

Q1. In talking to people about this Lok Sabha election, we often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they were not registered, they were sick, they were not interested in voting this time or they just didn't have the time. What about you - did you vote or did you not vote in this election?

1. Respondent cast a ballot
5. Respondent did not cast a ballot
6. Volunteered: respondent not registered on electoral lists [if applicable]
7. Volunteered: refused
8. Volunteered: don't know

Q1a. (If Voted in Q1) Which party did you vote for in this election?

Q1b. (If Voted in Q1) Did the election officer put the mark on your finger? *(Please observe marking on the finger and record the answer accordingly)*

1. Checked and mark found
2. Checked, but mark not found
3. Could not check the mark
7. Volunteered: Refused
8. Volunteered: Don't know
9. Missing

Q1c. (If Voted in Q1) When did you finally make up your mind about who to vote for?

1. On the day of voting
2. A day or two before voting
3. Earlier, during the campaign
4. Even before the campaign started
7. Volunteered: Refused
8. Volunteered: Don't know
9. Missing

Q2. After this election who would you prefer as the next Prime Minister of India? *(Do not offer any name & record exact answer)*

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| 1. Rahul Gandhi (INC) | 2. Narendra Modi (BJP) |
| 3. Dr. Manmohan Singh (INC) | 4. Sonia Gandhi (INC) |
| 5. Priyanka Gandhi (INC) | 6. Amit Shah (BJP) |
| 7. Mayawati (BSP) | 8. P. Chidambaram |
| 9. Arun Jaitley | 10. Rajnath Singh |
| 11. Mulayam Singh Yadav | 12. Akhilesh Yadav |
| 13. Lalu Prasad Yadav | 14. Arvind Kejriwal |
| 15. Mamata Banerjee | 16. Tejaswi Yadav |
| 17. Sharad Pawar | 18. Others |
| 98. No opinion | |

Q3a. What was the single most important issue for you while voting in this election? *(Do not offer any option & record exact answer)*

1. Lack of jobs, unemployment, the need to create new jobs
2. Price rise, high fuel prices
3. Economic inequality, increasing gap between rich and poor
4. Hunger, starvation, Lack of food and
5. GST
6. Demonetization
7. Corruption
8. Rafale aircraft scam
9. Condition of roads/highways
10. Condition of hospitals/health facilities/ healthcare/doctors
11. Condition of schools or colleges/education/ educational facilities/fee
12. Electricity-related problem
13. Water-related problem
14. Condition of drains/sewerage problem
15. Farmer or farming problems
16. Population Control

17. Pollution/Air Quality
18. Wildlife protection
19. Housing/shelter
20. Climate Change
21. Women's safety/rape/sexual harassment/crimes against women
22. Terrorism
23. Reservation/demand for reservation
24. Ayodhya issue/Ram Mandir-Babri masjid
25. Communalism, secularism
26. Religious identity/protection of my religion
27. Skill training
28. Others
98. Can't say/Don't know

Q3b. In your opinion, which party in this election has raised issues and problems you consider most important? *(Do not offer any party name & record the exact answer)*

Q4. During the elections people participate in various activities. In the recent elections, out of the activities stated below, in which did you participate?

Activities	Yes	No
1. Attended election meetings/rallies?	2	1
2. Participated in processions/ <i>nukkad natak</i> etc.?	2	1
3. Participated in door to door canvassing?	2	1
4. Contributed or collected money?	2	1
5. Distributed election leaflets or put up posters?	2	1

Q5. Political parties often try a lot of different ways during an election to encourage people to vote. In your experience, in this election, which of the following did you observe?

	Yes	No	Don't remember
1. Candidate/Party worker/canvasser came to your house to ask your vote	2	1	8
2. Party/Candidate contacted you or a family member through a phone call or recorded voice or WhatsApp.	2	1	8
3. Party/Candidate offering food/honorarium etc to voters in your locality.	2	1	8
4. Party/Candidate offering to drive voters in your locality to the polling stations	2	1	8

Q6. Which party did you vote for the in previous Lok Sabha elections held in 2014? (***Do not offer any party name & record the exact answer***)

Q7. How interested would you say you are in politics? Are you very interested, somewhat interested, not very interested or not at all interested?

