]	[ 15]	[ 1]	25%
Refusal							[ 1]			0%
Dont Know		0%	3%		0%	[ 1]				1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	6%	8%	7%
Know a little	35%	32%	34%
Heard of but don't know any details	35%	36%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	24%	24%	24%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	6%	8%	7%
Know a little	34%	33%	34%
Heard of but don't know any details	35%	37%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	25%	22%	24%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q4 To what extent, if at all, are you aware of the recent of proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Changes to how entitlement to a disability benefit will be assessed?**

**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Know a great deal	10%	7%	8%	4%	[ 1]	7%	7%
Know a little	38%	36%	32%	34%	[ 28]	28%	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	35%	42%	30%	35%	[ 27]	37%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	17%	15%	30%	26%	[ 34]	27%	25%
Refusal						0%	0%
Dont Know	1%			1%	[ 2]	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Know a great deal	7%	5%	7%
Know a little	36%	28%	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	32%	40%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	24%	26%	25%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	8%	7%	6%	7%
Know a little	42%	35%	27%	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	30%	36%	36%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	20%	22%	30%	25%
Refusal			0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q4 To what extent, if at all, are you aware of the recent of proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland ... Changes to how entitlement to a disability benefit will be assessed?**

**(xiii) 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
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	8%	5%	7%	7%	7%	7%
Know a little	42%	32%	33%	30%	28%	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	30%	39%	38%	30%	37%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	20%	22%	22%	33%	26%	25%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%	0%		1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Belfast HSC Trust	Northern HSC Trust	South Eastern HSC Trust	Southern HSC Trust	Western HSC Trust	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Know a great deal	8%	5%	6%	7%	7%	7%
Know a little	40%	32%	33%	30%	28%	33%
Heard of but don't know any details	31%	37%	38%	32%	37%	35%
Haven't heard of at all	19%	25%	22%	30%	26%	25%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%	0%		1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	[ 30]	43%	54%	50%	42%	47%
Make the benefit system fairer	[ 46]	51%	39%	41%	41%	43%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	[ 18]	34%	25%	20%	23%	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	[ 32]	29%	40%	34%	43%	38%
Reduce fraud and error	[ 46]	51%	46%	52%	46%	49%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	[ 8]	12%	12%	16%	13%	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	[ 16]	19%	17%	26%	19%	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	[ 54]	44%	43%	37%	35%	42%
Refusal			1%			0%
Dont Know	[ 3]	3%	3%	2%	6%	4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	50%	44%	47%
Make the benefit system fairer	43%	43%	43%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	24%	25%	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	37%	38%	38%
Reduce fraud and error	51%	47%	49%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	13%	13%	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	21%	19%	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	39%	44%	42%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Cut the cost of welfare	46%	45%	[ 11]	46%
Make the benefit system fairer	41%	47%	[ 5]	44%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	21%	26%	[ 7]	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	36%	40%	[ 5]	38%
Reduce fraud and error	51%	49%	[ 7]	49%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	15%	12%	[ 2]	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	18%	21%	[ 8]	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	41%	42%	[ 9]	42%
Dont Know	4%	3%	[ 2]	4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	43%	50%	[ 25]	[ 34]	36%	47%
Make the benefit system fairer	45%	42%	[ 22]	[ 34]	44%	43%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	27%	24%	[ 13]	[ 22]	16%	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	34%	39%	[ 20]	[ 30]	39%	38%
Reduce fraud and error	47%	52%	[ 23]	[ 32]	41%	49%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	12%	13%	[ 8]	[ 15]	17%	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	20%	19%	[ 15]	[ 14]	23%	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	51%	38%	[ 31]	[ 26]	34%	42%
Refusal	0%					0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	[ 2]	[ 6]	9%	4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	<b>Has disability</b>	<b>No disability</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Cut the cost of welfare</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system fairer</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>43%</b>
<b>Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>Ensure that working pays more than benefits</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>38%</b>
<b>Reduce fraud and error</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>49%</b>
<b>Reduce the cost of administering benefits</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system simpler to understand</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>42%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>	<b>1%</b>		<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	<b>Has dependants</b>	<b>No dependants</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Cut the cost of welfare</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system fairer</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>43%</b>
<b>Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>Ensure that working pays more than benefits</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>38%</b>
<b>Reduce fraud and error</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>49%</b>
<b>Reduce the cost of administering benefits</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system simpler to understand</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>42%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>		<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Cut the cost of welfare	[ 31]	55%	47%	41%	41%	[ 29]	[ 28]	[ 9]	[ 10]	47%
Make the benefit system fairer	[ 15]	41%	46%	43%	45%	[ 31]	[ 38]	[ 11]	[ 11]	43%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	[ 18]	29%	23%	23%	20%	[ 17]	[ 14]	[ 5]	[ 5]	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	[ 17]	41%	39%	35%	32%	[ 23]	[ 28]	[ 8]	[ 13]	38%
Reduce fraud and error	[ 17]	44%	47%	57%	51%	[ 34]	[ 36]	[ 16]	[ 5]	49%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	[ 12]	16%	11%	13%	10%	[ 8]	[ 8]	[ 4]	[ 2]	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	[ 4]	16%	17%	26%	24%	[ 23]	[ 17]	[ 3]	[ 2]	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	[ 12]	39%	44%	40%	43%	[ 32]	[ 39]	[ 12]	[ 10]	42%
Refusal								[ 1]		0%
Dont Know	[ 2]	2%	5%	3%	5%	[ 5]	[ 5]			4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	48%	45%	47%
Make the benefit system fairer	45%	41%	43%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	27%	21%	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	37%	38%	38%
Reduce fraud and error	50%	45%	48%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	13%	13%	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	20%	21%	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	43%	40%	42%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	5%	4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Economically active</b>	<b>Economically inactive</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Cut the cost of welfare</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system fairer</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>43%</b>
<b>Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>Ensure that working pays more than benefits</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>38%</b>
<b>Reduce fraud and error</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>48%</b>
<b>Reduce the cost of administering benefits</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system simpler to understand</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>42%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>		<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Degree level or higher</b>	<b>Higher Education</b>	<b>A GCE Level</b>	<b>GCSE A-C or equivalent</b>	<b>GCSE D-G or equivalent</b>	<b>No Qualifications</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Cut the cost of welfare</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>[ 37]</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system fairer</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>[ 39]</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>43%</b>
<b>Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>[ 17]</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>Ensure that working pays more than benefits</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>[ 38]</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>38%</b>
<b>Reduce fraud and error</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>[ 49]</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>49%</b>
<b>Reduce the cost of administering benefits</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>[ 11]</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system simpler to understand</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>[ 20]</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>[ 39]</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>42%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>						<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>[ 5]</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	49%	43%	47%
Make the benefit system fairer	44%	42%	43%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	24%	25%	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	37%	38%	38%
Reduce fraud and error	50%	47%	49%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	13%	14%	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	19%	21%	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	42%	41%	42%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	3%	5%	4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	53%	47%	44%	47%
Make the benefit system fairer	40%	43%	44%	43%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	30%	25%	21%	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	34%	40%	36%	38%
Reduce fraud and error	49%	49%	48%	49%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	10%	15%	12%	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	23%	17%	21%	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	40%	42%	43%	42%
Refusal			0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	53%	46%	46%	41%	53%	47%
Make the benefit system fairer	40%	39%	47%	44%	46%	43%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	30%	26%	29%	21%	16%	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	34%	40%	44%	36%	30%	38%
Reduce fraud and error	49%	51%	45%	50%	47%	49%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	10%	17%	14%	10%	13%	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	23%	22%	17%	20%	19%	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	40%	40%	42%	44%	43%	42%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	3%	4%	2%	4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>167</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast HSC Trust	Northern HSC Trust	South Eastern HSC Trust	Southern HSC Trust	Western HSC Trust	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	50%	44%	47%	43%	53%	47%
Make the benefit system fairer	40%	42%	48%	41%	46%	43%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	29%	26%	29%	20%	16%	24%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	37%	40%	43%	35%	30%	38%
Reduce fraud and error	44%	52%	49%	49%	47%	49%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	11%	16%	14%	11%	13%	13%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	22%	21%	16%	21%	19%	20%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	44%	40%	39%	44%	43%	42%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	3%	5%	2%	4%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>212</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	[ 21]	35%	44%	40%	32%	37%
Make the benefit system fairer	[ 24]	21%	14%	21%	20%	20%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	[ 4]	8%	5%	3%	5%	5%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	[ 7]	10%	9%	6%	10%	9%
Reduce fraud and error	[ 15]	7%	8%	13%	15%	11%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	[ 2]		1%	2%	1%	2%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	[ 3]	2%	3%	3%	4%	3%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	[ 11]	13%	12%	9%	7%	10%
Refusal			1%			0%
Dont Know	[ 3]	3%	3%	2%	6%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	40%	34%	37%
Make the benefit system fairer	19%	20%	20%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	5%	5%	5%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	9%	8%	9%
Reduce fraud and error	12%	10%	11%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	1%	2%	2%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	3%	3%	3%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	7%	13%	10%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Cut the cost of welfare	38%	34%	[ 11]	37%
Make the benefit system fairer	21%	18%	[ 1]	19%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	4%	6%		5%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	7%	11%		9%
Reduce fraud and error	9%	13%	[ 2]	11%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	2%	1%		1%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	3%	4%		3%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	10%	11%	[ 5]	11%
Dont Know	4%	3%	[ 2]	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	32%	40%	[ 22]	[ 30]	25%	37%
Make the benefit system fairer	21%	19%	[ 14]	[ 13]	20%	20%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	5%	5%	[ 1]	[ 4]	6%	5%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	10%	9%	[ 1]	[ 3]	10%	9%
Reduce fraud and error	12%	10%	[ 6]	[ 10]	14%	11%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	2%	1%		[ 1]	4%	2%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	4%	2%	[ 3]	[ 2]	4%	3%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	11%	10%	[ 8]	[ 7]	8%	10%
Refusal	0%					0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	[ 2]	[ 6]	9%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	<b>Has disability</b>	<b>No disability</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Cut the cost of welfare</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>37%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system fairer</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Ensure that working pays more than benefits</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>Reduce fraud and error</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Reduce the cost of administering benefits</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system simpler to understand</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>	<b>1%</b>		<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	<b>Has dependants</b>	<b>No dependants</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Cut the cost of welfare</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>37%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system fairer</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Ensure that working pays more than benefits</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>Reduce fraud and error</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Reduce the cost of administering benefits</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system simpler to understand</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>		<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Cut the cost of welfare	[ 22]	46%	38%	33%	34%	[ 21]	[ 20]	[ 6]	[ 6]	37%
Make the benefit system fairer	[ 9]	14%	18%	23%	21%	[ 20]	[ 17]	[ 7]	[ 5]	20%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	[ 3]	5%	6%	3%	8%	[ 2]	[ 4]			5%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	[ 4]	10%	8%	7%	6%	[ 4]	[ 9]	[ 2]	[ 5]	9%
Reduce fraud and error	[ 3]	9%	8%	15%	11%	[ 12]	[ 12]	[ 6]	[ 1]	11%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	[ 1]	2%	1%	0%		[ 2]	[ 2]			2%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand		2%	3%	5%	5%	[ 1]	[ 3]			3%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	[ 1]	9%	13%	11%	11%	[ 9]	[ 7]	[ 2]	[ 3]	10%
Refusal							[ 1]			0%
Dont Know	[ 2]	2%	5%	3%	5%	[ 5]	[ 5]			4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
<b>Cut the cost of welfare</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>37%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system fairer</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Ensure that working pays more than benefits</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>Reduce fraud and error</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Reduce the cost of administering benefits</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system simpler to understand</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>		<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Economically active</b>	<b>Economically inactive</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Cut the cost of welfare</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>37%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system fairer</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Ensure that working pays more than benefits</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>Reduce fraud and error</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Reduce the cost of administering benefits</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system simpler to understand</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>		<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Degree level or higher</b>	<b>Higher Education</b>	<b>A GCE Level</b>	<b>GCSE A-C or equivalent</b>	<b>GCSE D-G or equivalent</b>	<b>No Qualifications</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Cut the cost of welfare</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>[ 27 ]</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>37%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system fairer</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>[ 19 ]</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>[ 4 ]</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Ensure that working pays more than benefits</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>[ 11 ]</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>Reduce fraud and error</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>[ 15 ]</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Reduce the cost of administering benefits</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>[ 2 ]</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Make the benefit system simpler to understand</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>[ 3 ]</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>[ 6 ]</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>						<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>[ 5 ]</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	38%	35%	37%
Make the benefit system fairer	20%	19%	20%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	4%	6%	5%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	9%	9%	9%
Reduce fraud and error	12%	10%	11%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	2%	2%	2%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	3%	3%	3%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	10%	11%	10%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	3%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	40%	37%	36%	37%
Make the benefit system fairer	20%	18%	21%	20%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	3%	4%	6%	5%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	9%	9%	8%	9%
Reduce fraud and error	13%	13%	9%	11%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	0%	2%	2%	2%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	5%	2%	3%	3%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	7%	11%	10%	10%
Refusal			0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q5 What do you think are the main reasons for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to three, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	40%	35%	34%	36%	44%	37%
Make the benefit system fairer	20%	19%	19%	20%	19%	20%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	3%	8%	4%	4%	4%	5%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	9%	11%	9%	9%	5%	9%
Reduce fraud and error	13%	11%	12%	9%	12%	11%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	0%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	5%	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	7%	7%	15%	13%	8%	10%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	3%	4%	2%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast HSC Trust	Northern HSC Trust	South Eastern HSC Trust	Southern HSC Trust	Western HSC Trust	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Cut the cost of welfare	38%	34%	34%	38%	44%	37%
Make the benefit system fairer	19%	21%	20%	18%	19%	20%
Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives	3%	8%	5%	3%	4%	5%
Ensure that working pays more than benefits	9%	10%	9%	9%	5%	9%
Reduce fraud and error	13%	10%	12%	10%	12%	11%
Reduce the cost of administering benefits	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%
Make the benefit system simpler to understand	4%	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%
Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it	10%	8%	13%	12%	8%	10%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	3%	5%	2%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q6 Thinking about the benefits available to people who are out of work, which of the following come closest to your view?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	[ 33]	46%	42%	32%	34%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	[ 20]	18%	19%	25%	25%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	[ 28]	25%	24%	29%	24%	26%
None of these	[ 8]	6%	10%	12%	12%	10%
Refusal			1%			0%
Dont Know	[ 1]	5%	5%	2%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	35%	41%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	25%	19%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	27%	24%	26%
None of these	10%	10%	10%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q6 Thinking about the benefits available to people who are out of work, which of the following come closest to your view?**

