Crime and Criminal Justice Statistics

Crime and victimisation module questionnaire

Q3 2015

Quarterly National Household Survey
QUESTIONNAIRE

General Filters

The module is to be asked of all present persons in the household, aged 18 or over. For individuals not present, proxies will be used.

The module will be asked of households in Waves 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS).

Individual questions are asked for each adult in the household, including proxies. Household questions are asked to for one eligible individual in the household.

A. INDIVIDUAL PERCEPTIONS AND EXPERIENCES OF CRIME

PERCEPTIONS OF SAFETY

Questions in this section are designed to measure the respondent’s perceptions about the safety of his/her neighbourhood and their confidence in the justice system. These will be asked for each suitable individual in the household, including proxies.

Q 1 Risk of being a victim

Do you worry a lot about the possibility that you, or anyone else who lives with you, might become a victim of crime?

1. Yes, personal injury
2. Yes, property theft, damage
3. Yes, both personal and property
4. No
Q2 Quality of life

How much has fear of crime affected your quality of life?

1. Greatly reduced quality
2. Significantly reduced quality
3. Moderately reduced quality
4. Reduced quality a little
5. No effect on quality

Q3 Anti-social behaviour

How much of a problem is anti-social behaviour?

1. Very big problem
2. Fairly big problem
3. Not a very big problem
4. Not a problem at all

Q4 Satisfaction with the Gardai

Taking everything into account, how good a job do you think the Gardaí in this area are doing?

1. Very Good
2. Good
3. Poor
4. Very poor
5. Don’t know
Q5 Perception of crime in the local area

Would you describe crime in your local areas as ... 

1. A very serious problem
2. A serious problem
3. A fairly serious problem
4. Not a serious problem
5. Not a problem

Q6 Confidence in the criminal justice system

How confident are you that the Criminal Justice System is effective in bringing people who commit crimes to justice?

1. Very confident
2. Fairly confident
3. Not very confident
4. Not at all confident

INTERVIEWER PROMPT IF NECESSARY: By Criminal Justice System, I'm including the Gardaí, the courts, the prison and probation services

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**INDIVIDUAL CRIME EXPERIENCES**

Questions in this section are designed to measure the incidence of crime experienced personally by survey participants in the previous 12 months. These will be asked for each suitable individual in the household, including proxies.

**Q7 Non-violent theft**

Have you been a victim of theft not involving force in the past 12 months? Please exclude fraud

1. Yes
2. No

**Q8 Fraud**

Have you been a victim of fraud in the past 12 months? For the purposes of this survey, fraud includes bank card fraud, internet fraud, embezzlement, credit card fraud, purchased goods not being delivered

1. Yes
2. No

**Q9 Violent theft**

In the past 12 months, did anyone steal or attempt to steal something from your person by using force or threatening you?

1. Yes
2. No

**Q10 Assault**

Did anyone physically attack you in the past 12 months?

1. Yes
2. No

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INDIVIDUAL CRIME EXPERIENCES DETAILS
These are the supplemental questions asked of individuals who indicate that they experienced some crime in the previous 12 months.

THEFT WITHOUT VIOLENCE

Q11 Frequency of non-violent theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 7

You indicated that something was stolen from you in the past 12 months, how often did this occur in the past 12 months?

1. Once
2. Twice
3. three times or more

Q12 Date of non-violent theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 7

For the last incident (if respondent was the victim of multiple incidents), can you remember the month it took place?

Enter 2 digits for the month.
Q13 Location of the non-violent theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 7

Where did the incident occur?

1. At/near home
2. At work/near workplace
3. At school/college/near school/college
4. In/near pub/nightclub
5. At/near other public place (shopping area, church etc)
6. Elsewhere

Q14 Reporting of non-violent theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 7

For the last incident (if the respondent was the victim of multiple incidents), was it reported to the Gardai?

1. Yes
2. No

Q15 Reason for not reporting non-violent theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 7 and no to question 14

What was the MAIN reason for not reporting the incident to the Gardai?

1. Not serious enough/no loss
2. Solved it myself (knew the perpetrator/thief)
3. No insurance claim anticipated/could not claim insurance
4. Believed Gardai could do nothing
5. Believed Gardai wouldn’t do anything
6. Did not wish to involve the Gardai.
7. Feared reprisal
8. Did not have time
9. Other reasons

Q16 Smartphone theft (non-violent theft)
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 7

Did you have a mobile phone or related device stolen during the theft?

① INTERVIEWER: Include smartphones, iPhones, PDAs and related devices

1. Yes
2. No
Theft with Violence

Q17 Frequency of violent theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 9

You indicated that something was stolen from you with violence in the past 12 months, how often did this occur in the past 12 months?

