# women's health a u s t r a l i a



# Fifth survey for mid-age women March 2007

## How to complete this survey

This is the fifth "main" survey for mid-age women. As the purpose of the project is to look at changes over time, some of the questions are the same as those in previous surveys.

Please answer every question you can. If you are unsure about how to answer a question, mark the response for the closest answer to how you feel.

<u>Please write any comments or important information on page 30. We are not able to</u> <u>read comments written elsewhere throughout the survey.</u>

Please read the instructions above each question carefully. Some require you to only answer those options which are applicable to you. Other questions require you to mark one answer on each line. The questions may also refer to different time periods.

INSTRUCTIONS:					
<ul> <li>Use a black/blue biro</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Do not fold or bend this s</li> </ul>	•				
<ul> <li>Cross the boxes like</li> </ul>	e this:				
In general, would y (Mark <u>one only</u> )	ou say your health is:				
Excellent					
Very good					
Good	X You would mark t	his one if you think y	our health is	good	
Fair					
Poor					
Print clearly in the b	ooxes like this:				
What is your postc (PRINT clearly in the		308			
Correct mistakes lik	ke this:				
When you go to a G	General Practitioner:		Most of	Some-	Rarely or
(Mark <u>one on each lir</u>	<u>ne</u> )	Always	the time	times	never
Do you go	to the same place?			X	
		lf you make a m clearly mark th			

If you need help to answer any questions, please ring 1800 068 081 (This is a FREECALL number)

- \* If you are concerned about any of your health experiences and would like some help, you may like to contact:
  - your nearest Women's Health Centre or Community Health Centre;
  - your General Practitioner for advice about who would be the best person in your community for you to talk to.
- \* If you feel distressed NOW and would like someone to talk to, you could ring Lifeline on 131 114 (local call).

# women's health is about how you are feeling

The questions on the first page ask only about NOW - how your health is NOW and about how your health limits certain activities NOW.

Fair

Poor

Q1	In general, would you say your health is:
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )
	Excellent
	Very good
	Good

**Q2** 

 Compared to one year ago, how would you rate your health in general now?

 (Mark one only)

 Much better now than one year ago

 Somewhat better now than one year ago

 About the same now as one year ago

Somewhat worse now than one year ago Much worse now than one year ago

#### Q3 The following questions are about activities you might do during a typical day. Does YOUR HEALTH NOW LIMIT YOU in these activities? If so, how much?

(Mark	<u>one on each line</u> )	Yes, limited a lot	Yes, limited a little	No, not limited at all
а	VIGOROUS activities, such as running, lifting heavy objects, participating in strenuous sports			
b	MODERATE activities, such as moving a table, pushing a vacuum cleaner, bowling or playing golf			
С	Lifting or carrying groceries			
d	Climbing SEVERAL flights of stairs			
е	Climbing ONE flight of stairs			
f	Bending, kneeling or stooping			
g	Walking MORE THAN ONE kilometre			
h	Walking HALF a kilometre			
i	Walking 100 metres			
j	Bathing or dressing yourself			

		The questions on this page and the next one ask about your health	'n	
		IN THE LAST FOUR WEEKS.		
		IN THE LAST FOOT WEEKS.		
Q4	(inclu	g the PAST FOUR WEEKS, have you had any of the following problems winding your work outside the home and housework) or other regular daily a RESULT OF YOUR PHYSICAL HEALTH?	-	vork
	(Mark	<u>one on each line</u> )	Yes	No
	a	Cut down on the amount of time you spent on work or other activities		
	b	Accomplished less than you would like		
	С	Were limited in the kind of work or other activities		
	d	Had difficulty performing the work or other activities (eg it took extra effort)		
<b>Q5</b>	other <i>(such</i>	g the PAST FOUR WEEKS, have you had any of the following problems wi regular daily activities AS A RESULT OF ANY EMOTIONAL PROBLEMS as feeling depressed or anxious)? one on each line)	-	
	(	<u></u> /	Yes	No
	а	Cut down on the amount of time you spent on work or other activities		
	b	Accomplished less than you would like		

Q6 During the PAST FOUR WEEKS, to what extent have your PHYSICAL HEALTH OR EMOTIONAL PROBLEMS interfered with your normal social activities with family, friends, neighbours or groups?

(Mark <u>one only</u>)

С

Not at all	
Slightly	
Moderately	
Quite a bit	
Extremely	

Didn't do work or other activities as carefully as usual

Q7 How much BODILY pain have you had during the PAST FOUR WEEKS? (Mark <u>one only</u>)

No bodily pain	
Very mild	
Mild	
Moderate	
Severe	
Very severe	

**Q8** During the PAST FOUR WEEKS, how much did PAIN interfere with your normal work *(including both work outside the home and housework)*?

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(Mark one only)

(Mark one only)

Not at all	
A little bit	
Voderately	
Quite a bit	
Extremely	

# **Q9** For each question, please give the one answer that comes closest to the way you have been feeling. How much of the time during the PAST FOUR WEEKS:

(	Mark <u>one on each line</u> )	All of the time	Most of the time	A good bit of the time	Some of the time	A little of the time	None of the time
á	Did you feel full of life?						
I	Have you been a very nervous person?						
¢	Have you felt so down in the dumps that nothing could cheer you up?						
C	Have you felt calm and peaceful?						
(	Did you have a lot of energy?						
1	Have you felt down?						
9	Did you feel worn out?						
	Have you been a happy person?						
i	Did you feel tired?						

Q10 During the PAST FOUR WEEKS, how much of the time have your PHYSICAL HEALTH OR EMOTIONAL PROBLEMS interfered with your social activities (*like visiting friends, relatives, etc*)?

