This is a survey, not a test. Your answers will help identify which dietary advice people find confusing.

It is important that you complete it by yourself.

Your answers will remain anonymous.

If you do not know the answer, mark “not sure” rather than guess.

Thank you for your time.
The first few items are about what advice you think experts are giving us.

1. Do you think health experts recommend that people should be eating more, the same amount, or less of these foods? *(tick one box per food)*

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Experts classify foods into groups. We are interested to see whether people are aware of what foods are in these groups.

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7. Do you think these fatty foods are **high or low in saturated fat**? *(tick one box per food)*

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8. Some foods contain a lot of fat but no cholesterol.
   (a) agree □
   (b) disagree □
   (c) not sure □
9. Do you think experts call these a healthy alternative to red meat? (tick one box per food)

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10. A glass of unsweetened fruit juice counts as a helping of fruit.
    (a) agree          
    (b) disagree       
    (c) not sure

11. Saturated fats are mainly found in: (tick one)
    (a) vegetable oils
    (b) dairy products
    (c) both (a) and (b)
    (d) not sure

12. Brown sugar is a healthy alternative to white sugar.
    (a) agree
    (b) disagree
    (c) not sure

13. There is more protein in a glass of whole milk than in a glass of skimmed milk.
    (a) agree
    (b) disagree
    (c) not sure

14. Polyunsaturated margarine contains less fat than butter.
    (a) agree
    (b) disagree
    (c) not sure

15. Which of these breads contain the most vitamins and minerals? (tick one)
    (a) white
    (b) brown
    (c) wholegrain
    (d) not sure

16. Which do you think is higher in calories: butter or regular margarine? (tick one)
    (a) butter
    (b) regular margarine
    (c) both the same
    (d) not sure

17. A type of oil which contains mostly monounsaturated fat is: (tick one)
    (a) coconut oil
    (b) sunflower oil
    (c) olive oil
    (d) palm oil
    (e) not sure

18. There is more calcium in a glass of whole milk than a glass of skimmed milk.
    (a) agree
    (b) disagree
    (c) not sure

19. Which one of the following has the most calories for the same weight? (tick one)
    (a) sugar
    (b) starchy foods
    (c) fibre/roughage
    (d) fat
    (e) not sure

20. Harder fats contain more: (tick one)
    (a) monounsaturates
    (b) polyunsaturates
    (c) saturates
    (d) not sure

21. Polyunsaturated fats are mainly found in: (tick one)
    (a) vegetable oils
    (b) dairy products
    (c) both (a) and (b)
    (d) not sure
The next few items are about choosing foods.

Please answer what is being asked and not whether you like or dislike the food!

For example, suppose you were asked ...

"If a person wanted to cut down on fat, which cheese would be best to eat?"

(a) cheddar cheese  
(b) camembert  
(c) cream cheese  
(d) cottage cheese

If you didn’t like cottage cheese, but knew it was the right answer, you would still tick cottage cheese.

1. Which would be the best choice for a low fat, high fibre snack? (tick one)
   (a) diet strawberry yoghurt  
   (b) raisins  
   (c) muesli bar  
   (d) wholemeal crackers and cheddar cheese

2. Which would be the best choice for a low fat, high fibre light meal? (tick one)
   (a) grilled chicken  
   (b) cheese on wholemeal toast  
   (c) beans on wholemeal toast  
   (d) quiche

3. Which kind of sandwich do you think is healthier? (tick one)
   (a) two thick slices of bread with a thin slice of cheddar cheese filling  
   (b) two thin slices of bread with a thick slice of cheddar cheese filling

4. Many people eat spaghetti bolognese (pasta with a tomato and meat sauce). Which do you think is healthier? (tick one)
   (a) a large amount of pasta with a little sauce on top  
   (b) a small amount of pasta with a lot of sauce on top

5. If a person wanted to reduce the amount of fat in their diet, which would be the best choice? (tick one)
   (a) steak, grilled  
   (b) sausages, grilled  
   (c) turkey, grilled  
   (d) pork chop, grilled

6. If a person wanted to reduce the amount of fat in their diet, but didn’t want to give up chips, which one would be the best choice? (tick one)
   (a) thick cut chips  
   (b) thin cut chips  
   (c) crinkle cut chips

7. If a person felt like something sweet, but was trying to cut down on sugar, which would be the best choice? (tick one)
   (a) honey on toast  
   (b) a cereal snack bar  
   (c) plain Digestive biscuit  
   (d) banana with plain yoghurt

