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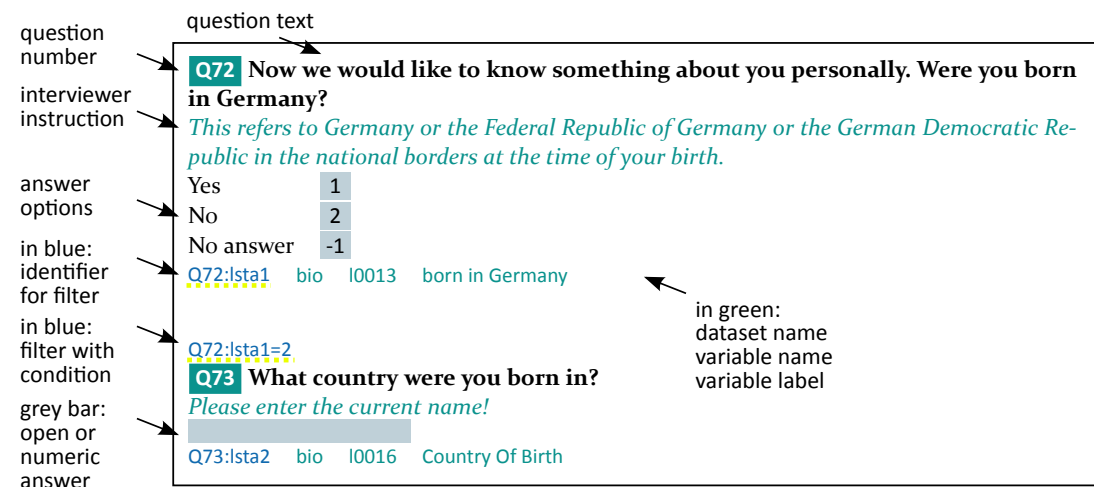
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The variable names mentioned in this document belong to a collection of datasets, which is released with doi:10.5684/soep.core.v42o.

Reading Aid

This representation of the questionnaire contains the same information as the portal paneldata.org.



Here, in addition to the *question number*, *question text*, *interviewer instructions*, and *answer options*, you find printed in green the *file name* and the *variable name* with the *variable label*, which contains information from the question. If you see rows of green lines below the answer option, the questionnaire defines several variables or information is stored in more than one dataset.

The *routing by filters* is depicted in blue.

Each variable is preceded by an identifier, which usually contains the question number and which is used when the variable is used in filters in subsequent questions. Such filters are usually placed as input filters (gatekeepers) at the beginning of a question. An identifier that is referred to in the input filter of a subsequent question is marked yellow as an example.

This reading aid does not cover a few exceptional cases: If the filter (as gatekeeper) only affects one of several variables for a question, the filter is printed in blue behind the variable. There you will also find a "go to" command in the form 2 @ Q73. Here, the questionnaire skips to question 73 if answer 2 was given.

Phrases that are not already translated in English are displayed in German and preceded by [de].

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PL_year

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PL1 First names and birth years of the household members

First name of household member 1

Birth year of household member 1

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Can't / don't want to answer	-1

First name of household member 2

Birth year of household member 2

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Birth year of household member 3	

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Birth year of household member 4	

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Birth year of household member 5	

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Birth year of household member 6	

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Birth year of household member 7	

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Birth year of household member 8	

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Birth year of household member 9	

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Birth year of household member 10	

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Birth year of household member 11	

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Birth year of household member 12	

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Birth year of household member 13	

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First name of household member 14	
Birth year of household member 14	

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Can't / don't want to answer	-1

1a Please state the first name of the deceased person.

Please select the first name of the person from the list of household members displayed. If the person is not included in the list, for example because he or she did not live in your household, enter the first name, date of birth, and sex in the text field below.

<u>firstname1</u>	1
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1a:vnamecat_1 bpvp bpvp_1a_01 [de] Auswahl verstorbene Person (1)

First name:

- 1a:vname_1 bpvp pid2 [de] ID Verstorbene Person
- 1a:vname_1 bpvp bpvp_1a_02 [de] Vorname: Person (1)
- 1a:vname_1 vpl vpid Unchanging ID Person deceased

Can't / don't want to answer 1

Day, month and year of birth:
Day

1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
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31	31
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
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Can't / don't want to answer	1
Month	

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February	2
March	3
April	4
May	5
June	6
July	7
August	8
September	9
October	10
November	11
December	12
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
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Can't / don't want to answer -1

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1a:dl002_1	vpl	dl002	Year of birth: Deceased Person	1a;vnamecat_1!=1:14

Can't / don't want to answer 1

Sex:

Male 1

Female 2

Non-binary (divers) 3

Can't / don't want to answer -1

1a:dl001_v2_1	bnvp	bnvp_01_05	Gender of person deceased	1a;vnamecat_1!=1:14
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1a:dl001_v2_1	vpl	dl001_h	Gender of person deceased [harmonised]	1a;vnamecat_1!=1:14
1a:dl001_v2_1	vpl	dl001_v2	Gender of person deceased [2021-2022]	1a;vnamecat_1!=1:14

1a;vnamecat_1!=1:14

2a What was your relationship to the deceased? The deceased was...

my mother / my father	1
my spouse / life partner	2
my daughter / my son	3
other person	4
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

2a:dl004_1 bnvp bnvp_02_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2a:dl004_1 bpvp bpvp_2a_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2a:dl004_1 vpl dl004 Relationship: Deceased Person

[Other], please specify:

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Can't / don't want to answer	1
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3a How old was your family member when he/she died?

Years 0:125

3a:dl005_1 bnvp bnvp_03 Age: Deceased Person

3a:dl005_1 bpvp bpvp_3a Age: Deceased Person

3a:dl005_1 vpl dl005 Age: Deceased Person

Can't / don't want to answer	1
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4a Did the deceased person live in this household?

Yes	1
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No	2
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Can't / don't want to answer	-1
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4a:dl006_1 bnvp bnvp_04 Deceased Person lived in the househol

4a:dl006_1 bpvp bpvp_4a Deceased Person lived in the househol

4a:dl006_1 vpl dl006 Deceased Person lived in the househol

(1a;vnamecat_1!=1:14)&(4a;dl006_1=2)

5a Do you know if the deceased ever took part in the study "Living in Germany"?

Yes, took part	1
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No, did not take part	2
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Don't know	3
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Can't / don't want to answer	-1
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5a:dl007_1 bnvp bnvp_05 person died was SOEP attendant

5a:dl007_1 bpvp bpvp_5a person died was SOEP attendant

5a:dl007_1 vpl dl007 person died was SOEP attendant

(1a;vnamecat_1!=1:14)&(4a;dl006_1=2)

6a What was the deceased person's primary living environment during the last year of his/her life?

Alone in own household	1
Together with spouse / partner in private household	2
Together with other family members in private household	3
Accommodation geared to the needs of senior citizens (assisted living, etc.)	4
Retirement home / Nursing home	5
Clinic, hospital	6
Other environment	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

6a:dl008_1 bnv bnv_06 Domestic environment of deceased Person

6a:dl008_1 bpvp bpvp_6a Domestic environment of deceased Person

6a:dl008_1 vpl dl008 Domestic environment of deceased Person

(1a;vnamecat_1!=1:14)&(4a;dl006_1=2)

7a Where did the deceased person live?

Here in this house	1
In the neighborhood	2
Nearby (within an hour on foot)	3
Further away in Germany	4
In a foreign country	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

7a:dl009_1 bnv bnv_07 focus of deceased person's life

7a:dl009_1 bpvp bpvp_7a focus of deceased person's life

7a:dl009_1 vpl dl009 focus of deceased person's life

(1a;vnamecat_1!=1:14)&(4a;dl006_1=2)

8a In the last twelve months of their life, how often were you normally in personal contact with the deceased person, either by visiting, talking on the phone, or writing?

Every day or almost every day	1
At least once a week	2
At least once a month	3
Less often	4
Never	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

8a:dl010_1 bnv bnv_08 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8a:dl010_1 bpvp bpvp_8a Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8a:dl010_1 vpl dl010 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

9a Where did your family member pass away?

At home	1
In another private household	2
In a hospital	3
In a retirement home / nursing home	4
In hospice	5
Another place	6
Don't know	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
9a:dl011_1 bnvp bnvp_09 Place of death	
9a:dl011_1 bpvp bpvp_9a Place of death	
9a:dl011_1 vpl dl011 Place of death	

10a Can you tell us what the cause of death was?

Please select all that apply.

