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Reading Aid

This representation of the questionnaire contains the same informations 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 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].
Comparably the scientific research has much knowledge about children in school age, but not so much knowledge about the period before the school attendance starts. This short questionnaire deals with children, who were born in 2012. Our questions refer to your personal experiences and the child's growth. Generally the (biological or adoptive) mother should answer the following questions.

The participation is voluntarily.

We cordially request you,
- to answer the questions for our Interviewer
- or to fill out the questionnaire by yourself accurately.

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

Household Number: 

Mother's first name: 

Please print

Person ID: 

What's your child's name?

Child's first name: 

Person ID: 

Birth date and sex of your child

Day: 
Month: 
Year: 

Child's month of birth: 
Child's year of birth: 

Male: 
Female: 

To what extent do you agree with the following statements about your child? For each answer, think about your child's behavior in the last six months.

Please answer on the following scale, where 1 means "does not apply at all", and 7 meaning "applies completely"

My child ...
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<td>likes to share with other children (sweets, toys, crayons, etc.)</td>
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<td>often has tantrums, is short-tempered</td>
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<td>is often unhappy or downcast, cries a lot</td>
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<td>is nervous or clingy in new situations, easily loses self-confidence</td>
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<td>often helps others of his/her own accord (parents, teachers, other children)</td>
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<td>gets along better with adults than with children</td>
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<td>finishes what he/she starts, can concentrate for a long time</td>
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3: cver01 bioagel behav1 Child is considerate
3: cver02 bioagel behav2 Child is restless, hyperactive, cannot sit still
3: cver03 bioagel behav3 Child likes to share with other children
3: cver04 bioagel behav4 Child often has fits of anger, quick-tempered
3: cver05 bioagel behav5 Child is a loner, usually plays alone
3: cver06 bioagel behav6 Child is helpful when others are hurt, sick, sad
3: cver07 bioagel behav7 Child is fidgety
3: cver08 bioagel behav8 Child argues with or bullies others
3: cver09 bioagel behav9 Child is often unhappy, cries easily
3:cvr10 bioagel behav10 Child is popular with peers
3:cvr11 bioagel behav11 Child is easily distracted, lacks concentration
3:cvr12 bioagel behav12 Child is nervous or clingy in new situations
3:cvr13 bioagel behav13 Child gets teased or bullied by peers
3:cvr14 bioagel behav14 Child frequently offers to help others
3:cvr15 bioagel behav15 Child gets along with adults better than with other children
3:cvr16 bioagel behav16 Child has a lot of fears, gets scared easily
3:cvr17 bioagel behav17 Child completes tasks, can concentrate for an extended period

4 What is your child's current height and weight?
Weight in kilograms
Height in centimeters
4:cgew bioagel weight Child - weight in kg
4:cgro bioagel height Child - height in cm

5 Is your child in any way impaired or prevented from doing things that most children of his or her age can do?
Yes 1
No 2
5:cstor bioagel ill0 Child is restricted in abilities

6 Did your child experience health problems in the last 12 months that necessitated a hospital stay?
Yes 1
No 2
6:cges1 bioagel hospital12m Length of hospital stay in the last 12 months in days
Yes: ... days
6:cges2 bioagel hospital12m Length of hospital stay in the last 12 months in days

7 Did you have to go to or call a doctor in the last 3 months because of your child's health problems?
Yes 1
No 2
7:carz1 bioagel medaid3m Medical help - number of times in the last 3 months
Yes: ... times
7:carz2 bioagel medaid3m Medical help - number of times in the last 3 months

8 Has your child been diagnosed by a doctor as having one of the following health conditions or impairments?
Please state all that apply!
Respiratory disease (asthma, bronchitis or similar)
Middle-ear inflammation
Neurodermatitis
Vision impairment (e.g., far-sightedness, near-sightedness, crossed eyes)
Nutritional disorder
Motor impairment (impairments of the locomotor apparatus)
Other impairment or disorder
No, none of the above
8:cstor1 bioagel ill10 Respiratory diseases
8:cstor2 bioagel ill2 Middle-ear inflammation
9 How many times in the last 14 days have you or the main caregiver engaged in the following activities with your child?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Activity</th>
<th>Daily</th>
<th>Several times a week</th>
<th>At least once a week</th>
<th>Not at all</th>
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<td>Going to the playground</td>
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<td>Activities outdoors (taking walks or similar)</td>
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<td>Visiting other families with children</td>
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<td>Going shopping with the child</td>
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<td>Singing children’s songs</td>
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<td>Painting or doing arts and crafts</td>
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<td>Playing cards, board games, or other games together</td>
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<td>Watching television or videos with the child</td>
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<td>Playing computer or Internet games together</td>
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<td>Going to children’s theater, the circus, museums, exhibitions, or similar</td>
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<td>[Reading or telling stories] in German</td>
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<td>[Reading or telling stories] in another language</td>
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10. Is your child allowed to watch television or videos alone, without adult supervision?

- Yes
- Rarely, as an exception.
- No, never.

10:ctv1  bioagel  tvyn  Child allowed to watch TV or videos alone

10:ctv2  bioagel  tvhrs  Child watches TV / videos alone (in h / week)

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

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

11:csit1  bioagel  care1h  Cared for by partner (in h / week)
11:csit2  bioagel  care2h  Cared for by child's father (if not resident of same household) (in h / week)
11:csit3  bioagel  care3h  Cared for by grandparents (in h / week)
11:csit4  bioagel  care4h  Cared for by older siblings (in h / week)
11:csit5  bioagel  care5h  Cared for by other relatives (in h / week)
11:csit6  bioagel  care6h  Cared for in family day care (in h / week)
11:csit7  bioagel  care7h  Cared for by babysitter (in h / week)
11:csit8  bioagel  care6h  Cared for in creche / day nursery (in h / week)
11:csit9  bioagel  care12h  Cared for by others (in h / week)
11:csitno  bioagel  care19  No others cared for, only mother

11:cstd1  bioagel  care1h  Cared for by partner (in h / week)
11:cstd2  bioagel  care2h  Cared for by child’s father (if not resident of same household) (in h / week)
11:cstd3  bioagel  care3h  Cared for by grandparents (in h / week)
11:cstd4  bioagel  care4h  Cared for by older siblings (in h / week)
11:cstd5  bioagel  care5h  Cared for by other relatives (in h / week)
11:cstd6  bioagel  care12h  Cared for by others (in h / week)
11:cstd7  bioagel  care6h  Cared for in family day care (in h / week)
11:cstd8  bioagel  care7h  Cared for by babysitter (in h / week)
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 rather talkative
- is messy
- is good-natured
- is disinterested
- is self-confident
- is withdrawn
- is focused
- is defiant
- understands quickly
- is timidly

A: What’s the date today?

Day
Month
Hours
Minute

A:datm  age  Age of child at time of survey

Interview form

Form

Interviewer:

List ID
Lfd ID
Account number

Interviewer signature