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**TNS INFRATEST SOZIALFORSCHUNG**

**SOEP 2012 – SURVEY INSTRUMENTS 2012  
(WAVE 29) OF THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC PANEL:  
PARENTS AND CHILD QUESTIONNAIRE (7-8-  
YEAR-OLDS), OLD SAMPLES**

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**1 What's your child's name?***Please print in capital letters.*First name: Person ID: **2 In what year and month was your child born?**

marked not marked

2004  Month **3 Are you the child's mother or father?**

Yes:

Biological mother Biological father Adoptive/foster mother Adoptive/foster father No, he/she is my partner's child **4 When did the child start school?**Month Year 

marked not marked

Does not apply. Has not started school yet.  Please state the reason **5 To what extent do the following secondary school-leaving certificates correspond to the ideal education you would like for your child?***Please answer on a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 means "not at all" and 7 means "completely"*

	Not at all 1	2	3	4	5	6	Com- pletely 7
Lower secondary school-leaving certificate (Hauptschulabschluss)	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>	<input type="text" value="7"/>
Intermediate secondary school-leaving certificate (Mittlere Reife, Realschulabschluss)	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>	<input type="text" value="7"/>
Upper secondary school-leaving certificate (Abitur)	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>	<input type="text" value="7"/>

**6** How likely do you think it is that your child will obtain one of the following school-leaving certificates?

*Please answer again on a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 means “not at all”, and 7 means “completely”*

	Not at all 1	2	3	4	5	6	Com- pletely 7
Lower secondary school-leaving certificate (Hauptschulabschluss)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Intermediate secondary school-leaving certificate (Mittlere Reife, Realschulabschluss)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Upper secondary school-leaving certificate (Abitur)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

**7** In the following, we list some traits and abilities that can be fostered through education. How important do you consider the following educational goals? It's important that the child...

*Please make one X per row.*

	Very unim- portant	Unimportant	Neutral	Important	Very im- portant
is a good student	1	2	3	4	5
gets along with other children	1	2	3	4	5
is interested in how and why certain things happen	1	2	3	4	5
behaves like a normal girl or a normal boy	1	2	3	4	5
is honest	1	2	3	4	5
has good manners	1	2	3	4	5
has self-control	1	2	3	4	5
is responsible	1	2	3	4	5
shows consideration for others	1	2	3	4	5
obeys his/her parents	1	2	3	4	5
uses good judgment	1	2	3	4	5
is clean and tidy	1	2	3	4	5
makes an effort to achieve his/her goals	1	2	3	4	5
is able to fit in with a group	1	2	3	4	5
learns to overcome obstacles in life	1	2	3	4	5
is satisfied with the things he/she has and is able to do	1	2	3	4	5
learns to avoid risks	1	2	3	4	5
is liked by others, is likeable	1	2	3	4	5

### 8 How frequently do the following things occur?

*The following statements refer to your child or your partner's child living here in the household. Please make one X per row.*

	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Frequently	Very frequently
I use words and gestures to show my child that I love him/her.	1	2	3	4	5
I criticize my child.	1	2	3	4	5
I talk to my child about things he/she has done, seen, or experienced when he/she was out.	1	2	3	4	5
I punish my child when he/she is disobedient.	1	2	3	4	5
I threaten my child with punishment, but don't actually follow through with it.	1	2	3	4	5
When my child is outside the home, I know exactly where he/she is.	1	2	3	4	5
I tend to be strict with my child.	1	2	3	4	5
I comfort my child when he/she feels sad.	1	2	3	4	5
I shout at my child when he/she did something wrong.	1	2	3	4	5
I feel that my child is ungrateful because he/she disobeys.	1	2	3	4	5
I stop talking to my child for a while when he/she did something wrong.	1	2	3	4	5
I make it clear to my child that he/she should not oppose orders and decisions.	1	2	3	4	5
I praise my child.	1	2	3	4	5
I scold my child when I am angry at him/her.	1	2	3	4	5
I try to actively influence my child's circle of friends.	1	2	3	4	5
I reduce punishments or lift them ahead of time.	1	2	3	4	5
I am disappointed and sad when my child misbehaves.	1	2	3	4	5
It is hard for me to be consistent in my childrearing.	1	2	3	4	5

**9** How do you feel in your role as a parent and to what extent do you agree with the following statements?

*The following statements refer to your child or your partner's child living here in this household. Please make one X per row.*

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
I am willing to put my child's desires ahead of my own.	1	2	3	4	5
When my child refuses to obey or does something she/he is not supposed to, it's because he/she is trying to annoy me.	1	2	3	4	5
I feel that childcare and childrearing takes up all of my time and dominates my life.	1	2	3	4	5
I wish my parental responsibilities didn't tie me up so much.	1	2	3	4	5
When there are problems with childrearing, my child is to blame.	1	2	3	4	5
When I am with my child, there's nothing I would rather be doing.	1	2	3	4	5
I would put up with anything in my child's best interests.	1	2	3	4	5
I think when my child misbehaves he/she is doing it intentionally.	1	2	3	4	5
I often drop everything to help my child.	1	2	3	4	5
I look forward to being with my child.	1	2	3	4	5

**10 Are you your child’s main caregiver?**

- Yes  1
- No  2

**11 If you think about a normal week: are there any other people besides you who take care of your child? If so, who is it and how many hours per week do they help?**

The following persons:

	marked	not marked
Spouse / Partner	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
The child’s father/mother (living outside the household)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
The child’s grandparents	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
The child’s older brother/sister	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Other relatives	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
childcare provider, Au-pair	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Other (babysitter, parents of the child’s friends, friends or neighbors)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0

Following institutions / organizations

	marked	not marked
School (classes, after school groups)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
After-school center	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Social service organization	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
No, nobody	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0

Hours [spouse/partner]	<input type="text"/>
Hours [child’s father/mother living outside the household]	<input type="text"/>
Hours [child’s grandparents]	<input type="text"/>
Hours [child’s older siblings]	<input type="text"/>
Hours [other relatives]	<input type="text"/>
Hours [childcare provider/au pair]	<input type="text"/>
Hours [other, e.g., babysitter, parents of a friend of the child, friends or neighbors]	<input type="text"/>
Hours [school (classes, after-school activities)]	<input type="text"/>
Hours [after-school daycare center]	<input type="text"/>
Hours [social service organization, centers, recreational organizations]	<input type="text"/>

**A What’s the date today?**

Day

Month

**B How was the interview conducted?**

- |                                                                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Oral Interview                                                                        | 1 |
| Respondent completed the questionnaire him/herself in the presence of the interviewer | 2 |
| Respondent completed the questionnaire him/herself in the absence of the interviewer  | 3 |
| Partly as an oral interview, partly him/herself                                       | 4 |

**C Duration of the interview:**

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| The oral (complete or partial) interview lasted ... minutes     | <input type="text"/> |
| The respondent needed ... minutes to complete the questionnaire | <input type="text"/> |

**D Other notes:**