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Subject: Decision making

Posted by [AMihnovits](#) on Thu, 14 Mar 2019 13:24:07 GMT

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The request is submitted by HelpAge International.

While gender-based discrimination in access to and control of resources is recognized and captured by the DHS (Q919 in woman's and Q609 in man's questionnaires), research evidence shows that during later stages of their lives, a woman or a man may face additional discrimination and obstacles to independent decisionmaking, based on their age. Issues arising for older people in relation to control of their money include family fraud and loss of control when their health, marital or employment circumstances change. [ref. HelpAge International, 2019. Living, not just surviving.]

Therefore HelpAge International requests that:

- i. Responses to the question on decision making power over finances (Q919 in the woman's questionnaire and Q609 in the man's questionnaire) are revised to include additional categories 'children' and 'others', and
- ii. Information is collected for of all members of household regardless of age.

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Subject: Re: Decision making

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This comment is made on behalf of the Gender Group at The World Bank.

In addition, consider a question that solicits the husband's role in decision making regarding his spouse/partner's working decision (especially in terms of wage/salary employment or self-employment)

We would love to continue the discussion and work alongside DHS to develop a more refined instrument in measuring the indicated indicators. Please do not hesitate to email Kathleen Beegle ([kbeegle@worldbank.org](mailto:kbeegle@worldbank.org)) and Daniel Halim ([dhalim@worldbank.org](mailto:dhalim@worldbank.org)).

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