1. Once
2. Twice
3. Three times or more

Q18 Date of violent theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 9

You indicated that something was stolen from you with violence in the past 12 months, for the last incident (if respondent was the victim of multiple incidents), can you remember the month it took place?

Enter 2 digits for the month.

Q19 Location of violent theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 9

Where did the incident occur?

1. At/near home
2. At work/near workplace
3. At school/college/ near school/college
4. In/near pub/nightclub
5. At/near other public place (shopping area, church etc)
6. Elsewhere

Q20 Use of weapon
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 9

Was a weapon used or threatened to be used (by the attacker)?

1. Yes
2. No
Q21 Weapon type
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 9 and yes to question 20*

Was it a ...?

1. Knife
2. Gun/rifle
3. Syringe/needle
4. Club or stick
5. Bottle/glass
6. Other

Q22 Injury sustained
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 9*

Were you physically injured?

1. Yes
2. No

Q23 Nature of treatment required for injury
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to questions 9 & 22*

What kind of treatment, if any, did your injuries require?

1. Cuts/bruises not requiring medical attention
2. Visit to doctor/G.P.
3. Needed hospital treatment, but not hospital stay
4. Injuries requiring overnight hospital stay
5. Hospitalisation for more than one night

Q24 Reporting of violent theft
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 9*

For the last incident (if respondent was the victim of multiple incidents), was it reported to the Gardai?

1. Yes
2. No
Q25 Reason for not reporting violent theft

*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 9 and no to question 24*

What was the MAIN reason for not reporting the incident to the Gardaí?

1. Not serious enough/no loss
2. Solved it myself (knew the perpetrator/thief)
3. No insurance claim anticipated/could not claim insurance
4. Believed Gardaí could do nothing
5. Believed Gardaí wouldn’t do anything
6. Did not wish to involve the Gardaí.
7. Feared reprisal
8. Did not have time
9. Other reasons

Q26 Smartphone theft (violent theft)

*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 9*

Did you have a mobile phone or related device stolen during the theft?

1. Yes
2. No
**ASSAULTS**

**Q27 Frequency of assault**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 10*

You indicated that you were assaulted in the past 12 months, how often did this occur (during the past 12 months)?

1. Once  
2. Twice  
3. Three times or more

**Q28 Month of assault**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 10*

For the last incident (if the respondent was the victim of multiple incidents), can you remember the month it took place?

Enter 2 digits for the month.

**Q29 Location of the assault**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 10*

Where did the assault occur?

1. At/near home  
2. At work/near workplace  
3. At school/college/ near school/college  
4. In/near pub/nightclub  
5. At/near other public place (shopping area, church etc)  
6. Elsewhere

**Q30 Use of weapon**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 10*

Was a weapon used or threatened to be used (by the attacker)?

1. Yes  
2. No
Q31 Weapon type
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 10 and yes to question 30*

*Was it a.....*

1. Knife
2. Gun/rifle
3. Syringe or needle
4. Club or stick
5. Bottle/glass
6. Other

Q32 Injury sustained
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 10*

*Were you physically injured?*

1. Yes
2. No

Q33 Nature of treatment required for injuries sustained in assault
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to questions 10 and 32*

*What kind of treatment, if any, did your injuries require?*

1. Cuts/bruises not requiring medical attention
2. Visit to doctor/G.P.
3. Needed hospital treatment, but not hospital stay
4. Injuries requiring overnight hospital stay
5. Hospitalisation for more than one night
Q34 Reporting of assault
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to questions 10*

Was the incident reported to the Gardaí?

1. Yes
2. No

Q35 Reason for not reporting assault
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to questions 10 and no to question 34*

What was the MAIN reason for not reporting the incident to the Gardaí?

1. Not serious enough/no loss
2. Solved it myself (knew the perpetrator/thief)
3. No insurance claim anticipated/could not claim insurance
4. Believed Gardaí could do nothing
5. Believed Gardaí wouldn't do anything
6. Did not wish to involve the Gardaí.
7. Feared reprisal
8. Did not have time
9. Other reasons
FRAUD

Q36 Internet fraud
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 8*

Were you a victim of internet fraud in the past 12 months?

1. Yes
2. No

Q37 Reporting of fraud
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 8*

Was the incident reported to the Gardai?

1. Yes
2. No

Q38 Reason for not reporting fraud
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 8 and no to question 37*

What was the MAIN reason for not reporting the incident to the Gardai?

