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Living in Germany

Survey 2012 on the social situation of households

Household Questionnaire

The guestions contained in this guestionnaire deal with the household as a whole and not with the individuals in the household. The questionnaire should be completed by the same person in the household who did it last year if possible.

Your cooperation is voluntary. The scientific validity of this survey, however, depends on the cooperation 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:	The questionnaire has been compl	leted by:
Household number	First name	Persor numbe

How is it done?

Please complete the questionnaire by					
• placing an X in the small	boxes				
Example: Sex:	boxes male				
 entering numbers in the la (flush right) 					
Example:	Date of Birth: 1 9 4 5				
• filling in the long blanks v					
Example:	Change of job				
A pointing finger 🖾 precedes f	further explanation to the question.				
Please answer each question in Skip questions only when expre					
Example:					
Are there children in your house	Are there children in your household?				
Yes	No Question!				
If you mark "yes" for this question go to the next question.	on, If you mark "no" for this question, proceed directly to the question indicated.				

The costs of your dwelling

1.	Did you personally live in this dwell that is, about a year ago?	ing at the point in time o	f our last s	urvey,	
	Yes Question 9!				
	No				
	$\hat{\mathbb{T}}$				
2.	What was the most important reasons!	•	elling?		
	Notice given by the pevious landlor	d			
	Acquired ownership of own dwelling	g			
	Inheritance / gift / transfer of proper				
	Work reasons				
	Family reasons:	Marriage			
		Separation / divorce			
		Moved out of parents'	home		
		Other family reason			
	Size and costs of the dwelling:				
	Previous dwelling too small				
	Previous dwelling too large				
	Costs of previous dwelling (rent,		ents) too h	igh.∟⊔	
	Other reasons related to the previo	•			
	Previous dwelling was poorly de				
	Previous dwelling was poorly lo				
	Previous dwelling was not acce				
	Previous dwelling was in a bad neighborhood New neighborhood better for my personal living situation				
	Other reasons				
	Please state:				
3.	How does your new dwelling compa	-			
	Is your new dwelling better, about the	ie same, or worse overai	i than the j	orevious one	9 (
	Please mark only one per row!		Better	About the	Worse
	What about		_	same	
	- costs (for example, rent)		Ц	∐	<u>Ц</u>
	- the size of the dwelling		∐	∐	
	 how the dwelling is designed, ed 	quipped		🖳	
	- the neighborhood				
	- living environment (noise, exhau	ust fumes, pollution)			
	- access to public transportation .				
	- relationships / contact with neig	hbors?			

4.	Since what month/year have you persoi					
		nally been living in this dwelling?				
	Month Year Year					
5.	How would you describe your neighborhood?					
	A residential area with mostly old build	ings				
	A residential area with mostly newer buildings					
	A mixed-use residential and commercial/industrial neighborhood					
	A commercial area (shops, banks, offices) with few residential dwellings					
	An industrial area with few residential of	dwellings				
6.	What kind of building do you live in?					
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		llings (one above the other)				
	•	g next to the other)				
		lwellings				
		wellings				
	Residential building containing 9 or mo	ore dwellings				
	High-rise building (9 or more stories)					
7.	Is it a boarding house or similar accomm	modation?				
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9.	Has the size of your dwelling changed within the last year, e.g., due to remodeling or changes in usage?		
	Yes		
	No		
	How large is the total living area of this dwelling?		m^2
11.	How many rooms does the dwelling have?		
	Include all rooms of 6m² or more but exclude kitchen and bathroom.		rooms
12.	What do you think about the total size of your dwelling? For the size of your household, is it		
	- much too small		
	- a bit too small		
	- just right		
	- a bit too large		
	− much too large?		
13.	How would you describe the condition of the building you live in?		
	In good condition		
	In need of partial renovation		
	In need of complete renovation		
	Near collapse		
14.	What amenities does your dwelling have? Does it have -	Yes	No
	- a kitchen	 	. <u> </u>
	- a bath or shower inside	 	. _
	- hot water, a boiler		.LJ
	 central heating or self-contained heating system within dwelling 	∟	.
	- floor heating (full or partial)	Ы	.LJ
	 balcony, terrace, porch 		.LJ
	- cellar, storage areas	L	. <u></u>
	- own yard, garden, access to yard or garden		.Ц
	- alarm system	Ц	
	- air conditioner (ventilation system)	∐	. <u> </u>
	- solar collector, solar energy system	<u>Ц</u>	. <u> </u>
	- other alternative energy source (e.g., geothermal heat pump)	∐	
	- elevator / lift inside building		

