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Living in Germany

Survey 2000
on the social situation
of households

Individual question form

This questionnaire booklet is directed towards the individual persons in the household.

Your cooperation is voluntary. However, the scientific meaningfulness of this investigation depends on the cooperation of all persons in all households.

Therefore, we ask that:

- You allow our representative to carry out this interview; **or**
- You carefully fill out the questionnaire booklet yourself.

**Before handing in please enter
in accordance with the address log:**

Household number:

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First name:

Please print

Your current life situation

1. How satisfied are you today with the following areas of your life?

☞ Please answer by using the following scale:
 0 means totally unhappy,
 10 means totally happy.

How satisfied are you with . . .

totally
unhappy

totally
happy

– your health?

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(if employed)
 – your job?

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(if working in household)
 – your housework?

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– your household income?

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– your place of dwelling?

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– your free time?

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(if you have small children)
 – the child care available?

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– the supply of goods and
 services in your area?

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– your schooling and professional
 education?

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– the environmental conditions
 in your area?

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– your overall standard of living?

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2. Have you been engaged in paid work during the last 7 days, even if this work was only for an hour or just a few hours?

 Please answer yes also if you normally would have worked in the last seven days, but because of holidays, sickness, bad weather, or other reasons did not do so.

Yes No

3. Are you currently taking maternity leave?

Yes No

4. Are you officially registered as unemployed at the Employment Office ("Arbeitsamt")?

Yes No

5. What does a typical weekday look like for you?
How many hours per day do you spend on the following activities?

 Please give only whole hours.
Use zero if the activity does not apply!

Number
of hours

Job, apprenticeship, second job (including travel time to and from work)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Errands (shopping, trips to government agencies, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Housework (washing, cooking, cleaning)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Child care	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Education or further training (also school, university)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Repairs on and around the house, car repairs, garden work	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Hobbies and other free-time activities	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

6. Do you have access, sometimes or always, to an car for your own personal use?

Yes, always
 Yes, sometimes
 No

7. Do you use a computer or internet personally at home or at work (or in your education)?

	PC/ Computer	Internet
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, personally at home ...	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, at work (or in my education)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8. Are you currently in some sort of education? In other words, do you attend a school or institution of higher education, are you engaged in an apprenticeship or are you participating in further education or training?

Yes
 

No 

Skip to question 10!

9. What type of education or continuing training is that?

General school:

Secondary general school ("Hauptschule") ...

Intermediate School ("Realschule")

Upper Secondary School ("Gymnasium")

Comprehensive School ("Gesamtschule")

Evening Intermediate School ("Abendrealschule")

"Fachoberschule"

Higher Education:

"Fachhochschule"

University, other higher education institution

Training, classes for further education and training:

Professional or vocational retraining ("Umschulung")

Further education in your profession

Professional rehabilitation

Further education in politics or general

Other:

Vocational education:

Primary vocational training year, vocational preparatory year ("Berufsgrundbildungsjahr, Berufsvorbereitungsjahr")

Vocational school without apprenticeship ..

Apprenticeship

Full-time vocational school ("Berufsfachschule, Handelsschule")

School for health care professions

Trade and technical school ("Fachschule", for example, "Meister-, Technikerschule")

Education as public employee

Other:

10. Are you currently engaged in paid employment? Which of the following applies best to your status?

 Pensioners with a job contract are considered employed.

Full-time employed

Part-time employed

In occupational / professional education or retraining

Marginally ("geringfügig") or irregularly employed

Doing your compulsory military service

Doing community service as substitute for compulsory military service ("Zivildienst")

Not employed

Skip to question 20!

Please continue with question 11!

Only for those not employed

11. If you were currently looking for a new job:

Is it or would it be easy, difficult or almost impossible to find an appropriate position?

Easy

Difficult

Almost impossible

Not applicable, because I am retired

12. Do you intend to engage in paid employment (again) in the future?

No, definitely not



Skip to question 57!

Probably not

Probably

Yes, definitely



13. When, approximately, would you like to start with paid employment?

As soon as possible

Next year

In the next two to five years

In the distant future, in more than five years ...

14. Are you interested in full-time or part-time employment, or would both suit you?

Full-time

Part-time

Either

I'm not sure yet

15. Would you like to work in your current / past profession or in the area of your education / training, or would you rather do something new? Or does it not matter to you?

In my current/past profession
or area of education/training

Something new

Doesn't matter

Not applicable, because I do
not yet have a specific profession

16. There are different reasons for being employed. Which is for you the main reason: to earn money or are other reasons important?