**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	35%	42%	[ 6]	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	20%	23%	[ 4]	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	31%	20%	[ 10]	26%
None of these	10%	12%		11%
Dont Know	4%	3%	[ 1]	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	36%	42%	[ 19]	[ 25]	32%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	22%	21%	[ 9]	[ 18]	29%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	29%	23%	[ 21]	[ 24]	25%	26%
None of these	9%	11%	[ 6]	[ 8]	8%	10%
Refusal	0%					0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	[ 2]	[ 1]	6%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q6 Thinking about the benefits available to people who are out of work, which of the following come closest to your view?**

**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	22%	42%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	26%	21%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	35%	24%	26%
None of these	12%	10%	10%
Refusal	1%		0%
Dont Know	4%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	40%	37%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	22%	22%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	23%	27%	26%
None of these	11%	10%	10%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	4%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q6 Thinking about the benefits available to people who are out of work, which of the following come closest to your view?**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	[ 16]	39%	44%	34%	40%	[ 19]	[ 29]	[ 11]	[ 7]	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	[ 14]	24%	20%	22%	12%	[ 26]	[ 17]	[ 6]	[ 8]	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	[ 4]	24%	19%	31%	34%	[ 23]	[ 24]	[ 4]	[ 4]	26%
None of these	[ 8]	9%	13%	11%	9%	[ 5]	[ 9]	[ 2]		10%
Refusal							[ 1]			0%
Dont Know	[ 3]	4%	5%	2%	4%	[ 3]			[ 1]	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	44%	31%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	21%	23%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	22%	31%	26%
None of these	9%	12%	10%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	4%	3%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q6 Thinking about the benefits available to people who are out of work, which of the following come closest to your view?**

