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## Introduction

Text 1

### **How to answer the questionnaire:**

There are no right or wrong answers to these questions – only your personal assessment is of importance to us.

Please fill out the questionnaire by yourself. We assure you that the information will be treated as strictly confidential.

Please proceed line for line, question for question. Do not skip any questions unless the text expressly instructs you to do so.

Here are two examples:

(omitted)

**We hope you enjoy filling out the questionnaire!**

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# Values and Preferences

Text 2

## Attitudes and opinions regarding family and partnership

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Question 1

One can have different ideas about how family members should treat each other. Please tell me how strongly you agree with the following statements.

Variable pval2\_

pval2i2 Grandparents should contribute to the economic security of their grandchildren and their grandchildren's parents.

pval2i5 Children should arrange their work so as to be able to care for their sick parents.

pval2i6 If they need to, grown children should be able to live with their parents.

Completely disagree      1      2      3      4      5      Completely agree  
                       

No answer .....  -2

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Question 2

How satisfied are you with the following domains in your life?

Variable psat1\_

psat1i1 School, education, career

psat1i2 Leisure activities, hobbies, interests

psat1i3 Friends, social contacts

psat1i4 Family

Very dissatisfied      0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Very satisfied  
                                                           

No answer .....  -2

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Question 3

Please look at these five life goals and domains. How important are these to you personally at the moment?

Variable psrs1\_

You have 15 importance points to distribute among the five goals and domains. The more important a goal or domain is to you at the moment, the more importance points you should assign to it. If something is absolutely unimportant to you at the moment, don't assign it any points.

As a control, please cross out the points you have already used above.

Finally, please check again if you have distributed exactly 15 points!

psrs1i1 Pursuing my education or career interests      \_\_ Points

psrs1i2 Pursuing my hobbies and personal interests      \_\_ Points

psrs1i3 Keeping in touch with friends      \_\_ Points

psrs1i4 Living in a partnership      \_\_ Points

psrs1i5 Having a(n)other child      \_\_ Points

No answer .....  -2

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## Partnership

Text 3

Now let's turn to the issue of partnership.

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Question

4

Variable  
psat3

Overall, how satisfied are you with your relationship?

Very dissatisfied      0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10      Very satisfied  
                                

No answer .....  -2

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Question

5

Variable  
psat4

What do you think: How satisfied is your partner with your relationship?

Very dissatisfied      0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10      Very satisfied  
                                

No answer .....  -2

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Question

6

Variable  
ppa9

Do you intend to move in with your partner or to establish a common household within the next 12 months?

Yes, definitely .....  1

Yes, perhaps .....  2

No, probably not .....  3

No, definitely not .....  4

We haven't discussed that yet. ....  5

We're already living together. ....  6

Don't know .....  -1

No answer .....  -2

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Question  
7  
Variable  
ppa11

Are you and your partner planning to marry within the next 12 months?

- Yes, definitely .....  1
  - Yes, perhaps .....  2
  - No, probably not .....  3
  - No, definitely not .....  4
  
  - We haven't discussed that yet. ....  5
  
  - We're already married. ....  6
  
  - Don't know* .....  -1
  - No answer* .....  -2
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Question  
8  
Variable  
ppa13

Have you and your partner seriously considered having children together?

- Yes .....  1
  - No .....  2
  
  - We already have a child/children. ....  6
  
  - Don't know* .....  -1
  - No answer* .....  -2
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## Division of Labor

Text 4

Now we would like to know how you and your partner organize your daily lives.

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Question  
9

To what extent do you and your partner share duties in the following domains?

Variable  
ppa14\_

*If you have a housemaid, nanny or similar household help, then refer in your answers only to the portion of the work done by you and/or your partner.*

- ppa14i1 Housework (washing, cooking, cleaning)  
ppa14i2 Shopping  
ppa14i3 Home and auto repairs  
ppa14i4 Financial and administrative matters  
ppa14i5 Taking care of the children
- (Almost) completely my partner .....  1  
For the most part my partner .....  2  
Split about 50/50 .....  3  
For the most part me .....  4  
(Almost) completely me .....  5
- Another person .....  6  
Doesn't apply to our situation .....  7
- No answer* .....  -2
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# Quality of Relationship

Question  
10

Variable  
ppa22\_

What happens when you have a disagreement with your partner? Please indicate how often each of you engaged in the following behaviours. When answering, please refer to the past six months.

How often did your partner engage in any of these behaviours?

- ppa22pi1 Insult or verbally abuse you
- ppa22pi2 Remain silent
- ppa22pi3 Yell at you
- ppa22pi4 Listen to and ask questions of you in order to understand better
- ppa22pi5 Refuse to talk about the subject
- ppa22pi8 Endeavor to clarify his or her own position to you

And how often did you engage in any of these behaviours?

- ppa22ri1 Insult or verbally abuse your partner
- ppa22ri2 Remain silent
- ppa22ri3 Yell at your partner?
- ppa22ri4 Listen to and ask questions of your partner in order to understand better
- ppa22ri5 Refuse to talk about the subject
- ppa22ri8 Endeavor to clarify your own position to your partner

Almost never or never      1      2      3      4      5      Very often  
                  

*No answer* .....  -2

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**Question  
11**

Variable  
ppa17\_

**How often do the following things happen in your partnership?**

- ppa17i1 How often do you tell your partner what you're thinking?
- ppa17i2 How often does your partner express recognition for what you've done?
- ppa17i3 How often does your partner make you to do things his/her way?
- ppa17i4 How often are you and your partner annoyed or angry with each other?
- ppa17i5 How often does your partner show that he/she appreciates you?
- ppa17i6 How often do you and your partner disagree and quarrel?
- ppa17i7 How often does your partner get his/her way when you can't agree on something?
- ppa17i8 How often do you share your secrets and private feelings with your partner?

