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Swedish Election Study 1979

- Questionnaires -

The Swedish Election Studies Programme

The Swedish Election Studies Programme was initiated by Jörgen Westerståhl and Bo Särlvik in the mid 1950s, shortly after the Michigan Election Studies began. The first studies were done in conjunction with the local elections in 1954 and the parliamentary elections in 1956.

In all parliamentary elections since 1956, as well as in the ATP referendum in 1957 and the Nuclear Power referendum in 1980, a large representative sample of eligible voters has been interviewed. The basic design in the latest studies has been a rolling panel in which half of the sample has been interviewed in connection with the previous election, and the other half in connection with the succeeding election. In recent years the sample size has been approximately 3600 and the response rate 75 to 80 per cent.

The early Election Studies were directed by Jörgen Westerståhl (1954-1956), Bo Särlvik (1954-1973) and Olof Petersson (1973-1976). The most recent studies have been directed by Sören Holmberg (1979-1991) and Mikael Gilljam (1985-1991). The most recent publication from the programme is **Väljarna inför 90-talet** (The Voters Facing the 90s) by Mikael Gilljam and Sören Holmberg (Stockholm: Norsteds Juridik 1993).

The questionnaires from the 1979 Election Study were translated into English by Anders Widfeldt.

Swedish Election Study 1979 (SSD 0089)

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Total sample: 3,498

Number of respondents: 2,816

Sample loss: 682 (19.5 %)

Number of variables: 303

Weight: Respondents belonging to the 1976-1979 panel who did not respond in 1976 had their sample probability halved in 1979. These are represented by two records in the data file. The number of respondents is therefore 2,905 and the sample loss is 853.

Method: Interview in home. One-half of the sample was interviewed before election day, the other half after. Pre-election respondents also answered a short mail questionnaire after the election, which mainly contained questions on final vote decision.

Panel: The study represents stage two in the 1976-1979 panel and stage one in the 1979-1982 panel.

Format: OSIRIS, SPSS-x, machine-readable codebook. Avaliable at SSD (Swedish Social Science Data Bank) in Göteborg.

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ELECTION STUDY 1979

STAGE **A**

PRE-ELECTION INTERVIEWS

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Sample sheet no.

Interviewer no.

Show your ID card and let R. read it before interview begins.

R's number and year of birth from sample sheet are to be written on questionnaire before R is contacted.

The following questions are to be excluded:

R born 1948-1950: 46

R born 1951-1953: 44-46

R born 1954-1958: 42-46

Year of birth

Time of interview

date:_____/_____ 1976

time started:_____

time ended:_____

1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8

We have been commissioned to undertake an impartial interview study of this year's election. Before the questions I would like to inform you that the answers will only be used for statistical analysis. No outsider will get to know how any individual has answered our questions. I am of course under obligation to observe confidentiality.

IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS HE/SHE WAS INTERVIEWED FOR THE 1976 ELECTION

Many of those we interview this year have been interviewed once before. The reason is that we are particularly interested in the voters' view on politics on several different occasions.

1A I begin with a question about newspapers and other news periodicals. Which newspaper or newspapers do you read regularly? By regularly I mean at least once a week.

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION FOR COMPLETE ANSWERS → Is there any other news periodical that you read at least once a week?

5 Does not read newspapers → 3

1B Do you or someone else in your home subscribe to any of these newspapers?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → Which newspaper or newspapers? Is there any other newspaper that you subscribe to?

5 no

1C How often do you read (newspaper x)? You can answer using this card. Which answer describes you most accurately?

READ OUT ONE NEWSPAPER AT A TIME AND SHOW CARD 1C. FOR EACH NEWSPAPER - ENCIRCLE THE ALTERNATIVE QUOTED BY RESPONDENT.

1D Is there, as you see it, any of the political parties which (newspaper x) supports <u>more</u> than other parties?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → Which party or parties?

READ OUT ONE NEWSPAPER AT A TIME AND NOTE THE PARTY/PARTIES MENTIONED BY R. USE PARTY ABBREVIATIONS: M, FP, C, S, VPK, KDS.

1A NEWSPAPER	1B SUBSCR. YES	NO	1C NO. OF DAYS			1D PARTY	NO	DK
1.	1	2	6-7	3-5	1-2	.....	5	8
2.	1	2	6-7	3-5	1-2	.....	5	8
3.	1	2	6-7	3-5	1-2	.....	5	8
4.	1	2	6-7	3-5	1-2	.....	5	8
5.	1	2	6-7	3-5	1-2	.....	5	8

2 How often do you read news and articles about politics in the daily press?

SHOW CARD 2. IF NECESSARY, READ OUT THE ALTERNATIVES.