All of the time	
Most of the time	
Some of the time	
A little of the time	
None of the time	

#### Q11 How TRUE or FALSE is EACH of the following statements for you?

(Mark	one on each line)	Definitely true	Mostly true	Don't know	Mostly false	Definitely false
а	I seem to get sick a little easier than other people					
b	I am as healthy as anybody I know					
С	I expect my health to get worse					
d	My health is excellent					

women's health is about using health services

#### Q12 How many times have you consulted the following people for YOUR OWN HEALTH in the LAST TWELVE MONTHS?

(N	lark <u>one on each line</u> )	None	Once or twice	3 or 4 times	5 or 6 times	7-12 times	13-24 times	25 or more times
а	A family doctor or another General Practitioner (GP)							
b	A hospital doctor (eg in outpatients or casualty)							
С	A specialist doctor							

#### Q13 Have you consulted the following people for YOUR OWN HEALTH in the LAST TWELVE **MONTHS?**

(Mark <u>one on each l</u>	line)	Yes	Νο
а	Physiotherapist		
b	Counsellor / Psychologist / Social worker		
С	A community nurse, practice nurse, or nurse practitioner		
d	Optician / Optometrist		
е	Dietitian		
f	Podiatrist		
g	Massage therapist		
h	Naturopath / Herbalist		
i	Chiropractor		
j	Osteopath		
k	Acupuncturist		
1	Other alternative health practitioner (eg aromatherapist, homeopath, reflexologist, iridologist)		

#### Q14 How often have you used the following therapies for YOUR OWN HEALTH in the LAST **TWELVE MONTHS?**

(Mark <u>one on each line</u> )		Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
а	Vitamins / Minerals				
b	Yoga or meditation				
с	Herbal medicines				
d	Aromatherapy oils				
е	Chinese medicines				
f	Prayer or spiritual healing				
g	Other alternative therapies				

#### Q15 When you go to a General Practitioner: Rarely (Mark one on each line) Most of Someor Always the time times never Do you go to the same place? а $\Box$ Do you usually see the same doctor? b Π П

<b>Q16</b>	How would you rate the	e cost to you of your	LAST visit to	a Genera	al Practitio	ner?	
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )		No cost to n	ne			
			Goo	bd			
			Fa	air			
			Po	or			
			Don't kno	W			
Q17	Do you have a Health C	are Card?			_		
	This is a card that entitle		assistance v	with medic	cal expense	s.	
	This is not the same as a				·		
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )		Y	es			
			1	No			
<b>Q18</b> a	Do you have private he	alth insurance for HO		,	_		
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )						
		No – I am covered by					
	No. boost	No – because I can'i					
	No – becau	se I don't think you get					
		No – because I don					
		INO	- other reas	on			
Q18b	Do you have private he	alth insurance for AN	CILLARY sei	rvices (eg	dental, ph	ysiotherap	oy)?
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )		Ye	es			
		No – I am covered by V					
		No – because I can't					
	No – becaus	se I don't think you get v					
		No – because I don'					
	No - because th	e services are not availa					
			- other reaso				
Q19	Have you been admitte	d to hospital in the LA			S?		
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )			No			
			Yes, day or				
		Yes, spent at	least one nig	Int			
Q20	When did you last have	:		0.5			Denth
	(Mark <u>one on each line</u> )		In the last 2 years	2-5 years ago	More than 5 years ago	Never	Don't know
	а	A Pap test?					
	b	A mammogram?					
Q21	Have you EVER had an	abnormal result from	• (Mark one c	n each lin	) م		Don't
	-				Yes	No	know
	a	A Pap test?					
	b	A mammogram?					

Q22	In the	the PAST THREE YEARS, have you: (Mark <u>all that apply on each line</u> )					
			Doctor	Nurse	Other	checked	
	а	Had your blood pressure checked?					
	b	Had your cholesterol checked?					
	С	Had your blood sugar level checked?					
	d	Had your skin checked (eg spots, lesions, moles)?					
Q23	In the I	PAST THREE YEARS, have you: (Mark one on each line)			Yes	No	
	а	Had your breasts examined by a do	ctor or	nurse?			
	b	Carried out regular monthly breast self	<sup>:</sup> examir	ation?			
	С	Had a bone	e densit	y test?			
	d	Had a test for b	owel c	ancer?			
	е	Had a reminder from your general practice to have a <i>(eg blood pressure, cholesterol, blood</i> )					
0.04							
Q24		PAST THREE YEARS, have you received advice/inform	ation a	bout life	-	Na	
	-	es from any of these sources? (Mark <u>one on each line</u> )	Δ	doctor	Yes	No	
	a b			nurse			
		Other health professional (eg physiotherapis					
	c d	Program or organisation (eg weight loss program, gym, s					
			ks, mag				
	e f	800		nternet			
	f			evision			
	g h		Ter	Radio			
	;	Fo	mily or				
	:						
	j Private health fund						
Q25	Are you	u CURRENTLY taking: (Mark <u>one on each line</u> )			Yes	No	
	а	The oral cont	traceptiv	/e pill?			
	b	Hormone Replacement T	herapy	(HRT)?			
<b>Q26</b>	Have y	<b>you:</b> (Mark <u>one on each line</u> )	Yes	5	No		
	а	Had a hysterectomy?		If Ye go to to	s,		
		Had a period or menstrual bleeding in the last 12 months?		90 10 1		If No, go to Q28	
	С	Had a period or menstrual bleeding in the last 3 months?					
Q27	Compa	ared with twelve months ago, are your periods: (Mark o					
	•		_	-			
		Less frequent					
		About the same					
		More frequent					
028	lf you b	Changeable have reached menopause, at what age did your period		olotoly s	ton?		
QLU	n you i	inter reasined menoplase, at what age and your period	o oon	Jotoly 3			
	(Please	e write the age in the box) years N	lot appl	icable 🗌	]		

#### Q29 Have you ever had Gestational Diabetes (diabetes during pregnancy)?

(Mark one only)

Yes

No

#### Q30 Thinking about your own health care, how would you rate the following:

(Mark <u>oi</u>	<u>ne on each line</u> )	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know
а	Access to medical specialists if you need them						
b	Access to a hospital if you need it						
С	Access to medical care in an emergency						
d	Access to after-hours medical care						
е	Access to a GP who bulk bills						
f	Access to a female GP						
g	Hours when a GP is available						
h	Number of GPs you have to choose from						
i	Ease of seeing the GP of your choice						
j	How long you wait to get a GP appointment						
k	The outcomes of your medical care (how much you are helped)						
I.	Ease of obtaining a mammogram						
m	Ease of obtaining a Pap test						
n	Access to a counselling service if you need it						

#### Q31 In the LAST TWELVE MONTHS have you consulted a dentist? (Mark one only)

No	L did	not	need	to	992	а	dentist
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No, because there was no dentist available locally

No, I could not get there because of travel difficulties

No, because it would cost more than I could afford

No, I did not go to the dentist because of another reason

Yes, I saw a dentist

#### Q32 How would you rate the overall condition of your teeth, dentures or gums?

(Mark <u>one only</u>)

- Excellent
- Very good
  - Good
    - Fair 🗌
  - Poor

Q33 There are 16 teeth, including wisdom teeth in the upper jaw. How many teeth do you have remaining in your UPPER jaw?