15.	Have you or your landlord made any of the following improvements to your dwelling since the beginning of 2011?
	Installed a kitchen
	Installed a bathtub, shower, toilet
	Installed central heating or self-contained Question 18!
	Installed new windows
	Installed insulation (e.g., wall, roof, basement ceiling)
	Made modifications to provide barrier-free access to the elderly (e.g., elevator, ramp, stair lift, bath)
	Other
16.	Who paid for these improvements—you or your landlord?
	Landlord
	Myself
	Both
17.	Did you do the work yourself or did you hire someone (a tradesperson, company, or technician) to do it?
	Myself
	Hired tradesperson, company, or technician
	Both
170	How much did this work cost your household?
IIa.	now much did this work cost your nousehold?
	euros
18.	Did this dwelling change ownership within the last year?
	Yes
19.	What kind of change in ownership occurred? I am / we are
	- now owner(s) because I / we
	− purchased the dwelling
	inherited or was/were given the dwelling.
	- no longer owner(s) because
	− I / we sold the dwelling
	gave / bequeathed it / otherstill tenants, but it is now owned by someone else
20.	The next questions deal with the costs of living in your dwelling. First the question: Are you the main tenant, subletter, or owner?
	Main tenant
	Subletter
	Owner Question 29!

For tenants only:

21.	Is the dwelling being provided to you at reduced rent by the owner, for example, your employer or a relative, or in exchange for building maintenance / janitorial work?
	Yes
22.	Is this dwelling government-subsidized housing (Sozialwohnung)?
	Yes, and it is still subsidized
	Yes, but it is no longer subsidized
	No
23.	What is your monthly rent?
	euros I don't pay rent Question 28!
24.	Are the heating costs (usually including hot water) included in the rent?
	Yes
25.	What are your monthly heating costs (including hot water)? If you don't know the exact amount, please estimate!
	euros Don't know
25a	What are your monthly electricity costs?
	euros Don't know
26.	Are other costs included in the rent, for example, water, garbage removal, etc.?
	Yes, included in full
	Yes, included in part euros per month Don't know.
	No
27.	How does your dwelling compare to similar dwellings with regards to rent? Is it –
	- very inexpensive
	- inexpensive
	about averagea bit too expensive
	- much too expensive?
28.	Who is the owner of the dwelling?
	Municipal government
	Professional organization or union
	My employer
	Private owner
	Don't know
	Skip now to question 38!

For homeowners only:

Do you still owe money, for example, on loans or a mortgage, for the dwelling / building you live in?	
Yes No	
What are your monthly payments including interest on this loan or mortgage? If you don't know the exact amount, please estimate! Please do the same for the next of	uestions.
Loan or mortgage payments and interest	euros per month
What were the maintenance costs for this dwelling / building in the last calendar year?	euros per <u>year</u>
What were your heating costs in the last calendar year?	euros per <u>year</u>
What were your electricity costs in the last calendar year?	euros per <u>year</u>
And what were the costs of water, garbage removal, street cleaning, etc. in the last calendar year?	euros per <u>year</u>
Do you pay fees for the management or maintenance of the building?	
Yes euros per month	
If you compare your dwelling with a rental dwelling, are these costs	
 very inexpensive	
And if you lived in this dwelling or building as a tenant: what do you estimate the monthly rent would be without heating costs?	
About euros per month Don't know	
Did you receive financial support through the government homeowners' assistance program to build / buy a private home (staatliche Eigenheimzulage) during the last calend How much financial support did you receive through this program in the year 2011? Yes	dar year?
	Yes

Now some more questions for everyone:

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38.	Did you or someone in your household receive income from letting or leasing property (land/dwelling) last year?				
	Please state actual income, not the value of tax subsidies fo	r owner-occupied housing.			
	Yes No	Question 42!			
	\uparrow				
39.	About what was your total income from letting and leasing last y	vear?			
	Please state the gross amount including savings for future maintenance / renovation	euros in the year 2011			
	savings for future maintenance / renovation	euros in the year 2011			
40.	What expenses did you have for the properties you let or leased				
	in the last calendar year? Please state separately:				
	Maintenance and repairs				
	Loan, mortgage, and interest payments	1			
	Maintenance costs	euros in the year 2011			
	Loan, mortgage, and interest payments	euros in the year 2011			
		. Garde III the year 2011			
41.	Will you be able to deduct these expenses from the last year from your taxes or declare them as losses? If so, how much?				
	If you don't know the exact amount, please estimate!	-			
	Yes	euros from the year 2011			
	No	,			
42.	Are you or is someone in your household currently paying back on loans that you took out for large purchases or other expendit				
	Please <u>do not include</u> loan, mortgage, or interest payments stated answer to previous questions.	in			
		Question 45!			
	Yes	1 h			
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43.	How much do you pay per month on these loans?				
	If you don't know the exact amount, please estimate!	-			
	Loan repayment (include interest payments)	euros per month			
44.	Does repaying these loans place a major burden on your housel a minor burden, or no burden at all?	hold,			
	Major burden				
	Minor burden				
	No burden				

