

South Africa - Quarterly Labour Force Survey 2025

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Identification

SURVEY ID NUMBER
ZAF_2025_QLFS-Q4_v01_M

TITLE
Quarterly Labour Force Survey 2025

SUBTITLE
Quarter 4

ABBREVIATION OR ACRONYM
QLFS-Q4 2025

COUNTRY/ECONOMY

Name	Country code
South Africa	ZAF

STUDY TYPE
Labour Force Survey

ABSTRACT
The Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) is a household-based sample survey conducted by Statistics South Africa (Stats SA). It collects data on the labour market activities of individuals aged 15 years or older who live in South Africa.

KIND OF DATA
Sample survey data [ssd]

UNIT OF ANALYSIS
Individuals

Version

VERSION DESCRIPTION
Version 01: Edited, anonymised dataset for public distribution.

VERSION DATE
2026-02

VERSION NOTES
This version was retrieved by DataFirst from StatsSA on 20th February 2026.

Scope

NOTES
INDIVIDUALS: labour market activity, labour preferences, labour market history, demographic characteristics, marital status, employment status, education, grants, tax.

From 2010 the income data collected by South Africa's Quarterly Labour Force Survey is no longer provided in the QLFS dataset (except for a brief return in QLFS 2010 Q3 which may be an error). Possibly because the data is unreliable at the level of the quarter, Statistics South Africa now provides the income data from the QLFS in an annualised dataset called Labour Market Dynamics in South Africa (LMDSA). The datasets for LMDSA are available from DataFirst's website.

Coverage

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

The survey has national coverage

GEOGRAPHIC UNIT

The data is at the provincial and metropolitan level, as well as by geographic type (urban/traditional/farms)

UNIVERSE

The QLFS sample covers the non-institutional population of South Africa with one exception. The only institutional subpopulation included in the QLFS sample are individuals in workers' hostels. Persons living in private dwelling units within institutions are also included in the enumeration. For example, within a school compound, one would enumerate the schoolmaster's house and the teachers' accommodation, as these are private dwellings. Students living in a dormitory on the school compound would, however, be excluded.

Producers and sponsors

PRIMARY INVESTIGATORS

Name	Affiliation
Statistics South Africa	Government of South Africa

Sampling

SAMPLING PROCEDURE

The QLFS uses a master sampling frame that is used by several household surveys conducted by Statistics South Africa. This wave of the QLFS is based on the 2013 master frame, which was created based on the 2011 census. There are 3324 PSUs in the master frame and roughly 33 000 dwelling units. The sample for the QLFS is based on a stratified two-stage design with probability proportional to size (PPS) sampling of PSUs in the first stage and sampling of dwelling units (DUs) with systematic sampling in the second stage. For each quarter of the QLFS, a quarter of the sampled dwellings are rotated out of the sample. These dwellings are replaced by new dwellings from the same PSU or the next PSU on the list. For more information see the statistical release.

WEIGHTING

The sample weights were constructed to account for the following: the original selection probabilities (design weights); adjustments for PSUs that were sub-sampled or segmented; excluded population from the sampling frame (EAs with insufficient DUs); non-response; weight trimming; benchmarking to known population estimates from the Demographic Analysis Chief Directorate within Stats SA; and raking to bias-adjusted control estimates from a bias-adjustment procedure to compensate for the non-coverage bias in the sample due to only observing those households that can be contacted by telephone.

Data collection

DATES OF DATA COLLECTION

Start	End
2025-10	2025-12

TIME PERIODS

Start date	End date
2025-10	2025-12

DATA COLLECTION MODE

Face-to-face and Computer Assisted Personal and Telephone Interviews

DATA COLLECTION NOTES

Data was collected using face-to-face interviewing with CAPI questionnaires

DATA COLLECTORS

Name	Abbreviation	Affiliation
Statistics South Africa	StatsSA	Government of South Africa

Access policy

CONTACTS

Name	Affiliation	Email	URL
DataFirst Helpdesk	University of Cape Town	Link	support.data1st.org

ACCESS CONDITIONS

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ACCESS AUTHORITY

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Metadata production

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PRODUCERS

Name	Affiliation	Role	Abbreviation
DataFirst	University of Cape Town	Metadata producer	
Development Data Group	World Bank Group	Metadata adapted for World Bank Microdata Library	DECDG

DATE OF METADATA PRODUCTION

2026-02

DDI DOCUMENT VERSION

Identical to a metadata (zaf-statssa-qlfs-2025-q4-v1) published on DataFirst microdata repository (<https://www.datafirst.uct.ac.za/dataportal/index.php/catalog>). Some of the metadata fields have been edited.

Data Dictionary

Data file	Cases	Variables
qlfs-2025-q4-v1	63264	200

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Cases: 63264

Variables: 200

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V1	UQNO	Unique number	
V2	SURVEYDATE	Survey Date	
V3	PERSONNO	Person number	
V4	Q12NIGHTS	Stayed at least four nights	
V5	Q13GENDER	Gender	
V6	Q14DAY	Day of birth	
V7	Q14MONTH	Month of birth	
V8	Q14YEAR	Year of birth	
V9	Q14AGE	Age	
V10	Q15POPULATION	Population group	
V11	Q16MARITALSTATUS	Marital status	
V12	Q17EDUCATION	Highest education level	
V13	Q18FIELD	Study field	
V14	Q19ATTE	Currently attending educational institution	
V15	Q110EDUI	Education Institution	
V16	Q111APPRENTICE	Participation in unpaid apprenticeships	
V17	Q112TRAIN	Participation in non-formal education	
V18	Q20SELFRESPOND	Person himself/herself responding	
V19	Q24APDWRK	Paid work	
V20	Q24BOWNBUSNS	Own business	
V21	Q24CUNPDWRK	Unpaid work	
V22	Q25APDWRK	Have paid work to return to	
V23	Q27RSNABSENT	Main reason absent from work	
V24	Q27OFFSEASON	Continued work during off-season	
V25	Q27ATIME	Time absent from work	
V26	Q27BRECPAY	Receive pay	
V27	Q2801CROPS	Crop production	
V28	Q2802ANIMALS	Animal production	
V29	Q2803FISHING	Fishery and aquaculture activities	
V30	Q2804NONE	None of the above	
V31	Q2901CROPS	Crop production	
V32	Q2902ANIMALS	Animal production	
V33	Q2903FISHING	Fishery and aquaculture activities	
V34	Q2904JOB	Another type of job or business	
V35	Q210MARKET	Main intended destination of production	
V36	Q211HIRE	Hired by someone else	
V37	Q212SUBINDUSTRY	Main products produced through farming/fishing	
V38	Q31ALOOKWRK	Look for work	

ID	Name	Label	Question
V39	Q31BSTARTBUSNS	Start business	
V40	Q3201REGISTER	Registered	
V41	Q3202ENQUIRE	Enquired	
V42	Q3203JOBADS	Placed adverts	
V43	Q3204JOBSEARCH	Search job	
V44	Q3205ASSISTANCE	Sought assistance	
V45	Q3206STARTBUSNS	Start own business	
V46	Q3207CASUAL	Casual work	
V47	Q3208FINASSIST	Financial assistance	
V48	Q33HAVEJOB	Have a job or start a business	
V49	Q33AWHNSTART	How soon are you expecting to start work or a business	
V50	Q34WANTTOWRK	Liked to work	
V51	Q35YNOTWRK	Reason for not working	
V52	Q36TIMESEEK	How long been trying to find work	
V53	Q37ACTPRIORJOBSEEK	Activity before looking for work	
V54	Q38RSNOTSEEK	Reason why not look for work or start business	
V55	Q39JOBOFFER	Accept job if offered	
V56	Q311RSNOTAVAILABLE	Reason not available for work	
V57	Q311bWHNSTART	How soon can you start work or a business	
V58	Q312EVERWRK	Ever worked	
V59	Q313TIMEUNEMPLOY	Time since last worked	
V60	Q314RSNSTOPWRK	Main reason you stopped working	
V61	Q315PREVOCCUPATION	Previous occupation	
V62	Q316PREVINDUSTRY	Previous industry	
V63	Q317WRK4WHOM	Whom did you work for	
V64	Q319aODDJOB	Odd jobs	
V65	Q319bINHHPERS	Persons in the household	
V66	Q319cNOTHHPERS	Persons not in the household	
V67	Q319dCHARITY	Charity	
V68	Q319eUIF	UIF	
V69	Q319fSAVINGS	Savings	
V70	Q319gPENSION	Pension	
V71	Q319hGRANTS	Child support grant	
V72	Q319iWELFARE	Welfare grants	
V73	Q319jOTHER	Other source of support	
V74	Q41MULTIPLEJOBS	More than one job	
V75	Q42OCCUPATION	Occupation	
V76	Q43INDUSTRY	Industry	
V77	Q44YEARSTART	Year commenced work	
V78	Q44MONTHSTART	Month commenced work	
V79	Q45WRK4WHOM	Main work	
V80	Q45aDECISION	Decision making in running family business	
V81	Q45b01WAGE	Wage or salary	
V82	Q45b02PIECEWRK	Payment by piece of work completed	
V83	Q45b03COMM	Commission	