(Please write number in boxes)

Q34 There are 16 teeth, including wisdom teeth in the lower jaw. How many teeth do you have remaining in your LOWER jaw?

(Please write number in boxes)





Q35	<b>Do you wear a denture or false teeth in your upper jaw?</b> (Mark <u>one only</u> )							
		Yes 🗌						
		No 🗌						
<b>Q36</b>	Do you wear a denture or fals	se teeth in your lower jaw? (Mark <u>one only</u> )						
		Yes						
		No 🗌						
<b>Q37</b>	In the LAST TWELVE MONTH	S have you: (Mark <u>all that apply</u> )	Yes					
	а	Slipped, tripped or stumbled?						
	b	Had a fall to the ground?						
	С	Been injured as a result of a fall?						
	d	Needed to seek medical attention for an injury from a fall?						
	е	Had any other injury from an accident at your home?						
	f	Broken or fractured any bone/s?						
	g	None of the above						
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Q38 In the PAST THREE YEARS, have you been diagnosed or treated for: (Mark <u>all that apply</u>)

		Yes, in the past 3 years
а	Diabetes (high blood sugar)	
b	Impaired glucose tolerance	
С	Osteoarthritis	
d	Rheumatoid arthritis	
е	Other arthritis	
f	Heart disease (including heart attack, angina)	
g	Hypertension (high blood pressure)	
h	Stroke	
i	Low iron level (iron deficiency or anaemia)	
j	Asthma	
k	Bronchitis / emphysema	
1	Osteoporosis	
m	Breast cancer	
n	Cervical cancer	
ο	Skin cancer (including melanoma)	
р	Other cancer (please specify on page 30)	
q	Depression	
r	Anxiety / nervous disorder	
S	Other psychiatric disorder	
t	Chronic Fatigue Syndrome	
u	Sexually transmitted infection (eg genital herpes or warts, chlamydia)	
v	Other major illness or disability (please specify on page 30)	
w	None of these conditions	

#### Q39 Compared to when you were in your twenties, how good are you at:

(		Much better now	Somewhat better now	About the same	Somewhat worse now	Much worse now
а	Remembering the name of a person just introduced to you?					
b	Recalling telephone numbers or other numbers that you use on a daily or weekly basis?					
с	Recalling where you put objects (such as keys) in your home?					
d	Remembering specific facts from a newspaper or magazine article you have just finished reading?					
е	Remembering the item(s) you intend to buy when you arrive at the shops?					
f	In general, how would you describe your memory compared to when you were in your twenties?					

(Mark <u>one on each line</u>)

#### Q40 In the PAST THREE YEARS, have you had any of the following operations or procedures Yes, in (Mark all that apply) the past 3 years Both ovaries removed а b Repair of prolapsed vagina, bladder or bowel? Endometrial ablation (removal of the lining of the uterus) С d Joint replacement (eg hip, knee) Mastectomy (removal of one or both breasts) е f Lumpectomy (removal of lump from breasts) Removal of skin cancer g h Any cancer surgery (other than skin or breast) Chemotherapy or radiotherapy for any cancer i Breast biopsy (taking a sample of breast tissue) j Hysteroscopy (investigative procedure to examine the uterus) k Т Cholecystectomy (gall bladder removed) m Gastroscopy / colonoscopy None of these n

#### Q41 Do you have any of these sleeping problems?

 (Mark <u>all that apply</u> )		Yes
a	Waking up in the early hours of the morning	
b	Lying awake for most of the night	
c	Taking a long time to get to sleep	
d	Worry keeping you awake at night	
e	Sleeping badly at night	
f	None of these problems	

#### Q42 In the PAST FOUR WEEKS, have you taken any:

(Mar	k <u>one on each line</u> )	Yes	Νο
а	Medications prescribed by a doctor?		If No
b	Medications / vitamins / supplements or herbal therapies bought without a prescription at the chemist, supermarket or health food shop?		to both, go to Q44

### Q43 Please write down the names of all your medications, vitamins, supplements or herbal therapies. Where possible, copy names from the packets. (Please write in block letters)

Q44	In the LAST 12 MONTHS, have you had any of the following:       B         (Mark one on each line in column A.       Ear the							
		r <u>all that apply</u> also answer column B.)		А			For the problems you had, DID you seek help?	
			Never	Rarely	Some- times	Often	Mark here if you DID seek help	
	а	Allergies, hayfever, sinusitis						
	b	Breathing difficulty						
	С	Indigestion / heartburn						
	d	Chest pain						
	е	Headaches / migraines						
	f	Severe tiredness						
	g	Stiff or painful joints						
	h	Back pain						
	i	Urine that burns or stings						
	j	Heamorrhoids (piles)						
	k	Other bowel problems						
	Т	Vaginal discharge or irritation						
	m	Hot flushes						
	n	Night sweats						
	0	Eyesight problems						
	р	Leaking urine						
	q	Mouth, teeth or gum problems						
	r	Avoided eating some foods because of problems with your teeth, mouth or dentures						
	S	Toothache						
	t	Hearing problems						
	u	Depression						
	V	Anxiety						
	W	Episodes of intense anxiety (eg panic attacks)						
	x	Palpitations (feeling that your heart is racing or fluttering in your chest)						
Q45	In	the PAST WEEK, have you been feeling that li	ife isn't v	vorth liv	ring? (N	lark <u>one</u>	<u>only</u> )	
				Yes				
				No				
<b>Q46</b>		the PAST 6 MONTHS, have you EVER deliberation with the past of the part of the				one any	thing that	
				Yes				
				No				
10		answered VEC to either of the last 0 ever				4- 4-11-		