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| 1. Very interested | 2. Somewhat interested |
| 3. Not very interested | 4. Not at all interested |
| 7. Refused to answer | 8. Volunteered: Don't Know |

Q8. And how closely do you follow politics on TV, radio, newspapers,or the Internet? Very closely, fairly closely, not very closely, or not at all?

1. TV:

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| 1. Very closely | 2. Fairly closely |
| 3. Not very closely | 4. Not at all |
| 7. Volunteered: Refused | 8. Volunteered: Don't know 9. Missing |

2. Radio:

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| 1. Very closely | 2. Fairly closely |
| 3. Not very closely | 4. Not at all |
| 7. Volunteered: Refused | 8. Volunteered: Don't know 9. Missing |

3. Newspaper:

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| 1. Very closely | 2. Fairly closely |
| 3. Not very closely | 4. Not at all |
| 7. Volunteered: Refused | 8. Volunteered: Don't know 9. Missing |

4. Internet:

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| 1. Very closely | 2. Fairly closely |
| 3. Not very closely | 4. Not at all |
| 7. Volunteered: Refused | 8. Volunteered: Don't know 9. Missing |

Q9a. Do you usually think of yourself as close to any particular party?

1. Yes
5. No
7. Volunteered: refused
8. Volunteered: don't know
9. Missing

Q9b. *(If yes in Q9a)* Which party do you feel closest to? ***(Do not offer any party name & record the exact answer)***

Q9c. *(If yes in Q9a)* Which is your second most preferred party? ***(Do not offer any party name & record the exact answer)***

Q10a. Regardless who you have voted for in this election, in your opinion which party is likely to win your seat? ***(Do not offer any party name & record the exact answer)***

Q10b. And which party is likely to form the govt in Delhi.

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| 1. Govt. of Congress | 2. Govt. of BJP |
| 3. Congress Led UPA Govt. | 4. BJP Led NDA Govt. |
| 5. MGB Govt. | 6. Left Front Govt. |
| 7. Others | 97. Volunteered: refused |
| 98. Volunteered: don't know | 99. Missing |

Q11. Now thinking about the performance of BJP-led government in Delhi, in general, how good or bad a job do you think the government did over the past 5 years? Has it done a very good job? A good job? A bad job? A very bad job?

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| 1. Very good job | 2. Good job |
| 3. Bad job | 4. Very bad job |
| 7. Volunteered: refused | 8. Volunteered: don't know |
| 9. Missing | |

Q12. Would you say that over the past twelve months, the state of the economy in India has gotten much better, gotten somewhat better, stayed about the same, gotten somewhat worse, or gotten much worse?

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| 1. Gotten much better | 2. Gotten somewhat better |
| 3. Stayed about the same | 4. Gotten somewhat worse |
| 5. Gotten much worse | 7. Volunteered: refused |
| 8. Volunteered: don't know | 9. Missing |

Q13. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, neither agree nor disagree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements:

a. You feel you understand the most important political issues of this country.

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| 1: Strongly agree | 2: Somewhat agree | 3: Neither agree nor disagree |
| 4: Somewhat disagree | 5: Strongly disagree | 7: Volunteered: refused |
| 8: Volunteered: don't know | | 9: Missing |

b. What people call compromise in politics is really just selling out on one's principles.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

c. Most politicians do not care about the people.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

d. Most politicians are trustworthy.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

e. Politicians are the main problem in India.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

f. Having a strong leader in government is good for India even if the leader bends the rules to get things done.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

g. The people, and not politicians, should make our most important policy decisions.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

h. Most politicians care only about the interests of the rich and powerful.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

i. Minorities should adapt to the customs and traditions of India.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

j. The will of the majority should always prevail, even over the rights of minorities.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

k. Immigrants are generally good for India's economy.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

l. India's culture is generally harmed by immigrants.