Heart attack				1
Cardiovascular disease				1
Cancer				1
Stroke				1
Severe infectious disease (pneumonia, flu, etc.)				1
Gastrointestinal disease				1
Respiratory illness				1
Accident				1
Other				1
Don't know				1
Can't / don't want to answer				1
10a:dl012_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_01	cause of death: heart attack	
10a:dl012_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_01	cause of death: heart attack	
10a:dl012_1	vpl	dl012	cause of death: heart attack	
10a:dl013_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_02	cause of death: cardiovascular disease	
10a:dl013_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_02	cause of death: cardiovascular disease	
10a:dl013_1	vpl	dl013	cause of death: cardiovascular disease	
10a:dl014_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_03	cause of death: cancer	
10a:dl014_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_03	cause of death: cancer	
10a:dl014_1	vpl	dl014	cause of death: cancer	
10a:dl015_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_04	cause of death: epileptic stroke	
10a:dl015_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_04	cause of death: epileptic stroke	
10a:dl015_1	vpl	dl015	cause of death: epileptic stroke	
10a:dl016_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_05	cause of death: severe infectious disease	
10a:dl016_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_05	cause of death: severe infectious disease	
10a:dl016_1	vpl	dl016	cause of death: severe infectious disease	
10a:dl017_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_06	cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease	
10a:dl017_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_06	cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease	
10a:dl017_1	vpl	dl017	cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease	
10a:dl018_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_07	cause of death: respiratory disease	
10a:dl018_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_07	cause of death: respiratory disease	
10a:dl018_1	vpl	dl018	cause of death: respiratory disease	
10a:dl019_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_08	cause of death: accident	
10a:dl019_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_08	cause of death: accident	
10a:dl019_1	vpl	dl019	cause of death: accident	
10a:dl020_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_09	cause of death: other	
10a:dl020_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_09	cause of death: other	
10a:dl020_1	vpl	dl020	cause of death: other	
10a:dl021_1	bnvp	bnvp_10_10	cause of death unknown	
10a:dl021_1	bpvp	bpvp_10a_10	cause of death unknown	
10a:dl021_1	vpl	dl021	cause of death unknown	

[Other] please specify:

10a:vurs10_1 bpvp bpvp_10a_11 [de] Todesursache: Offene Angabe Person (1) 10a:dl020_1=1

11a Did the deceased person have any of the following documents on file as a precautionary measure?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Can't / don't want to answer
A last will and testament	1	2	3	-1
Living will (advance health care directive)	1	2	3	-1
Lasting power of attorney (in case of loss of mental capacity, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
Advance funeral wishes (with details on burial, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
11a:dl022_1 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11a:dl022_1 bpvp bpvp_11a_01	left last will			
11a:dl022_1 vpl dl022	left last will			
11a:dl023_1 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11a:dl023_1 bpvp bpvp_11a_02	left living will			
11a:dl023_1 vpl dl023	left living will			
11a:dl024_1 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11a:dl024_1 bpvp bpvp_11a_03	left provisional power or attorney			
11a:dl024_1 vpl dl024	left provisional power or attorney			
11a:dl025_1 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11a:dl025_1 bpvp bpvp_11a_04	left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures			
11a:dl025_1 vpl dl025	left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures			

12a Had the deceased person suffered any severe losses of mental capacity (memory loss, etc.)?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
12a:dl026_1 bnvp bnvp_12	Mental limitation
12a:dl026_1 bpvp bpvp_12a	Mental limitation
12a:dl026_1 vpl dl026	Mental limitation

13a How would you describe the health of the deceased person about three months before his / her death?

Very good	1
Good	2
Satisfactory	3
Poor	4
Bad	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
13a:dl027_1 bnvp bnvp_13	Three months before death: state of health
13a:dl027_1 bpvp bpvp_13a	Three months before death: state of health
13a:dl027_1 vpl dl027	Three months before death: state of health

14a Was the deceased person in need of assistance or care approximately three months before death?

Yes			1
No			2
Can't / don't want to answer			-1
14a:dl028_1	bnvp	bnvp_14	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14a:dl028_1	bpvp	bpvp_14a	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14a:dl028_1	vpl	dl028	Three months before death: in need of assistance

14a:dl028_1=1

15a Which of the following activities did the deceased person need help with? Needed help with ...*Please select all that apply.*

...shopping and errands				1
...doing housework, preparing meals and drinks				1
...easier personal care activities, such as dressing and undressing, bathing, combing hair, shaving				1
...more difficult personal care activities, such as getting in and out of bed, going to the toilet, etc.				1
None of the above				1
Can't / don't want to answer				1
15a:dl029_1	bnvp	bnvp_15_01	Need help: errands	
15a:dl029_1	bpvp	bpvp_15a_01	Need help: errands	
15a:dl029_1	vpl	dl029	Need help: errands	
15a:dl030_1	bnvp	bnvp_15_02	Help On Housework	
15a:dl030_1	bpvp	bpvp_15a_02	Help On Housework	
15a:dl030_1	vpl	dl030	Help On Housework	
15a:dl031_1	bnvp	bnvp_15_03	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15a:dl031_1	bpvp	bpvp_15a_03	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15a:dl031_1	vpl	dl031	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15a:dl032_1	bnvp	bnvp_15_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15a:dl032_1	bpvp	bpvp_15a_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15a:dl032_1	vpl	dl032	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15a:vhil5_1	bpvp	bpvp_15a_05	Need for help: No need for help	
15a:vhil5_1	vpl	dl038	Need for help: No need for help	

16a Think about the period of time before your family member passed away. How satisfied do you think he or she was with his or her life at that time, all things considered?*Please answer on a scale from 0 (completely dissatisfied) to 10 (completely satisfied).*

	0 Com- pletely dissat- isfied	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Com- pletely satis- fied	Can't / don't want to an- swer
About a year before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1
About three months before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1

16a:dl034_1	bnvp	bnvp_15_06	Satisfaction one year before death
16a:dl034_1	bpvp	bpvp_16a_01	Satisfaction one year before death
16a:dl034_1	vpl	dl034	Satisfaction one year before death
16a:dl035_1	bnvp	bnvp_15_07	Satisfaction three months before death
16a:dl035_1	bpvp	bpvp_16a_02	Satisfaction three months before death
16a:dl035_1	vpl	dl035	Satisfaction three months before death

17a Finally, a question for you personally: To what extent has your life changed as a result of your family member's death?

I have had to restructure my life completely	1
Some things will change	2
Nothing has really changed in my life	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

17a:dl036_1	bnvp	bnvp_17	change in personal life since death
17a:dl036_1	bpvp	bpvp_17a	change in personal life since death
17a:dl036_1	vpl	dl036	change in personal life since death

1b Please state the first name of the deceased person.

Please select the first name of the person from the list of household members displayed. If the person is not included in the list, for example because he or she did not live in your household, enter the first name, date of birth, and sex in the text field below.

firstname1	1
firstname2	2
firstname3	3
firstname4	4
firstname5	5
firstname6	6
firstname7	7
firstname8	8
firstname9	9
firstname10	10
firstname11	11
firstname12	12
firstname13	13
firstname14	14

1b:vnamecat_2 bpvp bpvp_1b_01 [de] Auswahl verstorbene Person (2)

First name:

1b:vname_2	bpvp	pid2	[de] ID Verstorbene Person
1b:vname_2	bpvp	bpvp_1b_02	[de] Vorname: Person (2)
1b:vname_2	vpl	vpid	Unchanging ID Person deceased

Can't / don't want to answer 1

Day, month and year of birth:

Day

1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
(2 rows omitted)	...
18	18
19	19
20	20
21	21
22	22
23	23
24	24
25	25
26	26
27	27
28	28
29	29
30	30
31	31
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

1b:dl037_2 bpvp bpvp_1b_03 [de] Geburtstag: Person (2) 1b:ynamecat_2!=1:14

Can't / don't want to answer	1
Month	

January	1
February	2
March	3
April	4
May	5
June	6
July	7
August	8
September	9
October	10
November	11
December	12
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
1b:dl003_2 bnvp bnvp_01_03 Month Of Birth: Deceased Person 1b:ynamecat_2!=1:14	
1b:dl003_2 bpvp bpvp_1a_05 Month Of Birth: Deceased Person 1b:ynamecat_2!=1:14	
1b:dl003_2 vpl dl003 Month Of Birth: Deceased Person 1b:ynamecat_2!=1:14	
Can't / don't want to answer	1
Year	

[PL_year]	2025
[PL_year-1]	2024
[PL_year-2]	2023
[PL_year-3]	2022
[PL_year-4]	2021
[PL_year-5]	2020
[PL_year-6]	2019
[PL_year-7]	2018
[PL_year-8]	2017
[PL_year-9]	2016
[PL_year-10]	2015
[PL_year-11]	2014
[PL_year-12]	2013
[PL_year-13]	2012
[PL_year-14]	2011
(97 rows omitted)	...
[PL_year-112]	1913
[PL_year-113]	1912
[PL_year-114]	1911
[PL_year-115]	1910
[PL_year-116]	1909
[PL_year-117]	1908
[PL_year-118]	1907
[PL_year-119]	1906
[PL_year-120]	1905
[PL_year-121]	1904
[PL_year-122]	1903
[PL_year-123]	1902
[PL_year-124]	1901
[PL_year-125]	1900
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
1b:dl002_2 bnvp bnvp_01_04	Year of birth: Deceased Person 1b:vnamecat_2!=1:14
1b:dl002_2 bpvp bpvp_1a_06	Year of birth: Deceased Person 1b:vnamecat_2!=1:14
1b:dl002_2 vpl dl002	Year of birth: Deceased Person 1b:vnamecat_2!=1:14

