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**Reading Aid**

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

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<td>Q72</td>
<td><strong>Now we would like to know something about you personally. Were you born in Germany?</strong> This refers to Germany or the Federal Republic of Germany or the German Democratic Republic in the national borders at the time of your birth.</td>
<td>Yes 1, No 2, No answer -1</td>
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</table>

**Q72;STA1**     | **born in Germany**                                                                                                                                                                                             |

**Q72;STA1=2**   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

**Q73**          | **What country were you born in?** Please enter the current name!                                                                                                                                               |

**Q73;STA2**     | **Country Of Birth**                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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 informations are stored in more than one data set.

The routing by filters is depicted in blue. Each variable is preceded by an identifier (which generally contains the question number, marked here with a yellow dotted line), which is given, if the variable is used in filters in a subsequent question. Such filters are usually shown (as gatekeepers) at the beginning of the question.

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 the variable results in value of 2.

Phrases that are not already translated in English are displayed in German and preceded by [de].
This questionnaire complements information of the green personal questionnaire. Attention: Youth, born 1999 need to complete the red youth questionnaire. Your participation is voluntary but the scientific relevance of this study depends crucially on the participation of every member of every household. Therefore we ask that: You allow our representative to carry out this interview, or you carefully fill out the questionnaire yourself.

Before handing in the questionnaire, please enter in accordance with the address log:

No. of household: 
Person No.: 
Current Wave HH Number (=HNRAKT)
Serial Person Number

Please use block capitals

B1 Citizenship and Origin

What are your birth month and birth year?

Year 
Month

Where were you born?

Please write the name of the town in the left blank and any additional information in the right blank. For example, write “Düsseldorf,” “Frankfurt an der Oder,” “Frankfurt am Main,” in the left blank and in the case of “Roßdorf bei Schmalkalden,” write “Roßdorf” in the left and “bei Schmalkalden” in the right blank. Please do the same for birthplaces outside Germany.

Place:
additional entry:

Where is your birthplace located today?

In Germany
Another country

Outside of germany:

Please give the current (if relevant, German) name!

Country Of Birth Code (harmonized)
4 Did you come due to flight or expulsion after the second world war until 1950 on the today's territory of Germany?

No 2
Yes 1

4:lfucht biol lb1122 Flight/Expulsion until 1950
4:lfucht ppfad germborn Born in Germany 1 @ 20

5 When did you move to Germany?
If you repeatedly moved to Germany, please refer to the last influx! The same applies to the following questions 6-13!

Year

5:zug01 biol lb0019_h Year, Moved to West Germany (harmonized)
5:zug01 biol lb0019_v2 Year, Moved to West Germany [2000-2017]
5:zug01 ppfad immiyear Year Of Immigration To Germany

6 There are different judicial principles for moving in to Germany. Which of the following immigrant categories did you belong to when you moved to Germany?

Person of German descent from Eastern Europe 1
German, who was born and raised in a foreign country 2
Citizen of an EU country 3
Asylum-seeker or refugee 4
Family reunification, such as the spouse or child of a resident 6
Student or trainee 7
With a tourist visa 8
None of the above 9

6:zug02 bioimmig biimgrp BI: Immigration Group
6:zug02 biol lb0020_v3 Status Upon Migration To Germany [2014-2017]

6a Have you had a job commitment, so a contract of employment or a contract for self-employment in Germany before your immigration to Germany?

Yes 1
No 2

6a:lzugarb biol lb1244 Job promise before entry to Germany

7 What is your current residence status?

Right of permanent residence for EU citizens or citizens of the European Economic Area 1
EU blue card 2
temporary residence permit 3
Toleration 4
Tourist visa 5
None of the above 6

7:lstat bioimmig biresper BI: Residence Status
7:lstat biol lb1240_v1 Residence Status [2015-2017]
8 Which of the following would best describe your living situation immediately after moving to Germany?

I moved into an existing household 1
I started a new household 2
I initially lived in transitional housing for immigrants 3

9 Which of the following reasons was the main reason for you to come to Germany?

Family reason / partnership 1
Economic reasons 2
Political reasons (discrimination, distress, persecution, war) 3
Other reasons 4

10 At your arrival, did you have any support of relatives or acquaintances who already lived in Germany?

Multiple answers possible!
Yes, by relatives 1
Yes, by acquaintances 1
No 1

11 The next question is about your knowledge of the German language.

[Speak] How well could you speak German before you moved to Germany?
Excellent 1  Good 2  Fair 3  Rather bad 4  Not at all 5

[Write] How well is your German now??
Excellent 1  Good 2  Fair 3  Rather bad 4  Not at all 5

[Read] How well is your German now??
Excellent 1  Good 2  Fair 3  Rather bad 4  Not at all 5
11:lmusp6  biol  lb1193  Today, german reading

12 Did you attend German language courses?
Multiple answers possible!
Yes, in the country of origin 1
Yes, in Germany 1
No 1
12:lspkurs1  biol  lb1228  Participation German Language Course Country of Origin
12:lspkurs2  biol  lb1229  Teilnahme Deutsch-Sprachkurs D.
12:lspkurs3  biol  lb1230  No Participation in German Language Course

13 If you compare once: in which professional position were you working at your last job before you moved to Germany? And which professional position at your first job in Germany?

Last post before moving to Germany
1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8
First place in Germany
1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8
13:l1erw1  biol  lb1016  Last job before move to Germany
13:l1erw2  biol  lb1017  First Job in Germany

14 Do you have the german citizenship today?
Yes 1
No 2
14:ista3  biol  lb1234  German Nationality

15 Do you have a second citizenship in addition to your German?
Yes 1
No 2
15:ista4  biol  lb1235  Second nationality
Yes: Please enter
15:ista4x  biol  lb1236  Code other Nationalities
16 Have you had German citizenship since birth or did you acquire it at a later date?

Since birth  
At a later date  
16:sta5  biol  lb1237  Get german citizenship

17 What citizenship did you have before?  

Please enter!

17:sta5x  biol  lb1238  Code former Nationality

18 And in what year did you acquire German citizenship?

In year  
18:sta6  biol  lb1239  Year getting german citizenship

19 What is your citizenship?

19:lnat  biol  lb1194  Code Nationality

20 Where did you live before German reunification, i.e. before 1989?

In East Germany (the GDR, including East Berlin)  
in West Germany (including West Berlin)  
in another country  
Does not apply, was born in or after 1989  
20:lwied  biol  lb0057  Place Of Res. Before Reunification

21 To change the subject, how long have you lived in your current home?

Since...

(Enter year)

21:wohnj  biol  lb0280_h  Moved Into Dwelling (Year) (harmonized)
21:wohnj  biol  lb0280_v2  Jahr Einzug Wohnung (vierstellig) [1999-2017]
21:wohnj  bioresid  bmovein  Moved Into Dwelling (Year)

22 Except this apartment, so the apartment in which the survey budget lives, do you have another apartment, where you even live or spend your vacation in?

Multiple answers possible!

In Germany  
Yes, abroad  
No  
22:wohna  biol  lb1022  Further Dwelling In Germany
22:wohna  bioresid  bsecreg  Westgerm., Eastgerm, Foreign Country
22:wohnb  biol  lb1023  Further Dwelling Abroad
22:wohnc  bioresid  bsecreg  Westgerm., Eastgerm, Foreign Country
22:wohnc  bioresid  bsechom  Second Residence

Where do you reside most of the time?
B2 Childhood and Parental Home

23 Where did you spend the majority of your childhood up to the age of 15? Was it...
   in a large city 1
   in a medium-sized city 2
   in a small town 3
   in a rural area 4
23:kh01 biol lb0058 Main Residence During Childhood

24 Do you still live in the same city or area today?
   Yes, I still do 1
   Yes, I have moved back 2
   No 3
24:kh02 biol lb0059 Change of Residence Since Childhood

25 How many years of your childhood (up to the age of 15) did you live with the following persons?
   Please round off to the nearest full year! (Note: adoptive parents count as biological parents)
   With both of your (biological) parents ... years
   With your mother without a (new) companion ... years
   With your father without a (new) companion ... years
   With your father and her (new) companion ... years
   With other relatives ... years
   With foster parents ... years
   In an orphanage ... years
25:kh03 biol lb0066 No. Of Years Living With Bio. Parents
25:kh03 bioparen living1 No. Of Years Living With Bio. Parents
25:kh04 biol lb0067 No. Of Years Living With Single Mother
25:kh04 bioparen living2 No. Of Years Living With Single Mother
25:kh05 biol lb0068 No. Of Years Living With Mother And Partner
25:kh05 bioparen living3 No. Of Years Living With Single Mother And Partner
25:kh06 biol lb0069 No. Of Years Living With Single Father
25:kh06 bioparen living4 No. Of Years Living With Single Father
25:kh07 biol lb0070 No. Of Years Living With Single Father And Partner
25:kh07 bioparen living5 No. Of Years Living With Single Father And Partner
25:kh08 biol lb0071 No. Of Years Living With Other Relatives
25:kh08 bioparen living6 No. Of Years Living With Other Relatives
25:kh09 biol lb0072 No. Of Years Living With Foster Parents
25:kh09 bioparen living7 No. Of Years Living With Foster Parents
26. Does your mother and father live in this household?

[The father / mother only] Answer the following questions 27-35 only for the parent not living in the household. [No, both not] Please answer the following questions separately 27-35 for father and mother!

Yes, both
Only my father
Only my mother
No, neither

26:lv02 biol lb0080_h Year Of Death - Father (harmonized) 26:lvm=3 | 4
26:lv02 biol lb0080_v1 Year Of Death - Father [1999-2017] 26:lvm=3 | 4

27. Does your father / mother still live? If so, where does he / she live? If not, when did he / she die?

Father, if not living in the household
Lives in this city / town
Lives elsewhere in the former West Germany
Lives elsewhere in the former East Germany
Lives elsewhere in another country, not in Germany

27:lm01 biol lb0081_h Year Of Death - Mother (harmonized) 26:lvm=2 | 4
27:lm01 biol lb0081_v1 Todesjahr Mutter (vierstellig) [1999-2017] 26:lvm=2 | 4

28. When was your father / mother born (year)?

Father, if not living in the household
Mother, if not living in the household

28:lv03 biol lb0082_h Year Of Birth - Father (harmonized) 26:lvm=3 | 4
28:lv03 biol lb0082_v1 Geburtsjahr Vater (vierstellig) [1999-2017] 26:lvm=3 | 4
28:lm03 biol lb0083_h Year Of Birth - Mother (harmonized) 26:lvm=2 | 4
**29** Was your father / mother born in Germany?  
Father, if not living in the household  
Yes  

29:lv03a biol lb0084 Father Born In Germany  
29:lv03a ppfad migback Migration background  

[father] please state country of birth  

29:lv03b biol lb0086 Country Of Birth Father  

Mother, if not living in the household  
Yes  

29:lm03a biol lb0085 Mother Born In Germany  
29:lm03a bioparen morigin Country of Origin, Mother  
29:lm03a ppfad migback Migration background  

[mother] please state country of birth  

29:lm03b biol lb0087 Country Of Birth Mother  

**30** Does or did your father / mother have German citizenship?  

Father, if not living in the household  

30:lv04 biol lb0088 Father German Citizen  
30:lm04 biol lb0089 Mother German Citizen  
30:lm04 bioparen mnat Nationality of Mother  

**31** What type of school-leaving certificate did your father / mother attain?  

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<th>Type of School-Leaving Certificate</th>
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<td>Lower track (Volksschule / 8th grade GDR)</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>6</td>
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<td>Intermediate track (Mittlere Reife / Realschule / 10th grade GDR)</td>
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<td>Upper track (Abitur / Hochschulreife / EOS)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other type of school</td>
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<tr>
<td>Don't know</td>
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</table>

Father, if not living in the household  

31:lv05 biol lb0090_h Father: School Certificate (harmonized)  
31:lm05 biol lb0091_h Mother: School Certificate (harmonized)  
31:lm05 biol lb0091_v2 Mother: School Certificate [1996-2017]
32. Did your father / mother complete vocational training or a university degree?

<table>
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<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Yes, vocational training</th>
<th>Yes, university degree</th>
<th>No, he did not complete training or a university degree</th>
<th>Don’t know</th>
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<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mother, if not living in the household</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
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32:lv06   biol   lb0110   Father: Completed Occupational Training, Studies 26:lvm=3 | 4
32:lm06   biol   lb0111   Mother: Completed Occupational Training, Studies 26:lvm=2 | 4

33. If applicable: What was your father’s / mother’s occupation when you were 15 years old?

*Please specify exact job title.*

Father

Mother

34. Which of the following categories describes your father’s / mother’s occupational status when you were 15 years old?

Father, if not living in the household

[Father] Blue-collar worker (Arbeiter) (also in agriculture)

- Unskilled worker 1
- Semi-skilled worker 2
- Trained worker or skilled worker 3
- Foreman / forewoman 4
- Master craftsperson 5

34:lv08   biol   lb0114   Father: Type Of Blue-Collar Worker 26:lvm=3 | 4

[Father] White-collar worker (Angestellte)

- Industry or factory foreman / forewoman in a salaried position 1
- Salaried employee engaged in unskilled activities without completed training/education 2
- Salaried employee engaged in unskilled activities with completed training/education 3
- Salaried employee engaged in skilled activities (e.g., executive officer, bookkeeper, technical draftsman) 4
- Salaried employee engaged in highly skilled activities or managerial function (e.g., scientist, engineer, department head) 5
- Salaried employee with extensive managerial duties (e.g., managing director, business manager, head of a large firm or concern) 6

34:lv09   biol   lb0116   Father: Type Of White-Collar Worker 26:lvm=3 | 4

[Father] Civil servant or public administration employee (including judges and professional soldiers)

- Lower level 1
- Middle level 2
- Upper level 3
- Executive level 4

34:lv10   biol   lb0118   Father: Type Of Civil Servant 26:lvm=3 | 4

[Father] Self-employed (including family members working for the self-employed)
Self-employed farmer without employees 1
Self-employed farmer with employees 2
Freelance professional, self-employed academic (selbständiger Akademiker) without employees 3
Freelance professional, self-employed academic (selbständiger Akademiker) with employees 4
Other self-employed without employees 5
Other self-employed with employees 6
Family member working for self-employed relative 7
Was not economically active 1
Was deceased 2
[Mother] Blue-collar worker (Arbeiter) (also in agriculture)
Unskilled worker 1
Semi-skilled worker 2
Trained worker or skilled worker 3
Foreman / forewoman 4
Master craftsperson 5
[Mother] White-collar worker (Angestellte)
Industry or factory foreman / forewoman in a salaried position 1
Salaried employee engaged in unskilled activities without completed training/education 2
Salaried employee engaged in unskilled activities with completed training/education 3
Salaried employee engaged in skilled activities (e.g., executive officer, bookkeeper, technical draftsman) 4
Salaried employee engaged in highly skilled activities or managerial function (e.g., scientist, engineer, department head) 5
Salaried employee with extensive managerial duties (e.g., managing director, business manager, head of a large firm or concern) 6
[Mother] Civil servant or public administration employee (including judges and professional soldiers)
Lower level 1
Middle level 2
Upper level 3
Executive level 4
[Mother] Self-employed (including family members working for the self-employed)
Self-employed farmer without employees 1
Self-employed farmer with employees 2
Freelance professional, self-employed academic (selbständiger Akademiker) without employees 3
Freelance professional, self-employed academic (selbständiger Akademiker) with employees 4
Other self-employed without employees 5
Other self-employed with employees 6
Family member working for self-employed relative 7

35:lm11 biol lb0121_h  Mother: Type Of Self-Employment (harmonized) 26:lvm=2 | 4

Was not economically active 1
Was deceased 2

35:lm12 biol lb0123  Mother: Not Employed 26:lvm=2 | 4

35 Does / did your father / mother belong to a church or religious group?

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Yes, member of the Catholic church</th>
<th>Yes, member of the Protestant church</th>
<th>Yes, member of another Christian religious group</th>
<th>Yes, member of an Islamic religious group</th>
<th>Yes, member of another religious group</th>
<th>No, no religious affiliation</th>
</tr>
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<td>Father, if not living in the living in the household</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mother, if not living in the household</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>5</td>
</tr>
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35:lv13 biol lb0124_h Father: Religion (harmonized) 26:lvm=3 | 4
35:lm13 biol lb0125_h Mother: Religion (harmonized) 26:lvm=2 | 4
35:lm13 bioparen mreli Religion Mother 26:lvm=2 | 4

B3 If you think back ...

36 Have you regularly attended a kindergarten, a children's day center or a similar institution?

This does not refer to the place of school!

Yes 1
No 2

36:ikein biol lb1135 Attendance Kindergarten or similar
37. At what age did you start with the regular visit of this institution?
By the age of ...
I can not remember

38. How interested and involved were your parents in your grades and progress at school?
very much 1
Fairly 2
Not very much 3
Not at all 4

39. Can you remember your last report card from school? What were your grades in the following three subjects?

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<tr>
<th>Subject</th>
<th>Excellent</th>
<th>Good</th>
<th>Satisfactory</th>
<th>Sufficient</th>
<th>Unsatisfactory</th>
<th>Poor</th>
<th>Did not take this subject</th>
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<td>German</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>7</td>
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<tr>
<td>Math</td>
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<td>First foreign language</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
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</table>

40. How often did you argue or fight with your parents when you were 15 years old?
Please make one X per row!

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Very often</th>
<th>Often</th>
<th>Sometimes</th>
<th>Seldom</th>
<th>Never</th>
<th>Parent was not there</th>
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<tr>
<td>With my father</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>With my mother</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>6</td>
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Were you actively involved in musical activities growing up? For example, did you sing or play a musical instrument?

Yes 1
No 2

Were you involved in extracurricular sports in your youth?

Yes 1
No 2

Which sports you played was most important to you?

Most important sports:

Did you play this sport competitively?

Yes 1
No 2

B4 When you were 15 years old ... and afterwards

We would like to ask you now for some information about your personal history starting at age of 15. Please fill out the table below as follows:

Please state what has happened in your life since you were 15—from when to when you were in school, in vocational training, employed, etc. It is important that you give some answer for every year of your life up to the present or up to the age of 65. If more than one answer applies in a particular year, please give more than one answer.
At the age of ... I was:

- attending school / university / evening school
- completing an apprenticeship / vocational training / further education / retraining
- in (voluntary) military/community service / voluntary social / ecological year / federal volunteer service / at war / in captivity
- employed full-time (including regular / professional soldiers)
- employed part-time or marginally employed
- unemployed
- homemaker
- Retired / in early retirement
- other

**B5 Your education**

**46** We now ask for details on some issues of your life history, which have to do with the training and the profession. First to the school:

What was the last year you attended school?

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<th>Last Year Attended School</th>
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<td>46:lsab1</td>
<td>biol lb0182</td>
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I am still attending school

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Still Attend School</th>
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<td>46:lsab2</td>
<td>biol lb0183</td>
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**47** Where did you last attend school? Was it...

- in one of the Bundesländer (federal states) of the Federal Republic of Germany? 1
- in the former East Germany? 2
- in another country? 3

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Country Last Attended School</th>
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<td>biol lb0186</td>
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1 @ 50, 2 @ 51
### 48. How many years did you attend school?

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<th>Schooling (Years)</th>
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<th>Description</th>
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### 49. What type of school-leaving certificate did you attain?

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<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>49:lsab5 biol lb0188</td>
<td>School-Leaving</td>
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### 50. In which German federal state (Bundesland) did you last attend school?

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<tr>
<th>State</th>
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<td>50:lsab6 biol lb0190</td>
<td>Federal State School</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>50:lsab6 biosoc bsschla</td>
<td>Federal State/Province Last School Attendance</td>
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### 51. What type of school-leaving certificate did you attain?

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<td>Vocational school (Fachoberschule)</td>
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<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Upper track (Abitur / Hochschulreife)</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>Other school-leaving certificate</td>
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<td>51:lsab7 biol lb0191</td>
<td>School-Leaving</td>
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Please state: last school type attended

Please state: type of school-leaving certificate attained

### 52. If you think back to the last grade of school you attended: How many of your fellow students or their parents were not from Germany?

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<tr>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<td>All</td>
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<td>Most</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Approximately half</td>
<td>3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Approximately one-fourth</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>How Many</td>
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<td>52:lsab10 biol lb0194_h</td>
<td>How Many Pupils Foreign (harmonized)</td>
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<td>52:lsab10 biosoc bsklausl</td>
<td>Number Of Foreign Students, Last School Attended</td>
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53. Do you intend to attain a school-leaving certificate in the future?

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<td>Yes, definitely</td>
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<td>No</td>
<td>3</td>
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54. What is the highest degree you plan to attain?

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<th>Track</th>
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<td>Lower track (Volksschule / Hauptschule)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Intermediate track (Realschule / Mittlere Reife)</td>
<td>2</td>
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55. Have you completed vocational training or university studies in Germany?

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56. What type of vocational or university degree did you attain and when did you attain it?

<table>
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<th>Degree</th>
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<tr>
<td>Apprenticeship (Lehre) / Vocational degree as skilled worker (Facharbeiterabschluss)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Full-time vocational school (Berufsfachschule) / commercial college (Handelsschule) / Health sector school (Schule des Gesundheitswesens)</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Higher level trade or technical school (e.g. Meisterschule, Technikerschule)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Training for civil servants (Beamtenausbildung)</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Technical or professionally oriented college (Fachhochschule, Berufsakademie; formerly also engineer or teacher training)</td>
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<tr>
<td>University or university-level degree</td>
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<tr>
<td>Doctoral studies (Promotion)</td>
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<td>Education Type</td>
<td>Year</td>
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**56:lab02j** biol lb0575 Vocational, Specialist Training Completed (Month)

**56:lab03j** biol lb0576 Specialized Vocational School (Year)

**56:lab04j** biol lb0577 Trade Or Technical School (Year)

**56:lab05j** biol lb0578 Civil Servant Education (Year)

**56:lab06j** biol lb0579 Engineering School, Career Training Academy (Year)

**56:lab07j** biol lb0580 University, College (Year)

**56:lab08j** biol lb0581 Doctorate (Year)

**56:lab08j** biol lb0582 Other Type Of Education Completed (Year)

**57** Have you completed vocational training or university studies in another country than Germany?

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**57:lab10** biol lb0228 Vocational Training Outside Germany

**57:lab10** biosoc bsbaaabg Vocational Degree Completed Abroad
What kind of education or training was it?

Multiple answers possible, the questions 59-61 refer to the highest degree.

I received in-house training at a company 1
I completed an extended apprenticeship at a company 1
I attended a vocational school 1
I attended a university or higher educational institution 1
Other degree 1

When did you complete this education or training?

Year

Did you receive a transcript or certificate documenting the successful completion of this training or education?

Yes 1
No 2

Did you apply for a recognition of your degree in Germany?

Yes 1
No 2

Has this degree or certificate been recognized in Germany?

The application process is still underway 1
Yes, partly 2
Yes, equivalent 3
No, was not recognized 4

When did you receive the notification?

Month

Year
Why didn’t you apply for the recognition?
The recognition is not important to me 1
I don’t know where and how the application is to be made 2
The cost for the recognition are too high 3
I miss important documents for the recognition 4
The acceptance procedure is too bureaucratic / it takes too much time 5
I have no prospect of recognition of my statements.
Other reasons
6
61:lanerno  biol  lb1039  Reason No Recognition 61:laner=2
61:lanerno  biosoc  bsbaaga  Reason No Recognition 61:laner=2

62. Do you intend to complete vocational / occupational training or attain a university degree in the future?
Yes, maybe 1
Yes, definitely 2
No 3
62:lab19  biol  lb0238_h  Intending to Get Further Degree (harmonized)
62:lab19  biol  lb0238_v2  Intending to Get Further Degree [2001-2017]
62:lab19  biosoc  bszaja  Formal Training Certificate, Uni. Degree
Which of the following degrees do you plan to attain?
Multiple answers possible!
Apprenticeship
Full-time vocational school (Berufsfachschule) or health sector school (Schule des Gesundheitswesens)
Higher-level trade or technical school (Meisterschule, Technikerschule)
Training for civil servants (Beamtenausbildung)
Dual course of study / college of advanced vocational studies
Technical or professional college (Fachhochschule)
University
62:lab20  biol  lb0239  Completed Apprenticeship 62:lab19<3
62:lab20  biosoc  bszaleh  Completed Apprenticeship 62:lab19<3
62:lab21  biol  lb0240  Full-Time Vocation School 62:lab19<3
62:lab21  biosoc  bszafs  Full-Time Vocation School 62:lab19<3
62:lab22  biol  lb0241  Higher Level Trade And Technical School 62:lab19<3
62:lab22  biosoc  bszafs  Higher Level Trade And Technical School 62:lab19<3
62:lab23  biol  lb0242  Civil Servant Training 62:lab19<3
62:lab23  biosoc  bszabea  Civil Servant Training 62:lab19<3
62:lab24  biol  lb0243  Accredited Career Training Academy 62:lab19<3
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62:lab25  biol  lb0244  Engineering School 62:lab19<3
62:lab25  biosoc  bszafh  Engineering School 62:lab19<3
62:lab26  biol  lb0245  University 62:lab19<3
62:lab26  biosoc  bszauni  University 62:lab19<3
62:lab26  biol  lb0246_h  Total Item-Nonresponse (harmonized) 62:lab19<3
62:lab26  biosoc  bszauni  University 62:lab19<3
B6 Employment

63 If you already were employed: How old were you when you first started working?
We are not referring to vocational training but to your first job after you completed your training!
... years old

63:1erw biujob agefjob Age At First Job
63:1erw biol lb0247 Age When Went To Work

Have not yet held a job / have not yet completed in-service training

63:1no biujob nojob Employment Status
63:1no biol lb0248 Never Employed

64 Are you still doing the same job?

Yes
No

64:1erwt biujob stillf Still Employed In First Job
64:1erwt biol lb1020 Same activity today

65 Are you still in the same working position when you first startet?

Yes
No

65:1erwst biol lb1019 Same job today

66 Are you still working for the same employer?
If you are self-employed. Do you still have the same company / the same self-employment as then?

Yes
No

66:1erwag biol lb0249_heute Arbeitgeber (harmonisiert)
66:1erwag biol lb0249_v1 Arbeitgeber [2001-2017]

67 What occupational status did you have at that time (in your first job)?
Blue-collar worker (Arbeiter) (also in agriculture)

Unskilled worker (ungelernt)
Semi-skilled worker (angelernt)
Trained worker (gelernter Arbeiter) or skilled worker (Facharbeiter)

67:1arb biujob occfjob Occ. Position First Job
67:1arb biol lb1024 First Job Blue Collar
67:1arb biol lb0250 Type Of Blue-Collar Worker
67:1arb biol lb1021 Occupational Position

Self-employed (including family members working for the self-employed)

Self-employed farmer
Freelance professional, selfemployed academic (selbständiger Akademiker)
Other self-employed

67:1sst1 biujob occfjob Occ. Position First Job
67:1sst1 biujob fjselself First Job Self Employed
67:1sst1 biujob fjselsize Number Of Employees First Job
Family member working for self-employed relative

White-collar worker (Angestellte)

Salaried employee engaged in unskilled activities without completed training/education

Salaried employee engaged in unskilled activities with completed training/education

Salaried employee engaged in skilled activities (e.g., executive officer, bookkeeper, technical draftsman)

Salaried employee engaged in highly skilled activities or managerial function (e.g., scientist, engineer, department head)

Civil servant or public administration employee (including judges and professional soldiers)

What was your job title at that time (in your first job)?

*Please state the specific job title. For example, do not write “clerk” but rather “shipping clerk”, not “blue-collar worker” but rather “machine metalworker”.*
69 What kind of training is usually required for this kind of work?
No completed vocational training is required 1
Completed vocational training 2
Degree from a specialized college of higher education 3
Degree from a university or other institution of higher education 4

70 Was the company you worked for at that time part of the public sector or public administration?
Yes 1
No 2

71 What sector of business or industry was your company or institution active in for the most part?
Please state the correct job title e.g. not “industry” but “electronic industry”, not “trade” but “retail trade”, not “public service”, but “hospital”. Please write in block letters.

72 Have you changed your occupation one or more times since then, such that the type of work you do has changed significantly?
Yes, once 1
Yes, several times 2
No 3

73 Are you gainfully employed at the present time?
Yes 1
No 2
When was the last year in which you were gainfully employed?

- **Year**

Were you last employed full-time, part-time, or marginally in your last job?

- **Full-time (at least 35 hours per week)**
- **Part-time (20 to 34 hours per week)**
- **Marginally or irregularly**

Was the company where you held your last job part of the public sector or public administration?

- **Yes**
- **No**

What sector of business or industry was your company or institution active in for the most part?

*Please state the correct job title e.g. not “Industry” but “electronic Industry”, not “trade” but “retail trade”, not “public service”, but “hospital”. Please write in block letters.*

What was your occupational status in your last job?

*If you had more than a professional activity, answer the following questions only for your time main occupation!*

- **Blue-collar worker (Arbeiter) (also in agriculture)**
- **Unskilled worker (ungelernt)**
- **Semi-skilled worker (angelernt)**
- **Trained worker (gelernter Arbeiter) or skilled worker (Facharbeiter)**
- **Foreman / forewoman (Vorarbeiter / Kolonnenführer)**
- **Master craftsperson (Meister / Polierer)**

Self-employed (including family members working for the self-employed)

- **None**
- **1-9 employees**
- **10 or more employees**

- **Self-employed farmer**
- **Freelance professional, self-employed academic (selbständiger Akademiker)**

Other self-employed

- **Last Job Self Employed**
- **Last Employment: Self Employed Farmer**
- **Last Job Self Employed**
- **Last Employment: Profession, Self Employed Academic**
- **Last Job Self Employed**
- **Last Employment: Other Self Employment**
Family member working for self-employed relative

1

78:lsst4 biobio ljselfe Last Job Self Employed
78:lsst4 biobl0275 Last Employment: Family Worker

Apprentice / trainee / intern

1

78:iazubi biobio lb0276 Last: In Education, Training

Volunteer, intern, etc.

2

78:lang biobio ljwhite Last Job White Collar
78:lang biobl0277 Last: White Collar Worker

White-collar worker (Angestellte)

Industry or factory foreman / forewoman in a salaried position

1

Salaried employee engaged in unskilled activities without completed training/education

2

Salaried employee engaged in unskilled activities with completed training/education

3

Salaried employee engaged in skilled activities (e.g., executive officer, bookkeeper, technical draftsman)

4

Salaried employee engaged in highly skilled activities or managerial function (e.g., scientist, engineer, department head)

5

Salaried employee with extensive managerial duties (e.g., managing director, business manager, head of a large firm or concern).

6

Civil servant or public administration employee (including judges and professional soldiers)

Lower level

1

Middle level

2

Upper level

3

Executive level

4

79 Have you performed any of the following voluntary services?

Voluntary social/ecological year (freiwilliges soziales/ökologisches Jahr).

1

Federal volunteer service (Bundesfreiwilligendienst)

1

Voluntary military service (Freiwilligen Wehrdienst)

1

Performed none of these voluntary services

1

79:lsfsj biobio lb0321 Social Year
79:lsfsj biobiosoc bbsfsj Voluntary Social Year
79:lfsrei1 biobio lb0689 Federal Volunteer Service
79:lfsrei1 biobiosoc bbsbfd Federal Vol Svc (since 2012)
79:lfsrei2 biobio lb0691 Voluntary Military Service
79:lfsreino biobio lb0693 Non of these Services

[Federal volunteer service] How long?

[Voluntary military service] How long?

1

79:lsfrei1mo biobio lb0690 Federal Volunteer Service (Months)
79:lsfrei1mo biobiosoc bbsfwd Vol Military Svc (since 2012)
Did you do compulsory military service or community service in place of military service?
Yes, ...
Compulsory military service for the legally stipulated period of time
1 Compulsory military service for an extended period of time as a professional soldier
2 Community service
3 Similar work in an emergency service agency
4
No, ...
exempted from military service for medical or health reasons
2 exempted from military service assigned to military reserve force
3 exempted from military service for other reasons
4

Do you have or had any siblings?
We are referring here to biological siblings, half-siblings, step-siblings, and adoptive siblings. Please provide the following information for each of your siblings (maximum of 10), from oldest to youngest. Please also state whether you lived with each sibling for your entire childhood, that is, up to the age of 15.
Yes ... siblings
1
No

Birthyear

Month
Month of Birth Sibling 9

Sex
Brother 1
Sister 2

Sex Sibling 1
Sex Sibling 10
Sex Sibling 2
Sex Sibling 3
Sex Sibling 4
Sex Sibling 5
Sex Sibling 6
Sex Sibling 7
Sex Sibling 8
Sex Sibling 9

Type of sibling
U! 1
U! 2
U! 3
U! 4
U! 5
U! 6

Type Sibling 1
Type Sibling 10
Type Sibling 2
Type Sibling 3
Type Sibling 4
Type Sibling 5
Type Sibling 6
Type Sibling 7
Type Sibling 8
Type Sibling 9

Twin sister/brother

Did you live together throughout your entire childhood?
Yes 1

Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 1
Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 10
Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 2
Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 3
Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 4
Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 5
Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 6
Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 7
Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 8
Whole Childhood in HH With Sibling 9

No, only ... years

How Many Years in HH With Sibling 1
How Many Years in HH With Sibling 10
How Many Years in HH With Sibling 2
How Many Years in HH With Sibling 3
How Many Years in HH With Sibling 4
How Many Years in HH With Sibling 5
How Many Years in HH With Sibling 6
82. Do you have or had children? If so, how much?
We mean you own children or adopted children (not stepchildren or fosterchildren)

Yes … children
82:lkkind biol lb0285 Number Of Children
No, I never had any kids 1

82:lkno biol lb0286_h No Children (harmonized) 1 @ 83
82:lkno biol lb0286_v2 No Children [2000-2017] 1 @ 83

Year of birth
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0287_h Year Of Birth Child 1 (harmonized)
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0287_v2 Geburtsjahr Kind 1 (vierstellig) [1999-2017]
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0290_h Year Of Birth Child 2 (harmonized)
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0290_v2 Geburtsjahr Kind 2 (vierstellig) [1999-2017]
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0293_h Geburtsjahr Kind 3 (harmonisiert)
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0293_v2 Geburtsjahr Kind 3 (vierstellig) [1999-2017]
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0296_h Geburtsjahr Kind 4 (harmonisiert)
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0296_v2 Geburtsjahr Kind 4 (vierstellig) [1999-2017]
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0299_h Geburtsjahr Kind 5 (harmonisiert)
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0299_v2 Geburtsjahr Kind 5 (vierstellig) [1999-2017]
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82:lkgeb1 biol lb0308_h Geburtsjahr Kind 8 (harmonisiert)
82:lkgeb1 biol lb0308_v2 Geburtsjahr Kind 8 (vierstellig) [1999-2017]

Gender
Son 1
Daughter 2

82:lksex1 biol lb0288 Sex Child 1
82:lksex1 biol lb0291 Sex Child 2
82:lksex1 biol lb0294 Sex Child 3
82:lksex1 biol lb0297 Sex Child 4
82:lksex1 biol lb0300 Sex Child 5
82:lksex1 biol lb0303 Sex Child 6
82:lksex1 biol lb0306 Sex Child 7
82:lksex1 biol lb0309 Sex Child 8

Where does the child live today?
Here in this household 1
Here in this town 2
Elsewhere in West Germany 3
Elsewhere in East Germany 4
Abroad 5
Deceased 6

82:lkwo1 biol lb0289_v3 Residence Child 1 [2016-2017]
82:lkwo1 biol lb0292_v3 Residence Child 2 [2015-2016]
82:lkwo1 biol lb0295_v3 Residence Child 3 [2015-2016]
82:lkwo1 biol lb0298_v3 Residence Child 4 [2015-2016]
82:lkwo1 biol lb0301_v3 Residence Child 5 [2015-2016]
The following is about partnership and marriage. The questions are always asked in terms of the relationship, regardless of whether you got married in this relationship or not. Whether you have been married in the particular relationship or not will be clarified in subsequent questions. The questions are about both, the current relationship, as well as former relationships. We begin with the current relationship and then ask you retrospectively about the steady relationships you had before. Concerning the previous relations, we speak of a steady relationship if it lasted six months or longer.

If we are talking about matrimony or marriage, it is always meant registered same-sex partnership!

Go through the columns sequentially from top to bottom - so first A from 1 to 6, then B from 1 to 6, etc. If you can skip something, this will be shown by an arrow and the place where you please keep go on. For example, B5, means continue with column B, 5th issue!

A Do you currently have a fixed relationship?

Yes 1
No 2

[A] 1. The relationship...
[A] 1. Began in the year

[A] 3. Do or did you live together?
[A] 3. No 1

[A] 3. Yes, moved together in the year

[A] 4. Do you still live together?
[A] 4. Yes 1

[A] 4. No, end of living together in the year

[A] 5. Are / were you married in this relationship?
[A] 5. No 1

[A] 5. Yes, we have married in the year

[A] 6. Does this marriage still exist?
Yes 1
[No] Divorce 2

[A] 6. No, the marriage ended in the year

B Have you had a stable relationship before?
### Previous Steady Relationship B

1. The relationship began in the year: 
   - Yes 1
   - No 2

2. The relationship ended in the year: 
   - Yes 1
   - No 2

3. Do or did you live together? 
   - No 1
   - Yes 2

4. Do you still live together? 
   - Yes 1
   - No 2

5. Are / were you married in this relationship? 
   - No 1

6. Does this marriage still exist? 
   - Yes 1
   - No 2
   - Divorce 2
   - Deceased 3

### Previous Steady Relationship C

1. The relationship began in the year: 

2. The relationship ended in the year: 

3. Did you have a stable relationship before? 
   - Yes 1
   - No 2
Section C: Previous Relationship

2. And ended by separation 1 or death 2.

3. Do or did you live together? No 1.

4. Yes, moved together in the year.

5. Are / were you married in this relationship? No 1.

6. Does this marriage still exist? Yes 1, Divorce 2, Deceased 3.

Section D: Previous Relationship

1. The relationship ... Began in the year.

2. The relationship ... Ended in the year.

3. Do or did you live together? No 1.
B7 Realisation of the interview

A What date do we have today and at which time have you finished your survey?

Day
Month
Hour
Minute

A:ldatt bioliday day of interview
A:ldatm biolimonth month of interview

B How was the interview conducted?

Oral Interview

Partly as an oral interview, partly him/herself

B:lform biolbinta survey instrument
C Duration of the interview:
The oral (complete or partial) interview lasted ... minutes
Length in minutes written interview

D Other notes:

INT Thank you for your participation!
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