



'In the flow' Recruitment Survey

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Method: Online Panel Recruitment

Survey template:

In the flow community survey template (same image as Square homepage – but omit logo)

Sample:

Panel survey - target UK North West residents 16+





Quotas (allowing for flex/headroom):

Overall Level	%	150
Male	50%	80
Female	50%	80
16-17	_	
18-24	35%	55
25-39		
40-40	35%	55
50-59		
60-69		
70-79	30%	50
80+		
Greater Manchester	20%	32
Cumbria	20%	32
Lancashire	20%	32
	20%	32
Merseyside Cheshire		
Cheshire	20%	32
Water meter: Yes	50%	80
Water meter: No	50%	80
Higher income	50%	80
Lower income	50%	80
Vulnerable Customers		
Age	33%	8
Health	33%	8
Income	33%	8
Business Customers		
Greater Manchester	20%	5
Cumbria	20%	5
Lancashire	20%	5
Merseyside	20%	5
Cheshire	20%	5





Normal domestic use	50%	12
Other use	50%	12





SURVEY PLAN

Page break: Yes Title: Intro Question type: Info page

Question text:

Thank you for clicking through.

We're looking for volunteers to take part in a short-term online research community in partnership with a major UK water provider.

Your views will help form part of a pubic consultation on long-term water initiatives the company are considering.

What's involved?

The research community will run for 3-4 weeks with a series of bite-size online activities to take part in.

In total it will take around an hour to take part in all activities (over the entire 3-4 weeks).

As a member of the community you will have the opportunity to:

- Share your opinions on a variety of long-term initiatives
- Directly influence the future of water in your region
- Ensure the voice of the public is at the heart of the company's decision making

How does it work?

We'll take you through a short initial survey to find out a little bit about you and join the community – this

should take around 5 minutes.

The purpose of this is to ensure we capture views from people from all walks of life.

Over the course of the community we will invite you to take part in bite-size market research activities, such as online discussions and surveys.





All activities are remote/online and you'll be able to take part in your own time.

As a thank you for taking part in all of the activities, you'd receive £50 in online vouchers (with a choice of different retailers, such as Amazon, B&Q, Costa, John Lewis, M&S, etc.).

We may also invite you to take part in something more involved, such as a video focus group or interview. There would be an additional gift card reward for taking part in these.

If you're interested in taking part please click continue when you're ready to begin...

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None Implementation QID: ID here Filter / routing information: No Other potential instructions: No

Page break: Yes

Title: Q1. Age Question type: Single Select

Question text: To begin with, what is your age?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen	Quotas
Under 16	1			\boxtimes	
16-17	2				
18-29	3				55
30-39	4				

United Utilities



40-49	5		FF
50-59	6		55
60-69	7		
70-79	8		50
80+	9		

SCREEN OUT TEXT/QUOTA FULL

Thank you so much for your interest in taking part in this research.

Unfortunately, we are only looking for people in certain age groups.





Title: Q2. Gender Question type: Single Select

Question text: What gender do you identify with?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: Quotas

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen	Quotas
Male	1				80
Female	2				80
Non-binary	3				
Another gender identify	4				
Prefer not to say	5				

SCREEN OUT TEXT/QUOTA FULL

Thank you so much for your interest in taking part in this research.

Unfortunately, we are now only looking for people of a certain gender.





Title: Q3. Region Question type: Single Select

Question text: Whereabouts in the UK do you live?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: No

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: No

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
South East	1			
South West	2			
London	3			
East Midlands	4			
East of England	5			
West Midlands	6			
North West	7			
North East	8			
Yorkshire	9			
Scotland	10			
Northern Ireland	11			
Wales	12			
Outside the UK	13			

SCREEN OUT TEXT:

Thanks for your interest in taking part in this research.

Unfortunately, we are looking for people who live in a particular region.







Please click the 'Finish Survey' button to close this page.

Page break: Yes

Title: Q4. North West County Question type: Single Select

Question text: Which area of the North West do you live in?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: Yes

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: Quotas

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen	Quotas
Greater Manchester	1				32
Cumbria	2				32
Lancashire	3				32
Merseyside	4				32
Cheshire	5				32
Derbyshire	6				
Not sure	7				

SCREEN OUT/QUOTA FULL TEXT:

Thanks for your interest in taking part in this research.

Unfortunately, we are looking for people who live in particular areas.





Please click the 'Finish Survey' button to close this page.