- Never .....  1
- Seldom .....  2
- Sometimes .....  3
- Often .....  4
- Always .....  5
  
- No answer* .....  -2

**Question  
12**

Variable  
ppa26

**Did you think that your partnership or marriage was in trouble during the past year?**

- Yes .....  1
- No .....  2
  
- No answer* .....  -2

**Question  
13**

Variable  
ppa27

**Did you seriously consider a separation or a divorce during the past year?**

- Yes .....  1
- No .....  2
  
- No answer* .....  -2

**Question  
14**

Variable  
ppa28

**Did you or your partner seriously propose a separation or divorce during the past year?**

- Yes .....  1
- No .....  2
  
- No answer* .....  -2

# Contraception

Question  
15

Did you or your partner use contraceptives in the past three months?

Variable  
psex5

Yes .....  1

No .....  2

I'm pregnant/my partner is pregnant  7

*Don't know* .....  -1

*I don't want to answer that / No answer* .....  -2

Question  
16

Please consider the last 3 months:  
How consistently did you or your partner use contraception?

Variable  
psex7

Very inconsistently                      1      2      3      4      5                      Very consistently  
                                                                                       

*I don't want to answer that / No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who used contraceptives during the past 3 months (psex5=1)

Question  
17

All in all, how satisfied are you with your sex life?

Variable  
psat5

Very dissatisfied                      0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10                      Very satisfied  
                                                                                                                                                                                                     

*I don't want to answer that / No answer* .....  -2

The following questions are about your attitudes and plans regarding children.

### Value of Children

Question 18

Variable pbce2\_

Living with children can have both pleasant and unpleasant aspects. I will now show you a list with some expectations that you may or may not associate with children. Please indicate how strongly you expect or worry the following things will occur as a result of having children.

How strongly do you expect...

- pbce2i1      that with children you will stay young longer?
- pbce2i2      to have an especially close emotional relationship with your children?
- pbce2i3      that your standing in your social network will increase because of your children?
- pbce2i4      that your adult children will be there for you when you are in need?
- pbce2i5      that you will get new ideas from your adult children?

Let's now talk about the unpleasant aspects. How strongly do you worry...

- pbce2i6      that you will be able to afford less with children?
- pbce2i7      that children will put you under nervous strain?
- pbce2i8      that with children you will not accomplish your professional goals?
- pbce2i9      that with children you will stand out in a negative way in public?
- pbce2i10     that children will limit your personal freedom?

Not at all	1	2	3	4	5		Very strongly
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	<i>No clear idea</i> .....					<input type="checkbox"/>	7
	<i>No answer</i> .....					<input type="checkbox"/>	-2

## Desire to have children

Question  
19

Assuming ideal circumstances: How many children would you like to have altogether?  
We mean the total number, including children you may already have.

Variable  
pfrt5

\_\_ \_\_ Children

No children .....  0

Don't know .....  -1

No answer .....  -2

Question  
20

When you think realistically about having (additional) children: Do you think you will have any (more) biological or adoptive children?

Variable  
pfrt27  
pfrt28

*If you already have children:* We mean more children in addition to biological children, stepchildren, foster children, or adoptive children you already have.

*If you or your partner is pregnant:* We mean more children in addition to the child you are now expecting.

pfrt27 Yes .....  1

No .....  2

I'm not sure. ....  5

I haven't thought about that yet. ...  6

No answer .....  -2

If yes:

How many (more) biological or adopted children do you think you will have?

pfrt28 One (additional) child .....  1

Two (additional) children .....  2

Three (additional) children .....  3

Four or more (additional) children .....  4

I'm not sure. ....  5

I haven't thought about that yet. ....  6

No Answer .....  -2

pfrt28: Respondents who indicate that they will have a(n) other child (pfrt27=1)

Question  
21  
  
Variable  
pfrt7

**Do you intend to to have a(nother) child within the next two years?**  
**If you or your partner is pregnant: We mean another child in addition to the child you are now expecting.**

- Yes, definitely .....  1
- Yes, perhaps .....  2
- No, probably not .....  3
- No, definitely not .....  4
  
- I haven't thought about that yet. ....  7
  
- Don't know* .....  -1
- No answer* .....  -2

Respondents considering having a(nother) child (pfrt27=1 5 -2)

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Question  
22  
  
Variable  
pfrt9

**When you think realistically about having (additional) children: How old do you think you will be when you have your first (or next) child?**  
**If you or your partner is pregnant: We mean the next child after the one you are now expecting.**

- \_\_ \_\_ (Age in years)
  
- I haven't thought about that yet. ....  97
  
- No answer* .....  -2

Respondents considering having a(nother) child (pfrt27=1 5 -2)

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Question  
23  
  
Variable  
pfrt16

**What is the maximum age at which you want to have your first (or next) child?**  
**If you or your partner is pregnant: We mean the next child after the one you are now expecting.**

- \_\_ \_\_ (Age in years)
  
- I haven't thought about that yet. ....  97
  
- No answer* .....  -2

Respondents considering having a(nother) child (pfrt27=1 5 -2)

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Question  
24  
  
Variable  
pfrt3

Have you tried to sire a child or get pregnant within the past twelve months?

