

National Statistical Office
Integrated Household Survey 1997-98
COMMUNITY LEVEL QUESTIONNAIRE (TA or Ward)

District.....Code:
T.A. (Rural), Ward (Urban).....Code:

Supervisor: Please enter the codes of enumeration areas (EA) covered by this TA/Ward in the boxes below.

Name of Enumerator:.....

Date of Survey

Day	Month	Year			

Note to Enumerator: The respondent to this questionnaire is the Chief of TA. For wards, the respondent is ward Chairman. If this person is not available or knowledgeable, other persons such as a school teacher etc., can also be asked. If the ward Chairman is unable to provide the required information, you should contact the City/Town Council and obtain the information for the relevant ward. You should introduce yourself as you did in the I.H.S. household questionnaire.

Question in Section A should be asked to all TAs and wards respondents. Section B should be asked to respondents in the TAs but not in wards in cities.

A1. Broad TA/WARD Characteristics

A1.1 Population of TA/Ward:

A1.2 Compared to its neighbouring TA/WARDS, is your TA/WARD
1=wealthier 2=about the same 3=poorer

A1.3 Religion

	Percent of population
Christian	
Muslim	
Traditional	
Others	

A2. General Social Infrastructure

Please provide information on:

A2.1 Institutions at TA/WARD level

Type of Institution	Exists in TA/WARD Yes=1 No=2	Number of this type of institution
Church		
Mosque		
Sacco of Malawi Union of Saving Cooperatives		
MRFC Clubs		
Tobacco Clubs		

Note: For information about Sacco of Malawi Union of Saving Cooperatives (MUSCO) and MRFC in this question, please contact the district office of the MUSCO and MRFC and collect information for all TAs sampled in that district. If even a rough estimate of number for any of institutions in A2.1.1 and A2.1.2 cannot be obtained write 999.

A2.2 Are there TA/Ward groups/clubs/associations formed by the people themselves (with or without help from government or NGO) catering for /working towards improved services in the community?

Type of institution	Exists in TA/ward (Yes=1, No=2)	Number of groups
Drinking water (tubewell club)		
Children's education		
HIV/AIDS awareness, prevention or care		
Youth organization/club		
Tobacco clubs		
Small scale irrigation (ask only TAs)		
Village action group		
Village health committee		
Farmers clubs		

A2.3 Access to health services in TA/Ward

Services	Exists in TA/ward (Yes=1, No=2)	Number
Private medical practitioners in TA/Ward or reachable in less than an hour by foot.		
Traditional healers/Herbalists (Asing'anga)		
Traditional birth attendants (TBA)		
Family planning services		

A2.4 Services provided by nearest health center

For the nearest health center that is commonly used by people from this TA/Ward, please answer the following questions:

- Operated by whom? (1=Government, 2=NGO, 3=Religious organization)
- Distance in km from TA/Ward center (if within TA/ward write zero)
- Is there a nurse or midwife permanently working at this center (yes=1, no=2)
- Is there a working telephone at this center (or very nearby) (yes=1 no=2)
- Are the following drugs available? (No, never available=1, sometimes available=2, yes, always available=3)
 - Drugs against malaria e.g. fansidar
 - Drugs against diarrhea (e.g. rehydration salt package)

A2.5 Representation of TA/Ward in political organizations

- Is the TA living in this TA/WARD (Yes=1, No=2)
- Is a resident of TA/Ward currently a member of parliament (yes=1, no=2)? If yes → Q4
- If response to question 2 is no, was a resident of this TA/Ward a member of parliament in the last five years (yes=1, no=2)
- Did a member of parliament visit this TA/Ward in the past six months to speak/listen to people (yes=1, no=2)

A2.6 Access of TA/Ward to consumer outlets.

In the TA/Ward or adjacent area very close by (less than an hour by foot from center of TA/Ward) are there.....

Type of institution	Exists in TA/Ward (Yes=1, no=2)	Approximate number of such institutions
Food supermarkets (like PTC)		
Simple shops (but with permanent structures)		
Point of beer or bottle shop (selling alcohol)		
Food market (vegetable and other agricultural produce) <input type="text"/>	For the biggest market, how many market days per week?	
Shop or pharmacy selling basic medicines (such as pills against malaria, pain)		
Drinking water boreholes		
Communal stand taps		

A3.2 Infrastructure of TA/Ward in 1988 (for questions on distance and one-way travel time to service institutions: if services institutions are located inside the TA/Ward, travel time experienced by most people in ward should be noted. If the service center is located outside the TA/ward, distance and travel time to the institution from center of the ward should be recorded.