ID	Name	Label	Question
V84	Q45b04TIPS	Tips	
V85	Q45b05FEESERV	Fees for service provided	
V86	Q45b06MEALS	Payment with meals	
V87	Q45b07PRODUCTS	Payment in products	
V88	Q45b08CASHPAY	Other cash payment	
V89	Q45b09NOTPAID	Not paid	
V90	Q46PENSION	Contribution to pension or retirement fund	
V91	Q46APENSIONSELF	Personal contribution to pension or retirement fund	
V92	Q47PDLEAVE	Paid leave	
V93	Q47B1PDSICK	Paid leave sick leave	
V94	Q47B2MATERNITY	Maternity/ paternity leave	
V95	Q48UIF	UIF Deductions	
V96	Q49MEDICAL	Medical aid or health insurance contribution	
V97	Q410INCOMETAX	Registered for personal income tax	
V98	Q411CONTRACTTYPE	Employment contract	
V99	Q412CONTRDURATION	Work status	
V100	Q412ACONTRPERIOD	Contract period	
V101	Q412AiCONMINIMUM	Minimum amount of hours	
V102	Q412BMEMUNION	Trade union membership	
V103	Q412CSALINCREMENT	Salary increment	
V104	Q412dTYPEBUSNS	Type of business or enterprise	
V105	Q413aHIRE	Hiring of employees	
V106	Q413bREGISTER	Registration of the business	
V107	Q413cCORPORATION	Incorporation of the business	
V108	Q413C1SINGLECLIENT	Main client	
V109	Q413C2SOURCECLIENT	Source of clients	
V110	Q413C3MAKEPROD	Single company service provision	
V111	Q413C3SELLPROD	Single company sales	
V112	Q413C3MATERIALS	Single company materials/equipment	
V113	Q413C3NONE	None of the above	
V114	Q413C4SETPRICE	Set product/service price	
V115	Q413C4DECIDEHOW	Decision on where, when, or how to work	
V116	Q413C4NONE	None of the above	
V117	Q413VAT	Registered for VAT	
V118	Q414TAX	Registered for business income tax	
V119	Q414bBOOKTYPE	Type of business account kept	
V120	Q414cPENSION_DC	Payment of pension/retirement fund for oneself	
V121	Q415PLACE	Type of place of work	
V122	Q416NRWORKERS	Number of employees	
V123	Q418HRSWRK	Hours usually work	
V124	Q419MONHRSWRK	Hours worked past week- on Monday	
V125	Q419TUEHRSWRK	Hours worked past week- on Tuesday	
V126	Q419WEDHRSWRK	Hours worked past week- on Wednesday	
V127	Q419THUHRSWRK	Hours worked past week- on Thursday	
V128	Q419FRIHRSWRK	Hours worked past week- on Friday	

ID	Name	Label	Question
V129	Q419SATHRSWRK	Hours worked past week- on Saturday	
V130	Q419SUNHRSWRK	Hours worked past week- on Sunday	
V131	Q419TOTALHRS	Hours worked- in total	
V132	Q420FIRSTHRSWRK	Hours usually worked- In your first job/business	
V133	Q420SECONDHRSWRK	Hours usually worked - In your second job/business	
V134	Q420OTHERHRSWRK	Hours usually worked - In all other jobs/businesses	
V135	Q420TOTALHRSWRK	Hours usually worked - in total	
V136	Q4211MONHRSWRK	Hours worked on first job - on Monday	
V137	Q4211TUEHRSWRK	Hours worked on first job - on Tuesday	
V138	Q4211WEDHRSWRK	Hours worked on first job - on Wednesday	
V139	Q4211THUHRSWRK	Hours worked on first job - on Thursday	
V140	Q4211FRIHRSWRK	Hours worked on first job - on Friday	
V141	Q4211SATHRSWRK	Hours worked on first job - on Saturday	
V142	Q4211SUNHRSWRK	Hours worked on first job - on Sunday	
V143	Q4211TOTALHRS	Hours worked on first job - in total	
V144	Q4212MONHRSWRK	Hours worked on second job - on Monday	
V145	Q4212TUEHRSWRK	Hours worked on second job - on Tuesday	
V146	Q4212WEDHRSWRK	Hours worked on second job - on Wednesday	
V147	Q4212THUHRSWRK	Hours worked on second job - on Thursday	
V148	Q4212FRIHRSWRK	Hours worked on second job - on Friday	
V149	Q4212SATHRSWRK	Hours worked on second job - on Saturday	
V150	Q4212SUNHRSWRK	Hours worked on second job - on Sunday	
V151	Q4212TOTALHRS	Hours worked on second job - in total	
V152	Q4213MONHRSWRK	Hours worked on all other jobs - on Monday	
V153	Q4213TUEHRSWRK	Hours worked on all other jobs - on Tuesday	
V154	Q4213WEDHRSWRK	Hours worked on all other jobs - on Wednesday	
V155	Q4213THUHRSWRK	Hours worked on all other jobs - on Thursday	
V156	Q4213FRIHRSWRK	Hours worked on all other jobs - on Friday	
V157	Q4213SATHRSWRK	Hours worked on all other jobs - on Saturday	
V158	Q4213SUNHRSWRK	Hours worked on all other jobs - on Sunday	
V159	Q4213TOTALHRS	Hours worked on all other jobs - in total	
V160	Q422MOREHRS	Liked to work more hours	
V161	Q423ADDHRS	Additional hours	
V162	Q424WRKXHRS	Willing to work longer hours	
V163	Q425STARTXWRK	Willing to do extra work	
V164	Q59AFARMWRK	Do farm work	
V165	Q59ATIME	Time doing farm work	
V166	Q59BFETCHWATER	Fetch water	
V167	Q59BTIME	Time fetching water	
V168	Q59CPRODHHGOODS	Produce goods	
V169	Q59CTIME	Time producing goods	
V170	Q59DCONSTRUC	Do construction	
V171	Q59DTIME	Time doing construction work	
V172	Q59ECATCHFOOD	Catch food	
V173	Q59ETIME	Time fetching food	

ID	Name	Label	Question
V174	Province	Province	
V175	Metro_code	Metro/non-metro	
V176	Geo_Type_Code	Geography type	
V177	Stratum	Stratum	
V178	Age_grp1	Age group	
V179	Status	Employment status	
V180	Lfs_Status	Employment status detailed	
V181	InactReason	Inactivity reason	
V182	Unempl_Status	Unemployment status	
V183	Indus	Main industry grouped	
V184	Occup	Main occupation grouped	
V185	PrevIndus	Previous industry grouped	
V186	PrevOccup	Previous occupation grouped	
V187	Sector	Sector	
V188	Infempl	Informal employment	
V189	Long_term_unempl	Long-term unemployment	
V190	at_least_1	Involvement in at least one non-market activity	
V191	Underempl	Underemployment	
V192	Hrswrk	Hours worked	
V193	Education_status	Education Status	
V194	Neet	Not in employment, education or training	
V195	Graduates	Education Status2	
V196	Ste_icse93	Status in employment (ICSE-93)	
V197	Ste_icse18_authority	Status in employment by type of authority-5 main categories, (ICSE-18)	
V198	Ste_icse18	Status in employment by type of authority- detailed (ICSE-18)	
V199	Ste_icse18_risk	Status in employment by type of economic risk, (ICSE-18)	
V200	Weight	Weight	

Total: 200

UQNO: Unique number

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

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 Type: Continuous Width: -18 Format: character

Q15POPULATION: Population group

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	African/Black
2	Coloured
3	Indian/Asian
4	White

SURVEYDATE: Survey Date

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 4102025 Maximum: 4122025
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
4102025	4102025
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4122025	4122025

PERSONNO: Person number

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 26
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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Q12NIGHTS: Stayed at least four nights

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 1

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes

Q13GENDER: Gender

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Male
2	Female

Q14DAY: Day of birth

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

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 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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Q14MONTH: Month of birth

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 12
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	January
2	February
3	March
4	April

5	May
6	June
7	July
8	August
9	September
10	October
11	November
12	December

Q14YEAR: Year of birth

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1910 Maximum: 2025

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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Q14AGE: Age

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: Maximum: 115
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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Q16MARITALSTATUS: Marital status

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Married
2	Living together like husband and wife
3	Widow/Widower
4	Divorced or separated
5	Never married
9	Unspecified

Q17EDUCATION: Highest education level

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: Maximum: 99
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
	Grade R/0

1	Grade 1/Sub A
2	Grade 2/Sub B
3	Grade 3/Standard 1/AET 1 (KHARI RI GUDE ,SANLI)
4	Grade 4/Standard 2
5	Grade 5/Standard 3/AET 2
6	Grade 6/Standard 4
7	Grade 7/Standard 5/AET 3
8	Grade 8/Standard 6/Form 1
9	Grade 9/Standard 7/Form 2/AET 4
10	Grade 10/Standard 8/Form 3
11	Grade 11/Standard 9/Form 4
12	Grade 12/Standard 10/Form 5/Matric (No Exemption)
13	Grade 12/Standard 10/Form 5/Matric (Exemption/Bachelor's pass)
14	NTC I/N1/NIC/(v) Level 2
15	NTC II/N2/NIC/(v) Level 3
16	NTC III/N3/NIC/(v) Level 4
17	N4/NTC 4
18	N5/NTC 5
19	N6/NTC 6
20	Certificate with less than Grade 12/Std 10
21	Diploma with less than Grade 12/Std 10
22	Certificate with Grade 12/Std 10
23	Diploma with Grade 12/Std 10
24	Higher Diploma
25	Post Higher Diploma (Masters; Doctoral Diploma)
26	Bachelors Degree
27	Bachelors Degree and Post Graduate Diploma
28	Honours Degree
29	Higher Degree (Masters/Phd)
30	Other
31	Do not know
98	No schooling
99	Unspecified

Q18FIELD: Study field

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 5861 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 38

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Agriculture or Renewable natural resources
2	Architecture or environmental design
3	Arts; Visual or Performing
4	Business; commerce and management studies
5	Communication
6	Computer science
7	Education; training or development
8	Engineering or engineering technology
9	Health care or health sciences
10	Home economics
11	Industrial arts; traders or technology
12	Languages; linguistic or literature
13	Law
14	Libraries or museums
15	Life sciences or physical sciences
16	Mathematical sciences
17	Military sciences
18	Philosophy; religion or theology
19	Physical education or leisure
20	Psychology
21	Public administration or social services
22	Social sciences or social studies
23	Other
24	Management
25	Marketing
26	Information technology and computer science
27	Finance; economics and accounting
28	Office administration
29	Electrical infrastructure construction
30	Civil engineering and building construction
31	Engineering
32	Primary agriculture
33	Hospitality
34	Tourism

35	Safety in society
36	Mechatronics
37	Education and development
38	Other

Q19ATTE: Currently attending educational institution

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
9	Unspecified

Q110EDUI: Education Institution

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 20040 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Pre-school (including day care; crèche; Grade R and Pre-Grade R in an ECD Centre)
2	Ordinary School (Including Grade R Learners Who Attend a Formal School; Grade 1-12 Learners and Learners in Special Class)
3	Special School
4	Further Education and Training College (FET)
5	Other College
6	Higher Education Institution (University/University of Technology)
7	Adult Basic Education and Training Centre (ABET CENTRE)
8	Literacy classes (e.g KHAI RI GUDE, SANLI)

9	Home based education/home schooling
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Q111APPRENTICE: Participation in unpaid apprenticeships

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q112TRAIN: Participation in non-formal education

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q20SELFRESPOND: Person himself/herself responding