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

m. Immigrants increase crime rates in India

1: Strongly agree	2: Somewhat agree	3: Neither agree nor disagree
4: Somewhat disagree	5: Strongly disagree	7: Volunteered: refused
8: Volunteered: don't know		9: Missing

Q14. Some people say that the following things are important for being truly Indian. Others say they are not important. How important do you think the following is for being truly Indian... very important, fairly important, not very important, or not important at all?

a. To have been born in India.

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| 1: Very important | 2: Fairly important | 3: Not very important |
| 4: Not important at all | 7: Volunteered: refused | 8: Volunteered: don't know |
| 9: Missing | | |

b. For your grandparents to have been born in India.

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| 1: Very important | 2: Fairly important | 3: Not very important |
| 4: Not important at all | 7: Volunteered: refused | 8: Volunteered: don't know |
| 9: Missing | | |

c. To have Indian ancestry.

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| 1: Very important | 2: Fairly important | 3: Not very important |
| 4: Not important at all | 7: Volunteered: refused | 8: Volunteered: don't know |
| 9: Missing | | |

d. To be able to speak (National Language).

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| 1: Very important | 2: Fairly important | 3: Not very important |
| 4: Not important at all | 7: Volunteered: refused | 8: Volunteered: don't know |
| 9: Missing | | |

e. To follow India's customs and traditions.

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| 1: Very important | 2: Fairly important | 3: Not very important |
| 4: Not important at all | 7: Volunteered: refused | 8: Volunteered: don't know |
| 9: Missing | | |

Q15. Please say to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statement: "The government should take measures to reduce differences in income levels. "Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, neither agree nor disagree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree?"

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| 1. Strongly agree | 2. Somewhat agree |
| 3. Neither agree nor disagree | 4. Somewhat disagree |
| 5. Strongly disagree | 7. Volunteered: Refused |
| 8. Volunteered: Don't know | 9. Missing |

Q16. Would you say that any of the parties in India represent your views reasonably well?

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| 1. Yes | 5. No |
| 7. Volunteered: refused | 8. Volunteered: don't know |
| 9. Missing | |

Q16a. (If Yes at Q16) Which party represents your views best? *(Do not offer any party name & record the exact answer)*

Q17. Some people say that it doesn't make any difference which party is in power. Others say that it makes a big difference who is in power. Using the scale on this card, (where ONE means that it doesn't make any difference who is in power and FIVE means that it makes a big difference who is in power), where would you place yourself?

1. It doesn't make any difference who is in power
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
5. It makes a big difference who is in power
7. Volunteered: Refused
8. Volunteered: Don't know
9. Missing

Q18. Some people say that no matter who people vote for, it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the scale on this card, (where ONE means that voting won't make any difference to what happens and FIVE means that voting can make a big difference), where would you place yourself?

1. It doesn't make any difference who is in voting
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
5. It makes a big difference who is in voting
7. Volunteered: Refused
8. Volunteered: Don't know

9. Missing

Q19. On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied, or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in India?

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| 1. Very satisfied | 2. Fairly satisfied |
| 4. Not very satisfied | 5. Not at all satisfied |
| 7. Volunteered: Refused | 8. Volunteered: Don't know |

Q20. I'd like to know what you think about each of our political parties. After I read the name of a political party, please rate it on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that party and 10 means that you strongly like that party. If I come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know.

Enough about, just say so. The first party is [PARTY A].

Using the same scale, where would you place, [PARTY B]?

Using the same scale, where would you place, [PARTY C]?

Using the same scale, where would you place, [PARTY D]?

Using the same scale, where would you place, [PARTY E]?

Using the same scale, where would you place, [PARTY F]?

00. Strongly dislike

01.

02.

03.

04.

05.

06.

07.

08.

09.

10. Strongly like

96. Haven't heard of party

97. Volunteered: refused

98. Don't know enough about/don't know where to rate

99. Missing

Q21. And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a presidential candidate/party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate. If I come to a presidential candidate/party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say so. The first is [LEADER A].