Earn money

Other reasons

Both about the same

17. How high would your net income or salary have to be for you to take a position offered to you?

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DM per month

Can't say, it depends

18. If someone offered you an appropriate position right now, could you start working within the next two weeks?

Yes

No

19. Have you actively looked for work within the last four weeks?

Yes

No

Please skip to question 57!

Your current employment

20. Did you change your job or start a new one after December 31, 1998?

Yes

No

Skip to question 27!

21. When did you start your current position?

1999, in the month

2000, in the month

22. What type of an employment change was that?

 *In the case that you have changed positions several times, please pick the appropriate reason for the most recent change.*

I have entered employment for the first time in my life

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I have started up with paid employment again after not having been employed for a while

I have started a new position with a different employer

I have become self-employed

I have been taken on by the company in which I did my apprenticeship / worked as part of a state employment program / was employed on a free-lance basis

I have changed positions within the same company

23. How do you view your current position compared to your previous one?

**In which of the following points has your new job improved or worsened your status?
Or has it stayed about the same?**

 Please check just **one** for each line!

How is this with regards to ...	Improved	About the same	Worse
- the type of work?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- income?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- chances of promotion?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- work load?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- commute?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- work hour regulations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- benefits?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- job security?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

24. Are you able to use your professional skills and abilities today more, about the same, or less than in your previous position?

More

About the same

Less

25. Were you actively looking for a job when you received your current position, or did it just come up?

Actively looking for job

Just came up

26. How did you find out about this job?

 Please check just **one**!

Through the Employment Office ("Arbeitsamt")

Through a private employment agency

An advertisement in the newspaper

An advertisement in the internet

Through friends or relatives

I have returned to a former employer

Other or none of the above

27. What is your current position/occupation?

 Please give the exact title. For example, do not write "clerk", but "shipping clerk"; not "blue-collar worker", but "machine metalworker". If you are engaged in public employment, please give your official title, for example, "police chief" or "Studienrat". If you are an apprentice or in vocational training, please state the profession associated with your training.

Please write the German term only!

28. Is this position the same as the profession for which you were educated or trained?

Yes Currently in education or training

No I have not been trained or educated for a particular profession

29. What type of education or training is usually necessary for this type of work?

No particular education or training necessary

Completed vocational education in this area

Completed education at a "Fachhochschule"

Completed education at a university or other institution of higher education

30. What type of introduction or introductory training is usually necessary for this type of work?

Only a short introduction on the job

A longer training period in the company

Participation in special training or courses ...

31. Does the company in which you are employed belong to the public sector?

Yes

No

32. In which branch of business or industry is your company or institution active for the most part?

 Please state the branch as exactly as possible, for example, not "industry", but "electronics industry"; not "trade", but "retail trade"; not "public service", but "hospital".

Please write the German term only!

33. Approximately how many people does the company employ as a whole?

less than 5 people ...

from 5 up to, but less than 20 people ...

from 20 up to, but less than 100 people ...

from 100 up to, but less than 200 people ...

from 200 up to, but less than 2,000 people ...

2,000 or more people

Not applicable, because I am self-employed without further employees

37. Do you use any language other than German on the job?

Yes 

English

No

Other languages (*please list*):

1.
2.
3.

38. Is your current job in the city where you live?

Yes 

Skip to question 42!

No


39. How often do you commute to work?

Every day

Once a week

Less often

40. How far (in kilometers) is your job from your place of residence?

km

Not applicable, because
my workplace changes

41. Is your job in –

one of the old Bundesländer (including West Berlin)

one of the new Bundesländer (including East Berlin)

a foreign country

42. If you lost your job today, would it be easy, difficult, or almost impossible for you to find a new position which is at least as good as your current one?

Easy

Difficult

Almost impossible

43. How many days vacation did you take last year?

 Count **work days** only. If you don't know the exact number, please estimate!

days

Haven't taken any vacation time

44. How many vacation days can you take according to your contract?

days

I have no contractually specified vacation time

45. How many days do you usually work per week?

days

Not applicable, because . . .

- the number of days is not fixed
- the number of days changes from week to week

46. How many hours do you work on a typical workday?

, hours

Varying, irregular

If less than six hours or varying:



Do you generally work mornings, afternoons, evenings, or at varying times of day?

- Mornings
- Afternoons
- Evenings
- Varying times

47. Do you sometimes have to work in the evenings (after 7:00 PM) or nights (after 10:00 PM)?

	No, never	Yes			
		every day	several times a week	once a week (changing shifts)	less often, as needed
Evenings (after 7.00 PM)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nights (after 10:00 PM)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

48. Do you have to work weekends?
If so, how often?

	No, never	Yes			
		every week	every two weeks	every 3 - 4 weeks	less often
Saturdays	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Sundays	<input type="checkbox"/>				

49. How many hours are stipulated in your contract (excluding overtime)?

, hours per week

No set hours

50. And how many hours do you actually work on average and including overtime?

, hours per week

51. Do you (or your employer) make payments for social security?

Yes

No

52. If you could choose your own number of working hours, taking into account that your income would change according to the number of hours:

How many hours would you want to work?

, hours per week

53. Do you work overtime?

Yes


No
Not applicable, because
I am self-employed

Skip to question 56!

54. If you do work overtime, is the work paid, compensated with time-off, or not compensated at all?

Compensated with time-off
Partly paid, partly compensated with time-off ..
Paid
Not compensated at all

Can you take entire days or only hours off?

Entire days
Only hours

55. How was your situation with regards to overtime last month?
Did you work overtime? If yes, how many hours?

Yes hours

No

56. How high was your income from employment last month?

 If you received extra income such as vacation pay or back pay, please do **not** include this. Please do include overtime pay.

 Please do **not** include "Kindergeld", even if this is paid by the employer.

Please fill in both:

- **gross** income, which means wages or salary before deduction of taxes and social security
- **net** income, which means the sum after deduction of taxes, social security, and unemployment and health insurance.

My income was:

gross DM

net DM

Now questions which apply to everyone!

57. It is possible to work in addition to regular employment, household work, education and also as pensioner. Do you engage in any of the following activities?

 *Your main employment activity described in the previous sections should not be included!*

Work in family business

Regular second job

Occasional paid work

No,
none of these

Skip to question 63!

58. Which occupation is that? Please be as specific as possible.

Please write the German term only!

59. In which of the following categories does this work fit?

Agriculture / Forestry

Construction

Industry and vocational trade

Services

60. Whom do you work for in that regard? Is it –

 *Several answers may be checked!*

● a company (or several companies)?

● a private household (or several)?

● a public institution?

● other?

61. How many days a month do you engage in this additional employment?

 days a month

How many hours on average on these days?

 hours a day

62. How many months a year do you engage in this additional employment?

 months a year

63. From which of the following income sources do you personally receive money at this time?

 Please check all that apply!

For all the applicable sources of income, please indicate how large an amount is each month. If you are unable to state the exact amount, please estimate.

Source of income	Yes	Gross amount per month *)
Additional employment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
Social security, disability pay, company pension (due to own employment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
Social security payments for widow, widower pension, orphan support ("Waisenrente")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
Support from the Arbeitsamt in the form of:		
● Unemployment pay ("Arbeitslosengeld")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
● Unemployment assistance ("Arbeitslosenhilfe")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
● Support for further training and education ("Unterhaltsgeld bei Fortbildung")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
● Transition pay ("Übergangsgeld"), other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
Early retirement pay from the former employer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
Maternity pay	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
BAföG (state support for higher education), grants, vocational training support	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
Pay for compulsory military service, community service in place of military service ("Zivildienst")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
Payments from persons not living in the household (including temporary child support from the state until the question of child support from spouse is decided)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> DM
None of these	<input type="checkbox"/>	

*)  The gross amount means before any deductions for taxes, social security, etc. This is applicable only for income from additional employment, retirement pay, or company pensions.

64. If you suddenly found yourself in an unexpected situation and had to pay 3,000 DM within two weeks, would you be able to do so?

Yes


No 

Skip to question **66!**

65. And how would you get this money?

From my own bank account

A loan from a member of the household

A loan from a friend or family member

A bank loan

Other

Please state:

66. Have you personally given payments or support during the last year (1999) to relatives or other persons outside of your household?

 Please check all appropriate answers!

			Where does the recipient live?		
			Germany	Abroad	
To parents / step parents	<input type="checkbox"/> ⇒	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To my children (also step children)	<input type="checkbox"/> ⇒	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To spouse or ex-spouse	<input type="checkbox"/> ⇒	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To other relatives	<input type="checkbox"/> ⇒	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To other persons not related to me	<input type="checkbox"/> ⇒	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No, I have not given any payment or support	<input type="checkbox"/>				

How were things last year?

67. Did you end school, vocational training, or university education after December 31, 1998?

Yes
 

No 

Skip to question **69!**

When?

1999, in the month

2000, in the month

68. Did you conclude this education with a degree, certificate or diploma?

Yes
 

No 

Skip to question **69!**

What kind of a degree was that?

General school certificate:

Secondary general school leaving certificate ("Hauptschulabschluß")

Intermediate school leaving certificate ("Mittlere Reife", "Realschulabschluß")

Leaving certificate from a Fachoberschule ("Fachhochschulreife" – qualification for studies at a Fachhochschule)

Upper secondary leaving certificate ("Abitur")

Other school leaving certificate

Please specify:

Higher Education Degree

Fachhochschule

University, technical university, other higher education institution

Please also state the degree and subject:

Vocational Degree

Name of the vocation:

Type of education or training:

Apprenticeship

Full-time vocational school ("Berufsfachschule, Handelsschule")

School for health care professions

Trade and technical school for vocational education ("Meister-, Technikerschule" etc.)

Training for public employees

Company retraining

Other, for example further training

69. Did you leave a job after December 31, 1998 (one which you also had before this date)?

Yes 

No 

Skip to question 75!

70. When did you leave the last job?

1999, in the month

2000, in the month

71. How long were you employed in that position?

years months

72. How was this job terminated?

 Please check only **one!**

My resignation

Dismissal

Mutual agreement

A temporary job or apprenticeship had been completed

Reaching retirement age / pension

Suspension

For self-employed persons: closing business

73. Did you receive any sort of compensation or severance package from the company?

Yes  How much in total? DM

No

74. Did you have a new contract or a prospective job before you left your last position?

Yes, a prospective job

Yes, a new contract

No, I didn't have anything lined up

I didn't look for a new job

75. And now think back on all of 1999.

We've drawn up a type of calendar below. Listed on the left are various employment characteristics that may have applied to you last year.

Please go through the various months and check all the months in which you were employed, unemployed, etc.

 *Please note that one must be checked for each month!*

I was . . .	1 9 9 9											
	Jan.	Febr.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Okt.	Nov.	Dec.
full-time employed (including State employment programs "ABM")	<input type="checkbox"/>											
part-time employed	<input type="checkbox"/>											
in first-time company training / apprenticeship	<input type="checkbox"/>											
in further training, retraining, further professional education ..	<input type="checkbox"/>											
registered as unemployed	<input type="checkbox"/>											
in retirement or early retirement "Vorruhestand"	<input type="checkbox"/>											
on maternity leave	<input type="checkbox"/>											
in school, at university or "Fachschule"	<input type="checkbox"/>											
in compulsory military service or community service as a substitute for military service ("Zivildienst")	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Housewife, houseman	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Other (please specify): <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	<input type="checkbox"/>											

Income 1999

76. We have already asked for your current income.

In addition, please state what sources of income you received in the past calendar year 1999, independent of whether the income was received all year or only in certain months.

Look over the list of income sources and check all that apply.

For all sources that apply please indicate how many months you received this income in 1999 and how much this was on average per month.

(Please state the gross amount which means not including deductions for taxes or social security).

Source of income	Received in 1999	Months in 1999	Gross amount per month DM
Wages or salary as employee (including wages for training, "Vorruhestand", wages for sick time ("Lohnfortzahlung"))	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Income from self-employment, free-lance work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Additional employment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Social security, disability pay, company pension (from own employment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Social security payments for widow's, widow's pension, orphan support ("Waisenrente")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Support from the "Arbeitsamt" in the form of:			
● Unemployment pay ("Arbeitslosengeld")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
● Unemployment assistance ("Arbeitslosenhilfe")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
● Support for further training and education ("Unterhaltsgeld bei Fortbildung")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
● Transition pay ("Übergangsgeld"), other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Maternity pay	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
BAföG (state support for higher education), grants, vocational training support	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Pay for compulsory military service, community service in place of military service ("Zivildienst")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Payments from persons not living in the household (including temporary child support from the state until the question of child support from spouse is decided)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

⇒ Additional quest. 77 - 78!

⇒ Additional question 79!

⇒ Additional question 79!

I received no income from the sources named ➔

Skip to question 80!

Additional questions for employed persons

77. Did you receive any of the following additional payments from your employer last year (1999)?
If yes, please state the gross amount.

13th month salary	<input type="checkbox"/> in total	<input type="text"/>	DM
14th month salary	<input type="checkbox"/> in total	<input type="text"/>	DM
Additional Christmas bonus	<input type="checkbox"/> in total	<input type="text"/>	DM
Vacation pay	<input type="checkbox"/> in total	<input type="text"/>	DM
Profit-sharing, premiums, bonuses	<input type="checkbox"/> in total	<input type="text"/>	DM
Other	<input type="checkbox"/> in total	<input type="text"/>	DM
No, I received none of these		<input type="checkbox"/>	

78. Did you receive short-time compensation ("Kurzarbeitergeld") or bad-weather pay ("Schlechtwettergeld") in 1999? If yes, for how many weeks?

Yes, short-time compensation ("Kurzarbeitergeld")	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	weeks
Yes, bad-weather pay ("Schlechtwettergeld")	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	weeks
No, neither of these		<input type="checkbox"/>	

Additional question for retirees, pensioners

79. Who pays your pension and how high were the monthly payments in 1999?

 Please state the gross amount, **excluding** taxes. If you receive more than one pension, please check each that applies. In that case, please also make sure you didn't forget any of them in Question 76. If you do not know the exact amount, please estimate.

	Old age pension/ disability pay ("Invalidenrente")		Widow or widower pension, Orphan pension ("Waisenrente")	
Rentenversicherung der Arbeiter und Angestellten (Blue and White Collar Worker Retirement Pension)	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="text"/>	DM
Knappschaft (Mining)	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="text"/>	DM
Beamtenversorgung (Public Service)	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="text"/>	DM
Kriegsopferversorgung (War Victims Benefits)	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="text"/>	DM
Old age assistance for farmers	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="text"/>	DM
Accident insurance (for example, from "Berufsgenossenschaft") ..	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="text"/>	DM
Accident insurance for public employees (VBL for example) ..	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="text"/>	DM
Company retirement plan ("Werkspension" for example)	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="text"/>	DM
Other <input type="text" value="please state:"/>	<input type="text"/>	DM	<input type="text"/>	DM

Health and Illness

**80. How are you insured for sickness:
Are you in compulsory health insurance (with or without additional private coverage),
are you insured privately, or neither of these?**

 Please answer also if you do not pay for the insurance yourself, but are covered by another family member. Compulsory health insurance providers are listed in Question 81.

In compulsory health insurance 

Insured privately 

Not insured 

Skip to question **87!**

81. Which of the following is your health insurance provider?

AOK TKK GEK

Barmer IKK Knappschaft...

DAK KKH LKK

Company health insurance .. 

Other 

please state:

82. Are you yourself –

- a mandatory paying member
- a voluntary paying member
- covered by the insurance of a family member
- insured as pensioner, unemployed, student, or draft soldier or through your community service work ("Zivildienst")?

83. Do you have additional private health insurance?

Yes 

No 

Skip to question **86!**

84. What do you pay for private insurance per month?

DM per month Don't know

85. Which of the following are covered by your additional health insurance?

 Please check all that apply!

- Hospital stay
- Dentures
- Corrective devices (glasses, for examples) .
- Coverage abroad
- Other Don't know ...

86. Do you qualify for additional allowances (such as "Beihilfe" or "Heilvorsorge") for public employees?

Yes 

No 

Skip to question **94!**

If you are not a member of public health insurance:

87. Do you qualify for additional allowances (such as "Beihilfe" or "Heilvorsorge") for public employees?

Yes

No

88. Do you have private health insurance?

Yes
↓

No →

Skip to question 94!

89. Are you covered as a family member or are you yourself the paying member?

Covered as family member .. →

Skip to question 94!

Paying member myself
↓

90. What do you pay per month for health insurance?

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DM per month

Don't know

91. Is that amount just for you or are other people covered?

Just for me

In additional to myself persons are covered
Number

92. Is it health insurance with a deductible or co-payment?

Yes
↓

No →

Skip to question 94!

93. What type of deductible or co-payment do you have?

Co-payment of %

General deductible in the amount of ... DM

Combination of the two

94. Have you changed to a different health insurance provider after December 31, 1998?

Yes

No

95. How would you describe your current health?

Very good

Good

Satisfactory

Poor

Bad

96. Aside from minor illnesses, does your health prevent you from completing everyday tasks like work around the house, employed work, studies, etc.? To what extent?

Not at all

A little

Very much so

97. Are you legally classified as handicapped or capable of gainful employment only to a reduced extent due to medical reasons?

Yes  What is the extent of this capability reduction or handicap according to the most recent diagnosis? %

No

98. Have you gone to a doctor within the last three months? If yes, please state how often.

Number of trips to the doctor's in the last three months

I haven't gone to the doctor's in the last three months

99. And how was that with regards to stays in the hospital? Were you ever admitted to a hospital for at least one night in 1999?

Yes 

No 

Skip to question 101!

100. How often did you have to stay in the hospital for at least one night in 1999?

times

And how many nights all together did you spend in a hospital?

nights

101. If you were employed in 1999:

Were you sick from work for more than six weeks at one time last year?

Yes, once

Yes, several times

No

I was not employed in 1999 ➔

Skip to question 103!

102. **How many days were you not able to work in 1999 because of illness?**

☞ Please state all the days, not just those for which you had an official note from your doctor.

None

A total of days

Education and training

103. **Now to a completely different topic: education and training. First:**

What type of school leaving certificate do you possess?

☞ More than one can be checked!

I don't have a leaving certificate. I am still in school

**For schools in the Federal Republic of Germany
and West Berlin:**

Primary School or Secondary General School
Leaving Certificate ("Volksschul-/Hauptschulabschluss")

Intermediate School Leaving Certificate
("Mittlere Reife, Realschulabschluss")

Leaving certificate from a Fachoberschule
(Qualification for studies at a Fachhochschule)

Abitur (Qualification for studies at a university)

Other ➔

I have no leaving certificate

Please specify

For schools in the former GDR:

School leaving certificate after 8th grade

School leaving certificate after 10th grade

Abitur (Qualification for studies at a university)

Other ➔

I have no leaving certificate

Please specify

For schools in another country:

I attended (primary and secondary) school for years and it was:

mandatory schooling, but I completed it without a school leaving certificate

mandatory schooling and I completed it with a school leaving certificate

Further schooling after completion of mandatory schooling
and received a school leaving certificate

104. Have you (successfully) completed vocational training or studies (at an institution of higher education)?

Yes 

No 

Skip to question 106!

105. What type of vocational or higher education degree was that?

 *More than one can be checked!*

Apprenticeship in trade, industry or agriculture

Commercial or bussiness apprenticeship or other apprenticeship

Full-time Vocational School ("Berufsfachschule, Handelsschule")

School for health care professions

Trade or Technical School for Vocational Education (for example, Meister-, Technikerschule)

Education for public employees

Fachhochschule, engineering school

University or other higher education institution

Other degree 

Please specify

106. Now to the topic of further education and training.

Further education does not have to be related to your profession or work alone. Many people receive education in other areas in their free time by attending courses or lectures or by means of scientific or professional publications and other media.

Have you participated in further education in one of the following areas within the past year?

 *Please check all that apply. Several can be checked.*

Topic of further education	Attendance in courses/ lectures	By means of scientific or professional publications and other media
Topics related to health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raising children and help for school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal, family or partnership problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Language skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practical crafts or trades	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Computer or internet skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Development of musical or artistical skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Topics related to insurance, retirement, taxes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Political topics, citizens' rights and responsibilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Natural sciences or technology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environmental protection, ecology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sport and fitness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Knowledge about art, literature, religion, history or other cultures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
None of these	<input type="checkbox"/>	

107. The following questions deal with further education for your work or profession for people under 65.

Are you 65 or older?  Skip to question **115!**
 under 65? 

108. Further professional education or further training for work can serve different purposes. Which of the following could be a reason for you to participate in further professional training or training for work?

 *More than one can be checked!*

To get a professional degree
 Retraining for a different professional or different job
 Brush up on or acquire professional skills that have partly become obsolete
 Adjust to constant changes in the profession or job
 Receive more qualifications as an attempt to further career
 Become acquainted with new subjects so as to not be too narrowly confined professionally
 None of these, not interested in further education

109. There are also reasons not to participate in further education. Which of the following statements apply to you?

	Applies to me	Does not apply to me
I cannot improve my career chances through participation in further education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I don't have time for further education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I don't want to participate in further education if it entails costs or time from work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

110. There are different opportunities available if one wants to educate himself further. Think back on the last three years. Have you in that time period done any of the following to further your professional education?

	Yes	No
Regularly read scientific or professional publications	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Attended professional conventions or congresses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Participated in professionally oriented courses, including those which are still in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> 	<input type="checkbox"/>  Skip to question 115!

111. How many courses for further professional education have you attended in the last three years?

 *Include also those courses which were completed within the last three years, even if they began before that time. Further information in question 112.*

Number: 
Continue with question **112!**

112. We would now like to know more about the courses you attended.
 If you have attended several courses in the last three years,
 please give information for the last three only.

Most recent (or current) course 1	The course before that 2	The course before that 3
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a) In what year and what month did the course start?

Year:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Month:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

b) How long did (does) the course last?

Days:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Weeks:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Months:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

c) About how many hours of instructions took place each week?

Number of hours:

It was a correspondence course

d) What was the purpose of this instruction?

 Check all that apply!

Retraining for a different profession or job	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Introduction to a new job	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Qualification for professional advancement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adjusting to new demands in my current job	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

e) Did the course take place during working hours?

Yes, during working hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Partly	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No, outside of working hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not applicable, because I was unemployed or not in gainful employment at the time	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

f) Did you receive a participation certificate which you would include in job applications in the future?

Yes

No

Most recent (or current) course 1	The course before that 2	The course before that 3
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g) Who held the course?

My employer, company, office	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A special training institution belonging to the company	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult Education Center ("Volkshochschule")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Professional organization, trade guild	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trade Union	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A private training institution	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

h) Did you receive financial support from your employer, from the Employment Office ("Arbeitsamt"), or from another source for this instruction?

Yes, from my employer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, from the Employment Office ("Arbeitsamt")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, from another source	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

i) How high were the costs that you had to pay yourself?

Amount DM

I didn't have to pay anything myself

113. Looking back, was this further education worth it for you professionally?

Very much so

Somewhat

Not at all

I don't know, can't tell yet

114. To what extent could you use the newly acquired skills if you got a new job in a different company?

Not at all

Only to a limited extent

For the most part

Completely

Attitude and opinions

115. Generally speaking, how much are you interested in politics?

- Very much
- Much
- Not so much
- Not at all

116. Many people in Germany lean towards one party in the long term, even if they occasionally vote for another party.

Do you lean towards a particular party?

Yes
↓

No →

Skip to question **118!**

117. Toward which party do you lean? And to what extent?

- | | |
|---|--|
| SPD <input type="checkbox"/> | Very strongly <input type="checkbox"/> |
| CDU <input type="checkbox"/> | Rather strongly <input type="checkbox"/> |
| CSU <input type="checkbox"/> | Somewhat <input type="checkbox"/> |
| FDP <input type="checkbox"/> | Weakly <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Bündnis '90/Grüne <input type="checkbox"/> | Very weakly <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PDS <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| DVU/Republikaner <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Other <input type="checkbox"/> | |

118. What is your attitude towards the following areas – are you concerned about them?

- | | Very concerned | Somewhat concerned | Not concerned at all |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| General economic development | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Your own economic situation | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Your health | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Environmental protection | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Maintaining peace | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Crime in Germany | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Introduction of the Euro in place of the D-Mark | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Immigration to Germany | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Hostility towards foreigners or minorities in Germany | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>If you are employed:</i> | | | |
| Your job security | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Or what else are you concerned about?

Please state:

Citizenship and Origins

119. Is your nationality German?

Yes
 

No 

Skip to question **123!**

120. Do you have a second citizenship in addition to your German?

Yes please state:

No

121. Were you born in Germany?

Yes 

Skip to question **138!**

No



In which country were you born?

Please state the current name of the country!

122. Did you live in Germany already in 1984?

Yes 

Skip to question **138!**

No 

Skip to question **127!**

123. What is your citizenship?

124. Were you born in Germany?

Yes

No

125. Do you intend to apply for Germany citizenship in the next two years?

Yes, definitely

Yes, probably

Probably not

Definitely not

126. If it were possible for you to receive German citizenship in addition to your current one, would you take advantage of the opportunity?

Yes, definitely

Yes, probably

Probably not

Definitely not

127. How often have you experienced disadvantages in the last two years because of your origins?

Often

Seldom

Never

128. What language do you speak for the most part here in Germany?

Mostly German

The language of your country of origin

Both about equally as much

129. When you read the newspaper: do you read –

– only newspapers from your country of origin?

– mostly newspapers from your country of origin?

– both German newspapers and newspapers from your country of origin about equally?

– mostly German newspapers?

– only German newspapers?

Doesn't apply, I don't read newspapers

130. When you listen to music: how often do you hear music from your country of origin?

Always

Mostly

Sometimes

Seldom

Never

Doesn't apply, I don't listen to music

**131. A question about your cooking habits:
how often do you cook meals traditional to your country of origin?**

Always

Mostly

Sometimes

Seldom

Never

132. When one lives as foreigner or immigrant in Germany, he can sometimes have the feeling of not having a homeland. Some people feel like they aren't really members of their country of origin or of Germany. One doesn't really belong to one or the other.

How often do you have such feelings?

- Very often
- Often
- Now and then
- Seldom
- Never

133. Do you want to stay in Germany forever?

- Yes  Skip to question 135!
- No 

134. How long do you want to remain in Germany?

- A year at the most
- A few years more  How many years? years Don't know

135. Since you have come to Germany to live, have you ever gone back to your country of origin?

- Yes 
- No  Skip to question 137!

136. How long were you there in the last two years?

- Not at all
- Up to three weeks
- One to three months ...
- Four to six months
- Longer

137. When some people have lived for a long time in Germany and visit their (former) home country, things may have changed.

How is that for you? How do you feel in that situation?