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q24APDWRK: Paid work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46031 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q24BOWNBUSNS: Own business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 33055 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q24CUNPDWRK: Unpaid work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30466 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q25APDWRK: Have paid work to return to

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30374 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q27RSNABSENT: Main reason absent from work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 211 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 15
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Health reasons (sic kness, illness, accident)
2	Vacation leave, holi days
3	Caring for family or other (except matern ity/paternity leave)
4	Maternity or patern ity leave
5	Other family/comm unity obligations (fun erals, meeting)
8	Bad weather, natural disaster
9	Study or training leave
11	Temporarily laid off/reduction in economic activity

12	Seasonal work (low or off-season)
15	Other reason, specify

Q27OFFSEASON: Continued work during off-season

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q27ATIME: Time absent from work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 92 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Within 3 months?
2	After 3 months?
3	Not sure to return

Q27BRECPAY: Receive pay

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 32 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q2801CROPS: Crop production

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30194 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q2802ANIMALS: Animal production

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30194 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q2803FISHING: Fishery and aquaculture activities

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30194 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q2804NONE: None of the above

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30194 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q2901CROPS: Crop production

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 2861 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q2902ANIMALS: Animal production

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 2861 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q2903FISHING: Fishery and aquaculture activities

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 2861 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q2904JOB: Another type of job or business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 2861 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q210MARKET: Main intended destination of production**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 1074 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Only for sale
2	Mainly for sale
3	Mainly for family use/ consumption
4	Only for family use/ consumption
5	Other

Q211HIRE: Hired by someone else**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 996 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q212SUBINDUSTRY: Main products produced through farming/fishing**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 993 Minimum: 111 Maximum: 999
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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111	Growing of crops
112	Farming of animals
113	Growing of crops combined with farming of animals(mixed farming)
132	Fish hatcheries and fish farms
999	Unspecified

Q31ALOOKWRK: Look for work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q31BSTARTBUSNS: Start business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q3201REGISTER: Registered

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7322 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q3202ENQUIRE: Enquired

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7322 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q3203JOBADS: Placed adverts

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7322 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q3204JOBSEARCH: Search job

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7322 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q3205ASSISTANCE: Sought assistance

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7322 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q3206STARTBUSNS: Start own business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7322 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q3207CASUAL: Casual work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7322 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q3208FINASSIST: Financial assistance

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7322 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q33HAVEJOB: Have a job or start a business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 22870 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q33AWHNSTART: How soon are you expecting to start work or a business**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 32 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Within 1 month or less
2	In more than 1 month to 3 month
3	In more than 3 month

Q34WANTTOWRK: Liked to work**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 22857 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q35YNOTWRK: Reason for not working**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 18304 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Scholar or student
2	Housewife/homemaker (family considerations/child care)

3	Health reasons
4	Retired or too old for work
5	No desire to work
6	Too young to work
7	Pregnancy
8	Disabled or unable to work
9	Unspecified

Q36TIMESEEK: How long been trying to find work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7335 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 8
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Less than 3 months
2	3 months - less than 6 months
3	6 months - less than 9 months
4	9 months - less than 1 year
5	1 year - less than 3 years
6	3 years - 5 years
7	More than 5 years
8	Do not know

Q37ACTPRIORJOBSEEK: Activity before looking for work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 7335 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Working

2	Managing a home
3	Going to school
4	Other

Q38RSNNOTSEEK: Reason why not look for work or start business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 4553 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 16
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Awaiting the seasonal work
2	Waiting to be recalled to former job
3	Health reasons
4	Pregnancy
5	Disabled or unable to work (handicapped)
6	Housewife/homemaker (Family considerations/Child care)
7	Undergoing training to help find work
8	No jobs available in the area
9	Lack of money to pay for transport to look for work
10	Unable to find work requiring his/her skills
11	Lost hope of finding any kind of work
12	No transport available
13	Scholar or student
14	Retired/ too old to work
15	Too young to work
16	Other reason

Q39JOBOFFER: Accept job if offered

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 11888 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q311RSNNOTAVAILABLE: Reason not available for work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 135 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Scholar or student
2	Housewife/homemaker (Family considerations/Child care)
3	Health reasons
4	Retired /too old to work
5	No desire to work
6	Too young to work
7	Pregnancy
8	Disabled or unable to work
9	Other

Q311BWHNSTART: How soon can you start work or a business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 135 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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1	Within a week
2	Within two weeks
3	Within four weeks

Q312EVERWRK: Ever worked

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q313TIMEUNEMPLOY: Time since last worked

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 14142 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 8
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Less than 3 months
2	3 months - less than 6 months
3	6 months - less than 9 months
4	9 months - less than 1 year
5	1 year - less than 3 years
6	3 years - 5 years
7	More than 5 years
8	Do not know

Q314RSNSTOPWRK: Main reason you stopped working**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 4626 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 10
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Health reason
2	Caring for own children/relatives
3	Pregnancy
4	Other family/community responsibilities
5	Going to school
6	Lost job/job ended/laid off/business sold/closed down
7	Changed residence
8	Dissatisfied with the job
9	Retired/ too old to work
10	Other

Q315PREVOCCUPATION: Previous occupation**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 4626 Minimum: 1110 Maximum: 9999
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1110	Legislators
1120	Senior government officers
1210	Directors and chief executives
1221	Production and operations managers/department managers in agriculture, hunting, forestry, fishing and mining
1222	Production and operations managers/department managers in manufacturing
1223	Production and operations managers/department managers in building and construction
1224	Production and operations managers/department managers in wholesale and retail trade
1225	Production and operations managers/department managers in hotels, restaurants and other catering and accommodation services

1226	Production and operations managers/department managers in transport, storage and communications
1227	Production and operations managers/department managers in business services
1229	Production and operations managers/department managers not elsewhere classified
1231	Finance and administration managers/department managers
1232	Personnel and industrial relations managers/department managers
1233	Sales and marketing managers/department managers
1235	Supply and distribution managers/department managers
1239	Other managers/department managers not elsewhere classified
1311	General managers in agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing
1312	General managers in manufacturing
1313	General managers in construction
1314	General managers in wholesale and retail trade
1315	General managers of hotels, restaurants and other catering or accommodation services
1316	General managers in transport, storage and communication
1317	General managers of business services
1390	General managers not elsewhere classified
2131	Computer systems designers and analysts
2132	Computer programmers
2141	Architects, town and traffic planners
2143	Electrical engineers
2144	Electronics and telecommunications engineers
2145	Mechanical engineers
2146	Chemical engineers
2149	Architects, engineers and related professionals not elsewhere classified, Industrial/production engineers, Quantity surveyors, Architects, engineers and related professionals not elsewhere classified
2211	Biologists, botanists, zoologists and related professionals
2221	Medical practitioners, physicians
2224	Pharmacists
2230	Nursing and midwifery professionals, Nursing services managers and Professional nurses
2310	Technikon, teacher training, technical and other colleges, university and other higher education institutions teaching professionals and Other post-secondary education teaching professionals
2320	Secondary education teaching professionals
2331	Primary education teaching professionals
2332	Pre-primary education teaching professionals
2351	Education methods specialists
2411	Accountants and related accounting occupations, Accounting occupations not elsewhere classified, Auditors and related occupations and Articled clerks with accountant/auditor
2412	Personnel and careers professionals, Consultants: management/personnel
2419	Business professionals not elsewhere classified, Consultants
2421	Advocates, attorneys and related occupations, Lawyers/attorneys and related occupations, Advocates/barristers, Prosecutors and Articled clerks

2429	Legal professionals not elsewhere classified
2441	Economists
2446	Social work professionals
2451	Authors, journalists and other writers, Editors, Reporters, journalists, Writers, poets, playwrights and Other writers, commentators, proofreaders
2452	Sculptors, painters and related artists
2454	Choreographers and dancers
2455	Film, stage and related actors and directors
2460	Religious professionals
2490	Other professionals not elsewhere classified
3111	Natural science technicians
3112	Civil engineering technicians, Technicians, engineering, civil, Assistants, technical and civil engineering
3113	Electrical engineering technicians, Technicians, engineering, electrical, Assistants, technical, electrical engineering
3114	Electronics and telecommunications engineering technicians, Assistants, technical and electronic engineering
3115	Mechanical engineering technicians, Technicians, engineering, mechanical, Assistants, technical and mechanical engineering
3118	Draughtspersons
3131	Photographers and image recording equipment operators, Sound recording equipment operators
3132	Broadcasting and telecommunications equipment operators
3152	Safety, health and quality inspectors, Inspectors, safety and health
3213	Farming and forestry advisers/consultants
3228	Pharmaceutical assistants
3231	Nursing associate professionals, Nurses, senior, student, pupil, Nurses, not elsewhere classified (nursing assistants/aids included under personal care and related workers)
3241	Traditional medicine practitioners
3310	Primary education teaching associate professionals
3320	Pre-primary education teaching associate professionals
3340	Other teaching associate professionals
3391	Teaching associate professionals not elsewhere classified
3411	Securities and finance dealers and brokers
3412	Insurance representatives
3413	Estate agents
3415	Technical and commercial sales representatives
3416	Buyers
3417	Appraisers, valuers and auctioneers
3421	Trade brokers
3429	Business services agents and trade brokers not elsewhere classified
3431	Administrative secretaries and related associate professionals
3432	Legal and related business associate professionals, Legal business professions and Other business professions
3433	Bookkeepers

3444	Government licensing officers
3449	Customs, tax and related government associate professionals not elsewhere classified
3460	Social work associate professionals
3471	Decorators and commercial designers, Product, industrial designers, Textile/ clothing/ fashion designers, Interior designers, Graphics designers and Designers not elsewhere classified
3475	Athletes, sportspersons and related associate professionals
3479	Art, entertainment and sport associate professionals not elsewhere classified
4113	Data entry operators
4115	Secretaries
4121	Accounting and bookkeeping clerks
4122	Statistical finance clerks
4131	Stock clerks
4132	Production clerks
4133	Transport clerks
4141	Library and filing clerks
4142	Mail carriers and sorting clerks
4143	Coding, proof-reading and related clerks
4190	Other office clerks and clerks not elsewhere classified (except customer services clerks)
4211	Cashiers and ticket clerks
4212	Tellers and other counter clerks
4213	Bookmakers and croupiers
4214	Pawnbrokers and moneylenders
4215	Debt-collectors and related workers
4221	Travel agency and related clerks
4222	Receptionists and information clerks
4223	Telephone switchboard operators
4290	Customer services clerks not elsewhere classified
5111	Travel attendants and travel stewards
5112	Transport conductors and transport occupations nec
5113	Travel guides
5121	Housekeepers and related workers
5122	Cooks
5123	Waiters, waitresses and bartenders
5124	Tavern and shebeen operators
5131	Child-care workers
5132	Institution-based personal care workers, Nursing aids, Ambulance men and first-aid attendants
5133	Home-based personal care workers
5139	Personal care and related workers not elsewhere classified
5141	Hairdressers, barbers, beauticians and related workers, Beauticians and Hairdressers