**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	<b>Economically active</b>	<b>Economically inactive</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>38%</b>
<b>Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>22%</b>
<b>Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>26%</b>
<b>None of these</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>		<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	<b>Degree level or higher</b>	<b>Higher Education</b>	<b>A GCE Level</b>	<b>GCSE A-C or equivalent</b>	<b>GCSE D-G or equivalent</b>	<b>No Qualifications</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>[ 37]</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>38%</b>
<b>Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>[ 24]</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>22%</b>
<b>Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>[ 13]</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>26%</b>
<b>None of these</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>[ 13]</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>						<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>[ 5]</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q6 Thinking about the benefits available to people who are out of work, which of the following come closest to your view?**

**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	36%	42%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	23%	21%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	27%	24%	26%
None of these	10%	10%	10%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	4%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	35%	42%	36%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	23%	23%	21%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	33%	22%	28%	26%
None of these	7%	11%	11%	10%
Refusal			0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	3%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q6 Thinking about the benefits available to people who are out of work, which of the following come closest to your view?**

**(xiii) 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
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	35%	41%	41%	36%	38%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	23%	26%	21%	22%	16%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	33%	20%	24%	27%	29%	26%
None of these	7%	10%	11%	9%	15%	10%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	3%	5%	1%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Belfast HSC Trust	Northern HSC Trust	South Eastern HSC Trust	Southern HSC Trust	Western HSC Trust	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs	35%	40%	43%	37%	38%	38%
Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level	21%	25%	23%	22%	16%	22%
Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship	33%	22%	22%	26%	29%	26%
None of these	10%	9%	8%	10%	15%	10%
Refusal					1%	0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	4%	5%	1%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q7 How effective do you think the current benefit system is at encouraging people to work?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Very effective	[ 3]	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%
Fairly effective	[ 30]	31%	22%	20%	21%	24%
Not very effective	[ 40]	51%	51%	50%	54%	51%
Not effective at all	[ 13]	13%	20%	24%	19%	19%
Refusal			1%			0%
Dont Know	[ 4]	3%	4%	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Very effective	1%	3%	2%
Fairly effective	26%	23%	24%
Not very effective	53%	49%	51%
Not effective at all	17%	21%	19%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Very effective	2%	2%	[ 1]	2%
Fairly effective	27%	23%	[ 6]	25%
Not very effective	50%	52%	[ 11]	51%
Not effective at all	17%	21%	[ 1]	19%
Dont Know	5%	2%	[ 2]	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**Q7 How effective do you think the current benefit system is at encouraging people to work?**

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Very effective	2%	2%	[ 2]	[ 1]	1%	2%
Fairly effective	30%	21%	[ 16]	[ 12]	22%	24%
Not very effective	48%	52%	[ 30]	[ 38]	50%	51%
Not effective at all	16%	21%	[ 6]	[ 20]	19%	19%
Refusal	0%					0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	[ 3]	[ 5]	8%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Very effective	2%	2%	2%
Fairly effective	33%	22%	24%
Not very effective	45%	52%	51%
Not effective at all	14%	21%	19%
Refusal	1%		0%
Dont Know	6%	3%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Very effective	2%	2%	2%
Fairly effective	23%	24%	24%
Not very effective	55%	49%	51%
Not effective at all	18%	20%	19%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## Q7 How effective do you think the current benefit system is at encouraging people to work?

### (vii) 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	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Very effective		1%	2%	0%	6%	[ 5]	[ 1]	[ 1]	[ 1]	2%
Fairly effective	[ 7]	16%	24%	29%	24%	[ 23]	[ 28]	[ 5]	[ 5]	24%
Not very effective	[ 29]	58%	49%	48%	46%	[ 37]	[ 34]	[ 12]	[ 7]	51%
Not effective at all	[ 7]	20%	20%	20%	20%	[ 9]	[ 14]	[ 4]	[ 6]	19%
Refusal							[ 1]			0%
Dont Know	[ 2]	4%	4%	3%	4%	[ 2]	[ 2]	[ 1]	[ 1]	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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### (viii) Analysis by Employment Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Very effective	2%	2%	2%
Fairly effective	22%	27%	24%
Not very effective	53%	49%	51%
Not effective at all	21%	18%	19%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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### (ix) Analysis by Economic Activity

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Very effective	2%	2%	2%
Fairly effective	23%	26%	24%
Not very effective	51%	50%	51%
Not effective at all	21%	16%	19%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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## Q7 How effective do you think the current benefit system is at encouraging people to work?

### (x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Very effective	1%	1%	1%	3%	[ 3]	3%	2%
Fairly effective	20%	20%	26%	26%	[ 25]	24%	24%
Not very effective	54%	58%	56%	47%	[ 42]	46%	51%
Not effective at all	22%	19%	16%	19%	[ 17]	21%	19%
Refusal						0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	2%		4%	[ 5]	6%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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### (xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Very effective	2%	2%	2%
Fairly effective	23%	25%	24%
Not very effective	53%	47%	51%
Not effective at all	18%	22%	19%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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### (xii) Analysis by Area

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Very effective	2%	2%	2%	2%
Fairly effective	28%	19%	28%	24%
Not very effective	48%	58%	44%	51%
Not effective at all	19%	18%	21%	19%
Refusal			0%	0%
Dont Know	4%	2%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q7 How effective do you think the current benefit system is at encouraging people to work?**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>BELB</b>	<b>NEELB</b>	<b>SEELB</b>	<b>SELB</b>	<b>WELB</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Very effective</b>	2%		4%	1%	4%	2%
<b>Fairly effective</b>	28%	28%	14%	27%	27%	24%
<b>Not very effective</b>	48%	49%	62%	50%	41%	51%
<b>Not effective at all</b>	19%	20%	18%	18%	23%	19%
<b>Refusal</b>					1%	0%
<b>Dont Know</b>	4%	3%	3%	4%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	167	260	274	255	175	1131

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Belfast HSC Trust</b>	<b>Northern HSC Trust</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Southern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Western HSC Trust</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Very effective</b>	2%	0%	4%	1%	4%	2%
<b>Fairly effective</b>	26%	30%	13%	23%	27%	24%
<b>Not very effective</b>	51%	48%	61%	52%	41%	51%
<b>Not effective at all</b>	18%	19%	18%	20%	23%	19%
<b>Refusal</b>					1%	0%
<b>Dont Know</b>	3%	3%	3%	4%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	212	288	229	227	175	1131

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**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	[ 30]	73%	68%	69%	64%	67%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	[ 37]	72%	61%	59%	61%	63%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	[ 12]	19%	25%	27%	22%	24%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	[ 21]	73%	71%	66%	60%	64%
There are no jobs available	[ 28]	31%	32%	43%	42%	39%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	[ 16]	15%	20%	16%	19%	19%
Dont Know			0%	1%	1%	1%
Total <sup>a</sup>	53	109	213	195	220	790

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	67%	67%	67%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	66%	60%	63%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	23%	24%	24%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	62%	66%	64%
There are no jobs available	39%	39%	39%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	16%	22%	19%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
Total <sup>a</sup>	347	443	790