Can't / don't want to answer	1
Sex:	
Male	1
Female	2
Non-binary (divers)	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

1b:dl001_v2_2 bnvp bnvp_01_05	Gender of person deceased	1b:vnamecat_2!=1:14
1b:dl001_v2_2 bpvp bpvp_1a_07	Gender of person deceased	1b:vnamecat_2!=1:14
1b:dl001_v2_2 vpl dl001_h	Gender of person deceased	1b:vnamecat_2!=1:14
	[harmonised]	
1b:dl001_v2_2 vpl dl001_v2	Gender of person deceased	1b:vnamecat_2!=1:14
	[2021-2022]	

1b;vnamecat_2!=1:14

2b What was your relationship to the deceased? The deceased was...

my mother / my father	1
my spouse / life partner	2
my daughter / my son	3
other person	4
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

2b:dl004_2 bnvp bnvp_02_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2b:dl004_2 bpvp bpvp_2a_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2b:dl004_2 vpl dl004 Relationship: Deceased Person

[Other], please specify:

2b:vfamso_2	bpvp	bpvp_2b	[de] Verwandtschaftsverhältnis: Offene Angabe (2)	(1b;vnamecat_2!=1:14)&(2b:dl004_2=4)
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Can't / don't want to answer	1
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1b;vnamecat_2!=1:14

3b How old was your family member when he/she died?

Years 0:125

3b:dl005_2 bnvp bnvp_03 Age: Deceased Person

3b:dl005_2 bpvp bpvp_3a Age: Deceased Person

3b:dl005_2 vpl dl005 Age: Deceased Person

Can't / don't want to answer	1
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1b;vnamecat_2!=1:14

4b Did the deceased person live in this household?

Yes	1
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No	2
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Can't / don't want to answer	-1
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4b:dl006_2 bnvp bnvp_04 Deceased Person lived in the househol

4b:dl006_2 bpvp bpvp_4a Deceased Person lived in the househol

4b:dl006_2 vpl dl006 Deceased Person lived in the househol

(1b;vnamecat_2!=1:14)&(4b:dl006_2=2)

5b Do you know if the deceased ever took part in the study "Living in Germany"?

Yes, took part	1
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No, did not take part	2
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Don't know	3
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Can't / don't want to answer	-1
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5b:dl007_2 bnvp bnvp_05 person died was SOEP attendant

5b:dl007_2 bpvp bpvp_5a person died was SOEP attendant

5b:dl007_2 vpl dl007 person died was SOEP attendant

(1b;vnamecat_2!=1:14)&(4b;dl006_2=2)

6b What was the deceased person's primary living environment during the last year of his/her life?

Alone in own household	1
Together with spouse / partner in private household	2
Together with other family members in private household	3
Accommodation geared to the needs of senior citizens (assisted living, etc.)	4
Retirement home / Nursing home	5
Clinic, hospital	6
Other environment	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

6b:dl008_2 bnvp bnvp_06 Domestic environment of deceased Person

6b:dl008_2 bpvp bpvp_6a Domestic environment of deceased Person

6b:dl008_2 vpl dl008 Domestic environment of deceased Person

(1b;vnamecat_2!=1:14)&(4b;dl006_2=2)

7b Where did the deceased person live?

Here in this house	1
In the neighborhood	2
Nearby (within an hour on foot)	3
Further away in Germany	4
In a foreign country	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

7b:dl009_2 bnvp bnvp_07 focus of deceased person's life

7b:dl009_2 bpvp bpvp_7a focus of deceased person's life

7b:dl009_2 vpl dl009 focus of deceased person's life

(1b;vnamecat_2!=1:14)&(4b;dl006_2=2)

8b In the last twelve months of their life, how often were you normally in personal contact with the deceased person, either by visiting, talking on the phone, or writing?

Every day or almost every day	1
At least once a week	2
At least once a month	3
Less often	4
Never	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

8b:dl010_2 bnvp bnvp_08 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8b:dl010_2 bpvp bpvp_8a Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8b:dl010_2 vpl dl010 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

9b Where did your family member pass away?

At home	1
In another private household	2
In a hospital	3
In a retirement home / nursing home	4
In hospice	5
Another place	6
Don't know	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
9b:dl011_2 bnv bnv_09 Place of death	
9b:dl011_2 bpvp bpvp_9a Place of death	
9b:dl011_2 vpl dl011 Place of death	

10b Can you tell us what the cause of death was?

Please select all that apply.

Heart attack	1
Cardiovascular disease	1
Cancer	1
Stroke	1
Severe infectious disease (pneumonia, flu, etc.)	1
Gastrointestinal disease	1
Respiratory illness	1
Accident	1
Other	1
Don't know	1
Can't / don't want to answer	1
10b:dl012_2 bnvp bnvp_10_01 cause of death: heart attack	
10b:dl012_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_01 cause of death: heart attack	
10b:dl012_2 vpl dl012 cause of death: heart attack	
10b:dl013_2 bnvp bnvp_10_02 cause of death: cardiovascular disease	
10b:dl013_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_02 cause of death: cardiovascular disease	
10b:dl013_2 vpl dl013 cause of death: cardiovascular disease	
10b:dl014_2 bnvp bnvp_10_03 cause of death: cancer	
10b:dl014_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_03 cause of death: cancer	
10b:dl014_2 vpl dl014 cause of death: cancer	
10b:dl015_2 bnvp bnvp_10_04 cause of death: epileptic stroke	
10b:dl015_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_04 cause of death: epileptic stroke	
10b:dl015_2 vpl dl015 cause of death: epileptic stroke	
10b:dl016_2 bnvp bnvp_10_05 cause of death: severe infectious disease	
10b:dl016_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_05 cause of death: severe infectious disease	
10b:dl016_2 vpl dl016 cause of death: severe infectious disease	
10b:dl017_2 bnvp bnvp_10_06 cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease	
10b:dl017_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_06 cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease	
10b:dl017_2 vpl dl017 cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease	
10b:dl018_2 bnvp bnvp_10_07 cause of death: respiratory disease	
10b:dl018_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_07 cause of death: respiratory disease	
10b:dl018_2 vpl dl018 cause of death: respiratory disease	
10b:dl019_2 bnvp bnvp_10_08 cause of death: accident	
10b:dl019_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_08 cause of death: accident	
10b:dl019_2 vpl dl019 cause of death: accident	
10b:dl020_2 bnvp bnvp_10_09 cause of death: other	
10b:dl020_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_09 cause of death: other	
10b:dl020_2 vpl dl020 cause of death: other	
10b:dl021_2 bnvp bnvp_10_10 cause of death unknown	
10b:dl021_2 bpvp bpvp_10a_10 cause of death unknown	
10b:dl021_2 vpl dl021 cause of death unknown	

[Other], please specify:

10b:vurs10_2 bpvp bpvp_10b [de] Todesursache: Offene Angabe Person (2) 10b:dl020_2=1

11b Did the deceased person have any of the following documents on file as a precautionary measure?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Can't / don't want to answer
A last will and testament	1	2	3	-1
Living will (advance health care directive)	1	2	3	-1
Lasting power of attorney (in case of loss of mental capacity, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
Advance funeral wishes (with details on burial, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
11b:dl022_2 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11b:dl022_2 bpvp bpvp_11a_01	left last will			
11b:dl022_2 vpl dl022	left last will			
11b:dl023_2 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11b:dl023_2 bpvp bpvp_11a_02	left living will			
11b:dl023_2 vpl dl023	left living will			
11b:dl024_2 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11b:dl024_2 bpvp bpvp_11a_03	left provisional power or attorney			
11b:dl024_2 vpl dl024	left provisional power or attorney			
11b:dl025_2 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11b:dl025_2 bpvp bpvp_11a_04	left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures			
11b:dl025_2 vpl dl025	left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures			

12b Had the deceased person suffered any severe losses of mental capacity (memory loss, etc.)?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
12b:dl026_2 bnvp bnvp_12	Mental limitation
12b:dl026_2 bpvp bpvp_12a	Mental limitation
12b:dl026_2 vpl dl026	Mental limitation

13b How would you describe the health of the deceased person about three months before his / her death?

Very good	1
Good	2
Satisfactory	3
Poor	4
Bad	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
13b:dl027_2 bnvp bnvp_13	Three months before death: state of health
13b:dl027_2 bpvp bpvp_13a	Three months before death: state of health
13b:dl027_2 vpl dl027	Three months before death: state of health

14b Was the deceased person in need of assistance or care approximately three months before death?

