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Unit 15: Social Trends

CASE STUDY

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FIG. 1

PROPORTION OF PEOPLE IN GREAT BRITAIN LIVING ALONE, BY AGE AND SEX (%)			
	1986/87	1996/97	2003/04
MEN			
16–24	4	5	6
25–44	7	11	15
45–64	8	10	14
65–74	17	21	19
75 and over	24	31	29
WOMEN			
16–24	3	3	3
25–44	4	6	8
45–64	13	12	15
65–74	38	39	34
75 and over	61	58	60
ALL			
16–24	3	4	5
25–44	6	8	12
45–64	10	11	15
65–74	28	31	27
75 and over	50	47	49

Historical figures from Summerfield and Gill, 2005

TEXT 1

There are 21,660,475 households in England and Wales according to the Census 2001, and 30% of these (6.5 million) are one-person households – up from 26.3% in 1991.

TEXT 2

INDIVIDUAL BUDGET

Gavin Croft is many things – a talented web designer, a fan of Rochdale FC and he has multiple sclerosis. He has taken part in a new funding pilot through Oldham Borough Council.

Instead of the council providing social care, Gavin has been given an ‘Individual Budget’ (IB) for the social care he needs to live his life. Like all other people who are eligible, Gavin’s needs were assessed by a social worker. Each ‘need’ has a set amount to cover it and the whole amount is added up to make up the IB. He was allowed to spend the money on anything that helped him meet his needs.

The government has announced that from April 2008, millions of pensioners will be given control of the money to cover their own social care.

Adapted from BBC news website 08.04.08

TEXT 3

ABORTION FIGURES RISE

According to the ONS the number of abortions carried out in England and Wales rose by 3.9% to 193,700 in 2006. There was also a rise in the under-16 abortion rate to 3.9 per 1,000 women and among under-18s to 18.2 per 1,000 women. The abortion rate was highest, at 35 per 1,000 women aged 19. Some 89% of abortions were carried out at under-13 weeks gestation, with 68% carried out in the first ten weeks of pregnancy.

