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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.v35.

Reading Aid

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

The diagram illustrates the structure of a questionnaire question (Q72) and its answer options. The question text is: "Q72 Now we would like to know something about you personally. Were you born in Germany?". The interviewer instruction is: "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." The answer options are: Yes (1), No (2), and No answer (-1). The variable names and labels for the question and its answer options are: Q72:lsta1 (bio, I0013, born in Germany), Q72:lsta1=2, Q73: What country were you born in?, Please enter the current name!, and Q73:lsta2 (bio, I0016, Country Of Birth). The diagram also shows a routing by filters example: Q72:lsta1=2 (in blue) leading to Q73: What country were you born in? (in green).

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 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].

Intro The early years of a child's life are characterized by the diversity of development stages. The scientific research is highly interested in this span of life. This short questionnaire deals with children, who were born in 2016. Our questions refer to your personal experiences and the child's growth.

The participation is voluntarily.

We cordially request you,

- to answer the questions for our interviewer
- or to fill out the questionnaire by yourself accurately.

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

Household ID

0:hnr bioagel hhnrakt Current wave HH number

Mother's first name

Please complete in block capitals

Person ID

0:mpnr bioagel persnr Never changing personal ID mother

1 What's your child's name?

Child's first name

Please print in capital letters.

Person ID

1:bpnr bioagel persnr Unchanging personal ID of child

2 Birth date and sex of your child

Day

No Answer

Month

2:bgebm bioagel birthm Child's month of birth

No Answer

Year

2:bgebj bioagel birthy Child's year of birth

No Answer

...

Male

Female

No answer

2:bsex bioagel sex Child gender

3 Did you breastfeed your baby? If so, how long?

Breastfed only the first four weeks. 1

No, did not breastfeed 2

No answer -1

3:bstil1 bioagel breastf Breast-feeding baby

I breastfed for a longer period: ... months

3:bstil2 bioagel breastfm Breast-feeding time in months

No Answer 1

4 What's your current impression of your child? To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

	Agree completely	Agree	Disagree	Disagree completely
My child is generally cheerful and happy	1	2	3	4
My child is easily irritated and cries a lot	1	2	3	4
My child is difficult to comfort when upset	1	2	3	4
My child is curious and active	1	2	3	4
My child is communicative and likes to talk	1	2	3	4
My child shows empathy when others are sad	1	2	3	4
I'm worried about my child's health	1	2	3	4

4:bakt1 bioagel temp1 Child is generally happy and satisfied

4:bakt2 bioagel temp2 Child is easily irritated and often cries

4:bakt3 bioagel temp3 Child is hard to console

4:bakt4 bioagel temp4 Child is curious and active

4:bakt5 bioagel temp6 Child is communicative and talkative

4:bakt6 bioagel temp7 Child shows empathy when others are sad

4:bakt7 bioagel health Concerns about the child's health

5 Did your child experience health problems in the last 12 months that required a hospital stay?

Yes 1

No 2

No answer -1

5:bges1 bioagel hospital12m Length of hospital stay in the last 12 months in days [Yes], ... days

5:bges2 bioagel hospital12m Length of hospital stay in the last 12 months in days

No Answer 1

6 Has your child been diagnosed by a doctor as having one of the following health conditions or impairments?

Please mark all that apply.

Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chronic bronchitis	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spastic / acute bronchitis	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pseudocroup / Croup syndrome	<input type="checkbox"/>
Middle-ear inflammation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hay fever	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neurodermatitis	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vision impairment (e.g., far-sightedness, near-sightedness, crossed eyes)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hearing impairment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nutritional disorder	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motor impairment (disorder of the locomotor apparatus)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other impairment or disorder	<input type="checkbox"/>
No, none of the above	<input type="checkbox"/>

- 6:bstor01 bioagel ill11 Asthma
- 6:bstor02 bioagel ill12 Chronic bronchitis
- 6:bstor03 bioagel ill13 Spastic / acute bronchitis
- 6:bstor04 bioagel ill14 Pseudocroup / croup syndrome
- 6:bstor05 bioagel ill2 Middle-ear inflammation
- 6:bstor06 bioagel ill31 Hay fever
- 6:bstor07 bioagel ill4 Neurodermatitis
- 6:bstor08 bioagel ill5 Vision impairment
- 6:bstor09 bioagel ill6 Hearing impairment
- 6:bstor10 bioagel ill7 Nutritional disorders
- 6:bstor11 bioagel ill8 Motor impairment
- 6:bstor12 bioagel ill9 Other impairments or disorders
- 6:bstor14 bioagel illno No confirmed disorder

[other disorders]:

No Answer

7 What is your child's current height and weight?

Weight in kilograms

7:bgew bioagel weight Child - weight in kg

No Answer

Height in centimeters

7:bgro bioagel height Child - height in cm

No Answer

8 If you think about a normal week, is there anybody else who regularly spends time looking after your child? If so, who is it and how many hours a week do they spend looking after the child?

