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ZA 6838

*Documentation of Questionnaire
(Preliminary Version)*

The German Longitudinal Election Study (GLES) is the central scientific survey programme in Germany for the continuous collection and provision of high-quality data for national and international election research. The methodologically diverse surveys of GLES make it possible to investigate the political attitudes and behaviors of voters and candidates. GLES has been carried out in close cooperation between the German Society for Electoral Studies (DGfW) and GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences. More information are available here: www.gles.eu.

The GLES Panel allows users to study intra-individual change in political attitudes and behaviors during the election campaign, as well as investigates long-term change between federal elections. It is a longitudinal survey of the same individuals of currently two different samples. Sample A, “2017 Election Campaign”, consists of respondents from the Short-term Campaign Panel of the GLES 2017, whereas Sample B, “2017 Pre- and Post-Election Cross-Section”, includes those respondents from the 2017 Pre- and Post-Election Cross-Section of GLES (ZA6802) who agreed to be re-interviewed in the GLES Panel. While respondents from Sample A have been interviewed up to fourteen times since the beginning of the data collection in autumn 2016, Wave 10 of the GLES Panel has been the first re-interview for respondents from Sample B. In addition, individuals recruited in profile wave a2 2020 were re-surveyed for the first time in wave 15 (sample A4). In the following, you will find some general information about the data sets and the documentation of the questionnaire of wave 16. From wave 13 onwards, both samples are surveyed solely in CAWI mode.

Please note:

This documentation of the questionnaire is a preliminary version and published before data release on the website of the German Longitudinal Election Study (GLES). Therefore, it might contain errors and adjustments might be necessary due to the data collection and processing. Preliminary English translations might change due in later revisions. Please do not cite before the data are released in the [data catalogue](#) of GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences. Information on data releases can be found on the [GLES website](#) or by signing up for the [GLES newsletter](#).

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Basic Information

Funding Agency	GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences
Data Collector	GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences

Date of Collection	Wave	Sample	Date of Collection
	Wave 16	A	2021-05-06 – 2021-05-19

Content Intention to vote und vote choice, political involvement, political attitudes, perceptions of problems, evaluations of political actors, sociodemographics, personality, corona crisis

Methodology

Geographic Coverage Germany (DE)

Universe [Sample A1-A3]

German population with Internet access eligible to vote in the 2017 federal elections.

[Sample A4]

German population with Internet access eligible to vote in the 2021 federal elections.

Selection [Sample A]

Quota sampling of the frame population of the Online-Access-Panel by age, gender and education.

Mode of Data Collection [Sample A]

Computer-assisted web-based interviews (CAWI)

Data access

Terms of access Data and documents are released for academic research and teaching: Category A.

Due to data protection regulations, some variables can also only be made available after signing an off-site data use agreement or can only be used on-site at the Secure Data Center (SDC) at GESIS (Cologne, Mannheim). If you are interested, please contact us at gles@gesis.org.

Notification of publications

To get an overview of the use of our data, we kindly request users of GLES-data to inform us about publications that utilize those data (biographic description, study no. of the dataset). Publications using GLES-data are listed in the official bibliography of the GLES project. In case of limited access to your publication (e.g. conference papers), we would highly appreciate if you could send us an electronic (PDF file, gles@gesis.org) or a print copy of your publication.

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Verification**Variables:** kp16_2291; kp16_2290; kp16_2293s**Waves:** 1-16,a1, a2**Topic:** Verification**Items:** Month of birth; Year of birth; Location of birth**Mode:** CAWI**Sample:** A**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

must answer: the following three questions are displayed on one screen; plausibility check: If no or invalid answers were given for month of birth, year of birth and/or location of birth, the following request follows: "One or more answers are invalid. Please answer all questions".

Question kp16_2291:

In what month were you born?

- Please select
- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June
- July
- August
- September
- October
- November
- December

Coding:

- (0) Please select
- (1) January
- (2) February
- (3) March
- (4) April
- (5) May
- (6) June
- (7) July
- (8) August
- (9) September
- (10) October
- (11) November
- (12) December

 (-95) not participated

Presentation:

Text field (single row) with four numerical digits; Plausibility check: Only exactly four numerical values are possible, no letters or special characters! Only entries between 1906 and 2003 are allowed. Text for plausibility check: "Please enter your year of birth in four digits".

Question kp16_2290:

Please enter the year you were born in.

Instructions:

Use four digits, e.g. 1978.

Coding:

(-95) not participated

Presentation:

Text field (single row); Field for answer with one character; Plausibility check: Only one letter (allow umlauts) and no number or punctuation is possible; Text for plausibility check: "Please enter the first letter of your location of birth."

Question kp16_2293s:

Please enter the first letter of your location of birth.

Instructions:

If you are not sure, enter the location of birth just as it is written on the front page of your ID card.

Coding:

(-95) not participated

Variables: kp16_2291_c2; kp16_2290_c2; kp16_2293s_c2

Waves: 1-16,a2

Topic: Verification

Items: Month of birth; Year of birth; Location of birth

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:

Sample A1/A2:

kp1_2291!=kp16_2291 | kp1_2290!=kp16_2290 | kp1_2293s!= kp16_2293s

Sample A3:

kpa1_2291!=kp16_2291 | kpa1_2290!=kp16_2290 | kpa1_2293s!= kp16_2293s

Sample A4:

Kpa2_2291!=kp16_2291 | kpa2_2290!=kp16_2290 | kpa2_2293s!= kp16_2293s

must answer: the following three questions are displayed on one screen.

Plausibility check: If no invalid answers were given for gender, month of birth, year of birth and/or location of birth, the following request follows: "One or more answers are missing. Please answer all questions." Display instruction text in red.

Instructions (left-justified and bold letters):

"Your answers do not match your answers from the first survey of the GLES-study. Please note that you can only participate in this survey if you identify yourself correctly just as you did the first time."

Presentation:

Single, closed response list

Question kp16_2291_c2:

What month were you born in?

Instructions:

Please select

- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June
- July
- August
- September
- October
- November
- December

Coding:

- (0) Please select
- (1) January
- (2) February
- (3) March
- (4) April
- (5) May
- (6) June
- (7) July
- (8) August
- (9) September
- (10) October
- (11) November
- (12) December

(-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-97) not applicable

Presentation:

Text field (single row) with two numerical digits

Question kp16_2290_c2:

Please enter the year you were born in.

19__

Coding:

(-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-97) not applicable

Presentation:

Text field (single row); Field for answer with one character; plausibility check: Only one letter and no numbers are possible; Text for plausibility check: "Please enter the first letter of your location of birth."

Question kp16_2293s_c2:

Please enter the first letter of your location of birth.

Instructions:

If you are not sure, enter the location of birth just as it is written on the front page of your ID card.

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Coding:

(-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-97) not applicable

[NOTE: Because the content of the verification variables has to be identical with the answer from the first wave of the respondent, the displayed variables are not included in the dataset but may be acquired on request.]

Variable: kp16_4280	Topic: Verification	Item: Reason for false verification code
Waves: 1-16	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:

Sample A1/A2:

(kp16_2293s_c2!=-97) & (kp1_2291!=kp16_2291_c2 | (kp1_2290!=kp16_2290_c2) |
(kp1_2293s!=kp16_2293s_c2)

Sample A3:

(kp16_2293s_c2!=-97) & (kpa1_2291!=kp16_2291_c2 | (kpa1_2290!=kp16_2290_c2) |
(kpa1_2293s!=kp16_2293s_c2)

Sample A4:

(kp16_2293s_c2!=-97) & (kpa2_2291!=kp16_2291_c2 | (kpa2_2290!=kp16_2290_c2) |
(kpa2_2293s!=kp16_2293s_c2)

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

The answers concerning your person do not match the answers from the first survey of the GLES-study. There are several possible reasons. Please select the reason that you think is most likely.

- I did not participate in the first part of the GLES-study.
- I may have made a typing error.
- I am sure that I gave the same answers as I did in the first part of the GLES-study.