Type of institution/service (1998)	Is this institution/service available in TA/Ward 1=Yes 2=No	If not available in TA/Ward, distance to the nearest service/institution from center of TA (Km)	One-way travel time to service/institution in rainy season.		One-way travel time to service/institution in dry season.	
			Hours with one decimal	Mode of transport on foot=1, bicycle=2, motor vehicle=3	Hours with one decimal	Mode of transport on foot=1, bicycle=2, motor vehicle=3
1. Tarred road						
2. Gravel all-season road						
3. Bus stop (for stagecoach or regular minibus)						
4. Admarc center						
5. Police Station						
6. Telephone Service						
7. Health Center						
8. Hospital						
9. Office of District Government						
10. Office of RDP (Agricultural extension)						
11. Office of EPA (Agricultural extension)						
12. Home of C.D.A						
13. Traditional Court						
14. Home of Agricultural Field Assistant						
15. Post Office						
16. Commercial/National Bank Branch						
17. Pharmacy						
18. Food Market						
19. Primary School						
20. Secondary School						
21. MRFC Branch Office						
22. Trading Centre						
23. Petrol Station						
24. Paraffin outlet						
25. Gas/Diesel Station						
26. MCDE Center						

Type of institution/service (1988)	Is this institution/service available in TA/Ward 1=Yes 2=No	If not available in TA/Ward, distance to the nearest service/institution from center of TA (Km)	One-way travel time to service/institution in rainy season.		One-way travel time to service/institution in dry season.	
			Hours with one decimal	Mode of transport on foot=1, bicycle=2, motor vehicle=3	Hours with one decimal	Mode of transport on foot=1, bicycle=2, motor vehicle=3
1. Tarred road						
2. Gravel all-season road						
3. Bus stop (for stagecoach or regular minibus)						
4. Admarc center						
5. Police Station						
6. Telephone Service						
7. Health Center						
8. Hospital						
9. Office of District Government						
10. Office of RDP (Agricultural extension)						
11. Office of EPA (Agricultural extension)						
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A4 Prices and wages in last 12 months in TA/Ward (in MK)

Season	To buy 1kg of maize at nearest Admarc center (Kwacha)	To buy 1kg of maize in local market/shop (Kwacha)	Pay one work day of <i>ganyu</i> labor (adult male) for on-farm work	Pay one work day of <i>ganyu</i> labor (adult female) for on-farm work	Buy 500 ml of <i>Kazinga</i> brand of cooking oil
July 97 (<i>Kusosa</i>)					
October 97 (<i>Galauza</i>)					
January 98 (<i>Weeding</i>)					
April 98 (<i>Harvesting</i>)					
July 98 (<i>Kusosa</i>)					
Today (<i>Galauza</i>)					

Note: If oil or maize was not available for sale during this month, write 999. If there was no demand for *ganyu* labor, write 999.

A5 Programs offering services to residents of TA/Ward (excluding credit/loans/savings services)

Note: If an institution is not listed in the following table, but respondent knows the name of the institution, fill out one of the blank rows for that institution, and clearly write the name of the institution.

Important: If no services are provided write 0 in each case.

Does (below institution/program) provide services in TA/Ward	During 1986-1991		During 1992-1996		Since Beginning of 1997	
	First most important service provided	Second most important service provided	First most important service provided	Second most important service provided	First most important service provided	Second most important service provided
1. GoM/World Food Program rehabilitation centres						
2. GoM/World Food Program (Food for work)						
3. GoM/MASAF Community projects (school building etc.)						
4. GoM/MASAF Community projects (Cash for work)						
5. Special projects of GoM/Ministry of Health						
6. Special projects of GoM/Ministry of Agriculture						
7. Special projects of GoM/Ministry of Women, Community Ser.						
8. Government drought relief						
9. Christian Service Committee						
10. CARE/Malawi						
11. Plan International						
12. Save the Children (UK and USA)						
13. World Vision						
14. Action Aid						
15. Concern Universal						
16. EU/GoM micro project						
17. Other government program (write name:.....)						
18. Other government program (write name:.....)						
19. Other NGO/Religious program(write name:.....)						
20. Other NGO/Religious program(write name:.....)						