45.	Did you or another member of the household own any or investment securities last year?	of the following savings
	Savings account (Sparbuch / Spargirokonto / Tagesgeldkonto)	No, none of these
	Savings plan to build a home (Bausparvertrag)] -
	Life insurance	Question 47!
	Fixed-interest securities (e.g., saving bonds, mortgage bonds, federal savings bonds)]
	Other securities (e.g., stocks, funds, bonds, equity options)	
	Company assets (in your own company, other companies)	
	Can you deduct loan repayments from your taxes for the last year? How much? If you don't know the exact amount, please es Yes	
46.	What was your total income from interest, dividends, a from <u>all</u> investments in the last calendar year?	and profits
	Last year euros	If you don't know the exact amount, please estimate according to the following list:
		less than 250 euros
		250 up to but less than 1,000 euros
	1	,000 up to but less than 2,500 euros
		2,500 up to but less than 5,000 euros
		i,000 up to but less than 10,000 euros
	10	0,000 euros or more
47.	Did you or another member of the household receive a sum of money or other assets (car, house, etc.) as an gift, or lottery winnings last year? We are referring here to money or other assets worth	inheritance,
		Question 49!
	<u>1</u>	
	as:	
	Inheritance	
	GiftL Lottery winnings	
48.	What was the value of these?	
	euros	

49.	Did you or one of the members of your family of the following benefits <u>last year</u> ?	receive any			
	<u></u> .	re	Number of months eceived in 201	Average amount 1 per month	_ (no supplementary
	Child benefit (Kindergeld, excluding supplementary child benefit, Kinderzuschlag)	Yes	\		child benefit) euros
	Supplementary child benefit (<i>Kinderzuschlag</i> , which is paid to low-income earners in addition to the child benefit, <i>Kindergeld</i>)	Yes	\		euros
	Unemployment benefit II, including social benefit and accomodation expenses (Arbeitslosengeld II einschließlich Sozialgeld und Unterkunftskosten)	Yes	\		euros
	Long-term care insurance benefits (Leistungen der Pflegeversicherung)	Yes	 		euros
	Monthly subsistence allowance / Assistance in special circumstances (Laufende Hilfe zum Lebensunterhalt / Hilfe in besonderen Lebenslagen)	Yes	\		euros
	Basic income support for the elderly / those with reduced earning capacity (Grundsicherung im Alter und bei Erwerbsminderung)	Yes \	\		euros
	Housing allowance (Wohngeld oder Lasten- zuschuss) if not included in unemployment benefit II / social assistance (Arbeitslosen- geld II / Sozialhilfe)	Yes	>		euros
50.	And what is the situation now? Are you or is a receiving any of the following types of govern			sehold <u>currently</u>	1
			Amount per n	no	
	Child benefit (Kindergeld, excluding supplementary child benefit, Kinderzuschlag)	Yes \	>	benefit euros for	children
	Supplementary child benefit (<i>Kinderzuschlag</i> , which is paid to low-income earners in addition to the child benefit, <i>Kindergeld</i>)	Yes \	>	euros	
	Unemployment benefit II, including social benefit and accomodation expenses (Arbeitslosengeld II einschließlich Sozialgeld und Unterkunftskosten)	Yes	>	euros	
	Long-term care insurance benefits (Leistungen der Pflegeversicherung)	Yes	>	euros	
	Monthly subsistence allowance / Assistance in special circumstances (Laufende Hilfe zum Lebensunterhalt / Hilfe in besonderen Lebenslagen)	Yes	>	euros	
	Basic income support for the elderly / those with reduced earning capacity (Grundsicherung im Alter und bei Erwerbsminderung)	Yes	>	euros	
	Housing allowance (Wohngeld oder Lasten- zuschuss) if not included in unemployment benefit II / social assistance (Arbeitslosen- geld II / Sozialhilfe)	Yes	>	euros	