Forwarding: Closing screen >> survey completed

Coding:

- (1) not participated
- (2) typing error
- (3) same answer

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

[NOTE: These verification variables are not included in the dataset but may be acquired on request.]

Variable: kp16_2280	Topic: Soziodemographie	Item: Gender
Waves: 1-16, a1, a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Presentation:

must answer; single response list (vertical); plausibility check: "Please state your gender."

Question:

Please state your gender.

- male
- female
- diverse

Coding:

- (1) male
- (2) female
- (3)diverse

General attitudes towards politics

Variable: kp16_010

Waves: 1-16,a1,a2

Mode: CAWI

Topic: General attitudes towards politics

Samples: A

Item: Interest in politics, in general

Filter:

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

Quite generally, how interested are you in politics?

- very interested
- somewhat interested
- in between
- not very interested
- not interested at all

Coding:

- (1) very interested
- (2) somewhat interested
- (3) in between
- (4) not very interested
- (5) not at all interested

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_011a-c

Waves: 10-16

Mode: CAWI

Topic: General attitudes towards politics

Samples: A

Item: Interest in politics,
election levels

Filter:

Presentation:

Matrix; if no federal state was indicated in the previous waves, just show "state level" at item B

Question:

And how interested are you in politics at federal, state, and European level?

- (A) Federal level
- (B) State level: *'display federal state from kp16_2601'*
- (C) European level

- very interested
- somewhat interested
- in between
- not very interested
- not interested at all

Coding:

- (1) very interested
- (2) somewhat interested
- (3) in between
- (4) not very interested
- (5) not at all interested

-
- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_170	Topic: Voting decision	Item: Intention to vote
Waves: 1-7,9-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Intro:

When elections are held a lot of people vote, others do not manage to vote or do not participate in elections for other reasons.

Question:

How likely is it that you will vote in the federal election on 26 September 2021?

Are you...

- certain to vote
- likely to vote
- might vote
- not likely to vote
- certain not to vote

Coding:

- (1) certain to vote
- (2) likely to vote
- (3) might vote
- (4) not likely to vote
- (5) certain not to vote

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_190a, b	Topic: Vote decision	Item: Vote intention: first/second vote
Waves: 1-7,9-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_170=1-3

Presentation:

Display sample ballot paper with first and second vote; down below "don't know"-category for first and second vote

Intro:

You have two votes in the federal election. The first vote is for a candidate in your local constituency, the second vote is for a party.

Question How will you mark your ballot?

(A) First vote:

- Candidate of the CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- Candidate of the SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- Candidate of the AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- Candidate of the FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Candidate of the Die Linke
- Candidate of the Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Candidate of the Other party

- Don't know yet

(B) Second vote:

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Other party

- Don't know yet

Coding:

(1) CDU/CSU

(4) SPD

(322) AfD

(5) FDP

(7) DIE LINKE

(6) GRÜNE

(801) other party

(-98) don't know

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[NOTE I: This variable and the variables kp16_192a,b were recoded into the variables kp16_190aa/kp16_190ab and kp16_190ba/kp16_190bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).

Variable: kp16_192a

Waves: 1-7,9-16,a1,a2

Mode: CAWI

Topic: Voting decision

Samples: A

Item: Vote intention: first vote, other party

Filter: kp16_190a=801

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

And who will you vote for with your FIRST vote?

Candidate of...

- BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)
- Bündnis C – Christen für Deutschland
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- DIE RECHTE – Partei für Volksabstimmung, Souveränität und Heimatschutz
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- Freie Wähler (FW)
- LKR – Bernd Lucke und die Liberal-Konservativen Reformer
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

Coding:

- (120) BIG
- (351) Bündnis C
- (349) DiB
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (323) DIE RECHTE
- (171) FAMILIE
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (331) LKR
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (225) REP
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (801) other party

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_190a were recoded into the variables kp16_190aa and kp16_190ab in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_192b	Topic: Voting decision	Item: Vote intention: second vote, other party
Waves: 1-7,9-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_190b=801

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

And which party will you vote for with your SECOND vote?

- BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)
- Bündnis C – Christen für Deutschland
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- DIE RECHTE – Partei für Volksabstimmung, Souveränität und Heimatschutz
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- Freie Wähler (FW)
- LKR – Bernd Lucke und die Liberal-Konservativen Reformer
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

Coding:

- (120) BIG
- (351) Bündnis C
- (349) DiB
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (323) DIE RECHTE
- (171) FAMILIE
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (331) LKR
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (225) REP
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (801) other party

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_190b were recoded into the variables kp16_190ba and kp16_190bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_221a,c-g,i

Waves: 1,3-9,14,16,a2

Topic: Voting decision

Item: Consideration Set

Mode: CAWI

Samples: A/B

Filter: (kp16_190b=1-322) | (kp16_192b=120-351) >> Receive into and question
kp16_190b=801 & (kp16_192b= -99 | kp16_192b=801) >> Do not receive any intro but ONLY the question

Presentation:

Standard matrix, Column labels as coding labels

The party that was chosen for the second vote in kp16_190b or kp16_192b, must not appear in the answering options.

Intro:

You said that you want to cast your second vote for (insert party).

Question:

Are there any other parties you would consider for your second vote?

- (A) CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- (C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- (I) AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- (D) FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- (F) Die Linke [labelled in dataset as "DIE LINKE"]
- (E) Bündnis 90/Die Grünen [labelled in dataset as "GRÜNE"]
- (G) other party

Coding:

- (1) would consider
- (2) would rather consider
- (3) would rather not consider
- (4) would not consider

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_211a,c-g,i

Waves: 1,3-9,14,16,a2

Topic: Voting decision

Item: Consideration Set, hypothetical

Mode: CAWI

Samples: A

Filter: kp16_170=4-5,-99 >> Question 1
(kp16_190b= -98 | -99) >> Question 2

Presentation:

Standard matrix

Question 1:

Let's assume you would take part in the election. Which party would you consider for your second vote?

Question 2:

Which parties would you consider for your second vote?

- (A) CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- (C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- (I) AfD (Alternative für Deutschland) (D) FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- (F) Die Linke [labelled in dataset as "DIE LINKE"]
- (E) Bündnis 90/Die Grünen [labelled in dataset as "GRÜNE"]
- (G) other party

Coding:

- (1) would consider
- (2) would probably consider
- (3) would probably not consider
- (4) would not consider

-
- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_380**Waves:** 3-7,16**Topic:** Involvement in election campaign**Item:** Interest in the outcome of
the Election**Mode:** CAWI**Sample:** A**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

How important is the outcome of the upcoming federal election to you personally?

- very important
- somewhat important
- in between
- not very important
- not important at all

Coding:

- (1) very important
- (2) somewhat important
- (3) in between
- (4) not very important
- (5) not important at all

-
- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_730

Waves: 1-8,10-16,a1,a2

Topic: Party ratings in general

Item: Scalometer government

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:

Presentation:

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "not at all satisfied" and +5 "completely satisfied"

Question:

Are you more satisfied or less satisfied with the performance of the government of CDU/CSU and SPD?

Coding:

(1) -5 not at all satisfied

(2) -4

(3) -3

(4) -2

(5) -1

(6) 0

(7) +1

(8) +2

(9) +3

(10) +4

(11) +5 completely satisfied

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_731a-c

Waves: 1-8,10-16,a1,a2

Topic: Party ratings in general

Item: Scalometer governing parties

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:

Presentation:

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "not at all satisfied" and +5 "completely satisfied"

Question:

And considering each of the governing parties separately, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with their performance? How satisfied are you with the performance of the...?

(A) CDU (Christlich Demokratische Union)

(B) CSU (Christlich Soziale Union)

(C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)

Coding:

(1) -5 not at all satisfied

(2) -4

(3) -3

(4) -2

(5) -1

(6) 0

(7) +1

(8) +2

(9) +3

(10) +4

(11) +5 completely satisfied

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_780	Topic: Valence issues	Item: Personal economic situation, current
Waves: 1,3,5,6,8,10-16,a2	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical), italicize "own".

