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Abstract

A good understanding of the education system is a central precondition for navigating the school system effectively and giving children and teenagers the support and guidance they need. Hence, insufficient or incorrect knowledge could be one reason for social and ethnic disparities in academic achievement and attainment. To test this hypothesis, we developed items measuring knowledge about the German education system and implemented these in four NEPS Starting Cohorts. In this paper, we describe theoretical assumptions, present the knowledge measurements for each NEPS cohort, and report first empirical results such as univariate distributions and correlations.

Keywords

Knowledge, education system, inequalities, immigrants

1. Introduction

Social and ethnic disparities in educational attainment and competence development continue to be pronounced throughout the educational career (e.g., Linberg, Schneider, Waldfogel, & Wang, 2019; Olczyk, Seuring, Will, & Zinn, 2016; Rözer & van de Werfhorst, 2017). In this paper, we concentrate on one strand of explanation for these systematic differences—namely, knowledge about the educational system. Knowledge about, for example, alternative pathways and regulations may vary between children and parents of different social as well as immigrant origin. This may lead to the observable systematic group differences in educational success.

Whereas wrong or missing information is often assumed to be one reason for social and ethnic educational differences, there are only a few empirical findings based on objective measurements of that knowledge. To close this gap, we worked together with colleagues in the research unit *Educational Decisions and Social Inequality*¹ and developed several instruments measuring the knowledge of students and their parents. We then implemented these instruments in the first four NEPS Starting Cohorts. In this way, NEPS data offers an opportunity to study the impact of knowledge on the educational career and competence development even in the long term.

In the following, we start with a short introduction to the general theoretical assumptions underlying the item development process (see section 2). In the next two sections, we introduce the measurement of general strategic knowledge (section 3) and transition-specific knowledge (section 4). In both sections, we describe instruments and present empirical results from Scientific Use Files and, if available, from cognitive interviews and audio recordings. Finally, we outline possibilities for further developments (section 5).

2. Theoretical assumptions and basic considerations

2.1 Theoretical assumptions

There are several approaches to explaining educational inequalities between social and immigrant groups (see for overviews, e.g., Diehl, Hunkler, & Kristen, 2016; Kristen & Dollmann, 2012; Stocké, Blossfeld, Hoenig, & Sixt, 2019). We focus on explanations highlighting the role of resources. Several resources such as economic, human, or social capital can be differentiated. The stock of knowledge about the educational system refers particularly to the concept of cultural capital (see, e.g., Bourdieu, 1983, 1986; Bourdieu & Passeron, 1977; Lareau & Weininger, 2003).

From the perspective of the resource approach, educational inequalities are the result of unequally distributed resources. Hence, individuals vary in the quantity and quality of the available resources that may be productive for education. Especially migrant families may lack knowledge about the educational system because they passed through the educational

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¹ The items presented in this paper were developed in cooperation with our colleagues Sebastian E. Wenz, Vanessa Obermeier, and Kerstin Hoenig.

In this paper, we focus on the *objective* knowledge measurements and do not consider measurements of the subjective level of information. Furthermore, we do not include items on behavior, on how persons search for information, and on which information pools they use.

system of their country of origin, and they lack experience of the education system in their receiving country (e.g., Kretschmer, 2019; Kristen & Granato, 2007).

Linking the resource approach to a broader theory of action may help to explain systematic educational inequalities between ethnic and social groups by deriving precise predictions on how individuals will decide under certain conditions. Studies of educational inequalities often refer to a rational choice approach that can be applied to competence development and educational decisions at central transition points (see, e.g., Breen & Goldthorpe, 1997; Dollmann, 2010; Erikson & Jonsson, 1996; Esser, 1999, 2006; Kristen, 2005; Roth, 2014). We argue that individuals decide whether or not to invest in education and competence development. To arrive at concrete predictions, the mechanisms regarding *how* a specific knowledge influences the investment decisions of individuals and their families can be linked to the parameters of the theoretical model: namely, motivation, costs, and the probability of success. Specifying underlying mechanisms is essential when developing items with which to measure the respective knowledge.

We distinguish between general cultural knowledge and specific knowledge about the education system, also called strategic knowledge (see Pfeffer, 2008, p. 545). We focus particularly on strategic knowledge. Additionally, we differentiate between knowledge specific to certain transition points as well as general strategic knowledge that is relevant independently from specific transition points.

Because we wanted to implement our measurements of knowledge in the first four NEPS Starting Cohorts, we had to cover partly different knowledge aspects in line with the respective transition points. Different knowledge can then lead to different assessments of the alternatives and ultimately to different educational decisions at these transitions. Moreover, this knowledge can also be linked to differences in competence development: A lack of strategic knowledge regarding specific transitions can then be interpreted as indicating a lack of general cultural knowledge that may lead to varying learning environments and, hence, to differences in cognitive stimulation.

2.2 Basic considerations and measurement timepoints

We developed questions measuring objective knowledge in the first four NEPS Starting Cohorts, namely Starting Cohort 1 (newborn), Starting Cohort 2 (Kindergarten), Starting Cohort 3 (Grade 5), and Starting Cohort 4 (Grade 9). Table 1 gives an overview of the measurement timepoints and the person from whom information was gathered—namely, the parent, the target, or both (see last column).

In general, we measured the knowledge before central transition points in preschool and the school career to allow us to study the causal link between transition-specific knowledge and the final decisions. However, these measurements also allow links to the competence development of the children.

Because responsibility for education in Germany lies within the jurisdiction of each single federal state (*Bundesland*), regulations regarding the transitions (and the timepoint of transition itself) can differ widely. Nonetheless, we aimed to develop and implement questions that would be applicable nationwide and not just in certain federal states. This approach made it easier to determine which answer was correct or false. Sometimes it was not possible to develop questions that would be valid nationwide because of (substantial) differences

in alternatives and regulations between federal states. Such exceptions are named in each respective section.

Table 1

Overview of timing of knowledge measurements

Starting Cohort	Wave [Year]	Stage	Age/Grade of target	Measured by: Parent or Target
1	2 [2013]	Newborn	14 months	Р
	5 [2016]	Newborn	48 months	Р
2	5 [2015]	Elementary school	Grade 3	Р
	7 [2017]	Lower secondary school	Grade 5	Р
	8 [2018]	Lower secondary school	Grade 6	Т
3	4 [2013/14]	Lower secondary school	Grade 8	T, P
	6 [2015]	Lower secondary school	Grade 9	Т
4	5 [2012/13]	Upper secondary school	Grade 11	T, P, individually tracked T
	7 [2013/14]	Upper secondary school	Grade 12	P, individually tracked T
	8 [2014/15]	Upper secondary school	Grade 11	Individually tracked T
	9 [2015/16]	Upper secondary school	Grade 11	Individually tracked T

Notes. P stands for parent and T for target. Measurement timepoints are reported only for studies that have been carried out already. Planned measures are not displayed because of uncertainty.

3. Measuring general strategic knowledge

3.1 Instruments

We assume that a systematic over- or underestimation of the importance of certificates in the labor market should influence — via willingness and motivation — competence development, grades, finally reached certificate, and — in the early preschool cohort — the school type selection process. It is plausible to assume that this correlation should be valid at different strengths within each cohort.

We measured general strategic knowledge with questions referring to the knowledge about school-leaving and vocational qualifications required for selected jobs (see Table 2; for the original German versions, see Appendixes 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12).³ The introduction to these items can vary between cohorts as well as between target and parent interviews due to varying positions in the questionnaire and, thus, varying previous questions making it necessary to modify the introduction to the knowledge items.

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In this paper, we present the official translations of the survey instruments commissioned by the Research Data Center.

Table 2

Knowledge about school-leaving and vocational qualifications required for selected jobs

Question	Answer option	Correct answer
Different occupations or vocational trainings require different school-leaving qualifications. I am going to name various occupations. Please tell me which school-leaving qualification most people have who enter this occupation nowadays in Germany. If you don't know, you can also say so.		
What school-leaving qualification do most people have nowadays who enter the occupation of	No school-leaving quali- fication	School-leaving certif- icate of the
a salesperson in Germany?	School-leaving certificate of the <i>Hauptschule</i>	Hauptschule
	School-leaving certificate of the <i>Re-alschule</i> /certificate of intermediate secondary education	
	Abitur	
	Don't know	
What school-leaving qualification do most people have nowadays who enter the occupation of	No school-leaving quali- fication	Abitur
a pharmacist in Germany?	School-leaving certificate of the <i>Hauptschule</i>	
	School-leaving certificate of the <i>Re-alschule</i> /certificate of intermediate secondary education Abitur	
	Don't know	
And what about the occupation of a banker?	No school-leaving quali- fication	Abitur
	School-leaving certificate of the <i>Hauptschule</i>	
	School-leaving certificate of the <i>Re-alschule</i> /certificate of intermediate secondary education Abitur Don't know	

And what about the occupation of an optician?	No school-leaving qualification School-leaving certificate of the Hauptschule School-leaving certificate of the Realschule/certificate of intermediate secondary education Abitur Don't know	School-leaving certificate of the <i>Realschule</i> /certificate of intermediate secondary education
And what about a tax consultant?	No school-leaving qualification School-leaving certificate of the <i>Hauptschule</i> School-leaving certificate of the <i>Realschule</i> /certificate of intermediate secondary education Abitur Don't know	Abitur
Now we have spoken about school-leaving qualifications. Now we will talk about vocational qualifications.		
What vocational qualification do most people have nowadays who enter the occupation of a salesperson in Germany?	No vocational training Completed vocational training Tertiary education Don't know	Completed vocational training
What vocational qualification do most people have nowadays who enter the occupation of a pharmacist in Germany?	No vocational training Completed vocational training Tertiary education Don't know	Tertiary education
And what about the occupation of a banker?	No vocational training Completed vocational training Tertiary education Don't know	Completed vocational training
And what about the occupation of an optician?	No vocational training Completed vocational training Tertiary education Don't know	Completed vocation- al training

And what about a tax consultant?	No vocational training	Completed vocation-			
	Completed vocational training	al training			
	Tertiary education				
	Don't know				

Note. Questions based on the parent questionnaire for Starting Cohort 4, Wave 3.

When developing these questions, we followed the approach taken by two previous studies: the *Immigrant's Children in the German and Israeli Educational Systems* (e.g., Kilter, Kogan, Kristen, Levin-Epstein, & Shavit, 2013; Roth, 2014) and the project *Bildungsprozesse, Kompetenzentwicklung und Selektionsentscheidungen im Vor- und Grundschulalter* (BiKS; *educational processes, competence development and selection decisions in preschool- and school age*) (Artelt, Blossfeld, Faust, Roßbach, & Weinert 2013).⁴ In the study *Immigrant's Children in the German and Israeli Educational System,* information on this kind of knowledge is gathered from students in Grades 9 and 10 and their mothers as well as from mothers of students attending Grade 4. In the BiKS study, data on this kind of knowledge is gathered from parents (Wave 5, Grade 6; BiKS 8-14) and students (Wave 6, Grade 7, BiKS 8-14).

We modified the knowledge measurement of these studies in substantive ways:

- (1) With respect to the stimulus, we referred to most people entering a specific job instead of the required degree. To avoid mixing up answers referring to the officially required degree and answers referring to the required degree that is empirically observable, we separated these two possibilities. In Germany, for example, a lower secondary education (Hauptschule) is officially sufficient for most occupations requiring a vocational training. In the case of dual training, employers are even free to hire persons without school leaving qualification. However, empirically, it can be the case that Abitur is the entrance standard for certain jobs. Because it is the actual condition that should be central to an individual decision, we preferred this aspect.
- (2) Furthermore, we referred to persons who *currently enter* the selected job. This specification with respect to the timeframe was missing in the initial version. Thus, we gave a precise empirical reference and, hence, the possibility to decide whether the answer was right or wrong at this time.
- (3) The third change addressed the response categories. In these questions, we referred to both school-leaving certificates and vocational qualifications. The initial version mentioned only vocational qualifications. Here, we assumed that variations in the stock of knowledge would pertain to both school and vocational qualifications.

The selected jobs had to meet several criteria: First, we wanted to attain a variety with respect to the required school and vocational degrees. Another important criterion in this context was that the training path on which an occupation can be acquired is uniquely clear (either only through vocational training or only through university studies). Furthermore, we considered only occupations practiced equally by male and female individuals and that receive relatively high attention. Finally, we also tried to make it possible to link up with the previously named other studies. That is why we also partially considered the same occupa-

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⁴ We sincerely thank these project members for their support and the empirical results provided.

tions. This led us to select five occupations: salesperson, pharmacist, banker, optician, and tax consultant.

In addition to common, traditional educational pathways in Germany, there are further ways to achieve certain qualifications through nontraditional paths such as a *Fachhochschulreife*, an entrance qualification for studies at a university of applied sciences. However, we chose traditional qualifications so that we could assign them to the empirical reference in the coding process and guarantee a certain level of discriminatory power. Therefore, we decided to use four school-leaving (including *no qualification required*) and three vocational degrees (including *no qualification required*).

We deliberately gave the interviewed persons the option to use the response category *don't know* to prevent them from guessing answers. Moreover, we did not want interviewed persons to feel uncomfortable about not knowing an answer. In a similar vein, parents who did not know an answer or refused to answer twice in a row were filtered to the next question block.

Besides gathering information on knowledge about selected occupations, we also collected data on knowledge about the school-leaving and vocational qualifications required for both the idealistic and the realistic career aspirations of the children in Starting Cohorts 3 and 4 (see Table 3; for the original German version, see Appendixes 8 and 11). When developing these questions, we again followed the approach taken by the BiKS study (Artelt, Blossfeld, Faust, Roßbach, & Weinert, 2013b; student questionnaire, Waves 5, 6, and 7). However, we again have made key changes: Wheras in BiKS, the question was which school [vocational] qualification is required for the occupation named, in NEPS we asked which school [vocational] qualification most people have who enter the occupation.

Table 3

Knowledge about school-leaving and vocational qualifications required for idealistic and realistic career aspirations

Question	Answer option
Imagine you could be whatever you want. What	
would be your favored occupation?	
What school-leaving qualification do most of	No school-leaving qualification
those people have, who enter the career speci-	School-leaving certificate of the Hauptschule
fied by you in question <i>X[above]X</i> in Germany today?	School-leaving certificate of the <i>Realschule /</i> certificate of intermediate secondary education
	Abitur
	Don't know
And what vocational qualification do most of	No vocational training
those people have, who enter the career speci-	Tertiary education
fied by you in question <i>X[above]X</i> in Germany today?	Full-time school-based vocational training (e.g., attending a <i>Fachschule</i> [school for continuing vocational training])
	Apprenticeship/firm-based vocational training
	Don't know

Based on everything you currently know, what occupation will you most likely have later on?	
What school-leaving qualification do most of	No school-leaving qualification
those people have, who enter the career speci-	School-leaving certificate of the Hauptschule
fied by you in question X[above]X in Germany today?	School-leaving certificate of the <i>Realschule /</i> certificate of intermediate secondary education
	Abitur
	Don't know
And what vocational qualification do most of	No vocational training
those people have, who enter the career speci-	Tertiary education
fied by you in question X[above]X in Germany today?	Full-time school-based vocational training (e.g., attending a <i>Fachschule</i> [school for continuing vocational training])
	Apprenticeship/firm-based vocational training
	Don't know

Note. Questions based on the target questionnaire of Starting Cohort 4, wave 5.

In order to analyze the general knowledge measurements, it was essential to code whether the respondents gave the correct or wrong answer. This made it necessary to compare the respondents' answers with an adequate empirical benchmark for the distributions of school and vocational qualifications among entrants to these occupations.⁵

In the following, we briefly outline the approach for identifying correct answers. Determining the empirical reference for the vocational qualifications was relatively easy, because the vocational qualification corresponds to the type of training in which this occupation is learned (vocational training or university study). When selecting occupations, we ensured that they could be trained through only one of these forms of training to avoid blurring. It was also easy to determine the school-leaving qualification for an occupation that can be entered generally after university studies, because this requires a university entrance qualification. For occupations reached mainly through vocational training (dual vocational system or full-time schooling), the situation is more complex, because school-leaving qualifications can vary between different occupations and also over time within the same occupation. Thus, we needed information about the school-leaving or vocational qualification of most people who are currently enter this occupation in Germany separated for each occupation and for each year. The basis for this empirical reference was two official statistics documenting the school-leaving degrees of people starting a certain dual vocational training (provided by the Bundesinstitut für Berufsbildung, BIBB) or people beginning a training with full-time schooling (provided by Statistische Landesämter) in a specific (school) year. To gain access to data compiled by the Statistische Landesämter, we had to ask the permission of each of the 16 Statistischen Landesämter. At the end, we obtained no data from four Bundesländer namely Bremen, Saarland, Saxony, and Saxony-Anhalt. The next step was to identify the (German-wide) modus of the school-leaving certificate in the relevant year for each occupation. When calculating the German-wide modus, we could not include the four federal states

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We did this together with our colleagues from the research data center of the LIfBi; in particular, Markus Zielonka and Sven Pelz thoroughly supported and promoted these procedures.

without data access. By using the term *currently*, we were referring to the year when students were interviewed. Thus, for example, in Starting Cohort 3, we used the information on degrees from 2013; and in Starting Cohort 4, the information on degrees from 2012. However, the selected occupations revealed no differences in levels of degrees between the recognized years.

The last column of Table 2 already indicates the correct answer for the given occupation. A separate coding is planned for the far greater range of occupations included in the children's idealistic and realistic career aspirations (see Table 3). However, as the process of coding has not been completed, the values are not yet available in the Scientific Use Files.

Table 4 presents an overview about the timing of measurement of the knowledge about selected occupations. The last column shows whether the knowledge about the school-leaving and vocational qualifications required for the career aspirations of the children was measured additionally (marked by X).

Table 4

Overview of timing of items measuring school-leaving and vocational qualifications

Starting Cohort	Wave [Year]	Stage	Age/Grade of target	Measured by: Parent or Target	Additionally measured for student's career aspirations
1	5 [2016]	Newborn	48 months	Р	
2	7 [2017]	Lower secondary school	Grade 5	Р	
3	4 [2013/14]	Lower secondary school	Grade 8	T, P	Χ
	6 [2015]	Lower secondary school	Grade 9	Т	
4	5 [2012/13]	Upper secondary school	Grade 11	T, P, individ- ually tracked T	Х
	7 [2013/14]	Upper secondary school	Grade 12	P, individual- ly tracked T	
	8 [2014/15]	Upper secondary school	Grade 11	Individually tracked T	
	9 [2015/16]	Upper secondary school	Grade 11	Individually tracked T	

Note. *P* stands for parent and *T* for target. In Starting Cohort 2, Wave 7, we measured only the vocational qualifications for the selected jobs in interviewed parents due to time restrictions. There was a further variation between the parent and target instrument due to space restrictions: Namely, in Starting Cohort 3, the occupation tax consultant was present in the parents' instrument but deleted in the targets' PAPI questionnaires.

3.2 Empirical results

Before implementing the newly developed items in the main studies (the basis for the Scientific Use Files), we tested them in cognitive pretests and pilot studies.

Results from cognitive pretests

We examined the original as well as the further developed items using cognitive pretests with not only students in the targeted age group but also adults with school-age children (for more details on cognitive pretests in general, see, e.g., Lenzner, Neuert, & Otto, 2016).

One goal of cognitive pretesting is to find out whether the interviewed persons understand the questions and answer options in the intended way. Thus, the interviewed persons were requested to repeat parts of the test in their own words and to describe concrete activities carried out by persons in selected jobs such as tax consultant or pharmacist. To assess the reliability of answers, we asked whether questions and answer options are easy to use, whether the interviewed person feels (un-)certain with a given answer, and why she or he feels such uncertainty. Furthermore, we wanted to find out how the interviewed persons felt overall when answering the questions and, hence, whether they felt resentments or a rejectionist stance as a reaction to any of the questions. In addition, the interviewed persons were asked whether they had any (further) remarks to any of the questions, and the interviewers were instructed to notice their spontaneous reactions and comments.

We analyzed 41 interviews: 9 interviews with parents of 4- to 6-year-old children, 8 with parents of school-age children, and 24 with secondary school students. Three of the eight interviewed adults with school-age children and four of the 24 students were of immigrant origin. Immigrant origin meant, in this case, that at least one parent or the respondent was born abroad.

Overall, the interviewed persons showed a high level of acceptance and even emphasized that answering these questions was fun because they were similar to a quiz.

There was some variance in the level of knowledge on the specific occupations, with respondents saying they felt either certain or uncertain about different named occupations.

Some respondents had problems noticing the difference between the questions asking for school-leaving qualifications and the questions asking for vocational qualifications. Thus, we emphasized the words *school-leaving* and *vocational* so that it would be easier for the interviewees to identify and notice which degrees were currently being surveyed: In the CATI/CAPI interview, interviewers were encouraged to emphasize these words; in the PAPI interview, these words were underlined. We also encouraged the interviewers to emphasize the words *most people* in the survey to set a strong anchor in the interviewed parent.