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses



**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	62%	72%	[ 7]	68%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	57%	67%	[ 7]	63%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	27%	21%	[ 4]	24%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	59%	67%	[ 7]	63%
There are no jobs available	41%	38%	[ 6]	40%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	23%	14%	[ 3]	18%
Dont Know	0%	0%		0%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>307</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>707</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	Count	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	64%	70%	[ 27]	[ 37]	[ 56]	67%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	64%	65%	[ 17]	[ 30]	[ 50]	63%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	24%	23%	[ 10]	[ 15]	[ 21]	24%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	54%	70%	[ 22]	[ 37]	[ 51]	64%
There are no jobs available	42%	37%	[ 16]	[ 30]	[ 33]	39%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	25%	16%	[ 7]	[ 16]	[ 17]	19%
Dont Know	0%	0%	[ 1]		[ 3]	1%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>218</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>790</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	<b>Has disability</b>	<b>No disability</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>67%</b>
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>63%</b>
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>64%</b>
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>39%</b>
<b>People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>151</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>790</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	<b>Has dependants</b>	<b>No dependants</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>67%</b>
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>63%</b>
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>64%</b>
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>39%</b>
<b>People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>277</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>790</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	[ 17]	70%	72%	68%	70%	[ 23]	[ 23]	[ 13]	[ 11]	67%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	[ 25]	66%	66%	62%	55%	[ 21]	[ 30]	[ 11]	[ 9]	63%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	[ 11]	21%	19%	30%	25%	[ 15]	[ 12]	[ 3]	[ 2]	24%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	[ 26]	76%	62%	59%	62%	[ 23]	[ 24]	[ 7]	[ 9]	64%
There are no jobs available	[ 12]	35%	37%	38%	44%	[ 28]	[ 22]	[ 6]	[ 1]	39%
People don't have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	[ 11]	17%	21%	19%	16%	[ 8]	[ 12]	[ 4]	[ 1]	19%
Dont Know		1%	1%				[ 1]			1%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>36</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>790</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	71%	61%	67%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	68%	56%	63%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	21%	28%	24%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	70%	57%	65%
There are no jobs available	34%	45%	39%
People don't have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	18%	21%	19%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>406</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>774</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	<b>Economically active</b>	<b>Economically inactive</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>67%</b>
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>63%</b>
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>65%</b>
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>39%</b>
<b>People don't have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>444</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>774</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	<b>Degree level or higher</b>	<b>Higher Education</b>	<b>A GCE Level</b>	<b>GCSE A-C or equivalent</b>	<b>GCSE D-G or equivalent</b>	<b>No Qualifications</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>[ 38]</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>67%</b>
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>[ 40]</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>63%</b>
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>[ 15]</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>[ 30]</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>64%</b>
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>[ 23]</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>39%</b>
<b>People don't have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>[ 14]</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>0%</b>		<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>[ 1]</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>147</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>790</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	65%	71%	67%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	61%	66%	63%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	24%	23%	24%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	61%	68%	64%
There are no jobs available	40%	36%	39%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	21%	17%	19%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
Total <sup>a</sup>	517	273	790

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	57%	69%	69%	67%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	59%	68%	58%	63%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	29%	22%	24%	24%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	63%	68%	59%	64%
There are no jobs available	47%	35%	40%	39%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	16%	20%	20%	19%
Dont Know		1%	1%	1%
Total <sup>a</sup>	111	395	284	790

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (All mentions)**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	<b>BELB</b>	<b>NEELB</b>	<b>SEELB</b>	<b>SELB</b>	<b>WELB</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	57%	67%	78%	62%	67%	67%
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	59%	70%	69%	58%	52%	63%
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	29%	19%	20%	29%	24%	24%
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	63%	70%	69%	55%	59%	64%
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	47%	31%	34%	46%	40%	39%
<b>People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	16%	20%	21%	16%	22%	19%
<b>Dont Know</b>		1%		1%		1%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>111</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>790</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' to Q7</i>	<b>Belfast HSC Trust</b>	<b>Northern HSC Trust</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Southern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Western HSC Trust</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	58%	65%	81%	63%	67%	67%
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	61%	70%	69%	56%	52%	63%
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	28%	19%	19%	30%	24%	24%
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	65%	68%	70%	56%	59%	64%
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	44%	33%	34%	45%	40%	39%
<b>People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	21%	20%	19%	16%	22%	19%
<b>Dont Know</b>		1%		1%		1%
<b>Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>147</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>790</b>

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a. Percentages may add to more than 100% due to multiple responses

**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	[ 22]	49%	46%	47%	49%	47%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	[ 13]	24%	19%	21%	21%	21%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	[ 4]	2%	6%	8%	4%	5%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	[ 2]	18%	16%	12%	6%	12%
There are no jobs available	[ 11]	7%	11%	10%	19%	13%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	[ 1]	1%	2%	2%		1%
Dont Know			0%	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>790</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	46%	48%	47%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	24%	19%	21%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	6%	4%	5%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	9%	14%	12%
There are no jobs available	14%	13%	13%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	0%	2%	1%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>790</b>

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**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	44%	51%	[ 4]	47%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	20%	22%	[ 2]	21%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	6%	5%	[ 1]	6%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	11%	12%		12%
There are no jobs available	18%	9%	[ 4]	14%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	1%	1%	[ 1]	1%
Dont Know	0%	0%		0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>707</b>

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**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	Count	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	44%	48%	[ 22]	[ 24]	[ 46]	47%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	23%	21%	[ 2]	[ 9]	[ 19]	21%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	6%	4%	[ 4]	[ 3]	[ 4]	5%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	10%	13%	[ 3]	[ 10]	[ 6]	12%
There are no jobs available	15%	12%	[ 4]	[ 11]	[ 11]	13%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	1%	1%		[ 1]	[ 1]	1%
Dont Know	0%	0%	[ 1]		[ 3]	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>790</b>

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**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	<b>Has disability</b>	<b>No disability</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>790</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	<b>Has dependants</b>	<b>No dependants</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>790</b>

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**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	[ 12]	50%	47%	46%	55%	[ 16]	[ 16]	[ 9]	[ 10]	47%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	[ 8]	19%	19%	25%	14%	[ 10]	[ 17]	[ 4]	[ 1]	21%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	[ 3]	4%	2%	7%	6%	[ 5]	[ 3]	[ 1]	[ 1]	5%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	[ 5]	16%	15%	7%	9%	[ 4]	[ 3]	[ 1]	[ 1]	12%
There are no jobs available	[ 5]	9%	15%	14%	15%	[ 10]	[ 8]	[ 1]		13%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	[ 3]	1%	0%	2%	0%	[ 1]				1%
Dont Know		1%	1%				[ 1]			1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>790</b>

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**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	48%	44%	47%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	22%	19%	21%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	4%	8%	5%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	14%	9%	12%
There are no jobs available	10%	18%	14%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	1%	1%	1%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>774</b>

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**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	47%	45%	47%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	22%	19%	21%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	5%	6%	5%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	14%	8%	12%
There are no jobs available	10%	19%	14%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	1%	1%	1%
Dont Know	0%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>774</b>

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**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	43%	50%	46%	53%	[ 26]	45%	47%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	18%	25%	18%	22%	[ 14]	21%	21%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	5%	2%	6%	2%	[ 4]	8%	5%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	19%	13%	13%	9%	[ 5]	7%	12%
There are no jobs available	10%	10%	15%	12%	[ 9]	17%	13%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	3%		1%	0%		1%	1%
Dont Know	0%		1%	0%	[ 1]	0%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>790</b>

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**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Benefits can provide more money than working	46%	48%	47%
The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work	22%	20%	21%
The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits	5%	6%	5%
There is a culture of not working in some places/households	11%	13%	12%
There are no jobs available	14%	12%	13%
People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available	2%	0%	1%
Dont Know	1%	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>790</b>

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**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	<b>Belfast</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>West</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>		<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>790</b>

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**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	<b>BELB</b>	<b>NEELB</b>	<b>SEELB</b>	<b>SELB</b>	<b>WELB</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>		<b>1%</b>		<b>1%</b>		<b>1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>790</b>

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**Q8 Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to three reasons, in order of importance (First mention)**

**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons answering 'not very effective' or 'not at all effective' to Q7</i>	<b>Belfast HSC Trust</b>	<b>Northern HSC Trust</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Southern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Western HSC Trust</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefits can provide more money than working</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>There is a culture of not working in some places/households</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>There are no jobs available</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>People don t have the skills to fill the jobs that are available</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>		<b>1%</b>		<b>1%</b>		<b>1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>790</b>

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**Q9 What proportion, if any, of benefit claims do you think are false claims that people are not really entitled to?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Most or all cases	[ 3]	4%	3%	2%	2%	3%
A majority of cases	[ 17]	20%	11%	16%	18%	16%
About half of cases	[ 37]	50%	39%	33%	30%	38%
A minority of cases	[ 26]	22%	39%	40%	37%	35%
Few or no cases	[ 4]	1%	3%	3%	5%	3%
Refusal			1%	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	[ 3]	3%	4%	6%	8%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Most or all cases	2%	3%	3%
A majority of cases	14%	17%	16%
About half of cases	36%	39%	38%
A minority of cases	40%	31%	35%
Few or no cases	3%	3%	3%
Refusal	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	5%	6%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Most or all cases	2%	3%		3%
A majority of cases	16%	18%	[ 2]	17%
About half of cases	38%	39%	[ 5]	38%
A minority of cases	35%	33%	[ 9]	35%
Few or no cases	4%	2%	[ 1]	3%
Refusal		1%		0%
Dont Know	5%	4%	[ 4]	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**Q9 What proportion, if any, of benefit claims do you think are false claims that people are not really entitled to?**