Yes			1
No			2
Can't / don't want to answer			-1
14b:dl028_2	bnvp	bnvp_14	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14b:dl028_2	bpvp	bpvp_14a	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14b:dl028_2	vpl	dl028	Three months before death: in need of assistance

14b:dl028_2=1

15b Which of the following activities did the deceased person need help with? Needed help with ...*Please select all that apply.*

...shopping and errands				1
...doing housework, preparing meals and drinks				1
...easier personal care activities, such as dressing and undressing, bathing, combing hair, shaving				1
...more difficult personal care activities, such as getting in and out of bed, going to the toilet, etc.				1
None of the above				1
Can't / don't want to answer				1
15b:dl029_2	bnvp	bnvp_15_01	Need help: errands	
15b:dl029_2	bpvp	bpvp_15a_01	Need help: errands	
15b:dl029_2	vpl	dl029	Need help: errands	
15b:dl030_2	bnvp	bnvp_15_02	Help On Housework	
15b:dl030_2	bpvp	bpvp_15a_02	Help On Housework	
15b:dl030_2	vpl	dl030	Help On Housework	
15b:dl031_2	bnvp	bnvp_15_03	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15b:dl031_2	bpvp	bpvp_15a_03	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15b:dl031_2	vpl	dl031	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15b:dl032_2	bnvp	bnvp_15_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15b:dl032_2	bpvp	bpvp_15a_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15b:dl032_2	vpl	dl032	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15b:vhil5_2	bpvp	bpvp_15a_05	Need for help: No need for help	
15b:vhil5_2	vpl	dl038	Need for help: No need for help	

16b Think about the period of time before your family member passed away. How satisfied do you think he or she was with his or her life at that time, all things considered?*Please answer on a scale from 0 (completely dissatisfied) to 10 (completely satisfied).*

	0 Com- pletely dissat- isfied	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Com- pletely satis- fied	Can't / don't want to an- swer
About a year before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1
About three months before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1

16b:dl034_2	bnvp	bnvp_15_06	Satisfaction one year before death
16b:dl034_2	bpvp	bpvp_16a_01	Satisfaction one year before death
16b:dl034_2	vpl	dl034	Satisfaction one year before death
16b:dl035_2	bnvp	bnvp_15_07	Satisfaction three months before death
16b:dl035_2	bpvp	bpvp_16a_02	Satisfaction three months before death
16b:dl035_2	vpl	dl035	Satisfaction three months before death

17b Finally, a question for you personally: To what extent has your life changed as a result of your family member's death?

I have had to restructure my life completely	1
Some things will change	2
Nothing has really changed in my life	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

17b:dl036_2	bnvp	bnvp_17	change in personal life since death
17b:dl036_2	bpvp	bpvp_17a	change in personal life since death
17b:dl036_2	vpl	dl036	change in personal life since death

1c Please state the first name of the deceased person.

Please select the first name of the person from the list of household members displayed. If the person is not included in the list, for example because he or she did not live in your household, enter the first name, date of birth, and sex in the text field below.

firstname1	1
firstname2	2
firstname3	3
firstname4	4
firstname5	5
firstname6	6
firstname7	7
firstname8	8
firstname9	9
firstname10	10
firstname11	11
firstname12	12
firstname13	13
firstname14	14

1c:vnamecat_3 bpvp bpvp_1c_01 [de] Auswahl verstorbene Person (3)

First name:

1c:vname_3	bpvp	pid2	[de] ID Verstorbene Person
1c:vname_3	bpvp	bpvp_1c_02	[de] Vorname: Person (3)
1c:vname_3	vpl	vpid	Unchanging ID Person deceased

Can't / don't want to answer 1

Day, month and year of birth:

Day

1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
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30	30
31	31
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

1c:dl037_3 bpvp bpvp_1c_03 [de] Geburtstag: Person (3) 1c:vnamecat_3!=1:14

Can't / don't want to answer	1
Month	

January	1
February	2
March	3
April	4
May	5
June	6
July	7
August	8
September	9
October	10
November	11
December	12
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
1c:dl003_3 bnpv bnpv_01_03 Month Of Birth: Deceased Person 1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14	
1c:dl003_3 bvpv bvpv_1a_05 Month Of Birth: Deceased Person 1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14	
1c:dl003_3 vpl dl003 Month Of Birth: Deceased Person 1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14	
Can't / don't want to answer	1
Year	

[PL_year]	2025
[PL_year-1]	2024
[PL_year-2]	2023
[PL_year-3]	2022
[PL_year-4]	2021
[PL_year-5]	2020
[PL_year-6]	2019
[PL_year-7]	2018
[PL_year-8]	2017
[PL_year-9]	2016
[PL_year-10]	2015
[PL_year-11]	2014
[PL_year-12]	2013
[PL_year-13]	2012
[PL_year-14]	2011
(97 rows omitted)	...
[PL_year-112]	1913
[PL_year-113]	1912
[PL_year-114]	1911
[PL_year-115]	1910
[PL_year-116]	1909
[PL_year-117]	1908
[PL_year-118]	1907
[PL_year-119]	1906
[PL_year-120]	1905
[PL_year-121]	1904
[PL_year-122]	1903
[PL_year-123]	1902
[PL_year-124]	1901
[PL_year-125]	1900

Can't / don't want to answer

-1

1c:dl002_3	bnvp	bnvp_01_04	Year of birth: Deceased Person	1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14
1c:dl002_3	bpvp	bpvp_1a_06	Year of birth: Deceased Person	1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14
1c:dl002_3	vpl	dl002	Year of birth: Deceased Person	1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14

Can't / don't want to answer

1

Sex:

Male

1

Female

2

Non-binary (divers)

3

Can't / don't want to answer

-1

1c:dl001_v2_3	bnvp	bnvp_01_05	Gender of person deceased	1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14
1c:dl001_v2_3	bpvp	bpvp_1a_07	Gender of person deceased	1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14
1c:dl001_v2_3	vpl	dl001_h	Gender of person deceased [harmonised]	1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14
1c:dl001_v2_3	vpl	dl001_v2	Gender of person deceased [2021-2022]	1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14

1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14

2c What was your relationship to the deceased? The deceased was...

my mother / my father 1
 my spouse / life partner 2
 my daughter / my son 3
 other person 4
 Can't / don't want to answer -1

2c:dl004_3 bnvp bnvp_02_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2c:dl004_3 bpvp bpvp_2a_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2c:dl004_3 vpl dl004 Relationship: Deceased Person

[Other] please specify:

2c:vfamso_3 bpvp bpvp_2c [de] Verwandtschaftsverhältnis: (1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14)&(2c:dl004_3=4)
 Offene Angabe (3)

Can't / don't want to answer 1

1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14

3c How old was your family member when he/she died?

Years 0:125

3c:dl005_3 bnvp bnvp_03 Age: Deceased Person

3c:dl005_3 bpvp bpvp_3a Age: Deceased Person

3c:dl005_3 vpl dl005 Age: Deceased Person

Can't / don't want to answer 1

1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14

4c Did the deceased person live in this household?

Yes 1

No 2

Can't / don't want to answer -1

4c:dl006_3 bnvp bnvp_04 Deceased Person lived in the househol

4c:dl006_3 bpvp bpvp_4a Deceased Person lived in the househol

4c:dl006_3 vpl dl006 Deceased Person lived in the househol

(1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14)&(4c:dl006_3=2)

5c Do you know if the deceased ever took part in the study "Living in Germany"?

Yes, took part 1

No, did not take part 2

Don't know 3

Can't / don't want to answer -1

5c:dl007_3 bnvp bnvp_05 person died was SOEP attendant

5c:dl007_3 bpvp bpvp_5a person died was SOEP attendant

5c:dl007_3 vpl dl007 person died was SOEP attendant

(1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14)&(4c;dl006_3=2)

6c What was the deceased person's primary living environment during the last year of his/her life?

Alone in own household	1
Together with spouse / partner in private household	2
Together with other family members in private household	3
Accommodation geared to the needs of senior citizens (assisted living, etc.)	4
Retirement home / Nursing home	5
Clinic, hospital	6
Other environment	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

6c:dl008_3 bnvp bnvp_06 Domestic environment of deceased Person

6c:dl008_3 bpvp bpvp_6a Domestic environment of deceased Person

6c:dl008_3 vpl dl008 Domestic environment of deceased Person

(1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14)&(4c;dl006_3=2)

7c Where did the deceased person live?

Here in this house	1
In the neighborhood	2
Nearby (within an hour on foot)	3
Further away in Germany	4
In a foreign country	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

7c:dl009_3 bnvp bnvp_07 focus of deceased person's life

7c:dl009_3 bpvp bpvp_7a focus of deceased person's life

7c:dl009_3 vpl dl009 focus of deceased person's life

(1c;vnamecat_3!=1:14)&(4c;dl006_3=2)

8c In the last twelve months of their life, how often were you normally in personal contact with the deceased person, either by visiting, talking on the phone, or writing?