Intro:

Now, let us shift attention to your economic situation.

Question:

How would you evaluate your *own* current economic situation?

- very good
- good
- neither good nor bad
- bad
- very bad

Coding:

- (1) very good
- (2) good
- (3) neither good nor bad
- (4) bad
- (5) very bad

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_770	Topic: Valence issues	Item: Responsibility for personal economic Situation
Waves: 5,6,8,10-16,a2	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_780=1-5

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

To what extent do you think that the federal government's policies are responsible for your economic situation?

- a great deal
- a fair amount
- moderately
- not very much
- not at all

- don't know

Coding:

- (1) a great deal
- (2) a fair amount
- (3) moderately
- (4) not very much
- (5) not at all

(-98) don't know

- (-93) not asked, terminated
- (-95) not participated
- (-97) not applicable
- (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_790

Waves: a2,14,15,16

Mode: CAWI

Topic: Valence issues

Sample: A

Item: Personal economic situation, future

Filter:**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical), italicize "own".

Question:

What do you think your own economic situation will be a year from now?

- Improved considerably
- Improved somewhat
- Remained the same
- Deteriorated somewhat
- Deteriorated considerably

Coding:

- (1) Improved considerably
 - (2) Improved somewhat
 - (3) Remained the same
 - (4) Deteriorated somewhat
 - (5) Deteriorated considerably
-

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_820

Waves: 1,3,5,6,8,10-16,a2

Mode: CAWI

Topic: Valence issues

Sample: A

Item: General economic situation, current

Filter:**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

How would you evaluate the current general economic situation in Germany?

- very good
- good
- neither good nor bad
- bad
- very bad

Coding:

- (1) very good
- (2) good
- (3) neither good nor bad
- (4) bad
- (5) very bad

-
- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_810	Topic: Valence issues	Item: Responsibility for general economic situation
Waves: 5,6,8,10-16,a2	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_820=1-5

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

To what extent do you think that the government's policies are responsible for the general economic situation in Germany?

- a great deal
- a fair amount
- moderately
- not very much
- not at all
- don't know

Coding:

- (1) a great deal
- (2) a fair amount
- (3) moderately
- (4) not very much
- (5) not at all

- (-98) don't know

-
- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_830	Topic: Valence issues	Item: General economic situation, future
Waves: 14,15,16,a2		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	

Filter:**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

What do you think the general economic situation in Germany will be a year from now?

- Improved considerably
- Improved somewhat
- Remained the same
- Deteriorated somewhat
- Deteriorated considerably

Coding:

- (1) Improved considerably
- (2) Improved somewhat
- (3) Remained the same
- (4) Deteriorated somewhat
- (5) Deteriorated considerably

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-99) no answer

Strategic Voting

Variable: kp16_910a-c, e-h	Topic: Strategic Voting	Item: Scalometer coalitions
Waves: 3,5-10,16	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix; Scale: -5 to +5 with numerical label; with zero point; Label: -5 "not desirable at all", +5 "very desirable"

Intro:

Now we would like to ask a question about the possible composition of the federal government after the next federal election.

Question:

Regardless of which coalition governs and how likely the following coalitions are at the moment, how desirable are these coalition governments at federal level for you personally?

- (A) Coalition of CDU/CSU and SPD
- (B) Coalition of CDU/CSU and FDP
- (C) Coalition of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen and SPD
- (E) Coalition of CDU/CSU and Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- (F) Coalition of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, SPD and FDP
- (G) Coalition of CDU/CSU, Bündnis 90/Die Grünen and FDP
- (H) Coalition of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, SPD and Die Linke

Coding:

- (1) -5 not desirable at all
- (2) -4
- (3) -3
- (4) -2
- (5) -1
- (6) 0
- (7) +1
- (8) +2
- (9) +3
- (10) +4
- (11) +5 very desirable

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_962a-c,e-h	Topic: Strategic Voting	Item: Expected coalition
Waves: 3,5-7,16	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix; "don't know"- category is settled out a bit

Question:

Imagine that the following parties had a majority in the Bundestag after the 2017 federal election. Do you think that these parties would then be willing to enter into a coalition with each other?

- (A) Coalition of CDU/CSU and SPD
- (B) Coalition of CDU/CSU and FDP
- (C) Coalition of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen and SPD
- (E) Coalition of CDU/CSU and Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- (F) Coalition of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, SPD and FDP
- (G) Coalition of CDU/CSU, Bündnis 90/Die Grünen and FDP
- (H) Coalition of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, SPD and Die Linke

Coding:

- (1) definitely not
- (2) probably not
- (3) maybe
- (4) probably
- (5) definitely

- (-98) don't know

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_020	Topic: General attitudes towards politics	Item: Satisfaction with Democracy
Waves: 1,5,8-10,12,14,15,16,a2		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	

Filter:**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

On the whole, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way democracy works in Germany?

- very satisfied
- fairly satisfied
- neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- not very satisfied
- not at all satisfied

Coding:

- (1) very satisfied
- (2) fairly satisfied
- (3) neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- (4) not very satisfied
- (5) not at all satisfied

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_160a,b,j,k,o,p,q	Topic: General attitudes towards politics	Item: Confidence in institutions
Waves: 2,8-10,12,14,15,16,a1		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

Intro:

Let's talk about the following public institutions.

Question:

Please state if you trust these institutions or not.

How about ...

- (A) the Bundestag?
- (B) the Federal Constitutional Court?
- (J) the German armed forces?
- (P) the media?
- (Q) the police?

Coding:

- (1) I do not trust at all
- (2) I rather do not trust
- (3) neither trust nor distrust
- (4) I rather trust
- (5) I fully trust

(-93) not asked, terminated
(-95) not participated
(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_5021

Waves: 1,5,7-10,12,14,15,16,a2

Topic: General attitudes towards politics

Item: Difference parties

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

Question:

Thinking about the current political discussions, how large would you say the differences between the parties are?

Coding:

- (1) 1 no differences at all
- (2) 2
- (3) 3
- (4) 4
- (5) 5 major differences

(-93) not asked, terminated
(-95) not participated
(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_5020	Topic: General attitudes towards politics	Item: Difference government
Waves: 1,5,7-10,12,14,15,16a2		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

Question:

Some people say that it makes a big difference who is in power in Berlin. Others say that it doesn't make any difference who is in power. How about you?

Coding:

- (1) 1 It doesn't make any difference who is in power.
- (2) 2
- (3) 3
- (4) 4
- (5) 5 It makes a big difference who is in power.

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Party ratings in general

Variable: kp16_430a-f,i	Topic: Party ratings in general	Item: Scalometer parties
Waves: 1-16, a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "I do not think much of the party at all" and +5 "I think a great deal of the party". "haven't heard of" settled out a bit

Question:

What do you think of the different parties in general?

Instructions:

Please use a scale from -5 to +5.

- (A) CDU (Christlich Demokratische Union)
- (B) CSU (Christlich-Soziale Union)
- (C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- (I) AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- (D) FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- (F) Die Linke [labelled in dataset as "DIE LINKE"]
- (E) Bündnis 90/Die Grünen [labelled in dataset as "GRÜNE"]

Coding:

(1) -5 I do not think much of the party at all

(2) -4

(3) -3

(4) -2

(5) -1

(6) 0

(7) +1

(8) +2

(9) +3

(10) +4

(11) +5 I think a great deal of the party

(-71) haven't heard of [labelled in dataset as "subject unknown"]

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Candidates**Variable:** kp16_650 a, s, b1, j1, o1, e2, f2 g2**Waves:** 1-16,a1,a2**Topic:** Candidates**Item:** Scalometer politicians**Mode:** CAWI**Samples:** A**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "I do not think much of the person at all", +5 "I think a great deal of the person"; "haven't heard of"- category is settled out a bit

Question:

Screen 1: Please state what you think of some leading politicians.

Screen 2: And what do you think of the following politicians?