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Most or all cases	4%	2%	[ 1]	[ 2]	2%	3%
A majority of cases	18%	15%	[ 10]	[ 14]	17%	16%
About half of cases	40%	37%	[ 22]	[ 28]	32%	38%
A minority of cases	31%	38%	[ 19]	[ 24]	33%	35%
Few or no cases	3%	3%	[ 2]		4%	3%
Refusal	0%	1%				0%
Dont Know	4%	4%	[ 3]	[ 8]	12%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Most or all cases	3%	2%	3%
A majority of cases	15%	16%	16%
About half of cases	30%	39%	38%
A minority of cases	38%	35%	35%
Few or no cases	6%	2%	3%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	6%	5%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Most or all cases	2%	3%	3%
A majority of cases	12%	18%	16%
About half of cases	43%	35%	38%
A minority of cases	37%	34%	35%
Few or no cases	3%	3%	3%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	6%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q9 What proportion, if any, of benefit claims do you think are false claims that people are not really entitled to?**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Most or all cases		2%	2%	2%	4%	[ 5]	[ 3]			3%
A majority of cases	[ 3]	7%	13%	22%	24%	[ 19]	[ 17]	[ 5]	[ 2]	16%
About half of cases	[ 9]	39%	41%	40%	34%	[ 21]	[ 28]	[ 10]	[ 9]	38%
A minority of cases	[ 29]	41%	33%	31%	32%	[ 22]	[ 23]	[ 6]	[ 8]	35%
Few or no cases		3%	3%	2%	2%	[ 5]	[ 5]	[ 1]		3%
Refusal		0%	1%	1%			[ 1]			0%
Dont Know	[ 4]	7%	7%	3%	4%	[ 4]	[ 3]	[ 1]	[ 1]	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Most or all cases	3%	2%	3%
A majority of cases	16%	15%	16%
About half of cases	42%	32%	37%
A minority of cases	33%	39%	36%
Few or no cases	2%	4%	3%
Refusal	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	4%	6%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Most or all cases	3%	2%	3%
A majority of cases	16%	15%	16%
About half of cases	42%	31%	37%
A minority of cases	33%	40%	36%
Few or no cases	2%	5%	3%
Refusal	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	4%	7%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q9 What proportion, if any, of benefit claims do you think are false claims that people are not really entitled to?**

**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Most or all cases	0%	4%	2%	4%	[ 1]	3%	3%
A majority of cases	10%	16%	10%	19%	[ 18]	20%	16%
About half of cases	29%	39%	46%	41%	[ 35]	36%	38%
A minority of cases	49%	38%	36%	31%	[ 29]	29%	35%
Few or no cases	3%	1%	2%	1%	[ 2]	5%	3%
Refusal		1%	1%			1%	0%
Dont Know	7%	1%	3%	5%	[ 7]	6%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Most or all cases	3%	2%	3%
A majority of cases	17%	15%	16%
About half of cases	34%	44%	38%
A minority of cases	39%	30%	35%
Few or no cases	2%	4%	3%
Refusal	1%		0%
Dont Know	5%	5%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Most or all cases	2%	3%	2%	3%
A majority of cases	12%	17%	16%	16%
About half of cases	40%	38%	37%	38%
A minority of cases	38%	36%	33%	35%
Few or no cases	1%	2%	5%	3%
Refusal	1%	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	5%	4%	6%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q9 What proportion, if any, of benefit claims do you think are false claims that people are not really entitled to?**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Most or all cases	2%	3%	5%	1%	2%	3%
A majority of cases	12%	17%	17%	13%	22%	16%
About half of cases	40%	38%	35%	40%	36%	38%
A minority of cases	38%	34%	37%	36%	29%	35%
Few or no cases	1%	2%	1%	6%	4%	3%
Refusal	1%		0%	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	5%	6%	5%	4%	6%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast HSC Trust	Northern HSC Trust	South Eastern HSC Trust	Southern HSC Trust	Western HSC Trust	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Most or all cases	4%	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%
A majority of cases	14%	15%	16%	14%	22%	16%
About half of cases	40%	39%	34%	39%	36%	38%
A minority of cases	36%	35%	39%	36%	29%	35%
Few or no cases	1%	3%	1%	5%	4%	3%
Refusal	1%		0%	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	4%	5%	6%	4%	6%	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q10 Do you think the financial support available through disability benefits is being paid to the right people?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Yes, it s about right	[ 14]	8%	8%	12%	15%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	[ 35]	40%	43%	38%	40%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	[ 37]	48%	45%	44%	41%	44%
Refusal			1%	1%		0%
Dont Know	[ 4]	4%	3%	5%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s about right	11%	12%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	38%	42%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	46%	43%	44%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	4%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Yes, it s about right	10%	12%	[ 4]	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	43%	37%	[ 7]	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	43%	47%	[ 7]	45%
Refusal	0%			0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	[ 3]	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**Q10 Do you think the financial support available through disability benefits is being paid to the right people?**

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Yes, it s about right	10%	11%	[ 5]	[ 8]	16%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	39%	40%	[ 28]	[ 25]	45%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	46%	45%	[ 20]	[ 41]	33%	44%
Refusal	0%	0%				0%
Dont Know	4%	4%	[ 4]	[ 2]	6%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s about right	16%	10%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	46%	39%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	35%	46%	44%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s about right	11%	12%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	44%	37%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	42%	46%	44%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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# Q10 Do you think the financial support available through disability benefits is being paid to the right people?

## (vii) 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	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Yes, it s about right	[ 6]	10%	13%	10%	9%	[ 14]	[ 14]	[ 3]	[ 2]	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	[ 16]	38%	40%	40%	39%	[ 35]	[ 39]	[ 7]	[ 8]	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	[ 20]	47%	40%	47%	48%	[ 26]	[ 25]	[ 12]	[ 10]	44%
Refusal		1%					[ 1]			0%
Dont Know	[ 3]	4%	6%	3%	4%	[ 1]	[ 1]	[ 1]		4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## (viii) Analysis by Employment Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s about right	10%	13%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	38%	43%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	48%	39%	44%
Refusal	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	4%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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## (ix) Analysis by Economic Activity

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s about right	10%	14%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	39%	43%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	47%	39%	44%
Refusal	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	4%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q10 Do you think the financial support available through disability benefits is being paid to the right people?**

**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Yes, it s about right	15%	9%	5%	11%	[ 17]	11%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	42%	42%	43%	36%	[ 36]	40%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	39%	45%	48%	46%	[ 34]	45%	44%
Refusal	1%					0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	3%	6%	[ 5]	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Yes, it s about right	11%	12%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	43%	35%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	42%	48%	44%
Refusal	1%		0%
Dont Know	4%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Yes, it s about right	11%	10%	13%	11%
No, some people who need support don t get it	42%	37%	42%	40%
No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?	42%	49%	40%	44%
Refusal		1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	5%	3%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q10 Do you think the financial support available through disability benefits is being paid to the right people?**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	<b>BELB</b>	<b>NEELB</b>	<b>SEELB</b>	<b>SELB</b>	<b>WELB</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Yes, it s about right</b>	<i>11%</i>	<i>10%</i>	<i>9%</i>	<i>13%</i>	<i>14%</i>	<i>11%</i>
<b>No, some people who need support don t get it</b>	<i>42%</i>	<i>39%</i>	<i>34%</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>42%</i>	<i>40%</i>
<b>No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?</b>	<i>42%</i>	<i>47%</i>	<i>52%</i>	<i>40%</i>	<i>38%</i>	<i>44%</i>
<b>Refusal</b>			<i>1%</i>		<i>1%</i>	<i>0%</i>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<i>5%</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>3%</i>	<i>3%</i>	<i>6%</i>	<i>4%</i>
<b>Total</b>	<i>167</i>	<i>260</i>	<i>274</i>	<i>255</i>	<i>175</i>	<i>1131</i>