Finally, we added an interviewer instruction drawing attention to the fact that we were referring to the actual qualifications of most people who enter the occupation and not the formally specified qualifications. The second added interviewer instruction contained the note that we were interested in the current situation and not the situation in the past. In this respect, issues were raised by the cognitive pretests and the audio recordings of the pilot study that we shall present in the following section.

Results from audio recordings (pilot study)

Pilot studies are studies that precede a main survey. They address the same age group but include fewer respondents. They serve to test the survey instrument so that both filtering and first distributions of the items can be evaluated in advance to ensure the quality of the survey instrument in the main study. Some parent interviews conducted in the pilot study were recorded, and a detailed analysis of these records (under the protection of privacy) helped to improve questions and interviewer quality.

We analyzed 50 interviews with parents whose children were attending 11th grade (Starting Cohort 4; data from the pilot study). Results again showed a high level of acceptance of the knowledge items and that the questions themselves were generally unproblematic for the respondents.

Some parents seemed uncertain when asked about the qualifications for the job *cleaners* (11 out of 50) and *salesmen* (6 out of 50). Therefore, the final instruments excluded the job cleaners due to time restrictions, difficulties of understanding, and missing variance.

Two parents were uncertain overall, and seemed to be tense while answering these questions. To avoid such reactions, we decided to address such problems offensively. Thus, we added the answer option don't know in the introduction for the knowledge items and directly pointed out that "If you don't know, you can also say so." Furthermore, the option don't know was a separate answer category that the interviewer in the CATI/CAPI interview had to read aloud. Again, we wanted to prevent interviewed parents from starting to guess the answers.

Furthermore, we analyzed 40 audio recordings of parents whose children were attending 8th grade (Starting Cohort 3, Wave 4). Again, we observed a high level of acceptance for the items. However, we did find problems on the side of the interviewers that made it necessary to provide explicit guidelines on the procedure in order to standardize the situation more strongly. Among other things, these guidelines concerned cases in which the interviewee already gave an answer before the interviewer had finished reading out all the given answer options (some interviewers still read everything and then recorded the answer, whereas others accepted it immediately). Another problem was the procedure used when the interviewed parent gave several answers, but only one could be recorded. Some interviewers did not ask the interviewed parents to decide between different answer options. As a result, it was unclear what was finally recorded. Another problem was dealing with cases in which, for example, the answer was "second." Whereas some interviewers read the corresponding response to confirm what was meant in these cases, others did not. On the basis of these findings, interviewer instructions were augmented and interviewers were given special trainings to sensitize them for these issues.

Results from Scientific Use Files

At first, we present results from univariate analyses of the SUF data of all Starting Cohorts, where the specific items were used (for an overview of Starting Cohorts and timing of measurement see table 4). Distributions are reported in Tables 5 and 6. Beside the distributions of correct/incorrect answers, we also considered whether respondents more often either underrated or overestimated the necessary qualifications. Underestimating means, for example, that the interviewed person choses a lower qualification than that which can be observed empirically for most people and vice versa. Please note that we consider over- or un-

derestimation in the tables only when both are possible: if the empirical reference is the highest value such as *Abitur* or tertiary education, only underestimation is possible. In Starting Cohort 3, we had a repeat measurement with the whole sample, so we present results for both measurement time points. For Starting Cohort 4, we consider only Wave 5.

The descriptive results in Table 5 show that there was variance between the selected occupations. Whereas some occupations such as pharmacist seemed to be easier, as indicated by the percentage of correct and don't know answers, others such as tax consultant or optician seemed to be more difficult. With respect to the over- or underestimation of school-leaving certificates, we more often observed an overestimation. In other words, respondents assumed that more people in these occupations have a higher education than the empirical reference would indicate. Here, it was mostly the case that fewer targets than parents knew the correct answer.

Table 5

Knowledge about school-leaving qualifications: Descriptive results

School-leaving	ving SC1 SC3				SC4								
qualifications	Wave 5		Wave 4	1	Wave 4	Wave 4 Wave 6			Wave 5		Wave 5		
	Parent	s	Parent	arents Targets Targets		5	Parent	s	Targets				
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	
Salesperson													
Correct	43.3	1,032	54.0	2,262	53.3	3,522	59.8	3,276	51.4	1,848	58.2	3,819	
Incorrect	51.2	1,219	40.8	1,706	33.7	2,227	33.0	1,810	45.6	1,639	37.2	2,439	
Don't know	5.5	130	5.2	216	7.6	504	4.7	258	3.0	109	3.0	198	
Refused	0.0	0	0.0	2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	0	
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	0	5.5	361	2.5	136	0.0	0	1.6	107	
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563	
Overestimation	98.4	1,199	98.6	1,682	73.3	1,633	78.8	1,427	99.0	1,623	75.4	1,840	
Underestimation	1.6	20	1.4	24	26.7	594	21.2	383	1.0	16	24.6	599	
Total	100.0	1,219	100.0	1,706	100.0	2,227	100.0	1,810	100.0	1,639	100.0	2,439	
Pharmacist													
Correct	80.7	1,922	77.6	3,248	38.0	2,515	44.8	2,453	87.5	3,146	51.4	3,372	
Incorrect	15.2	362	18.9	792	47.6	3,148	48.3	2,647	10.7	384	44.3	2,906	
Don't know	4.1	97	3.3	140	8.8	579	4.7	255	1.8	66	2.8	187	
Refused	0.0	0	0.1	6	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	0	
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	0	5.6	372	2.3	125	0.0	0	1.5	98	
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563	
Banker													
Correct	61.1	1,454	59.5	2,489	58.3	3,859	56.2	3,078	65.0	2,339	50.6	3,323	
Incorrect	35.3	841	37.5	1,568	29.1	1,927	38.2	2,093	33.1	1,192	46.0	3,021	
Don't know	3.6	86	3.0	126	6.9	455	3.1	170	1.8	66	1.6	105	
Refused	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	2	5.6	373	2.5	139	0.0	0	1.7	114	
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563	
Optician													
Correct	49.1	1,170	50.3	2,105	23.4	1,548	26.7	1,464	49.7	1,788	43.5	2,856	
Incorrect	36.9	879	38.1	1,594	60.4	3,997	64.1	3,512	41.2	1,481	49.6	3,252	
Don't know	13.9	332	11.6	485	10.6	703	6.9	378	9.1	327	5.6	367	
Refused	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	0	
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	2	5.5	366	2.3	126	0.0	0	1.3	88	
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563	
Overestimation	95.4	839	98.1	1,563	96.0	3,836	97.3	3,417	98.6	1,461	95.6	3,108	
Underestimation	4.6	40	1.9	31	4.0	161	2.7	95	1.4	20	4.4	144	
Total	100.0	879	100.0	1,594	100.0	3,997	100.0	3,512	100.0	1,481	100.0	3,252	
Tax consultant													
Correct	34.3	816	26.7	1,116	n.c.		n.c.		24.3	875	54.7	3,588	
Incorrect	57.9	1,378	65.9	2,759					70.8	2,548	37.6	2,470	
Don't know	7.9	187	7.4	309					4.8	172	6.2	410	
Refused	0.0	0	0.0	0					0.1	2	0.0	0	
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	2					0.0	0	1.4	95	
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,186					100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563	

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Refusals could be identified only in CATI surveys but not in paper-and-pencil questionnaires. Missing values in the parent survey indicate that the interviewed parent refused to answer twice in succession, was subsequently filtered out of the question block, and assigned a system missing.

In Starting Cohort 3 (parent interview), we excluded one case with complete missing values.

Table 6

Knowledge about vocational qualifications: Descriptive results

Vocational	SC1		SC2		SC3					SC4				
qualifications	Wave !	5	Wave :	7	Wave 4	4	Wave 4	Wave 4		Wave 6		5	Wave !	5
	Parents		Parents		Parent	Parents		Targets		s	Parents		Target	s
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Salesperson														
Correct	81.3	1,935	84.7	3,689	77.7	3,254	46.4	3,070	58.1	3,186	80.3	2,890	56.3	3,695
Incorrect	13.2	314	7.4	323	10.6	444	34.5	2,285	32.4	1,774	9.8	354	37.9	2,486
Don't know	5.5	132	7.9	343	11.6	485	13.8	915	6.7	369	9.8	351	3.9	254
Refused	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	3	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.1	2	0.0	0
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	5.2	344	2.8	151	0.0	0	2.0	128
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,356	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563
Overestimation	1.0	3	3.7	12	1.8	8	4.4	101	2.1	37	1.1	4	1.1	28
Underestimation	99.0	311	96.3	311	98.2	436	95.6	2,184	97.9	1,737	98.9	350	98.9	2,458
Total	100.0	314	100.0	323	100.0	444	100.0	2,285	100.0	1,774	100.0	354	100.0	2,486
Pharmacist								•		•				
Correct	65.5	1,560	72.9	3,176	60.5	2,534	36.6	2,418	41.6	2,281	74.2	2,668	44.2	2,902
Incorrect	30.6	729	23.4	1,020	33.7	1,412	44.1	2,916	48.1	2,634	22.1	795	49.7	3,259
Don't know	3.9	92	3.7	159	5.7	238	13.9	917	7.6	416	3.7	132	4.3	279
Refused	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.1	2	0.0	0
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	5.5	363	2.7	149	0.0	0	1.9	123
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,356	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563
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Correct	87.8	2,090	87.0	3,788	87.2	3,650	32.3	2,136	48.7	2,671	91.0	3,275	64.1	4,205
Incorrect	9.2	218	10.1	442	8.5	356	49.5	3,274	42.0	2,300	6.9	249	30.7	2,015
Don't know	3.1	73	2.8	124	4.3	178	12.9	851	6.5	356	2.0	72	3.3	217
Refused	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	2	5.3	353	2.8	153	0.0	1	1.9	126
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,356	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563
Overestimation	99.1	216	98.9	437	96.9	345	98.8	3,234	99.0	2,278	97.6	243	98.6	1,987
Underestimation	0.9	2	1.1	5	3.1	11	1.2	40	1.0	22	2.4	6	1.4	28
Total	100.0	218	100.0	442	100.0	356	100.0	3,274	100.0	2,300	100.0	249	100.0	2,015
Optician	100.0		100.0		100.0	330	100.0	3,2,7	100.0	2,500	100.0		100.0	2,015
Correct	80.8	1,924	78.5	3,420	78.0	3,266	21.8	1,441	28.4	1,555	81.3	2,923	51.1	3,355
Incorrect	11.1	265	13.2	573	12.8	535	57.3	3,791	60.4	3,309	12.6	452	40.6	2,663
Don't know	8.1	192	8.3	361	9.1	383	15.4	1,018	8.7	476	6.1	221	6.4	420
Refused	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	2	5.5	364	2.6	140	0.0	1	1.9	125
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,356	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563
Overestimation	97.4	258	98.8	566	97.9	524	98.5	3,736	99.0	3,277	99.1	448	97.7	2,603
Underestimation	2.6	7	1.2	7	2.1	11	1.5	55	1.0	32	0.9	4	2.3	60
Total	100.0	265	100.0	573	100.0	535	100.0	3,791	100.0	3,309	100.0	452	100.0	2,663
Tax consultant								0,		0,000				_,,,,,
Correct	85.5	2,035	86.1	3,751	86.5	3,622	n.c.		n.c.		90.9	3,268	47.6	3,127
Incorrect	9.1	217	9.0	394	7.0	294					5.7	206	42.5	2,789
Don't know	5.4	129	4.8	210	6.4	268					3.4	122	8.0	522
Refused	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0					0.0	0	0.0	0
Missing	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	2					0.0	1	1.9	125
Total	100.0	2,381	100.0	4,356	100.0	4,186					100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563
Overestimation	97.7	212	99.2	391	97.3	286					96.1	198	99.1	2,763
Underestimation	2.3	5	0.8	3	2.7	8					3.9	8	0.9	26
Total	100.0	217	100.0	394	100.0	294					100.0	206	100.0	2,789
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Refusals could be identified only in CATI surveys but not in paper-and-pencil questionnaires. Missing values in the parent survey indicate that the interviewed parent refused to answer twice in succession, was subsequently filtered out of the question block, and assigned a system missing.

In Starting Cohort 3 (parent interview), we excluded one case with complete missing values.

Vocational qualifications seemed to be easier than school-leaving qualifications, because there were more correct answers here (see Table 6). However, again we sometimes found large differences between targets and parents with students more often not knowing the correct answer.

In Starting Cohort 3, it was interesting to see that the share of students giving correct answers grew in the second measurement (see Tables 5 and 6). This increase is likely mainly due to the imminent transition and children's learning about career opportunities and their needs. Furthermore, the increase could indicate selective panel attrition, with committed children in particular taking part in further surveys. However, it cannot be completely ruled out that after the first interview, the children became curious and informed themselves about the occupations we surveyed.

In the majority of parent surveys, there were no refusals; and if there were any, they were very few. In the paper-and-pencil questionnaires given to students, there were slightly higher missing values.

In the next step, we take a closer look at the differences in knowledge with respect to ethnic origin (see Olczyk, Will, & Kristen, 2016) and social origin operationalized through the highest education of the parents. In Table 7, we present significant results from logistic regressions for each occupation and both social and ethnic origin. The dependent variable distinguishes between correct and incorrect answers. Respondents who stated that they did not know the answer are coded as *incorrect*. Refusals are coded as system missing. Significant effects are marked by *. Furthermore, we add the direction of effects: A positive effect, marked by a +, indicates that, for example, families with higher education or targets of immigrant origin have a higher probability of knowing the correct answer and vice versa.

Table 7

Knowledge about qualifications: Multivariate results (logit regressions with social and ethnic origin; dependent variable 1 = correct and 0 = incorrect answer)

	SC1		SC2		SC3						SC4				
	Wav	e 5	Wav	e 7	Wav	e 4	Wav	e 4	Wav	Wave 6		Wave 5		Wave 5	
	Pare	nts	Pare	nts	Pare	nts	Targe	ets	Targe	ets	Parents		Targets		
	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig	
School-leaving qual	ificati	ons													
Salesperson	*_	* +	n.c.	n.c.	*_		*_		*_				*_		
Pharmacist	*+	*_	n.c.	n.c.	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_	
Banker	*+	*_	n.c.	n.c.	*+	*_	*+		*+		*+	*_	*+	*_	
Optician	*+	*_	n.c.	n.c.									*_	*_	
Tax consultant	*_		n.c.	n.c.	*_	*+	n.c.	n.c.	n.c.	n.c.	*_	*+		*_	
Vocational qualification	ations														
Salesperson		*_	*+	*_	*+	*_	*_		*_		*+	*_			
Pharmacist	*+	*	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_	
Banker	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_		*_			*+	*_	*_		
Optician	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_					*+	*_	*_	*_	
Tax consultant	*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_	n.c.	n.c.	n.c.	n.c.	*+	*_	*_		

Source. SC 1: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC1:5.0.0; SC 2: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC2:7.0.0; SC 3: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC3:8.0.0; SC 4: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC4:9.1.1 . Own calculations.

Notes. n.c. (not collected) means that an item was excluded in a specific survey.

The category don't know was coded as wrong; refused, as system missing. Education (edu) was defined as the highest school-leaving certificate of parents. It distinguished between parents with no or low, medium, and high education. Immigrant status (mig) was based on a generated variable of the immigrant status of the children (see Olczyk, Will, & Kristen 2016); the final variable differenti-

^{*} p > .05; +/- indicate the effect direction.

ated between children of immigrant origin (up to the 3.75th generation) and of the majority population. When analyzing the knowledge measurement of students, we used the sociodemographic information gathered from the parent interview.

Whereas for the univariate analyses shown in Tables 5 and 6, we considered all cases in the survey for whom we had measured knowledge in the respective wave, the number of cases now vary depending on whether information was available on social and ethnic origin. Furthermore, we did not restrict the analyzed sample to respondents who answered all knowledge questions. Thus, the sample analyzed can also vary between items.

Overall, we found the expected effects: Families with higher education and families belonging to the majority population were more likely to know the correct answers. The differences in knowledge regarding vocational qualifications are particularly pronounced. We observed a reverse picture regarding the school-leaving certificate for salesperson and tax consultant. Furthermore, there were more significant effects for parents than for targets.

Additionally, results from factor analysis show no single dimension (results on request). In contrast, the items asking for school and vocational certificates for selected occupations loaded on at least three factors in each cohort, while the patterns between cohorts are not identical (results on request). However, there is slight evidence that the desired educational pathways and / or the already attended school track affect the existing knowledge.

4. Transition-specific knowledge

Besides more general strategic knowledge presented in the previous section, we also measured detailed knowledge regarding specific transitions. These are described in the following sections. We start in early childhood and describe the transitions as they occur over the course of a traditional educational trajectory.

4.1 Starting Cohort 1

In Starting Cohort 1, the newborn cohort, we covered two important transitions and developed items measuring knowledge about Kindergartens and elementary schools.

4.1.1 Instruments

Knowledge about Kindergartens (Wave 2)

Empirically, it is often shown that whether a child attends Kindergarten at all, when a child starts attending Kindergarten (and, thus, the duration of being stimulated by this learning environment), and the quality of the institution vary systematically between social and ethnic groups (e.g., Becker, 2009; Jehles & Meiner-Teubner, 2016). In the long run, these different patterns may lead to the observable educational inequalities between social and ethnic groups due to the beneficial influences accompanying Kindergarten attendance.

However, the reason for these different patterns in starting Kindergarten attendance or attending Kindergarten at all may be variations in the stock of knowledge about Kindergartens (e.g., Becker 2009). It could be assumed, for example, that better informed parents will select an institution more thoroughly with respect to its concept and staffing conditions. Furthermore, families with a low social status may be hindered by Kindergarten fees—especially when they are not aware that financial support is available.

When developing questions measuring knowledge about Kindergarten, we concentrated on the decision competence of parents, support possibilities, and the perceived alternatives. Parents were asked whether different statements were correct or not correct. Table 8 presents the final questions, the answer categories, and whether a statement was correct or not (for the original German version, see Appendix 4).

Table 8
Knowledge about kindergarten

Question	Answer option	Correct/incorrect
On the topic of Kindergarten, there are many		
areas that are not always known to the public. I		
will now read out some statements. Please tell		
me if each statement is correct, incorrect, or if		
you don't know.		
The parents are obligated by law to always	Correct	Incorrect
choose the nearest Kindergarten for their child.	Incorrect	
	Don't know	
If fees are charged for attending the Kindergar-	Correct	Correct
ten, low-income families receive financial support	Incorrect	
from the government to pay for the Kindergarten	Don't know	
place.		
A child must have attended a Kindergarten for at	Correct	Incorrect
least one year before starting school.	Incorrect	
	Don't know	
Catholic and Protestant Kindergartens may only	Correct	Incorrect
be attended by children that belong to that reli-	Incorrect	
gious community.	Don't know	

When developing these items, we followed the approach taken in the study *Preschool Education and Educational Careers among Migrant Children (Erwerb von sprachlichen und kulturellen Kompetenzen von Migrantenkindern;* e.g., Becker, Biedinger, Klein, & Schmidt, 2017; Becker, Klein, & Biedinger, 2013) in which parents of 3- or 4-year-old children answer similar questions). Except for the last item (religious community), we changed the wording of the originally items from this study so that we could apply them nationwide. Particularly the item on financial support was modified due to the varying forms of support and the varying labels of support givers in each federal state. However, the stimulus of this item still has potential for further development: In the current formulation, parents could think of the possibility that the financial support will be provided automatically with the enrollment of the children. To avoid this, for example, it could also be asked for the *possibility* for financial support: *If fees are charged for attending the Kindergarten, low-income families have the possibility to receive financial support from the government to pay for the Kindergarten place.*

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⁶ We sincerely thank Birgit Becker for her support and the empirical results she provided.

Knowledge about the transition into elementary school (Wave 5)

The second important transition in this cohort is elementary school entrance. With respect to knowledge specific to this transition, we concentrated particularly on the selection of the elementary school and the date of school enrollment. The idea was that better informed parents will select the institution the child should attend more thoroughly. Furthermore, they will more often prefer an earlier (or later) school enrollment when they are aware of these possibilities.

Our aim was to develop items that were as region-unspecific as possible, so that it would be easier for respondents to answer these questions and easier for us to carry out the coding process afterwards. The final items and the correct answers are presented in Table 9 (for the German version, see Appendix 5).