Screen 1:

(A) Angela Merkel

(B1) Armin Laschet

(F2) Annalena Baerbock

(O1) Olaf Scholz

Screen 2:

(S) Christian Lindner

(J1) Alexander Gauland

(E2) Saskia Esken

(G2) Dietmar Bartsch

Coding:

- (1) -5 I do not think much of the person at all
- (2) -4
- (3) -3
- (4) -2
- (5) -1
- (6) 0
- (7) +1
- (8) +2
- (9) +3
- (10) +4
- (11) +5 I think a great deal of the person

(-71) haven't heard of [labelled in dataset as "subject unknown"]

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_661a1-d1,t1

Waves: 3,5,16

Topic: Candidates

Item: Attributes of chancellor candidates, Laschet

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter: kp16_650b1!=-71

Presentation:

Standard matrix

Question:

To what extent do the following statements apply or not apply to Armin Laschet?

(A1) He is assertive.

(B1) He is trustworthy.

(C1) He is a likeable person.

(D1) He has reasonable ideas about how to boost the economy.

(T1) He represents the values and political views of the CDU/CSU.

Coding:

- (1) does not apply at all
- (2) rather does not apply
- (3) neither applies nor does not apply
- (4) rather applies
- (5) applies completely

(-98) don't know

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_661e1-h1,u1	Topic: Candidates	Item: Attributes of chancellor candidates, Scholz
Waves: 3,5,16	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_650o1!=-71

Presentation:

Standard matrix

Question:

To what extent do the following statements apply or not apply to Olaf Scholz?

(E1) He is assertive.

(F1) He is trustworthy.

(G1) He is a likeable person.

(H1) He has reasonable ideas about how to boost the economy.

(U1) He represents the values and political views of the SPD.

Coding:

(1) does not apply at all

(2) rather does not apply

(3) neither applies nor does not apply

(4) rather applies

(5) applies completely

(-98) don't know

 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_661i1-l1, v1	Topic: Candidates	Item: Attributes of chancellor candidates, Baerbock
Waves: 3,5,16	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_650f2!=-71

Presentation:

Standard matrix

Question:

To what extent do the following statements apply or not apply to Annalena Baerbock?

(I1) She is assertive.

(J1) She is trustworthy.

(K1) She is a likeable person.

(L1) She has reasonable ideas about how to boost the economy.

(V1) She represents the values and political views of the CDU/CSU.

Coding:

(1) does not apply at all

(2) rather does not apply

(3) neither applies nor does not apply

(4) rather applies

(5) applies completely

(-98) don't know

 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_671	Topic: Candidates	Item: Preferred chancellor
Waves: 2-8,16	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		
Filter:		
Presentation:		
Single response list (vertical)		
Question wave 8:		
Who would you prefer to see as chancellor?		
- Armin Laschet		
- Olaf Scholz		
- Annalena Baerbock		
- none of them		
Coding:		
(1) Armin Laschet		
(2) Olaf Scholz		
(3) Annalena Baerbock		
(3) none of them		

(-93) not asked, terminated		
(-95) not participated		
(-99) no answer		

Variable: kpX_070a,b,g	Topic: General attitudes towards politics	Item: Other forms of participation, retrospective
Wave: 2,16	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		
Filter:		
Presentation:		
Standard matrix		
Question:		
If you think back over the last twelve months, did you do any of the following to exercise political influence and to assert your point of view?		
(A) Took part in a community action group.		
(B) Took part in a demonstration.		
(G) Supported the election campaign of a political party or candidate.		
Coding:		
(1) yes		
(2) no		

(-93) not asked, terminated		
(-95) not participated		
(-99) no answer		

Valence issues**Variable:** kp16_840s**Waves:** 1-16,a1,a2**Mode:** CAWI**Topic:** Valence issues**Samples:** A**Item:** Most important problem**Filter:****Presentation:**

Text field (two rows) with optical 50 characters per row, no maximum limited number of characters; italicize "only one"

Intro:

You will now be asked about the two most important problems.

Question:

In your opinion, what is the most important problem facing Germany today?

Instructions:

Please mention *only one* problem.

Coding:

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_850**Waves:** 1-16,a1,a2**Topic:** Valence issues**Item:** Ability to solve the most important problem**Mode:** CAWI**Samples:** A**Filter:** kp16_840s!=-99**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

And which party is best able to handle this problem?

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- all parties equally good
- no party

Coding:

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (4) SPD
- (322) AfD
- (5) FDP
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (6) GRÜNE
- (801) other party
- (809) all parties equally good
- (808) no party

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_851 were recoded into the variables kp16_850a and kp16_850b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_851	Topic: Valence issues	Item: Ability to solve the most important problem, other party
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2		
Mode: CAWI	Samples: A	

Filter: kp16_850=801

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

And which of these parties is best able to handle this problem?

- BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit) –
- Bündnis C – Christen für Deutschland
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- DIE RECHTE – Partei für Volksabstimmung, Souveränität und Heimatschutz
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- Freie Wähler (FW)
- LKR – Bernd Lucke und die Liberal-Konservativen Reformer
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

Coding:

- (120) BIG
- (351) Bündnis C
- (349) DiB
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (323) DIE RECHTE
- (171) FAMILIE
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (331) LKR
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (225) REP
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (801) other party

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_850 were recoded into the variables kp16_850a and kp16_850b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_860s	Topic: Valence issues	Item: Second most important problem
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_840s != -99

Presentation:

Text field (two rows) with optical 50 characters per row, no maximum limited number of characters; italicize "only one"

Question:

In your opinion, what is the second most important problem facing Germany today?

Instructions:

Please mention *only one* problem.

Coding:

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_870	Topic: Valence issues	Item: Ability to solve the second most important problem
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_860s != -97 | kp16_860s != -99

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

And which party is best able to handle this problem?

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- all parties equally good
- no party

Coding:

(1) CDU/CSU
 (4) SPD
 (322) AfD
 (5) FDP
 (7) DIE LINKE
 (6) GRÜNE
 (801) other party
 (809) all parties equally good
 (808) no party

 (-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-97) not applicable
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_871 were recoded into the variables kp16_870a and kp1_870b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_871	Topic: Valence issues	Item: Ability to solve the second most important problem, other party
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_870=801

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

And which of these parties is best able to handle this problem?

- BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)
 - Bündnis C – Christen für Deutschland
 - DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
 - Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
 - DIE RECHTE – Partei für Volksabstimmung, Souveränität und Heimatschutz
 - FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
 - Freie Wähler (FW)
 - LKR – Bernd Lucke und die Liberal-Konservativen Reformer
 - NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
 - ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
 - PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
 - REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)
 - Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
 - other party

Coding:

(120) BIG
 (351) Bündnis C
 (349) DiB
 (151) Die PARTEI
 (323) DIE RECHTE
 (171) FAMILIE
 (180) FREIE WAHLER
 (331) LKR
 (206) NPD
 (209) ödp
 (215) PIRATEN
 (225) REP
 (237) Tierschutzpartei
 (801) other party

 (-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-97) not applicable
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_870 were recoded into the variables kp16_870a and kp16_870b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_4046

Waves: 16

Mode: CAWI

Topic: Corona Crisis

Samples: A

Item: Corona: Government

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "not at all satisfied" and +5 "completely satisfied"

Intro:

And now a few questions about the corona crisis.

Question:

How satisfied are you with the work of the federal government in combatting the corona crisis?

Coding:

(1) -5 not at all satisfied
 (2) -4
 (3) -3
 (4) -2
 (5) -1
 (6) 0
 (7) +1
 (8) +2
 (9) +3
 (10) +4
 (11) +5 completely satisfied

 (-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This question was taken from the GLES Tracking (T48)].

Variable: kp16_4045a-e

Waves: 13-16,a2

Topic: Corona Crisis

Item: Corona measures

Mode: CAWI

Samples: A

Filter:

Presentation:

Standard matrix

Question:

Do you think that in the following respects the federal government has taken too few or too many measures to combat the corona crisis?

