Latvia's Political Survey 2014

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Codebook and questionnaire

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weight
provided by the polltaker, based on region, gender, nationality, and age group.

date:
the date of the interview

dates:
MS-win serial value, the date of the interview

datev:
Dates from the general election in October 4, 2014

Socio-demographic parameters

D1. – D10.
please provide brief information about yourself!
(*note: these questions were held at the end of interview*)

D.1.
Gender

Male	1
Female	2

D.2.
Age:.....

D.2A.
Marital status

Married/ Living together	1
Divorced/ Separated	2
Unmarried	3
Widowed	4

D3.
How many people live in your household, including yourself :.....

D3a.
Do you live with child aged under 18?

Yes	1
No	2
Don’t know/ No answer	8

D4.
What is your education lavel?

No education	1
Primary/ Secondary uncompleted	2
Secondary	3
Professional or vocational secondary	4
Tertiary	5

D5.
What is your nationality(lv: tautība)**?**

Latvian	1
Russian	2
Other nationalities	3

D5a.
In which language you mainly speak with your family?
(only one answer)

Latvian	1
Russian	2
Other language	3

D6.
Do you have a LR citizenship?

Yes	1
No	2

D7.
In which sector do you work?

Public sector (national or regional)	1
Private sector	2
Not worked	3
Other	4
Don't know/ No answer	5

D8.
What is your occupation?

Manager/director, senior or middle level	1
Specialist or clerk, for non-physical work	2
Laborer, in for physical work	3
Farmer (with own farm)	4
Self-employed	5
Pensioner	6
Student	7
Housewife/husband, or parental leave	8
Unemployed	9

D9.
What is the average monthly income per member of your family in the last six months (after tax), taking into account all income - salaries, allowances, benefits, pensions, etc.?:
_____eiro, (Don't know/ No answer -> 9801)

D9b.
What are your personal average monthly income in the last six months (after tax), taking into account all your income?
_____eiro, (Don't know/ No answer -> 9801)

D_pils.
Living place

Riga(capital)	1
Other cities	2
Country areas	3

D10.
Regions (electoral district)

Riga	1
Vidzeme	2
Kurzeme	3
Zemgale	4
Latgale	5

D10a
Regions (statistical district)

Riga	1	Kurzeme	4
Pierīga	2	Zemgale	5
Vidzeme	3	Latgale	6

original parameters

J1. – J4.
I will read to you several statements. Please tell me about each of them do you totally agree, rather agree, neither agree nor disagree, rather disagree or totally disagree with the following statement.

		Totally agree	Rather agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Rather disagree	Totally disagree	Don't know/ No answer
J1	Large differences in people's incomes are acceptable to properly reward differences in talents and efforts	1	2	3	4	5	8
J2	Schools must teach children only in Latvian language	1	2	3	4	5	8
J3	Social benefit, service, and unemployment insurance make people lazy	1	2	3	4	5	8
J4	The Russian state is a threat to the peace and security of Latvia	1	2	3	4	5	8

J5.
Which of these terms best describes how you usually think of yourself?
Only one answer.

Own city, locality inhabitants	1
Own regions inhabitants (ex. Kurzeme, Latgale etc.)	2
Latvian	3
Russian	4
Baltic Russian, or Russian Latvian	5
Ukrainian	6
Do not know	8
No Answer	9

J6.
How proud are you to be Latvia inhabitant?
Only one answer.

Very proud	1
Quite proud	2
Not very proud	3
Not at all proud	4
No Answer	9

J7. J8.
On an average weekday, how much time in total, do you spend reading …

		No time at all	Less than 1/2 hours	1/2 hours up to 1 hour	More than 1 hour up to 2 hours	More than 2 hour up to 3 hours	More than 3 hours	Don't know/ No answer
J7	Newspapers?	1	2	3	4	5	6	88
J8	Social networking service (SNS)?	1	2	3	4	5	6	88

J9.
Which newspaper do you read most frequently?
Hand out card J9! one answer

Diena	1
Latvijas Avīze	2
Neatkarīgā Rīta Avīze	3
Vesti Segodnya	4
Dienas Bizness	5
Bizness&Baltija	6
Other newspapers	7
I do not read newspapers at all	8
No answer	98

J10.
Which SNS do you use most frequently?
Hand out card J10! one answer

Facebook	1
Draugiem	2
Odnoklassniki	3
VKontakte	4
Twitter	5
LinkedIn	6
Other SNSs	7
I do not watch the SNS	8
No answer	98

Show card J11/J12

J11.