Table 9

Knowledge about the transition into elementary school

Question	Answer option	Correct answer [fed- eral state]
Now, I'd like to ask you some concrete questions about the topic school enrollment. Please consider the regulations in the federal state that you are currently living in. If you don't know the answer, please state don't know!		
For long time, every federal state had so-called	Yes	No [HH; NW; SH]
school districts. This means that the state assigns	No	Yes [else]
every child to a public elementary school according to its place of residence. How is it nowadays in your federal state? Are there any school districts?	Don't know	
[If yes:] May parents choose a public elementary	Yes, unconditionally	Yes, under certain
school for their child that is outside their school district?	Yes, under certain conditions	conditions [all]
	No	
	Don't know	
May parents enroll their child in a school earlier	Yes, unconditionally	Yes, under certain
than regularly intended?	Yes, under certain conditions	conditions [all]
	No	
	Don't know	
May parents keep their child one year back from	Yes, unconditionally	Yes, under certain
the school enrollment?	Yes, under certain conditions	conditions [all]
	No	
	Don't know	

Can you name me a target day for the regular	DD.MM.	30.06. [HB; HE; MV;
school enrollment of a child in your federal state?		SL; SN; ST; SH]
		01.07.[HH]
		01.08. [TH]
		31.08. [RP]
		30.09. [BW; BY; BE;
		BB; NI; NW]
		31.12. [BE]

Note. Abbreviations for the federal states are Baden Wurttemberg (BW); Bavaria (BY); Berlin (BE); Brandenburg (BB); Bremen (HB); Hamburg (HH); Hesse (HE); Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania (MV); Lower Saxony (NI); North Rhine-Westphalia (NW); Rhineland Palatinate (RP); Saarland (SL); Saxony (SN); Saxony-Anhalt (ST); Schleswig-Holstein (SH); Thuringia (TH).

To identify the correct answer, it was necessary to consider the regulations in each of the 16 German federal states in the year the survey took place, namely 2016 (see last column in Table 9; see also Appendix 1 for an overview of regulations and Appendix 2 for a coding suggestion in Stata for the approach presented here). Because we used the term *currently* in the instrument and did not differentiate explicitly between the present and the next school year, we considered regulations from both school years, namely 2015/2016 and 2016/2017. By taking into account the survey month and survey year, even more precise codes would have been possible. However, because there is only minimal variation in the regulations between the years, we did not use such a detailed variable. In the rare cases in which a relevant change occurred, all answers corresponding to one of these rules were encoded as correct. Furthermore, the regulations of the German federal states offer some scope for interpretation. In the following, we outline how decisions might look. ⁷

With respect to the first question about school districts, there are two federal states—namely Schleswig-Holstein and North Rhine-Westphalia—with schools that are responsible for a catchment area and with no school districts in the classic sense. Respondents in these areas could keep such schools in mind when answering the question. Whereas we opted for a conservative approach, and coded answers indicating that there are school districts from interviewees living in one of the two federal states without school districts as incorrect, it would be quite possible to deal with these cases differently.

Furthermore, for respondents who stated that their federal state had school districts, we asked whether parents may choose a public elementary school outside of the school district. Exceptions are possible in all federal states, and various circumstances are described that justify attendance of a school outside the district such as pedagogical reasons or transport issues. Hence, we coded *Yes, under certain conditions* as the correct answer.

With respect to the item on the early school enrollment of children, an application is necessary and in some federal states an assessment of the child's aptitude. Thus, the correct answer for all federal states is *Yes, under certain conditions*. The extent of effort varies between federal states, namely from an informal letter up to an application with assessment. In studies concentrating on only one or a few federal states or studying knowledge about the education system as their main object, it would be conceivable to ask even more differentiated questions or to use more differentiated answers. Furthermore, in some federal states, regulations and requirements vary partly depending on how young the child is. In these cases, requirements tend to increase the younger the child and the more distant in time the

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We would like to sincerely thank the ministries of the federal states for the information provided on the regulations in the relevant years.

application is from the so-called *Stichtag* (i.e., the date when children reach the age of compulsory school attendance). Here we referred to the often more demanding regulations pertaining to younger children. Future studies should specify which age group the question is addressing.

To delay a school-age child's enrollment for one year, parents have to prove that the child's level of development would make her or him unable to keep pace with peers either socially, physically, and/or cognitively. Thus, the correct answer is again *Yes, under certain conditions*.

The date of school enrollment (*Stichtag*) also varies across the 16 German states. When more than one date is possible (due to changes in the law during the period of interest), both dates were coded as correct. In these cases, it is not obvious whether parents had regulations for the current or coming school year in mind when answering our question. Future surveys should add a concrete description of the deadline to ensure a common understanding.

4.1.2 Empirical findings

Knowledge about Kindergarten (Wave 2)

We tested these items in 13 cognitive pretests with adults with 9-month- to 15-month-old children (one of the 13 interviewed adults of immigrant origin; see section 3.2 for general remarks on the procedure for cognitive pretests). The findings showed that respondents had no problems of comprehension or problems to answer the questions. Overall, the questions received high interest and the interviewed person stated that they felt at least good when answering these questions. In the case of uncertainty with a specific item, the respondents felt a bit uncomfortable with it.

As part of the cognitive pretests originally six items were tested for kindergarten choice. Two of the six items were excluded from further surveys based on the results of the pilot study because they produced only marginal variance. Therefore, the final instrument for measuring the knowledge of kindergarten choice considers only the four items already presented.

Descriptive results from the Scientific Use Files show that there was a variation between items in the correctness of answers (see Table 10). The highest share of correct answers (81.1%) was for the item on the religious confession of Kindergartens; the lowest share (41.4%), for the item on whether children have to attend a Kindergarten one year before starting school.

Table 10

Knowledge about Kindergartens:

Descriptive results

	SC1	
	Wave 2	2
	Parent	s
	%	N
Location/proximity		
Correct	68.7	1,957
Incorrect	11.5	329
Don't know	19.7	562
Refused	0.0	1
Total	100.0	2,849
Financial support		
Correct	77.1	2,197
Incorrect	4.1	116
Don't know	18.7	534
Refused	0.1	2
Total	100.0	2,849
Obligation before scho	ool	
Correct	41.4	1,180
Incorrect	28.3	806
Don't know	30.3	862
Refused	0.0	1
Total	100.0	2,849
Denomination		
Correct	81.1	2,311
Incorrect	6.2	176
Don't know	12.6	359
Refused	0.1	3
Total	100.0	2,849

Source. SC 1: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC1:5.0.0. Own calculations.

Table 11 reports the variance according to social and ethnic origin. As described in section 3.2, we calculated a logistic regression for each item. We found the expected relationships for both social and ethnic origin: Higher educated parents as well as parents of the majority population had a higher probability of knowing the correct answers.

Finally, results from factor analyses confirm that the items about the transitions into kindergarten load on one factor (results on request). As there are relatively few items, which lower in consequence Cronbach's alpha substantively, we do not report results of reliability analyses.

Please note that we developed these items to explain social and ethnic differences in attending Kindergarten. With the exception of the third item, the obligation to attend Kindergarten, all items imply that wrong knowledge would lead to an observable underrepresentation of a specific (social or ethnic) group in Kindergarten. Nevertheless, the obligation item also measures knowledge about Kindergartens and, thus, could help to clarify the role of knowledge when explaining group differences in a more general sense.

Table 11

Knowledge about Kindergartens: Multivariate results (logit regressions with social and ethnic origin; dependent variable 1 = correct and 0 = incorrect answer)

	SC1 Wave 2 Parents		
	Edu Mig		
Location/proximity	*+	*_	
Financial support	*+	*_	
Obligation before school	*+	*_	
Denomination	*+	*_	

Source. SC 1: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC1:5.0.0. Own calculations.

Notes. * p > .05; +/- indicate the effect direction.

The category don't know was coded as wrong; refused was coded as system missing. Education (edu) was defined as highest school-leaving certificate of parents; it distinguished between parents with no or low, medium, and high education. The immigrant status (mig) was based on a generated variable of the immigrant status of the children (see Olczyk, Will, & Kristen, 2016); the final variable differentiated between children of immigrant origin (up to the 3.75th generation) and of the majority.

Knowledge about the transition into elementary school (Wave 5)

Items measuring knowledge about the transition to elementary school went through several changes during the development process. We tested a trial version in cognitive pretests with nine adults with 4- to 6-year-old children (see section 3.2 for general remarks on the procedure for cognitive interviews). The majority of adults was confident in their answers and showed a high level of acceptance for the items.

Empirical results from the Scientific Use Files are presented in Table 12. The share of correct answers ranged from 24.3% (deadline for school enrollment), over 64.8% (early school enrollment), up to 79.4% (school outside the school district). Please note that we excluded respondents living in federal states without school districts when analyzing the item asking whether it is possible to attend a school outside the school district. The item addressing the deadline seemed to be especially difficult, as illustrated by the low share of correct answers and the comparatively high share of don't know answers. Whereas the expression *Stichtag* is actually quite well known, it is possible that respondents mixed it up with the date of school start. Further research should confirm this explanation for the low share of correct answers and add a definition of *Stichtag* to the survey or use a description of the term instead of the specific expression.

Table 12

Knowledge about the transition into elementary school: Descriptive results

	SC1	
	Wave 5	<u> </u>
	Parents	
	%	N
School district	,-	
Correct	62.2	1,480
Incorrect	18.5	441
Don't know	19.2	456
Refused	0.1	2
Total	100.0	2,379
School outside district		<u> </u>
Correct	79.4	930
Incorrect	11.9	139
Don't know	8.8	103
Refused	0.0	0
Total	100.0	1,172
Early school enrollment		
Correct	64.8	1,542
Incorrect	11.8	282
Don't know	23.3	554
Refused	0.1	3
Total	100.0	2,381
Later school enrollment	•	
Correct	71.9	1,713
Incorrect	13.0	310
Don't know	15.0	356
Refused	0.1	2
Total	100.0	2,381
Deadline school enenro	Ilment (S	tichtag)
Correct	24.9	594
Incorrect	29.8	710
Don't know	44.9	1,070
Refused	0.2	5
Total	99.9	2,379

Source. SC 1: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC1:5.0.0. Own calculations.

Note. Two cases that could not be assigned to a federal state were excluded from the federal-state-specific analysis.

Results from logistic regressions highlighting the link between correct answers and social and ethnic origin are presented in Table 13. We observed a similar pattern to that found in the results from the previous section: Higher educated parents as well as parents from the majority population were more informed. One exception was answers to the item *school outside district* that showed no significant link to ethnic origin.

Furthermore, factor analyzes confirms that these items load on one factor (results on request). Again, due to a low number of items, we do not present results of reliability analyses.

Table 13

Knowledge about the transition to elementary school: Multivariate results (logit regressions with social and ethnic origin; dependent variable 1 = correct and 0 = incorrect answer)

	SC1 Wave 5 Parents Edu Mig	
School district	*+	*_
School outside district	*+	
Early school enrollment	*+	*_
Later school enrollment	*+	*_
Deadline school enrollment	*+	*_

Source. SC 1: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC1:5.0.0. Own calculations.

Notes. * p > .05; +/- indicate the effect direction.

The category don't know was coded as wrong; refused was coded as system missing. Education (edu) was defined as highest school-leaving certificate of parents; it distinguished between parents with no or low, medium, and high education. The immigrant status (mig) was based on a generated variable of the immigrant status of the children (see Olczyk, Will, & Kristen, 2016); the final variable differentiated between children of immigrant origin (up to the 3.75th generation) and of the majority.

4.2 Starting Cohort 2

In the Kindergarten cohort, we measured knowledge for the first time in Wave 5 when students were attending Grade 3. Accordingly, we developed items measuring knowledge about the regulations and conditions of the transition into secondary schooling. In addition, we implemented items measuring knowledge about options after secondary school in Waves 5 and 7 (see Table 14; for the German version, see Appendix 6 and 7).

4.2.1 Instruments

The transition-specific items ask for responsibilities in a broader sense, namely: first, the option to reject the tracking recommendation at the end of elementary school; and second, the entry requirements for schools leading to *Abitur*—namely, grades in the subjects German and math.⁸ Both aspects were formulated as statements, and respondents could state whether the statement was true or not true.

The development of the second item about entry requirements followed the approach taken in two other studies, namely, the project *Immigrant's Children in the German and Israeli Educational Systems* (e.g., Kalter et al., 2013; Roth, 2014) and its questionnaire for parents with children attending Grades 4 and 10; and the project *Educational Decisions in Immigrant Families* (e.g., Dollmann, 2010) in which parents with children attending 4th grade answered

⁸ In Germany performance grades ranging from 1 (very good, A) to 6 (insufficient, F) are generally used.

a similar question.⁹ To allow a more differentiated coding and consider why respondents thought the statement was wrong, in a next step, we asked for their reasons.

Identifying the right answers to these questions makes it necessary to consider regulations for the German federal states in the year(s) in which the survey (in this case, the parent interviews) was conducted, namely 2015 (see Appendix 1 for an overview of varying regulations between federal states and Appendix 3 for a coding suggestion in Stata for the approach presented in this working paper). Similar to the approach in Starting Cohort 1, we considered more than one school year, namely 2014/2015 and 2015/2016, due to the fact that the survey did not differentiate between the current and the next school year. Furthermore, the regulations of the German federal states partially imply some scope for interpretation. In the following, we outline how decisions may look. ¹⁰

With respect to the tracking recommendation, in the majority of German states, this is a *recommendation* and not an obligation. It should be noted that some states such as Lower Saxony make no recommendation after elementary school. For respondents living in such a state who state *no*, it is, thus, not clear whether their answer refers to the obligatory nature of a recommendation or to the fact that there is no recommendation. However, both possibilities indicate that the respondents are informed.

With respect to the item asking about concrete requirements for attending a Gymnasium, the answer *not true* is correct for all 16 German states. However, the reason(s) why it is not true vary between states. Thus, the item asking why respondents think the statement is not true listed various reasons (multiple answers were possible) and allowed a more differentiated coding (Table 14 and Appendix 3).

Following the knowledge measurements in the project Educational Decisions in Immigrant Families (e.g., Dollmann, 2010) in which parents of children attending Grade 3 were asked about the length of time required to obtain various degrees, we implemented similar questions in Wave 5 of Starting Cohort 2. The length of educational qualifications can be relevant to decisions, especially if they result in loss of income. In addition, this measurement can also serve as an indicator of general knowledge. Whereas the answers on the qualification for Realschule are uniform, namely 10 years including primary education, there is some variation between federal states for Hauptschule or Berufsbildungsreife and Abitur. In general, Hauptschule or Berufsbildungsreife qualification has a duration of 9 years but in some German states it could take longer due to a longer compulsory education of 10 years instead of 9 years (e.g., Helbig and Nikolai, 2015, pp. 64f.). This is the case in Berlin, Brandenburg, Bremen, and North Rhine-Westphalia where the qualification Hauptschulabschluss or Berufsbildungsreife could be reached with the final grades at the end of the ninth class or the successful transition into the 10th Grade. However, only in exceptional cases young people could leave the school after the 9th grade, e.g., when they could prove that they will start a vocational training. In consequence, we decided to code the answers 9 and 10 years as correct for parents living in these states. Much more variation between federal states had to be considered for Abitur due to the so-called G8-Reform—a reduction of the number of years needed to obtain Abitur to 12 years in total (see also Appendix 1). However, the federal states vary with respect to the year of implementation, the chosen approach, and the

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¹⁰ We would like to sincerely thank the ministries of the federal states for the information provided on the regulations in the central years.

pace of introducing this reform (e.g., Helbig & Nikolai, 2015, p. 69–70; Homuth, 2017, p. 22–26; Kühn, van Ackeren, Bellenberg, Reintjes, & im Brahm, 2013). Some states have even skipped (or plan to skip the reform) and returned to the longer duration of 13 years (e.g., Lower Saxony, Bavaria, and Schleswig-Holstein). In other states, it is up to schools whether they implement G8, and/or G9, or there is only a certain school type offering a 12-year duration (e.g., Helbig & Nikolai, 2015, p. 70; Homuth, 2017, p. 26). Thus, a coding decision is necessary for states in which the G8 is implemented, but selected schools also offer the opportunity to reach the Abitur after 13 years (and vice versa). Due to the fact that it is not clear which school type respondents had in mind when answering our question about the duration, the answers 12 and 13 years were both coded as correct. Exceptions were made for respondents living in Bavaria, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, and Saxony for whom 12 years was coded as the correct answer. In these states, the G8 had already been implemented in the time between 2014 and 2016. With respect to the items on the duration to obtain different qualifications, we need to think about a more concrete wording and a specific school type.

Finally, in Waves 5 and 7, we measured whether parents are informed about options after school, namely the dual vocational system and the so-called *Fachhochschulreife*, an entrance qualification for studies at a university of applied sciences. Both items refer to options that gain in importance over the course of secondary education. Nonetheless, knowledge about these options may influence the trajectory within secondary education and maybe even the transition into secondary school.

The item on the dual vocational system was taken from two studies: (1) *Immigrant's Children in the German and Israeli Educational Systems* (e.g., Kalter et al., 2013; Kretschmer, 2019; Roth, 2014) and its student questionnaire in Grades 9 and 10 and parent questionnaire in Grades 4, 9, and 10; and (2) the project *Educational Decisions in Immigrant Families* (e.g., Dollmann, 2010) and here the parent questionnaire (Grade 4).

The question on the *Fachhochschulreife* was likewise measured in two projects, namely *Immigrant's Children in the German and Israeli Educational Systems*, in the student questionnaire Grades 9 and 10 as well as in the parent questionnaire from parents with children attending Grades 4, 9, and 10 (e.g., Kalter et al., 2013; Kretschmer, 2019; Roth, 2014); and in the BiKS study in which data on this kind of knowledge was gathered from parents (Wave 5, Grade 6; BiKS 8-14).

Table 14 gives an overview of the items used in Waves 5 and 7 together with the correct answers in each specific federal state (for the original German versions, see Appendixes 6 and 7).

Table 14

Knowledge about the transition into secondary schooling and general knowledge

Question	Answer option	Correct answer [federal state]
The issue education and especially the transition from the end of the elementary school period has many aspects that are not always known to the general public. I will now read some statements to you. Please indicate for each statement whether it is true, not true, or if you don't know.		•
The child has to attend the school type that is	True	Not true [all]
recommended at the end of elementary school in every case.	Not true	
	Don't know	
In order to attend the <i>Gymnasium</i> [type of school leading to upper secondary education and Abi-	True	Not true [all]
tur], the child needs a grade average of at least 2	Not true	
in the subjects Math and German.	Don't know	
Why do you think this statement is not true? I will now read out different possible reasons. You can	(a) Because the grades have to be better	(b) [BW] (b) and (c) [BB; BE;
also give me more than of these reasons.	(b) Because the grades could be worse	BY; MV; RP; ST] (c) [TH]
	(c) Because the grades in other subjects are equally as important or more important	(c) and (f) [SN] (d) [HB; HH; HE; NI; NW; SH; SL]
	(d) Because there is no defined grade average	
	(e) Because the wish of the parents is decisive, not the grades	
	(f) Because other skills are important, such as the social behavior	
	(g) Because of another reason	
Now I have some questions about the duration of the school attendance.		
Could you please tell me how many years one has to attend school in order to obtain the leaving certificate of the <i>Hauptschule</i> ? Please include the time spent in elementary school.	Number [1 up to 18]	9 years [all] 10 years [BB; BE; HB; NRW]
And can you tell me how many years one has to attend school in order to obtain the leaving certificate of the <i>Realschule</i> ? Please include the time spent in elementary school again.	Number [1 up to 18]	10 years
And how many years does one have to attend school in order to obtain the <i>Abitur</i> [university	Number [1 up to 18]	12 and 13 years [all with exception of BY;

entrance qualification]? Please include the time spent in elementary school again.		MV; SN] 12 years [BY; MV; SN]
There are different school and vocational training systems in Germany. I have some questions related to this for you.		
Can you tell me what is meant by "Dual vocational system" in Germany?	Having two vocational training qualifications The fact that someone completes vocational training first and studies afterwards	The combination of school education in a vocational school [Berufsschule] and practical training in the firm
	The combination of school education in a vocational school [Berufsschule] and practical training in the firm	
	The distinction be- tween the first and second year of ap- prenticeship	
	Don't know	
Can you tell me what the term "Fachhochschulreife" means?	The completion of a craftsman master qualification	A qualification enti- tling tertiary educa- tion at a university of
	A degree from a university of applied sciences	applied sciences
	A qualification enti- tling tertiary educa- tion at a university of	
	applied sciences	
	A different word for	
	Abitur	
	Don't know	

Note. The abbreviations for the federal states are Baden Wurttemberg (BW); Bavaria (BY); Berlin (BE); Brandenburg (BB); Bremen (HB); Hamburg (HH); Hessen (HE); Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania (MV); Lower Saxony (NI); North Rhine-Westphalia (NW); Rhineland Palatinate (RP); Saarland (SL); Saxony (SN); Saxony-Anhalt (ST); Schleswig-Holstein (SH); Thuringia (TH).

4.2.2 Empirical results

Results of cognitive pretests

The transition-specific items as well as the items on the duration were cognitively pretested on six parents including one parent of immigrant origin (see section 3.2 for general remarks on the procedure for cognitive interviews). Overall, there were no understanding problems when answering the items and subsequent questions.

We also tested the items asking for the expression *Fachhochschulreife* and dual vocational training. Based on the cognitive pretests with the six parents, five of which were telephone

interviews, we found that answering these items seemed to be more difficult. This was probably due to the comprehensive answer categories that partly contained specific technical terms. This could be especially critical in CATI interviews when the answer categories are read out by the interviewer and are not visually available to the interviewees. This result was also observable in further cognitive pretests conducted with other parents and students already mentioned in section 3.2. As a consequence, we shortened the answer options as far as possible. In general, a good strategy could be to mix these questions with easier questions to avoid strain on the interviewees.