Every day or almost every day	1
At least once a week	2
At least once a month	3
Less often	4
Never	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

8c:dl010_3 bnvp bnvp_08 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8c:dl010_3 bpvp bpvp_8a Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8c:dl010_3 vpl dl010 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

9c Where did your family member pass away?

At home	1
In another private household	2
In a hospital	3
In a retirement home / nursing home	4
In hospice	5
Another place	6
Don't know	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
9c:dl011_3 bnv bnv_09 Place of death	
9c:dl011_3 bpvp bpvp_9a Place of death	
9c:dl011_3 vpl dl011 Place of death	

10c Can you tell us what the cause of death was?

Please select all that apply.

Heart attack	1
Cardiovascular disease	1
Cancer	1
Stroke	1
Severe infectious disease (pneumonia, flu, etc.)	1
Gastrointestinal disease	1
Respiratory illness	1
Accident	1
Other	1
Don't know	1
Can't / don't want to answer	1
10c:dl012_3 bnvp bnvp_10_01 cause of death: heart attack	
10c:dl012_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_01 cause of death: heart attack	
10c:dl012_3 vpl dl012 cause of death: heart attack	
10c:dl013_3 bnvp bnvp_10_02 cause of death: cardiovascular disease	
10c:dl013_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_02 cause of death: cardiovascular disease	
10c:dl013_3 vpl dl013 cause of death: cardiovascular disease	
10c:dl014_3 bnvp bnvp_10_03 cause of death: cancer	
10c:dl014_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_03 cause of death: cancer	
10c:dl014_3 vpl dl014 cause of death: cancer	
10c:dl015_3 bnvp bnvp_10_04 cause of death: epileptic stroke	
10c:dl015_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_04 cause of death: epileptic stroke	
10c:dl015_3 vpl dl015 cause of death: epileptic stroke	
10c:dl016_3 bnvp bnvp_10_05 cause of death: severe infectious disease	
10c:dl016_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_05 cause of death: severe infectious disease	
10c:dl016_3 vpl dl016 cause of death: severe infectious disease	
10c:dl017_3 bnvp bnvp_10_06 cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease	
10c:dl017_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_06 cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease	
10c:dl017_3 vpl dl017 cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease	
10c:dl018_3 bnvp bnvp_10_07 cause of death: respiratory disease	
10c:dl018_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_07 cause of death: respiratory disease	
10c:dl018_3 vpl dl018 cause of death: respiratory disease	
10c:dl019_3 bnvp bnvp_10_08 cause of death: accident	
10c:dl019_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_08 cause of death: accident	
10c:dl019_3 vpl dl019 cause of death: accident	
10c:dl020_3 bnvp bnvp_10_09 cause of death: other	
10c:dl020_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_09 cause of death: other	
10c:dl020_3 vpl dl020 cause of death: other	
10c:dl021_3 bnvp bnvp_10_10 cause of death unknown	
10c:dl021_3 bpvp bpvp_10a_10 cause of death unknown	
10c:dl021_3 vpl dl021 cause of death unknown	

[Other] please specify:

10c:vurs10_3 bpvp bpvp_10c [de] Todesursache: Offene Angabe Person (3) 10c:dl020_3=1

11c Did the deceased person have any of the following documents on file as a precautionary measure?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Can't / don't want to answer
A last will and testament	1	2	3	-1
Living will (advance health care directive)	1	2	3	-1
Lasting power of attorney (in case of loss of mental capacity, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
Advance funeral wishes (with details on burial, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
11c:dl022_3 bnvp bnvp_11_01			left last will	
11c:dl022_3 bpvp bpvp_11a_01			left last will	
11c:dl022_3 vpl dl022			left last will	
11c:dl023_3 bnvp bnvp_11_01			left last will	
11c:dl023_3 bpvp bpvp_11a_02			left living will	
11c:dl023_3 vpl dl023			left living will	
11c:dl024_3 bnvp bnvp_11_01			left last will	
11c:dl024_3 bpvp bpvp_11a_03			left provisional power or attorney	
11c:dl024_3 vpl dl024			left provisional power or attorney	
11c:dl025_3 bnvp bnvp_11_01			left last will	
11c:dl025_3 bpvp bpvp_11a_04			left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures	
11c:dl025_3 vpl dl025			left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures	

12c Had the deceased person suffered any severe losses of mental capacity (memory loss, etc.)?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
12c:dl026_3 bnvp bnvp_12	Mental limitation
12c:dl026_3 bpvp bpvp_12a	Mental limitation
12c:dl026_3 vpl dl026	Mental limitation

13c How would you describe the health of the deceased person about three months before his / her death?

Very good	1
Good	2
Satisfactory	3
Poor	4
Bad	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
13c:dl027_3 bnvp bnvp_13	Three months before death: state of health
13c:dl027_3 bpvp bpvp_13a	Three months before death: state of health
13c:dl027_3 vpl dl027	Three months before death: state of health

14c Was the deceased person in need of assistance or care approximately three months before death?

Yes			1
No			2
Can't / don't want to answer			-1
14c:dl028_3	bnvp	bnvp_14	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14c:dl028_3	bpvp	bpvp_14a	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14c:dl028_3	vpl	dl028	Three months before death: in need of assistance

14c:dl028_3=1

15c Which of the following activities did the deceased person need help with? Needed help with ...

Please select all that apply.

...shopping and errands				1
...doing housework, preparing meals and drinks				1
...easier personal care activities, such as dressing and undressing, bathing, combing hair, shaving				1
...more difficult personal care activities, such as getting in and out of bed, going to the toilet, etc.				1
None of the above				1
Can't / don't want to answer				1
15c:dl029_3	bnvp	bnvp_15_01	Need help: errands	
15c:dl029_3	bpvp	bpvp_15a_01	Need help: errands	
15c:dl029_3	vpl	dl029	Need help: errands	
15c:dl030_3	bnvp	bnvp_15_02	Help On Housework	
15c:dl030_3	bpvp	bpvp_15a_02	Help On Housework	
15c:dl030_3	vpl	dl030	Help On Housework	
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15c:dl031_3	bpvp	bpvp_15a_03	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15c:dl031_3	vpl	dl031	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15c:dl032_3	bnvp	bnvp_15_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15c:dl032_3	bpvp	bpvp_15a_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15c:dl032_3	vpl	dl032	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15c:vhil5_3	bpvp	bpvp_15a_05	Need for help: No need for help	
15c:vhil5_3	vpl	dl038	Need for help: No need for help	

16c Think about the period of time before your family member passed away. How satisfied do you think he or she was with his or her life at that time, all things considered?

Please answer on a scale from 0 (completely dissatisfied) to 10 (completely satisfied).

	0 Com- pletely dissat- isfied	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Com- pletely satis- fied	Can't / don't want to an- swer
About a year before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1
About three months before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1

16c:dl034_3	bnvp	bnvp_15_06	Satisfaction one year before death
16c:dl034_3	bpvp	bpvp_16a_01	Satisfaction one year before death
16c:dl034_3	vpl	dl034	Satisfaction one year before death
16c:dl035_3	bnvp	bnvp_15_07	Satisfaction three months before death
16c:dl035_3	bpvp	bpvp_16a_02	Satisfaction three months before death
16c:dl035_3	vpl	dl035	Satisfaction three months before death

17c Finally, a question for you personally: To what extent has your life changed as a result of your family member's death?

I have had to restructure my life completely	1
Some things will change	2
Nothing has really changed in my life	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

17c:dl036_3	bnvp	bnvp_17	change in personal life since death
17c:dl036_3	bpvp	bpvp_17a	change in personal life since death
17c:dl036_3	vpl	dl036	change in personal life since death

1d Please state the first name of the deceased person.

