

UNIVERSITY OF READING SURVEY ON INJURIOUS PECKING IN EGG PRODUCING FLOCKS

A. Some questions about you and your purchases of eggs

1. Are you? Male Female 2. Your age?
3. The age you left full-time education? 4. Have you ever worked with or kept hens? Yes No

5. Your employment status?

Student		In part-time work	Retired
Self-employed		In full-time work	Out of work

6. Which of the categories below is closest to your annual household income BEFORE tax?

Up to £20,000	£20,001-£40,000	£40,001-£60,000	Over £60,000
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7. How often do you or others buy eggs for your household? (please circle) Daily Weekly Monthly Never

8. How many eggs do you or others buy for your household each month?

9. Does your household buy free range eggs? Always Sometimes Never

10. If you buy free range eggs, please indicate why in the following table by scoring each reason from 0 to 5 where 5 is very important. Please score all the boxes below:

They are fresher than other eggs		Free range hens are happy	
They taste better than other eggs		They are healthier than other eggs	
Hen welfare is better		Other (specify):	

B. Your views on how farm animals are treated and free range egg production

11. Please indicate to what extent you agree/disagree with the following statements:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree/disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
I feel well-informed about how laying hens are treated in egg production					
I am concerned about the way laying hens are treated in the process of producing eggs					
Eggs from birds with high welfare are healthier and better tasting					
It is wrong to eat eggs from hens that have not had a good life					
Free range production provides higher levels of welfare than cage production					
Eggs from hens with high welfare are safer to eat					
I am happy to pay more for free range eggs					
It is important that hens can display normal behaviour					