Results from audio recordings (pilot study)

Based on 50 audio recordings of parent interviews (parents whose children were attending 11th grade) from the pilot study, we can state that the items asking for the dual vocational training and *Fachhochschulreife* were more demanding (see section 3.2 for general remarks on this pilot study): The interviewer had to repeat the answer options in 13 respectively 14 cases. Hence, a further consequence is that these items are more time consuming. This should be kept in mind when using these items in future surveys.

On the basis of the recordings from the other pilot study (Starting Cohort 3, parents with children attending Grade 8) we also augmented the interviewer instructions to further standardize the interview situation (see section 3.2).

Furthermore, for the transition-specific items and the items asking for the duration, we could analyze 50 audio recording from the pilot study (Starting Cohort 3, Wave 5). These appraisals revealed a relatively high level of positive feedback. With respect to the item asking why the previous statement is wrong, it was, in some cases, unclear that more answers were possible. Interviewers responded differently in these cases. In order to standardize the approach more strongly, an interviewer instruction was added specifying that all answer options should be read out.

Results from Scientific Use Files

In Table 15 we first present descriptive results based on the SUF data.

With respect to the transition-specific items, we observed that 74.2% of parents knew whether the tracking recommendation was mandatory, whereas only 43.6% knew the correct answer to the item on the specific requirement for attending a Gymnasium. Furthermore, 22.2% of respondents said that they did not know the answer. Thus, this item seemed to be more difficult. One explanation could be that the respondents were not sure how far the item addressed the empirical reality or the concrete (legal) regulations. A concrete term stating what is being requested might be helpful here. In addition, strikingly few respondents gave correct answers to the question why this statement was wrong (only 7.6%). This low share could be attributed to the fact that the open entry was (still) not taken into account. In addition, currently only those cases were considered as correct that named the (federalstate-specific) answers listed in Table 14. If additional answers were selected or if the parent said don't know for at least one of the other answer options, the parent was assigned to incorrect. Overall, this approach is rather conservative. Another explanation for the low share of right answers could be, as already mentioned above, that it is not clear how far the question relates to the empirical reality or the legal stipulation. A corresponding modification might be appropriate.

The items asking for the years needed to obtain different degrees seemed to be a bit easier in general: The proportion of correct answers varied between 80.9% (*Hauptschulabschluss*) and 89.8% (*Realschulabschluss*), whereas the share of don't know answers was comparably small (see Table 15).

In contrast to these items, however, the last two items on the dual vocational system and *Fachhochschulreife* appeared to be somewhat more demanding. This was shown by the share of just 67.0% (dual vocational system) and 60.2% (*Fachhochschulreife*) correct answers and a comparably high share of don't know answers (see Table 15). A similar picture emerged in Starting Cohorts 3 and 4 (see section 4.3.2).

Table 15

Knowledge about the transition into secondary schooling and general knowledge: Descriptive results

	SC2			
	Wave 5	5	Wave	7
	Parent	s	Paren	ts
	%	N	%	N
Tracking recommend	ition man	datory		
Correct	74.2	3,933	n.c.	
Incorrect	16.4	869		
Don't know	9.3	493		
Refused	0.1	3		
Total	100.0	5,298		
Requirement to attend	d Gymnasi	ium		
Correct	34.2	1,810	n.c.	
Incorrect	43.6	2,309		
Don't know	22.2	1,174		
Refused	0.1	5		
Total	100.0	5,298		
Reason why wrong				
Correct	7.6	138	n.c.	
Incorrect	92.0	1,665		
Don't know	0.4	7		
Refused	0.0	0		
Total	100.0	1,810		
Duration to obtain Ha	uptschuld	bschluss		
Correct	80.9	4,288	n.c.	
Incorrect	14.9	792		
Don't know	4.1	218		
Refused	0.0	0		
Total	100.0	5,298		
Duration to obtain Re	alschulab.	schluss		
Correct	89.8	4,758	n.c.	
Incorrect	7.3	386		
Don't know	2.9	154		
Refused	0.0	0		
Total	100.0	5,298		

	SC2				
	Wave 5	5	Wave 7	7	
	Parent	Parents		Parents	
	%	N	%	N	
Duration to obtain A	Abitur				
Correct	85.1	4,506	n.c.		
Incorrect	12.1	642			
Don't know	2.8	148			
Refused	0.0	2			
Total	100.0	5,298			
Dual vocational syst	em (duale A	Ausbildur	ng)		
Correct	67.0	3,549	72.7	3,168	
Incorrect	10.8	573	13.9	604	
Don't know	22.1	1,169	13.3	578	
Refused	0.1	7	0.1	6	
Total	100.0	5,298	100.0	4,356	
Entrance qualification	on for unive	rsities of	applied s	ciences	
(Fachhochschulreife,)				
Correct	60.2	3,187	72.7	3,168	
Incorrect	27.9	1,479	13.9	604	
Don't know	11.9	630	13.3	578	
Refused	0.0	2	0.1	6	
Total	100.0	5,298	100.0	4,356	

Source. SC 2: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC2:7.0.0. Own calculations.

Note. n.c. (not collected) means that an item was excluded in a specific

survey.

Table 16 presents the results of logistic regressions. Overall, relationships were as expected: Higher educated parents and parents of the majority had a higher probability of knowing the correct answer. There were no significant results with respect to education and immigrant origin for the third item measuring the reasons why the requirements to attend a Gymnasium are wrong.

Table 16

Knowledge about the transition into secondary schooling and general knowledge: Multivariate results (logit regressions with social and ethnic origin; dependent variable 1 = correct and 0 = incorrect answer)

	SC2			
	Wave 5 Parents		Wave 7	
			Parents	
	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig
Tracking recommendation mandatory	*+	*_	n.c.	n.c.
Requirement to attend Gymnasium	*+	*_	n.c.	n.c.
Reason why wrong			n.c.	n.c.
Duration to obtain Hauptschulabschluss		*_	n.c.	n.c.
Duration to obtain Realschulabschluss	*+	*_	n.c.	n.c.
Duration to obtain Abitur	*+	*_	n.c.	n.c.
Dual vocational system (duale Ausbildung)	*+		*+	*_
Fachhochschulreife	*+	*_	*+	*_

Source. SC 2: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC2:7.0.0. Own calculations.

Notes. n.c. (not collected) means that an item was excluded in a specific survey.

The category don't know was coded as wrong; refused was coded as system missing. Education (edu) was defined as highest school-leaving certificate of parents; it distinguished between parents with no or low, medium, and high education. The immigrant status (mig) was based on a generated variable of the immigrant status of the children (see Olczyk, Will, & Kristen, 2016); the final variable differentiated between children of immigrant origin (up to the 3.75th generation) and of the majority.

Finally, results from factor analysis show that the item for dual vocational training and *Fachhochschulreife* load on one factor. The other items on the transition into lower secondary education have two dimensions (results on request): the questions about the educational tracks within secondary education, which are more likely to lead to vocational training (*Hauptschule* or *Realschule*), and the questions that ask for knowledge about the transition into the upper secondary level and, thus, to the academic track, load on different factors (results on request). Hence, knowledge stocks may vary in dependency to the desired further educational path. Due to a low number of items, we do not present results of reliability analyses.

4.3 Starting Cohort 3 and Starting Cohort 4

4.3.1 Instruments

In Starting Cohorts 3 and 4, we concentrated on the knowledge about options after finishing secondary school. Hence, we asked students and parents about the dual vocational system,

^{*} p > .05; +/- indicate the effect direction.

the entrance qualification for universities of applied sciences (Fachhochschulreife), and vocational school.

The first two questions are from studies already mentioned in section 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 (Starting Cohort 2). The question about vocational school is likewise from the BiKS study, namely the parent questionnaire (Wave 5, Grade 6; BiKS 8-14) and student questionnaire (Wave 6, Grade 7, BiKS 8-14). In NEPS, we implemented this item only in Starting Cohort 3 (the target interview) due to place restrictions as well as empirical results from parent interviews in the pilot studies of Starting Cohorts 3 and 4 showing only minimal variance with 96% (SC3, parents) and 100% (SC4, parents) answering correctly (results not presented).

Table 17 gives an overview of the items and the correct answers (for the original German version, see Appendix 8 to 12).

Table 17

Knowledge about the German training system

Question	Answer option	Correct answer	
There are different school and vocational training systems in Germany. Can	Having two vocational training qualifications	The combination of school education in a	
you tell me what is meant by "Dual vocational system" in Germany?	The fact that someone completes vocational training first and studies afterwards	vocational school [Berufsschule] and practical training in	
	The combination of school education in a vocational school [Berufsschule] and practical training in the firm	the firm	
	The distinction between the first and second year of apprenticeship		
	Don't know		
And do you know what is meant by "Fachhochschulreife" [entrance qualifi-	The completion of a master qualification	A qualification enti- tling studies at a	
cation for universities of applied sciences]?	A degree from a university of applied sciences	university of applied sciences	
	A qualification entitling studies at a university of applied sciences		
	Another word for Abitur		
	Don't know		

And do you know what is meant by "vocational school" in Germany?	The vocational school trains career counselors.	Students attend vo- cational school while
	Students attend vocational school while doing a vocational training program.	doing a vocational training program.
	Senior citizens who want to gain more qualifications during retirement attend vocational school.	
	The only purpose of vocational school is to offer students continuing education following their vocational training program.	
	Don't know	

Note. Questions based on the target questionnaire in Starting Cohort 3, Wave 4.

4.3.2 Empirical results

Results from cognitive pretests

Findings from cognitive pretests and audio recordings of the pilot study have been presented already for the items *Fachhochschulreife* and dual vocational system (see section 4.2.2; see section 3.2 for general remarks on the conducted cognitive interviews).

With respect to the item asking for the vocational school, we also had results from cognitive pretests with three students and two parents (all of immigrant origin). Although it was already observable for the other two items, this item also proved to be challenging: Respondents needed time to answer, and they were not always certain about their answer. Overall, however, there were no problems of comprehension.

Results from Scientific Use Files

Table 18 presents results from a univariate analysis. Compared to the previously described items, these items were clearly a bit more difficult, as indicated by the share of correct answers and don't know answers. In total, parents and older targets from Starting Cohort 4 revealed a higher share of correct answers.

Table 18

Knowledge about the German training system: Descriptive results

	SC3						SC4			
	Wave 4	ļ	Wave 4	ļ	Wave 6	5	Wave 5	5	Wave 5	5
	Parent	s	Targets	Targets Targets		Parent	s	Targets		
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Dual vocational system (duale Au	ısbildung	1)								
Correct	64.9	2,715	18.5	1,226	55.2	3,027	70.4	2,534	68.6	4,499
Incorrect	16.1	674	11.3	747	11.7	641	18.7	672	16.3	1,071
Don't know	18.9	792	64.6	4,275	30.5	1,669	10.7	386	13.4	880
Refused	0.1	5	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.1	5	0.0	0
Missing	0.0	0	5.5	366	2.6	143	0.0	0	1.7	113
Total	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563
Entrance qualification for univers	sities of	applieds	ciences	(Fachho	chschulre	ife)				
Correct	61.3	2,564	21.0	1,391	27.9	1,529	74.8	2,689	55.2	3,620
Incorrect	29.5	1,233	39.1	2,587	51.4	2,814	21.4	771	35.2	2,309
Don't know	9.2	385	34.5	2,283	17.8	976	3.8	135	7.4	487
Refused	0.1	4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.1	2	0.0	0
Missing	0.0	0	5.3	353	2.9	161	0.0	0	2.2	147
Total	100.0	4,186	100.0	6,614	100.0	5,480	100.0	3,597	100.0	6,563
Vocational school (Berufsschule)										
Correct	n.c.		42.3	2,796	n.c.		n.c.		n.c.	
Incorrect			28.1	1,861						
Don't know			23.8	1,576						
Refused			0.0	0						
Missing			5.8	381						
Total			100.0	6,614						

Source. SC 3: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC3:8.0.0; SC 4: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC4:9.1.1 . Own calculations.

Notes. n.c. (not collected) means that an item was excluded in a specific survey.

The category *missing* included system missing as well as -90 and -95.

Refusals could be identified only in CATI surveys but not in paper-and-pencil questionnaires. Missing values in the parent survey indicated that the interviewed parent had twice refused the answer, was then filtered out of the question block, and given a system missing. In Starting Cohort 3 (parent interview), we excluded one case with complete missing values.

Results from logistic regressions for each item outlined again that particularly higher educated families and families belonging to the majority population knew the correct answer (see Table 19). This pattern applied especially to parents but only partly to students.

Furthermore, factor analysis confirms that the items load on one factor (results on request). Due to a low number of items, we do not report results of reliability analyses.

Table 19

Knowledge about the German training system: Multivariate results (logit regressions with social and ethnic origin; dependent variable 1 = correct and 0 = incorrect answer)

	SC3						SC4			
	Wav	e 4	Wav	e 4	Wave 6		Wave 5 Parents		Wave 5 Targets	
	Parents		Targe	ets	Targe	ets				
	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig	Edu	Mig
Dual vocational system (duale Ausbildung)	*+	*_			*+	*_	*+	*_	*+	*_
Entrance qualification for universities of applied sciences (Fachhochschulreife)	*+	*_	*+		*+		*+	*_	*+	*_
Vocational school (Berufsschule)	n.c.	n.c.		*_	n.c.	n.c.	n.c.	n.c.	n.c.	n.c.

Source. SC 3: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC3:8.0.0; SC 4: doi:10.5157/NEPS:SC4:9.1.1 . Own calculations.

Notes. n.c. (not collected) means that an item was excluded in a specific survey.

The category don't know was coded as wrong; refused was coded as system missing. Education (edu) was defined as highest school-leaving certificate of parents; it distinguished between parents with no or low, medium, and high education. The immigrant status (mig) was based on a generated variable of the immigrant status of the children (see Olczyk, Will, & Kristen, 2016); the final variable differentiated between children of immigrant origin (up to the 3.75th generation) and of the majority. When analyzing the knowledge measurement of the students, we used the socio-demographic information gathered from the parent interview.

5. Possibilities for further development

The descriptive results show significant differences in the stock of knowledge in dependency to social origin and immigration status. This result suggests that the construct *knowledge about the education system* contributes to explain social and ethnic educational inequality. First analyzes for Starting Cohort 3 and 4 show that children's knowledge about the education system positively affect at least reading competencies (e.g., Olczyk, 2018, p. 197). However, further analyzes are still pending. Effects of knowledge may be conceivable not only for competence development and educational decisions, but also, for example, for educational aspirations (e.g., Kretschmer, 2019; Salikutluk, 2016). Further use of these measurements within NEPS – taking into account the modifications partly proposed here – is therefore recommended. However, it must be noted that both the items and the coding of the correct answers must be updated and adjusted for each survey due to the constant change in the German school system as well as changes of the empirical reality on the training market.

In addition, there is potential for general improvements or additions to the existing items:

With respect to the measurement of a more general strategic knowledge through questions on the qualifications for (selected) occupations, it would be desirable to consider both more and a higher variety of occupations. One could also think about questions on knowledge about the duration of the different vocational training programs.

With regard to the measurement of the knowledge about specific educational pathways, it is desirable to develop more fine-graded measures of options after secondary education that also consider paths such as university studies. In particular, knowledge about alternative ways to obtain certain educational qualifications or the knowledge about possibilities to catch up on educational certificates could be relevant and may help explain social and ethnic educational inequality.

^{*} p > .05; +/- indicate the effect direction.

Appendix

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Appendix 8: SC3, Wave 4, target: Original instrument in German language

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Appendix 11: SC 4, Wave 5, target: Original instrument in German language

Appendix 12: SC4, Wave 5, parent: Original instrument in German language

Appendix 1: Overview of regulations: Enrollment in elementary school and transition to secondary school

Regulations concerning enrollment in elementary school (2015/2016 and 2016/2017)

Federal state	School districts	Elementary school outside school district	Early enrollment	Delaying school enrollment for one year	Stichtag
ВВ	Yes	Application justifying the wish is necessary (e.g., if the responsible school can be reached only with difficulty, educational reasons, social reasons)	Application and proof of the corresponding level of development is necessary.	Decision of school manage- ment after application and on the basis of an assess- ment by the health depart- ment. Positive decision when it is expected that the child will not be able to attend classes successfully.	30.09.
BE	Yes	Application justifying the wish is necessary (e.g., ties to other children, a specific school program, foreign language courses, or all-day school).	Parents register their child at the responsible elementary school. Admission requires only that the child does not have any language support needs. The need for language support is determined in Kindergarten.	Decision of school authority after application. Positive decision if better promotion in Kindergarten.	31.12. (2015/16) and later: 30.09.
BW	Yes	Only in reasonable, exceptional cases (application neces- sary)	Early enrollment of noncompulsory children is possible when their mental and physical development indicates that they can be expected to attend classes successfully (school management decides on application).	Decision of school manage- ment based on an assess- ment by the health depart- ment.	30.09.
ВУ	Yes	Only for compelling personal reasons (application necessary)	School management decides on school enrollment at the request of parents.	Decision of school management after careful assessment of parents and the result of the school entrance examination and—with the consent of parent or legal guardian—assessment by the Kindergarten. Furthermore, observations made by the teacher in the so-called Schulspiel (playing school) at school registration are important. In cases of doubt, an advisory teacher, a school psychologist, or other counseling services may be brought in.	30.09.
НВ	Yes	On informal request, especially if no full-time provision is available at the responsible school and other reasons such as siblings attending the desired school.	Assessment by the health department is necessary.	Assessment by the health department is necessary.	30.06.

Federal state	School districts	Elementary school outside school district	Early enrollment	Delaying school enrollment for one year	Stichtag
HE	Yes	Only for important reasons by applica- tion	School management decides on school enrollment on application while considering the school medical report.	School-age children who do not yet have the level of physical, mental, and emotional development required for attending school can, with the consent of their parents, attend a one-year preschool class instead. This year is not taken into account as compulsory education.	30.06.
НН	No	No school district	On application taking into account the child's mental, psychological, physical, and linguistic development status.	Only if successful participation in Grade 1 lessons appears to be ruled out, taking into account the mental, emotional, physical or linguistic development status of the child and if it is to be expected that attending the one-year preschool class will deal with the identified deficits.	01.07.
MV	Yes	Only for important reasons: Due to traffic conditions, the responsible school can be reached only with considerable difficulty; attending another school would greatly assist the children in promoting special interests or abilities or facilitating the professional or employment relationship; or special social circumstances.	On application if the child meets the physical, mental, and behavioral requirements.	On application; assessment by school psychological service and health department necessary.	30.06.
NI	Yes	Only if attending the responsible school would lead to undue hardship for the students or their families, or attending the other school seems necessary for pedagogical reasons.	On application if the child meets the physical and mental requirements, and has sufficiently developed social behavior.	Only if child is not sufficiently developed physically, mentally, or in social behavior.	30.09.
NW	No	No school district	Yes, if the child meets the physical and mental requirements, and has sufficiently developed social behavior. Decision by school management on the basis of assessment by the health department.	Decision of the school management based on an assessment by the health department. Furthermore, an application by parents is possible.	30.09.

Federal state	School districts	Elementary school outside school district	Early enrollment	Delaying school enrollment for one year	Stichtag
RP	Yes	Only for important reasons such as wanting to attend an all-day school (application necessary).	On application.	On application due to health grounds.	31.08.
SH	No [only responsible catchment areas]	No school district.	On application if the child's physical, cognitive, emotional, and social development is expected to ensure success in the initial phase (school medical and school psychology report may be required).	On application if the child does not command the German language sufficiently to be able to work in class in the entrance phase or who is unable to join the lessons for health reasons.	30.06.
SL	Yes	Only for important reasons such as if the desired care of the child by the persons chosen by the parents would not be possible if the child attended the responsible school.	Decision of school management with potential referral to a school psychologist and after a counseling interview with the guardian.	Cannot be applied for by the parent (only possible with a medical indication).	30.06.
SN	Yes	Only for pedagogical reasons or in case of special social circumstances by application.	On application; educational testing by the school principal and examination by a pediatrician required.	Only in exceptions such as children who are mentally, physically, or sociallyemotionally not sufficiently developed at the beginning of compulsory education. The deferral should take place only if there are no indications for special educational needs.	30.06.
ST	Yes	If school operators have clear regulations on catchment areas, school visits outside the catchment area must be applied for. There must be compelling reasons in the person of the child.	Possible.	On application with justification.	30.06.
тн	Yes	Only for important reasons such as compelling personal grounds or for special educational or social reasons (application necessary).	On informal request; decision of the school management considering the school medical report.	On application after the school medical examination and after advice from the school if, due to the child's development, successful participation in the classroom is not anticipated.	01.08.

Notes. Own compilation.

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Source: Information provided by the ministries of the federal states through direct contact as well as available school laws.