1 never reads news and articles about politics.
2 reads news and articles about politics occasionally
3 often reads news and articles about politics
4 reads what there is in the newspaper of news and articles about politics every day
x → other answer: _____

3 Concerning news programmes on radio and television: How often do you watch/listen to (NEWS PROGRAMME X)?

READ OUT NEWS PROGRAMMES ONE BY ONE AND SHOW CARD 3. WRITE ANSWER IN THE BOX. DK MARKED WITH 8.

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION → How often do you watch/listen to (...news programme X).

1. 6-7 days a week
2. 3-5 days a week
3. 1-2 days a week
4. more seldom
5. never

"Rapport" **(TV, national channel 2, 7:30 p.m.)**

"Aktuellt" **(TV, national channel 1, 9:00 p.m.)**

"Morgonekot" kl 7.00 och/eller "Ekot" kl 1800 i radions program 1 **(radio, national channel 1, 7:00 a.m. and/or 6:00 p.m.)**

4A

In your opinion, how frequent is it that a particular set of political views are favoured in the news coverage of (...progamme)?

SHOW CARD 4A AND READ OUT STATEMENTS FOR **RAPPORT** AND **AKTUELLT**. WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF R. ANSWERS ALTERNATIVE 1, 2, OR 3, ASK FOLLOW-UP QUESTION. IF R. ANSWERS ALTERNATIVE 4 OR 8, GO TO THE NEXT NEWS PROGRAMME OR Q. 4B.

1. It happens very often that a particular set of political views are favoured in the news coverage of (...news programme).
2. It happens fairly often
3. It seldom happens
4. It never happens
8. DK

→ Next programme or q. 4B.

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

Which political set of views or sets of views are favoured?

FOR EACH PROGRAMME, NOTE BELOW THE POLITICAL SETS OF VIEWS MENTIONED BY R.

		DK
☐	Rapport	8
☐	Aktuellt	8

4B Concerning the newspapers you usually read, how frequent is it in your opinion that a particular set of political views are favoured in the news coverage of (...newspaper x)?

SHOW CARD 4B AND READ OUT STATEMENTS FOR EACH NEWSPAPER THAT R. READS REGULARLY (see Q. 1A). WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF R. ANSWERS ALTERNATIVE 1, 2, OR 3, ASK FOLLOW-UP QUESTION. IF R. ANSWERS ALTERNATIVE 4 OR 8, GO TO THE NEXT NEWS PROGRAMME OR Q. 5.

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION FOR R. WHO READS MORE THAN ONE NEWSPAPER → How often does it happen that a particular set of political views are favoured in the news coverage in (...newspaper x)?

1. It happens very often that a particular set of political views are favoured in the news coverage of (...news programme).
2. It happens fairly often
3. It seldom happens
4. It never happens
8. DK

→ next newspaper or q. 5

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

Which political set of views or sets of views are favoured?

FOR EACH NEWSPAPER, NOTE BELOW THE POLITICAL SETS OF VIEWS MENTIONED BY R.

DK

Newspaper 1 _____ 8

(etc.)

(space for five newspapers in original)

5 In general, how interested are you in politics? Which of the answers on this card describes you most accurately?

SHOW CARD 5

Are you very interested, fairly interested, not very interested or not at all interested in politics?

1 very interested
2 fairly interested
3 not very interested
4 not at all interested
x → other answer: _____

6A I would now like to ask a few questions about things you see as positive and negative about the different parties. I begin with the Social Democrats. Is there anything about the Social Democrats that you particularly appreciate or sympathize with?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the Social Democrats that you appreciate or sympathize with?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

6B Is there anything about the Social Democrats that you dislike?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the Social Democrats that you dislike?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

7A Is there anything about the People's Party that you particularly appreciate or sympathize with?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the People's Party that you appreciate or sympathize with?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

7B Is there anything about the People's Party that you dislike?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the People's Party that you dislike?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

8A Is there anything about the Moderates that you particularly appreciate or sympathize with?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the Moderates that you you appreciate or sympathize with?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

8B Is there anything about the Moderates that you dislike?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the Moderates that you dislike?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

9A Is there anything about the Centre Party that you particularly appreciate or sympathize with?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the Centre Party that you appreciate or sympathize with?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

9B Is there anything about the Centre Party that you dislike?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the Centre Party that you dislike?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

10A Is there anything about the Left Party Communists that you particularly appreciate or sympathize with?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the Left Party Communists that you appreciate or sympathize with?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

10B Is there anything about the Left Party Communists that you dislike?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there anything else you would like to say about this? Is there anything else about the Left Party Communists that you dislike?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

11A Thinking about this year's election, is there any issue or issues that is especially important to you when it comes to choosing which party you are going to vote for in the Riksdag election on September 16th?