- Yes .....  1
- No .....  2
  
- I don't want to answer that / No answer* .....  -2

Respondents considering having a(nother) child (pfrt27=1 5 -2)

Question  
25  
  
Variable  
pfrt17

Are you and your partner in agreement about how many common children you would like to have together?

- Not at all in agreement      1      2      3      4      5      Very strongly in agreement
  
- We haven't discussed that yet* .....  6
  
- No Answer* .....  -2

Question  
26  
  
Variable  
pfrt18

Are you and your partner in agreement about what time you would like to have your first or next child together?

- Not at all in agreement      1      2      3      4      5      Very strongly in agreement
  
- We haven't discussed that yet* .....  6
- We don't want any (more) children.* . .  7
  
- No Answer* .....  -2

Question  
27  
  
Variable  
pfrt19\_

Below are some statements about how people make a decision for or against becoming a parent. To what extent do you agree personally with these statements?

- pfrt19i1      Having children is just a normal part of life.
  - pfrt19i2      In the end, personal costs and benefits are most important for my decision about having a(nother) child.
  - pfrt19i3      In deciding whether I want to have children or not, I mostly follow my emotions.
  - pfrt19i4      I will let my partner make the decision for or against having a(nother) child.
  - pfrt19i5      I don't want to make a decision for or against having a(nother) child yet.
  - pfrt19i6      Having children is for the most part not something you can plan, in my opinion.
- Completely disagree      1      2      3      4      5      Completely agree
- No answer* .....  -2

**Question  
28**

Variable  
pfrt10\_

Besides your partner and yourself, others may have an opinion about whether or not you should have a(nother) child.  
Please indicate how strongly you agree with the following statements.

- pfrt10i1 Most of my friends think that I should have a(nother) child.  
 pfrt10i2 My parents think that I should have a(nother) child.  
 pfrt10i3 Most of my friends think that I should pursue my career goals.  
 pfrt10i4 My parents think that I should pursue my career goals.
- Not at all                                    1      2      3      4      5                                    Absolutely
- Don't know* .....  -1  
*No answer* .....  -2

**Question  
29**

Variable  
pfrt20\_

To what extent would your social environment support you in terms of finances, chores and babysitting, and emotional needs if you have a(nother) child?

- pfrt20i1 Finances  
 pfrt20i2 Chores and babysitting  
 pfrt20i3 Emotional needs
- Not at all                                    1      2      3      4      5                                    Very strongly
- Not required* .....  7  
*Don't know* .....  -1  
*No answer* .....  -2

**Question  
30**

Variable  
pfrt12\_

In order to have a(nother) child, it might be necessary to abstain from certain things. How strongly would you be willing to cut back on or abstain from the following things at the moment?

- pfrt12i1 School, education, career  
 pfrt12i2 Leisure activities, hobbies, interests  
 pfrt12i3 Friends, acquaintances, social contacts  
 pfrt12i4 Partnership
- Not at all                                    1      2      3      4      5                                    Very strongly
- No clear idea* .....  7  
*No answer* .....  -2

Question  
31  
  
Variable  
pfrt25\_

**If you have children:**  
**How does being a parent effect other areas of your life at the moment?**  
**If you do not have children:**  
**If you were to become a parent today, how would that effect other areas of your life?**

- pfrt25i1 School, education, career
  - pfrt25i2 Leisure time activities, hobbies, personal interests
  - pfrt25i3 Friends, acquaintances, social contacts
  - pfrt25i4 Partnership
- Very negatively                      1      2      3      4      5                      Very positively
- No clear idea* .....  7
- No Answer* .....  -2
- 

Text 6

**Please answer the following questions 32 and 33 only if you have children. If you do not have children, please proceed to question 34.**

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Question  
32  
  
Variable  
pcrn21\_

- How often did you and your partner have the following parenting problems during the past 4 weeks?**
- pcrn21i1 Differences of opinion regarding parenting issues
  - pcrn21i2 Discussions regarding parenting issues end in fights
  - pcrn21i3 One parent disregards rules set by the other parent
- Never .....  1  
Seldom .....  2  
Sometimes .....  3  
Often .....  4  
Very often .....  5
- No Answer* .....  -2
-



**Question  
33**

Variable  
pcrn11\_  
pcrn20\_

If you have children:

**How do you feel as a parent? To what extent do the following statements apply to you?**

- pcrn20i1 I can fulfil very well the needs of my child(ren).
- pcrn11i7 I have the feeling that taking care of my child(ren) takes up all my strength and that my whole life revolves around it.
- pcrn20i2 If I set parenting goals I can reach them.
- pcrn11i8 When I am with my child(ren) there is nothing else I'd rather be doing.
- pcrn20i3 I can control whether I am a good parent or not.
- pcrn11i9 I look forward to being with my child(ren).
- pcrn20i4 I feel like I have no control over whether I am a good parent or not.
- pcrn11i10 I feel trapped by my parental duties.

Not at all                                    1      2      3      4      5                                    Absolutely  
                                                                                                                                               

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No answer* .....  -2

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## Parents

Text 7

And now for some questions about your biological parents.

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Question  
34

Are your mother and father still living?

Variable  
pigr22  
pigr25

Mother

pigr22 Yes .....  1

No .....  2

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No Answer* .....  -2

Father

pigr25 Yes .....  1

No .....  2

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No Answer* .....  -2

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Text 8

Please answer the following questions only for parents who are still living.

If both parents are deceased, please proceed to question 47.

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Question  
35

Variable  
pigr29  
pigr34

What is the current marital status of your mother and father?