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firstname6	6
firstname7	7
firstname8	8
firstname9	9
firstname10	10
firstname11	11
firstname12	12
firstname13	13
firstname14	14

1d:vnamecat_4 bpvp bpvp_1d_01 [de] Auswahl verstorbene Person (4)

First name:

1d:vname_4	bpvp	pid2	[de] ID Verstorbene Person
1d:vname_4	bpvp	bpvp_1d_02	[de] Vorname: Person (4)
1d:vname_4	vpl	vpid	Unchanging ID Person deceased

Can't / don't want to answer 1

Day, month and year of birth:

Day

1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
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10	10
11	11
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29	29
30	30
31	31
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

1d:dl037_4 bpvp bpvp_1d_03 [de] Geburtstag: Person (4) 1d:ynamecat_4!=1:14

Can't / don't want to answer	1
Month	

January	1
February	2
March	3
April	4
May	5
June	6
July	7
August	8
September	9
October	10
November	11
December	12
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
1d:dl003_4 bnvp bnvp_01_03 Month Of Birth: Deceased Person 1d:ynamecat_4!=1:14	
1d:dl003_4 bpvp bpvp_1a_05 Month Of Birth: Deceased Person 1d:ynamecat_4!=1:14	
1d:dl003_4 vpl dl003 Month Of Birth: Deceased Person 1d:ynamecat_4!=1:14	
Can't / don't want to answer	1
Year	

[PL_year]	2025
[PL_year-1]	2024
[PL_year-2]	2023
[PL_year-3]	2022
[PL_year-4]	2021
[PL_year-5]	2020
[PL_year-6]	2019
[PL_year-7]	2018
[PL_year-8]	2017
[PL_year-9]	2016
[PL_year-10]	2015
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[PL_year-116]	1909
[PL_year-117]	1908
[PL_year-118]	1907
[PL_year-119]	1906
[PL_year-120]	1905
[PL_year-121]	1904
[PL_year-122]	1903
[PL_year-123]	1902
[PL_year-124]	1901
[PL_year-125]	1900
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
1d:dl002_4 bnvp bnvp_01_04	Year of birth: Deceased Person 1d:vnamecat_4!=1:14
1d:dl002_4 bpvp bpvp_1a_06	Year of birth: Deceased Person 1d:vnamecat_4!=1:14
1d:dl002_4 vpl dl002	Year of birth: Deceased Person 1d:vnamecat_4!=1:14

Can't / don't want to answer	1
Sex:	
Male	1
Female	2
Non-binary (divers)	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
1d:dl001_v2_4 bnvp bnvp_01_05	Gender of person deceased 1d:vnamecat_4!=1:14
1d:dl001_v2_4 bpvp bpvp_1a_07	Gender of person deceased 1d:vnamecat_4!=1:14
1d:dl001_v2_4 vpl dl001_h	Gender of person deceased 1d:vnamecat_4!=1:14
	[harmonised]
1d:dl001_v2_4 vpl dl001_v2	Gender of person deceased 1d:vnamecat_4!=1:14
	[2021-2022]

1d;vnamecat_4!=1:14

2d What was your relationship to the deceased? The deceased was...

my mother / my father 1
 my spouse / life partner 2
 my daughter / my son 3
 other person 4
 Can't / don't want to answer -1

2d:dl004_4 bnvp bnvp_02_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2d:dl004_4 bpvp bpvp_2a_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2d:dl004_4 vpl dl004 Relationship: Deceased Person

[Other] please specify:

2d:vfamso_4 bpvp bpvp_2d [de] Verwandtschaftsverhältnis: (1d;vnamecat_4!=1:14)&(2d;dl004_4=4)
 Offene Angabe (4)

Can't / don't want to answer 1

1d;vnamecat_4!=1:14

3d How old was your family member when he/she died?

Years 0:125

3d:dl005_4 bnvp bnvp_03 Age: Deceased Person

3d:dl005_4 bpvp bpvp_3a Age: Deceased Person

3d:dl005_4 vpl dl005 Age: Deceased Person

Can't / don't want to answer 1

1d;vnamecat_4!=1:14

4d Did the deceased person live in this household?

Yes 1

No 2

Can't / don't want to answer -1

4d:dl006_4 bnvp bnvp_04 Deceased Person lived in the household

4d:dl006_4 bpvp bpvp_4a Deceased Person lived in the household

4d:dl006_4 vpl dl006 Deceased Person lived in the household

(1d;vnamecat_4!=1:14)&(4d;dl006_4=2)

5d Do you know if the deceased ever took part in the study "Living in Germany"?

Yes, took part 1

No, did not take part 2

Don't know 3

Can't / don't want to answer -1

5d:dl007_4 bnvp bnvp_05 person died was SOEP attendant

5d:dl007_4 bpvp bpvp_5a person died was SOEP attendant

5d:dl007_4 vpl dl007 person died was SOEP attendant

(1d;vnamecat_4!=1:14)&(4d;dl006_4=2)

6d What was the deceased person's primary living environment during the last year of his/her life?

Alone in own household	1
Together with spouse / partner in private household	2
Together with other family members in private household	3
Accommodation geared to the needs of senior citizens (assisted living, etc.)	4
Retirement home / Nursing home	5
Clinic, hospital	6
Other environment	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

6d:dl008_4 bnvp bnvp_06 Domestic environment of deceased Person

6d:dl008_4 bpvp bpvp_6a Domestic environment of deceased Person

6d:dl008_4 vpl dl008 Domestic environment of deceased Person

(1d;vnamecat_4!=1:14)&(4d;dl006_4=2)

7d Where did the deceased person live?

Here in this house	1
In the neighborhood	2
Nearby (within an hour on foot)	3
Further away in Germany	4
In a foreign country	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

7d:dl009_4 bnvp bnvp_07 focus of deceased person's life

7d:dl009_4 bpvp bpvp_7a focus of deceased person's life

7d:dl009_4 vpl dl009 focus of deceased person's life

(1d;vnamecat_4!=1:14)&(4d;dl006_4=2)

8d In the last twelve months of their life, how often were you normally in personal contact with the deceased person, either by visiting, talking on the phone, or writing?

Every day or almost every day	1
At least once a week	2
At least once a month	3
Less often	4
Never	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

8d:dl010_4 bnvp bnvp_08 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8d:dl010_4 bpvp bpvp_8a Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8d:dl010_4 vpl dl010 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

9d Where did your family member pass away?

At home	1
In another private household	2
In a hospital	3
In a retirement home / nursing home	4
In hospice	5
Another place	6
Don't know	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
9d:dl011_4 bnv bnv_09 Place of death	
9d:dl011_4 bpvp bpvp_9a Place of death	
9d:dl011_4 vpl dl011 Place of death	

10d Can you tell us what the cause of death was?

Please select all that apply.

Heart attack			1
Cardiovascular disease			1
Cancer			1
Stroke			1
Severe infectious disease (pneumonia, flu, etc.)			1
Gastrointestinal disease			1
Respiratory illness			1
Accident			1
Other			1
Don't know			1
Can't / don't want to answer			1
10d:dl012_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_01	cause of death: heart attack
10d:dl012_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_01	cause of death: heart attack
10d:dl012_4	vpl	dl012	cause of death: heart attack
10d:dl013_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_02	cause of death: cardiovascular disease
10d:dl013_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_02	cause of death: cardiovascular disease
10d:dl013_4	vpl	dl013	cause of death: cardiovascular disease
10d:dl014_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_03	cause of death: cancer
10d:dl014_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_03	cause of death: cancer
10d:dl014_4	vpl	dl014	cause of death: cancer
10d:dl015_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_04	cause of death: epileptic stroke
10d:dl015_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_04	cause of death: epileptic stroke
10d:dl015_4	vpl	dl015	cause of death: epileptic stroke
10d:dl016_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_05	cause of death: severe infectious disease
10d:dl016_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_05	cause of death: severe infectious disease
10d:dl016_4	vpl	dl016	cause of death: severe infectious disease
10d:dl017_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_06	cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease
10d:dl017_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_06	cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease
10d:dl017_4	vpl	dl017	cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease
10d:dl018_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_07	cause of death: respiratory disease
10d:dl018_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_07	cause of death: respiratory disease
10d:dl018_4	vpl	dl018	cause of death: respiratory disease
10d:dl019_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_08	cause of death: accident
10d:dl019_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_08	cause of death: accident
10d:dl019_4	vpl	dl019	cause of death: accident
10d:dl020_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_09	cause of death: other
10d:dl020_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_09	cause of death: other
10d:dl020_4	vpl	dl020	cause of death: other
10d:dl021_4	bnvp	bnvp_10_10	cause of death unknown
10d:dl021_4	bpvp	bpvp_10a_10	cause of death unknown
10d:dl021_4	vpl	dl021	cause of death unknown

[Other] please specify:

10d:vurs10_4 bpvp bpvp_10d [de] Todesursache: Offene Angabe Person (4) 10d:dl020_4=1

11d Did the deceased person have any of the following documents on file as a precautionary measure?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Can't / don't want to answer
A last will and testament	1	2	3	-1
Living will (advance health care directive)	1	2	3	-1
Lasting power of attorney (in case of loss of mental capacity, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
Advance funeral wishes (with details on burial, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
11d:dl022_4 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11d:dl022_4 bpvp bpvp_11a_01	left last will			
11d:dl022_4 vpl dl022	left last will			
11d:dl023_4 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11d:dl023_4 bpvp bpvp_11a_02	left living will			
11d:dl023_4 vpl dl023	left living will			
11d:dl024_4 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11d:dl024_4 bpvp bpvp_11a_03	left provisional power or attorney			
11d:dl024_4 vpl dl024	left provisional power or attorney			
11d:dl025_4 bnvp bnvp_11_01	left last will			
11d:dl025_4 bpvp bpvp_11a_04	left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures			
11d:dl025_4 vpl dl025	left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures			

12d Had the deceased person suffered any severe losses of mental capacity (memory loss, etc.)?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
12d:dl026_4 bnvp bnvp_12	Mental limitation
12d:dl026_4 bpvp bpvp_12a	Mental limitation
12d:dl026_4 vpl dl026	Mental limitation

13d How would you describe the health of the deceased person about three months before his / her death?