Using the same scale, where would you place, [LEADER B]?

Using the same scale, where would you place, [LEADER C]?

Using the same scale, where would you place, [LEADER D]?

Using the same scale, where would you place, [LEADER E]?

Using the same scale, where would you place, [LEADER F]?

00. Strongly dislike

01.

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07.

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10. Strongly like

96. Haven't heard of leader

97. Volunteered: refused

98. Don't know enough about/don't know where to rate

99. Missing

Q22. In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place [Party A] on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right?

Using the same scale, where would you place [Party B]

Where would you place [Party C]

Where would you place [Party D]

00. Left

01.

02.

03.

04.

05.

06.

07.

08.

09.

10. Right

96. Haven't heard of party

97. Volunteered: Refused

98. Don't know enough about/don't know where to rate

99. Missing

Q23. Where would you place yourself?

- 00. Left
- 01.
- 02.
- 03.
- 04.
- 05.
- 06.
- 07.
- 08.
- 09.
- 10. Right
- 96. Volunteered: Haven't heard of left-right
- 97. Volunteered: Refused
- 98. Don't know enough about/don't know where to rate
- 99. Missing

Q11. Employment Status:

- In labor force:
 - 01. Employed - full time (32 or more hours weekly)
 - 02. Employed - part time (15 to less than 32 hours weekly)
 - 03. Employed - less than 15 hours
 - 04. Helping family member
 - 05. Unemployed
- Not in labor force:
 - 06. Student, in school, in vocational training
 - 07. Retired
 - 08. Housewife, homemaker, home duties
 - 09. Permanently disabled
 - 10. Others, not in labor force
 - 97. Volunteered: Refused
 - 98. Volunteered: Don't know
 - 99. Missing

QI2a. (If employed in Labor force) Are you employed full time or part time or are you self-employed?

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| 1. Full time (~30 hours) | 2. Part time (< 30 hours) | 3. Self employed |
| 7. Volunteered: refused | 8. Volunteered: don't know | 9. Missing |

QI2b. (If employed in Labor force) Employment type:

1. Public sector
2. Private sector
3. Mixed
4. "Third sector"/Non-profit sector
7. Volunteered: Refused
8. Volunteered: Don't know
9. Missing

QI2c. Occupation of the respondent

1. Managers
2. Professionals
3. Technicians
4. Clerical workers
5. Service/sales representatives
6. Agriculture - skilled/unskilled
7. Skilled labour
8. Machine operators
9. Daily wage labourers
10. Armed forces

QI3. If you do not work currently, about how long have you not worked? (*only for those who say not employed in QI1*)

Q14. If you do not currently work, when you worked in the past, why did that work end? (*only for those who say not employed in Q11*).

1. Was Laid off
2. Company closed
3. Contract came to an end
4. Other reason_____
7. Volunteered: refused
8. Volunteered: don't know
9. Missing

Q15. (For women only) As you know, some women take up jobs for which they are paid in cash or kind. Others sell things, have a small business or work on the family farm or in the family business. In the last seven days, have you done any of these things or any other work?

1. Yes
2. No
7. Volunteered: refused
8. Volunteered: don't know
9. Missing

Q16. Do you think anyone else knows about how you voted in the Lok Sabha elections?

1. Yes
2. No
7. Volunteered: refused
8. Volunteered: don't know
9. Missing

Q17a. The state government leaders are deciding how to use a fixed amount of budget increase for this block. They have a limited budget so they can only afford one of the two proposals. Which of these would you prefer the government do?