Regulations concerning the transition to secondary school (2014/2015 and 2015/2016)

Federal state	Tracking recom- mendation man- datory?	Requirements for attending a Gymnasium?	Years to obtain <i>Abitur</i> ?
ВВ	No	Suitability of a child for the 6-year course of study at a Gymnasium has to be proven by passing an aptitude test. This test is not necessary if the elementary school report recommends <i>Abitur</i> and in the half-year report for Grade 6, the sum of grades in mathematics, German, and first foreign language is not higher than seven.	12 and 13 years, flexibles, konkurrierendes G8/G9-Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132): Gymnasium offers only 8 years of education. In cooperative or integrated school types, 9-year courses are generally offered, but 8-year courses are also possible upon application (Homuth 2017, p. 26).
BE	No	An average grade of 3.0 or more requires parents to participate in a counseling interview at a Gymnasium in advance.	12 and 13 years, flexibles, konkurrierendes G8/G9-Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132)
BW	No	Requirements of the Gymnasium are generally met if average grades in German and mathematics are at least 2 to 3. When enrolling in secondary school, the elementary school recommendation must be presented. If there is a different elementary school recommendation, the school administration can offer parents a counseling session. The half-year information for 4th grade does not have to be submitted when registering.	12 and 13 years, optionales G8/G9-neu Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132–133): Gymnasium is generally geared toward G8, but can sometimes offer its own parallel or exclusively G9 option. In addition, a G9 branch is offered at comprehensive schools (Homuth 2017, p. 26).
ВУ	No	Transition-relevant factors: certificate of completion with school tracking recommendation, possibility of attending the rehearsal lessons at the receiving school type, and parents' approval. Transition to the Gymnasium is possible with the appropriate recommendation based on overall 4th-grade score across German, mathematics, and so-called Heimat- and Sachunterricht (preparatory form of subjects such as geography, biology, social studies, economics, physics, chemistry taught in secondary school). Transition to Gymnasium requires an average grade of at least 2.33. Transition to Gymnasium also possible if the Probeunterricht (trial lesson) at the receiving school type is passed successfully. Written tasks in German and mathematics are assigned centrally in a three-day Probeunterricht. Both subjects are also graded orally. At least Grade 3 in one subject and at least Grade 4 in the other subject are needed to pass. The parents can decide to transfer their child if Grade 4 has been reached in both subjects in the test lesson.	12 years, konkurrenzloses G8-Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).
НВ	No	Children whose achievements in German and mathematics are above the standard are preferred.	12 and 13 years, flexibles, konkurrierendes G8/G9-Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).
HE	No	No concrete requirements [found].	12 and 13 years, optionales G8/G9-neu Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).
нн	No	For the transition to Grade 7 of, amongst others, the Gymnasium, the student has to fulfill the conditions for successful participation in the chosen school level or type of school. The so-called <i>Zeugniskonferenz</i> (a special meeting of teachers to discuss the performance of each student in a class and its consequences) will determine if conditions for the transition exist. If the	12 and 13 years, starres, konkurrierendes G8/G9-Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132): Length of secondary school education in the general education area varies according to school type, with the Gymna-

Federal state	Tracking recom- mendation man- datory?	Requirements for attending a Gymnasium?	Years to obtain Abitur?
	dutory.	student is not expected to be able to cope with the requirements of the 8-year Gymnasium program, the student switches to Grade 7 of the so-called <i>Stadtteilschule</i> (district school).	sium as G8 and the Gymnasi- um tracks at comprehensive schools as G9 (Homuth 2017, p. 26).
MV	No	Requirements after Grade 6 to attend Gymnasium: All subjects graded with at least satisfactory or—in case of insufficient performance—successful performance should be expected taking into account learning development throughout the evaluation period.	12 years, konkurrenzloses G8- Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).
NI	No [tracking recom- mendation only until 07/2015]	No concrete requirements [found].	12 and 13 years, flexibles, konkurrierendes G8/G9-Modeli (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).
NW	No	No concrete requirements [found].	12 and 13 years, <i>optionales G8/G9-neu Modell</i> (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).
RP	No	A recommendation for the Gymnasium can be pronounced only if justified by general learning and working behavior and achievements in German, mathematics, and so-called <i>Sachunterricht</i> (preparatory form of subjects such as geography, biology, social studies, economics, physics, and chemistry taught in secondary school) are generally at least satisfactory and in the remaining subjects, mostly satisfactory.	12 and 13 years, (Homuth 2017, p. 23; Kühn et al. 2013, p. 121).
SH	No	The basis is a development report with a forecast of potential achievement.	12 and 13 years, <i>optionales G8/G9-neu Modell</i> (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132–133).
SL	No	The section development report of the Grade 4 half-year report contains references to the student's previous learning and achievement development, working attitude, way of working and learning, social behavior, ability to think, and linguistic expressiveness. It also includes references to specific performance issues in areas such as reading. The development report is to be completed as a summary assessment with a statement on the further education of the student.	12 and 13 years, starres, kon- kurrierendes G8/G9-Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).
SN	No	Recommendation for the Gymnasium is given if the student has achieved a grade point average of 2.0 or better in German, mathematics, and so-called Sachunterricht (preparatory form of subjects such as geography, biology, social studies, economics, physics, and chemistry taught in secondary school) in the half-year information or at the end of the school year and none of these subjects is graded satisfactory or worse. The student's learning and working behavior, academic achievement, and previous development should also be expected to meet the requirements of the Gymnasium. Even parents of Grade 4 students without a Gymnasium recommendation can register their child at a Gymnasium. These students participate in a written suitability test. Tasks are issued centrally and take equal account of German, mathematics, and Sachunterricht.	12 years, konkurrenzloses G8-Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).
ST	No	Performance in German and mathematics should be good to very good. Other subjects should be at least satisfactory. This is based on an overall average of 2.6.	12 and 13 years, flexibles, konkurrierendes G8/G9-Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).

Federal state	Tracking recom- mendation man- datory?	Requirements for attending a Gymnasium?	Years to obtain Abitur?
TH	No	Transition to Gymnasium if (a) the entrance exam is passed, or (b) the requirements are met, or (c) there is a recommendation from the so-called <i>Klassenkonferenz</i> (a special meeting of teachers to discuss the performance of each student in a class and its consequences). With regard to (b), at least the grade good must be attained in the certificate for the 4th-grade school semester in German, mathematics, and so-called <i>Heimat- and Sachkunde</i> (preparatory form of subjects such as geography, biology, social studies, economics, physics, and chemistry taught in secondary school). A recommendation to attend the Gymnasium (c) is pronounced only if the grade satisfactory has been achieved in at most one of the subjects German, mathematics, or <i>Heimat- and Sachkunde</i> and at least the grade good in the others. If in one of the three subjects, at least the grade good; and in the remaining of these subjects, the grade satisfactory has been reached, the recommendation is given insofar as a successful attendance of Gymnasium can be expected based on the learning behavior shown so far.	12 and 13 years, starres, kon- kurrierendes G8/G9-Modell (Kühn et al. 2013, p. 132).

Notes. Own compilation.

In Germany performance grades ranging from 1 (very good, A) to 6 (insufficient, F) are generally used.

We follow Kühn et al.'s (2013, p. 132–133) classification of the years needed to obtain *Abitur*. This classification corresponds to the information provided by the ministries. Please contact the authors for more details.

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Source: Information provided by the ministries of the federal states through direct contact as well as available school laws.

Appendix 2: Coding do-File SC1, Wave 5

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* 1. School district
fre p31540a
gen district = 0 // incorrect
replace district = 1 if p31540a == 1 & (p751001_g2R == 3 | p751001 g2R == 4 | ///
p751001 g2R >= 6 & p751001 g2R <= 16) // correct
replace district = 1 if p3\overline{1}540a == 2 \& (p751001 g2R == 2 | p751001 g2R == 5 | ///
p751001 g2R == 1) // correct
replace district = 2 if p31540a == 3 // don't know
replace district = -97 if p31540a == -97
replace district = . if p751001 g2R == -21
la define district 0 "incorrect" 1 "correct" 2 "don't know"
la value district district
* 2. School outside district
fre p31540b
gen outside = 0 // incorrect
\label{eq:continuous} \texttt{replace outside} = 1 \texttt{ if p31540b} == 2 \texttt{ \& (p751001\_g2R} >= 3 \texttt{ \& p751001\_g2R} <= 4 \texttt{ | ///}
p751001 g2R >= 6 & p751001 g2R <= 16) // correct
replace outside = 2 if p31540b == 4 & (p751001_g2R >= 3 & p751001_g2R <= 4 | ///
p751001_g2R >= 6 & p751001_g2R <= 16) // don't know replace outside = . if (p751001_g2R == 2 \mid p751001_g2R == 5 \mid p751001_g2R == 1) // identifying
federal states without districts
replace outside = . if p31540b == . & (p751001 g2R >= 3 & p751001 g2R <= 4 \mid ///
p751001_g2R>=6 & p751001_g2R<=16) // Missing
replace outside = . if p751001 g2R == -21 la define outside 0 "incorrect" 1 "correct" 2 "don't know"
la value outside outside
fre outside if p751001 g2R!=-21
*3. Early school enrollment
fre p31540c
recode p31540c (1 3 = 0 "incorrect") (2 = 1 "correct") (4 = 2 "don't know") (-97 = -97 "re-
fused"), gen (early)
*4. Later school enrollment
fre p31540d
recode p31540c (1 3 = 0 "incorrect") (2 = 1 "correct") (4 = 2 "don't know") (-97 = -97 "re-
fused"), gen (later)
*5. Deadline school enrollment (Stichtag)
fre p31541d p31541m
gen date = 0 // incorrect
replace date = 1 if p31541d == 30 & p31541m == 6 & (p751001 g2R == 4 | p751001 g2R == 6 | ///
p751001 g2R == 13 | p751001 g2R==10 | p751001 g2R == 14 | p751001 g2R == 15 | /\overline{/}
p751001_g2R == 1) // correct
replace date = 1 if p31541d == 1 & p31541m == 7 & (p751001 g2R == 2) // correct
replace date = 1 if p31541d == 1 & p31541m == 8 & (p751001 g2R == 16) // correct
replace date = 1 if p31541d == 31 & p31541m == 8 & (p751001_g2R == 7) // correct replace date = 1 if p31541d == 30 & p31541m == 9 & (p751001_g2R == 8 | ///
p751001_g2R == 9 | p751001_g2R == 11 | p751001_g2R == 12 | p751001_g2R == 3 | ///
p751001 g2R == 5) // correct
replace date = 1 if p31541d == 31 & p31541m == 12 & p751001 g2R == 11 // correct
replace date = 2 if p31541d == -98 | p31541m == -98 // don't know replace date = -97 if p31541d == -97 | p31541m == -97 // refused
replace date = . if p751001 g2R == -21
la define date 0 "incorrect" 1 "correct" 2 "don't know"
la value date date
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Appendix 3: Coding do-File SC2, Wave 5

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* 1. Tracking recommendation mandatory
fre p445510
gen mandatory = 0 // incorrect
replace mandatory = 1 if p445510 == 2 // correct
replace mandatory = 2 if p445510 == 3 // don't know
replace mandatory = -97 if p445510 == -97 // -97
la define mandatory 0 "incorrect" 1 "correct" 2 "don't know"
la value mandatory mandatory
* 2. Requirement to attend Gymnasium
fre p445520
gen requirement = 0 // incorrect
replace requirement = 1 if p445520 == 2 // correct
replace requirement = 2 if p445520 == 3 // don't know
replace requirement = -97 if p445520 == -97 // -97
la define requirement 0 "incorrect" 1 "correct" 2 "don't know"
la value requirement requirement
* 3. Reason why statement (2) is wrong
fre p445531 p445532 p445533 p445534 p445535 p445536 p445537
egen not mentioned = anycount (p445531 p445532 p445533 p445534 p445535 p445536), values (0)
egen dont know = anycount (p445531 p445532 p445533 p445534 p445535 p445536), values (-98)
gen reason = .
replace reason = 0 if p445520 == 2 // incorrect cases
replace reason = 1 if p445520 == 2 & p751001 g2R == 8 & p445532 == 1 & not mentioned == 5 //
replace reason = 1 if p445520 == 2 & (p751001 g2R == 12 | p751001_g2R == 11 ///
| p751001_g2R == 9 | p751001_g2R == 13 | p751001_g2R == 7 | p751001_g2R == 15) ///
& p445532 == 1 & p445533 == \frac{1}{4} % not mentioned == \frac{4}{4} // correct
replace reason = 1 if p445520 == 2 & p751001 g2R == 16 & p445533 == 1 & not mentioned == 5 //
correct.
replace reason = 1 if p445520 == 2 & p751001_g2R == 14 & p445533 == 1 & p445536 == 1 & ///
not mentioned == 4 // correct
replace reason = 1 if p445520 == 2 & (p751001 g2R == 4 | p751001 g2R == 2 ///
replace reason = 2 if p445520 == 2 & dont_know == 6 // don't know la define reason 0 "incorrect" 1 "correct" 2 "don't know"
la value reason reason
\star 4. Duration Hauptschulabschluss
fre p445600
gen duration hs = 0 // incorrect
replace duration_hs = 1 if p445600 == 9 // correct
replace duration_hs = 1 if p445600 == 10 & (p751001_g2R == 4 | p751001_g2R == 5 | p751001_g2R
== 11 \mid p751001 \ g2R == 12) // correct
replace duration hs = 2 if p445600 == -98 // don't know
la define duration hs 0 "incorrect" 1 "correct" 2 "don't know"
la value duration hs duration hs
* 5. Duration Realschulabschluss
fre p445610
gen duration rs = 0 // incorrect
replace duration_rs = 1 if p445610 == 10 // correct
replace duration_rs = 2 if p445610 == -98 // don't know
la define duration rs 0 "incorrect" 1 "correct" 2 "don't know"
la value duration rs duration rs
* 5. Duration Abitur
fre p445620
gen duration gy = 0 // incorrect
replace duration gy = 1 if (p445620 == 12 | p445620 == 13 | p445620 == -20) & ///
(p751001_g2R != 9 & p751001_g2R != 13 & p751001_g2R != 14) // correct
replace duration gy = 1 if p445620 == 12 & (p75\overline{1}001 g2R == 9 | p751001 g2R == 13 | ///
p751001 g2R != 14) // correct
replace duration gy = 2 if p445620 == -98 // don't know
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Appendix 4: SC1, Wave 2: Original instrument in German language

380002	Beim Thema Kindergarten gibt es viele Bereiche, die in der Öffentlichkeit nicht immer alle bekannt sind. Ich lese Ihnen nun einige Aussagen vor. Bitte geben Sie zu jeder Aussage an, ob sie stimmt oder nicht stimmt oder ob Sie es nicht wissen.					
		ern sind rechtlich verpflichtet, für ihr Kind garten zu wählen.	immer den nächstgelegenen			
Vorgaben	vorlesen.					
Bei Antwo	rt ja/nein	nachfragen: "Stimmt, stimmt nicht oder weiß nicht	?"			
		ntworten, z.B. "ich weiß nicht/bin mir nicht sicher, eiß nicht?".	ich glaube richtig" nachfragen: "stimmt,			
		r Unsicherheit des Befragten auf welchen Zeitrau. e‼ Situation und nicht um zukünftige Regelungen.				
"Unter "Kii	ndergarte	r Unsicherheit zum Begriff Kindergarten: n" verstehen wir Kindergärten, Kindertagesstätten er von drei bis sechs Jahren und eventuell bereits				
Stimmt [1]						
Stimmt nich	nt [2]					
weiß nicht [[3]					
Angabe ver	rweigert [-9	77 🗆				
goto 3800	03					
Variablen						
p31520a		Wissensitems – nächstgelegener Kindergarten	pParent			

380003	Wenn für den Besuch des Kindergartens Gebühren verlangt wer mit geringem Einkommen bei der Bezahlung eines Kindergarten Staat unterstützt.							
Vorgaben	Vorgaben nur bei Bedarf vorlesen.							
Bei Antwo	t ja/nein nachfragen: "Stimmt, stimmt nicht oder weiß nicht?"							
	eutigen Antworten, z.B. "ich weiß nicht/bin mir nicht sicher, ich glaube richtig ht oder weiß nicht?".	" nachfragen: "stimmt,						
	agen oder Unsicherheit des Befragten auf welchen Zeitraum sich die Aussa e !!aktuelle!! Situation und nicht um zukünftige Regelungen."	ge bezieht: "Es geht uns						
"Unter "Kir	agen oder Unsicherheit zum Begriff Kindergarten: idergarten" verstehen wir Kindergärten, Kindertagesstätten und ähnliche Bet der im Alter von drei bis sechs Jahren und eventuell bereits im Alter von zwe							
Stimmt [1]								
Stimmt nich	t [2]							
weiß nicht [3)							
Angabe ver	weigert [-97]							
goto 3800	05							
Variablen								
p31520b	Wissensitems – staatliche Unterstützung	pParent						
380005	Ein Kind muss vor Beginn der Schule für mindestens ein Jahr e	inen Kindergarten						
	besucht haben.	-						
	nur bei Bedarf vorlesen. t ja/nein nachfragen: "Stimmt, stimmt nicht oder weiß nicht?"							
	eutigen Antworten, z.B. "ich weiß nicht/bin mir nicht sicher, ich glaube richtig ht oder weiß nicht?".	" nachfragen: "stimmt,						
I	agen oder Unsicherheit des Befragten auf welchen Zeitraum sich die Aussa ge !!aktuelle!! Situation und nicht um zukünftige Regelungen."	ge bezieht: "Es geht uns						
Bei Nachfragen oder Unsicherheit zum Begriff Kindergarten: "Unter "Kindergarten" verstehen wir Kindergärten, Kindertagesstätten und ähnliche Betreuungseinrichtungen, in denen Kinder im Alter von drei bis sechs Jahren und eventuell bereits im Alter von zwei Jahren betreut werden."								
Stimmt [1]								
Stimmt nich	t [2]							
weiß nicht [3]							
Angabe ver	weigert [-97]							
goto 3800	96							
Variablen								
p31520c	Wissensitems – Kindergartenpflicht	pParent						

380006		sche und evangelische er Religionsgemeinsc		nur von Kind	dern besucht werden,			
	Vorgaben nur bei Bedarf vorlesen. Bei Antwort ja/nein nachfragen: "Stimmt, stimmt nicht oder weiß nicht?"							
Bei mehrdeutigen Antworten, z.B. "ich weiß nicht/bin mir nicht sicher, ich glaube richtig" nachfragen: "stimmt, stimmt nicht oder weiß nicht?".								
l	Bei Nachfragen oder Unsicherheit des Befragten auf welchen Zeitraum sich die Aussage bezieht: "Es geht uns hier um die !!aktuelle!! Situation und nicht um zukünftige Regelungen."							
"Unter "Kin	Bei Nachfragen oder Unsicherheit zum Begriff Kindergarten: "Unter "Kindergarten" verstehen wir Kindergärten, Kindertagesstätten und ähnliche Betreuungseinrichtungen, in denen Kinder im Alter von drei bis sechs Jahren und eventuell bereits im Alter von zwei Jahren betreut werden."							
Stimmt [1]								
Stimmt nich	t [2]							
weiß nicht [3]							
Angabe ven	Angabe verweigert [-97]							
goto 38000	goto 380007Z							
Variablen	Variablen							
p31520d		Wissensitems – Konfessio	neller Kindergarten		pParent			

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Appendix 5: SC1, Wave 5: Original instrument in German language

stelle heute Lang Schu eine	Nun möchte ich Ihnen noch einige konkrete Fragen rund um das Thema Einschulung stellen. Bitte denken Sie dabei an die Regelungen in dem Bundesland, in dem Sie heute leben. Wenn Sie die Antwort nicht wissen, geben Sie bitte "weiß nicht" an! Lange Zeit gab es in allen Bundesländern sogenannte Schulsprengel oder Schulbezirke. Das bedeutet, dass der Staat einem Kind aufgrund seines Wohnortes eine öffentliche Grundschule zuweist. Wie ist das heute in Ihrem Bundesland? Gibt e dort Schulbezirke oder Schulsprengel?				
<< Vorgaben vorl	sen. >>				
Ja [1]					
Nein [2]					
weiß nicht [3]					
Angabe verweigert	97]				
if (76002 = -97, 2, if (76002 = 1) go	, ,				
Variablen					
p31540a Wissen um Einschulung – Grundschulwahl 1 pParent					

	Eltern für ihr Kind eine ander prengels oder Schulbezirks v		außerhalb ihres		
	Indesland, in dem Sie leben. hulen sind nur staatliche Schulen g	emeint, keine Schulen in freier Ti	rägerschaft/Privatschulen.		
Ja, ohne Weiteres [1]					
Ja, unter bestimmten	Voraussetzungen [2]				
Nein [3]					
weiß nicht [4]					
Angabe verweigert [-	97]				
goto 76004					
Variablen					
p31540b	Wissen um Einschulung – Grunds	chulwahl 2	pParent		
Vorgaben vorlesen	Eltern ihr Kind früher einsch ndesland, in dem Sie leben.	ulen lassen als regulär vorg	esehen?		
Ja, ohne Weiteres [1]	1				
Ja, unter bestimmten	Voraussetzungen [2]				
Nein [3]					
weiß nicht [4]					
Angabe verweigert [-	Angabe verweigert [-97]				
goto 76005					
Variablen					
p31540c	Wissen um Einschulung - vorzeitig	ge Einschulung	pParent		