- (A) Ensuring medical care
- (B) Restricting public life, e.g., closing shops and public facilities
- (C) Reducing economic damage
- (D) Communicating with the population
- (E) Vaccination of the population

Coding:

- (1) too few
- (2) rather too few
- (3) just right
- (4) rather too many
- (5) too many

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

[Note: The question is an adaptation from the GESIS Panel Special Survey on the Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 Outbreak in Germany from 17 to 29 March 2020.]

Variable: kp16_4043a-d**Waves:** 13-16**Topic:** Corona Crisis**Item:** Infection**Mode:** CAWI**Samples:** A**Filter:****Presentation:**

Multiple selection one below the other; Plausibility check cannot be ignored if "No" is selected with one of the other answer options: The answer "No" cannot be chosen together with other answer options. Please correct your answer."

Question:

Have you or people close to you become infected with coronavirus? Please click on all applicable answer options.

- (a) No.
- (b) Yes, I have become infected.
- (c) Yes, people in my immediate family have become infected.
- (d) Yes, people in my immediate circle of friends have become infected.

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_4044**Waves:** 13-16**Topic:** Corona Crisis**Item:** Financial losses**Mode:** CAWI**Samples:** A**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

Did you personally suffer financial losses in the Corona crisis?

- (1) No.
- (2) Yes, to a small degree.
- (3) Yes, to a substantial degree.
- (4) yes, to an extent threatening my existence

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_342a,b	Topic: Voting decision	Item: Fair election
Wave: 8,16		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	

Filter:**Intro:**

Here are some statements on the election campaign and the 2021 federal election with which some people agree, while others do not.

Question:

Please state to what extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

(A) During the election campaign, all parties will have a fair chance to present their positions to the eligible voters.

(B) The federal election is conducted properly and fairly by the competent authorities.

(C) Voting by postal ballot is a secure procedure.

Coding:

- (1) strongly disagree
- (2) disagree
- (3) neither agree nor disagree
- (4) agree
- (5) strongly agree

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_050a,e,h,k,l,, kp116_2880be	Topic: General attitudes towards politics	Item: Efficacy and duty to vote
Waves: 1,5,8,9,14,16,a2		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

Intro:

And how much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Question:

Please state to what extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

(A) Politicians care about what ordinary people think.

(E) Politicians try to get in close contact with the population.

(H) I have the confidence to take active part in a discussion about political issues.

(K) I am perfectly able to understand and assess important political questions.

(BE) To make sure that this survey is being filled out by a human, please click here on 'disagree'.

(L) In a democracy, it is the duty of all citizens to vote regularly in elections.

Coding:

- (1) strongly disagree
- (2) disagree
- (3) neither agree nor disagree
- (4) agree
- (5) strongly agree

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_1600**Waves:** 1,3-8,16,a2**Mode:** CAWI**Topic:** Media use**Sample:** A**Item:** Internet use, politically current**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical), italicize "past week"

Question:On how many days during the *past week* did you use the Internet to inform yourself about politics?

- not at all
- on one day
- on 2 days
- on 3 days
- on 4 days
- on 5 days
- on 6 days
- on 7 days

Coding:

- (1) 0 days
- (2) 1 day
- (3) 2 days
- (4) 3 days
- (5) 4 days
- (6) 5 days
- (7) 6 days
- (8) 7 days

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_680a1,b1,c1	Topic: Political positions	Item: Left-right assessment, chancellor candidates
Waves: 3,6,16		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	
Filter:		
kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 1 and only item (A1)		
kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 2 and only item (B1)		
kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 3 and only item (C1)		
kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1) and item (B1)		
kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1) and item (C1)		
kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (B1) and item (C1)		
kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1), item (B1) and item (C1)		
Presentation:		
Standard matrix with numerical label; additionally, label of the endpoints "1 left" and "11 right"; "don't know"- category is settled out a bit		
Intro:		
In politics people often talk about "left" and "right".		
Question 1:		
Where would you rank Armin Laschet?		
Question 2:		
Where would your rank Olaf Scholz?		
Question 3:		
Where would your rank Annalena Baerbock?		
Question 3:		
Where would you rank the chancellor candidates?		
(A1) Armin Laschet		
(B1) Olaf Scholz		
(C1) Annalena Baerbock		
Coding:		
(1) 1 left		
(2) 2		
(3) 3		
(4) 4		
(5) 5		
(6) 6		
(7) 7		
(8) 8		
(9) 9		
(10) 10		
(11) 11 right		
(-98) don't know		

(-93) not asked, terminated		
(-95) not participated		
(-97) not applicable		
(-99) no answer		

Variable: kp16_1500**Waves:** 1-4,6,7,10-16,a1**Topic:** Political positions**Item:** Left-right self-assessment**Mode:** CAWI**Sample:** A**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix with numerical label from 1 to 11; label of endpoints from "1 left" to "11 right"; Display intro only if all three candidates are unknown (kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71); don't know"- category is settled out a bit

Intro:

In politics people often talk about "left" and "right".

Question:

Where would you place yourself?

- 1 left
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10
- 11 right

- don't know

Coding:

- (1) 1 left
- (2) 2
- (3) 3
- (4) 4
- (5) 5
- (6) 6
- (7) 7
- (8) 8
- (9) 9
- (10) 10
- (11) 11 right

(-98) don't know

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_1280a1,b1,c1

Waves: 16

Topic: Candidates **Item:** Climate change, chancellor candidates

Modus: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 1 and only item (A1)

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 2 and only item (B1)

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 3 and only item (C1)

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1) and item (B1)

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1) and item (C1)

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (B1) and item (C1)

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1), item (B1)

and item (C1)

Presentation:

Standard matrix; seven-point-scale without numerical label; label of endpoints: "fight against climate change should take precedence, even if it impairs economic", "economic growth should take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change"; don't know"- category is settled out a bit

Intro:

Some say that the fight against climate change should definitely take precedence, even if it impairs economic growth. Others say that the economic growth should definitely take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change.

Question 1:

Where does Armin Laschet stand on "economic growth and the fight against climate change"?

Question 2:

Where does Olaf Scholz stand on "economic growth and the fight against climate change"?

Question 3:

Where does Annalena Baerbock stand on "economic growth and the fight against climate change"?

Question 4:

Where do the chancellor candidates stand on "economic growth and the fight against climate change"?

(A1) Armin Laschet

(B1) Olaf Scholz

(C1) Annalena Baerbock

Coding:

(1) 1 fight against climate change should take precedence, even if it impairs economic growth

(2) 2

(3) 3

(4) 4

(5) 5

(6) 6

(7) 7 economic growth should take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change

(-98) don't know

(-93) Interview abgebrochen

(-95) nicht teilgenommen

(-97) trifft nicht zu

(-99) keine Angabe

Variable: kp16_1290

Waves: 1-2,4,7,8,10-16,a1

Topic: Political positions

Item: Climate change, ego

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:

kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive Question 1;

!(kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71)>> Receive Question 2

Presentation:

Standard matrix; seven-point-scale without numerical label; label of endpoints: "fight against climate change should take precedence, even if it impairs economic", "economic growth should take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change"

Question 1:

Some say that the fight against climate change should definitely take precedence, even if it impairs economic growth. Others say that the economic growth should definitely take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change.

What is your personal view on this issue?

Question2:

What is your personal view on climate change and economic growth?

- fight against climate change should take precedence, even if it impairs economic growth

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- economic growth should take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change

Coding:

(1) 1 fight against climate change should take precedence, even if it impairs economic growth

(2) 2

(3) 3

(4) 4

(5) 5

(6) 6

(7) 7 economic growth should take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_1080a1,b1,c1	Topic: Political positions	Item: Socio-economic dimension, chancellor candidates
Waves: 3,6,16		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	

Filter:

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive intro, question 1 and only item (A1)
 kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive intro, question 2 and only item (B1)
 kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 3 and only item (C1)
 kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1) and item (B1)
 kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1) and item (C1)
 kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (B1) and item (C1)
 kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1), item (B1)
 and Item (C1)

Presentation:

Standard matrix; scale without numerical labels; only labels at the endpoints "lower taxes, although this results in less social services" and "more social services, although this results in raising taxes"; "don't know"-category is settled out a bit

Intro:

Some people prefer lower taxes, although this results in less social services. Others prefer more social services, although this results in raising taxes.