**Mother**

- pigr29    Single .....  1  
           Divorced .....  4  
           Widowed .....  5  
           Married to each other .....  6  
           Married to each other but separated .....  7  
           Married to someone else .....  8  
           Married to someone else but separated .....  9
- Don't know* .....  -1  
*No Answer* .....  -2

**Father**

- pigr34    Single .....  1  
           Divorced .....  4  
           Widowed .....  5  
           Married to each other .....  6  
           Married to each other but separated .....  7  
           Married to someone else .....  8  
           Married to someone else but separated .....  9
- Don't know* .....  -1  
*No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased (pigr22≠2)  
 Respondents whose father is not deceased (pigr25≠2)

Question  
36

With whom do your mother and / or father live? Do they live...  
Multiple answers allowed!

Variable  
pigr101\_  
pigr102\_

**Mother**

- pigr101i1 together in one household?
  - pigr101i2 with another partner in one household?
  - pigr101i3 with someone else in one household?
  - pigr101i4 alone?
  - pigr101i5 in a retirement home, a nursing home, or assisted living?
  - pigr101i6 Other
  - pigr101i7 Don't know
- Not mentioned .....  0
- Mentioned .....  1
- No Answer* .....  -2

**Father**

- pigr102i1 together in one household?
  - pigr102i2 with another partner in one household?
  - pigr102i3 with someone else in one household?
  - pigr102i4 alone?
  - pigr102i5 in a retirement home, a nursing home, or assisted living?
  - pigr102i6 Other
  - pigr102i7 Don't know
- Not mentioned .....  0
- Mentioned .....  1
- No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased (pigr22≠2)  
Respondents whose father is not deceased (pigr25≠2)

Question  
37

Variable  
pigr39p1  
pigr39p3

How often are you in contact with your mother and / or father, adding up all visits, letters, phone calls, e-mails etc.?

*Please check one separately for both mother and father.*

**Mother**

- pigr39p1    Daily .....  1  
                  Several times per week .....  2  
                  Once per week .....  3  
                  1 to 3 times per month .....  4  
                  Several times per year .....  5  
                  Less often .....  6  
                  Never .....  7  
                  I was never in contact .....  10  
  
                  *No Answer* .....  -2

**Father**

- pigr39p3    Daily .....  1  
                  Several times per week .....  2  
                  Once per week .....  3  
                  1 to 3 times per month .....  4  
                  Several times per year .....  5  
                  Less often .....  6  
                  Never .....  7  
                  I was never in contact .....  10  
  
                  *No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased (pigr22≠2)  
Respondents whose father is not deceased (pigr25≠2)

Question  
38

Variable  
pigr40p1

How close do you feel to your mother today emotionally?

- Not at all close                    1      2      3      4      5                    Very close  
                     
  
   *No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased (pigr22≠2)

Question  
39  
  
Variable  
pigr40p3

How close do you feel to your father today emotionally?

Not at all close                      1      2      3      4      5                      Very close  
                                                                                          
  
No Answer .....  -2

Respondents whose father is not deceased (pigr25≠2)

Question  
40  
  
Variable  
pigr41p1  
pigr41p3

How much time do you need to get to your mother's and / or father's dwelling (on a normal day, using normal means of transportation)?  
*Please check one separately for both mother and father.*

**Mother**

pigr41p1    We live in the same household. ....  0  
                  We live in the same house. ....  1  
                  Less than 10 minutes .....  2  
                  10 to less than 30 minutes .....  3  
                  30 minutes to less than 1 hour .....  4  
                  1 hour to less than 3 hours .....  5  
                  3 hours or more .....  6  
  
                  *Don't know* .....  -1  
                  *No Answer* .....  -2

**Father**

pigr41p3    We live in the same household. ....  0  
                  We live in the same house. ....  1  
                  Less than 10 minutes .....  2  
                  10 to less than 30 minutes .....  3  
                  30 minutes to less than 1 hour .....  4  
                  1 hour to less than 3 hours .....  5  
                  3 hours or more .....  6  
  
                  *Don't know* .....  -1  
                  *No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased (pigr22≠2)  
Respondents whose father is not deceased (pigr25≠2)

Text 9

Please answer the following questions only for parents with whom you are in contact.

If you have not contact whatsoever with either parent, please proceed to question 47.

Question 41

How often do you tell your mother and / or father what you are thinking?  
*Please check one separately for both mother and father.*

Variable  
pigr42p1  
pigr42p3

**Mother**

- pigr42p1    Never .....  1  
                  Seldom .....  2  
                  Sometimes .....  3  
                  Often .....  4  
                  Always .....  5  
  
                  *No answer* .....  -2

**Father**

- pigr42p3    Never .....  1  
                  Seldom .....  2  
                  Sometimes .....  3  
                  Often .....  4  
                  Always .....  5  
  
                  *No answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased and who stay in contact with her (pigr22≠2 & pigr39p1≠7 10)

Respondents whose father is not deceased and who stay in contact with him (pigr25≠2 & pigr39p3≠7 10)

Question  
42

Variable  
pigr45p1  
pigr45p3

How often are you and your mother and / or father annoyed or angry with each other?  
*Please check one separately for both mother and father.*

**Mother**

- pigr45p1 Never .....  1
- Seldom .....  2
- Sometimes .....  3
- Often .....  4
- Always .....  5
  
- No answer* .....  -2

**Father**

- pigr45p3 Never .....  1
- Seldom .....  2
- Sometimes .....  3
- Often .....  4
- Always .....  5
  