5143	Undertakers and embalmers
5161	Fire-fighters
5162	Police officers, traffic officers, Police officers and Traffic officers
5164	Armed forces
5169	Protective services workers not elsewhere classified, Rangers and game wardens
5220	Shop salespersons and demonstrators, Salespersons, Petrol pump and filling station attendants
5230	Stall and market salespersons
5231	Spaza shop owner
6111	Field crop and vegetable growers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6112	Tree and shrub crop growers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6114	Mixed crop growers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6121	Dairy and livestock producers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6122	Poultry producers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6129	Market-oriented animal producers and related workers not elsewhere classified (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6141	Forestry workers and loggers, Forestry workers and Loggers
6152	Inland and coastal waters fishery workers
6154	Hunters and trappers
6211	Subsistence farmers
7111	Miners and quarry workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7112	Shot-firers and blasters (including apprentices/trainees)
7113	Stone splitters, cutters and carvers (including apprentices/trainees)
7122	Bricklayers and stonemasons (including apprentices/trainees)
7123	Concrete placers, concrete finishers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7124	Carpenters and joiners (including apprentices/trainees)
7129	Building frame and related workers not elsewhere classified (including apprentices/trainees)
7131	Roofers (including apprentices/trainees)
7132	Floor layers and tile setters (including apprentices/trainees)
7136	Plumbers and pipe fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7137	Building and related electricians (including apprentices/trainees)
7141	Painters and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7142	Varnishers and related painters (including apprentices/trainees)
7143	Building structure cleaners (including apprentices/trainees)
7211	Metal moulders and coremakers (including apprentices/trainees)
7212	Welders and flamecutters (including apprentices/trainees)
7213	Sheet-metal workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7214	Structural-metal preparers and erectors (including apprentices/trainees)
7215	Riggers and cable splicers (including apprentices/trainees)
7222	Tool-makers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)

7224	Metal wheel-grinders, polishers and tool sharpeners (including apprentices/trainees)
7231	Motor vehicle mechanics and fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7232	Aircraft engine mechanics and fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7233	Agricultural or industrial machinery mechanics and fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7241	Electrical mechanics and fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7242	Electronics fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7243	Electronics mechanics and servicers (including apprentices/trainees)
7245	Electrical line installers, repairers and cable jointers (including apprentices/trainees)
7290	Metal, machinery and related trades workers not elsewhere classified (including apprentices/trainees)
7321	Abrasive wheel formers, potters and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7322	Glass-makers, cutters, grinders and finishers (including apprentices/trainees)
7331	Handicraft workers in wood and related materials (including apprentices/trainees)
7341	Compositors, typesetters and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7344	Photographic and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7411	Butchers, fishmongers and related food preparers (including apprentices/trainees)
7412	Millers, bakers, pastry-cooks and confectionery makers (including apprentices/trainees)
7413	Dairy products makers (including apprentices/trainees)
7415	Food and beverage tasters and graders (including apprentices/trainees)
7432	Weavers, knitters and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7433	Tailors, dressmakers and hatters (including apprentices/trainees)
7435	Textile, leather and related material pattern-makers and cutters (including apprentices/trainees)
7436	Sewers, embroiderers and related workers (excluding apprentices/trainees)
7437	Upholsterers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7442	Shoemakers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7490	Other craft and related trades workers not elsewhere classified (including apprentices/trainees)
8111	Mining plant operators
8112	Mineral ore and stone processing plant operators
8121	Ore and metal furnace operators
8141	Wood-processing plant operators
8151	Crushing, grinding and chemical mixing machinery operators
8152	Chemical heat-treating plant operators
8154	Chemical still and reactor operators (except petroleum and natural gas)
8155	Petroleum and natural gas refining plant operators
8161	Power-production plant operators
8162	Steam-engine and boiler operators
8163	Incinerator, water-treatment and related plant operators
8211	Machine-tool operators
8231	Rubber products machine operators
8232	Plastic products machine operators

8251	Printing machine operators
8253	Paper products machine operators
8263	Sewing-machine operators
8266	Shoemaking and related machine operators
8269	Textile, fur and leather products machine operators not elsewhere classified
8271	Meat and fish-processing machine operators
8272	Dairy products machine operators
8273	Grain and spice milling machine operators
8274	Baked goods, cereal and chocolate products machine operators
8275	Fruit, vegetable and nut-processing machine operators
8281	Mechanical machinery assemblers
8282	Electrical equipment assemblers
8290	Other machine operators and assemblers not elsewhere classified
8311	Locomotive engine drivers
8320	Taxi drivers, informal
8321	Motor cycle drivers
8322	Car, taxi and van drivers
8323	Bus and tram drivers
8324	Heavy truck and lorry drivers
8331	Motorised farm and forestry plant operators
8332	Earth-moving and related plant operators
8333	Crane, hoist and related plant operators
8334	Lifting-truck operators
8340	Ships' deck crews and related workers
9111	Street food vendors and related workers
9112	Street vendors, non-food products
9113	Door-to-door and telephone salespersons
9120	Shoe cleaning and other elementary street services occupations
9131	Domestic helpers and cleaners
9132	Helpers and cleaners in offices, hotels and other establishments
9133	Hand-launderers and pressers
9141	Building caretakers
9142	Vehicle, window and related cleaners
9151	Messengers, package and luggage porters and deliverers
9152	Doorkeepers, watchpersons and related workers
9153	Vending-machine money collectors, meter readers and related workers
9161	Garbage collectors
9162	Sweepers and related labourers
9190	Elementary sales and services occupations not elsewhere classified

9211	Farmhands and labourers
9212	Forestry labourers
9213	Fishery, hunting and trapping labourers
9311	Mining and quarrying labourers
9312	Construction and maintenance labourers: roads, dams and similar constructions
9313	Building construction labourers
9321	Assembling labourers
9322	Hand-packers and other manufacturing labourers
9333	Freight handlers
9999	Unspecified

Q316PREVINDUSTRY: Previous industry

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 4626 Minimum: 10 Maximum: 999
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
10	Private households with unemployd persons
111	Growing of crops,marketing gardening,horti-culture
112	Farming of animals
113	Growing of crops combined with farming of animals(mixed farming)
116	Production of organic fertilizer
121	Forestry and related services
131	Ocean and coastal fishing
210	Mining of coal and lignite
230	Mining of gold and uranium ore
241	Mining of iron ore
242	Mining of non-ferrous metal ores
252	Mining of diamonds (including alluvial diamonds)
253	Mining and quarrying N.E.C.
301	Production, processing and preservation of meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, oils and fats
302	Manufacture of dairy products
303	Manufacture of grain mill products, starches and starch products and prepared animal feeds
304	Manufacture of other food products

305	Manufacture of beverages
311	Spinning, weaving and finishing of textiles
312	Manufacture of other textiles
313	Manufacture of knitted and crocheted fabrics and articles
314	Manufacture of wearing apparel, except fur apparel
316	Tanning and dressing of leather; manufacture of luggage, handbag,
317	Manufacture of footwear
321	Sawmilling and planing of wood
322	Manufacture of products of wood, cork, straw and plaiting material
323	Manufacture of paper and paper products
324	Publishing
325	Printing and service activities related to printing
331	Manufacture of coke oven products
332	Petroleum refineries / synthesisers
334	Manufacture of basic chemicals
335	Manufacture of other chemical products
337	Manufacture of rubber products
338	Manufacture of plastic products
341	Manufacture of glass and glass products
342	Manufacture of non-metallic mineral products N.E.C.
351	Manufacture of basic iron and steel
352	Manufacture of basic precious and non-ferrous metals
354	Manufacture of structural metal products, tanks, reservoirs and steam generators
355	Manufacture of other fabricated metal products; metalwork service activities
356	Manufacture of general purpose machinery
357	Manufacture of special purpose machinery
358	Manufacture of household appliances N.E.C.
359	Manufacture of office, accounting and computing machinery
361	Manufacture of electric motors, generators and transformers
363	Manufacture of insulated wire and cable
364	Manufacture of accumulators, primary cells and primary batteries
366	Manufacture of other electrical equipment N.E.C.
371	Manufacture of electronic valves and tubes and other electronic components
381	Manufacture of motor vehicles
383	Manufacture of parts and accessories for motor vehicles and their engines
384	Building and repairing of ships and boats
391	Manufacture of furniture
392	Manufacturing N.E.C...
395	Recycling N.E.C.