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	<b>Belfast HSC Trust</b>	<b>Northern HSC Trust</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Southern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Western HSC Trust</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Yes, it s about right</b>	<i>12%</i>	<i>11%</i>	<i>9%</i>	<i>13%</i>	<i>14%</i>	<i>11%</i>
<b>No, some people who need support don t get it</b>	<i>39%</i>	<i>41%</i>	<i>35%</i>	<i>42%</i>	<i>42%</i>	<i>40%</i>
<b>No, too many people who don t need support are receiving it?</b>	<i>44%</i>	<i>45%</i>	<i>52%</i>	<i>42%</i>	<i>38%</i>	<i>44%</i>
<b>Refusal</b>	<i>1%</i>		<i>1%</i>		<i>1%</i>	<i>0%</i>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<i>4%</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>3%</i>	<i>6%</i>	<i>4%</i>
<b>Total</b>	<i>212</i>	<i>288</i>	<i>229</i>	<i>227</i>	<i>175</i>	<i>1131</i>

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**Q11 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, people aged between 16 and 65 claiming Disability Living Allowance will have to go through an assessment to confirm eligibility for a new disability benefit. This will be carried out by a doctor, nurse or other health care professional. Which of the following statements comes closest to how you feel about this requirement?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Strongly support	[ 35]	41%	41%	38%	38%	39%
Tend to support	[ 29]	33%	32%	35%	37%	34%
Neither support nor oppose	[ 16]	17%	14%	15%	16%	16%
Tend to oppose	[ 6]	5%	6%	6%	5%	6%
Strongly oppose	[ 3]	1%	5%	5%	2%	4%
Refusal			1%			0%
Dont Know	[ 1]	4%	1%	2%	0%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Strongly support	42%	37%	39%
Tend to support	33%	36%	34%
Neither support nor oppose	16%	15%	16%
Tend to oppose	5%	6%	6%
Strongly oppose	4%	3%	4%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	2%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Strongly support	34%	45%	[ 6]	39%
Tend to support	38%	32%	[ 5]	35%
Neither support nor oppose	16%	13%	[ 7]	15%
Tend to oppose	6%	5%		6%
Strongly oppose	4%	3%	[ 1]	4%
Dont Know	2%	1%	[ 2]	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**Q11 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, people aged between 16 and 65 claiming Disability Living Allowance will have to go through an assessment to confirm eligibility for a new disability benefit. This will be carried out by a doctor, nurse or other health care professional. Which of the following statements comes closest to how you feel about this requirement?**

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
<b>Strongly support</b>	36%	43%	[ 18]	[ 30]	31%	39%
<b>Tend to support</b>	32%	35%	[ 23]	[ 25]	35%	34%
<b>Neither support nor oppose</b>	20%	13%	[ 6]	[ 11]	23%	16%
<b>Tend to oppose</b>	7%	5%	[ 3]	[ 3]	6%	6%
<b>Strongly oppose</b>	3%	3%	[ 3]	[ 5]	3%	4%
<b>Refusal</b>	0%					0%
<b>Dont Know</b>	2%	1%	[ 4]	[ 2]	1%	2%
<b>Total</b>	342	524	57	76	132	1131

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
<b>Strongly support</b>	31%	41%	39%
<b>Tend to support</b>	33%	35%	34%
<b>Neither support nor oppose</b>	18%	15%	16%
<b>Tend to oppose</b>	6%	6%	6%
<b>Strongly oppose</b>	10%	2%	4%
<b>Refusal</b>	1%		0%
<b>Dont Know</b>	2%	1%	2%
<b>Total</b>	249	882	1131

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
<b>Strongly support</b>	41%	38%	39%
<b>Tend to support</b>	35%	34%	34%
<b>Neither support nor oppose</b>	12%	18%	16%
<b>Tend to oppose</b>	7%	5%	6%
<b>Strongly oppose</b>	4%	3%	4%
<b>Refusal</b>		0%	0%
<b>Dont Know</b>	2%	1%	2%
<b>Total</b>	396	735	1131

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**Q11 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, people aged between 16 and 65 claiming Disability Living Allowance will have to go through an assessment to confirm eligibility for a new disability benefit. This will be carried out by a doctor, nurse or other health care professional. Which of the following statements comes closest to how you feel about this requirement?**

**(vii) Analysis by Socio-Economic Group**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Professional	Managerial and Technical	Skilled Non-Manual	Skilled Manual	Partly Skilled	Unskilled Manual	Never worked	Full time students	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Strongly support	[ 12]	44%	40%	43%	37%	[ 19]	[ 24]	[ 10]	[ 9]	39%
Tend to support	[ 23]	34%	38%	29%	33%	[ 25]	[ 23]	[ 11]	[ 7]	34%
Neither support nor oppose	[ 6]	13%	11%	17%	16%	[ 22]	[ 18]	[ 1]	[ 3]	16%
Tend to oppose	[ 2]	4%	4%	6%	10%	[ 6]	[ 7]	[ 1]	[ 1]	6%
Strongly oppose	[ 2]	3%	3%	5%	3%	[ 3]	[ 6]			4%
Refusal							[ 1]			0%
Dont Know		1%	4%	0%	2%	[ 1]	[ 1]			2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(viii) Analysis by Employment Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Strongly support	43%	35%	39%
Tend to support	34%	33%	34%
Neither support nor oppose	14%	19%	16%
Tend to oppose	5%	7%	6%
Strongly oppose	2%	5%	4%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	1%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Strongly support	43%	34%	39%
Tend to support	33%	35%	34%
Neither support nor oppose	15%	18%	16%
Tend to oppose	5%	7%	6%
Strongly oppose	3%	5%	4%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	1%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q11 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, people aged between 16 and 65 claiming Disability Living Allowance will have to go through an assessment to confirm eligibility for a new disability benefit. This will be carried out by a doctor, nurse or other health care professional. Which of the following statements comes closest to how you feel about this requirement?**

**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Strongly support	40%	41%	41%	43%	[ 36]	34%	39%
Tend to support	38%	31%	35%	36%	[ 31]	34%	34%
Neither support nor oppose	15%	13%	12%	14%	[ 14]	20%	16%
Tend to oppose	4%	11%	5%	4%	[ 5]	5%	6%
Strongly oppose	2%	4%	5%	2%	[ 1]	5%	4%
Refusal						0%	0%
Dont Know	1%		2%	2%	[ 5]	1%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Strongly support	36%	45%	39%
Tend to support	36%	31%	34%
Neither support nor oppose	16%	15%	16%
Tend to oppose	6%	4%	6%
Strongly oppose	4%	3%	4%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	1%	2%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Strongly support	34%	44%	36%	39%
Tend to support	34%	33%	35%	34%
Neither support nor oppose	17%	14%	17%	16%
Tend to oppose	7%	6%	5%	6%
Strongly oppose	7%	2%	4%	4%
Refusal			0%	0%
Dont Know	0%	1%	3%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q11 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, people aged between 16 and 65 claiming Disability Living Allowance will have to go through an assessment to confirm eligibility for a new disability benefit. This will be carried out by a doctor, nurse or other health care professional. Which of the following statements comes closest to how you feel about this requirement?**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>BELB</b>	<b>NEELB</b>	<b>SEELB</b>	<b>SELB</b>	<b>WELB</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Strongly support</b>	34%	41%	45%	38%	35%	39%
<b>Tend to support</b>	34%	34%	32%	36%	35%	34%
<b>Neither support nor oppose</b>	17%	15%	17%	13%	18%	16%
<b>Tend to oppose</b>	7%	7%	4%	6%	5%	6%
<b>Strongly oppose</b>	7%	2%	2%	4%	4%	4%
<b>Refusal</b>					1%	0%
<b>Dont Know</b>	0%	2%	0%	3%	1%	2%
<b>Total</b>	167	260	274	255	175	1131

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Belfast HSC Trust</b>	<b>Northern HSC Trust</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Southern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Western HSC Trust</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Strongly support</b>	37%	39%	45%	39%	35%	39%
<b>Tend to support</b>	33%	35%	33%	35%	35%	34%
<b>Neither support nor oppose</b>	18%	14%	16%	13%	18%	16%
<b>Tend to oppose</b>	6%	7%	4%	6%	5%	6%
<b>Strongly oppose</b>	6%	3%	2%	3%	4%	4%
<b>Refusal</b>					1%	0%
<b>Dont Know</b>	0%	2%	0%	4%	1%	2%
<b>Total</b>	212	288	229	227	175	1131

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**Q12 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, the total amount of money payable in benefits to any one household is to be no more than average household earnings after tax, currently £500 per week. Which of these views comes closest to yours about levels of benefit payments?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	[ 61]	45%	31%	34%	31%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	[ 27]	52%	65%	64%	66%	60%
Refusal			1%	0%		0%
Dont Know	[ 2]	3%	4%	1%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	37%	38%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	61%	58%	60%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	42%	33%	[ 5]	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	55%	65%	[ 15]	61%
Refusal		0%		0%
Dont Know	3%	2%	[ 1]	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**Q12 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, the total amount of money payable in benefits to any one household is to be no more than average household earnings after tax, currently £500 per week. Which of these views comes closest to yours about levels of benefit payments?**

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	50%	32%	[ 20]	[ 24]	34%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	46%	66%	[ 35]	[ 51]	59%	60%
Refusal	0%	0%				0%
Dont Know	3%	2%	[ 2]	[ 1]	7%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	41%	37%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	55%	61%	60%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	36%	39%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	62%	58%	60%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q12 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, the total amount of money payable in benefits to any one household is to be no more than average household earnings after tax, currently £500 per week. Which of these views comes closest to yours about levels of benefit payments?**

(vii) 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	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	[ 16]	33%	33%	35%	39%	[ 33]	[ 42]	[ 15]	[ 9]	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	[ 26]	64%	63%	65%	56%	[ 41]	[ 36]	[ 8]	[ 11]	60%
Refusal			1%				[ 1]			0%
Dont Know	[ 3]	3%	3%	0%	6%	[ 2]	[ 1]			3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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(viii) Analysis by Employment Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	32%	42%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	65%	55%	60%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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(ix) Analysis by Economic Activity

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	34%	41%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	63%	56%	60%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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**Q12 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, the total amount of money payable in benefits to any one household is to be no more than average household earnings after tax, currently £500 per week. Which of these views comes closest to yours about levels of benefit payments?**

**(x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	41%	30%	38%	41%	[ 30]	36%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	57%	67%	59%	57%	[ 56]	60%	60%
Refusal			1%			0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	2%	2%	2%	[ 6]	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	39%	34%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	58%	63%	60%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	2%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	50%	33%	38%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	48%	65%	58%	60%
Refusal			1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	2%	4%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q12 Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, the total amount of money payable in benefits to any one household is to be no more than average household earnings after tax, currently £500 per week. Which of these views comes closest to yours about levels of benefit payments?**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	50%	32%	35%	36%	41%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	48%	65%	63%	60%	55%	60%
Refusal				0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast HSC Trust	Northern HSC Trust	South Eastern HSC Trust	Southern HSC Trust	Western HSC Trust	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is	45%	33%	36%	35%	41%	37%
There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances	54%	64%	61%	61%	55%	60%
Refusal				0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q13 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	[ 35]	34%	35%	32%	31%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	[ 53]	63%	62%	63%	63%	61%
Refusal			1%	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	[ 2]	3%	3%	5%	6%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	37%	32%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	60%	62%	61%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	33%	35%	[ 7]	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	62%	62%	[ 12]	62%
Refusal		0%		0%
Dont Know	5%	3%	[ 2]	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**Q13 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?**

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	34%	35%	[ 18]	[ 21]	32%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	62%	61%	[ 36]	[ 51]	60%	61%
Refusal	0%	0%				0%
Dont Know	3%	4%	[ 3]	[ 4]	8%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	27%	36%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	66%	60%	61%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	6%	4%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	31%	36%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	66%	59%	61%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## Q13 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?

### (vii) 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	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	[ 18]	43%	28%	35%	31%	[ 23]	[ 13]	[ 7]	[ 7]	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	[ 25]	54%	64%	62%	65%	[ 50]	[ 63]	[ 15]	[ 13]	61%
Refusal			1%	0%			[ 1]			0%
Dont Know	[ 2]	3%	7%	3%	4%	[ 3]	[ 3]	[ 1]		4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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### (viii) Analysis by Employment Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	39%	28%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	57%	66%	62%
Refusal	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	4%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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### (ix) Analysis by Economic Activity

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	38%	28%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	58%	66%	62%
Refusal	0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	3%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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## Q13 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?

### (x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	48%	34%	35%	30%	[ 23]	31%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	52%	63%	63%	65%	[ 61]	63%	61%
Refusal			1%		[ 1]	0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	3%	2%	6%	[ 7]	6%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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### (xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	33%	36%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	63%	59%	61%
Refusal	1%		0%
Dont Know	3%	6%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1131</b>

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### (xii) Analysis by Area

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages	36%	34%	34%	34%
Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget	63%	62%	61%	61%
Refusal		0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	5%	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q13 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?**

**(xiii) Analysis by Education and Library Board Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>BELB</b>	<b>NEELB</b>	<b>SEELB</b>	<b>SELB</b>	<b>WELB</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>34%</b>
<b>Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>61%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>			<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Belfast HSC Trust</b>	<b>Northern HSC Trust</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Southern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Western HSC Trust</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>34%</b>
<b>Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>61%</b>
<b>Refusal</b>			<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q14 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?**

**(i) Analysis by Agegroup**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	16 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 and over	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	[ 16]	18%	19%	13%	12%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	[ 71]	79%	78%	86%	84%	81%
Refusal			1%	0%		0%
Dont Know	[ 3]	3%	3%	1%	4%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(ii) Analysis by Gender**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Male	Female	Total
	%	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	17%	15%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	81%	82%	81%
Refusal		0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	2%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(iii) Analysis by Religion**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Catholic	Protestant	Other	Total
	%	%	Count	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	12%	17%	[ 6]	15%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	84%	82%	[ 14]	83%
Refusal		0%		0%
Dont Know	3%	1%	[ 1]	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1023</b>

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**Q14 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?**

**(iv) Analysis by Marital Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Single, that is never married	Married and living with husband/wife	Married and separated from husband/wife	Divorced	Widowed	Total
	%	%	Count	Count	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	15%	18%	[ 1]	[ 11]	14%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	82%	80%	[ 55]	[ 64]	81%	81%
Refusal	0%	0%				0%
Dont Know	3%	2%	[ 1]	[ 1]	6%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(v) Analysis by Disability Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Has disability	No disability	Total
	%	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	9%	17%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	87%	80%	81%
Refusal	1%	0%	0%
Dont Know	3%	2%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**(vi) Analysis by Dependant Status**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Has dependants	No dependants	Total
	%	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	16%	16%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	82%	81%	81%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	3%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1131</b>

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## Q14 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?

### (vii) 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	Missing	Total
	Count	%	%	%	%	Count	Count	Count	Count	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	[ 7]	20%	20%	9%	12%	[ 9]	[ 8]	[ 5]	[ 4]	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	[ 36]	78%	76%	88%	85%	[ 66]	[ 71]	[ 17]	[ 16]	81%
Refusal			1%				[ 1]			0%
Dont Know	[ 2]	2%	3%	3%	3%	[ 1]		[ 1]		2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1131</b>

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### (viii) Analysis by Employment Status

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	In paid employment	Not in paid employment	Total
	%	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	19%	12%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	79%	85%	82%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	2%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1108</b>

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### (ix) Analysis by Economic Activity

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Economically active	Economically inactive	Total
	%	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	18%	12%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	79%	85%	82%
Refusal	0%	0%	0%
Dont Know	2%	3%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>1108</b>

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### (x) Analysis by Highest Educational Qualification

All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%	Degree level or higher	Higher Education	A GCE Level	GCSE A-C or equivalent	GCSE D-G or equivalent	No Qualifications	Total
	%	%	%	%	Count	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	22%	18%	16%	16%	[ 9]	13%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	77%	79%	81%	82%	[ 77]	84%	81%
Refusal			1%			0%	0%
Dont Know	1%	3%	2%	2%	[ 6]	3%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1131</b>

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**Q14 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?**

**(xi) Analysis by Urban/Rural Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Urban	Rural	Total
	%	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	16%	16%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	82%	80%	81%
Refusal	0%		0%
Dont Know	2%	4%	2%
Total	737	394	1131

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**(xii) Analysis by Area**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over</i> <i>Base = 100%</i>	Belfast	East	West	Total
	%	%	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	14%	16%	16%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	85%	82%	80%	81%
Refusal			1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	2%	3%	2%
Total	167	517	447	1131

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**(xiii) 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
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Benefit claimants should be paid monthly	14%	16%	17%	13%	20%	16%
Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?	85%	81%	81%	83%	76%	81%
Refusal				0%	1%	0%
Dont Know	1%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%
Total	167	260	274	255	175	1131

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**Q14 Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?**

**(xiv) Analysis by Health & Social Care Trust**

<i>All persons aged 16 and over Base = 100%</i>	<b>Belfast HSC Trust</b>	<b>Northern HSC Trust</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Southern HSC Trust</b>	<b>Western HSC Trust</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Benefit claimants should be paid monthly</b>	<i>16%</i>	<i>16%</i>	<i>15%</i>	<i>13%</i>	<i>20%</i>	<i>16%</i>
<b>Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget?</b>	<i>82%</i>	<i>82%</i>	<i>83%</i>	<i>82%</i>	<i>76%</i>	<i>81%</i>
<b>Refusal</b>				<i>0%</i>	<i>1%</i>	<i>0%</i>
<b>Dont Know</b>	<i>1%</i>	<i>2%</i>	<i>2%</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>2%</i>	<i>2%</i>
<b>Total</b>	<i>212</i>	<i>288</i>	<i>229</i>	<i>227</i>	<i>175</i>	<i>1131</i>

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## Northern Ireland Omnibus Survey: Codebook

### Variables included in dataset

<b>serno</b>	<i>[Pre-filled]</i> Serial Number  1..9995
<b>persex</b>	Sex of respondent  1      Male 2      Female
<b>highqual</b>	Highest educational qualification  1      Degree Level or higher 2      Higher Education – Diploma or equivalent 3      GCE A Level or equivalent 4      GCSE grades A to C or equivalent 5      GCSE grades D to G or equivalent 6      No qualifications
<b>empst2</b>	<i>[Automatically computed]</i>  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      In paid employment 2      Not in paid employment
<b>econact</b>	<i>[Automatically computed]</i>  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      Economically active 2      Economically inactive

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ1** Do you think that the current welfare system is working?

- 1 *Yes, it's giving financial support to the right people*
- 2 *No, too many people or the wrong people are receiving benefits*
- 3 *No, it's not providing enough financial support to the people who need it*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ2a** To what extent, if at all, are you aware of the recent or proposed changes to the following aspects of the benefit systems in Northern Ireland:  
Assessing the work capability of benefit claimants claiming sickness benefits?

- 1 *Know a great deal*
- 2 *Know a little*
- 3 *Heard of but don't know any details*
- 4 *Haven't heard of at all*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ2b** Making the system simpler and providing a clear incentive to work?

- 1 *Know a great deal*
- 2 *Know a little*
- 3 *Heard of but don't know any details*
- 4 *Haven't heard of at all*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ2c** Changes to how entitlement to a disability benefit will be assessed?

- 1 *Know a great deal*
- 2 *Know a little*
- 3 *Heard of but don't know any details*
- 4 *Haven't heard of at all*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ31 - SSAQ33** What do you think are the main reasons are for making changes to the benefit system. Please select up to THREE, in order of importance.

SHOWCARD

- 1 *Cut the cost of welfare*
- 2 *Make the benefit system fairer*
- 3 *Reduce welfare dependency and improve lives*
- 4 *Ensure that working pays more than benefits*
- 5 *Reduce fraud and error*
- 6 *Reduce the cost of administering benefits*
- 7 *Make the benefit system simpler to understand*
- 8 *Ensure benefits are targeted at those who need it*
- 9 *Other*

*(All respondents answering 'other' to SSAQ3)*

**SSAQ3b** Please specify other

*String of length 250*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ4** Thinking about the benefits available to people who are out of work, which of the following come closest to your view?

- 1 *Benefits for unemployed people are too high and discourage them from finding jobs*
- 2 *Benefits for unemployed people are at about the right level*
- 3 *Benefits for unemployed people are too low and cause hardship*
- 4 *None of these*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ5** How effective do you think the current benefit system is at encouraging people to work?

- 1 *Very effective*
- 2 *Fairly effective*
- 3 *Not very effective*
- 4 *Not effective at all*

*(All respondents answering 'not very effective' or 'not effective at all' at SSAQ5)*

**SSAQ61 - SSAQ63** Why do you think the current benefit system is not effective at encouraging people to work. Please select up to THREE reasons, in order of importance?

SHOWCARD

- 1 *Benefits can provide more money than working*
- 2 *The system allows people to remain on benefits and avoid work*
- 3 *The system is complex so people do not know if working will provide more money than benefits*
- 4 *There is a culture of not working in some places/households*
- 5 *There are no jobs available*
- 6 *People don't have the skills to fill the jobs that are available*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ7** What proportion, if any, of benefit claims do you think are false claims that people are not really entitled to?

SHOWCARD

- 1 *Most or all cases*
- 2 *A majority of cases*
- 3 *About half of cases*
- 4 *A minority of cases*
- 5 *Few or no cases*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ8** Do you think the financial support available through disability benefits is being paid to the right people?

- 1 *Yes, it's about right*
- 2 *No, some people who need support don't get it*
- 3 *No, too many people who don't need support are receiving it*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ9** Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, people aged between 16 and 65 claiming Disability Living Allowance will have to go through an assessment to confirm eligibility for a new disability benefit. This will be carried out by a doctor, nurse or other health care professional. Which of the following statements are closest to how you feel about this requirement?

## SHOWCARD

- 1 *Strongly support*
- 2 *Tend to support*
- 3 *Neither support nor oppose*
- 4 *Tend to oppose*
- 5 *Strongly oppose*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ10** Under the proposed changes to the welfare system, the total amount of money payable in benefits to any one household is to be no more than average household earnings after tax, currently £500 per week. Which of these views comes closest to yours about levels of benefit payments?

- 1 *Every household should receive the amount of benefits that their family circumstances require, no matter how much this is*
- 2 *There should be a limit on the amount of money any one household/family can receive in benefits, whatever their circumstances*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ11** Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?

- 1 *All benefits payments, including housing benefit, should be made in a lump sum like working people are paid their wages*
- 2 *Different benefits should be paid separately to make it easier for claimants to budget*

*(All respondents)*

**SSAQ12** Which of these views comes closest to yours about how benefit payments are paid to people?

- 1 *Benefit claimants should be paid monthly*
- 2 *Benefit claimants should be paid fortnightly to make it easier to budget*



**agegroup** Age group of respondent

- 1 16-24
- 2 25-34
- 3 35-49
- 4 50-64
- 5 65 and over

**paniage** Age group of respondent

- 1 <25
- 2 25-44
- 3 45-64
- 4 65 and over

**religion** Religion of respondent

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

**worship** Religion of respondent

- 1 Catholic
- 2 Protestant
- 3 Other

(Excluding “None/missing/refused, etc”)

**cathpro** Religion of respondent

- 1 Catholic
- 2 Protestant

(Excluding “Other” and “None/missing/refused, etc”)

**marital** Marital Status of 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

**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*

**depends** Dependant Status

- 1 Has dependants
- 2 No dependants

<b>segrec</b>	Socio-Economic Group
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

<b>qualevel</b>	Qualification level of respondent
1	Primary
2	Secondary
3	Tertiary

<b>area</b>	
1	Belfast
2	East
3	West

This is a recode of District Council into Belfast, East of the province and West of the province.

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

**elb** Education and Library Board area

- |   |       |               |
|---|-------|---------------|
| 1 | BELB  | Belfast       |
| 2 | NEELB | North Eastern |
| 3 | SEELB | South Eastern |
| 4 | SELB  | Southern      |
| 5 | WELB  | Western       |

**trust** Health and Social Care Trust

- |   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| 1 | Belfast HSC Trust       |
| 2 | Northern HSC Trust      |
| 3 | South Eastern HSC Trust |
| 4 | Southern HSC Trust      |

**urban** Urban and Rural area

- |   |       |
|---|-------|
| 1 | Urban |
| 2 | Rural |

This is computed using the Central Postcode Directory (CPD) and using settlements as defined in the Report of the Inter-Departmental Urban-Rural Definition Group. Please see Appendix 1 for the statistical classification of settlements.

**belurb** Belfast, urban and rural area

**weight** Please see the Technical Notes (Section 1.4) for information on weighting.