- No answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased and who stay in contact with her (pigr22#2 & pigr39p1#7 10)  
Respondents whose father is not deceased and who stay in contact with him (pigr25#2 & pigr39p3#7 10)



Question  
43

How often do you and your mother and / or father disagree and quarrel?  
*Please check one separately for both mother and father.*

Variable  
pigr47p1  
pigr47p3

**Mother**

- pigr47p1    Never .....  1  
                  Seldom .....  2  
                  Sometimes .....  3  
                  Often .....  4  
                  Always .....  5  
  
                  *No answer* .....  -2

**Father**

- pigr47p3    Never .....  1  
                  Seldom .....  2  
                  Sometimes .....  3  
                  Often .....  4  
                  Always .....  5  
  
                  *No answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased and who stay in contact with her (pigr22#2 & pigr39p1#7 10)  
Respondents whose father is not deceased and who stay in contact with him (pigr25#2 & pigr39p3#7 10)

Question  
44  
  
Variable  
pigr49p1  
pigr49p3

How often do you share with your mother and / or father your secrets and private feelings?

*Please check one separately for both mother and father.*

**Mother**

- pigr49p1 Never .....  1
- Seldom .....  2
- Sometimes .....  3
- Often .....  4
- Always .....  5
  
- No answer* .....  -2

**Father**

- pigr49p3 Never .....  1
- Seldom .....  2
- Sometimes .....  3
- Often .....  4
- Always .....  5
  
- No answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased and who stay in contact with her (pigr22≠2 & pigr39p1≠7 10)  
Respondents whose father is not deceased and who stay in contact with him (pigr25≠2 & pigr39p3≠7 10)

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Question  
45  
  
Variable  
pigr51p1  
pigr51p3

Has your mother or father needed regular help within the last 12 months with daily tasks such as eating, standing up, dressing, bathing, or personal hygiene?  
*Please check one separately for both mother and father.*

**Mother**

- pigr51p1 Yes .....  1
- No .....  2
  
- No answer* .....  -2

**Father**

- pigr51p3 Yes .....  1
- No .....  2
  
- No answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased and who stay in contact with her (pigr22≠2 & pigr39p1≠7 10)  
Respondents whose father is not deceased and who stay in contact with him (pigr25≠2 & pigr39p3≠7 10)

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Question  
46  
  
Variable  
pigr51p1\_  
pigr51p3\_

If you indicated that your mother or father has needed regular help: From whom did he/she receive this help?  
***Multiple answers allowed!***

**Mother**

- pigr51p1i1 From a professional nursing agency
- pigr51p1i2 From me
- pigr51p1i3 From her spouse or partner
- pigr51p1i4 From other family membes or relatives
- pigr51p1i6 From other persons

- Not mentioned .....  0
- Mentioned .....  1
  
- No Answer* .....  -2

**Father**

- pigr51p3i1 From a professional nursing agency
- pigr51p3i2 From me
- pigr51p3i3 From his spouse or partner
- pigr51p3i4 From other family membes or relatives
- pigr51p3i6 From other persons

- Not mentioned .....  0
- Mentioned .....  1
  
- No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother is not deceased, who stay in contact with her and whose mother needed regular help within the last 12 months (pigr22≠2 & pigr51p3=1 & pigr39p1≠7 10)  
Respondents whose father is not deceased, who stay in contact with him and whose father needed regular help within the last 12 months (pigr25≠2 & pigr51p3=1 & pigr39p3≠7 10)

## Parents-in-law

Text 10

Now we would like to know more about your relationship to your partner's parents. In your answer, please refer only to your partner's biological parents.

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Question  
47

Are your partner's biological parents still living?  
*Please check one separately for your partner's mother and father.*

Variable  
pigr90  
pigr91

Partner's mother

- pigr90    Yes .....  1  
            No .....  2  
  
            *Don't know* .....  -1  
            *No answer* .....  -2

Partner's father

- pigr91    Yes .....  1  
            No .....  2  
  
            *Don't know* .....  -1  
            *No answer* .....  -2
- 

Text 11

Please answer the following questions only for parents who are still living.

If both parents of your partner are deceased, please proceed to question 54.

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**Question  
48**

Variable  
pigr39p5  
pigr39p6

**How often are you in contact with your partner's biological mother and /or your partner's biological father, adding up all visits, letters, phone calls, e-mails etc.?  
*Please check one separately for your partner's mother and father.***

**Partner's Mother**

- pigr39p5 Daily .....  1
- Several times per week .....  2
- Once per week .....  3
- 1 to 3 times per month .....  4
- Several times per year .....  5
- Less often .....  6
- Never .....  7
- I never got to know them. ....  9
  
- No Answer* .....  -2

**Partner's Father**

- pigr39p6 Daily .....  1
- Several times per week .....  2
- Once per week .....  3
- 1 to 3 times per month .....  4
- Several times per year .....  5
- Less often .....  6
- Never .....  7
- I never got to know them. ....  9
  
- No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother-in-law is not deceased (pigr90≠2)  
Respondents whose father-in-law is not deceased (pigr91≠2)

**Question  
49**

Variable  
pigr40p5

**How close are you emotionally to your partner's mother today?**

- |                  |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |            |
|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| Not at all close | 1                        | 2                        | 3                        | 4                        | 5                        | Very close |
|                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |            |
- No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother-in-law is not deceased (pigr90≠2)

Question  
50  
  
Variable  
pigr40p6

How close are you emotionally to your partner's father today?

