

FSD2586 EVA Survey on Finnish Values and Attitudes 2010

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Abstract

The main themes of this survey were occupational life, working conditions in Finnish workplaces, national economy, employment, time use and work-life balance. Other topics included the significance of certain job characteristics and paid work in general.

First, the respondents were asked whether they agreed with a number of statements relating to working life and the Finnish society. The statements pertained, for instance, to job security, employment situation, financial crisis, equality, pension system, aging work force, income tax, entrepreneurship, trade unions, immigration and market economy.

The next set of questions probed views on the importance of certain job/work characteristics to the respondents. The characteristics mentioned included full-time work, permanent contract, flexible or regular working hours, supervisor/manager characteristics, autonomy at work, secure job, working atmosphere, interesting job, wage level, good career prospects etc.

One theme pertained to time use. The respondents were asked whether they would like to use more or less time on paid work, household work, family activities, friends, leisure time activities, and participation in political or voluntary activities.

A number of questions focused on perceptions of paid work, to what extent it was only a necessity to finance life and hobbies, to earn a living and to what extent it was a source for self-esteem, a privilege or a duty, whether it meant continuous physical or mental stress, unjust treatment, continuous change, solidarity with employer, possibility to demonstrate skills etc.

Finally, the respondents evaluated how likely it was that certain changes would take place in occupational life in Finland. The changes mentioned included, for instance, loss of permanent jobs, weakening of trade union influence, increase in part-time work, increase in entrepreneurship, new jobs in the service industry or in manufacturing, deteriorating working atmosphere, people working longer before retirement etc.

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Keywords

conditions of employment; immigration; job characteristics; occupational life; working conditions

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Topic Classification

sociology; sociology of work ([FSD Topics Classification](http://www.fsd.uta.fi/fi/aineistot/arkistointi/FSD_topcClas.html) (http://www.fsd.uta.fi/fi/aineistot/arkistointi/FSD_topcClas.html))

working conditions (CESSDA Topics Classification)

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Series Name

[EVA Surveys on Finnish Values and Attitudes](http://www.fsd.uta.fi/en/data/catalogue/series.html#evakans) (<http://www.fsd.uta.fi/en/data/catalogue/series.html#evakans>)

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Restrictions

Access to the data granted for scientific and teaching purposes. FSD's access application procedure.

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Data Collector

Yhdyskuntatutkimus: postal survey

Taloustutkimus: Internet survey

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Data Producer

Finnish Business and Policy Forum (EVA)

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Collection Date

19.1.2010 - 26.2.2010

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Nation

Finland

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Geographical Coverage

Finland

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Analysis Unit

Individual

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Universe

People aged between 18 and 70 living in Finland (excluding the Åland Islands)

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Sampling Procedure

The data consist of two separate samples. The first sample was the internet panel conducted by Taloustutkimus, with 2,048 respondents completing the questionnaire between 19 January and 1 February 2010. The second sample was the traditional simple random sample drawn from the Finnish population register (excluding the Åland Islands inhabitants) used for EVA surveys. In this sample the number of adequately completed posted questionnaires was 1,124 persons. Both samples received the same questions.

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Collection Mode

Postal survey and Internet survey

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Research Instrument

Structured questionnaire

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Time Method

Longitudinal: Trend/Repeated cross-section

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Collection Size

Data: SPSS portable file. Data available also in other file formats.

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Number of cases and variables

3172 cases and 114 variables

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Data version

1.1 (14.3.2012)

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Other Material

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Questionnaire: pdf file in Finnish

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Haavisto, Ilkka (2010). Työelämän kulttuurivallankumous. EVAn arvo- ja asennetutkimus 2010 [verkkodokumentti]. Helsinki: Taloustieto. <http://www.eva.fi/julkaisut/evan-arvo-ja-asennetutkimus-2010-tyoelaman-kulttuurivallankumous/667/> [viitattu 1.10.2010]

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