76005 Dürfen	Eltern ihr Kind ein Jahr von d	der Einschulung zurückstelle	en lassen?
Vorgaben vorlesen. Es geht um das Bu	ndesland, in dem Sie leben.		
Ja, ohne Weiteres [1]			
Ja, unter bestimmten	Voraussetzungen [2]		
Nein [3]			
weiß nicht [4]			
Angabe verweigert [-9	97]		
goto 76006			
Variablen			
p31540d	Wissen um Einschulung - Rückste	ellung	pParent
	n Sie mir den Stichtag nenner Bundesland gilt?	n, der für die reguläre Einsch	nulung eines Kindes in
Gemeint ist der Stid oder zurückgestellt	chtag der für regulär eingeschulte k werden sollen.	Kinder gilt, nicht für solche Kinder	, die vorzeitig eingeschult
Tag		<u></u>	
Range: 1 - 31			
Monat		<u> _</u>	
Range: 1 - 12			
goto 760004Z			
Variablen			
p31541d	Wissen um Einschulung - Stichtag	: Tag	pParent
p31541m	Wissen um Einschulung - Stichtag	: Monat	pParent

76117	Neben Informationen zu ganz konkreten Übergängen, wie zum Beispiel der Einschulung, interessieren uns auch allgemeinere Dinge, wie etwa die Frage, welche schulischen oder beruflichen Abschlüsse man heutzutage benötigt, um bestimmte Berufe in Deutschland ausüben zu können. Ich werde Ihnen nun verschiedene Berufe nennen. Bitte sagen Sie mir zu jedem Beruf, welchen !!schulischen!! Abschluss die !!meisten Personen!! haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland diesen Beruf ergreifen. Wenn Sie es nicht wissen, können Sie auch weiß nicht angeben. Welchen !!schulischen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Verkäufer oder Verkäuferin ergreifen?							
<< Vorga	ben vorle	sen.						
Bei Nach	frage: Es	geht nicht darum wie	es früher war, sondern wie es heu	te ist.				
		geht bei dieser Frage meisten Personen ha	nicht um formal benötigte Abschlü aben.	üsse, sonder	n um die schulischen			
vorlesen Falls der	Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint. Falls der Befragte mit Hochschulreife antwortet, diese Nennung der Antwortoption Abitur zurechnen. Falls der Begriff "Hauptschulabschluss" nicht bekannt ist: Weitere verwandte Begriffe sind Mittelschulabschluss							
Falls der	Begriff "R		der "Mittlere Reife" nicht bekannt is eife. >>	st: Weitere v	erwandte Begriffe sind			
keinen Sch	hulabschlus	ss [1]						
Hauptschu	ılabschluss	[2]						
Realschula	abschluss/l	Mittlere Reife [3]						
Abitur [4]								
weiß nicht	weiß nicht [5]							
Angabe verweigert [-97]								
goto 761	18							
Variablen	1							
p31501a		Wissen um schulisch	ne Abschlüsse_Verkäufer/in		pParent			

76118	6118 Und können Sie mir sagen, welchen !!schulischen!! Abschluss die !!meisten Personen!! haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Apotheker oder Apothekerin ergreifen?					
<< Vorga	ben vorlesen.					
Bei Nach	frage: Es geht nicht darum wie es i	früher war, sondern wie es heute is	st.			
	frage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nic se, die die meisten Personen habe		e, sondern um die schulischen			
	r Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "d und rückversichern, ob er diese me		Intwortvorgabe noch einmal			
Falls der	Befragte mit Hochschulreife antwo	rtet, diese Nennung der Antwortop	tion Abitur zurechnen.			
	Begriff "Hauptschulabschluss" nich ufsbildungsreife.	nt bekannt ist: Weitere verwandte E	Begriffe sind Mittelschulabschluss			
	Begriff "Realschulabschluss" oder Abschluss oder Fachoberschulreife		Veitere verwandte Begriffe sind			
keinen Sch	hulabschluss [1]					
Hauptschu	ılabschluss [2]					
Realschula	abschluss/Mittlere Reife [3]					
Abitur [4]						
weiß nicht	[5]					
Angabe ve	Angabe verweigert [-97]					
if (76117	= -97 & 76118 = -97) goto 760005. <> -97 & 76118 = -97) goto 76120 <> -97) goto 76120					
Variablen	l e					
p31501b	Wissen um schulische A	Abschlüsse Apotheker/in	pParent			

76120 Und w	ie ist das bei dem Beruf Bankk	aufmann oder Bankkauffra	ı?			
<< Vorgaben bei E	<< Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.					
Bei Nachfrage: Es	geht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es heute ist.				
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um form e meisten Personen haben.	al benötigte Abschlüsse, sonden	n um die schulischen			
	e mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a versichern, ob er diese meint.	ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch einmal			
Falls der Befragte	mit Hochschulreife antwortet, diese	Nennung der Antwortoption Abitu	ır zurechnen.			
Falls der Begriff "F oder Berufsbildung	lauptschulabschluss" nicht bekannt i Isreife.	ist: Weitere verwandte Begriffe si	ind Mittelschulabschluss			
	Falls der Begriff "Realschulabschluss" oder "Mittlere Reife" nicht bekannt ist: Weitere verwandte Begriffe sind Mittlerer Abschluss oder Fachoberschulreife. >>					
keinen Schulabschlu	ss [1]					
Hauptschulabschlus	3 [2]					
Realschulabschluss	Mittlere Reife [3]					
Abitur [4]						
weiß nicht [5]						
Angabe verweigert [Angabe verweigert [-97]					
if (76118 = -97 & 76120 = -97) goto 760005Z if (76118 <> -97 & 76120 = -97) goto 76121 if (76120 <> -97) goto 76121						
Variablen						
p31501c	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse	_ Bankkaufmann/frau	pParent			

76121 Und I	ei dem Beruf Augenoptiker ode	er Augenoptikerin?				
<< Vorgaben bei	<< Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.					
Bei Nachfrage: E	geht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es heute ist.				
	s geht bei dieser Frage nicht um form ie meisten Personen haben.	al benötigte Abschlüsse, sonden	n um die schulischen			
	e mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a versichern, ob er diese meint.	ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch einmal			
Falls der Befragte	mit Hochschulreife antwortet, diese l	Nennung der Antwortoption Abitu	ır zurechnen.			
Falls der Begriff " oder Berufsbildur	Hauptschulabschluss" nicht bekannt i: gsreife.	st: Weitere verwandte Begriffe si	ind Mittelschulabschluss			
	Falls der Begriff "Realschulabschluss" oder "Mittlere Reife" nicht bekannt ist: Weitere verwandte Begriffe sind Mittlerer Abschluss oder Fachoberschulreife. >>					
keinen Schulabsch	uss [1]					
Hauptschulabschlu	ss [2]					
Realschulabschlus	/Mittlere Reife [3]					
Abitur [4]						
weiß nicht [5]						
Angabe verweigert [-97]						
if (76120 = -97 & 76121 = -97) goto 760005Z if (76120 <> -97 & 76121 = -97) goto 76122 if (76121 <> -97) goto 76122						
Variablen						
p31501d	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse	_ Augenoptiker/in	pParent			

76122 Und be	i Steuerfachangestellter oder Steuerfachangestellte?				
<< Vorgaben bei Be	edarf vorlesen.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es g	Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.				
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sonder meisten Personen haben.	n um die schulischen			
	mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo ersichern, ob er diese meint.	rgabe noch einmal			
Falls der Befragte n	nit Hochschulreife antwortet, diese Nennung der Antwortoption Abit	ur zurechnen.			
Falls der Begriff "Ha oder Berufsbildungs	auptschulabschluss" nicht bekannt ist: Weitere verwandte Begriffe s sreife.	ind Mittelschulabschluss			
	ealschulabschluss" oder "Mittlere Reife" nicht bekannt ist: Weitere v oder Fachoberschulreife. >>	erwandte Begriffe sind			
keinen Schulabschlus	s [1]				
Hauptschulabschluss	[2]				
Realschulabschluss/M	Aittlere Reife [3]				
Abitur [4]					
weiß nicht [5]					
Angabe verweigert [-9	07]				
goto 760005Z					
Variablen					
p31501e	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse_ Steuerfachangestellte/r	pParent			
76123 Jetzt haben wir ja über !!schulische!! Abschlüsse gesprochen. Nun geht es um !! berufliche!! Abschlüsse. Welchen !!beruflichen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Verkäufer oder Verkäuferin ergreifen?					
<< Vorgaben vorles	sen.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es g	geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.				
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sonden meisten Personen haben.	n um die beruflichen			
Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint.					
keine Ausbildung [1]					
abgeschlossene Ausb	pildung [2]				
Studium [3]					
weiß nicht [4]					
Angabe verweigert [-9	97]				
goto 76124					
Variablen					

76124		welchen !!beruflichen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage eutschland den Beruf Apotheker oder Apothekerin ergreifen?						
<< Vorgab	en vorles	en.						
Bei Nachfr	Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.							
		eht bei dieser Frage nicht um form meisten Personen haben.	nal benötigte Abschlüsse, sonden	n um die beruflichen				
		mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a ersichern, ob er diese meint. >>	antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch einmal				
keine Ausbil	ldung [1]							
abgeschloss	sene Ausb	ildung [2]						
Studium [3]								
weiß nicht [4	4]							
Angabe verweigert [-97]								
	> -97 & 7	124 = -97) goto 760002Z 16124 = -97) goto 76126 to 76126						
Variablen								
p31502b		Wissen um berufliche Abschlüsse	_ Apotheker/in	pParent				

76126 Und wi	e ist das bei dem Beruf Bankk	aufmann oder Bankkauffra	u?			
<< Vorgaben bei Be	edarf vorlesen.					
Bei Nachfrage: Es g	geht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es heute ist.				
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um form meisten Personen haben.	al benötigte Abschlüsse, sonder	n um die beruflichen			
	mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a ersichern, ob er diese meint. >>	ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch einmal			
keine Ausbildung [1]						
abgeschlossene Aust	pildung [2]					
Studium [3]						
weiß nicht [4]						
Angabe verweigert [-9	97]					
if (76124 <> -97 & 7	if (76124 = -97 & 76126 = -97) goto 760002Z if (76124 <> -97 & 76126 = -97) goto 76127 if (76126 <> -97) goto 76127					
Variablen						
p31502c	Wissen um berufliche Abschlüsse_	Bankkaufmann/frau	pParent			
76127 Und bei dem Beruf Augenoptiker oder Augenoptikerin? << Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.						
		and an other banks to				
Bei Nachtrage: Es (geht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es heute ist.				
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um form meisten Personen haben.	al benötigte Abschlüsse, sonder	n um die beruflichen			
	mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a ersichern, ob er diese meint. >>	ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch einmal			
keine Ausbildung [1]						
abgeschlossene Aust	pildung [2]					
Studium [3]						
weiß nicht [4]						
Angabe verweigert [-97]						
if (76126 = -97 & 76127 = -97) goto 760002Z if (76126 <> -97 & 76127 = -97) goto 76128 if (76127 <> -97) goto 76128						
Variablen						
p31502d	Wissen berufliche Abschlüsse_ Au	genoptiker/in	pParent			

76128 Und be	i Steuerfachangestellter oder	Steuerfachangestellte?				
<< Vorgaben bei Be	edarf vorlesen.					
Bei Nachfrage: Es g	geht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es heute ist.				
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um form meisten Personen haben.	al benötigte Abschlüsse, sonden	n um die beruflichen			
_	Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint. >>					
keine Ausbildung [1]						
abgeschlossene Aust	oildung [2]					
Studium [3]						
weiß nicht [4]						
Angabe verweigert [-9	Angabe verweigert [-97]					
760002Z						
Variablen	Variablen					
p31502e	Wissen um berufliche Abschlüsse_	Steuerfachangestellte/r	pParent			

Source: Leibniz-Institut für Bildungsverläufe e.V. (2018): *Startkohorte 1: Neugeborene (SC1). Welle 5. Erhebungsinstrumente (SUF-Version 5.0.0)*, p. 83–94.

Appendix 6: SC2, Wave 5: Original instrument in German language

76133	Das Thema Bildung und insbesondere der Übergang am Ende der Grundschulzeit weisen viele Aspekte auf, die in der Öffentlichkeit nicht immer alle bekannt sind. Ich lese Ihnen nun einige Aussagen vor. Bitte geben Sie zu jeder Aussage an, ob sie stimmt, nicht stimmt oder ob Sie es nicht wissen. Das Kind !!muss!! die am Ende der Grundschulzeit empfohlene Schulform !!in jedem Fall!! besuchen.				
Vorgaben Bei Antwo	vorlesen. rt ja/nein nachfragen: "Stimmt, stimmt nicht oder weiß nicht?"				
stimmt [1]					
stimmt nich	t [2]				
weiß nicht [3]				
Angabe ver	weigert [-97]				
goto 7613	4				
Variablen					
p445510	Wissen Grundschulübergang_Übergangsempfehlung	pParent			
76134 Für den Besuch des Gymnasiums braucht das Kind in den Fächern Mathematik und Deutsch mindestens einen Notendurchschnitt von 2. Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen. Bei Antwort ja/nein nachfragen: "Stimmt, stimmt nicht oder weiß nicht? Bei Unklarheit: Es geht hier um die Regelungen in dem Bundesland, in dem Ihr Kind zur Schule geht.					
stimmt [1]		,			
stimmt nich	t [2]				
weiß nicht [3]				
Angabe ver	weigert [-97]				
	<> 2) goto 76101Z = 2) goto 76135				
Variablen					
p445520	Wissen Grundschulübergang Noten2	pParent			

76135 [MF] Warum stimmt diese Aussage Ihrer Meinung nach nicht? Ich lese Ihnen nun verschiedene mögliche Gründe vor. Von diesen können Sie auch mehr als einen Jede Antwortvorgabe soll vorgelesen werden. Nach jeder Vorgabe sollte kurz gewartet werden, ob diese gemäß dem Befragten zutrifft. Wenn ein vorgegebener Grund zutraf, dann sollen trotzdem noch die restlichen Gründe vorgelesen werden nicht genannt genannt [1] [0] 1: weil die Noten besser sein müssen 2: weil die Noten schlechter sein können 3: weil die Noten in anderen Fächern genauso wichtig oder wichtiger sind 4: weil es keinen festgelegten Notenschnitt gibt 5: weil der Elternwunsch entscheidend ist, nicht die Noten 6: weil auch andere Fähigkeiten eine Rolle spielen, wie das Sozialverahlten 7: aus einem anderen Grund П verweigert weiß nicht goto 76101Z p44553 11: weil die Noten besser sein müssen p44553_2 2: weil die Noten schlechter sein können p44553_3 3: weil die Noten in anderen Fächern genauso wichtig oder wichtiger sind p44553_4 4: weil es keinen festgelegten Notenschnitt gibt p44553 5 5: weil der Elternwunsch entscheidend ist, nicht die Noten p44553 6 6: weil auch andere Fähigkeiten eine Rolle spielen, wie das Sozialverahlten p44553 7 7: aus einem anderen Grund p44553_vw: verweigert p44553 wn: weiß nicht [0: nicht genannt] [1: genannt] BUTTONS: verweigert [p44553_vw], weiß nicht [p44553_wn]

Variablen			
p445531 Wissen Übergang_Noten2: bessere Noten pParent			
p445532	pParent		
p445533	Wissen Übergang_Noten2: Noten anderer Fächer	pParent	
p445534	Wissen Übergang_Noten2: kein Notenschnitt	pParent	
p445535	Wissen Übergang_Noten2: Eltern	pParent	
p445536	Wissen Übergang_Noten2: andere Kompetenzen	pParent	
p445537	Wissen Übergang_Noten2: anderer Grund	pParent	

76139 Nun habe ich noch ein paar Fragen zur Dauer des Schulbesuchs. Können Sie mir sagen, wie viele Jahre man bis zum Hauptschulabschluss die Schule besuchen muss? Bitte zählen Sie die Grundschulzeit mit.				
oder Berufs	bildung: ge bzw.	Unklarheit: Gemeint ist der einfache Hauptschulabschluss; n.		
 Range: 0 - 20	Jahr			
goto 76140				
Variablen				
p445600		Wissen_Dauer Hauptschulabschluss		pParent
	Schule	nnen Sie mir sagen, wie viele Jahre man bis zum Re besuchen muss? Bitte zählen Sie auch hier die Gru ealschulabschluss" nicht bekannt ist: Weitere verwandte Begri	ndsc	hulzeit wieder mit.
Abschluss o	der Fac	choberschulreife.		
Jahr Range: 0 - 20				
goto 76141				
Variablen				
p445610		Wissen_Dauer Realschulabschluss		pParent
76141 Und wie viele Jahre muss man für das Abitur die Schule besuchen? Bitte zählen Sie die Grundschulzeit wieder mit.				
Der Button "12 oder 13 Jahre" soll nur dann genutzt werden, wenn beides gleichzeitig genannt wird.				
Jahr				
12 oder 13 Ja Range: 0 - 20				
goto 761022	Z			
Variablen				
p445620		Wissen_Dauer Abitur		pParent

76129 Es gibt ja verschiedene Schul- und Ausbildungssysteme in Deutschland. Hierzu hätte ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in Deutschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" bezeichnet wird?				
	mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a ersichern, ob er diese meint.	antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch einmal	
Der Besitz von zwei A	Ausbildungsabschlüssen [1]			
Die Tatsache, dass je und dann noch studie	emand erst eine Ausbildung macht ert [2]			
I .	schulischer Ausbildung in der ktischer Ausbildung im Betrieb [3]			
Die Trennung zwisch	en dem ersten und zweiten Lehrjahr			
weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe verweigert [-	97]			
goto 76142				
Variablen				
p31562a	Wissen um Option - duales Ausbild	dungssystem	pParent	
76142 Und es gibt ja verschiedene Schul- und Ausbildungssysteme in Deutschland. Hierzu hätte ich noch eine Frage an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was man unter "Fachhochschulreife" versteht? Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal				
_	ersichern, ob er diese meint.	g	. gazo	
Den Abschluss einer	Meisterausbildung [1]			
Ein abgeschlossenes [2]	Studium an einer Fachhochschule			
Ein Abschluss, der zu berechtigt [3]	ım Studium an einer Fachhochschule			
Ein anderes Wort für	Abitur [4]			
weiß nicht [5]		П		
Angabe verweigert [-	97]			
Angabe verweigert [- goto 76103Z	97]			
	97]			

Source: Leibniz-Institut für Bildungsverläufe e.V. (2018): *Erhebungsinstrumente (SUF-Version)*. *NEPS Startkohorte 2 – Kindergarten. Frühe Bildung in Kindergarten und Grundschule. Welle 5 - 5.1.0*, p. 361–364.