Not at all close                      1      2      3      4      5                      Very close  
                 
  
   *No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose father-in-law is not deceased (pigr91≠2)

Question  
51  
  
Variable  
pigr41p5  
pigr41p6

What is the travel time to your partner's mother and / or father (on a normal day using normal means of transportation?)  
*Please check one separately for your partner's mother and father.*

**Partner's mother**

pigr41p5    We live in the same household. ....  0  
   We live in the same house. ....  1  
   Less than 10 minutes .....  2  
   10 to less than 30 minutes .....  3  
   30 minutes to less than 1 hour .....  4  
   1 hour to less than 3 hours .....  5  
   3 hours or more .....  6  
  
   *Don't know* .....  -1  
   *No Answer* .....  -2

**Partner's father**

pigr41p6    We live in the same household. ....  0  
   We live in the same house. ....  1  
   Less than 10 minutes .....  2  
   10 to less than 30 minutes .....  3  
   30 minutes to less than 1 hour .....  4  
   1 hour to less than 3 hours .....  5  
   3 hours or more .....  6  
  
   *Don't know* .....  -1  
   *No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother-in-law is not deceased (pigr90≠2)  
Respondents whose father-in-law is not deceased (pigr91≠2)

Text 12

Please answer the following questions only for parents with whom you are in contact.

If you have no contact whatsoever with either parent of your partner, please proceed to question 54.

Question 52

Variable  
pigr52p5  
pigr52p6

How often have you engaged in activities together with your partner's mother and / or father during the past 12 months like trips, going to cultural events, or shopping?  
*Please check one separately for your partner's mother and father.*

**Partner's mother**

- pigr52p5    Never .....  1  
                  Seldom .....  2  
                  Sometimes .....  3  
                  Often .....  4  
                  Very often .....  5  
  
                  *No Answer* .....  -2

**Partner's father**

- pigr52p6    Never .....  1  
                  Seldom .....  2  
                  Sometimes .....  3  
                  Often .....  4  
                  Very often .....  5  
  
                  *No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother-in-law is not deceased and who stay in contact with her (pigr90≠2 & pigr39p5≠7 9)  
Respondents whose father-in-law is not deceased and who stay in contact with him (pigr91≠2 & pigr39p6≠7 9)



**Question  
53**

Variable  
pigr53p5  
pigr54p5  
pigr57p5  
pigr58p5  
pigr53p6  
pigr54p6  
pigr57p6  
pigr58p6  
pigr60p5  
pigr61p5  
pigr64p5  
pigr65p5  
pigr60p6  
pigr61p6  
pigr64p6  
pigr65p6

**How often have you given your partner's mother and / or father the following kinds of help during the past 12 months?**

*Please check a box in each line separately for your partner's mother and father.*

**Given to partner's mother**

- pigr53p5 Advice Regarding Personal Problems
- pigr54p5 Gifts of money or valuables (more than 100 Euros per gift)
- pigr57p5 Help with shopping, housework, or yard work
- pigr58p5 A talk about her worries and troubles
- Never .....  1
- Seldom .....  2
- Sometimes .....  3
- Often .....  4
- Very often .....  5
- Not required* .....  6
- No answer* .....  -2

**Given to partner's father**

- pigr53p6 Advice Regarding Personal Problems
- pigr54p6 Gifts of money or valuables (more than 100 Euros per gift)
- pigr57p6 Help with shopping, housework, or yard work
- pigr58p6 A talk about her worries and troubles
- Never .....  1
- Seldom .....  2
- Sometimes .....  3
- Often .....  4
- Very often .....  5
- Not required* .....  6
- No answer* .....  -2

**Question  
53**

Variable  
pigr53p5  
pigr54p5  
pigr57p5  
pigr58p5  
pigr53p6  
pigr54p6  
pigr57p6  
pigr58p6  
pigr60p5  
pigr61p5  
pigr64p5  
pigr65p5  
pigr60p6  
pigr61p6  
pigr64p6  
pigr65p6

**Continuing question 53:**

**How often have you received from your partner's mother and / or father the following kinds of help during the past 12 months?**

*Please check a box in each line separately for your partner's mother and father.*

**Received from partner's mother**

- pigr60p5 Advice Regarding Personal Problems
- pigr61p5 Gifts of money or valuables (more than 100 Euros per gift)
- pigr64p5 Help with shopping, housework, or yard work
- pigr65p5 A talk about her worries and troubles
- Never .....  1
- Seldom .....  2
- Sometimes .....  3
- Often .....  4
- Very often .....  5
- Not required* .....  6
- No answer* .....  -2

**Received from partner's father**

- pigr60p6 Advice Regarding Personal Problems
- pigr61p6 Gifts of money or valuables (more than 100 Euros per gift)
- pigr64p6 Help with shopping, housework, or yard work
- pigr65p6 A talk about her worries and troubles
- Never .....  1
- Seldom .....  2
- Sometimes .....  3
- Often .....  4
- Very often .....  5
- Not required* .....  6
- No answer* .....  -2

Respondents whose mother-in-law is not deceased and who stay in contact with her (pigr90≠2 & pigr39p5≠7 9)  
Respondents whose father-in-law is not deceased and who stay in contact with him (pigr91≠2 & pigr39p6≠7 9)



Question  
57

Variable  
pinc2

How much did you earn last month?

Please indicate your net earnings, that is, your wage or income after taxes and contributions to retirement, unemployment, or health insurance are deducted.

If you had any extra earnings last month (e.g., vacation pay or back pay), please don't include them. But please do include any payments for overtime.

If you are self-employed: Please estimate your monthly after-tax profits.

Net income in Euro: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No answer* .....  -2

*Doesn't apply* .....  -3

Question  
58

Variable  
pinc21

If you can't give the exact amount of your net income: It would be helpful for us if you could tell us into which of the following categories the amount fits roughly.

Under 250 Euros .....  1

250 up to 500 Euros .....  2

500 up to 750 Euros .....  3

750 up to 1,000 Euros .....  4

1,000 up to 1,250 Euros .....  5

1,250 up to 1,500 Euros .....  6

1,500 up to 1,750 Euros .....  7

1,750 up to 2,000 Euros .....  8

2,000 up to 2,500 Euros .....  9

2,500 up to 3,000 Euros .....  10

3,000 up to 3,500 Euros .....  11

3,500 up to 4,000 Euros .....  12

4,000 up to 4,500 Euros .....  13

4,500 and more Euros .....  14

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents who did not indicate a precise net income (pinc2=-1, -2)

## Health, Religion, Satisfaction

Question  
59

How would you describe your health status during the past 4 weeks, generally speaking?

Variable  
phlt1

Bad .....  1

Not so good .....  2

Satisfactory .....  3

Good .....  4

Very good .....  5

*No answer* .....  -2

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Question  
60

On average, how many hours do you sleep at night during the working week?

Variable  
phlt7

\_\_ \_\_ \_\_ hours

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No answer* .....  -2

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Question  
61

Now some questions about your friends. How many friends do you have?

Variable  
pnet18

None .....  1

1 to 2 .....  2

3 to 5 .....  3

6 to 10 .....  4

more than 10 .....  5

*Don't know* .....  -1

*I don't want to answer that* .....  -2

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**Question  
62**

Variable  
pnet32

**When you think about your friends:  
How many of them are also your partner's friend?**

- My partner has no friends .....  0
- None or almost none .....  1
- Fewer than half .....  2
- About half .....  3
- More than half .....  4
- All or almost all .....  5
  
- Don't know* .....  -1
- I don't want to answer that* .....  -2

Respondents with at least one friend (net18>1)

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**Question  
63**

Variable  
pnet33

**And when you think of your partner's friends:  
How many of them are also your friend?**

- My partner has no friends .....  0
- None or almost none .....  1
- Fewer than half .....  2
- About half .....  3
- More than half .....  4
- All or almost all .....  5
  
- Don't know* .....  -1
- I don't want to answer that* .....  -2

Respondents with at least one friend (net18>1)

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Question  
66  
  
Variable  
pper2\_

In the following list you see a number of statements that people can use to describe themselves. Please read each statement and indicate from among the four answers the one that corresponds to the way you feel in general.

- pper2i1 My mood is melancholy.
  - pper2i2 I am happy.
  - pper2i3 I am depressed.
  - pper2i4 I am sad.
  - pper2i5 I am in desperation.
  - pper2i6 My mood is gloomy.
  - pper2i7 I feel good.
  - pper2i8 I feel secure.
  - pper2i9 I am calm and composed.
  - pper2i10 I enjoy life.
- Almost never .....  1
- Sometimes .....  2
- Often .....  3
- Almost always .....  4
- 
- Don't know* .....  -1
- No Answer* .....  -2

Question  
67  
  
Variable  
psat6

All in all, how satisfied are you with your life at the moment?

- Very dissatisfied                      0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10                      Very satisfied
- 
- No answer* .....  -2



## Questions for new participants

Text 14

If you are filling in this questionnaire for the first time, please answer questions 68 to 79. If you participated in this survey last year, please proceed directly to question 80.

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Question  
68

Variable  
psd9

Do you have children?

By that we mean all biological children, whether they live with you or not. Also adopted children, children of a partner, or foster children are recorded here, if they currently live with you or have ever lived with you.

Yes .....  1

No .....  2

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who participate for the first time

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**Question  
70**  
  
Variable  
pcrn19\_

**Let's turn now to your parenting goals. What do you definitely want to teach your child(ren) and what is less important to you?  
How important is it to you that your child learns (or your children learn)...**

- pcrn19i1 to eat healthy foods and get exercise?
- pcrn19i2 to be likeable and liked by others?
- pcrn19i3 to integrate into groups?
- pcrn19i4 to be respected by others?
- pcrn19i5 to be able to get one's way?
- pcrn19i6 to accept rules and to be able to obey?
- pcrn19i7 to be independent and autonomous?
- pcrn19i8 to be able to form one's own opinion?
- pcrn19i9 to achieve higher education (higher-level secondary school ("Abitur") and higher)?
- pcrn19i10 to be industrious?
- pcrn19i11 to be responsible?
- pcrn19i12 how to conduct him/herself?

Not important at all      0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10      Absolutely important  
                                   
*No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who have children (psd9=1) and participate for the first time

**Question  
71**  
  
Variable  
phlt5

**Are you legally handicapped or disabled?**

- Yes .....  1
- No .....  2
- Don't know* .....  -1
- No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who participate for the first time

**Question  
72**  
  
Variable  
phlt6

**To what extent are you legally handicapped or disabled?**

- \_\_\_ %
- Don't know* .....  -1
- No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who participate for the first time and are qualified as handicapped or as being unable to work (phlt5=1)

Question  
73  
  
Variable  
phlt8

a) Have you ever smoked? What we mean is whether you have smoked at least 100 cigarettes or other tobacco products in your entire life.