411	Production, collection and distribution of electricity
412	Manufacture of gas; distribution of gaseous fuels through mains
420	Collection, purification and distribution of water
501	Site preparation
502	Building of complete constructions or parts thereof; civil engineering
503	Building installation
504	Building completion
611	Wholesale trade on a fee or contract basis
612	Wholesale trade in agricultural raw materials, livestock, food, beverages and tobacco
613	Wholesale trade in house-hold goods
614	Wholesale trade in non-agricultural intermediate products, waste and scrap
621	Non-specialised retail trade in stores
622	Retail trade in food, beverages and tobacco in specialised stores
623	Other retail trade in new goods in specialised stores
624	Retail trade in second-hand goods in stores
625	Retail trade not in stores
626	Repair of personal and household goods
631	Sale of motor vehicles
632	Maintenance and re-pair of motor vehicles
633	Sale of motor vehicle parts and accessories
634	Sale, maintenance and repair of motor cycles and related parts and accessories
635	Retail sale of automotive fuel
641	Hotels, camping sites and other provision of short stay accommodation
642	Restaurants, bars and canteens
643	Shebeen
711	Railway transport
712	Other land transport
730	Air transport
741	Supporting and auxiliary transport activities; activities of travel agencies
751	Postal and related courier activities
752	Telecommunication
811	Monetary intermediation
818	Cash loans
819	Other financial intermediation N.E.C.
821	Insurance and pension funding, except compulsory social security
842	Real estate activities on a fee or contract basis
851	Renting of transport equipment
852	Renting of other machinery and equipment
862	Software consultancy and supply

863	Data processing
864	Data base activities
865	Maintenance and repair of office, accounting and computing machinery
871	Research and experimental development on natural sciences and engineering
881	Legal, accounting, bookkeeping and auditing activities; tax consultancy; market research and public opinion research; business and management consultancy
882	Architectural, engineering and other technical activities
883	Advertising
889	Business activities N.E.C.
911	Central government activities
913	Local authority activities
915	S A Defense force
916	S A Police service
920	Education
931	Human health activities
933	Social work activities
940	Other community, social and personal service activities
951	Activities of business, employers and professional organisations
952	Activities of trade unions
959	Activities of other member-ship organizations
961	Motion picture, radio, television and other entertainment activities
962	News agency activities
963	Library, archives, museums and other cultural activities
964	Sporting and other recreational activities
990	Other service activities
999	Unspecified

Q317WRK4WHOM: Whom did you work for

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Overview

Valid: 4626 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	As an employee
2	In your own business

3	Helping in a family or household business
4	As a paid apprentice, intern
5	Helping a family member who works for someone else

Q319AODDJOB: Odd jobs

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 2 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	No

Q319BINHHPERS: Persons in the household

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q319CNOTHHPERS: Persons not in the household

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Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q319DCHARITY: Charity

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Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q319EUIF: UIF

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q319FSAVINGS: Savings

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q319GPENSION: Pension

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q319HGRANTS: Child support grant

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q319IWELFARE: Welfare grants

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q319JOTHER: Other source of support

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

OverviewValid: 30192 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric**Questions and instructions**

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q41MULTIPLEJOBS: More than one job

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

OverviewValid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric**Questions and instructions**

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q42OCCUPATION: Occupation

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1110 Maximum: 9999

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1110	Legislators
1120	Senior government officers
1130	Traditional chiefs and heads of villages
1210	Directors and chief executives
1221	Production and operations managers/department managers in agriculture, hunting, forestry, fishing and mining
1222	Production and operations managers/department managers in manufacturing
1223	Production and operations managers/department managers in building and construction
1224	Production and operations managers/department managers in wholesale and retail trade
1225	Production and operations managers/department managers in hotels, restaurants and other catering and accommodation services
1226	Production and operations managers/department managers in transport, storage and communications
1227	Production and operations managers/department managers in business services
1228	Production and operations managers/department managers in personal care, cleaning and related services
1229	Production and operations managers/department managers not elsewhere classified
1231	Finance and administration managers/department managers
1232	Personnel and industrial relations managers/department managers
1233	Sales and marketing managers/department managers
1235	Supply and distribution managers/department managers
1236	Computing services managers/department managers
1237	Research and development managers/department managers
1239	Other managers/department managers not elsewhere classified
1311	General managers in agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing
1312	General managers in manufacturing
1313	General managers in construction
1314	General managers in wholesale and retail trade
1315	General managers of hotels, restaurants and other catering or accommodation services
1316	General managers in transport, storage and communication
1317	General managers of business services
1318	General managers in personal care, cleaning and related services
1390	General managers not elsewhere classified
2111	Physicists and astronomers
2112	Meteorologists

2113	Chemists
2114	Geologists and geophysicists
2121	Mathematicians and related professionals, Analysts and methodology research
2122	Statisticians
2131	Computer systems designers and analysts
2132	Computer programmers
2139	Computing professionals not elsewhere classified
2141	Architects, town and traffic planners
2142	Civil engineers
2143	Electrical engineers
2144	Electronics and telecommunications engineers
2145	Mechanical engineers
2146	Chemical engineers
2147	Mining engineers, Metallurgists and related professionals
2149	Architects, engineers and related professionals not elsewhere classified, Industrial/production engineers, Quantity surveyors, Architects, engineers and related professionals not elsewhere classified
2210	Scientist
2211	Biologists, botanists, zoologists and related professionals
2212	Biological sciences, Chemical sciences, Medical sciences, Physical sciences and Veterinary sciences
2213	Agronomists, food scientists and related professionals, Agriculture, forestry and food scientists, Natural sciences technologists
2221	Medical practitioners, physicians, Medical specialists and Medical occupations not elsewhere classified
2222	Dentists (general), Dental specialists and Other dental occupations
2223	Veterinarians
2224	Pharmacists
2230	Nursing and midwifery professionals, Nursing services managers and Professional nurses
2310	Technikon, teacher training, technical and other colleges, university and other higher education institutions teaching professionals and Other post-secondary education teaching professionals
2320	Secondary education teaching professionals
2331	Primary education teaching professionals
2332	Pre-primary education teaching professionals
2340	Special education teaching professionals
2351	Education methods specialists
2352	School inspectors
2411	Accountants and related accounting occupations, Accounting occupations not elsewhere classified, Auditors and related occupations and Articled clerks with accountant/auditor
2412	Personnel and careers professionals, Consultants: management/personnel
2419	Business professionals not elsewhere classified, Consultants
2421	Advocates, attorneys and related occupations, Lawyers/attorneys and related occupations, Advocates/barristers, Prosecutors and Articled clerks
2422	Judges and magistrates, Judges , and Magistrates

2429	Legal professionals not elsewhere classified
2431	Archivists and curators
2432	Librarians and related information professionals
2441	Economists
2443	Philosophers, historians and political scientists
2444	Philologists, translators and interpreters
2445	Psychologists, Psychometricians and Psycho-technicians
2446	Social work professionals
2451	Authors, journalists and other writers, Editors, Reporters, journalists, Writers, poets, playwrights and Other writers, commentators, proofreaders
2452	Sculptors, painters and related artists
2453	Composers, musicians and singers
2454	Choreographers and dancers
2455	Film, stage and related actors and directors
2460	Religious professionals
2490	Other professionals not elsewhere classified
3111	Natural science technicians
3112	Civil engineering technicians, Technicians, engineering, civil, Assistants, technical and civil engineering
3113	Electrical engineering technicians, Technicians, engineering, electrical, Assistants, technical, electrical engineering
3114	Electronics and telecommunications engineering technicians, Assistants, technical and electronic engineering
3115	Mechanical engineering technicians, Technicians, engineering, mechanical, Assistants, technical and mechanical engineering
3116	Chemical engineering technicians
3117	Mining and metallurgical technicians
3118	Draughtspersons
3119	Physical and engineering science technicians not elsewhere classified, Technicians, physical and engineering science, Assistants, technical, engineering, not elsewhere classified
3121	Computer assistants
3131	Photographers and image recording equipment operators, Sound recording equipment operators
3132	Broadcasting and telecommunications equipment operators
3133	Medical equipment operators
3143	Aircraft pilots and related associate professionals, Air transport supervisors, Aircraft pilots, Navigators and Flight engineers
3151	Building and fire inspectors
3152	Safety, health and quality inspectors, Inspectors, safety and health
3211	Life science technicians, Biological science and Medical science
3212	Agronomy and forestry technicians, Technicians, agronomy and forestry, Assistants, technical and agriculture
3213	Farming and forestry advisers/consultants
3220	Optometrist' assistants
3221	Medical assistants

3222	Sanitarians
3223	Dieticians and nutritionists
3224	Optometrists and opticians
3225	Dental assistants
3226	Physiotherapists and related associate professionals, Physiotherapists, Masseurs, Therapists not elsewhere classified, Radiographers, diagnostic and therapeutic, Chiropractors, Podiatrists and Supplementary medical professions not elsewhere cla
3227	Veterinary assistants
3228	Pharmaceutical assistants
3229	Modern health associate professionals (except nursing) not elsewhere classified, Homeopaths, Therapists, speech, Therapists, occupational and Health services professions not elsewhere classified
3231	Nursing associate professionals, Nurses, senior, student, pupil, Nurses, not elsewhere classified (nursing assistants/aids included under personal care and related workers)
3232	Midwifery associate professionals
3241	Traditional medicine practitioners
3242	Faith healers
3310	Primary education teaching associate professionals
3320	Pre-primary education teaching associate professionals
3330	Special education teaching associate professionals
3340	Other teaching associate professionals
3391	Teaching associate professionals not elsewhere classified
3411	Securities and finance dealers and brokers
3412	Insurance representatives
3413	Estate agents
3415	Technical and commercial sales representatives
3416	Buyers
3417	Appraisers, valuers and auctioneers
3421	Trade brokers
3422	Clearing and forwarding agents
3423	Employment agents and labour contractors
3429	Business services agents and trade brokers not elsewhere classified
3431	Administrative secretaries and related associate professionals
3432	Legal and related business associate professionals, Legal business professions and Other business professions
3433	Bookkeepers
3434	Statistical, mathematical and related associate professionals
3439	Administrative associate professionals not elsewhere classified
3441	Customs and border inspectors
3442	Government tax and excise officers
3444	Government licensing officers
3449	Customs, tax and related government associate professionals not elsewhere classified
3450	Police inspectors and detectives

3460	Social work associate professionals
3461	Social work researcher
3471	Decorators and commercial designers, Product, industrial designers, Textile/ clothing/ fashion designers, Interior designers, Graphics designers and Designers not elsewhere classified
3472	Radio, television and other announcers
3473	Street, nightclub and related musicians, singers and dancers
3475	Athletes, sportspersons and related associate professionals
3479	Art, entertainment and sport associate professionals not elsewhere classified
3480	Religious associate professionals
3490	Other associate professionals not elsewhere classified
4111	Stenographers and typists
4112	Word-processor and related operators
4113	Data entry operators
4115	Secretaries
4121	Accounting and bookkeeping clerks
4122	Statistical finance clerks
4131	Stock clerks
4132	Production clerks
4133	Transport clerks
4141	Library and filing clerks
4142	Mail carriers and sorting clerks
4143	Coding, proof-reading and related clerks
4190	Other office clerks and clerks not elsewhere classified (except customer services clerks)
4211	Cashiers and ticket clerks
4212	Tellers and other counter clerks
4213	Bookmakers and croupiers
4214	Pawnbrokers and moneylenders
4215	Debt-collectors and related workers
4221	Travel agency and related clerks
4222	Receptionists and information clerks
4223	Telephone switchboard operators
4290	Customer services clerks not elsewhere classified
5111	Travel attendants and travel stewards
5113	Travel guides
5121	Housekeepers and related workers
5122	Cooks
5123	Waiters, waitresses and bartenders
5124	Tavern and shebeen operators
5131	Child-care workers

