

Work Transitions Index - British-English version.

<u>Part 1</u>

 Which of the following best describes your current employment status? (If you have more than one job, for full/ part-time work, please consider your total work hours across all your jobs). (Please tick one option):

work full time (35 hours or more each week)

- work part-time (less than 35 hours each week)
- unemployed (i.e., looking for work)

not employed (i.e., not looking for work)

retired

early retired on grounds of ill-health

homemaker

other please specify _____

If you are employed (full- or part-time), please tick if any of the following also apply*:

on authorised leave of absence (e.g., jury service)

short-term sick leave (i.e., 1 to 4 weeks)

long-term sick leave (between **1 to 6** months)

long-term sick leave (more than 6 months)

*If you are on authorised or sick leave, what was the date this started?

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- 2. Are you self-employed (including business owner)? Yes No
- 3. Do you have more than one job? Yes No



Part 2: Problems at work:

Have any of the following work-related changes happened to you **because of your health condition(s)** in the **past year**?

Please **tick** the relevant answer. *Tick* the "Not applicable" box **only** if the question describes something that is <u>not</u> part of your job, or not relevant because you are self-employed.

	No	Yes	Not applicable (Please
			tick box)
 I lost time from work because of arriving late, leaving early, or extending lunch hours or breaks by 20 minutes or more. 			
2. I had to use annual leave days to deal with my health condition.			
3. I was unable to attend work meetings or training sessions because of my health condition.			
4. I was unable to take on extra projects or responsibilities at work because of my health condition.			
5. I was unable to accept or seek a promotion or alternative work role because of my health condition.			
6. I was unable to work the shifts or hours of work I wanted because of my health condition.			
7. My health condition interrupted my working day for at least 20 minutes.			



Part 3:

1. In the past 6* months, how many days <u>in total</u> were you absent from work due to your arthritis/ musculoskeletal or other long-term health condition(s)? *If you have more than one job, include the number of days off across all your jobs. Do not include annual leave days, bank holidays, or your normal days off.*

_ Days

2. Is that typical of the last year? Yes No

3. In the past 6* months, how many days in total were you absent from work due to any other health reasons **not** due to your health condition(s) (e.g., colds, flu)? *If you have more than one job, include the number of days off across all your jobs. Do not include annual leave days, bank holidays, or your normal days off.*

_____ Days

4. Is that typical of the last year? Yes No

Part 4: Please tick the appropriate answer:

1. In the past 6* months, have you changed your occupation/job because of your health condition(s)?

Not applicable	
	Not applicable

2. In the past 6* months, because of your health condition(s), have you changed your number of working hours in an average week?

Work fewer hours

No change in work hours

Work more hours



Scoring instructions:

Section 1: the date of starting authorised, or sick leave can be omitted if not required.

Section 2: items are scored as Yes = 1; No = 0. The number of items reported as "Yes" are added.

Missing and not applicable items Part 2: If an item is "not applicable" score as 0, as the person is not experiencing the disruption. One missing item is allowed. Report the sum of the remaining six.

Section 3 and 4: the time scale can be changed according to the aims of the study/ data collection. Sick leave time scales longer than three months can result in more recall difficulties.

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