CODES: 1=crop production extension services; 2=Livestock extension; 3=Extension for agro-forestry or soil conservation techniques; 4=Extension for small enterprise development; 5=Nutrition education; 6=Adult literacy; 7=Family planning; 8=HIV/AIDS prevention and care; 9=Improvement of access to safe drinking water; 10=Sanitation, Hygiene education; 11=Food for work; 12=Cash for work; 13=Gift of fertilizer, seed to villagers (drought or other relief); 14=other in-kind gifts as relief; 15=Feeding of children at schools; 16 Feeding of the needy at other care institutions (not school feeding); 17=Vocational training (carpentry, bricklaying etc.); 18=Building schools; 19=Building health centers; 20=Building roads and other infrastructure.

A6 Programs offering financial services (credit, savings) to residents of TA/Ward

Note: If an institution is not listed in the following table, but respondent knows the name of the institution, fill out one of the blank rows for that institution, and clearly write the name of the institution.

Does (below institution/program) provide services in TA/Ward	During 1986-1991		During 1992-1996		Since Beginning of 1997	
	First most important service provided	Second most important service provided	First most important service provided	Second most important service provided	First most important service provided	Second most important service provided
1. Commercial Bank Branch Office						
2. National Bank Branch Office						
3. Malawi Rural Finance Company Branch Office						
4. Malawi Union of Savings and Credit						
5. New Building Society						
6. FINCA						
7. Promotion of Rural Women/CDA						
8. World Council of Credit Unions						
9. Smallholder Agricultural Credit						
10. Christian Service Committee						
11. CARE/Malawi						
12. Save the Children (UK and USA)						
13. World Vision						
14. Action Aid						
15. Women's World Banking						
16. National Association of Business Women						
17. Other government program (write name:.....)						
18. Other government program (write name:.....)						
19. Other NGO/Religious program(write name:.....)						
20. Other NGO/Religious program(write name:.....)						

CODES: 1=Savings services; 2=Agricultural credit; 3=Off-farm micro-enterprise credit; 4=Loan for building house

A7 General risks/problems in the TA/Ward

On a scale from 1 to 3 (1=little or no risk/problem, 2=medium risk/problem, 3=high risk/problem), how would you rank the severity of the following risks and problems now and 10 years ago?

Type of risk/problem	Now (during 1998)	Ten years ago
Breakdown of major bridge/road in TA		
Break-up of families (divorce)		
Early death of young or middle-age men		
Early death of young or middle-age women		
Electricity blackouts (not applicable if no electricity grid in TA, then write 999)		
Armed robbery		
Local Admarc center running out of maize to sell before next harvest		
Child labor		
Child malnutrition		
Corruption of local (i.e. district/TA/government officials)		
Shortage of soap		
Shortage of sugar		
Shortage of cooking oil		

Note: Shortage means that commodity is not available in shop/market at any price for at least a week.

A8 Changes in livelihood in TA/Ward

During the past 10 years, were there any **significant** (i.e. really noticeable) positive or negative changes in the following that – in your opinion – made an impact on the quality of life of people residing in this TA/Ward ?

Infrastructure /access and availability of service	Type of change 1=Positive 2=Negative 3=No change	If positive or negative, the year around which change occurred
1. Access to safe water (water from pipes or protected ground wells)		
2. Availability of prenatal and antenatal health care		
3. Awareness of HIV/AIDS/knowledge on prevention of AIDS infection		
4. Awareness of/education on treatment of malaria		
5. Awareness of/education on treatment of diarrhea		
6. Quality or number of primary school		
7. Quality or number of secondary school		
8. Access to tobacco market (including quota/right for smallholders to produce tobacco)		
9. Availability of other cash crops (write type of crop)		
10. Availability of agricultural inputs (seed, technology, fertilizer)		
11. Availability of electricity		
12. Access to public work program (food for work or cash for work)		
13. Access to small enterprise development program (not agricultural credit)		
14. Availability of agricultural credit		
15. Access to electricity		
16. Access to telephone service		
17. Change in industry/service sector affecting availability of jobs		
18. Access to/quality of secondary (feeder) roads, including bridges		
19. Receipt of relief aid (for example fertilizer, seed or food as gift)		
20. Quality/transparency of decision making at local government		
21. Quality/number of self help institutions in TA/Ward taking economic or social problems in their own hands		
22. Adult literacy programs		
23. Vocational training programs		
24. Nutrition education programs		
25. Training of communities and its people in forming/managing self help institutions		
26. Availability of new higher yielding crops or varieties		
27. Availability of irrigation		
28. Change in estate agriculture affecting availability of jobs for casual labor		
29. . Change in estate agriculture affecting availability of customary land		

Part B: Questionnaire for TAs (rural, agricultural areas) only. Not urban wards.