If you answered YES to either of the last 2 questions, you might like to talk to someone about how you are feeling. You could ring Lifeline on 131114 (local call). women's health is about coping with stress

#### Q47 Over the LAST TWELVE MONTHS, how stressed have you felt about the following areas of

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your	life: (Mark <u>one on each line</u> )	Not applicable	Not at all stressed	Somewhat stressed	Moderately stressed	Very stressed	Extremely stressed	
а	Own health							
b	Health of family members							
С	Work / Employment							
d	Living arrangements							
е	Study							
f	Money							
g	Relationship with parents							
h	Relationship with partner / spouse							
i	Relationship with children							
j	Relationship with other family members							

#### Q48 How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

(Mai	(Mark <u>one on each line</u> ) Di		Disagree	Disagree slightly	Agree slightly	Agree	Agree
а	At home, I feel I have control over what happens in most situations	strongly					strongly
b	I feel that what happens in my life is often determined by factors beyond my control						
с	Over the next 5-10 years I expect to have more positive than negative experiences						
d	I often have the feeling that I am being treated unfairly						
е	In the past 10 years my life has been full of changes without my knowing what will happen next						
f	I gave up trying to make big improvements or changes in my life a long time ago						

### Q49 Thinking about your current approach to life, please indicate how much you think each

	k <u>one on each line</u> )	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree
а	In uncertain times, I usually expect the best					
b	If something can go wrong for me, it will					
С	I'm always optimistic about my future					
d	I hardly ever expect things to go my way					
е	I rarely count on good things happening to me					
f	Overall, I expect more good things to happen to me than bad					

<b>Q50</b>	What	is your Postcode?		
	а	What is your RESIDENTIAL postcode?		
		(where you live)		
	b	What is the postcode of your POSTAL ADDRESS? <i>(if different from residential)</i>		
<b>Q51</b>		h of the following events have you experienced? <u>all that apply</u> )	A es, in the last 12 months	<b>B</b> Yes, more than 12 months ago
	а	Major personal illness		
	b	Major personal injury or involvement in a serious accident		
	С	Major personal achievement		
	d	Birth of a grandchild		
	е	Major surgery (not including dental work)		
	f	Going through menopause		
	g	Major decline in health of spouse or partner		
	h	Major decline in health of other close family member or close friend		
	i	Starting a new, close personal relationship		
	j	Infidelity of spouse or partner		
	k	Break-up of a close personal relationship		
	I	Divorce		
	m	Major conflict with teenage or older children		
	n	Child or other family member leaving home (due to marriage, to attend university etc)		
	0	Death of a spouse or partner		
	р	Death of a child		
	q	Death of other close family member		
	r	Death of close friend		
	s C	Changing your type of work / hours / conditions / responsibilities at work		
	t	Retirement		
	u	Your spouse or partner retiring from work		
	V	Being made redundant		
	W	Your spouse / partner being made redundant		
	X	Decreased income		
	У	Moving house		
	Z	Natural disaster (fire, flood, drought, earthquake etc) or house fire		
	aa	Major loss or damage to personal property		
	bb	Being robbed		
	00 00	Being pushed, grabbed, shoved, kicked or hit		
	dd	Being forced to take part in unwanted sexual activity Legal troubles or involved in a court case		
	ee ff	Family member / close friend being arrested / in gaol		
		You or a family member involved in problem gambling		
	gg hh	None of these events		
				<u></u>

52	Below is a list of the ways you might have felt or behaved. Please indicate how often you

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		nave felt this way DURING THE LAST WEEK.			Occasionally	, a			
		Mark <u>one on each line</u> )	Rarely or none of the time (less than 1 day)	a little of the time	or a moder- ate amount of the time (3-4 days)	Most or all of the time (5-7 days)			
	a	I was bothered by things that don't usually bother me							
	k	I had trouble keeping my mind on what I was doing							
	C	I felt depressed							
	C	I felt that everything I did was an effort							
	e	e I felt hopeful about the future							
	f	I felt fearful							
	ç	My sleep was restless							
	ł	n I was happy							
	i	I felt lonely							
	j	I could not "get going"							
	ŀ	c I felt terrific							
Q53	þ	n the past month: (Mark <u>one on each line</u> )			Yes	No			
	á	a Have you felt k	eyed up or o	on edge?					
	ł	D Have you	-						
	C	e Hav							
	C	d Have you ha	relaxing?						
	e	-	Have you been sleeping poorly?						
	1	Have you had heada	k aches?						
	Q	Have you had any of the following: trembling, sweating, diarrhoea or needing to pass urine mor							
	ł	n Have you been worrie	ed about you	r health?					
	i	Have you had dif	ficulty falling	g asleep?					
Do you regularly NEED help with daily tasks because of long-term illness, disability or frailty (eg personal care, getting around, preparing meals etc)? (Mark one only) Yes									
	Г		No	<u> </u>					
		The following sections are about othe and your relations		abits, tir	me use				

Often there are no "right" or "wrong" answers – we are interested only in your opinion or feelings.

If you feel uncomfortable about answering a question, just leave it and go on to the next one, but please try to finish the survey if you can.

