

Interview Form 4: Household Representative Interview

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| District | Livelihood Zone | Village / sub-district |
| Wealth group | Reference year | Type of year |
| Interviewers | Date | Number of participants in interview Men _____ Women _____ |

Procedures

- 1. Introduce** team and explain objectives of the focus group interview.
- Check that the focus group is made up of people from the **wealth group** you requested – ask them individually to briefly describe their land, livestock, and/or sources of income.
- Explain **reference year** and ensure interviewees refer to reference year throughout rest of interview.
- Gather information about the **typical household** in this wealth group (e.g. nuclear, extended, polygamous etc.), its size and composition (a), and prepare an **asset profile** for the reference year (b) and (c).

a) Household/Family size and composition

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| Number of people in HH living/eating at home daily (include extra dependents) | | Number of children at school (boys / girls) | |
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b) Land holdings profile

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| Land owned | | Land cultivated - total (owned +/- rented / grazing land) | |
| Unit for measuring land | | Land cultivated – food crops | |
| Any irrigated land? | | Land cultivated – cash crops | |

c) Livestock profile

| Livestock Type: | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5.Plough oxen |
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| No. owned at start of reference year | | | | | |
| No. mature females | | | | | |
| No. born during year | | | | | |
| No. sold during year | | | | | |
| No. exchanged during year | | | | | |
| No. slaughtered | | | | | |
| No. died during the year | | | | | |
| No. bought during year | | | | | |
| No. at end of reference year | | | | | |

Other comments on the household and asset profile

Are there any other productive assets (include number of donkeys, horses, mules, poultry, bee hives, trees, enset stems, ploughs, and any other assets)?

5. LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION (milk, butter, meat, eggs)

| Consumption and sale of milk, milk products, & eggs | # of milking animals (a) [reconfirm from pg 1] | Season | Length of lactation (in days) (b) | Average milk production per animal per day (c) | Total production per season = (a) x (b) x (c) | Quantity sold or exchanged (note skim or whole) | Price per unit sold | Cash income | Other use (e.g. gifts, payment for labour) | Balance consumed (note skim or whole) | % of annual kcal needs |
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| Cows milk | | Wet | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Dry | | | | | | | | | |
| Butter (or ghee)* | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Goats milk | | All year | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheep milk | | All year | | | | | | | | | |
| Eggs | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Consumption and sale of meat (from own livestock) | Total number of animals slaughtered | Meat per carcass (kg) | Total meat (kg) | Sold or exchanged | When sold? | Price per unit sold | Cash income | Other use (e.g. gifts) | Balance consumed | % of HH kcal needs |
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| OTHER INCOME FROM LIVESTOCK: Sale of livestock (e.g. cows, goats, sheep, chickens), livestock rental, oxen fattening, other livestock products (e.g. hides) | | | Total Sold | When? | Price per unit sold | Cash income | Other use (e.g. gifts) | Balance consumed | % of HH kcal needs |
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| TOTAL Income = | | | | | | | | TOTAL % kcals= | |

* Formulas: kg butter = litres milk x 0.0425; kg ghee = litres milk x 0.038

6. **FOOD AND CASH FROM CROP PRODUCTION:** Obtain quantified information on all food sources for a typical household in this wealth group in the reference year (remind participants of the specific year you are interested in).

Own crop production: SEASON 1

| Crop (food crops, cash crops, vegetables, residues) | Unit of measure and weight | Quantity produced | When | Quantity sold / exch. | Price sold per unit | Cash income | Other use [†] | Balance consumed (in kg) | % of HH food needs |
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| Total crop food & income → | | | | | | | | | |

Own crop production: SEASON 2

| Crop (food crops, cash crops, vegetables, residues) | Unit of measure and weight | Quantity produced | When | Quantity sold / exch. | Price sold per unit | Cash income | Other use* | Balance consumed (in kg) | % of HH food needs |
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| Total crop food & income → | | | | | | | | | |

[†] 'Other uses' for crops include: seed, payment for labour, repayment of loans, gifts (to other households, church, funerals, etc.), brewing, stored until next year

7. PURCHASE AND EXCHANGE of staple and non-staple FOOD for consumption (not for trade)

| Commodity (e.g. cereals, pulses, oil, sugar, meat) | Unit of measure and weight | Quantity purchased | Frequency (per week or month) | Duration (number of weeks or months) | When (which months?) | Total kilos purchased | % of annual HH food needs | Price per unit | Total cost |
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| Purchased food & cost total → | | | | | | | | | |

8. LABOUR EXCHANGE - payment in food (BUT NOT FOOD FOR WORK)

| Activity | Unit of work (e.g. day, hectare) | Number of people doing this activity | Frequency (per week or month) | Duration (no. of weeks or months) | When (which months?) | Payment per unit of work | Total kilos received per year | Other use | Balance consumed | % of annual HH food needs |
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| Labour exchange total → | | | | | | | | | | |