Appendix 7: SC2, Wave 7: Original instrument in German language

76123	Unterschiedliche Berufe oder Ausbildungen erfordern auch unterschiedliche !!berufliche Abschlüsse!!. Ich werde Ihnen nun verschiedene Berufe nennen. Bitte sagen Sie mir zu jedem Beruf, welchen !!beruflichen!! Abschluss die !!meisten Personen!! haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland diesen Beruf ergreifen. Wenn Sie es nicht wissen, können Sie auch weiß nicht angeben. Welchen !!beruflichen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Verkäufer oder Verkäuferin ergreifen?				
Bei Nachfi Bei Nachfi Abschlüss Wenn der	Vorgaben vorlesen. Bei Nachfrage: "Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist." Bei Nachfrage: "Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben." Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint.				
keine Ausb	ildung [1]				
abgeschlos	sene Ausbildung [2]				
Studium [3]					
weiß nicht	[4]				
Angabe ve	weigert [-97]				
goto 7612	4				
Variablen					
p31502a	Wissen um berufliche	e Abschlüsse_ Verkäufer/in	pParent		
76124 Und welchen !!beruflichen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Apotheker oder Apothekerin ergreifen? Vorgaben vorlesen. Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist. Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal					
keine Ausb	ind rückversichern, ob er diese ildung [1]	meint.			
	sene Ausbildung [2]				
Studium [3]					
weiß nicht	[4]				
Angabe ve	weigert [-97]				
if (76123 = -97 & 76124 = -97) goto 76129 if (76123 <> -97 & 76124 = -97) goto 76126 if (76124 <> -97) goto 76126					
Variablen					
p31502b	Wissen um berufliche	Abschlüsse_ Apotheker/in	pParent		

76126 Und wie ist das bei dem Beruf Bankkaufmann oder Bankkauffrau?					
Vorgaben bei Beda	Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es g	geht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es heute ist.			
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um form meisten Personen haben.	al benötigte Abschlüsse, sonder	n um die beruflichen		
	mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a ersichern, ob er diese meint.	ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	orgabe noch einmal		
keine Ausbildung [1]					
abgeschlossene Aust	oildung [2]				
Studium [3]					
weiß nicht [4]					
Angabe verweigert [-9	97]				
	6126 = -97) goto 76129 76126 = -97) goto 76127 oto 76127				
Variablen					
p31502c	Wissen um berufliche Abschlüsse_	_Bankkaufmann/frau	pParent		
	ei dem Beruf Augenoptiker ode	er Augenoptikerin?			
Vorgaben bei Beda					
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist. Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.					
	mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a ersichern, ob er diese meint.	ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	orgabe noch einmal		
keine Ausbildung [1]					
abgeschlossene Aust	oildung [2]				
Studium [3]					
weiß nicht [4]					
Angabe verweigert [-9	97]				
if (76126 = -97 & 76127 = -97) goto 76129 if (76126 <> -97 & 76127 = -97) goto 76128 if (76127 <> -97) goto 76128					
Variablen					
p31502d	Wissen berufliche Abschlüsse_ Au	genoptiker/in	pParent		

76128 Und bei Steue	erfachangestellter oder	Steuerfachangestellte?			
Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorles	Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.					
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei Abschlüsse, die die meister		al benötigte Abschlüsse, sonder	n um die beruflichen		
Wenn der Befragte mit "das vorlesen und rückversichen		ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch einmal		
keine Ausbildung [1]					
abgeschlossene Ausbildung [2	1				
Studium [3]					
weiß nicht [4]					
Angabe verweigert [-97]					
goto 76129					
Variablen					
p31502e Wissen	um berufliche Abschlüsse_	_Steuerfachangestellte/r	pParent		
76129 Es gibt ja verschiedene Schul- und Ausbildungssysteme in Deutschland. Hierzu hätte ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in Deutschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen.					
vorlesen und rückversichen		ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch emmar		
Der Besitz von zwei Ausbildun	gsabschlüssen [1]				
Die Tatsache, dass jemand ers und dann noch studiert [2]	st eine Ausbildung macht				
Die Kombination von schulisch Berufsschule und praktischer					
Die Trennung zwischen dem e [4]	rsten und zweiten Lehrjahr				
weiß nicht [5]					
Angabe verweigert [-97]					
goto 76130					
Variablen					
p31562a Wissen	um Option - duales Ausbild	dungssystem	pParent		

76130 Und können Sie mir sagen, was man unter "Fachhochschulreife" versteht?				
Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint.				
den Abschluss einer I	Meisterausbildung [1]			
ein abgeschlossenes	Studium an einer Fachhochschule [2]			
ein Abschluss, der zu berechtigt [3]	m Studium an einer Fachhochschule			
ein anderes Wort für	Abitur [4]			
weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe verweigert [-97]				
goto 76116Z				
Variablen				
p31561a	Wissen um Optionen_Definition Fa	chhochschulreife	pParent	

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Appendix 8: SC3, Wave 4, target: Original instrument in German language

66 Stell dir vor, du hättest alle Möglichkeiten zu werden, was du willst. Was wäre dann dein Wunschberuf?			
Bitte in Druckbuch	staben eintragen.		
Ø			
Variablen	L	T	
t31060a_O	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch	pTarget	
t31060a_g1	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (KldB 1988)	pTarget	
t31060a_g2	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (KldB 2010)	pTarget	
t31060a_g3	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (ISCO-88)	pTarget	
t31060a_g4	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (ISCO-08)	pTarget	
t31060a_g6	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (SIOPS-88)	pTarget	
t31060a_g5	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (ISEI-88)	pTarget	
t31060a_g7	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (MPS)	pTarget	
t31060a_g9	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (BLK)	pTarget	
t31060a_g14	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (ISEI-08)	pTarget	
t31060a_g16	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: Berufswunsch (SIOPS-08)	pTarget	
	en schulischen Abschluss haben die meisten Personer gegebenen Beruf heutzutage in Deutschland ergreifen?	n, die den von dir in Frage	
Bitte nur eine Antw	vort ankreuzen.		
Hauptschulabschluss	s [2]		
Realschulabschluss/	Mittlere Reife [3]		
Abitur [4]			
keinen Schulabschlu	ss [1]		
weiß nicht [5]			
Variablen			
	Ochulicahan Abashkura Misraabhanif	I-Tt	
t31501f	Schulischer Abschluss Wunschberuf	pTarget	

	relchen beruflichen Abschluss 66 genannten Beruf heutzutag		
Bitte nur eine Antv	vort ankreuzen.		
keine Ausbildung [1]			
Studium [4]			
Vollzeitschulische Be Fachschule) [3]	erufsausbildung (z.B. Besuch einer		
Lehre/betriebliche A	usbildung [2]		
weiß nicht [5]			
Variablen			
t31502f	Beruflicher Abschluss Wunschber	ruf	pTarget
	•		_
tatsäc	einmal an alles, was du gerad hlich haben? sicher bist, dann trage den Beruf ei		·
Bitte in Druckbuch		P	
Variablen			
t31160a_O	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch	pTarget
t31160a_g1	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch (KldB 1988)	pTarget
t31160a_g2	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch (KldB 2010)	pTarget
t31160a_g3	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch (ISCO-88)	pTarget
t31160a_g4	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch (ISCO-08)	pTarget
t31160a_g5	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch (ISEI-88)	pTarget
t31160a_g6	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch (SIOPS-88)	pTarget
t31160a_g7	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch (MPS)	pTarget
t31160a_g9	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch (BLK)	pTarget
t31160a_g14	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: E	Berufswunsch (ISEI-08)	pTarget
t31160a g16	Realistische Berufsaspirationen: F	Berufswunsch (SIOPS-08)	pTarget

	en schulischen Abschluss hal legebenen Beruf heutzutage ir		lie den von dir in Frage
Bitte nur eine Antw	ort ankreuzen.		
Hauptschulabschluss	[2]		
Realschulabschluss/l	Mittlere Reife [3]		
Abitur [4]			
keinen Schulabschlu	ss [1]		
weiß nicht [5]			
Variablen			
t31501g	Schulischer Abschluss realistische	er Beruf	pTarget
	elchen beruflichen Abschluss 69 genannten Beruf heutzutag ort ankreuzen.		•
keine Ausbildung [1]			
Studium [4]			
Vollzeitschulische Be Fachschule) [3]	erufsausbildung (z.B. Besuch einer		
Lehre/betriebliche Au	sbildung [2]		
weiß nicht [5]			
	i ja verschiedene Schul- und A Deutschland als "Duales Aus		
Bitte kreuze die rich	ntige Antwort an.		
bezeichnet die Tatsac gemacht hat und dan	che, dass jemand eine Ausbildung n noch studiert [2]		
	ination von schulischer Ausbildung in praktischer Ausbildung im Betrieb [3]		
bezeichnet die Trennung zwischen dem ersten und dem zweiten Lehrjahr [4]			
bezeichnet den Besitz von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen [1]			
weiß nicht [5]			
Variablen			
t31562a	Wissen um duale Ausbildung		pTarget

73 Und we	eißt du, was man unter der "Fa	achhochschulreife" versteh	t?
Bitte kreuze die rich	ntige Antwort an.		
den Abschluss einer l	Meisterausbildung [1]		
ein anderes Wort für	Abitur [4]		
ein Abschluss, der zu berechtigt [3]	m Studium an einer Fachhochschule		
ein abgeschlossenes	Studium an einer Fachhochschule [2]		
weiß nicht [5]			
Variablen			
t31561a	Wissen um Fachhochschulreife		pTarget
74 Weißt	du, was man in Deutschland u	nter einer "Berufsschule" v	ersteht?
Bitte kreuze die rich	ntige Antwort an.		
Die Berufsschule bild	et Berufsberater aus. [1]		
Die Berufsschule dier am Ende der Ausbilde	nt ausschließlich der Weiterbildung ung. [4]		
Die Berufsschule wird Berufsausbildung bes	d zusätzlich während einer sucht. [2]		
Die Berufsschule bes Ruhestand weiterqua	uchen Senioren, die sich im lifizieren wollen. [3]		
weiß nicht [5]			
Variablen			
t31563a	Wissen um Berufsschule		pTarget

75 Unterschiedliche Berufe oder Ausbildungen erfordern auch unterschiedliche Schulabschlüsse. Bitte gib im Folgenden an, welchen schulischen Abschluss die meisten Personen haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland folgende Berufe ergreifen.						
Bitte in jeder Zeile e	ein Kästchen ankre	uzen.				
weiß nicht [5]						
		keinen Schulabschlu ss [1]	Hauptschulab schluss [2]	Realschulabs chluss/Mittlere Reife [3]	Abitur [4]	weiß nicht [5]
a) Verkäufer/-in						
weiß nicht [5]						
b) Apotheker/-in						
weiß nicht [5]						
c) Bankkaufmann/-f	frau					
weiß nicht [5]						
d) Augenoptiker/-in						
Variablen						
t31501a	Wissen schulische	Abschlüsse - \	Verkäufer_in		pTarget	
t31501b	Wissen schulische Abschlüsse - Apotheker_in			pTarget		
t31501c	Wissen schulische	Abschlüsse - I	Bankkaufmann_	_frau	pTarget	
t31501d	Wissen schulische	chulische Abschlüsse - Augenoptiker_in pTai			pTarget	

76 Unterschiedliche Berufe erfordern auch unterschiedliche Ausbildungsabschlüsse. Bitte gib nun an, welchen beruflichen Abschluss die meisten Personen haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland folgende Berufe ergreifen.						
Bitte in jeder Zeile	ein Kästchen ankre	euzen.				
weiß nicht [4]						
		keine Ausbildung [1]	abgeschlosse ne Ausbildung [2]	Studium [3]	weiß nicht [4]	
a) Verkäufer/-in						
weiß nicht [4]						
b) Apotheker/-in						
weiß nicht [4]						
c) Bankkaufmann/-	frau					
weiß nicht [4]						
d) Augenoptiker/-in						
Variablen						
t31502a	Wissen berufliche	Abschlüsse_V	erkäufer_in		pTarget	
t31502b	Wissen berufliche	Abschlüsse_A	potheker_in		pTarget	
t31502c	Wissen berufliche Abschlüsse_Bankkaufmann_frau pTarget					
t31502d	Wissen berufliche Abschlüsse_Augenoptiker_in pTarget					

Source: Leibniz-Institut für Bildungsverläufe e.V. (2016): *Startkohorte 3: Klasse 5 (SC3). Welle 4. Erhebungsinstrumente (SUF-Version 5.0.0)*, p. 44–49.

Appendix 9: SC3, Wave 4, parent: Original instrument in German language

76117	117 Unterschiedliche Berufe oder Ausbildungen erfordern auch unterschiedliche !! Schulabschlüsse!!. Ich werde Ihnen nun verschiedene Berufe nennen. Bitte sagen Sie mir zu jedem Beruf, welchen !!schulischen!! Abschluss die !!meisten Personen!! haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland diesen Beruf ergreifen. Wenn Sie es nicht wissen, können Sie auch weiß nicht angeben. Welchen !!schulischen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Verkäufer oder Verkäuferin ergreifen?				
Vorgaben	vorlesen.				
Bei Nachf	rage: Es geht nicht darum wie	es früher war, sondern wie es heute is	st.		
	rage: Es geht bei dieser Frage se, die die meisten Personen h	nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse aben.	e, sondern um die schulischen		
	Befragte mit "das Zweite" ode und rückversichern, ob er diese	r "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige A e meint.	Antwortvorgabe noch einmal		
Hauptschul	labschluss [2]				
Realschula	bschluss/Mittlere Reife [3]				
Abitur [4]					
keinen Sch	ulabschluss [1]				
weiß nicht	[5]				
Angabe ve	Angabe verweigert [-97]				
goto 7611	8				
Variablen					
p31501a	Wissen um schulisch	ne Abschlüsse Verkäufer/in	pParent		

P	76118 Und können Sie mir sagen, welchen !!schulischen!! Abschluss die !!meisten Personen!! haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Apotheker oder Apothekerin ergreifen?					
Vorgaben vo	rlesen.					
Bei Nachfrag	ge: Es g	eht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es heute ist.			
	Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die schulischen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.					
Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint.						
Falls der Bef	ragte m	it Hochschulreife antwortet, diese I	Nennung der Antwortoption Abit	ur zurechnen.		
Falls der Beg oder Berufsb		uptschulabschluss" nicht bekannt is reife.	st: Weitere verwandte Begriffe s	ind Mittelschulabschluss		
		alschulabschluss" oder "Mittlere Re oder Fachoberschulreife.	eife" nicht bekannt ist: Weitere vo	erwandte Begriffe sind		
Hauptschulabs	schluss	2]				
Realschulabso	chluss/M	ittlere Reife [3]				
Abitur [4]						
keinen Schula	bschluss	3 [1]				
weiß nicht [5]						
Angabe verwe	eigert [-9	7]				
	-97 & 7	118 = -97) goto 76123 6118 = -97) goto 76120 to 76120				
Variablen						
p31501b	1	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse	Apotheker/in	pParent		

76120	Und wi	e ist das bei dem Beruf E	Bankkaufmann oder Bankk	auffrau	1?
Vorgaben	Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.				
Bei Nachfr	Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.				
	Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die schulischen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.				
		mit "das Zweite" oder "das Di ersichern, ob er diese meint.	ritte" antwortet, die jeweilige An	twortvo	rgabe noch einmal
Falls der B	efragte n	nit Hochschulreife antwortet,	diese Nennung der Antwortopti	on Abitu	ır zurechnen.
Falls der B oder Beruf			kannt ist: Weitere verwandte Be	griffe si	nd Mittelschulabschluss
		ealschulabschluss" oder "Mittl oder Fachoberschulreife.	lere Reife" nicht bekannt ist: We	eitere ve	erwandte Begriffe sind
Hauptschula	abschluss	[2]			
Realschulat	oschluss/N	Mittlere Reife [3]			
Abitur [4]					
keinen Schu	ulabschlus	s [1]			
weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe ver	weigert [-9	97]			
	> -97 & 7	6120 = -97) goto 76123 76120 = -97) goto 76121 vto 76121			
Variablen					
p31501c		Wissen um schulische Absch	hlüsse_Bankkaufmann/frau		pParent

76121 Und be	i dem Beruf Augenoptiker ode	er Augenoptikerin?		
Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es g	Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die schulischen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.				
	mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a ersichern, ob er diese meint.	ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch einmal	
Falls der Befragte r	nit Hochschulreife antwortet, diese	Nennung der Antwortoption Abito	ur zurechnen.	
Falls der Begriff "Ha oder Berufsbildung	auptschulabschluss" nicht bekannt i sreife.	st: Weitere verwandte Begriffe s	ind Mittelschulabschluss	
	ealschulabschluss" oder "Mittlere Ro oder Fachoberschulreife.	eife" nicht bekannt ist: Weitere vo	erwandte Begriffe sind	
Hauptschulabschluss	[2]			
Realschulabschluss/N	Mittlere Reife [3]			
Abitur [4]				
keinen Schulabschlus	ss [1]			
weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe verweigert [-97]				
if (76120 = -97 & 76121 = -97) goto 76123 if (76120 <> -97 & 76121 = -97) goto 76122 if (76121 <> -97) goto 76122				
Variablen				
p31501d	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse	_ Augenoptiker/in	pParent	

76122 Und be	i Steuerfachangestellter oder	Steuerfachangestellte?			
Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.					
Bei Nachfrage: Es g	geht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es heute ist.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die schulischen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.					
	Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint.				
Falls der Befragte n	nit Hochschulreife antwortet, diese i	Nennung der Antwortoption Abitu	ır zurechnen.		
Falls der Begriff "Ha oder Berufsbildungs	auptschulabschluss" nicht bekannt i sreife.	st: Weitere verwandte Begriffe si	ind Mittelschulabschluss		
	Falls der Begriff "Realschulabschluss" oder "Mittlere Reife" nicht bekannt ist: Weitere verwandte Begriffe sind Mittlerer Abschluss oder Fachoberschulreife.				
Hauptschulabschluss	[2]				
Realschulabschluss/N	Mittlere Reife [3]				
Abitur [4]					
keinen Schulabschlus	s [1]				
weiß nicht [5]	weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe verweigert [-97]					
goto 76123					
Variablen					
p31501e	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse	_Steuerfachangestellte/r	pParent		

76123	Jetzt haben wir ja über !!schulische!! Abschlüsse gesprochen. Nun geht es um !! berufliche!! Abschlüsse. Welchen !!beruflichen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Verkäufer oder Verkäuferin ergreifen?			
Vorgaben	Vorgaben vorlesen.			
Bei Nachfr	age: Es geht nicht darum wie e	es früher war, sondern wie es heut	e ist.	
	age: Es geht bei dieser Frage i e, die die meisten Personen ha	nicht um formal benötigte Abschlü ben.	sse, sondern um die beruflichen	
	Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder nd rückversichern, ob er diese	"das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilig meint.	e Antwortvorgabe noch einmal	
abgeschloss	ene Ausbildung [2]			
Studium [3]				
keine Ausbil	dung [1]			
weiß nicht [4	17			
Angabe ven	veigert [-97]			
goto 76124				
Variablen				
p31502a	Wissen um berufliche	Abschlüsse_ Verkäufer/in	pParent	
76124 Und welchen !!beruflichen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Apotheker oder Apothekerin ergreifen? Vorgaben vorlesen. Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.				
	Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.			
	Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder nd rückversichern, ob er diese	"das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilig meint.	e Antwortvorgabe noch einmal	
abgeschloss	ene Ausbildung [2]			
Studium [3]				
keine Ausbil	dung [1]			
weiß nicht [4	9			
Angabe ven	veigert [-97]			
if (76123 <	-97 & 76124 = -97) goto 7612 > -97 & 76124 = -97) goto 761 > -97) goto 76126			
Variablen				
p31502b	Wissen um berufliche	Abschlüsse_ Apotheker/in	pParent	

76126 Und wi	ie ist das bei dem Beruf Bankk	aufmann oder Bankkauffra	u?	
Vorgaben bei Beda	rf vorlesen.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es	Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.				
Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint.				
abgeschlossene Aust	bildung [2]			
Studium [3]				
keine Ausbildung [1]				
weiß nicht [4]				
Angabe verweigert [-	97]			
	6126 = -97) goto 76129 76126 = -97) goto 76127 oto 76127			
Variablen				
p31502c	Wissen um berufliche Abschlüsse_	Bankkaufmann/frau	pParent	
76127 Und be	ei dem Beruf Augenoptiker ode	er Augenoptikerin?		
	geht nicht darum wie es früher war,			
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um form meisten Personen haben.	al benötigte Abschlüsse, sonder	n um die beruflichen	
	mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" a ersichern, ob er diese meint.	ntwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvo	rgabe noch einmal	
abgeschlossene Aust	bildung [2]			
Studium [3]				
keine Ausbildung [1]	keine Ausbildung [1]			
weiß nicht [4]				
Angabe verweigert [-97]				
Angabe verweigert [-	97]			
if (76126 = -97 & 76	6127 = -97) goto 76129 76127 = -97) goto 76128			
if (76126 = -97 & 76 if (76126 <> -97 & 7	6127 = -97) goto 76129 76127 = -97) goto 76128			

76128 Und bei Steuerfachangestellter o	der Steuerfachangestellte?		
Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.	formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen		
Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Driti vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint.	te" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal		
abgeschlossene Ausbildung [2]			
Studium [3]			
keine Ausbildung [1]			
weiß nicht [4]			
Angabe verweigert [-97]			
goto 76129			
Variablen			
p31502e Wissen um berufliche Abschlü	sse_ Steuerfachangestellte/r pParent		
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De	nd Ausbildungssysteme in Deutschland. Hierzu hätte utschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem"		
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie.			
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen.			
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritt	utschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem"		
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritt vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint. Der Besitz von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen [1] Die Trennung zwischen dem ersten und zweiten Lehrjah	utschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" te" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal		
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritt vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint. Der Besitz von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen [1]	utschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" te" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal		
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritt vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint. Der Besitz von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen [1] Die Trennung zwischen dem ersten und zweiten Lehrjah [4] Die Kombination von schulischer Ausbildung in der	utschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" te" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal		
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritt vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint. Der Besitz von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen [1] Die Trennung zwischen dem ersten und zweiten Lehrjaf [4] Die Kombination von schulischer Ausbildung in der Berufsschule und praktischer Ausbildung im Betrieb [3] Die Tatsache, dass jemand erst eine Ausbildung macht	utschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" te" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal		
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritt vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint. Der Besitz von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen [1] Die Trennung zwischen dem ersten und zweiten Lehrjah [4] Die Kombination von schulischer Ausbildung in der Berufsschule und praktischer Ausbildung im Betrieb [3] Die Tatsache, dass jemand erst eine Ausbildung macht und dann noch studiert [2]	utschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" te" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal		
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritt vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint. Der Besitz von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen [1] Die Trennung zwischen dem ersten und zweiten Lehrjah [4] Die Kombination von schulischer Ausbildung in der Berufsschule und praktischer Ausbildung im Betrieb [3] Die Tatsache, dass jemand erst eine Ausbildung macht und dann noch studiert [2]	utschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" te" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal		
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Sie. Können Sie mir sagen, was in De bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritt vorlesen und rückversichem, ob er diese meint. Der Besitz von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen [1] Die Trennung zwischen dem ersten und zweiten Lehrjah [4] Die Kombination von schulischer Ausbildung in der Berufsschule und praktischer Ausbildung im Betrieb [3] Die Tatsache, dass jemand erst eine Ausbildung macht und dann noch studiert [2] weiß nicht [5] Angabe verweigert [-97]	utschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" te" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal		

76130 Und kö	76130 Und können Sie mir sagen, was man unter "Fachhochschulreife" versteht?			
Vorgaben vorlesen. Wenn der Befragte mit "das Zweite" oder "das Dritte" antwortet, die jeweilige Antwortvorgabe noch einmal vorlesen und rückversichern, ob er diese meint.				
den Abschluss einer Meisterausbildung [1]				
ein anderes Wort für	Abitur [4]			
ein Abschluss, der zu berechtigt [3]	m Studium an einer Fachhochschule			
ein abgeschlossenes	Studium an einer Fachhochschule [2]			
weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe verweigert [-9	Angabe verweigert [-97]			
goto 76116Z				
Variablen				
p31561a	Wissen um Optionen_Definition Fa	chhochschulreife	pParent	

Source: Leibniz-Institut für Bildungsverläufe e.V. (2016): *Startkohorte 3: Klasse 5 (SC3). Welle 4. Erhebungsinstrumente (SUF-Version 5.0.0)*, p. 366–374.