### You may like to take a break now and do the second part later.

	J	women's health is about healthy weight and	shape	
Q55	а	How much do you weigh? (no clothes or shoes)		
		kg <u>OR</u> stones pounds		
	b	How tall are you without shoes?     cm   OR     feet   inches		
Q56	Plea the i the i	<b>at is your waist measurement?</b> It is your waist while in your underwear. If possible, get someone to help your measurement. Find your navel (belly button) and measure at that level. Be careful not tape too tight. You should be able to slip your little finger under it comfortably. Write issurement to the <u>nearest</u> centimetre (or inch if this is the only measure you have av cm <u>OR</u> inches	ot to have e the	
<b>Q57</b>		he LAST THREE YEARS, have you: rk <u>one on each line</u> )	Maa	N
	а	Lost 5 kg or more on purpose?	Yes	No
	b	Lost 5 kg or more for any other reason?		
	С	Gained 5 kg or more?		
Q58	the	re you used any of these methods to lose weight or to control your weight LAST TWELVE MONTHS? rk <u>one on each line</u> )	or shape <sub>Yes</sub>	in No
	а	Commercial weight loss programs (eg Weight Watchers, Lite n' Easy, Sureslim, Jenny Craig)		
	b	Meal replacements or slimming products (eg OPTIFAST, Herbalife)		
	С	Exercise		
	d	Cut down on the size of meals or between meal snacks		
	е	Cut down on fats (low fat) and / or sugars		
	f	Low glycaemic index (GI) diet		
	g	Diet book diets (eg Atkins, Zone, CSIRO diet, Liver Cleansing diet)		
	h	Laxatives, diuretics or diet pills (eg Xenical, Reductil)		
	i	Fasting		
	j	Smoking		
	k	Other (please specify on page 30)		

<b>Q59</b>	How often do you usually o	drink alcohol?				
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )	I have never drunk alcohol in	my life	ן 🗆 ו	Go to	
	I	never drink alcohol, but I have in t	he past		Q62	
		I drin	k rarely			
		a week				
		On 1 or 2 days	a week			
		On 3 or 4 days	a week			
		On 5 or 6 days	a week			
		Ev	ery day			
<b>Q60</b>		lcohol, how many drinks do yo	u usually	v have?		
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )	1 or 2 drinks	per day			
		3 or 4 drinks	per day			
		5 to 8 drinks	per day			
		9 or more drinks	per day			
Q61	How often do you have five (Mark <u>one only</u> )	e or more drinks of alcohol on o	one occa	ision?		
	(mant <u>ene eng</u> )		Never			
		Less than once a	1 month			
		About once a	1 month			
		About once	a week			
		More than once	a week			
Q62	The next question is about	your alcohol consumption dur	ing differ	rent stag	es of yo	ur life.
	• • •	nks did you usually drink PER V	VEEK in	your:		
	(Mark <u>one on each line</u> )		No alcohol	1-7 drinks	8-14 drinks	15 or more drinks
	а	Late teens				
	b	20s				
	C	30s				
	d	40s				
	e	50s				
<b>Q63</b>	How many glasses / cups (eg juice, tea, coffee, water, r (Mark <u>one only</u> )	of non-alcoholic drinks do you nilk, etc)?	usually h	nave eac	h day	
			glasses			
			glasses			
		6 - 8	glasses			

9 or more glasses

poss	is section is about your <b>usual</b> eating sible, give only <b>one answer per ques</b> can't decide which type you have mo	stio	<b>n</b> for th	ne ty	/pe of food you eat <b>most often</b> (if	
Q64	How many pieces of FRESH fruit do		<b>Q</b> 69	W	nat type of bread do you usually ea	t?
	you usually eat per day? (Count <sup>1</sup> /2 cup diced fruit, berries or			а	I don't eat bread	
	grapes as one piece)			b	High fibre white bread	
	I don't eat fruit			С	White bread	
	Less than 1 piece of fruit per day			d	Wholemeal bread	
	1 piece of fruit per day			е	Rye bread	
	2 pieces of fruit per day			f	Multi-grain bread	
	3 pieces of fruit per day		Q70	Но	w many slices of bread do you usu	ually
	4 pieces of fruit per day			ea	t per day? (Include all types, fresh or	
	5 or more pieces of fruit per day			toa	asted and count one bread roll as 2 sl	ices)
<b>Q65</b>	How many DIFFERENT vegetables do	ο			Less than 1 slice per day	
	you usually eat per day?				1 slice per day	
	(Count all types, fresh, frozen or tinned) Less than 1 vegetable per day				2 slices per day	
	1 vegetable per day				3 slices per day	
	2 vegetables per day				4 slices per day	
	3 vegetables per day				5-7 slices per day	
	4 vegetables per day				8 or more slices per day	$\Box$
	5 vegetables per day		Q71		nich spread do you usually put on b	pread?
	6 or more vegetables per day			а	I don't use any fat spread	
<b>Q</b> 66	How many SERVES of vegetables do			b	Margarine of any kind	
	you usually eat each day?			С	Polyunsaturated margarine	
	(A serve = half a cup of cooked			d	Monounsaturated margarine	
	vegetables or a cup of salad vegetables None			е	Butter and margarine blends	
	1 serve			f	Butter	
	2-3 serves		Q72		ו average, how many eggs do you ו t per week?	Jsually
	4 serves			ea	I don't eat eggs	
	5 serves or more				Less than 1 egg per week	
Q67	What type of milk do you usually use	?			1 to 2 eggs per week	
	a None				3 to 5 eggs per week	
	<b>b</b> Full cream milk				6 or more eggs per week	
	c Reduced fat milk		Q73	W	hat types of cheese do you usually	eat?
	d Skim milk			а	I don't eat cheese	
	e Soya milk			b	Hard cheeses eg parmesan, romano	
<b>Q68</b>	How much milk do you usually use p	er		С	Firm cheeses eg cheddar, edam	
	<b>day?</b> (Include flavoured milk and milk added to tea, coffee, cereal etc)			d	Soft cheeses eg camembert, brie	
	None			е	Ricotta or cottage cheese	
	Less than 250ml (1 large cup or mug)			f	Cream cheese	
	Between 250ml and 500ml (1-2 cups)			g	Low fat cheese	
	Between 500ml and 750ml (2-3 cups)					
	750ml (3 cups) or more					