What do you think are the two most important problem facing Latvia today?

*(Maximum of two answers possible) -> **J11_1** and **J11_2***

J12.

What do you think are the two most important issues to you today?

*(Maximum of two answers possible) -> **J12_1** and **J12_2***

	J11	J12
Crime and Terrorism	1	1
Public transport	2	2
Rising prices	3	3
Taxation	4	4
Unemployment	5	5
National security and foreign affairs	6	6
Energy	7	7
Immigration	8	8
Health care	9	9
Pensions	10	10
Education	11	11
Language issue	12	12
Others	13	13
Don't know/ No answer	98	98

J13.

How interested would you say you are in politics?

Very interested	1
Quite interested	2
Hardly interested	3
Not at all interested	4
Don't Kknow / No Answer	8

J14.

hand out card J14

If LR Saeima election will be held tomorrow, for which political party or alliance will you vote?

mark one answer option

"Harmony" socialdemocratic party	1
Unity	2
National Alliance "All for Latvia" – "For Fatherland and Freedom/LNNK"	3
Green and Farmers Union	4
Russian Union of Latvia	5
For Latvia from the Heart	6
United for Latvia	7
For Latvia's Development	8
New Conservative Party	9
Latvia's Alliance of Regions	10
Other parties -> **J14_tx**	11
Don't' know/ No answer	12
I don't participate in elections	13

J14_tx

(See above)

J15. – J19.
Please tell me on a score of 0-10 how much you personally trust each of the institutions.
0 means you do not trust an institution at all, and 10 means you have complete trust.

		No trust at all										Complete trust	No answer
J15	United Nations (UN)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
J16	European Parliament	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
J17	Saeima (national parliament)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
J18	City/local parliament	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
J19	Noncitizen Congress	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98

J20.
Who do you think is mostly to blame for *the escalation of* conflict in Ukraine?
only one answer

J21. Who do you think is mostly to blame for *the origin of* conflict in Ukraine?
only one answer

	Q14	Q15
the government of Russian Federation	1	1
the government of Ukraine	2	2
Pro-Russian activists in Ukraine	3	3
Ukrainian hardline nationalist	4	4
the European Union	5	5
NATO	6	6
Western European countries (e.g. Germany, France, etc.)	7	7
the United States	8	8
Others	9	9
I do not want to answer this question	10	10
Don’t know	98	98

J22.
show card J22
Saeima’s election was held in 4th October. What was the most important information sources for you when you update information on politics.
*Maximum of two answers possible -> **J22_1** and **J22_2***

Television or radio programs	1
Newspaper or journal articles	2
Internet or SNS articles	3
Political advertisements on televisions or radios	4
Political advertisements on newspapers or journals	5
Political advertisements on internet site or SNS	6
Conversations with members of family, relatives, or friends	7
Conversations with colleagues, managers, or clients in workplace.	8
Conversations with neighbors	9
Other sources	10
No Answer	98

J23.
show card J23
If you voted, supported, or sympathized to a specific political party on recent Saeimas election, please tell me the main reasons why you chose exactly this party?
*Maximum of two answers possible -> **J23_1** and **J23_2***

They represent my economic interests (for example, tax, employment, pension, etc)	1
They represent interests of my ethnic group (for example, Latvians, Russian, etc.)	2
They represent our regional interests (for example, Vidzeme, Kurzeme, Zemgale, Latgale, Rīga)	3
They are trustable	4
They are not “dirty”	5
They are new political force	6
They have good executive/leader	7
They have good candidates /person	8
My family, friend, or colleague asked me to do so	9
Other reason	10
I did not vote, support, or sympathize any political parties.	11
No Answer	98