Question 1:

What is Armin Laschet's position on taxes and social services?

Question 2:

What is Olaf Scholz's position on taxes and social services?

Question 3:

What is Annalena Baerbock's position on taxes and social services?

Question 4:

What are the positions of the chancellor candidates on taxes and social services?

- (A1) Armin Laschet
- (B1) Olaf Scholz
- (C1) Annalena Baerbock

Coding:

- (1) 1 lower taxes, although this results in less social services
- (2) 2
- (3) 3
- (4) 4
- (5) 5
- (6) 6
- (7) 7 more social services, although this results in raising taxes

(-98) don't know

 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_1090

Waves: 1-4,a1,6-8,10-16,a2 **Topic:** Political positions

Item: Socio-economic dimension, ego

Mode: CAWI **Sample:** A

Filter:

kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive Question 1;

!(kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71)>> Receive Question 2

Presentation:

Standard matrix; seven-point-scale without numerical label; label of endpoints: "lower taxes, although this results in less social services" and "more social services, although this results in raising taxes";

Question1:

Some people prefer lower taxes, although this results in less social services. Others prefer more social services, although this results in raising taxes.

What is your opinion on this issue?

Question2:

What is your personal view on taxes and social services?

- lower taxes, although this results in less social services

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- more social services, although this results in raising taxes

Coding:

(1) 1 lower taxes, although this results in less social services

(2) 2

(3) 3

(4) 4

(5) 5

(6) 6

(7) 7 more social services, although this results in raising taxes

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_1120a1,b1,c1	Topic: Political positions	Item: Libertarian-authoritarian dimension, chancellor candidates
Waves: 3,6,16		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	

Filter:

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive intro, question 1 and only item (A1)
 kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive intro, question 2 and only item (B1)
 kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 3 and only item (C1)
 kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1) and item (B1)
 kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1) and item (C1)
 kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (B1) and item (C1)
 kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1), item (B1) and item (C1)

Presentation:

Standard matrix; scale without numerical labels; only labels at the endpoints "immigration for foreigners should be easier" and "immigration for foreigners should be more difficult"; "don't know"- category is settled out a bit

Intro:

Let's turn to the issue of immigration. Should it be easier or more difficult for foreigners to immigrate?

Question 1:

What is Armin Laschet's position on immigration of foreigners?

Question 2:

What is Olaf Scholz's position on immigration of foreigners?

Question 3:

What is Annalena Baerbock's position on immigration of foreigners?

Question 4:

What are the positions of the chancellor candidates on immigration of foreigners?

- (A1) Armin Laschet
- (B1) Olaf Scholz
- (C1) Annalena Baerbock

Coding:

- (1) 1 immigration for foreigners should be easier
- (2) 2
- (3) 3
- (4) 4
- (5) 5
- (6) 6
- (7) 7 immigration for foreigners should be more difficult

(-98) don't know

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_2880t,ba,bb,bc

Waves: 1-11,13-16,a2

Topic: Political positions

Item: Ego positions

Mode: CAWI

Samples: A

Filter:

Presentation:

Standard-Matrix

Intro:

Now we come to your assessment of political issues. You may agree more or less with the following statements.

Question:

Please state to what extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

(BC) Health protection must take priority over promoting economic growth.

(T) The state should save companies with many jobs from insolvency.

(BA) The state should take on more debt.

(BB) In emergency situations, it is justified for the state to restrict civil liberties.

Coding:

(1) strongly disagree

(2) disagree

(3) neither agree nor disagree

(4) agree

(5) strongly agree

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_2880w, bk, bl, kp16_1483c

Waves: 1-8,13-16,a2

Topic: Political positions

Item: Ego positions

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:

Presentation:

Standard matrix

Intro:

And how much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Question:

Please state to what extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

(W) From 2030 onwards, no new cars with petrol or diesel engines should be registered in Germany.

(kp16_1483c) On foreign policy issues, Germany should act in harmony with the USA.

(BK) In its dealings with Russia, Germany should rely less on cooperation and more on confrontation

(BL) In its dealings with China, Germany should rely less on cooperation and more on confrontation.

Coding:

(1) strongly disagree

(2) disagree

(3) neither agree nor disagree

(4) agree

(5) strongly agree

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_1601a1,b1,c1

Waves: 16

Topic: Political Positions

Item: Position issue: Gender equality

chancellor candidates

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive intro, question 1 and only item (A1)

kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive intro, question 2 and only item (B1)

kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 3 and only item (C1)

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive intro, question 1, question 2 and item (A1) and item (B1)

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1) and Item (C1)

kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (B1) and Item (C1)

kp16_650b1!=-71 & kp16_650o1!=-71 & kp16_650f2!=-71 >> Receive intro, question 4 and item (A1), item (B1) and Item (C1)

Presentation:

Standard matrix; 7-point scale without numerical labelling

Labels at the endpoints: "state equality measures still do not go far enough", "state equality measures already go much too far"

don't know"- category is settled out a bit

Intro:

Now we would like to know what you think about state measures for the equality of women in society. Some think that state equality measures by no means go far enough, others think that they already go much too far today.

Question 1:

Where does Armin Laschet stand on "state measures for the equality of women in society"?

Question 2:

Where does Olaf Scholz stand on "state measures for the equality of women in society"?

Question 3:

Where does Annalena Baerbock stand on "state measures for the equality of women in society"?

Question 4:

Where do the chancellor candidates stand on "state measures for the equality of women in society"?

(A1) Armin Laschet

(B1) Olaf Scholz

(C1) Annalena Baerbock

- State equality measures by no means go far enough.

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- State equality measures already go much too far.

-don't know

Coding:

(1) 1 State equality measures by no means go far enough.

(2) 2

(3) 3

(4) 4

(5) 5

(6) 6

(7) 7 State equality measures already go much too far.

(-98) don't know

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_1590

Waves: 15,16

Topic: Political positions

Item: Position issue: Gender equality, ego

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:

kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71 >> Receive Question 1;

!(kp16_650b1=-71 & kp16_650o1=-71 & kp16_650f2=-71)>> Receive Question 2

Presentation:

Standard matrix; 7-point scale without numerical labelling

Labels at the endpoints: "state equality measures still do not go far enough", "state equality measures already go much too far"

Question 1:

Now we would like to know what you think about state measures for the equality of women in society. Some think that state equality measures by no means go far enough, others think that they already go much too far today.

What is your opinion on this issue?

Question 2:

What is your opinion on state measures for the equality of women in society?

- State equality measures by no means go far enough.

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- State equality measures already go much too far.

Coding:

- (1) 1 State equality measures by no means go far enough.
 (2) 2
 (3) 3
 (4) 4
 (5) 5
 (6) 6
 (7) 7 State equality measures already go much too far.

 (-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-99) no answer

Variables: kp16_1100; kp16_1140; kp16_1300; kp16_1160

Waves: 2,4,7,8,10,15,16

Topic: Political positions

Item: Socio-economic dimension, importance;
 Libertarian- authoritarian dimension,
 importance;
 Climate change,
 importance; Gender equality, importance

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix; label from left "not important at all" to right "very important"

Question:

And how important are these issues to you personally?

- (1100) social services and taxes
 (1140) immigration of foreigners
 (1300) economic growth and fight against climate change
 (1160) state measures for the equality of women in society

Coding:

- (1) very important
 (2) somewhat important
 (3) in between
 (4) not very important
 (5) not important at all

 (-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-99) no answer

Identity**Variable:** kp16_2200a-e**Waves:** 3,a1,9,11,16**Topic:** Predispositions**Item:** Attachment battery**Mode:** CAWI**Sample:** A**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix

Intro:

People feel attached to Germany, Europe, their state and their community to a different degree.

Question:

How about you? How strongly do you feel attached to...?

- (A) the community you live in?
- (B) the state you live in?
- (C) Germany?
- (D) the European Union?
- (E) Europe?