- I feel at home right away on the first day, as if I hadn't even been away
- I feel at home within a short time
- At first I feel like a stranger, but after a few days I feel at home
- It takes quite a long time until I feel more or less at home
- I feel like a stranger in my own land

And finally:

138. Do you have a second residence at which you are registered?

Yes No

139. Your sex and year of birth:

male
 female Year of birth: 19

140. What is your marital status?

Married, living together with spouse 
 Married, living (permanently) separated from my spouse...
 Single
 Divorced
 Widowed

Skip to question **142!**

141. Are you in a serious/permanent relationship?

Yes No


Does your partner live in the same household?

Yes  First name:
 No

142. Has your family situation changed since the beginning of 1999?

Please indicate if any of the following apply to you and if so, when this change occurred.

	Yes	in 1999 in month	in 2000 in month
I married	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
I moved in with my partner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
I got divorced	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
I separated from my spouse / partner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
My spouse / partner died	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
My son or daughter left the household	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Had a child	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>

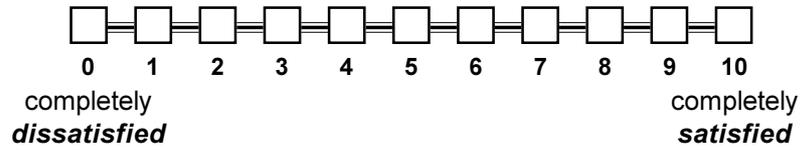
please state:

There have been no changes in my family

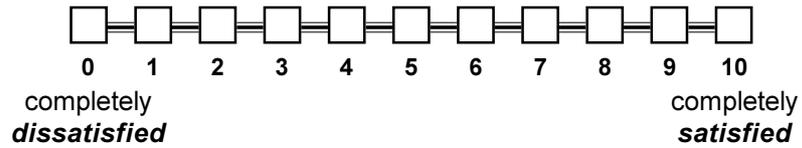
143. In conclusion, we would like to ask you about your satisfaction with your life in general.

 Please answer according to the following scale:
"0" means completely dissatisfied, "10" means completely satisfied.

How satisfied are you with your life, all things considered?

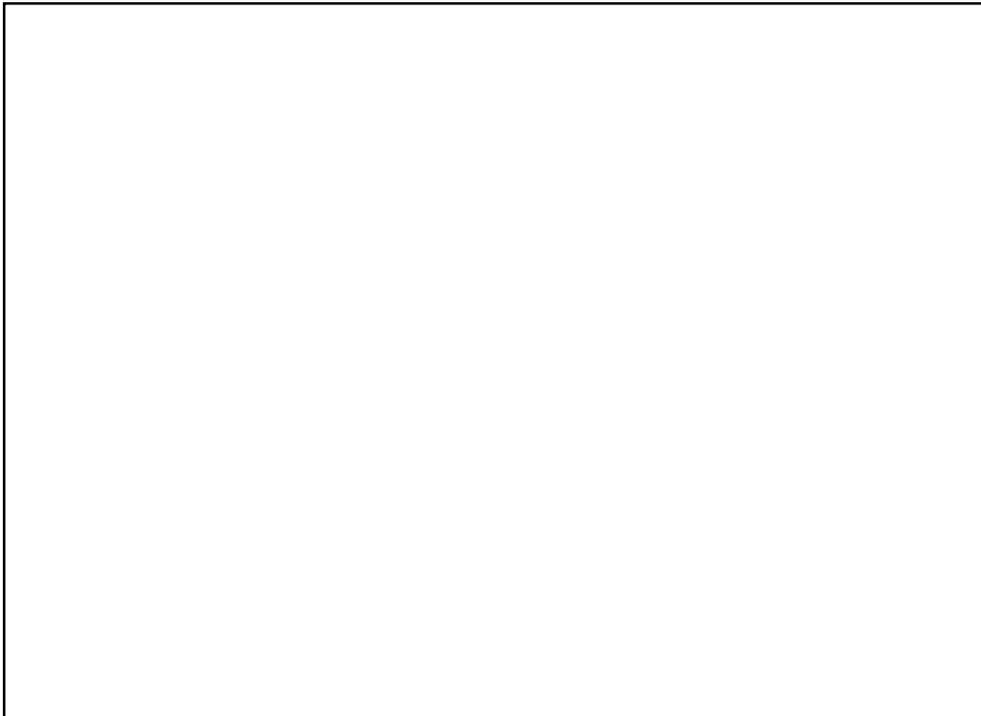


And how do you think you will feel in five years?



144. If you look back at the last 10 years – since about 1990 – which of the following diagrams would best apply to your situation?

Please state the number corresponding to most appropriate picture:



Thank you for your cooperation!