Very good	1
Good	2
Satisfactory	3
Poor	4
Bad	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
13d:dl027_4 bnvp bnvp_13	Three months before death: state of health
13d:dl027_4 bpvp bpvp_13a	Three months before death: state of health
13d:dl027_4 vpl dl027	Three months before death: state of health

14d Was the deceased person in need of assistance or care approximately three months before death?

Yes	1
No	2
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
14d:dl028_4 bnvp bnvp_14	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14d:dl028_4 bpvp bpvp_14a	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14d:dl028_4 vpl dl028	Three months before death: in need of assistance

14d:dl028_4=1

15d Which of the following activities did the deceased person need help with? Needed help with ...

Please select all that apply.

...shopping and errands	1
...doing housework, preparing meals and drinks	1
...easier personal care activities, such as dressing and undressing, bathing, combing hair, shaving	1
...more difficult personal care activities, such as getting in and out of bed, going to the toilet, etc.	1
None of the above	1
Can't / don't want to answer	1
15d:dl029_4 bnvp bnvp_15_01	Need help: errands
15d:dl029_4 bpvp bpvp_15a_01	Need help: errands
15d:dl029_4 vpl dl029	Need help: errands
15d:dl030_4 bnvp bnvp_15_02	Help On Housework
15d:dl030_4 bpvp bpvp_15a_02	Help On Housework
15d:dl030_4 vpl dl030	Help On Housework
15d:dl031_4 bnvp bnvp_15_03	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...
15d:dl031_4 bpvp bpvp_15a_03	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...
15d:dl031_4 vpl dl031	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...
15d:dl032_4 bnvp bnvp_15_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet
15d:dl032_4 bpvp bpvp_15a_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet
15d:dl032_4 vpl dl032	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet
15d:vhil5_4 bpvp bpvp_15a_05	Need for help: No need for help
15d:vhil5_4 vpl dl038	Need for help: No need for help

16d Think about the period of time before your family member passed away. How satisfied do you think he or she was with his or her life at that time, all things considered?

Please answer on a scale from 0 (completely dissatisfied) to 10 (completely satisfied).

	0 Com- pletely dissat- isfied	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Com- pletely satis- fied	Can't / don't want to an- swer
About a year before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1
About three months before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1

16d:dl034_4	bnvp	bnvp_15_06	Satisfaction one year before death
16d:dl034_4	bpvp	bpvp_16a_01	Satisfaction one year before death
16d:dl034_4	vpl	dl034	Satisfaction one year before death
16d:dl035_4	bnvp	bnvp_15_07	Satisfaction three months before death
16d:dl035_4	bpvp	bpvp_16a_02	Satisfaction three months before death
16d:dl035_4	vpl	dl035	Satisfaction three months before death

17d Finally, a question for you personally: To what extent has your life changed as a result of your family member's death?

I have had to restructure my life completely	1
Some things will change	2
Nothing has really changed in my life	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

17d:dl036_4	bnvp	bnvp_17	change in personal life since death
17d:dl036_4	bpvp	bpvp_17a	change in personal life since death
17d:dl036_4	vpl	dl036	change in personal life since death

1e Please state the first name of the deceased person.

Please select the first name of the person from the list of household members displayed. If the person is not included in the list, for example because he or she did not live in your household, enter the first name, date of birth, and sex in the text field below.

firstname1	1
firstname2	2
firstname3	3
firstname4	4
firstname5	5
firstname6	6
firstname7	7
firstname8	8
firstname9	9
firstname10	10
firstname11	11
firstname12	12
firstname13	13
firstname14	14

1e:vnamecat_5 bpvp bpvp_1e_01 [de] Auswahl verstorbene Person (5)

First name:

1e:vname_5	bpvp	pid2	[de] ID Verstorbene Person
1e:vname_5	bpvp	bpvp_1e_02	[de] Vorname: Person (5)
1e:vname_5	vpl	vpid	Unchanging ID Person deceased

Can't / don't want to answer 1

Day, month and year of birth:

Day

1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
(2 rows omitted)	...
18	18
19	19
20	20
21	21
22	22
23	23
24	24
25	25
26	26
27	27
28	28
29	29
30	30
31	31
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

1e:dl037_5 bpvp bpvp_1e_03 [de] Geburtstag: Person (5) 1e:vnamecat_5!=1:14

Can't / don't want to answer	1
Month	

January	1			
February	2			
March	3			
April	4			
May	5			
June	6			
July	7			
August	8			
September	9			
October	10			
November	11			
December	12			
Can't / don't want to answer	-1			
1e:dl003_5 bnpv bnpv_01_03		Month Of Birth: Deceased Person	1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14	
1e:dl003_5 bvpv bvpv_1a_05		Month Of Birth: Deceased Person	1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14	
1e:dl003_5 vpl dl003		Month Of Birth: Deceased Person	1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14	
Can't / don't want to answer	1			
Year				

[PL_year]	2025
[PL_year-1]	2024
[PL_year-2]	2023
[PL_year-3]	2022
[PL_year-4]	2021
[PL_year-5]	2020
[PL_year-6]	2019
[PL_year-7]	2018
[PL_year-8]	2017
[PL_year-9]	2016
[PL_year-10]	2015
[PL_year-11]	2014
[PL_year-12]	2013
[PL_year-13]	2012
[PL_year-14]	2011
(97 rows omitted)	...
[PL_year-112]	1913
[PL_year-113]	1912
[PL_year-114]	1911
[PL_year-115]	1910
[PL_year-116]	1909
[PL_year-117]	1908
[PL_year-118]	1907
[PL_year-119]	1906
[PL_year-120]	1905
[PL_year-121]	1904
[PL_year-122]	1903
[PL_year-123]	1902
[PL_year-124]	1901
[PL_year-125]	1900
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
1e:dl002_5 bnvp bnvp_01_04	Year of birth: Deceased Person 1e;ynamecat_5!=1:14
1e:dl002_5 bpvp bpvp_1a_06	Year of birth: Deceased Person 1e;ynamecat_5!=1:14
1e:dl002_5 vpl dl002	Year of birth: Deceased Person 1e;ynamecat_5!=1:14

Can't / don't want to answer	1
Sex:	
Male	1
Female	2
Non-binary (divers)	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
1e:dl001_v2_5 bnvp bnvp_01_05	Gender of person deceased 1e;ynamecat_5!=1:14
1e:dl001_v2_5 bpvp bpvp_1a_07	Gender of person deceased 1e;ynamecat_5!=1:14
1e:dl001_v2_5 vpl dl001_h	Gender of person deceased 1e;ynamecat_5!=1:14
	[harmonised]
1e:dl001_v2_5 vpl dl001_v2	Gender of person deceased 1e;ynamecat_5!=1:14
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1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14

2e What was your relationship to the deceased? The deceased was...

my mother / my father 1
 my spouse / life partner 2
 my daughter / my son 3
 other person 4
 Can't / don't want to answer -1

2e:dl004_5 bnvp bnvp_02_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2e:dl004_5 bpvp bpvp_2a_01 Relationship: Deceased Person

2e:dl004_5 vpl dl004 Relationship: Deceased Person

[Other] please specify:

2e:vfamso_5 bpvp bpvp_2e [de] Verwandtschaftsverhältnis: (1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14)&(2e;dl004_5=4)
 Offene Angabe (5)

Can't / don't want to answer 1

1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14

3e How old was your family member when he/she died?

Years 0:125

3e:dl005_5 bnvp bnvp_03 Age: Deceased Person

3e:dl005_5 bpvp bpvp_3a Age: Deceased Person

3e:dl005_5 vpl dl005 Age: Deceased Person

Can't / don't want to answer 1

1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14

4e Did the deceased person live in this household?

Yes 1

No 2

Can't / don't want to answer -1

4e:dl006_5 bnvp bnvp_04 Deceased Person lived in the household

4e:dl006_5 bpvp bpvp_4a Deceased Person lived in the household

4e:dl006_5 vpl dl006 Deceased Person lived in the household

(1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14)&(4e;dl006_5=2)

5e Do you know if the deceased ever took part in the study "Living in Germany"?

Yes, took part 1

No, did not take part 2

Don't know 3

Can't / don't want to answer -1

5e:dl007_5 bnvp bnvp_05 person died was SOEP attendant

5e:dl007_5 bpvp bpvp_5a person died was SOEP attendant

5e:dl007_5 vpl dl007 person died was SOEP attendant

(1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14)&(4e;dl006_5=2)

6e What was the deceased person's primary living environment during the last year of his/her life?