B.1 Access to agricultural input and output markets and extension service and changes during past 5 years

B.1.1: Number of crop buyers and input dealers (excluding ADMARC) in 97/98 agricultural season and change compared to five years ago.

Type of buyer/seller	Approximate number of traders during 97/98 agricultural season trading in TA/Ward	Change in number of traders compared to 5 years ago? 1=less now 2=about the same 3=more now
Maize buyers coming to TA/Village		
Buyers of green leaf tobacco coming to village		
Buyers of tobacco bales		
Buyers of pulses		
Sellers (including shops) of fertilizer		
Sellers (including shops) of hybrid maize seed		
Agribusiness contracting out special production activities like sunflower cultivation, pepper cultivation, cotton etc.		

B1.2 Compared to the situation 5 years ago, do farmers in this village have more or less choice in whom to sell to or whom they buy from:

Commodities	Sell Tobacco	Sell Pulses	Sell Maize	Sell Rice	Buy fertilizer	Buy hybrid maize seed
Code for change 1=less choice 2=about the same 3=more choice now						

B1.3 Compared to the situation 5 years ago, what were the changes in the agricultural extension service provided in this TA?

	Quality/frequency of extension on maize production (use codes described below)	Quality/frequency of extension on cash crop production (tobacco, beans or other local cash crop) (use code described below)
Change		

Code: 1= severely decreased 2= decreased 3=about the same 4= improved 5=considerably improved

B2. Land tenure and soil fertility

B2.1 For the customary land in your TA, tell us about the changes that have occurred during the past 5 years with respect to.....?

Availability of firewood for collection	Soil fertility	Planting of tobacco	Planting of other cash crops	Availability of pasture/thickets for goats, sheep or cattle

Code for change: 1= increased 2=about the same 3=decreased

B2.2 Changes in land tenure and irrigation

Of the total area (except buildings, roads) in TA, how did different types of land uses change over the past ten years?

Type of land	Does this type of land use exist in TA during 97/98 season 1=yes 2=no	Did this type of land use exist in TA 10 years ago 1=yes 2=no	Ask if both questions 1 and 2 are answered as "yes"	
			Compared to ten years ago, how did the share in this type of land change? 1=decreased 2=remained the same 3=increased	Percentage change (Base=1988) If respondent does not give a rough estimate, write 999).
Irrigated land under customary law				
Rain fed, cultivated land under customary law				
Degraded land under customary law that can no longer be cultivated even with mineral fertilizer				
Fallow land under customary law (but suitable for crop production after fallow)				
Grassland under customary law (for grazing etc.)				
Forest, thickets, tree savannah under customary law				
Public land (any type of use)				
Leasehold/Freehold land				

B2.3 Maize yields and availability of customary land for smallholders

	What is your best estimate of the average yield of hybrid maize in this TA during the following periods? Codes: 1=increased 2=remained the same 3=decreased	What is your best estimate of the average yield of local maize in this TA during the following periods? Codes: 1=increased 2=remained the same 3=decreased	During (period below), how difficult (see code) was it for the Traditional Authorities to give customary land to needy families of the TA for cultivation? Codes: 1=impossible 2=very difficult 3=difficult but always feasible 4=not difficult 5=there is no scarcity of fertile customary land in this TA for rightful residents of this TA
1996-1998			
1992-1995			
1988-1991			
Before 1988			

B3 Risks of crop and animal production in the TA

On a scale from 1 to 3 (1=low or no risk/problem, 2=medium risk/problem, 3=high risk/problem) how would you rank the severity of the following risks and problems now and 10 years ago?

Type of risk/problem	Now (during 1998)	Ten years ago	During 89-98, in how many years did such a problem occur in a serious manner
Rains come very late			
Rains stop very early			
Drought (destruction of maize or major food)			
Destruction of food crop by flooding			
Destruction of food crop by hail/wind/storm			
Destruction of food crop by insects/pests			
Diseases lowering chicken production			
Diseases lowering pig production			
Diseases lowering beef/milk production			