Spouse / Partner	1
The child's father (if not a resident of the same household)	1
The child's grandparents	1
Older siblings of the child	1
Other relatives	1
Paid caregiver (outside the home)	1
Paid caregiver (comes into your home)	1
Nursery school (creche, kindergarten)	1
Other (friends, acquaintances, neighbors, etc.)	1
No, nobody	1
No Answer	1

8:bsit1	bioagel	care1h	Cared for by partner (in h / week)
8:bsit2	bioagel	care2h	Cared for by child's father (if not resident of same household) (in h / week)
8:bsit3	bioagel	care3h	Cared for by grandparents (in h / week)
8:bsit4	bioagel	care4h	Cared for by older siblings (in h / week)
8:bsit5	bioagel	care5h	Cared for by other relatives (in h / week)
8:bsit6	bioagel	care6h	Cared for in family day care (in h / week)
8:bsit7	bioagel	care7h	Cared for by babysitter (in h / week)
8:bsit8	bioagel	care8h	Cared for in creche / day nursery (in h / week)
8:bsit9	bioagel	care12h	Cared for by others (in h / week)
8:bsitno	bioagel	care19	No others cared for, only mother

Hours [spouse / partner]

8:bstd1	bioagel	care1h	Cared for by partner (in h / week)
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No Answer

Hours [father]

8:bstd2	bioagel	care2h	Cared for by child's father (if not resident of same household) (in h / week)
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No Answer

Hours [grandparents]

8:bstd3	bioagel	care3h	Cared for by grandparents (in h / week)
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No Answer

Hours [siblings]

8:bstd4	bioagel	care4h	Cared for by older siblings (in h / week)
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No Answer

Hours [other relatives]

8:bstd5	bioagel	care5h	Cared for by other relatives (in h / week)
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No Answer

Hours [paid caregiver outside home]

8:bstd6	bioagel	care6h	Cared for in family day care (in h / week)
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No Answer

Hours [paid caregiver inside home]

8:bstd7	bioagel	care7h	Cared for by babysitter (in h / week)
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No Answer

Hours [nursery school]

8:bstd8 bioagel care8h Cared for in creche / day nursery (in h / week)

No Answer 1

Hours [other]

8:bstd9 bioagel care12h Cared for by others (in h / week)

No Answer 1

9 How many times in the last 14 days have you or the main caregiver engaged in the following activities with your child?

	Daily	Several times a week	At least once a week	Not at all
Singing children's songs with or to the child	1	2	3	4
Walking outside in the fresh air	1	2	3	4
Painting or doing arts and crafts	1	2	3	4
Reading or telling stories	1	2	3	4
Looking at picture books	1	2	3	4
Going to the playground	1	2	3	4
Visiting other families with children	1	2	3	4
Going shopping with the child	1	2	3	4
Watching television or videos with the child	1	2	3	4

9:baktiv1 bioagel activ1 Singing children songs to / with child (times during last 14 days)

9:baktiv2 bioagel activ2 Taking walks outdoors (no. of times during last 14 days)

9:baktiv3 bioagel activ3 Painting or doing arts and crafts (times during last 14 days)

9:baktiv4 bioagel activ4 Reading / telling stories (in German) (times during last 14 days)

9:baktiv5 bioagel activ5 Looking at picture books (times during last 14 days)

9:baktiv6 bioagel activ6 Going to playground (no. of times during last 14 days)

9:baktiv7 bioagel activ7 Visiting other families with children (times during last 14 days)

9:baktiv8 bioagel activ8 Going shopping with child (no. of times during last 14 days)

9:baktiv9 bioagel activ9 Watching television / videos with child (times during last 14 days)