5132	Institution-based personal care workers, Nursing aids, Ambulance men and first-aid attendants
5133	Home-based personal care workers
5139	Personal care and related workers not elsewhere classified
5141	Hairdressers, barbers, beauticians and related workers, Beauticians and Hairdressers
5143	Undertakers and embalmers
5161	Fire-fighters
5162	Police officers, traffic officers, Police officers and Traffic officers
5163	Prison guards
5164	Armed forces
5169	Protective services workers not elsewhere classified, Rangers and game wardens
5210	Fashion and other models
5220	Shop salespersons and demonstrators, Salespersons, Petrol pump and filling station attendants
5230	Stall and market salespersons
5231	Spaza shop owner
6111	Field crop and vegetable growers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6112	Tree and shrub crop growers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6113	Gardeners, horticultural and nursery growers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6114	Mixed crop growers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6121	Dairy and livestock producers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6122	Poultry producers (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6123	Apriarists and sericulturists (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6129	Market-oriented animal producers and related workers not elsewhere classified (farm owners and skilled farm workers)
6141	Forestry workers and loggers, Forestry workers and Loggers
6152	Inland and coastal waters fishery workers
6154	Hunters and trappers
6211	Subsistence farmers
7111	Miners and quarry workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7112	Shot-firers and blasters (including apprentices/trainees)
7113	Stone splitters, cutters and carvers (including apprentices/trainees)
7122	Bricklayers and stonemasons (including apprentices/trainees)
7123	Concrete placers, concrete finishers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7124	Carpenters and joiners (including apprentices/trainees)
7129	Building frame and related workers not elsewhere classified (including apprentices/trainees)
7131	Roofers (including apprentices/trainees)
7132	Floor layers and tile setters (including apprentices/trainees)
7134	Insulation workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7136	Plumbers and pipe fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7137	Building and related electricians (including apprentices/trainees)

7141	Painters and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7142	Varnishers and related painters (including apprentices/trainees)
7143	Building structure cleaners (including apprentices/trainees)
7211	Metal moulders and coremakers (including apprentices/trainees)
7212	Welders and flamecutters (including apprentices/trainees)
7213	Sheet-metal workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7214	Structural-metal preparers and erectors (including apprentices/trainees)
7215	Riggers and cable splicers (including apprentices/trainees)
7222	Tool-makers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7223	Machine-tool setters and setter-operators (including apprentices/trainees)
7224	Metal wheel-grinders, polishers and tool sharpeners (including apprentices/trainees)
7231	Motor vehicle mechanics and fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7233	Agricultural or industrial machinery mechanics and fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7241	Electrical mechanics and fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7242	Electronics fitters (including apprentices/trainees)
7243	Electronics mechanics and servicers (including apprentices/trainees)
7244	Telegraph and telephone installers and servicers (including apprentices/trainees)
7245	Electrical line installers, repairers and cable jointers (including apprentices/trainees)
7290	Metal, machinery and related trades workers not elsewhere classified (including apprentices/trainees)
7311	Precision-instrument/instrument makers and repairers (including apprentices/trainees)
7312	Musical instrument makers and tuners (including apprentices/trainees)
7313	Jewellery and precious-metal workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7321	Abrasive wheel formers, potters and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7322	Glass-makers, cutters, grinders and finishers (including apprentices/trainees)
7324	Glass, ceramics and related decorative painters (including apprentices/trainees)
7331	Handicraft workers in wood and related materials (including apprentices/trainees)
7332	Handicraft workers in textile, leather and related materials (including apprentices/trainees)
7341	Compositors, typesetters and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7343	Printing engravers and etchers (including apprentices/trainees)
7345	Bookbinders and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7411	Butchers, fishmongers and related food preparers (including apprentices/trainees)
7412	Millers, bakers, pastry-cooks and confectionery makers (including apprentices/trainees)
7413	Dairy products makers (including apprentices/trainees)
7415	Food and beverage tasters and graders (including apprentices/trainees)
7421	Wood treaters (including apprentices/trainees)
7422	Cabinetmakers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7424	Basketry weavers, brush makers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7432	Weavers, knitters and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7433	Tailors, dressmakers and hatters (including apprentices/trainees)

7435	Textile, leather and related material pattern-makers and cutters (including apprentices/trainees)
7436	Sewers, embroiderers and related workers (excluding apprentices/trainees)
7437	Upholsterers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7441	Pelt dressers, tanners and fellmongers (including apprentices/trainees)
7442	Shoemakers and related workers (including apprentices/trainees)
7490	Other craft and related trades workers not elsewhere classified (including apprentices/trainees)
8111	Mining plant operators
8112	Mineral ore and stone processing plant operators
8121	Ore and metal furnace operators
8122	Metal melters and casters and rolling-mill operators
8131	Glass and ceramics kiln and related machine operators
8141	Wood-processing plant operators
8143	Papermaking plant operators
8151	Crushing, grinding and chemical mixing machinery operators
8152	Chemical heat-treating plant operators
8155	Petroleum and natural gas refining plant operators
8159	Chemical-processing plant operators not elsewhere classified
8161	Power-production plant operators
8162	Steam-engine and boiler operators
8163	Incinerator, water-treatment and related plant operators
8171	Automated assembly-line operators
8211	Machine-tool operators
8212	Cement and other mineral products machine operators
8221	Pharmaceutical and toiletry products machine operators
8222	Ammunition and explosive products machine operators
8231	Rubber products machine operators
8232	Plastic products machine operators
8240	Wood products machine operators
8251	Printing machine operators
8253	Paper products machine operators
8261	Fibre preparing, spinning and winding machine operators
8262	Weaving and knitting machine operators
8263	Sewing-machine operators
8264	Bleaching, dyeing and cleaning-machine operators
8266	Shoemaking and related machine operators
8269	Textile, fur and leather products machine operators not elsewhere classified
8271	Meat and fish-processing machine operators
8272	Dairy products machine operators
8273	Grain and spice milling machine operators

8274	Baked goods, cereal and chocolate products machine operators
8275	Fruit, vegetable and nut-processing machine operators
8276	Sugar production machine operators
8278	Brewers, wine and other beverage machine operators
8281	Mechanical machinery assemblers
8282	Electrical equipment assemblers
8283	Electronic equipment assemblers
8284	Metal, rubber and plastic products assemblers
8285	Wood and related products assemblers
8290	Other machine operators and assemblers not elsewhere classified
8311	Locomotive engine drivers
8312	Railway brakemen, signallers, shunters and related workers
8320	Taxi drivers, informal
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9133	Hand-laundresses and pressers
9141	Building caretakers
9142	Vehicle, window and related cleaners
9151	Messengers, package and luggage porters and deliverers
9152	Doorkeepers, watchpersons and related workers
9153	Vending-machine money collectors, meter readers and related workers
9161	Garbage collectors
9162	Sweepers and related labourers
9190	Elementary sales and services occupations not elsewhere classified
9211	Farmhands and labourers
9212	Forestry labourers
9213	Fishery, hunting and trapping labourers

9311	Mining and quarrying labourers
9312	Construction and maintenance labourers: roads, dams and similar constructions
9313	Building construction labourers
9322	Hand-packers and other manufacturing labourers
9332	Drivers of animal-drawn vehicles and machinery
9333	Freight handlers
9999	Unspecified

Q43INDUSTRY: Industry

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 10 Maximum: 999
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
10	Private households with employed persons
111	Growing of crops
112	Farming of animals
113	Growing of crops combined with farming of animals(mixed farming)
115	Game hunting, trapping and game propagation, including related services
116	Production of organic fertilizer
121	Forestry and related services
122	Logging and related services
131	Ocean and coastal fishing
132	Fish hatcheries and fish farms
210	mining of coal and lignite
221	Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas; service activities incidental to oil and gas extraction, excluding surveying
230	Mining of gold and uranium ore
241	Mining of iron ore
242	Mining of non-ferrous metal ores
251	Stone quarrying, clay and sandpits
252	Mining of diamonds (including alluvial diamonds)
253	Mining and quarrying N.E.C.
301	Production, processing and preservation of meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, oils and fats
302	Manufacture of dairy products

303	Manufacture of grain mill products, starches and starch products and prepared animal feeds
304	Manufacture of other food products
305	Manufacture of beverages
311	Spinning, weaving and finishing of textiles
312	Manufacture of other textiles
313	Manufacture of knitted and crocheted fabrics and articles
314	Manufacture of wearing apparel, except fur apparel
316	Tanning and dressing of leather; manufacture of luggage, handbag,
317	Manufacture of footwear
321	Sawmilling and planing of wood
322	Manufacture of products of wood, cork, straw and plaiting material
323	Manufacture of paper and paper products
324	Publishing
325	Printing and service activities related to printing
326	Reproduction of recorded media
331	Manufacture of coke oven products
332	Petroleum refineries / synthesisers
333	Processing of nuclear fuel
334	Manufacture of basic chemicals
335	Manufacture of other chemical products
337	Manufacture of rubber products
338	Manufacture of plastic products
341	Manufacture of glass and glass products
342	Manufacture of non-metallic mineral products N.E.C.
351	Manufacture of basic iron and steel
352	Manufacture of basic precious and non-ferrous metals
353	Casting of metals
354	Manufacture of structural metal products, tanks, reservoirs and steam generators
355	Manufacture of other fabricated metal products; metalwork service activities
356	Manufacture of general purpose machinery
357	Manufacture of special purpose machinery
358	Manufacture of household appliances N.E.C.
359	Manufacture of office, accounting and computing machinery
361	Manufacture of electric motors, generators and transformers
363	Manufacture of insulated wire and cable
364	Manufacture of accumulators, primary cells and primary batteries
365	Manufacture of electric lamps and lighting equipment
366	Manufacture of other electrical equipment N.E.C.
371	Manufacture of electronic valves and tubes and other electronic components