1. To spend the money on schemes for creating jobs for few poor people
2. To spend it on improving the health of a lot of children in the block
8. No opinion

Q17b. What should the money be spent into-

1. To give cash transfers to few poor people
2. To spend it on improving health of a lot of children in the block
8. No opinion

Q17c. What should the money be spent into-

1. To spend the money on schemes for creating jobs for few poor people
2. To spend it on improving roads throughout the block
8. No opinion

Q17d. What should the money be spent into-

1. To give cash transfers to a few poor people
2. To spend it on improving roads throughout the block
3. No opinion

Q17e. What should the money be spent into-

1. To spend it on improving health of a lot of children in the block
2. To spend it on improving roads throughout the block
8. No opinion

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

B1. Age_____ (in years)

B2. Gender :

1. Male
2. Female
5. Other
7. Volunteered: Refused
9. Missing

B3. Education :

01. ISCED LEVEL 0 - Early childhood education
02. ISCED LEVEL 1 - Primary
03. ISCED LEVEL 2 - Lower secondary
04. ISCED LEVEL 3 - Upper secondary
05. ISCED LEVEL 4 - Post-secondary non-tertiary
06. ISCED LEVEL 5 - Short-cycle tertiary
07. ISCED LEVEL 6 - Bachelor or equivalent
08. ISCED LEVEL 7 - Master or equivalent
09. ISCED LEVEL 8 - Doctoral or equivalent
96. None (No education)
97. VOLUNTEERED: Refused
98. VOLUNTEERED: Don't know
99. Missing

B4. Marital Status

1. Married or living together as married
2. Widowed
3. Divorced or separated (married but separated / not living with legal spouse)
4. Single, never married
7. Volunteered: Refused
8. Volunteered: Don't know
9. Missing

B5. House-hold asset ownership- Do you or members of your household have the following:

	Yes	No
1. Car/Jeep/Van	1	2
2. Scooter/Motorcycle/Moped	1	2
3. Air Conditione	1	2
4. Computer/laptop	1	2
5. Washing machine/Microwave/Fridge	1	2
6. Fan/Cooler	1	2
7. TV	1	2
8. LPG gas	1	2
9. Motorised pumping set for irrigation (only in villages)	1	2
10. Tractor (only in villages)	1	2
11. Hand-pump inside the house (only in villages)	1	2

B6. Area/Locality:

1. Village 2. Town 3. City 4. Metropolitan City

B7a. Type of house where Respondent lives *(If Town/City/Metropolitan)*

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| 1. House/Flat/Bungalow | 2. House/Flat with 5 or more rooms |
| 3. House/Flat with 4 rooms | 4. Houses/Flat with 3 rooms |
| 5. Houses/Flat with 2 rooms | 6. House with 1 room |
| 7. Mainly Kutcha house | 8. Slum/Jhuggi Jhopri |

B7b. Type of house where Respondent lives *(If village)*

1. Pucca (both wall and roof made of pucca material)
2. Pucca-Kutcha (Either wall or roof is made of pucca material and other of kutcha material)
3. Kutcha/Mud houses (both wall and roof are made of kutcha material)
4. Hut (both wall and roof made of grass, leaves, un-burnt brick or bamboo)
9. Missing

B8. House-hold Income: _____ **(in Rupees)**

B9. Religion: code from list.

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| 1: Hindu | 2: Muslim | 3: Christian | 4: Sikh |
| 5: Buddhist | 6: Jain | 7: Others | 9: No Religion |

B10a. Caste group: code from list

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| 1. Schedule Caste (SC) | 2. Scheduled Tribe (ST) |
| 3. Other Backward Classes (OBC) | 4. General/Other |

B10b. Caste: *(Do not offer any option & record the exact answer)*

B11. How often do you attend religious service of any kind?

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| 1. Never | 2. Once a year |
| 3. Two to eleven times a year | 4. Once a month |
| 5. Two or more times a month | 6. Once a week/more than once a week |
| 7. Volunteered: refused | 8. Volunteered: don't know |
| 9. Missing | |

B12. Are you a member of any union?

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| 1. Yes | 2. No |
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B13. Country of birth _____ *(Do not offer any option & record the exact answer)*

B14. Whether your biological parents were born in this country?

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| 1. Yes | 2. No |
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B15. What language do you usually speak at home? _____ *(Do not offer any option & record the exact answer)*

B16. No. of adult (18+) members in household_____