Title: Q5. Water provider Question type: Single Select

Question text: Which company supplies the water to your home?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: Yes

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: No

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
United Utilities	1	\boxtimes		
Severn Trent	2			\boxtimes
Yorkshire Water	3			\boxtimes
Northumbrian Water	4			\boxtimes
None of these	5	\boxtimes		
Not sure	6	\boxtimes		

SCREEN OUT TEXT

Thank you so much for your interest in taking part in this research.

Unfortunately, we are only looking for customers with a particular water provider.





Title: Q6. Bill payer Question type: Single Select

Question text: Are you responsible for paying the bills in your household?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: Screen if Q1 = 4-9 (age 30+) AND Q6 = 3 (not bill payer)

Other potential instructions: No

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
Yes, soley responsible	1			
Yes, jointly responsible	2			
No, I'm not	3			

SCREEN OUT TEXT

Thank you so much for your interest in taking part in this research.

Unfortunately, we are only looking for those responsible for paying bills to take part.





Title: Q7. FBP - Current bill payer Question type: Single Select

Question text: Who is responsible for paying the bills where you live?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: Ask all who aren't responsible for bills (Q6=3)

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
My parent(s) or guardian(s)	1			
Landlord	2			
University accommodation	3			
Another household member	4			
Someone else (please let us know who)	5			
Not sure	6			





Title: Q8. Business user Question type: Single Select



Question text: Are you responsible for selecting and/or managing water and other utilities for a business/organisation in the North West?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: No

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: No

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
Yes	1			
No	2			

Page break: Yes

Title: Q9. Business size of bills Question type: Single Select

Question text: Do you know the size of your organisation's water bills?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: No

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: Ask all responsible for business bills (Q8=1)

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
Yes	1			
No	2			









Title: Q10. Business sites Question type: Multi Select

Question text: And in which parts of the North West does your business have sites/premises in?

Instruction text: Please select any that apply

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: Ask all responsible for business bills (Q8=1)

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
Greater Manchester	1			
Cumbria	2			
Lancashire	3			
Merseyside	4			
Cheshire	5			
Not sure	7	\square		





Title: Q11. Business water supply Question type: Multi Select

Question text:

How does your organisation mainly use water?

Instruction text: Please select any that apply

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: Ask all responsible for business bills (Q8=1)

Other potential instructions: Precodes 5-6 exclusive

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
The manufacturing process which is essential to the running of your organisation (e.g. to power machinery, agricultural production etc.)	1			
The supply of services your organisation provides (e.g. cleaning services etc.)	2			
An ingredient or part of the product or service your organisation provides (e.g. food or drink, chemical, cosmetics manufacturer etc.)	3			
Normal domestic use for your organisation's customers and employees (e.g. customer toilets, supply of drinking water)	4			
None of the above	5	\boxtimes		
Not sure	6			





Title: Q12. Business size Question type: Single Select

Question text: And approximately how many people does your business employ in the North West?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: Ask all responsible for business bills (Q8=1)

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
1-5 people	1			
6-10 people	2			
11-25 people	3			
26-50 people	4			
51-100 people	5			
More than 100 people	6			
Not sure	7			







Title: Q13. Vulnerable classification Question type: Multi Select

Question text: It's important that we include a range of people with different circumstances and from different walks of life in the research, so the last few questions are about you and your home.

Firstly, please let us know if any of the following apply to you...

Instruction text:

Randomisation: Randomise

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: Precode 4 exclusive

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
I or another member of my household is disabled or suffer(s) from a debilitating illness	1			
I or another member of my household have/has a learning difficulty	2			
I or another member of my household relies on water for medical reasons	3			
I or another member of my household is visually impaired (i.e. struggles to read even with glasses)	4			
I or another member of my household am/is over the age of 75 years old	5			
I or another member of my household speaks English as a second language	6			
I/our household often struggle to afford utility bills	7			
I or another member of my household is deaf or hard of hearing	8			
I or another member of my household is a new parent	9			
None of the above	10			









Title: Q14. Household income Question type: Single Select

Question text: Which of the following reflects your annual household income?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
Less than £10,000	1			
£10,000-£19,999	2			
£20,000-£29,999	3			
£30,000-£39,999	4			
£40,000-£49,999	5			
£50,000 - £74,999	6			
£75,000 or more	7			
Prefer not to say	8			







Title: HV1. Income Summary Question type: HIDDEN VARIABLE Single Select

Question text: HV1 Income Summary

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: Auto-assign to groups - see classification below. Quotas.