1. Not serious enough/no loss
2. Solved it myself (knew the perpetrator/thief)
3. No insurance claim anticipated/could not claim insurance
4. Believed Gardai could do nothing
5. Believed Gardai wouldn’t do anything
6. Did not wish to involve the Gardai.
7. Feared reprisal
8. Did not have time
9. Other reasons

INTERVIEWER: Thank each respondent for their participation in the survey

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B. **HOUSEHOLD EXPERIENCES OF CRIME**

Questions in this section are designed to measure the incidence of crime experienced by the household in the previous 12 months. These questions are answered by one eligible respondent in each household.

**Q39 Burglary**
In the past 12 months did anybody enter this house/apartment or an outbuilding without permission and steal or try to steal anything?

1. Yes
2. No

**Q40 Motor vehicle present in the household**
In the past 12 months, has anyone in the house/flat owned a motor vehicle of any kind?

1. Yes
2. No

**Q 41 Vehicle theft**
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 40*

In the past 12 months have you or any members of the house/flat had any vehicles stolen?

1. Yes
2. No
Q42 Theft from vehicle
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 40*

In the past 12 months, has there been theft FROM a vehicle belonging to you or a member of the household?

1. Yes
2. No

Q43 Vandalism

In the past 12 months was any property belonging to you or any other member of the household subject to vandalism?

1. Yes
2. No

Q44 Bicycles present in the household

In the past 12 months has anyone in your household owned a bicycle?

1. Yes
2. No

Q45 Bicycle theft
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 44*

In the past 12 months were any bicycles stolen from you or any member of the household?

1. Yes
2. No
HOUSEHOLD CRIME EXPERIENCES DETAILS
These are the supplemental questions asked of households who indicate that they experienced crime in the previous 12 months.

BURGLARY

Q 46 Frequency of burglary
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 39*

You indicated that some entered the house/flat without permission to steal or try to steal something, how often did this occur in the past 12 months?

1. Once
2. Twice
3. Three times or more

Q47 Date of burglary
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 39*

For the last incident (if respondent was a victim of multiple incidents), can you remember the month it took place?

Enter 2 digits for the month.

Q48 Somebody present during burglary
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 39*

Was there someone at home at the time of the burglary?

1. Yes
2. No

Q49 Use of weapon during burglary
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to questions 39 and 48*

Was a weapon used or threatened to be used by the burglar?

1. Yes
2. No

Q50 Weapon brought to crime
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to questions 39, 48 and 49*

Did the burglar(s) bring the weapon into the house with him/her?

1. Yes
2. No
Q51 Injury sustained  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to questions 39 and 48*

Were you or any member of the household physically injured?  
1. Yes  
2. No

Q52 Injury sustained  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to questions 39 & 51*

What kind of treatment, if any, did the injuries require?  
1. Cuts/bruises not requiring medical attention  
2. Visit to doctor/G.P.  
3. Needed hospital treatment, but not hospital stay  
4. Injuries requiring overnight hospital stay  
5. Hospitalisation for more than one night

Q53 Reporting of burglary  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 39*

Was the incident reported to the Gardai?  
1. Yes  
2. No

Q54 Reason for not reporting burglary  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 39 and no to 53*

What was the MAIN reason for not reporting the incident to the Gardai?  
1. Not serious enough/no loss  
2. Solved it myself (knew the perpetrator/thief)  
3. No insurance claim anticipated/could not claim insurance  
4. Believed Gardaí could do nothing  
5. Believed Gardaí wouldn’t do anything  
6. Did not wish to involve the Gardaí.  
7. Feared reprisal  
8. Did not have time  
9. Other reasons
**Q55 Mode of entry**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 39*

How did the burglar gain access to the house?

1. Door (front, rear, side)  
2. Window (front, rear, side)  
3. Roof (roof, skylight, ventilator)  
4. Other  
5. Don’t know

**THEFT OF VEHICLES**

**Q 56 Frequency of vehicle theft**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 41*

You indicated that a vehicle had been stolen from a member of the household, how often did this occur in the past 12 months?

1. Once  
2. Twice  
3. Three times or more

**Q57 Date of burglary**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 41*

For the last incident (if respondent was a victim of multiple incidents), can you remember the month it took place?

Enter 2 digits for the month.

**Q58 Vehicle type**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 41*

For the last incident (if respondent was a victim of multiple incidents) what type of vehicle was stolen?

1. Car (including 4-wheel drive)  
2. Van/truck/farm vehicle  
3. Motorcycle  
4. Moped
Q59 Where was vehicle stolen from?
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 41

For the last incident, (if respondent was a victim of multiple incidents) was the vehicle stolen from:

1. Household’s garage or shed
2. Household’s driveway, yard, or car-park
3. Street/road outside your dwelling
4. Street/road in town/city
5. Car-park in town/city
6. Elsewhere

Q60 Vehicle recovered
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 41

For the last incident (if respondent was a victim of multiple incidents), was the vehicle ever recovered?