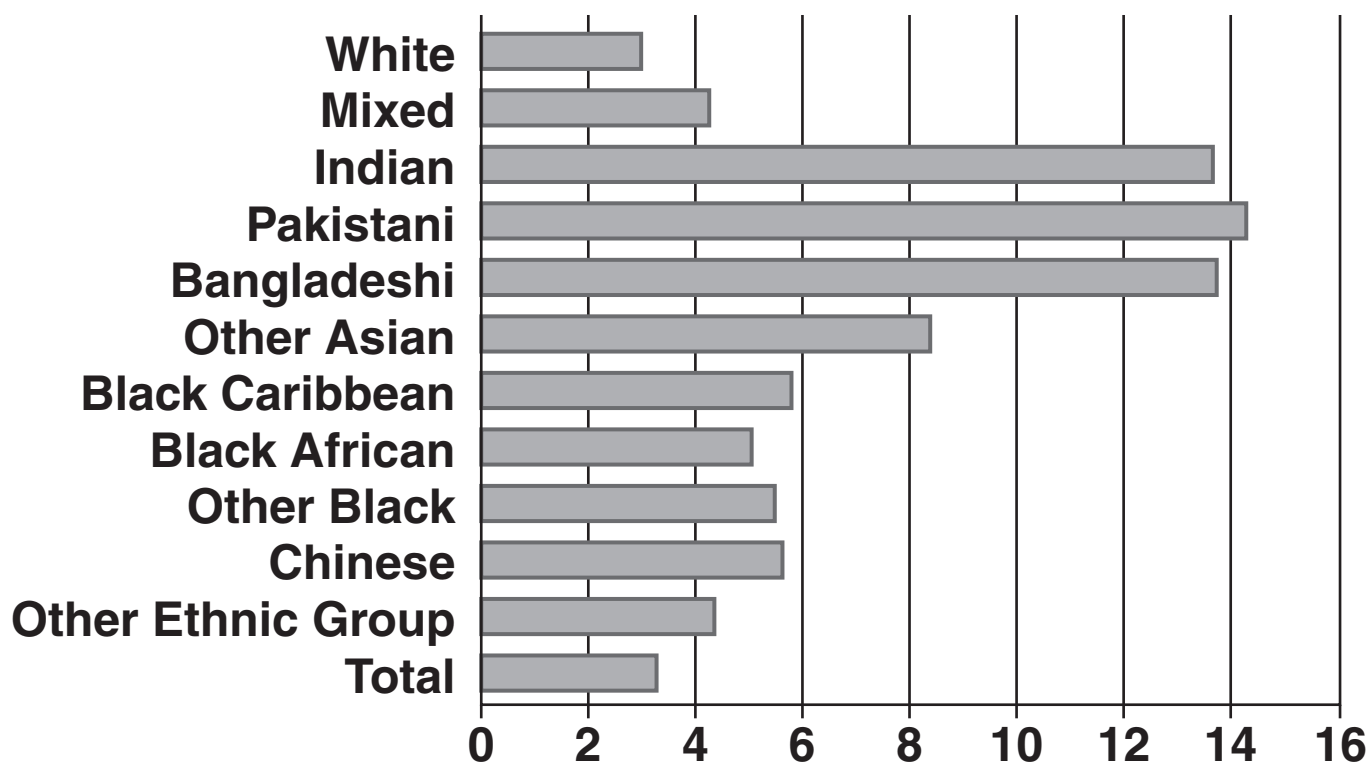
Adapted from BBC news website 27.06.07

FIG. 2

**MULTI-GENERATIONAL HOUSEHOLDS AS A
PROPORTION OF FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS:
BY ETHNIC GROUP OF HOUSEHOLD REFERENCE
PERSON, 2001**

ENGLAND AND WALES

Percentages



Census Office for National Statistics 2001

TEXT 4

RETURN HOME OF THE 'BOOMERANG KIDS'

According to government figures the proportion of men in their 20s living in the parental home has grown from 59 to 80 per cent in the past 15 years. Among women the rise has been from 41 to 50 per cent. The charity Parentline Plus argues that this is putting an enormous strain on family relations.

Adapted from The Times Newspaper 07.02.08

TEXT 5

WOMEN 'TAKING CONTROL OF FAMILY FINANCES'

When it comes to managing the family finances, women are increasingly taking control or ensuring their influence is at least equivalent to their husband's, according to research published today. Men continue to be the principal breadwinner in the vast majority of Britain's 17.4 million families, the report from Norwich and Peterborough Building Society says. But of the 16 spending categories studied, families said that decisions on 13 of these were made jointly.

Adapted from The Times Newspaper 07.03.08

TEXT 6

WOMEN CLIMB CAREER LADDER FASTER – BUT ARE PAID LESS FOR DOING SAME JOB

**Headline from The Times Newspaper online edition
05.09.07**

FIG. 3**OCCUPATIONAL SEGREGATION 2001****Employees and self-employed in Great Britain aged 16 and over**

Selected occupations	Women		Men	
	<i>thousands</i>	<i>% of group</i>	<i>thousands</i>	<i>% of group</i>
Taxi/cab drivers and chauffeurs	12	7	162	93
Security guards and related	12	8	140	92
Software professionals	51	16	270	84
ICT managers	34	17	169	83
Police officers up to sergeant	30	20	125	80
Marketing and sales managers	92	21	340	79
IT operations technicians	34	29	82	71
Solicitors, lawyers, judges and coroners	47	37	80	63
Sales representatives	89	37	151	63
Medical practitioners	59	38	95	62
Chefs and cooks	113	46	130	54
Shelf fillers	62	48	68	52
Secondary teachers	190	57	143	43
Sales and retail assistants	838	72	327	28
Waiters and waitresses	138	77	40	23
General office assistants and clerks	488	81	117	19
Cleaners and domestics	493	81	114	19
Primary and nursery teachers	287	86	46	14
Hairdressers and barbers	126	88	16	12
Nurses	388	90	45	10
Care assistants and home carers	485	90	55	10
Receptionists	251	95	13	5

Source: Equal Opportunities Commission, *Facts about women and men in Great Britain, 2002* (2002)

FIG. 4**EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION 2001****Employees and self-employed in Great Britain aged 16 and over**

Major occupational groups	Women		Men	
	<i>thousands</i>	<i>% of group</i>	<i>thousands</i>	<i>% of group</i>
Managers and senior officials	1 114	30	2 628	70
Professional	1 291	40	1 964	60
Associate professional and technical	1 660	46	1 970	54
Administrative and secretarial	2 851	79	758	21
Skilled trades	266	8	2 934	92
Personal service	1 644	85	298	15
Sales and customer service	1 453	69	668	31
Process, plant and machine operatives	402	17	1 921	83
Elementary	1 507	46	1 785	54
All occupations, including those not stating occupation	12 190	45	14 934	55

Sources: Equal Opportunities Commission: Facts about women and men in Great Britain 2002

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