- Yes .....  1  
No .....  2  
  
*Don't know* .....  -1  
*I don't want to answer that./ No answer* .....  -2

Question  
73  
  
Variable  
phlt9

b) How old were you when you started smoking regularly?

- \_\_\_ Age in years  
  
I never smoked regularly .....  97  
  
*Don't know* .....  -1  
*I don't want to answer that./ No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who have smoked (phlt8 ≠2)

Question  
73  
  
Variable  
phlt10

c) Do you now smoke cigarettes, a pipe, cigars, or cigarillos?

- Yes .....  1  
No .....  2  
  
*Don't know* .....  -1  
*I don't want to answer that./ No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who have smoked (phlt8 ≠2)

Question  
73  
  
Variable  
phlt11\_

d) How many cigarettes, pipes, cigars, or cigarillos do you smoke per day? Please indicate the daily average from last week.

- phlt11i1 Cigarettes per day: \_\_\_  
phlt11i2 Pipes per day: \_\_\_  
phlt11i3 Cigars or cigarillos per day: \_\_\_  
  
*Don't know* .....  -1  
*I don't want to answer that./ No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who smoke now (phlt8 ≠2 & phlt10 ≠2)

Question  
73

e) When did you stop smoking? Please indicate the year and month.

Variable  
phlt12m  
phlt12y

phlt12m Month: ---  
phlt12y Year: ---

*Don't know* .....  -1  
*I don't want to answer that./ No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who have stopped smoking (phlt8 ≠2 & phlt10=2)

Question  
74

a) How often do you usually drink alcohol?

Variable  
phlt14

Every day .....  1  
5 to 6 times per week .....  2  
3 to 4 times per week .....  3  
1 to 2 times per week .....  4  
1 to 3 times per month .....  5  
Less than once per month .....  6  
Never .....  7

*Don't know* .....  -1  
*I don't want to answer that./ No answer* .....  -2

Question  
74

b) Think now on the past 4 weeks: How often did you have five or more alcoholic drinks on one occasion? One alcoholic drink corresponds, for example, to one 0,33 liter bottle of beer, one glass of wine or champagne, one shot glass of hard liquor, or one bottle of an "alcopop" (flavored alcoholic beverage).

Variable  
phlt13

About \_\_ times

Not at all, not on any occasion .....  95

*Don't know* .....  -1  
*I don't want to answer that./ No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who drink alcohol (phlt14 ≠7)

**Question  
75**  
  
Variable  
psd30

**What is your religion?**

- Christianity: Roman Catholic .....  1
- Christianity: German Protestant .....  2
- Islam .....  3
- Judaism .....  4
- Christianity: Other denomination .....  5
- Other religion/religious group .....  6
- No religion .....  7
  
- Don't know* .....  -1

Respondents who participate for the first time

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**Question  
76**  
  
Variable  
psd31

**How often do you go to church / the mosque / the synagogue or other religious ceremonies?**

- More than once a week .....  1
- Once a week .....  2
- One to three times a month .....  3
- Several times a year .....  4
- Less often .....  5
- Never .....  6
  
- Don't know* .....  -1

Respondents who participate for the first time

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**Question  
77**

Variable  
pigr1y  
pigr2y

**When were your mother and father born? Please indicate the year of birth for each.**

**Mother**

pigr1y Year of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No answer* .....  -2

**Father**

pigr2y Year of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who participate for the first time

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**Question  
78**

Variable  
pper1

**How do you see yourself.  
To what extent do these characteristics apply to you?**

pper1i1 I often agree with others, even if I'm not sure.

pper1i3 I become angry very quickly.

pper1i4 I feel inhibited in the presence of others.

pper1i5 I often change my mind after hearing what others think.

pper1i8 I work myself up into a quarrel easily.

pper1i9 I feel shy in the presence of others.

pper1i10 I strongly tend to follow the wishes of others.

pper1i11 When others irritate me, I get angry quickly.

pper1i12 I approach other people easily.

Not at all	1	2	3	4	5	Absolutely
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No answer* .....  -2

Respondents who participate for the first time

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Question  
79

Variable  
pper3\_

To what extent do the following statements apply to you?

- pper3i1 I am usually modest and reserved.
- pper3i2 I tend to criticize others.
- pper3i3 I complete my tasks thoroughly.
- pper3i4 I easily become depressed or discouraged.
- pper3i5 I am interested in many different kinds of things.
- pper3i6 I get enthusiastic easily and can motivate others easily.
- pper3i7 I trust others easily and believe that people are inherently good.
- pper3i8 I make things comfortable for myself and tend to be lazy.
- pper3i9 I am relaxed and don't let myself be worried by stress.
- pper3i10 I am intellectual and like to contemplate things.
- pper3i11 I tend to be "the strong and silent type."
- pper3i12 I can be cold and distanced in my behavior.
- pper3i13 I am proficient and work quickly.
- pper3i14 I worry a lot.
- pper3i15 I am very imaginative.
- pper3i16 I am extroverted.
- pper3i17 I can be gruff and dismissive with others.
- pper3i18 I make plans and carry them out.
- pper3i19 I easily become nervous and insecure.
- pper3i20 I appreciate artistic and aesthetic impressions.
- pper3i21 I am hardly interested in art.

Absolutely incorrect .....  1

Mostly incorrect .....  2

Neither correct nor incorrect .....  3

Mostly correct .....  4

Absolutely correct .....  5

*Don't know* .....  -1

*No Answer* .....  -2

Respondents who participate for the first time



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**Thank you very much for participating!**

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