(Mark <u>one</u>	e on each line)	Never	Less than once a week	Once a week or more
а	All Bran			
b	Sultana Bran™, Fibre Plus™, Branflakes™			
с	Weet Bix <sup>™</sup> , Vita Brits <sup>™</sup> , Weeties <sup>™</sup>			
d	Cornflakes, Nutrigrain™, Special K™			
е	Porridge			
f	Muesli			
g	Rice			
h	Pasta or noodles (include lasagne)			
i	Nuts			
j	Peanut butter or peanut paste			
k	Vegemite <sup>™</sup> , Marmite <sup>™</sup> , Promite <sup>™</sup>			
I	Tinned or frozen fruit (any kind)			
m	Oranges or other citrus fruit			
n	Apples			
0	Pears			
р	Bananas			
q	Watermelon, rockmelon, honey dew etc			
r	Pineapple			
S	Strawberries			
t	Apricots			
u	Peaches or nectarines			
v	Mango or paw paw			
W	Avocado			
x	Fruit or vegetable juice			
У	Potatoes cooked without fat			
Z	Tomato sauce, tomato paste or dried tomatoes			
aa	Fresh or tinned tomatoes			
bb	Peppers (capsicum)	_		
CC	Lettuce, endive or other salad greens			
dd	Cucumber			
ee	Celery			
ff	Beetroot			
gg	Carrots			
hh 	Cabbage or brussels sprouts			
ii 	Cauliflower			
jj	Broccoli Silvarkest er gringels			
kk	Silverbeet or spinach			
II	Peas			
mm	Green beans			

### Q74a Over the LAST 12 MONTHS, on average, how often did you eat the following foods?

		Never	Less than once a week	Once a week or more
nn	Bean sprouts or alfalfa sprouts			
00	Baked beans			
рр	Soya beans, soy bean curd or tofu			
qq	Other beans (include chick peas, lentils etc)			
rr	Pumpkin			
SS	Onions or leeks			
tt	Garlic (not garlic tablets)			
uu	Mushrooms			
vv	Zucchini			

### Q74b Over the LAST 12 MONTHS, on average, how often did you eat the following foods?

Over the LAST 12 MONTHS, on average, now often did you eat the following foods?							5 or more
	(Mark <u>one o</u>	<u>n each line</u> )	Never	Less than once a week		2-4 times per week	times per week
	а	Cheese					
	b	Ice cream					
	С	Yoghurt					
	d	Beef					
	е	Veal					
	f	Chicken					
	g	Lamb					
	h	Pork					
	i	Fish, steamed, grilled or baked					
	j	Fish, tinned (salmon, tuna, sardines etc)					

#### Q75 How often do you currently smoke cigarettes or any tobacco products? (Mark <u>one only</u>)

	Daily 🔲 🛶 Go to Q76
	At least weekly (but not daily)
	Less often than weekly
	Not at all
<b>Q76</b>	If you smoke daily, on average how many cigarettes do you smoke EACH DAY?
	PRINT the number in the box
	cigarettes per day Go to Q80
Q77	If you smoke, but not daily, on average how many cigarettes do you smoke PER WEEK?
	PRINT the number in the box
	cigarettes per week
Q78	Have you ever smoked DAILY?
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )
	Yes 🗌
	No 🔲 🛹 If No, go to Q80
Q79	At what age did you finally stop smoking DAILY?
	PRINT age in the box
	years old

Τł	Think about all of the time you spend sitting during EACH DAY while at home, at work, while getting from place to place or during your spare time.						
Q80	How many hours EACH DAY do you typically spend sitting down while doing things like visiting friends, driving, reading, watching television or working at a desk or computer?						
	а	On a usual <b>WEEK DAY</b>			hours		
	b	On a usual WEEKEND DAY			hours		
		The next two questions are about the	e amount	of phys	ical activ	ity	
		you did <u>LAST I</u>	<u>NEEK</u> .				
<b>Q81</b>	Only	<b>many times did you do each type of activ</b> count the number of times when the activity n activity, please write "0" in the box)			es or more	. (If you a	lid <b>not</b>
	а	<b>Walking briskly</b> (for recreation or exercise, or from place to place)	r to get		times		
	b	Moderate leisure activity (like social tennis, exercise classes, recreational swimming, dance			times		
	С	<b>Vigorous leisure activity</b> (that makes you bre harder or puff and pant like aerobics, compet vigorous cycling, running, swimming)			times		
	d	Vigorous household or garden chores (that breathe harder or puff and pant)	make you		times		
Q82 If you add up all the times you spent in each activity LAST WEEK, how much time did you spend ALTOGETHER doing each type of activity? (If you did <b>not</b> do an activity, please write "0" in the box)				lid			
	а	Walking briskly (for recreation or exercise, or from place to place)	r to get		hours		minutes
	b	Moderate leisure activity (like social tennis, exercise classes, recreational swimming, dan			hours		minutes
	С	<b>Vigorous leisure activity</b> (that makes you bre harder or puff and pant like aerobics, compet vigorous cycling, running, swimming)			hours		minutes
	d	Vigorous household or garden chores (that breathe harder or puff and pant)	make you		hours		minutes
<b>Q83</b> This question asks about your physical activity in your MAIN job (this could be paid work, unpaid work, caring etc - whatever you spend most of your "working day" doin On a usual working day, how often do you do each of the following while you are at				oing).			
	worl	(Mark <u>one on each line</u> )	time	e Most of t time	he Some of the time		None of the time
	a	Sitting					
	b c	Standing Walking	· _				
	d	Heavy labour or physically demanding work					

women's health is about how you spend your time

Q84 What is your date of birth?



Year

### **Q85** In a USUAL WEEK, how much time in total do you spend doing the following things? (*Mark one on each line*)

(IVIAI)		don't do is activity	16-24 hours	25-34 hours	35-40 hours	41-48 hours	49 hours or more
а	Full time paid work						
b	Part-time paid work						
С	Casual paid work						
d	Home duties (own / family home)						
е	Work without pay (eg family business)						
f	Looking for work						
g	Unpaid voluntary work						
h	Active leisure (eg walking, exercise, sport)						
i	Passive leisure (eg TV, music, reading, relaxing)						
j	Studying						

#### **Q86** Managing time is often difficult. How often do you feel: (Mark one on each line) About About A few times Every once a once a day a week week month Never That you are rushed, pressured, too busy? а $\Box$ $\Box$ $\Box$ $\Box$ That you have time on your hands that you b don't know what to with?

### **Q87** Are you happy with your share of the following tasks and activities?

(IVIAIK	<u>one on each line)</u>	Happy the way it is	Would like other house- hold members to do more	Would prefer another arrangement	Not applicable (don't do this)
а	Domestic work (shopping, cooking, cleaning etc)				
b	Childcare				
С	/ Caring for another adult (who is elderly disabled / sick)				
d	/ Other household work <i>(gardening, home)</i> <i>car maintenance</i> )				

Q88	<sup>3</sup> Do you regularly provide (unpaid) c	are for grandchildren	or othe	<sup>r</sup> people's children?	
	(Mark <u>one only</u> )	Yes, daily Yes, weekly Yes, occasionally No, never			
Q89	person because of their long-term			ansport) to any other	
	(Mark <u>one on each line</u> )				
		who lives with you		If No to both, go to Q93	
<b>Q9</b>	(Mark <u>one only</u> )	ness, disability or fra One person Two people ore than two people	ailty do y	ou regularly provide care f	for?
<b>Q</b> 91	(Mark <u>one only</u> ) Se	tis care or assistance Every day everal times a week Once a week ce every few weeks Less often	e?		
Q92	How much time do you usually spe (Mark <u>one only</u> )	<b>nd providing such ca</b> All day and night All day All night	re or ass	istance on each occasion	!?

All night

Several hours

About an hour

women's health is about the kinds of work you do and your plans for the future

Q93	Do you normally do any of the following kinds	of paid work?	
	(Mark <u>all that apply)</u>	•	Yes
	а	Paid shift work	
	b	Paid work at night	
	c	Paid work from home	
	d	Self employment	
	e	Paid work in more than one job	
	f	Casual paid work	
	g	Paid work involving none of the above	
	h	I don't do any paid work	

#### We would like to know YOUR and YOUR PARTNER'S main occupation NOW: **Q94**

(1	Mark <u>one in each column</u> )	A self	B partner
	Manager or administrator (eg magistrate, farm manager, media producer, school principal)		
	Professional (eg registered nurse, allied health professional, teacher, artist)		
	Associate professional (eg office manager, branch manager, shop manager, retail buyer, youth worker, police officer)		
	Tradesperson or related worker (eg cook, dressmaker, hairdresser, gardener, florist)		
	Advanced clerical or service worker (eg credit officer, radio despatcher, personal assistant, flight attendant, law clerk)		
	Intermediate clerical, sales or service worker (eg accounts clerk, checkout supervisor, data entry operator, child care worker, nursing assistant, hospitality worker)		
	Intermediate production or transport worker (eg machine operator, bus driver)		
	Elementary clerical, sales or service worker (eg filing / mail clerk, parking inspector, sales assistant, telemarketer, housekeeper)		
	Labourer or related worker (eg cleaner, factory worker, kitchen hand, fast food cook)		
	No paid job		
	Don't know or no partner		
005	leve de very menere en the income very here eveileble?		

**Q95** How do you manage on the income you have available? (Mark one only)

It is impossible
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It is difficult all the time  $\Box$ 

It is difficult some of the time 

> It is not too bad  $\Box$

> > It is easy

Q96 Are there people who do NOT live with you who are dependent on your household income? (Mark one only)  $\Box$ 

- No
- Yes, one

 $\Box$ 

Yes, more than one

<b>Q97</b>	Women's employment patterns have changed a lot over recent years. We are kee how women see retirement in their own lives. Please indicate the following deservers fits your life now. If you want to add more please write this on page 30. ( <i>Mark <u>one only</u></i> )	
	I am not retired at a	all 🗌
	I am partially retire	ed 🗌
	I am completely retired from paid wo	rk 🗌
	I gave up paid work over 20 years ag	io 🗌
	I have never been in paid wo	rk 🗌
<b>Q98</b>	When did you retire or give up work completely?	
	(Print year in the box)	plicable 🗌
<b>Q99</b>	At what age do you expect to retire (completely) from the paid workforce?	
	(Print age, in whole years, in the box)	
	Do not expect to ever retire	
	Have already retired	
	Don't know	
Q100	You have said when you expect to retire, but if you had the choice, at what age like to retire (completely) from the paid workforce?	would you
	(Print age, in whole years, in the box)	
	Do not expect to ever retire	
	Have already retired	
	Don't know	
<b>Q101</b> a	What are your CURRENT sources of income? (Mark <u>all that apply</u> )	Yes
i	Age pension / Service pension / Widow's pension / War Widow's pension	
1	b Other government pension or allowance	
(	Lump sum superannuation payout	
(	A pension or annuity purchased with superannuation or some other funds	
•	e Income from savings and investments (such as shares and property)	
1	Income from a business	
9	g Income or pension from your spouse / partner	
	h Financial support from family	
i	Spouse / partner's superannuation	
j	Wage or salary Other sources	

#### Q101b When you are OVER 65 what will be your sources of income?

(Mark all that apply)

а	Age pension / Service pension / Widow's pension / War Widow's pension	
b	Other government pension or allowance	
С	Lump sum superannuation payout	
d	A pension or annuity purchased with superannuation or some other funds	
е	Income from savings and investments (such as shares and property)	
f	Income from a business	
g	Income or pension from your spouse / partner	
h	Financial support from family	
i	Spouse / partner's superannuation	
j	Wage or salary	
k	Other sources	

Yes

### Q102 Have you begun to think about your life in retirement? In particular, have you made any plans for the following aspects of your life?