1. Yes
2. No

Q61 Reporting of vehicle theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 41

For the last incident (if respondent was a victim of multiple incidents), was it reported to the Gardai?

1. Yes
2. No

Q62 Reason for not reporting vehicle theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 41 and no to question 61

What was the MAIN reason for not reporting it to the Gardai?

1. Not serious enough/no loss
2. Solved it myself (knew the perpetrator/thief)
3. No insurance claim anticipated/could not claim insurance
4. Believed Gardai could do nothing
5. Believed Gardai wouldn’t do anything
6. Did not wish to involve the Gardai.
7. Feared reprisal
8. Did not have time
9. Other reasons
Theft from Vehicles

Q63 Frequency of theft from vehicle
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 42*

You indicated that something had been taken from a vehicle owned by a household member, how often did this occur in the past 12 months?

1. Once
2. Twice
3. Three times or more

Q64 Date of theft from vehicle
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 42*

For the last incident (if respondent was a victim of multiple incidents), can you remember the month it took place?

Enter 2 digits for the month.

Q65 Location of theft from vehicle?
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 42*

For the last incident, (if respondent was a victim of multiple incidents) was the vehicle:

1. In the household’s garage or shed
2. In the household’s driveway, yard, or car-park
3. On a street/road outside your dwelling
4. On a street/road in town/city
5. In a car-park in town/city
6. Elsewhere

Q66 Theft from vehicle reported
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 42*

For the last incident, (if respondent was a victim of multiple incidents), was it reported to the Gardai?

1. Yes
2. No
Q67 Reason for not reporting theft from vehicle
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 42 and no to question 68

What was the MAIN reason for not reporting the incident to the Gardaí?

1. Not serious enough/no loss
2. Solved it myself (knew the perpetrator/thief)
3. No insurance claim anticipated/could not claim insurance
4. Believed Gardaí could do nothing
5. Believed Gardaí wouldn’t do anything
6. Did not wish to involve the Gardaí.
7. Feared reprisal
8. Did not have time
9. Other reasons
Theft of Bicycles

Q68 Frequency of bicycle theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 45

You indicated that a bicycle had been stolen from you or a member of the household in the past 12 months, how often did this occur (in the past 12 months)?

1. Once
2. Twice
3. Three times or more

Q69 Reporting of bicycle theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 45

(For the last incident (if the respondent was the victim of multiple thefts), was it reported to the Gardaí?)

1. Yes
2. No

Q70 Reason for not reporting bicycle theft
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 45 and no to question 69

What was the MAIN reason for not reporting the incident to the Gardaí?

1. Not serious enough/no loss
2. Solved it myself (knew the perpetrator/thief)
3. No insurance claim anticipated/could not claim insurance
4. Believed Gardaí could do nothing
5. Believed Gardaí wouldn’t do anything
6. Did not wish to involve the Gardaí.
7. Feared reprisal
8. Did not have time
9. Other reasons
VANDALISM

**Q71 Frequency of vandalism**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 43*

You indicated that the property of a member of the household had been vandalized in the past 12 months, how often did this occur (in the past 12 months)?

1. Once  
2. Twice  
3. Three times  
4. Four times  
5. Five times or more

**Q72 Date of vandalism**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 43*

For the last incident (if the respondent was the victim of multiple incidents), can you remember the month it took place?  
Enter 2 digits for the month.

**Q73 Vandalism details**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 43*

For the last incident (if the respondent was the victim of multiple incidents), what was the main nature of the vandalism?

1. Property – graffiti  
2. Property – broken window(s)/door(s)  
3. Property – damaged fences, garden furniture or plants  
4. Property – other  
5. Vehicle – broken/damaged window(s)/door(s)  
6. Vehicle – burnt out  
7. Vehicle – other  
8. Other

**Q74 Reporting of vandalism**  
*Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 43*

For the last incident, if the respondent was the victim of multiple incidents), was it reported to the Gardai?

1. Yes  
2. No
Q75 Reason for not reporting vandalism
Filter – This question is asked if respondent answered yes to question 43 and no to Q74

What was the MAIN reason for not reporting the incident to the Gardai?

1. Not serious enough/no loss
2. Solved it myself (knew the perpetrator/thief)
3. No insurance claim anticipated/could not claim insurance
4. Believed Gardai could do nothing
5. Believed Gardai wouldn’t do anything
6. Did not wish to involve the Gardai.
7. Feared reprisal
8. Did not have time
9. Other reasons

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