9. RELIEF (including free distributions and food-for-work)/ GIFTS / LOANS / TARGETED FEEDING (food)

| Description | Quantity (and unit of measure) | Frequency (per week or month) | Duration (weeks or months) | When (which months?) | Total received | Quantity sold | Price per unit sold | Food income | Other use (e.g. gifts, exchange) | Balance consumed | % of HH food needs |
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10. WILD FOODS, FISH AND GAME

| Description | Quantity (and unit of measure) | Frequency (per week or month) | Duration (weeks or months) | When (which months?) | Total collected | Quantity sold | Price per unit sold | Cash income | Other use (e.g. gifts, exchange) | Balance consumed | % of HH food needs |
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11. OTHER FOOD SOURCES (e.g. stocks carried over from previous year)

| Commodity | Quantity | Other use | Other use | Balance consumed | % of HH food needs |
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12. CASUAL LABOUR / EMPLOYMENT / REMITTANCES IN CASH

| Activity / income source [‡] | Unit of work (e.g. day, acre) | Number of people doing this activity | Frequency (per week or month) | Duration (no. of weeks or months) | When (which months?) | Payment per unit of work | Receives lunch / cooked meal? | Total cash income per year |
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13. SELF-EMPLOYMENT / SMALL BUSINESS / TRADE

| Activity / income source [§] | Unit of measure (e.g. bundle, sack, period) | Number of people doing this activity | Frequency (per week or month) | Duration (no. of weeks or months) | When (which months?) | Price or Profit per unit sold | Total cash income per year |
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[‡] Checklist: agricultural labour (clearing fields, preparing land, planting seeds, weeding, harvesting, threshing), construction, brick making, skilled casual labour (e.g. carpentry), salaried employment, domestic work, livestock herding, pension, remittances).

[§] Checklist for self-employment: collection of firewood, charcoal, grass, handicrafts, brewing. Checklist for small business and trade: petty trade, trade, rental/hire, kiosks and shops.

14. OTHER CASH INCOME SOURCES – GIFTS / LOANS

| Activity / income source | Unit of measure (e.g. bundle, sack, period) | Number of people doing this activity | Frequency (per week or month) | Duration (no. of weeks or months) | When (which months?) | Price per unit sold | Total cash income per year |
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15. SUMMARY OF REFERENCE YEAR SOURCES OF FOOD AND CASH INCOME**SOURCES OF FOOD**

| | Crop production | Livestock production (milk/meat) | Purchase and exchange | Labour exchange | Relief | Gifts and loans | Wild foods | Other | TOTAL |
|----------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------|--------|-----------------|------------|-------|-------|
| Calculated (%) | | | | | | | | | |

SOURCES OF CASH INCOME

| | Sale of crop production | Sale of livestock and livestock products | Labour, employment and remittances | Self-employment, small business, trade | Other income | TOTAL |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|--------------|-------|
| Calculated (cash) | | | | | | |

16. EXPENDITURE PATTERNS: Obtain quantified information on the main expenditure items for a typical household in this wealth group in the reference year (remind participants of the specific year you are interested in). Some categories are suggested below. Remember to ask about **seasonal variations** in expenditure.

NOTE: This section should not be completed in every wealth group interview because it is very time consuming. Two interviews with the poor wealth group and one each with the middle and better off should be sufficient.

| Main Expenditure Categories | Typical Annual Amount Spent | | | |
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| | Quantity (unit) purchased [a] | Frequency purchased [b] | Price per unit [c] | Total = [a] x [b] x [c] |
| Main food items | → | copy total from | page 4, section 7 → | → |
| Other food item: | | | | |
| Other food item: | | | | |
| Household items | | | | |
| Tea/coffee | | | | |
| Salt | | | | |
| Soap | | | | |
| Kerosene/paraffin | | | | |
| Grinding of grain | | | | |
| Water | | | | |
| Firewood/charcoal | | | | |
| Utensils/pots | | | | |
| Inputs | | | | |
| Livestock drugs | | | | |
| Water for animals | | | | |
| Land rental | | | | |
| Ploughing | | | | |
| Seeds | | | | |
| Tools | | | | |
| Agricultural inputs | | | | |
| Agricultural labour | | | | |
| Business investment | | | | |
| Livestock investment | | | | |
| Social services | | | | |
| School (fees,uniform,etc) | | | | |
| Medicine | | | | |
| Other expenditure | | | | |
| Clothing | | | | |
| Taxes | | | | |
| Beer | | | | |
| Cigarettes/tobacco | | | | |
| Community obligations | | | | |
| Transport | | | | |
| Festivals | | | | |
| Other | | | | |
| EXPENDITURE TOTAL (REMINDER: cross check with total income) → | | | | |

Expenditure on which of these items can be reduced in a bad year? By how much (quantify)?

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17. THE SITUATION IN A BAD YEAR (INCLUDING COPING STRATEGIES): How does the situation in a bad year compare to the reference year? Consider differences in **each** source of food and income (quantified changes in amounts) from the reference year and summarize below. Compare quantities from the same period in the reference year and in the bad year (e.g. compare wet season with wet season or dry with dry). Specify which year in the past is being referred to in order to quantify **coping strategies**.

| Source of Food or income | QUANTITY in reference year | QUANTITY in bad year |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Example: firewood sales</i> | <i>1 bundle per week</i> | <i>2 bundles per week</i> |
| Firewood or charcoal sales | | |
| Agricultural labour | | |
| Labour migration | | |
| Labour exchange (payment in food) | | |
| Petty trade | | |
| Cattle sales | | |
| Shoat sales | | |
| Milk and butter sales | | |
| Enset consumption | | |
| Stocks | | |
| Gifts | | |
| Other | | |
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18. If this group is a good source of information, and if there is enough time, you can complete a short **WEALTH BREAKDOWN** (see Community Level Interview format).

19. See your **NON-FOOD** checklist for additional questions you may want to ask this wealth group.

20. **DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES:** What are the mid-term priorities to strengthen food security?

QUALITY OF INTERVIEW (confidence of informants, knowledge of area, consistency of information, etc):