(Marl	k <u>one on each line)</u>	Not at all	Thought about it	Made some plans	Have firm plans
а	To be socially active with friends or family or the community				
b	To be mentally active (eg join a group, do word or number puzzles)				
С	To be physically active				
d	To be financially secure				
е	To be in some kind of paid, unpaid or voluntary work				
f	To be in housing that meets your needs				

### Q103 When you are 65 how do you expect to manage on your available income? (*Mark one only*)

It will be impossible

- It will be difficult all of the time  $\Box$
- It will be difficult some of the time
  - It will not be too bad
    - It will be easy

# women's health is about you and your life

#### Q104 These questions are about getting on with other people:

(Mark <u>one on each line</u>)

			Yes	No	
	а	Are you sad or lonely often?			
	b	Do you feel uncomfortable with anyone in your family?			
	С	Can you take your own medication and get around by yourself?			
	d	Do you feel that nobody wants you around?			
	е	Does someone in your family make you stay in bed or tell you you're sick when you know you are not?			
	f	Has anyone forced you to do things you didn't want to do?			
	g	Has anyone taken things that belong to you without your OK?			
	h	Do you trust most of the people in your family?			
	i	Do you have enough privacy at home?			
	j	Has anyone close to you tried to hurt or harm you recently?			
	k	Has anyone close to you called you names or put you down or made you feel bad recently?			
	I	Are you afraid of anyone in your family?			
	m	Does anyone in your family drink a lot of alcohol?			
	n	Have you ever been in a violent relationship with a partner / spouse?			

# Q105 If you have ever lived with a violent partner or spouse, in which years did you experience violence?

(Mark all that apply)

а	I have never lived with a violent partner or spouse	
b	Before 1996	
С	1996-1998	
d	1999-2001	
e	2002-2004	
f	2005-now	

Q106 What is your present marital status? (Mark <u>one only</u>)

- Married (registered)
- De facto relationship *(opposite sex)* 
  - De facto relationship (same sex)
    - Separated
      - Divorced
    - Widowed
    - Never married

# Q107 How many people live with you now? (Mark <u>all that apply)</u>

No one, I live alone			
	One	Two	Three or more
Partner or spouse			
Children under 16 years			
Children 16-18 years			
Children over 18 years			
Your parents or in-laws			
Other adult relatives			
Other adults (not family members)			
	Partner or spouse Children under 16 years Children 16-18 years Children over 18 years Your parents or in-laws Other adult relatives	One         Partner or spouse       □         Children under 16 years       □         Children 16-18 years       □         Children over 18 years       □         Your parents or in-laws       □         Other adult relatives       □	One       Two         Partner or spouse

#### Q108 People sometimes look to others for companionship, assistance, or other types of support. How often is each of the following kinds of support available to you if you need it? (Mark one on each line)

(ivia	an <u>one on each inter</u>	None of the time	A little of the time	Some of the time	Most of the time	All of the time
а	Someone to help you if you are confined to bed					
b	Someone you can count on to listen to you when you need to talk					
С	Someone to give you good advice about a crisis					
d	Someone to take you to the doctor if you need it					
е	Someone who shows you love and affection					
f	Someone to have a good time with					
g	Someone to give you information to help you understand a situation					
h	Someone to confide in or talk to about yourself or your problems					
i	Someone who hugs you					
j	Someone to get together with for relaxation					
k	Someone to prepare your meals if you are unable to do it yourself					
Ι	Someone whose advice you really want					
m	Someone to do things with to help you get your mind off things					
n	Someone to help with daily chores if you are sick					
0	Someone to share your most private worries and fears with					
р	Someone to turn to for suggestions about how to deal with a personal problem					
q	Someone to do something enjoyable with					
r	Someone who understands your problems					
S	Someone to love and make you feel wanted					

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Q109	Are you a twin? (Mark <u>one only</u> )	Yes - identical					
	(maint <u>one only</u> )	Yes - not identical (fraternal)					
		No					
Q110	In general, are you satisfied with what you have achieved in your life so far in the areas of:						
QIIU	(Mark <u>one on each</u>			in your me so			
			Very satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	
	а	Work					
	b	Career					
	С	Study					
	d	Family relationships					
	e Partne	er / closest personal relationship					
	f	Friendships					
	g	Social activities					
-							
lf	you filled in this	survey for the participant, p	lease ansv	ver the next	t three que	stions.	
Q111	Your relationship	to participant: (Mark one only)					
	•			Fam	ily member		
			Professiona	I health worke	r (eg nurse)		
				Other	r (eg friend)		
Q112	When you filled i	n this survey for the participan	t, which of	the following	applied?		
	(Mark one only)					_	
				what answers			
	The pa	rticipant was unable to tell me what	at answers s		d I used my		
				0111	i jaagomont		
Q113	What was the MA (Please describe)	AIN reason why the participant	did not fill	in the survey	v herself?		
	If there is AN	Have we missed a			r health		
		cially in the last three years) please					

### Consent

Mid 5 2007

I consent to the researchers 'matching' the information provided in this survey with that provided in previous surveys so that any changes in my health can be noted.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

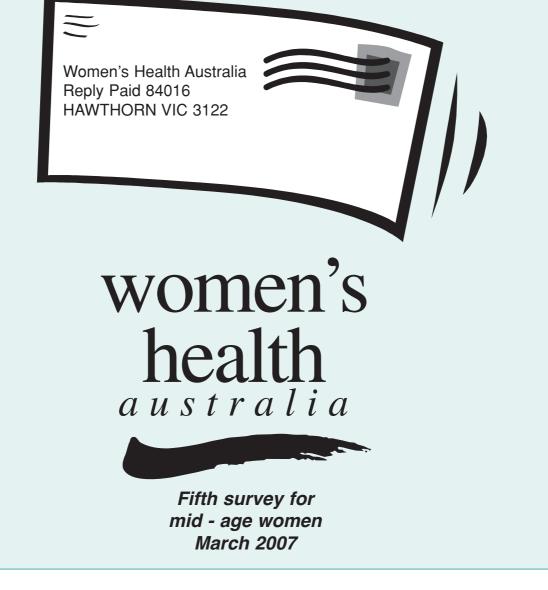
What is your maiden name?\_\_\_\_\_

NOI DEIACH		Have you remembered to measure your waist? Page 17 Question 56	
Office use only - DO NOT DETACH		Help us keep in touch! ose touch with our participants. It would be helpful if you our mobile phone number and email address.	
It would also be helpful if you could give us details of a relative or friend who will be able to help us find you.			
		P'Code	
	Phone (home)		
	Relationship to you		
	Name		
	Address		
	///////////////////////////////////////	P'Code	
	Phone (home)		
	Relationship to you		

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

If you have any questions you can contact us by telephoning 1800 068 081 (freecall).

> Don't forget to sign the consent and post this back to us!





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