Answer options	Precodes	Classification	Screen	Quotas
Higher income	1	Q14 = 5-7		80
Lower income	2	Q14 = 1-4		80
Not stated	3	Q14 = 8		

SCREEN OUT/QUOTA FULL TEXT

Thank you so much for your interest in joining the community.

Unfortunately, we are now only looking for particular groups of people to take part.





Title: HV2. Participant classification Question type: HIDDEN VARIABLE Single Select

Question text: HV2 Participant classification

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: Auto-assign to groups – see classification below. Quotas. If qualify for precodes 1-4 and quota full, code as precode 6

Answer options	Precodes	Classification	Quotas
Vulnerable customers – age	1	Q1 = 9 OR Q13 = 5	8
Vulnerable customers – health	2	Q13=1-4 OR 8	8
Vulnerable customers – income/language	3	Q13=6-7	8
Bill payers of the future	4	Q1 = 2-3 AND Q6=3	25
Business customers	5	Q9 = 1	25
Customers	6	ALL NOT IN ABOVE GROUPS	90

SCREEN OUT/QUOTA FULL TEXT:

Thanks for your interest in taking part in this research.

Unfortunately, we are only now looking for particular groups of people to take part.

Please click the 'Finish Survey' button to close this page.





Title: Q15. Home ownership Question type: Single Select

Question text: Do you (or your household) own or rent your main home?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
Own outright	1			
Own with a mortgage or loan	2			
Part own and part rent (Shared ownership)	3			
Rent from private landlord / letting agent	4			
Rent from council, housing association, housing co-operative, charitable trust etc.	5			
Occupy in another way	6			





Title: Q16. Household composition Question type: Multi Select

Question text: Apart from you, who else lives in your household?

Instruction text: Please select all that apply

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: Precode 1 exclusive

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
Just me, I live by myself	1	\boxtimes		
My partner	2			
My child/children	3			
Friends	4			
Extended family members (e.g. parents, in-laws, grandparents)	5			
Someone else	6			

Page break: Yes

Title: Q17. Location type Question type: Single Select

Question text: Which of the following best describes the area where you live?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: Yes

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen

United Utilities



Urban	1		
Suburban	2		
Semi-Rural	3		
Rural	4		
Coastal	5		
Not sure	7	\boxtimes	

Page break: Yes

Title: Q18. Ethnicity

Question type: Single Select

Question text: Which of the following best describes your ethnicity?

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: Show sub-headings in bold

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
White				
English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British	1			
Irish	2			
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	3			
Other White background	4			
Mixed / multiple ethnic groups				
White & Black Caribbean	5			
White & Black African	6			
White and Asian	7			
Other Mixed background	8			

United Utilities



Asian / Asian British			
Indian	9		
Pakistani	10		
Bangladeshi	11		
Chinese	12		
Other Asian background	13		
Black/ African/Caribbean/Black British			
African	14		
Caribbean	15		
Other Black/African/Caribbean background	16		
Other			
Arab	17		
Other ethnic group (please describe)	18		
Prefer not to say	19		

Page break: Yes

Title: Q19. Water Meter Question type: Single Select

Question text: Do you have a water meter installed at your home?

By this we mean a meter that measures the exact amount of water you use for your water bill, rather than a standard estimate based on your property type. If your home was built after 1990, it will have been automatically fitted with a water meter.

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

	Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen	Quotas	
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Yes	1		80
No	2		80
Not sure	3		

SCREEN OUT/QUOTA FULL TEXT

Thank you so much for your interest in joining the community.

Unfortunately, we are looking for people with a particular type of water meter/billing to take part.





Title: Q20. Environmental attitudes Question type: Single Line Grid

Question text: And finally, how much do you agree or disagree with the following?

Instruction text: Please select one answer for each

Randomisation: Randomise answers

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Answer options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
I feel very strongly about issues related to the environment and sustainability	1			
The effects of climate change and other environmental issues are often exaggerated	2			
We can all make a real difference to the environment with our everyday lifestyle and consumption	3			

Scale options	Precodes	Fix	Open	Screen
Strongly agree	1			
Agree	2			
Neither agree nor disagree	3			
Disagree	4			
Strongly disagree	5			
Not sure	6			





Title: End redirect Question type: Info page

Question text:

Thank you for answering those questions for us.

Please click continue to move on to one final section to get you set up as a member on the 'in the flow' community.

Instruction text:

Randomisation: None

Implementation QID: ID here

Filter / routing information: No

Other potential instructions: Redirect to Square onboarding