Coding:

- (1) not attached at all
- (2) less attached
- (3) moderately
- (4) rather attached
- (5) strongly attached

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_650k1, l1 ,y1	Topic: Candidates	Item: Skalometer politicians
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "I do not think much of the person at all", +5 "I think a great deal of the person"; "haven't heard of"- category is settled out a bit

Question:

Here, you see some leading politicians once again. Please state what you think of these politicians.

(L1) Robert Habeck

(K1) Markus Söder

(Y1) Jens Spahn

Coding:

(1) -5 I do not think much of the person at all

(2) -4

(3) -3

(4) -2

(5) -1

(6) 0

(7) +1

(8) +2

(9) +3

(10) +4

(11) +5 I think a great deal of the person

(-71) haven't heard of [labelled in dataset as "subject unknown"]

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_030a-d	Topic: Political Positions	Item: Conspiracy Thinking
Waves: 16	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard-Matrix

Question:

Here you find several statements that some people agree with, while others do not. How about you?

- (A) Most people have no idea how much our lives are determined by plans made in secret.
- (B) There are certain political circles that pursue secret plans and have a lot of influence.
- (C) Most people do not realise the extent to which our lives are determined by conspiracies devised in secret.
- (D) There are secret organisations that have great influence on political decisions.

Coding:

- (1) 1 Disagree strongly
- (2) 2 Disagree somewhat
- (3) 3 Disagree slightly
- (4) 4 Neither agree nor disagree
- (5) 5 Agree slightly
- (6) 6 Agree somewhat
- (7) 7 Agree strongly

 (-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_1570g,h,i	Topic: Personality	Item: Need for Cognitive Closure
Waves: 3,12,16,a1	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Standard matrix on two screens; label of columns like coding labels

Intro:

Here are several statements for describing your own personality.

Question:

Please state whether the statements apply to you or not.

- (G) I don't like unpredictable situations.
- (H) I prefer tasks where it's clear what and how it has to be done.
- (I) I favour things that I am used to over those that I don't know yet and can't predict.

Coding:

- (1) does not apply at all
- (2) rather does not apply
- (3) neither applies nor does not apply
- (4) rather applies
- (5) applies completely

 (-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_2090**Waves:** 1-16,a1,a2**Topic:** Predispositions**Item:** Party identification**Mode:** CAWI**Samples:** A**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Intro:

In Germany, many people lean towards a particular party for a long time, although they may occasionally vote for a different party.

Question:

How about you, do you in general lean towards a particular party? If so, which one?

- CDU/CSU
 - CDU
 - CSU
 - SPD
 - AfD
 - FDP
 - Die Linke
 - Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
 - other party
- no party

Coding:

- (1) CDU/CSU
 - (2) CDU
 - (3) CSU
 - (4) SPD
 - (322) AfD
 - (5) FDP
 - (7) DIE LINKE
 - (6) GRÜNE
 - (801) other party
- (808) no party

-
- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_2091 were recoded into the variables kp16_2090a and kp16_2090b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_2091	Topic: Predispositions	Item: Party identification, other party
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_2090=801

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

And which one of these parties do you feel close to?

- BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)
- Bündnis C – Christen für Deutschland
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- DIE RECHTE – Partei für Volksabstimmung, Souveränität und Heimatschutz
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- Freie Wähler (FW)
- LKR (Bernd Lucke und die Liberal-Konservativen Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

Coding:

- (120) BIG
- (351) Bündnis C
- (349) DiB
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (323) DIE RECHTE – Partei für Volksabstimmung, Souveränität und Heimatschutz
- (171) FAMILIE
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (331) Liberal-Konservative Reformer [im Datensatz gelabelt als „LKR“]
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (225) REP
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (801) other party

-
- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_2090 were recoded into the variables kp16_2090a and kp16_2090b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_2100**Waves:** 1-16,a1,a2**Topic:** Predisposition**Item:** Party identification, strength**Mode:** CAWI**Samples:** A**Filter:** kp16_2090>0 & <=801**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

All in all, how strongly or weakly do you lean towards this party?

- very strongly
- fairly strongly
- moderately
- fairly weakly
- very weakly

Coding:

- (1) very strongly
- (2) fairly strongly
- (3) moderately
- (4) fairly weakly
- (5) very weakly

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_2095	Topic: Predispositions	Item: Multiple party identification
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_2090=1-801; do not display party named at kp16_2090 anymore. If kp16_2090=1 (CDU/CSU), then show neither response option 2 (CDU) nor response option 3 (CSU). If kp16_2090=2 | 3, then do not display response option 1 at kp16_2150 anymore.

Presentation:

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

Some people lean towards more than one party, while others don't. How about you? Do you lean towards another political party?

- CDU/CSU
- CDU
- CSU
- SPD
- AfD
- FDP
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- other party

- no other party

Coding:

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (2) CDU
- (3) CSU
- (4) SPD
- (5) FDP
- (6) GRÜNE
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (322) AfD
- (801) other party

(808) no other party

-
- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_2096 were recoded into the variables kp16_2095a and kp16_2095b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_2096	Topic: Predispositions	Item: Multiple party identification, other party
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_2095=801

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

And which one of these parties do you feel close to?

- BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)
- Bündnis C – Christen für Deutschland
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- DIE RECHTE – Partei für Volksabstimmung, Souveränität und Heimatschutz
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- Freie Wähler (FW)
- LKR (Bernd Lucke und die Liberal-Konservativen Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

Coding:

- (120) BIG
- (351) Bündnis C
- (349) DiB
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (323) DIE RECHTE
- (171) FAMILIE
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (331) Liberal-Konservative Reformer [im Datensatz gelabelt als „LKR“]
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (225) REP
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (801) other party

-
- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

[NOTE I: This variable and the variables kp16_2095 were recoded into the variables kp16_2095a and kp16_2095b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

Variable: kp16_2101	Topic: Predispositions	Item: Multiple party identification, strength
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2		
Mode: CAWI	Samples: A	

Filter: kp16_2095=1-801

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

All in all, how strongly or weakly do you lean towards this party?

- very strongly
- fairly strongly
- moderately
- fairly weakly
- very weakly

Coding:

- (1) very strongly
- (2) fairly strongly
- (3) moderately
- (4) fairly weakly
- (5) very weakly

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_2461a-c,e-g,i	Topic: Sociodemography	Item: Membership of organisations
Wave: 3,16		
Mode: CAWI	Sample: A	

Filter:

Presentation:

Standard matrix

Question:

Are you a member of one or more of the following organisations?

- (A) trade union
- (B) entrepreneurs'/employer association
- (C) professional association
- (E) religious/church group
- (F) sports/hobby club
- (G) environmental group
- (I) party

Coding:

- (1) yes
- (2) no

(-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_2470	Topic: Sociodemography	Item: Membership of trade unions, household
Wave: 3,16	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: dependent interviewing,

Sample A1/A2:

kp1_2441!=1 & kp16_2461a=2

Sample A3:

kpa1_2441 !=1 & kp16_2461a=2

Sample A4:

kpa2_2441 !=1 & kp16_2461a=2

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

Is anyone else in your household a member of a trade union?

- yes
- no

Coding:

- (1) yes
- (2) no

(-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-97) not applicable
 (-99) no answer

Variable: kp16_4000a,b	Topic: Sociodemography	Item: Membership party
Wave: 3,16	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_2461i==1**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

Which party are you a member of?

- CDU/CSU
- SPD
- AfD
- FDP
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Other party

Coding:

(1) CDU/CSU
 (4) SPD
 (5) FDP
 (6) Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
 (7) Die Linke
 (322) AfD
 (801) Other party

 (-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-97) not applicable
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variable kp16_4110 were recoded into the variables kp16_4000a and kp16_4000b in order to create the party versions A and B.]

Variable: kp16_4110

Wave: 3,16

Topic: Sociodemography

Item: Membership party, other party

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter: kp16_4000=801

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

And which of these parties are you a member of?

- BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)
- Bündnis C – Christen für Deutschland
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- DIE RECHTE – Partei für Volksabstimmung, Souveränität und Heimatschutz
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- Freie Wähler (FW)
- LKR – Bernd Lucke und die Liberal-Konservativen Reformer
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

Coding:

(120) BIG
(351) Bündnis C
(349) DiB
(151) Die PARTEI
(323) DIE RECHTE
(171) FAMILIE
(180) FREIE WAEHLER
(331) LKR
(206) NPD
(209) ödp
(215) PIRATEN
(225) REP
(237) Tierschutzpartei
(801) other party

(-93) not asked, terminated
(-95) not participated
(-97) not applicable
(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp16_4000 were recoded into the variables kp16_4000a and kp16_4000b in order to create the party versions A and B.]

Variable: kp16_2520	Topic: Sociodemography	Item: German citizenship
Waves: 2,[3],15, [16]	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: Dependent Interviewing, only for respondents who did not provide an answer here in Wave 2 or 3 or 15, or who terminated the interview before this question.

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

Have you been a German citizen since birth?

- yes

- no

Coding:

(1) yes

(2) no

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable (in wave 3/16)

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This is a dependent interviewing variable. This variable was renamed into kpx_2520, because of being invariant in time. The point of time of each response can be looked at by using the variable kp2_2520flag.]

Variable: kp16_2571a,b	Topic: Sociodemography	Item: Country of birth, mother/father
Waves: 2,[3],15, [16]	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: Dependent Interviewing, only for respondents who did not provide an answer here in Wave 2 or 3 or 15, or who terminated the interview before this question.

Presentation:

Standard matrix

Question:

Were your parents born in the territory of present-day Germany?

A) mother

B) father

- yes

- no

- don't know

Coding:

(1) yes

(2) no

(-98) don't know

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: These are dependent interviewing variables. The information from the variables kp2_2571a, kp3_2571a and kp16_2571a has been summarized in kpx_2571a and kp2_2571a, kp3_2571a, and kp16_2571a were deleted afterwards. Similarly, the information from the variables kp2_2571b, kp3_2571b, and kp16_2571b has been summarized in kpx_2571b and kp2_2571b, kp3_2571b, and kp16_2571b were deleted afterwards. The point of time of each response can be looked at by using the variables kpx_2571aflag and kpx_2571bflag.]

Variable: kp16_2572a**Waves:** 2,[3],15, [16]**Topic:** Sociodemography**Item:** Country of birth, mother, other country**Mode:** CAWI**Sample:** A**Filter:** kp16_2571a=2**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

Where was your mother born?

- former German territories in Eastern Europe (e.g. East Prussia, Silesia)
- Turkey
- Italy
- Poland
- Russian Federation, former Soviet Union
- Greece
- Croatia, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, former Yugoslavia
- Austria
- Slovakia, Czech Republic
- Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland
- Netherlands
- Belgium
- France
- Switzerland
- USA
- other country
- don't know

Coding:

- (1) former German territories in Eastern Europe (e.g. East Prussia, Silesia)
- (2) Turkey
- (3) Italy
- (4) Poland
- (5) Russian Federation, former Soviet Union
- (6) Greece
- (7) Croatia, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, former Yugoslavia
- (8) Austria
- (9) Slovakia, Czech Republic
- (10) Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland
- (11) Netherlands
- (12) Belgium
- (13) France
- (14) Switzerland
- (15) USA
- (16) other country

(-98) don't know

 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This is a dependent interviewing variable. The information from the variables kp2_2572a, kp3_2572a, and kp16_2572a has been summarized in kpx_2572a and kp2_2572a, kp3_2572a, and kp16_2572a were deleted afterwards. The point of time of each response can be looked at by using the variable kpx_2572aflag.]

Variable: kp16_2572b

Waves: 2,[3],15, [16]

Topic: Sociodemography

Item: Country of birth, father, other country

Mode: CAWI

Sample: A

Filter: kp16_2571b=2

Presentation:

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

Where was your father born?

- former German territories in Eastern Europe (e.g. East Prussia, Silesia)
- Turkey
- Italy
- Poland
- Russian Federation, former Soviet Union
- Greece
- Croatia, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, former Yugoslavia
- Austria
- Slovakia, Czech Republic
- Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland
- Netherlands
- Belgium
- France
- Switzerland
- USA
- other country

- don't know

Coding:

- (1) former German territories in Eastern Europe (e.g. East Prussia, Silesia)
- (2) Turkey
- (3) Italy
- (4) Poland
- (5) Russian Federation, former Soviet Union
- (6) Greece
- (7) Croatia, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, former Yugoslavia
- (8) Austria
- (9) Slovakia, Czech Republic
- (10) Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland
- (11) Netherlands
- (12) Belgium
- (13) France
- (14) Switzerland
- (15) USA
- (16) other country

(-98) don't know

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This is a dependent interviewing variable. The information from the variables kp2_2572b, kp3_2572b, and kp16_2572b has been summarized in kpx_2572b and kp2_2572b, kp3_2572b, and kp16_2572b were deleted afterwards. The point of time of each response can be looked at by using the variable kpx_2572bflag.]

Variable: kp16_4131a-q	Topic: Sociodemography	Item: Language spoken in household
Waves: 2,[3],15, [16]	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter: kp16_2571a=2 | kp16_2571b=2 | kp16_2520=2

Presentation:

Multiple answers are possible.

Question:

What language do you usually speak in your household?

Instructions:

If you usually speak more than one language in your household, click on all applicable languages.

- German

- Turkish
- Italian
- Polish
- Serbian
- Greek
- Croatian
- Bosnian
- Danish
- Dutch
- French
- Czech
- Vietnamese
- English
- Russian
- Arabic
- other language

Coding:

- (A) German
- (B) Turkish
- (C) Italian
- (D) Polish
- (E) Serbian
- (F) Greek
- (G) Croatian
- (H) Bosnian
- (I) Danish
- (J) Dutch
- (K) French
- (L) Czech
- (M) Vietnamese
- (N) English
- (O) Russian
- (P) Arabic
- (Q) other language

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
 - (-95) not participated
 - (-97) not applicable
 - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This is a dependent interviewing variable. The information from the variables kp2_4131 and kp3_4131 has been summarized in kpx_4131 and kp2_4131 and kp3_4131 were deleted afterwards. The point of time of each response can be looked at by using the variable kpx_4131flag.]

Variable: kp16_2602	Topic: Sociodemography	Item: Postal code
Waves: 1,a1,11,16,a2	Sample: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Text field (single row); maximum number of digits = 5; plausibility check, whether 5 numbers and no letters were entered with the instruction "Please enter your postal code."; When no answer was given, show the following text: "We assure that we will treat your information confidentially. We need your complete postal code in order to identify the candidate in your constituency."; Within the plausibility check there are to buttons "correct" or "forward".

Intro:

Candidates for the Bundestag and political issues differ between different regions in Germany. Therefore, we would like to update the information on your constituency. For this assignment, we need the postcode of your principal residence. Your information is, of course, voluntary.

Question text:

Please enter **the postcode of your place of residence.**

Coding:

(-93) not asked, terminated
 (-95) not participated
 (-99) no answer

Quality of Data

Variable: kp16_4240	Topic: Quality of Data	Item: Rating of survey
Waves: 1-16,a1,a2	Samples: A	
Mode: CAWI		

Filter:**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

Question:

How would you rate our survey overall?

- very good
 - good
 - neither good nor bad
 - bad
 - very bad

Coding:

(1) very good
 (2) good
 (3) neither good nor bad
 (4) bad
 (5) very bad

(-93) Not asked, terminated
 (-95) Not participated
 (-99) No answer

Variable: kp16_4270s

Waves: 1-16,a1,a2

Topic: Quality of Data

Item: Comment, open

Mode: CAWI

Samples: A

Filter:

Presentation:

Text field (four rows) with optical 50 characters per row, no maximum limit of characters

Intro:

Finally, we would like to give you the possibility to comment on our today's survey.

Question:

Do you have comments or suggestions concerning the survey or particular questions?

Coding:

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer