

2006 ad hoc module
“Transition from work into retirement”

Architecture of the module

The population concerned by the questionnaire for the 2006 ad hoc module is made up of all persons aged 50 to 69 on 31/12/2006, i.e. people born between 1937 and 1956, inclusive. They are the people interviewed for the sixth and last time in the Employment Survey (the one-sixth of the people interviewed each quarter who were leaving that survey's sample population).

These people can be one of three types:

- A) people who have a job at the time of the survey
- B) people who are not working at the time of the survey, whether in the labour market or not, but who have had a job before
- C) people who are not in the labour market and have never worked.

Conduct of the module

The responses to the Employment Survey enable the three categories of people defined above to be identified so that the questionnaire can be directed to the corresponding module. We wish to know their current situation, and more precisely whether they are retired or pre-retired. The term “invalidity” does not include people with a temporary disability/invalidity but solely people with a permanent disability/invalidity.

Before implementation of the 2006 ad hoc module, the proxy should not have been authorised. But given the data collection problems experienced in the first quarter of 2006, the proxy had to be authorised. In fact as the Employment Survey and the 2006 ad hoc module were in the same data model, and the proxy was authorised for the employment survey but not for the ad hoc module, this made the interviewers' handling of the validation and transmission of the questionnaire too complicated. The proxy was therefore authorised.

Therefore a preliminary question is put in order to know who gave the responses for the ad hoc module.

PR-0: Is this (PRENOM) who is actually going to respond to the rest of the questionnaire?

RDQAH

- 1. Yes
- 2. No



Module A
For people who are working

A-1

Do you receive a survivor's pension?

REVER

1. yes
2. no

A-2

Do you (also (if REVER = '1')) receive a retirement pension because of a previous occupation?

RETR

1. yes
2. no → A-4

(if RETR='1')

A-3

When did you first receive your retirement pension?

(first payment of pension rights.)

Year	!_!_!_!_!	LIQA
Month	!_!_! →A-5	LIQM

(if RETR='2')

A-4

If you wanted to, could you as of today receive a retirement pension, even partial? **RETPOS**

(you could be paid a pension, but you have not requested this)

1. yes, at the full rate
2. yes, at a reduced rate
3. no
4. Don't know

(if RETR='1')

A-4

If you wanted to, could you as of today receive another retirement pension, even partial?

RETPOS

(you could be paid a pension, but you have not requested this)

1. yes, at the full rate
2. yes, at a reduced rate



3. no
4. Don't know

A-5

During your working life, have you ever experienced periods of unemployment, even short ones? **PERCHOM**

1. Yes
2. No → A-6

(If PERCHOM='1')

In total, for how long approximately were you unemployed? **DURCHOM**

1. less than a year
2. one to two years
3. two to five years
4. more than five years

A-6

In total, how many years have you worked?

(this is the number of years actually worked and not the number of years of pensionable service, which can in certain cases be greater than the number of years worked)

Number of years !__!__! **DURTRAV**

A-7

At what age do you think you will stop all work for pay or profit?

Age !__!__! → A-9 **DEPAG**
 or I don't know exactly when **DEPNSP**
 or as late as possible !__9!_9! → A-9 **DEPTARD**

(only one of the 3 variables must be filled in)

(If DEPNSP is not ' ')

A-8

You don't know exactly when you are going to stop working, but, approximately, do you think you will stop all work for pay or profit... **DEPAGTR**

1. before 60
2. between 60 and 64, inclusive
3. at 65 or later
4. no idea



(If RETPOS is ('1','2') – i.e. for people who could have retired but have not)

A-9

Do you continue working because of financial reasons?

FINANC1

- 1. yes
- 2. no → A-11

(If FINANC1='1')

A-10

Is it to have sufficient income now or to increase your pension entitlements?

FINANC2

- 1. to have sufficient income now
- 2. to increase your pension entitlements

A-11

Have you already reduced your working hours (or your business activity (if STC is not '2' – i.e. for people not earning a salary)) in order to prepare for retirement?

REDUCH1

(people who have reduced their working hours for a reason other than preparing for retirement must respond 'no'. This also applies to people who have always worked part-time)

- 1. yes → A-13
- 2. no

(If REDUCH1='2')

A-12

Are you planning to do so in the next 5 years?

REDUCH2

- 1. yes
 - 2. no
 - 3. don't know
- } → A-14

(If REDUCH1='1')

A-13

Is this part of a progressive retirement scheme?

REDUCH3

- 1. yes
- 2. no

A-14

Among other things, would more flexible or shorter working hours (or a reduction in your business activity (if STC is not '2' – i.e. for non-wage-earners)) encourage you to stay at work longer?

HORA2



1. yes
2. no

A-15

Would training in a new area or expanding your current skills allow you or make you want to stay at work longer? **QUALI2**

1. yes
2. no

A-16

Would better health and safety working conditions encourage you to stay at work longer?

SANTE2

1. yes
2. no
3. not applicable, good safety conditions

(if STC= '2' – i.e. for salaried employees)

A-17

During the last five years of your working life, have you changed position or job? **CHPST5**

1. yes
2. no → A-18

(If CHPST5='1')

Did this change also include changing company?

CHENT5

1. yes
2. no

(If CHPST5='1')

After this change, in terms of pay, did you get

CHREM5

1. less
2. more
3. roughly the same

(If CHPST5='1')

and, in terms of working hours, did you work

CHTEMP5

1. less
2. more



3. roughly the same hours

Now we are going to ask you some more general questions.

A-18

What is your general state of health?

SANTEA

1. very good
2. good
3. average
4. poor
5. very poor

A-19

Have you been restricted, for at least six months, because of a health problem, in normal everyday activities?

SANTEL

1. yes
2. no

A-20

How many children have you had (or adopted) personally?

ENF

!__!__! Children

-END of module A-



Module B

For people who are not working but have worked before.

(If ACT is not '2' and RETRAI not ('1' or '2') and V1RETRAI not ('1' or '2')), this question concerns everyone surveyed in module B except for people who are unemployed, retired or pre-retired)

B-1

What is your current situation?

MALAD

1. extended medical leave (> 1 year) → B-2
2. invalidity → B-4.
3. other situation → B-4.

(If MALAD='1')

B-2

Do you receive sickness benefits?

INDMAL

1. yes → B-4.
2. no → B-4.

(If RETRAI='2' or V1RETRAI='2')

B-3

Are you...

PRERET

1. a beneficiary of the National Employment Fund Special Allowance¹
2. a beneficiary of the Designated Employee Retirement Leave Allowance²
3. in a company pre-retirement scheme
4. registered with ANPE³ and exempt from looking for a job (AER⁴ or ASPR)
5. other

B-4

Do you receive a survivor's pension?

REVER

1. yes
2. no

B-5

Do you (also (if REVER = '1')) receive a retirement pension because of a previous occupation?

RETR

¹ ASFNE: "allocation spéciale du fonds national pour l'emploi"

² CATS: "allocation pour cessation anticipée d'activité de certains travailleurs salariés"

³ ANPE "Agence Nationale Pour l'Emploi": the French National Employment Agency

⁴ AER: "Allocation Equivalent Retraite", Retirement Equivalent Allowance



1. yes
2. no → B-7

(If RETR='1')

B-6

When did you first receive your retirement pension?

(first payment of pension rights.)

Year	!_!_!_!_!	LIQA
Month	!_!_! → B-8	LIQM

(If RETR='2')

B-7

If you wanted to, could you as of today receive a retirement pension, even partial? RETPOS

(you could be paid a pension, but you have not requested this)

1. yes, at the full rate
2. yes, at a reduced rate
3. no
4. don't know

B-8

When did you stop all work for pay or profit?

Year	!_!_!_!_!	CESA
Month	!_!_!	CESM

B-9

MOTCES

Which of the following was the main reason for leaving your last job?

1. loss of job (dismissed, end of a fixed-term employment contract, bankruptcy if you are not a salaried employee, etc.)
2. health problem or invalidity
3. problem concerning a dependent (spouse, parent, child, grand-children, etc.)
4. spouse's retirement
5. other family or personal reason
6. to benefit from advantageous retirement conditions (pre-retirement or other)
7. reached compulsory retirement age → B-14
8. problems related to the job → B-11
9. other reason

(If MOTCES='9')



B-10

Please specify

MOTCESCL

(If MOTCES not ('7' or '1') and (CESA-NAIA>49 or CESA≥1996))

B-11

Among other things, would more flexible or shorter working hours (or a reduction in your business activity (if ATRAV equal to ('1' or '2') – i.e. for people who were not wage-earners in their last occupation)) have encouraged you to stay at work longer?

HORA1

1. yes
2. no

(If MOTCES not ('7' or '1'))

B-12

Would better health and safety conditions have encouraged you to stay at work longer?

SANTE1

1. yes
2. no
3. not applicable, good health and safety conditions

(If MOTCES not ('7' or '1'))

B-13

Would training in a new area or expanding your skills have allowed you or made you want to stay at work longer?

QUALI1

1. yes
2. no

(If MOTCES='1')

B-13

Would training in a new area or expanding your skills have allowed you to keep your job or have helped you to find another one more easily?

QUALI1

1. yes
2. no

B-14

Immediately after your last job, what was your situation?

SITADE

1. unemployed
 2. retired
 3. pre-retired
- } → B-16 a or b



- 4. long term sick or disabled
- 5. other

(If SITADE='5')

B-15

Please specify...

SITADECL

(If ACT='2')

B-16a

During your working life, have you experienced periods of unemployment, other than the current one? PERCHOM2

- 1. Yes
- 2. No → B-17

(If PERCHOM2='1')

In total, approximately for how long were you unemployed, apart from the current period? DURCHOM2

- 1. less than a year
 - 2. one to two years
 - 3. two to five years
 - 4. more than five years
- } → B-17

(If ACT is not '2')

B-16b

During your working life, have you ever experienced periods of unemployment?

PERCHOM

- 1. Yes
- 2. No → B-17

(If PERCHOM='1')

In total, for how long approximately were you unemployed?

DURCHOM

- 1. less than a year
- 2. one to two years
- 3. two to five years
- 4. more than five years

B-17



In total, how many years have you worked?

(this is the number of years actually worked and not the number of years of pensionable service, which can in certain cases be greater than the number of years worked)

Number of years

!_!_!

DURTRAV

(If (CESA-NAIA>49 or CESA≥1996))

B-18

When you were working, had you already reduced your working hours (or your activity (if ATRAV equal to ('1' or '2') – i.e. for people who were not wage-earners in their last occupation)) in order to prepare for retirement?

REDUCH4

1. yes
2. no → B-20

(If REDUCH4='1')

B-19

Was this part of a progressive retirement scheme?

REDUCH5

1. yes
2. no

(if ATRAV not ('1' or '2')- this question does not apply to people who were not wage-earners in their last occupation) and (CESA-NAIA>49 or CESA≥1996)

B-20

During the last five years of your working life, did you change position or job?

CHPST5

1. yes
2. no → B-21

(If CHPST5='1')

Did this change also include changing company?

CHENT5

1. yes
2. no

if there were several changes, explain that we want to know about the last change.

(If CHPST5='1')

After this change, in terms of pay, did you get

CHREM5

1. less
2. more
3. roughly the same



(If CHPST5='1')

After this change, in terms of working hours, did you work

CHTEMP5

1. less
2. more
3. roughly the same hours

Now we are going to ask you some more general questions.

B-21

At the time you stopped working, what was your general state of health?

SANTEB

1. very good
2. good
3. average
4. poor
5. very poor

B-22

In the last six months of work, were you restricted, because of a health problem, in normal everyday activities?

SANTEL

1. yes
2. no

B-23

How many children have you had (or adopted) personally?

ENF

!_!_! children

-END of module B-



Module C

For people who have never worked, even a long time ago

C-1

Do you receive a survivor's pension?

REVER

1. yes
2. no

C-2

What is your general state of health?

SANTEC

1. very good
2. good
3. average
4. poor
5. very poor

C-3

How many children have you had (or adopted) personally?

ENF

!__!__! children

-END of module C-