10 Is your child allowed to watch television or videos alone, without adult supervision?

Yes 1

Rarely, as an exception 2

No, never 3

No answer -1

10:btv1 bioagel tvyn Child allowed to watch TV or videos alone

[Yes/rarely]: ... hours per week

10:btv2 bioagel tvhrs Child watches TV / videos alone (in h / week)

No Answer 1

11 How would you rank your child in comparison to other children of the same age? My child is ...

The further to the left you make the X, the more the characteristic on the left side applies. The further to the right you make the X, the more the characteristic on the right side applies.

is withdrawn	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is sociable
is focused	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is easily distracted
is defiant	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is obedient
understands quickly	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	needs more time
is timidly	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is fearless

11:2 bioagel char1a Child tends to be shy / outgoing
 11:3 bioagel char2 Child tends to be focused / easily distracted
 11:4 bioagel char3 Child tends to be obstinate / obedient
 11:5 bioagel char4 Child tends to be quick to learn new things / to need more time
 11:6 bioagel char10 Child tends to be anxious / confident

12 For parents, it is always a big event when their child learns something new. Please tell us what those new things were in your child's case.

Speaking:

	Yes	Partly	No
Speaks in full sentences (with four or more words)	1	2	3
Follows instructions, five minutes after hearing them.	1	2	3
Can state his/her first and last name if someone asks for it.	1	2	3
Listens attentively to a story for 15 minutes or longer	1	2	3
Passes on simple messages such as "dinner is ready"	1	2	3

12:bspr3 bioagel spch3 Child speaks in full sentences (at least four words)
 12:bspr6 bioagel spch6 Child follows instructions (heard five minutes before)
 12:bspr7 bioagel spch7 Child knows first and last name
 12:bspr4 bioagel spch8 Child can listen attentively to stories
 12:bspr5 bioagel spch5 Child can relate simple messages

Everyday skills:

	Yes	Partly	No
Uses a spoon to eat, without assistance and without dripping	1	2	3
Blows his/her nose without assistance	1	2	3
Uses the toilet to do "number two"	1	2	3
Put on pants and underpants the right way around	1	2	3
Brushes his/her teeth without assistance	1	2	3

12:ball1 bioagel skill1 Child eats with spoon without making a mess
 12:ball2 bioagel skill2 Child blows nose without assistance
 12:ball3 bioagel skill3 Child uses toilet to do number two
 12:ball4 bioagel skill4 Child puts on pants and underpants forwards
 12:ball5 bioagel skill5 Child brushes teeth without assistance

Movement:

	Yes	Partly	No
Walks forwards down the stairs	1	2	3
Climbs up playground climbing equipment and other high playground structures	1	2	3
Cuts paper with scissors	1	2	3
Paints/draws recognizable shapes on paper	1	2	3
Can hold a pencil correctly	1	2	3

- 12:bbew1 bioagel mvnm1 Child walks forwards down the stairs
- 12:bbew3 bioagel mvnm3 Child climbs jungle gyms and other high playground equipment
- 12:bbew4 bioagel mvnm4 Child uses scissors to cut paper
- 12:bbew5 bioagel mvnm5 Child paints / draws recognizable shapes on paper
- 12:bbew7 bioagel mvnm6 Child can hold pen in the right way (not nist)

Social relationships

	Yes	Partly	No
Participates in games with other children	1	2	3
Gets involved in role-playing games (“playing pretend”)	1	2	3
Shows a special liking for particular playmates or friends	1	2	3
Is able to name his/her own feelings, e.g., “sad”, “happy”, “scared”	1	2	3
Takes turns when playing playing without being asked.	1	2	3
12:bsoz2 bioagel sclr2 Child plays games with other children			
12:bsoz3 bioagel sclr3 Child participates in role-playing games			
12:bsoz4 bioagel sclr4 Child shows particular liking for certain playmates or friends			
12:bsoz5 bioagel sclr5 Child calls his / her own feelings by name, e.g. sad, happy, scared			
12:bsoz7 bioagel sclr6 Child takes turns while playing (without asking)			

13 Do you or other household members speak only German to your child, or do you also speak another language to him/her?

- German only 1
- Another language as well 2
- Only another language 3
- No answer -1

13:bdtsch1 bioagel language Conversational language of the child

Other language:

No Answer 1

A What date do we have today?

Day

Month

Hour

Minute

Int Interviewer:

List ID

Lfd ID

Account number