372	Manufacture of television and radio transmitters and apparatus for line telephony and line telegraphy
374	Manufacture of medical appliances and instruments and appliances for measuring, checking, testing, navigating and for other purposes except optical instruments
375	Manufacture of optical instruments and photographic equipment
381	Manufacture of motor vehicles
382	Manufacture of bodies (coachwork) for motor vehicles;
383	Manufacture of parts and accessories for motor vehicles and their engines
384	Building and repairing of ships and boats
386	Manufacture of aircraft and spacecraft
387	Manufacture of transport equipment N.E.C.
391	Manufacture of furniture
392	Manufacturing N.E.C...
395	Recycling N.E.C.
411	Production, collection and distribution of electricity
412	Manufacture of gas; distribution of gaseous fuels through mains
420	Collection, purification and distribution of water
501	Site preparation
502	Building of complete constructions or parts thereof; civil engineering
503	Building installation
504	Building completion
611	Wholesale trade on a fee or contract basis
612	Wholesale trade in agricultural raw materials, livestock, food, beverages and tobacco
613	Wholesale trade in house-hold goods
614	Wholesale trade in non-agricultural intermediate products, waste and scrap
615	Wholesale trade in machinery, equipment and supplies
619	Other wholesale trade
621	Non-specialised retail trade in stores
622	Retail trade in food, beverages and tobacco in specialised stores
623	Other retail trade in new goods in specialised stores
624	Retail trade in second-hand goods in stores
625	Retail trade not in stores
626	Repair of personal and household goods
631	Sale of motor vehicles
632	Maintenance and re-pair of motor vehicles
633	Sale of motor vehicle parts and accessories
635	Retail sale of automotive fuel
641	Hotels, camping sites and other provision of short stay accommodation
642	Restaurants, bars and canteens
643	Shebeen

711	Railway transport
712	Other land transport
721	Sea and coastal water transport
730	Air transport
741	Supporting and auxiliary transport activities; activities of travel agencies
751	Postal and related courier activities
752	Telecommunication
811	Monetary intermediation
818	Cash loans
819	Other financial intermediation N.E.C.
821	Insurance and pension funding, except compulsory social security
831	Activities auxiliary to financial intermediation, except insurance and pension funding
841	Real estate activities with own or leased property
842	Real estate activities on a fee or contract basis
851	Renting of transport equipment
852	Renting of other machinery and equipment
853	Renting of personal and household goods N.E.C.
862	Software consultancy and supply
863	Data processing
864	Data base activities
865	Maintenance and repair of office, accounting and computing machinery
869	Other computer related activities
871	Research and experimental development on natural sciences and engineering
881	Legal, accounting, bookkeeping and auditing activities; tax consultancy; market research and public opinion research; business and management consultancy
882	Architectural, engineering and other technical activities
883	Advertising
889	Business activities N.E.C.
911	Central government activities
913	Local authority activities
914	Provincial administrations
915	S A Defense force
916	S A Police service
917	Correctional service
920	Education
931	Human health activities
932	Veterinary activities
933	Social work activities
940	Other Community, social and personal service activities

951	Activities of business, employers and professional organisations
952	Activities of trade unions
959	Activities of other member-ship organizations
961	Motion picture, radio, television and other entertainment activities
962	News agency activities
963	Library, archives, museums and other cultural activities
964	Sporting and other recreational activities
990	Other service activities
999	Unspecified

Q44YEARSTART: Year commenced work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1966 Maximum: 2025
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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2021	2021
2022	2022
2023	2023
2024	2024
2025	2025

Q44MONTHSTART: Month commenced work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 12
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	January
2	February
3	March
4	April
5	May
6	June
7	July
8	August
9	September
10	October
11	November
12	December

Q45WRK4WHOM: Main work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	As an employee
2	In your own business
3	Helping in a family or household business
4	As a paid apprentice, intern
5	Helping a family member who works for someone else

Q45ADECISON: Decision making in running family business**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 83 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yourself
2	Yourself together with others
3	Other family/household member(s) only
4	Other (non-related) person(s) only

Q45B01WAGE: Wage or salary**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 13156 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q45B02PIECEWRK: Payment by piece of work completed**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 13156 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes

2	No
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Q45B03COMM: Commission

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13156 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q45B04TIPS: Tips

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13156 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q45B05FEESERV: Fees for service provided

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13156 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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1	Yes
2	No

Q45B06MEALS: Payment with meals

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13156 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q45B07PRODUCTS: Payment in products

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13156 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q45B08CASHPAY: Other cash payment

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13156 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q45B09NOTPAID: Not paid

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13156 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q46PENSION: Contribution to pension or retirement fund

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q412ACONTRPERIOD: Contract period

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 2117 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Hourly contract / agreement
2	Daily contract/ agreement
3	Less than one month
4	1 to less than 3 months
5	3 to less than 6 months
6	6 months to less than 12 months
7	12 months to less than 24 months
8	Two years or more no specified duration
9	Unspecified

Q46APENSIONSELF: Personal contribution to pension or retirement fund

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 283 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q47PDLEAVE: Paid leave

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q47B1PDSICK: Paid leave sick leave

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q47B2MATERNITY: Maternity/ paternity leave

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q48UIF: UIF Deductions

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q49MEDICAL: Medical aid or health insurance contribution

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q410INCOMETAX: Registered for personal income tax

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q411CONTRACTTYPE: Employment contract

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q412CONTRDURATION: Work status

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	For a specified period of time
2	Until the date a task is completed
3	Permanent or until retirement
4	Ongoing, until further notice
5	Do not know

Q412AIICONMINIMUM: Minimum amount of hours

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 2117 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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1	Yes, minimum hours or work guaranteed
2	Yes, tasks or work to do
3	No, 0-hour contract, contacted when needed

Q412BMEMUNION: Trade union membership

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q412CSALINCREMENT: Salary increment

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 13114 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 6
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Negotiation between myself and employer at company
2	Negotiation between union and employer
3	Bargaining council or other sector bargaining arrangement
4	Employer only
5	No regular annual salary increase
6	Other

Q412DTYPEBUSNS: Type of business or enterprise

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 8
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	National/Provincial/Local government
2	Government controlled
3	business (e.g. Eskom/Telkom)A private business (non-farm)
4	Non-profit organisation(NGO/CBO), church
5	A private household asa domestic worker
6	A farm
7	An international organization or a foreign embassy
8	Do not know

Q413AHIRE: Hiring of employees

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 2683 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q413BREGISTER: Registration of the business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 11405 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q413CCORPORATION: Incorporation of the business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 595 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 6
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Sole Proprietor (i.e. not an incorporated enterprise)
2	A Partnership (i.e. not an incorporated enterprise)
3	A Private Company (Pty) Ltd. (incorporated enterprise)
4	A Public Company (Ltd)(incorporated enterprise)
5	Other incorporated enterprises
6	Don't know

Q413C1SINGLECLIENT: Main client

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 1839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	One single client/customer
2	Multiple clients/customers
3	Have not had any clients yet

Q413C2SOURCECLIENT: Source of clients**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 1626 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes, all of them
2	Yes, most of them
3	Yes, but only some of them
4	No

Q413C3MAKEPROD: Single company service provision**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 1231 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q413C3SELLPROD: Single company sales**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 1231 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes

2	No
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Q413C3MATERIALS: Single company materials/equipment

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 1231 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q413C3NONE: None of the above

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 1231 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q413C4SETPRICE: Set product/service price

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 741 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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1	Yes
2	No

Q413C4DECIDEHOW: Decision on where, when, or how to work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 741 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q413C4NONE: None of the above

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 741 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q413VAT: Registered for VAT

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 2683 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q414TAX: Registered for business income tax

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 2840 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q414BBOOKTYPE: Type of business account kept

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 11405 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 6
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	A complete set of written accounts for tax purposes
2	Simplified written accounts to be submitted for tax purposes
3	Simplified written accounts not for tax purposes
4	Informal records of orders, sales, purchases
5	No records are kept
6	Do not know

Q414CPENSION_DC: Payment of pension/retirement fund for oneself**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 356 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q415PLACE: Type of place of work**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	At (your/name's) own home
2	At the client's or employer's home
3	At a farm, agricultural land or fishing site
4	At a business, office, factory, fixed premise or site
5	On the street or another public space without a fixed structure
6	In/on a vehicle (without daily work base)
7	Door-to-door
8	Other
9	Don't know

Q416NRWORKERS: Number of employees**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 7

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	0 employee
2	1 employee
3	between 2 and 4 employees
4	between 5 and 9 employees
5	between 10 and 19 employees
6	between 20 and 49 employees
7	50 or more employees

Q418HRSWRK: Hours usually work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15773 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 112
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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112	112

Q419MONHRSWRK: Hours worked past week- on Monday**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 15773 Minimum: Maximum: 20
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
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6	6
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9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
16	16
18	18
20	20

Q419TUEHRSWRK: Hours worked past week- on Tuesday**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 15773 Minimum: Maximum: 20
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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1	1
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3	3
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9	9
10	10
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12	12
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16	16
18	18
20	20

Q419WEDHRSWRK: Hours worked past week- on Wednesday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15773 Minimum: Maximum: 20
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
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5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
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10	10
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12	12
13	13
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16	16
18	18
20	20

Q419THUHRSWRK: Hours worked past week- on Thursday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15773 Minimum: Maximum: 20
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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Q419FRIHRSWRK: Hours worked past week- on Friday**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 15773 Minimum: Maximum: 20
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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Q419SATHRSWRK: Hours worked past week- on Saturday**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 15773 Minimum: Maximum: 20
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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17	17
18	18
20	20

Q419SUNHRSWRK: Hours worked past week- on Sunday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15773 Minimum: Maximum: 20
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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15	15
16	16
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18	18
20	20

Q419TOTALHRS: Hours worked- in total

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15773 Minimum: Maximum: 140
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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98	98
100	100
105	105
108	108
112	112
116	116
140	140

Q420FIRSTHRSWRK: Hours usually worked- In your first job/business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 66

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
6	6
7	7
8	8
10	10
12	12
14	14
15	15
16	16
17	17
18	18
20	20
21	21
24	24
25	25
27	27
32	32

35	35
36	36
40	40
45	45
48	48
51	51
60	60
66	66

Q420SECONDHRSWRK: Hours usually worked - In your second job/business

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: 2 Maximum: 42
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
12	12
15	15
16	16
18	18
20	20
21	21
24	24
25	25
27	27
35	35
42	42

Q420OTHERHRSWRK: Hours usually worked - In all other jobs/businesses

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 14 Minimum: 5 Maximum: 49
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
10	10
14	14
18	18
34	34
37	37
49	49

Q420TOTALHRSWRK: Hours usually worked - in total

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: 6 Maximum: 112
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
6	6
12	12
14	14
16	16
20	20
24	24

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30	30
31	31
32	32
35	35
36	36
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42	42
43	43
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57	57
58	58
60	60
61	61
64	64
68	68
74	74
80	80
81	81
85	85
112	112

Q4211MONHRSWRK: Hours worked on first job - on Monday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 20
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
12	12
20	20

Q4211TUEHRSWRK: Hours worked on first job - on Tuesday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 12

Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
12	12

Q4211WEDHRSWRK: Hours worked on first job - on Wednesday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 12
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
3	3
4	4
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10	10
12	12

Q4211THUHRSWRK: Hours worked on first job - on Thursday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 12
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
3	3
4	4
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Q4211FRIHRSWRK: Hours worked on first job - on Friday**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 12
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
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8	8
9	9
10	10
12	12

Q4211SATHRSWRK: Hours worked on first job - on Saturday**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 10
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
4	4

5	5
6	6
8	8
10	10

Q4211SUNHRSWRK: Hours worked on first job - on Sunday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 10
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
4	4
5	5
8	8
10	10

Q4211TOTALHRS: Hours worked on first job - in total

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 70
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
6	6
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8	8
10	10
12	12
14	14

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18	18
20	20
21	21
24	24
27	27
30	30
32	32
35	35
36	36
40	40
44	44
45	45
48	48
51	51
56	56
60	60
70	70

Q4212MONHRSWRK: Hours worked on second job - on Monday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 12
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7

8	8
12	12

Q4212TUEHRSWRK: Hours worked on second job - on Tuesday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 9
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9

Q4212WEDHRSWRK: Hours worked on second job - on Wednesday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 9
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4

5	5
7	7
8	8
9	9

Q4212THUHRSWRK: Hours worked on second job - on Thursday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 9
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9

Q4212FRIHRSWRK: Hours worked on second job - on Friday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 9
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2

3	3
4	4
5	5
7	7
8	8
9	9

Q4212SATHRSWRK: Hours worked on second job - on Saturday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 10
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10

Q4212SUNHRSWRK: Hours worked on second job - on Sunday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 12
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category

1	1
2	2
3	3
5	5
8	8
10	10
12	12

Q4212TOTALHRS: Hours worked on second job - in total

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 65 Minimum: Maximum: 42
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
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10	10
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
16	16
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20	20
21	21
27	27
32	32
33	33
42	42

Q4213MONHRSWRK: Hours worked on all other jobs - on Monday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 14 Minimum: Maximum: 8
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
5	5
7	7
8	8

Q4213TUEHRSWRK: Hours worked on all other jobs - on Tuesday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 14 Minimum: Maximum: 8
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
5	5
6	6
8	8

Q4213WEDHRSWRK: Hours worked on all other jobs - on Wednesday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 14 Minimum: Maximum: 8
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8

Q4213THUHRSWRK: Hours worked on all other jobs - on Thursday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 14 Minimum: Maximum: 8
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
5	5
6	6
8	8

Q4213FRIHRSWRK: Hours worked on all other jobs - on Friday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 14 Minimum: Maximum: 8
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
5	5

6	6
7	7
8	8

Q4213SATHRSWRK: Hours worked on all other jobs - on Saturday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 14 Minimum: Maximum: 6
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2	2
3	3
5	5
6	6

Q4213SUNHRSWRK: Hours worked on all other jobs - on Sunday

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 14 Minimum: Maximum: 3
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3

Q4213TOTALHRS: Hours worked on all other jobs - in total

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 12 Minimum: 6 Maximum: 44
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
6	6
7	7
8	8
14	14
32	32
33	33
37	37
44	44

Q422MOREHRS: Liked to work more hours

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes, in the current job
2	Yes, in taking an additional job
3	Yes, in another job with more hours
4	No
5	Do not know

Q423ADDHRS: Additional hours

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 1446 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 60
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
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46	46
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50	50
55	55
56	56
60	60

Q424WRKXHRS: Willing to work longer hours

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 1446 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q425STARTXWRK: Willing to do extra work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 1446 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No
3	Do not know

Q59AFARMWRK: Do farm work**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q59ATIME: Time doing farm work**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 2966 Minimum: Maximum: 60
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
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35	35
36	36
38	38
40	40
42	42
45	45
48	48
50	50
56	56
60	60

Q59BFETCHWATER: Fetch water

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q59BTIME: Time fetching water

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 4409 Minimum: Maximum: 32
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
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8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
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16	16
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18	18
19	19
20	20
22	22
24	24
25	25
32	32

Q59CPRODHHGOODS: Produce goods

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q59CTIME: Time producing goods

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 317 Minimum: Maximum: 21
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
14	14
20	20
21	21

Q59DCONSTRUC: Do construction

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q59DTIME: Time doing construction work

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 326 Minimum: Maximum: 24
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
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12	12
14	14
18	18
20	20
24	24

Q59ECATCHFOOD: Catch food

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

Q59ETIME: Time fetching food

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 36 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 48
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
14	14
24	24
48	48

PROVINCE: Province

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Western Cape
2	Eastern Cape
3	Northern Cape
4	Free State
5	KwaZulu-Natal
6	North West
7	Gauteng
8	Mpumalanga
9	Limpopo

METRO_CODE: Metro/non-metro

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 17
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	WC - Non Metro
2	WC - City of Cape Town
3	EC - Non Metro
4	EC - Buffalo City
5	EC - Nelson Mandela Bay
6	NC - Non Metro
7	FS - Non Metro
8	FS - Mangaung
9	KZN - Non Metro
10	KZN - eThekweni
11	NW - Non Metro

12	GP - Non Metro
13	GP - Ekurhuleni
14	GP - City of Johannesburg
15	GP - City of Tshwane
16	MP - Non Metro
17	LP - Non Metro

GEO_TYPE_CODE: Geography type

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Urban
2	Traditional
3	Farms

STRATUM: Stratum

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 10101 Maximum: 90401
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
10101	10101
10102	10102
10103	10103
10104	10104
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10107	10107

10108	10108
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AGE_GRP1: Age group

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 16
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	00-04
2	05-09
3	10-14
4	15-19
5	20-24
6	25-29
7	30-34
8	35-39
9	40-44
10	45-49
11	50-54
12	55-59
13	60-64
14	65-69
15	70-74
16	75+

STATUS: Employment status

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Employed
2	Unemployed
3	Discouraged job seeker
4	Other not economically active

LFS_STATUS: Employment status detailed

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 6
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Employed
2	Unemployed
3	Discouraged jobseekers
4	Available jobseekers
5	Unavailable jobseekers
6	Other outside the labour force

INACTREASON: Inactivity reason

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 22901 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 6
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Scholar/student
2	Home-maker
3	Health reasons
4	Too young/old/retired
5	Discouraged work-seekers
6	Other

UNEMPL_STATUS: Unemployment status

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 10867 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Job loser
2	Job leaver
3	New entrant
4	Re-entrant
5	Other - last worked >5 years ago

INDUS: Main industry grouped

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 11
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Agriculture; hunting; forestry and fishing
2	Mining and quarrying
3	Manufacturing
4	Electricity; gas and water supply

5	Construction
6	Wholesale and retail trade
7	Transport; storage and communication
8	Financial intermediation; insurance; real estate and business services
9	Community; social and personal services
10	Private households
11	Other

OCCUP: Main occupation grouped

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 11
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Legislators; senior officials and managers
2	Professionals
3	Technical and associate professionals
4	Clerks
5	Service workers and shop and market sales workers
6	Skilled agricultural and fishery workers
7	Craft and related trades workers
8	Plant and machine operators and assemblers
9	Elementary Occupation
10	Domestic workers
11	Other

PREVINDUS: Previous industry grouped

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 4626 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 11
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Agriculture; hunting and forestry
2	Mining
3	Manufacturing
4	Electricity; gas and water
5	Construction
6	Wholesale and retail trade
7	Transport; storage and communication
8	Finance and business services
9	Community; social and personal services
10	Private households
11	Other

PREVOCCUP: Previous occupation grouped

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 4626 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 11
Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Legislators; senior officials and managers
2	Professionals
3	Technical and associate professionals
4	Clerks
5	Service workers and shop and market sales workers
6	Skilled agricultural and fishery workers
7	Craft and related trades workers
8	Plant and machine operators and assemblers
9	Elementary Occupation
10	Domestic workers
11	Other

SECTOR: Sector**Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1****Overview**

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Formal sector
2	Informal
3	Households

INFEMPL: Informal employment**Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1****Overview**

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Formal employment
2	Informal employment

LONG_TERM_UNEMPL: Long-term unemployment**Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1****Overview**

Valid: 7292 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Long-term unemployment (1 year and longer)
2	Short-term unemployment (less than 1 year)

AT_LEAST_1: Involvement in at least one non-market activity**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Involved in at least one activity
2	Not involved in any activity

UNDEREMPL: Underemployment**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Underemployed
2	Not underemployed

HRSWRK: Hours worked**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 15838 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 112
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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EDUCATION_STATUS: Education Status

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 7
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	No schooling
2	Less than primary completed
3	Primary completed
4	Secondary not completed
5	Secondary completed
6	Tertiary
7	Other

NEET: Not in employment, education or training

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 46032 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Yes
2	No

GRADUATES: Education Status2

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Less than matric
2	Matric
3	Other tertiary
4	Graduates
5	Other

STE_ICSE93: Status in employment (ICSE-93)

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Employees
2	Employers
3	Own-account workers
4	Contributing family workers

STE_ICSE18_AUTHORITY: Status in employment by type of authority-5 main categories, (ICSE-18)

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Employers
2	Own-account workers
3	Dependent contractors
4	Employees
5	Contributing family workers

STE_ICSE18: Status in employment by type of authority- detailed (ICSE-18)

Data file: qlfs-2025-q4-v1

Overview

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 13
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Employers in corporations
2	Employers in household market enterprises
4	Owner-operators of corporations without employees
5	Own-account workers in household market enterprises without employees
7	Dependent contractors
8	Permanent employees
9	Fixed-term employees
10	Short-term and casual employees
11	Paid apprentices, trainees and interns
12	Employees not elsewhere classified
13	Contributing family workers

STE_ICSE18_RISK: Status in employment by type of economic risk, (ICSE-18)**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 15839 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Width: 16 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Independent workers in household market enterprises
2	Dependent contractors
3	Contributing family workers
4	Owner-operators of corporations
5	Employees

WEIGHT: Weight**Data file:** qlfs-2025-q4-v1**Overview**

Valid: 63264 Minimum: 50 Maximum: 5252.3564128
 Type: Continuous Width: 12 Format: Numeric

Documentation

Questionnaires

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