Appendix 10: SC3, Wave 6, target: Original instrument in German language

	t ja verschiedene Schul- und A Deutschland als "Duales Aus		
Bitte kreuze die rich	htige Antwort an.		
bezeichnet den Besit	z von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen		
	che, dass jemand erst eine d dann noch studiert [2]		
	ination von schulischer Ausbildung in praktischer Ausbildung im Betrieb [3]		
bezeichnet die Trenn zweiten Lehrjahr [4]	ung zwischen dem ersten und dem		
weiß nicht [5]			
Variablen			
t31562a	Wissen um duale Ausbildung		pTarget
1010024	Wisself all dadic Adsolidating		praigot
48 Und w	eißt du, was man unter der "Fa	achhochschulreife" versteh	t?
Bitte kreuze die rich	htige Antwort an.		
Den Abschluss einer	Meisterausbildung [1]		
Ein abgeschlossenes [2]	Studium an einer Fachhochschule		
Ein Abschluss, der zu berechtigt [3]	ım Studium an einer Fachhochschule		
Ein anderes Wort für	Abitur [4]		
weiß nicht [5]			
Variablen			
t31561a	Wissen um Fachhochschulreife		nTarget
131361a	vvissen um racimochschulrene		pTarget

49 Unterschiedliche Berufe oder Ausbildungen erfordern auch unterschiedliche Schulabschlüsse.						
Bitte g	Bitte gib im Folgenden an, welchen schulischen Abschluss die meisten Personen haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland folgende Berufe ergreifen.					
Bitte in jeder Zeile	ein Kästchen ankre	uzen.				
		keinen Schulabschlu ss [1]	Hauptschulab schluss [2]	Realschulabs chluss/Mittlere Reife [3]	Abitur [4]	weiß nicht [5]
a) Verkäufer/-in						
b) Apotheker/-in						
c) Bankkaufmann/-	frau					
d) Augenoptiker/-in						
Variablen						
t31501a	Wissen schulische	Abschlüsse -	Verkäufer_in		pTarget	
t31501b	Wissen schulische	Abschlüsse -	Apotheker_in		pTarget	
t31501c	Wissen schulische	Abschlüsse -	Bankkaufmann_	frau	pTarget	
t31501d	Wissen schulische	Abschlüsse -	Augenoptiker_in	ı	pTarget	
Bitte g	chiedliche Beru ib nun an, welch tage in Deutsch	en beruflich	en Abschluss	die meisten P		
Bitte in jeder Zeile	_	_				
		keine Ausbildung [1]	abgeschlosse ne Ausbildung [2]	Studium [3]	weiß nicht [4]	
a) Verkäufer/-in						
b) Apotheker/-in						
c) Bankkaufmann/-	frau					
d) Augenoptiker/-in						
Variablen						
t31502a	Wissen berufliche	Abschlüsse_V	erkäufer_in		pTarget	
t31502b	Wissen berufliche	Abschlüsse_A	potheker_in		pTarget	
t31502c	Wissen berufliche	Abschlüsse_B	ankkaufmann_fr	au	pTarget	
t31502d	Wissen berufliche Abschlüsse_Augenoptiker_in				pTarget	

Source: Leibniz-Institut für Bildungsverläufe e.V. (2017): *Startkohorte 3: Klasse 5 (SC3). Welle 6. Erhebungsinstrumente (SUF-Version 6.0.0)*, p. 31–32.

Appendix 11: SC4, wave 5, target: original instrument in German language

		Sie sich vor, Sie hätten alle l r Wunschberuf?	Möglichkeiten zu werden, wa	as Sie wollen. Was wäre
Bitte in Drud	ckbuchs	taben eintragen.		
P				
Variablen				
t31060a_O		Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch	pTarget
t31060a_g1		Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch (KldB 1988)	pTarget
t31060a_g2	2	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen:	Berufswunsch (KldB 2010)	pTarget
t31060a_g3	}	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch (ISCO-88)	pTarget
t31060a_g4	ļ.	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch (ISCO-08)	pTarget
t31060a_g5		Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch (ISEI-88)	pTarget
t31060a_g6	;	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch (SIOPS-88)	pTarget
t31060a_g7	'	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch (MPS)	pTarget
t31060a_g9)	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch (BLK)	pTarget
t31060a_g1	4	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch (ISEI-08)	pTarget
t31060a_g1	6	Idealistische Berufsaspirationen: I	Berufswunsch (SIOPS-08)	pTarget
	•			
F	Frage 1	n schulischen Abschluss ha 7 angegebenen Beruf heutzu		
		rt ankreuzen.	_	
keinen Schula	abschlus	s [1]		
Hauptschulab	schluss	[2]		
Realschulabs	chluss/M	ittlere Reife [3]		
Abitur [4]				
weiß nicht [5]				
Variablen				
t31501f		Schulischer Abschluss Wunschbe	eruf	pTarget
F	Frage 1	Ichen beruflichen Abschluss 7 genannten Beruf heutzutag rt ankreuzen.		
Studium [4]				
Vollzeitschulis Fachschule) [ufsausbildung (z.B. Besuch einer		
Lehre/betrieb		bildung [2]		
keine Ausbild	lung [1]			
weiß nicht [5]				
Variablen				
t31502f		Beruflicher Abschluss Wunschber	ruf	pTarget

20		n Sie einmal an alles, was Sie tatsächlich haben?	e gerade wissen. Welchen B	eruf werden Sie wohl
	Wenn Sie sich noch nicht sicher sind, dann tragen Sie den Beruf ein, der Ihrer Meinung nach am wahrscheinlichsten ist.			
Bitte in Di	ruckbuchs	taben eintragen.		
No.				
Variablen	1			
t31160a_	0	Realistische Berufsaspirationen:	Berufswunsch	pTarget
t31160a_	g1	Realistische Berufsaspirationen:	,	pTarget
t31160a_	_	Realistische Berufsaspirationen:	<u> </u>	pTarget
t31160a_		Realistische Berufsaspirationen:	1 7	pTarget
t31160a_		Realistische Berufsaspirationen:		pTarget
t31160a_		Realistische Berufsaspirationen:		pTarget
t31160a_	-	Realistische Berufsaspirationen:	· · ·	pTarget
t31160a_		Realistische Berufsaspirationen:	· · ·	pTarget
t31160a_	_	Realistische Berufsaspirationen:	· · ·	pTarget
t31160a_		Realistische Berufsaspirationen:	, ,	pTarget
t31160a_	g16	Realistische Berufsaspirationen:	Berufswunsch (SIOPS-08)	pTarget
21		en schulischen Abschluss ha 20 angegebenen Beruf heutz		
Bitte nur e	eine Antw	ort ankreuzen.		
keinen Sch	nulabschlus	IS [1]		
Hauptschu	labschluss	[2]		
Realschula	abschluss/N	Aittlere Reife [3]		
Abitur [4]				
weiß nicht	[5]			
Variablen				
t31501g		Schulischer Abschluss realistisch	er Beruf	pTarget
22	Frage 2	elchen beruflichen Abschlus: 20 genannten Beruf heutzuta		
		ort ankreuzen.	_	
Studium [4	1]			
Vollzeitsch Fachschul		rufsausbildung (z.B. Besuch einer		
Lehre/betri	iebliche Au	sbildung [2]		
keine Aust	oildung [1]			
weiß nicht	[5]			
Variablen				
t31502g		Beruflicher Abschluss realistische	er Beruf	pTarget

34 Es gibt was in	t ja verschiedene Schul- und A Deutschland als "Duales Aus	Ausbildungssysteme in Deu bildungssystem" bezeichne	tschland. Wissen Sie, et wird?
Bitte kreuzen Sie d	ie richtige Antwort an.		
bezeichnet den Besit [1]	z von zwei Ausbildungsabschlüssen		
bezeichnet die Tatsagemacht hat und dan	che, dass jemand eine Ausbildung n noch studiert [2]		
	ination von schulischer Ausbildung in praktischer Ausbildung im Betrieb [3]		
bezeichnet die Trenn zweiten Lehrjahr [4]	ung zwischen dem ersten und dem		
weiß nicht [5]			
Variablen			
t31562a	Wissen um duale Ausbildung		pTarget
35 Und wi	ssen Sie, was man unter der "	Fachhochschulreife" verste	eht?
Bitte kreuzen Sie di	ie richtige Antwort an.		
ein anderes Wort für	Abitur [4]		
ein Abschluss, der zu berechtigt [3]	m Studium an einer Fachhochschule		
ein abgeschlossenes	Studium an einer Fachhochschule [2]		
den Abschluss einer I	Meisterausbildung [1]		
weiß nicht [5]			
Mariablas			
Variablen			
t31561a	Wissen um Fachhochschulreife		pTarget

schuli Bitte g	terschiedliche Berufe oder Ausbildungen erfordern auch unterschiedliche nulische Abschlüsse. te geben Sie im Folgenden an, welchen schulischen Abschluss die meisten rsonen haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland folgende Berufe ergreifen.					
Bitte in jeder Zeile	ein Kästchen ankre	uzen.				
weiß nicht [5]						
		keinen Schulabschlu ss [1]	Hauptschulab schluss [2]	Realschulabs chluss/Mittlere Reife [3]	Abitur [4]	weiß nicht [5]
a) Verkäufer/in						
weiß nicht [5]						
b) Apotheker/in						
weiß nicht [5]						
c) Bankkaufmann/-	frau					
weiß nicht [5]						
d) Augenoptiker/in						
weiß nicht [5]						
e) Steuerfachange	stellte/r					
Variablen						
t31501a	Wissen schulische	Abschlüsse - \	Verkäufer_in		pTarget	
t31501b	Wissen schulische	Abschlüsse - A	Apotheker_in		pTarget	
t31501c	Wissen schulische	Wissen schulische Abschlüsse - Bankkaufmann_frau pTarget				
t31501d	Wissen schulische	Abschlüsse - /	Augenoptiker_ir	1	pTarget	
t31501e	Wissen schulische Abschlüsse - Steuerfachangestellte_r pTarget					

Ausl Bitte	rschiedliche Berufe oder Ausbildungen erfordern auch unterschiedliche vildungsabschlüsse. geben Sie im Folgenden an, welchen beruflichen Abschluss die meisten onen haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland folgende Berufe ergreifen.					
Bitte in jeder Zei	le ein Kästchen anki	reuzen.				
weiß nicht [4]						
		keine Ausbildung [1]	abgeschlosse ne Ausbildung [2]	Studium [3]	weiß nicht [4]	
a) Verkäufer/in						
weiß nicht [4]						
b) Apotheker/in						
weiß nicht [4]						
c) Bankkaufman	n/-frau					
weiß nicht [4]						
d) Augenoptiker/	in					
weiß nicht [4]						
e) Steuerfachan	jestellte/r					
12 . 11						
Variablen						
t31502a	Wissen beruflich	e Abschlüsse_V	erkäufer_in		pTarget	
t31502b	Wissen beruflich	e Abschlüsse_A	potheker_in		pTarget	
t31502c	Wissen beruflich	e Abschlüsse_B	ankkaufmann_fra	ıu	pTarget	
t31502d	Wissen beruflich	e Abschlüsse_A	ugenoptiker_in		pTarget	
t31502e	Wissen beruflich	Wissen berufliche Abschlüsse_Steuerfachangestellte_r pTarget				

Source: Leibniz-Institut für Bildungsverläufe e.V. (2016): *Startkohorte 4: Klasse 9 (SC4). Wellen 5 und 6. Erhebungsinstrumente (SUF-Version 6.0.0)*, p. 17–20, 27–29.

Appendix 12: SC4, Wave 5, parent: Original instrument in German language

76101 Unterschiedliche Berufe oder Ausbildungen erfordern auch unterschiedliche !! Schulabschlüsse!!. Ich werde Ihnen nun verschiedene Berufe nennen. Bitte sagen Sie mir zu jedem Beruf, welchen !!schulischen!! Abschluss die !!meisten Personen!! haben, die heutzutage in Deutschland diesen Beruf ergreifen. Wenn Sie es nicht wissen, können Sie auch weiß nicht angeben. Welchen !!schulischen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Verkäufer oder Verkäuferin ergreifen?				
Vorgaben vorleser	1.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es	geht nicht darum wie es früher wa	ar, sondern wie es heute ist.		
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um fo e meisten Personen haben.	rmal benötigte Abschlüsse, sonde	rn um die schulischen	
Hauptschulabschlus	s [2]			
Realschulabschluss/	Mittlere Reife [3]			
Abitur [4]				
keinen Schulabschlu	ss [1]			
weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe verweigert [-	97]			
goto 76102			-	
Variablen				
p31501a	Wissen um schulische Abschlüs	se_Verkäufer/in	pParent	

Perso	önnen Sie mir sagen, welchen nen!! haben, die heutzutage in ekerin ergreifen?		
Vorgaben vorleser	1.		
Bei Nachfrage: Es	geht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es heute ist.	
	geht bei dieser Frage nicht um form e meisten Personen haben.	al benötigte Abschlüsse, sonder	n um die schulischen
keinen Schulabschlu	ss [1]		
Hauptschulabschlus	s [2]		
Realschulabschluss/	Mittlere Reife [3]		
Abitur [4]			
weiß nicht [5]			
Angabe verweigert [-	97]		
if (76101 = -97 & 7 if (76101 <> -97 & if (76102 <> -97) g	6102 = -97) goto 76107 76102 = -97) goto 76104 oto 76104		
Variablen			
p31501b	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse	_ Apotheker/in	pParent
76104 Und wie ist das bei dem Beruf Bankkaufmann oder Bankkauffrau? Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen. Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist. Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die schulischen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.			
keinen Schulabschlu	ss [1]		
Hauptschulabschlus	s [2]		
Realschulabschluss/	Mittlere Reife [3]		
Abitur [4]			
weiß nicht [5]			
Angabe verweigert [-	97]		
	6104 = -97) goto 76107 76104 = -97) goto 76105 oto 76105		
Variablen			
p31501c	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse	_ Bankkaufmann/frau	pParent

76105 Und bei dem Beruf Augenoptiker oder Augenoptikerin?				
Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.				
Bei Nachtrage: Es (geht nicht darum wie es früher war,	sondern wie es neute ist.		
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die schulischen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.				
keinen Schulabschlus	ss [1]			
Hauptschulabschluss	[2]			
Realschulabschluss/N	Mittlere Reife [3]			
Abitur [4]				
weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe verweigert [-	97]			
if (76104 = -97 & 76105 = -97) goto 76107 if (76104 <> -97 & 76105 = -97) goto 76106 if (76105 <> -97) goto 76106				
Variablen				
p31501d	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse	_ Augenoptiker/in	pParent	
76106 Und be	ei Steuerfachangestellter oder	Steuerfachangestellte ?		
Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen. Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die schulischen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.				
keinen Schulabschluss [1]				
Hauptschulabschluss [2]				
Realschulabschluss/Mittlere Reife [3]				
Abitur [4]				
weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe verweigert [-97]				
goto 76107				
Variablen				
p31501e	Wissen um schulische Abschlüsse	Steuerfachangestellte/r	pParent	

76107 Jetzt haben wir ja über !!schulische!! Abschlüsse gesprochen. Nun geht es um !! berufliche!! Abschlüsse. Welchen !!beruflichen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Verkäufer oder Verkäuferin ergreifen?				
Vorgaben vorlesen. Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.				
keine Ausbildung [1]				
abgeschlossene Ausl	oildung [2]			
Studium [3]				
weiß nicht [4]				
Angabe verweigert [-	97]			
goto 76108				
Variablen				
p31502a	Wissen um berufliche Abschlüsse_	Verkäufer/in	pParent	
76108 Und welchen !!beruflichen!! Abschluss haben die !!meisten Personen!!, die heutzutage in Deutschland den Beruf Apotheker oder Apothekerin ergreifen?				
Vorgaben vorlesen. Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.				
keine Ausbildung [1]				
abgeschlossene Ausl	oildung [2]			
Studium [3]				
weiß nicht [4]				
Angabe verweigert [-	97]			
if (76107 = -97 & 76108 = -97) goto 76113 if (76107 <> -97 & 76108 = -97) goto 76110 if (76108 <> -97) goto 76110				
Variablen				
p31502b	Wissen um berufliche Abschlüsse_	Apotheker/in	pParent	

76110 Und wie	76110 Und wie ist das bei dem Beruf Bankkaufmann oder Bankkauffrau?		
Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.			
keine Ausbildung [1]			
abgeschlossene Ausbild	dung [2]		
Studium [3]			
weiß nicht [4]			
Angabe verweigert [-97]	1		
if (76108 = -97 & 76110 = -97) goto 76113 if (76108 <> -97 & 76110 = -97) goto 76111 if (76110 <> -97) goto 76111			
Variablen			
p31502c W	/issen um berufliche Abschlüsse_	Bankkaufmann/frau	pParent
	dem Beruf Augenoptiker ode	er Augenoptikerin?	
Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.			
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.			
keine Ausbildung [1]			
abgeschlossene Ausbild	lung [2]		
Studium [3]			
weiß nicht [4]			
Angabe verweigert [-97]	1		
if (76110 = -97 & 76111 = -97) goto 76113 if (76110 <> -97 & 76111 = -97) goto 76112 if (76111 <> -97) goto 76112			
Variablen			
p31502d W	/issen um berufliche Abschlüsse	Augenoptiker/in	pParent

76112 Und bei Steuerfachangestellter oder Steuerfachangestellte?				
Vorgaben bei Bedarf vorlesen.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht nicht darum wie es früher war, sondern wie es heute ist.				
Bei Nachfrage: Es geht bei dieser Frage nicht um formal benötigte Abschlüsse, sondern um die beruflichen Abschlüsse, die die meisten Personen haben.				
keine Ausbildung [1]				
abgeschlossene Ausbildung [2]				
Studium [3]				
weiß nicht [4]				
Angabe verweigert [-97]				
goto 76113				
Variablen				
p31502e Wissen um berufliche Ab	schlüsse_Steuerfachangestellte/r pParent			
76113 Es gibt la verschiedene Schu	ul- und Aushildungssysteme in Deutschland Hierzu hätte			
ich noch ein paar Fragen an	ul- und Ausbildungssysteme in Deutschland. Hierzu hätte Sie. in Deutschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem"			
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Können Sie mir sagen, was i	Sie.			
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Können Sie mir sagen, was i bezeichnet wird?	Sie. in Deutschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem"			
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Können Sie mir sagen, was i bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Die Trennung zwischen dem ersten und zweiten L	Sie. in Deutschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" _ehrjahr g in der			
ich noch ein paar Fragen an Können Sie mir sagen, was i bezeichnet wird? Vorgaben vorlesen. Die Trennung zwischen dem ersten und zweiten L [4] Die Kombination zwischen schulischer Ausbildung	Sie. in Deutschland als "Duales Ausbildungssystem" Lehrjahr g in der eb [3]			
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76114 Und können Sie mir sagen, was man unter "Fachhochschulreife" versteht?				
Vorgaben vorlesen.				
ein anderes Wort für Abitur [4]				
ein abgeschlossenes Studium an einer Fachhochschule [2]				
den Abschluss einer Meisterausbildung [1]				
ein Abschluss, der zum Studium an einer Fachhochschule berechtigt [3]				
weiß nicht [5]				
Angabe verweigert [-97]				
goto 76116Z				
Variablen				
p31561a Wissen um Optionen_Definition Fachhochschulreife pParent		pParent		

Source: Leibniz-Institut für Bildungsverläufe e.V. (2016): *Startkohorte 4: Klasse 9 (SC4). Wellen 5 und 6. Erhebungsinstrumente (SUF-Version 6.0.0)*, p. 1102–1108.

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