51.	If you look at the total income of all of what is your monthly household income Please state the net monthly income Please include regular income such higher education, maintenance payr If you do not know the exact amount please estimate the amount per month.	ne today? e, which mee as pensions ments, etc. t,	ans after deductions and the control of the control	for taxes and social security. es, child benefits, grants for
52.	Do you usually have money left over a aside for larger purchases, emergencies of the so, how much?			u can put
	Yes			euros per month
53.	Are you able to pay your rent or mortg	age/interes	t payments withou	t any difficulty?
	Yes		apply, do not pay age/interest payme	
54.	Do you have any of the following in you see Please check all that apply and answer			olumn!
		Yes	Have any of the f bought in the las	t 12 months?
	– Car			
	Motorcycle, moped			
	Microwave oven			
	Dish washer			
	Washing machine			
	- Stereo			
	- Television			
	 DVD player with no recorder 	□ 🖒		
	- DVD recorder			
	- PC / personal computer	□ 🖒		
	 Internet connection of the following types: DSL, cable, power line, UMTS 	□⇒		
	- Other type of Internet connection .	□➪		
	- Telephone (landline)	□➪		
	- Cellular/mobile telephone	□➪		
	- Fax machine	□➪		
	- ISDN connection	□➪		

Does your household have ...?

55.	Does someone in your household need care or assistance on a constant basis due to age, sickness, or medical treatment?				
	Yes				
56.	Who is it, and which of the following activities does he or she need assistance in?				
	Please state the person's first name. If there is more than one person in need of care first name care in the household, please state the person most in need of care.				
	Needs assistance with				
	Errands outside the home				
	Running the household, preparing meals and drinks				
	Minor care, such as help with getting dressed, washing up, combing hair, shaving				
	Major care, such as getting in and out of bed, bowel movements				
57.	Does the person in need of care receive long-term care insurance benefits (Pflegeversicherung)?				
	Yes based on: care level 1 care level 2 care level 3				
	No				
58.	Who provides this person with the assistance he / she needs?				
	— relatives in the household				
	- community or church nurse, - Please give us the name of the person in the				
	medical social worker				
	- private care service				
	- friends				
	- neighbors				
	- relatives outside the household				
59.	Besides this person, are there other people in the household who are in need of assistance or care?				
	No ☐ ☐ ☐ other person(s)				
60.	Are there regular expenses for assistance or care?				
	Yes euros per month				
	Yes euros per month				
61.	Do you regularly or occasionally pay someone to provide household help?				
011	Voo regularly.				
	Yes, regularly How much do you pay per month on average?				
	No				

62.	Are there children born in 1996	or later living in your household?
	Yes	No
63.	What year were these children	oorn?
		th separately, starting with the oldest child n each subsequent child by age, ending with the youngest.
	Please state: First name	
	Year of birth	
64.	What school does your child co	<u> </u>
	Does not attend school	
		r- , the ng
		schule)
		le)
		asium)
		schule)
		/e)
	Other type of school	
65.	Does the child usually stay at school all day?	Yes
	at sonoor an aay.	No
66.	Does the child currently attend nursery school, daycare, pre-school, creche, etc.?	
	No, he/she does not attend any of these	Q.67
	Yes, approximately ⇒hours per day	
67.	Are there any other people who regularly take care of the case of the house of the	
	Yes, childcare provider outside the home (Tagesmutter)	
	-	
	Yes, friends/acquaintances/ne	ghbors
	No	

	Please write the names of your children again from the previous page:				
68.	Does your child currently participate in any of the following activities?				
	Children not yet attending school:				
	Children's gymnastics, sports, swimming				
	Early childhood music lessons				
	Artistic activities (painting for children, children's theater, etc.)				
	Other parent-child groups				
	No, none of the above				
	Children attending school:				
	Extra-curricular activities at school:				
	Sports club	_			
	Music club				
	Art club	_			
	Theater club				
	Other clubs			L	L
	Activities outside school:				
	Sports, dance, gymnastics, ballet				
	Music or singing lessons				
	Drawing or painting lessons				
	Youth fire department, Red Cross, or similar aid organziations				
	Youth groups (e.g., Pathfinders, church youth groups, environmental groups)				
	Regular visits to youth centers or youth houses				
	No, none of the above				
69.	How much do school, care, and the activities described above cost you?		1		
	Average monthly cost in euros	_			
	No costs	L		Ы	

Implementation of the interview

Α	What is the date today?
	Day Month
В	How was the interview conducted? Oral interview
	Respondent completed the questionnaire him/herself Please specify:
	– in the presence of the interviewer
	- in the absence of the interviewer
	Partly as an oral interview, partly him/herself
С	Duration of the interview:
	The oral (complete or partial) interview lasted minutes
	The respondent needed minutes to complete the questionnaire (please ask)
D	Other notes:
	Thank you!
	Please don't forget to complete the Individual Questionnaire!
	Listen-Nr. Lfd. Nr.
	Ich bestätige die korrekte
	Durchführung des Interviews:
	Abrechnungs-Nummer Unterschrift des Interviewers