8. Which of these would be the healthiest pudding? (tick one)
   (a) baked apple  
   (b) strawberry yoghurt  
   (c) wholemeal crackers and cheddar cheese  
   (d) carrot cake with cream cheese topping

9. Which cheese would be the best choice as a lower fat option? (tick one)
   (a) plain cream cheese  
   (b) Edam  
   (c) cheddar  
   (d) Stilton

10. If a person wanted to reduce the amount of salt in their diet, which would be the best choice? (tick one)
    (a) ready made frozen shepherd’s pie  
    (b) gammon with pineapple  
    (c) mushroom omelette  
    (d) stir fry vegetables with soy sauce
This section is about health problems or diseases.

1. Are you aware of any major health problems or diseases that are related to a low intake of fruit and vegetables?
   - (a) yes
   - (b) no
   - (c) not sure

   If yes, what diseases or health problems do you think are related to a low intake of fruit and vegetables?

2. Are you aware of any major health problems or diseases that are related to a low intake of fibre?
   - (a) yes
   - (b) no
   - (c) not sure

   If yes, what diseases or health problems do you think are related to a low intake of fibre?

3. Are you aware of any major health problems or diseases that are related to how much sugar people eat?
   - (a) yes
   - (b) no
   - (c) not sure

   If yes, what diseases or health problems do you think are related to sugar?

4. Are you aware of any major health problems or diseases that are related to how much salt or sodium people eat?
   - (a) yes
   - (b) no
   - (c) not sure

   If yes, what diseases or health problems do you think are related to salt?

5. Are you aware of any major health problems or diseases that are related to the amount of fat people eat?
   - (a) yes
   - (b) no
   - (c) not sure

   If yes, what diseases or health problems do you think are related to fat?

6. Do you think these help to reduce the chances of getting certain kinds of cancer? (answer each one)

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7. Do you think these help prevent heart disease?  
(Answer each one)

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8. Which one of these is more likely to raise people's blood cholesterol level? (Tick one)

(a) Antioxidants       
(b) Polyunsaturated fats
(c) Saturated fats
(d) Cholesterol in the diet
(e) Not sure

9. Have you heard of antioxidant vitamins?

(a) Yes
(b) No

10. If YES to question 9, do you think these are antioxidant vitamins? (Answer each one)

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Finally, we would like to ask you a few questions about yourself.

1. Are you male or female?
   (a) Male
   (b) Female

2. How old are you?
   (a) Less than 18
   (b) 18 - 24
   (c) 25 - 34
   (d) 35 - 44
   (e) 45 - 54
   (f) 55 - 64
   (g) 65 - 74
   (h) More than 75

3. Are you:
   (a) Single
   (b) Married
   (c) Living as married
   (d) Separated
   (e) Divorced
   (f) Widowed

4. What is your ethnic origin?
   (a) White
   (b) Black Caribbean
   (c) Black African
   (d) Black other
   (e) Indian
   (f) Pakistani
   (g) Bangladeshi
   (h) Chinese
   (i) Asian - other
   Please specify:
   (j) Any other ethnic group
   Please specify:

Please turn over.
5. **Do you have any children?**
   (a) No □
   (b) 1 □
   (c) 2 □
   (d) 3 □
   (e) 4 □
   (f) more than 4 □

6. **Do you have any children, under 18 years, living with you?**
   (a) Yes □
   (b) No □

7. **What is the highest level of education you have completed?**
   (a) primary school □
   (b) secondary school □
   (c) O levels / GCSEs □
   (d) A levels □
   (e) Technical or Trade Certificate □
   (f) Diploma □
   (g) Degree □
   (h) Post-graduate degree □

8. **Do you have any health or nutrition related qualifications?**
   (a) Yes □
   Please specify:
   □
   (b) No □

9. **What is your job?** *If you are not working now, what is your usual job? (please be specific).*

10. **If you have a partner, what is his/her job?** *If he/she is not working now, what is his/her usual job? (please be specific).*

11. **Are you currently:**
   (a) employed full time □
   (b) employed part time □
   (c) unemployed □
   (d) full time homemaker □
   (e) retired □
   (f) student □
   (g) disabled or too ill to work □

12. **Are you on a special diet?**
   (a) Yes □
   Please specify:
   □
   (b) No □

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**THE END**

Thank you very much for your time.

If there are any comments you would like to make about this questionnaire, please do so below, they would be very welcome.

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