Alone in own household	1
Together with spouse / partner in private household	2
Together with other family members in private household	3
Accommodation geared to the needs of senior citizens (assisted living, etc.)	4
Retirement home / Nursing home	5
Clinic, hospital	6
Other environment	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

6e:dl008_5 bnvp bnvp_06 Domestic environment of deceased Person

6e:dl008_5 bpvp bpvp_6a Domestic environment of deceased Person

6e:dl008_5 vpl dl008 Domestic environment of deceased Person

(1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14)&(4e;dl006_5=2)

7e Where did the deceased person live?

Here in this house	1
In the neighborhood	2
Nearby (within an hour on foot)	3
Further away in Germany	4
In a foreign country	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

7e:dl009_5 bnvp bnvp_07 focus of deceased person's life

7e:dl009_5 bpvp bpvp_7a focus of deceased person's life

7e:dl009_5 vpl dl009 focus of deceased person's life

(1e;vnamecat_5!=1:14)&(4e;dl006_5=2)

8e In the last twelve months of their life, how often were you normally in personal contact with the deceased person, either by visiting, talking on the phone, or writing?

Every day or almost every day	1
At least once a week	2
At least once a month	3
Less often	4
Never	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

8e:dl010_5 bnvp bnvp_08 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8e:dl010_5 bpvp bpvp_8a Contact to deceased person last 12 months

8e:dl010_5 vpl dl010 Contact to deceased person last 12 months

9e Where did your family member pass away?

At home	1
In another private household	2
In a hospital	3
In a retirement home / nursing home	4
In hospice	5
Another place	6
Don't know	7
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

9e:dl011_5 bnv bnv_09 Place of death

9e:dl011_5 bpvp bpvp_9a Place of death

9e:dl011_5 vpl dl011 Place of death

10e Can you tell us what the cause of death was?

Please select all that apply.

Heart attack			1
Cardiovascular disease			1
Cancer			1
Stroke			1
Severe infectious disease (pneumonia, flu, etc.)			1
Gastrointestinal disease			1
Respiratory illness			1
Accident			1
Other			1
Don't know			1
Can't / don't want to answer			1
10e:dl012_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_01	cause of death: heart attack
10e:dl012_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_01	cause of death: heart attack
10e:dl012_5	vpl	dl012	cause of death: heart attack
10e:dl013_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_02	cause of death: cardiovascular disease
10e:dl013_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_02	cause of death: cardiovascular disease
10e:dl013_5	vpl	dl013	cause of death: cardiovascular disease
10e:dl014_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_03	cause of death: cancer
10e:dl014_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_03	cause of death: cancer
10e:dl014_5	vpl	dl014	cause of death: cancer
10e:dl015_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_04	cause of death: epileptic stroke
10e:dl015_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_04	cause of death: epileptic stroke
10e:dl015_5	vpl	dl015	cause of death: epileptic stroke
10e:dl016_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_05	cause of death: sever infectious disease
10e:dl016_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_05	cause of death: sever infectious disease
10e:dl016_5	vpl	dl016	cause of death: sever infectious disease
10e:dl017_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_06	cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease
10e:dl017_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_06	cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease
10e:dl017_5	vpl	dl017	cause of death: gastrointestinal tract disease
10e:dl018_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_07	cause of death: respiratory disease
10e:dl018_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_07	cause of death: respiratory disease
10e:dl018_5	vpl	dl018	cause of death: respiratory disease
10e:dl019_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_08	cause of death: accident
10e:dl019_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_08	cause of death: accident
10e:dl019_5	vpl	dl019	cause of death: accident
10e:dl020_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_09	cause of death: other
10e:dl020_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_09	cause of death: other
10e:dl020_5	vpl	dl020	cause of death: other
10e:dl021_5	bnvp	bnvp_10_10	cause of death unknown
10e:dl021_5	bpvp	bpvp_10a_10	cause of death unknown
10e:dl021_5	vpl	dl021	cause of death unknown

[Other] please specify:

10e:vurs10_5 bpvp bpvp_10e [de] Todesursache: Offene Angabe Person (5) (10e:dl020_5=1)

11e Did the deceased person have any of the following documents on file as a precautionary measure?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Can't / don't want to answer
A last will and testament	1	2	3	-1
Living will (advance health care directive)	1	2	3	-1
Lasting power of attorney (in case of loss of mental capacity, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
Advance funeral wishes (with details on burial, etc.)	1	2	3	-1
11e:dl022_5 bnvp bnvp_11_01			left last will	
11e:dl022_5 bpvp bpvp_11a_01			left last will	
11e:dl022_5 vpl dl022			left last will	
11e:dl023_5 bnvp bnvp_11_01			left last will	
11e:dl023_5 bpvp bpvp_11a_02			left living will	
11e:dl023_5 vpl dl023			left living will	
11e:dl024_5 bnvp bnvp_11_01			left last will	
11e:dl024_5 bpvp bpvp_11a_03			left provisional power or attorney	
11e:dl024_5 vpl dl024			left provisional power or attorney	
11e:dl025_5 bnvp bnvp_11_01			left last will	
11e:dl025_5 bpvp bpvp_11a_04			left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures	
11e:dl025_5 vpl dl025			left living will with instructions on use of death-delaying procedures	

12e Had the deceased person suffered any severe losses of mental capacity (memory loss, etc.)?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
12e:dl026_5 bnvp bnvp_12	Mental limitation
12e:dl026_5 bpvp bpvp_12a	Mental limitation
12e:dl026_5 vpl dl026	Mental limitation

13e How would you describe the health of the deceased person about three months before his / her death?

Very good	1
Good	2
Satisfactory	3
Poor	4
Bad	5
Can't / don't want to answer	-1
13e:dl027_5 bnvp bnvp_13	Three months before death: state of health
13e:dl027_5 bpvp bpvp_13a	Three months before death: state of health
13e:dl027_5 vpl dl027	Three months before death: state of health

14e Was the deceased person in need of assistance or care approximately three months before death?

Yes			1
No			2
Can't / don't want to answer			-1
14e:dl028_5	bnvp	bnvp_14	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14e:dl028_5	bpvp	bpvp_14a	Three months before death: in need of assistance
14e:dl028_5	vpl	dl028	Three months before death: in need of assistance

(14e:dl028_5=1)

15e Which of the following activities did the deceased person need help with? Needed help with ...

Please select all that apply.

...shopping and errands				1
...doing housework, preparing meals and drinks				1
...easier personal care activities, such as dressing and undressing, bathing, combing hair, shaving				1
...more difficult personal care activities, such as getting in and out of bed, going to the toilet, etc.				1
None of the above				1
Can't / don't want to answer				1
15e:dl029_5	bnvp	bnvp_15_01	Need help: errands	
15e:dl029_5	bpvp	bpvp_15a_01	Need help: errands	
15e:dl029_5	vpl	dl029	Need help: errands	
15e:dl030_5	bnvp	bnvp_15_02	Help On Housework	
15e:dl030_5	bpvp	bpvp_15a_02	Help On Housework	
15e:dl030_5	vpl	dl030	Help On Housework	
15e:dl031_5	bnvp	bnvp_15_03	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15e:dl031_5	bpvp	bpvp_15a_03	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15e:dl031_5	vpl	dl031	help with simple personal care: dressing, bathing...	
15e:dl032_5	bnvp	bnvp_15_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15e:dl032_5	bpvp	bpvp_15a_04	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15e:dl032_5	vpl	dl032	help in getting in and out of bed, using toilet	
15e:vhil5_5	bpvp	bpvp_15a_05	Need for help: No need for help	
15e:vhil5_5	vpl	dl038	Need for help: No need for help	

16e Think about the period of time before your family member passed away. How satisfied do you think he or she was with his or her life at that time, all things considered?

Please answer on a scale from 0 (completely dissatisfied) to 10 (completely satisfied).

	0 Com- pletely dissat- isfied	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Com- pletely satis- fied	Can't / don't want to an- swer
About a year before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1
About three months before death	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-1

16e:dl034_5	bnvp	bnvp_15_06	Satisfaction one year before death
16e:dl034_5	bpvp	bpvp_16a_01	Satisfaction one year before death
16e:dl034_5	vpl	dl034	Satisfaction one year before death
16e:dl035_5	bnvp	bnvp_15_07	Satisfaction three months before death
16e:dl035_5	bpvp	bpvp_16a_02	Satisfaction three months before death
16e:dl035_5	vpl	dl035	Satisfaction three months before death

17e Finally, a question for you personally: To what extent has your life changed as a result of your family member's death?

I have had to restructure my life completely	1
Some things will change	2
Nothing has really changed in my life	3
Can't / don't want to answer	-1

17e:dl036_5	bnvp	bnvp_17	change in personal life since death
17e:dl036_5	bpvp	bpvp_17a	change in personal life since death
17e:dl036_5	vpl	dl036	change in personal life since death