IF YES → Which issue or issues?

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWER → Is there any other issue which is important to you when you choose party in the Riksdag election?

→ answer: _____

_____

_____

5 no, no issue important
7 does not intend to vote in the Riksdag election
8 DK

11B Which party or parties would you like to see included in the government after this year's election?

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION → Would you like to see any other party included in the government?

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION IF YES → Which party or parties?

→ Party(ies): _____

_____

8 DK

WRITE DOWN ALL PARTIES MENTIONED BY R. ANSWERS "ALL PARTY GOVERNMENT" OR "ALL PARTIES" ALSO TO BE NOTED.

12 I would like to ask you a few questions concerning your opinion about the policies of the parties on various issues. On this card we have put some issues which have been important in Swedish politics in recent years. I begin with employment.

SHOW CARD 12. ASK THE QUESTIONS BELOW IN SUCCESSION FOR EACH ISSUE.

Is there, in your opinion, any party or parties with a <u>good</u> policy on (...ISSUE).

ADDED QUESTION → Is there any other party with a <u>good</u> policy on (...ISSUE)?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → Which party or parties?

Is there, in your opinion, any party with a <u>bad</u> policy on (...ISSUE)?

ADDED QUESTION → Is there, in your opinion, any other party with a <u>bad</u> policy on (...ISSUE)?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → Which party or parties?

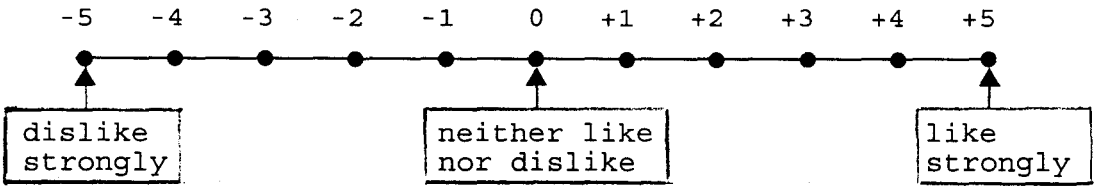
NOTE THE PARTIES MENTIONED BY RESPONDENT ALONGSIDE EACH ISSUE BELOW. USE ABBREVIATIONS: S, FP, M, C, V, KDS. WRITE 5 FOR "NO PARTY" ANSWERS AND 8 IF RESPONDENT DOES NOT KNOW OR DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER.

	Parties with a <u>good</u> policy		Parties with a <u>bad</u> policy	
Employment	_____	5 8	_____	5 8
Equality between men and women	_____	5 8	_____	5 8
Issues concerning the Wage Earner's Funds	_____	5 8	_____	5 8
Energy and nuclear power	_____	5 8	_____	5 8
Education and schools	_____	5 8	_____	5 8
Taxes	_____	5 8	_____	5 8
Child care	_____	5 8	_____	5 8
Issues concerning government influence on private enterprise	_____	5 8	_____	5 8

13 On this card there is a kind of scale.

SHOW CARD 13AB

I would like you to use it in order to state how much you like or dislike the parties. If you like a party, use the "plus" figures. The better you like a party, the higher the "plus" figure. For parties you dislike, use the "minus" figures. The more you dislike a party, the higher the "minus" figure. The zero point on the scale indicates that you neither like nor dislike a party.



READ OUT THE PARTIES ONE BY ONE AND ASK THE QUESTION BELOW. WRITE THE FIGURE STATED BY RESPONDENT. DO NOT FORGET PLUS AND MINUS SIGNS. INDICATE WITH AN 8 IF RESPONDENT CANNOT OR DOES NOT WANT TO GIVE AN ANSWER FOR ANY PARTY.

▽

Where would you place the Centre Party?

the Moderate Party?

the Left Party Communists?

the People's Party?

the Social Democrats?

13B

Using the same scale for the party leaders, where would you place Thorbjörn Fälldin? ***(Centre)***

Gösta Bohman? ***(Moderate)***

Lars Werner? ***(Left Party Communists)***

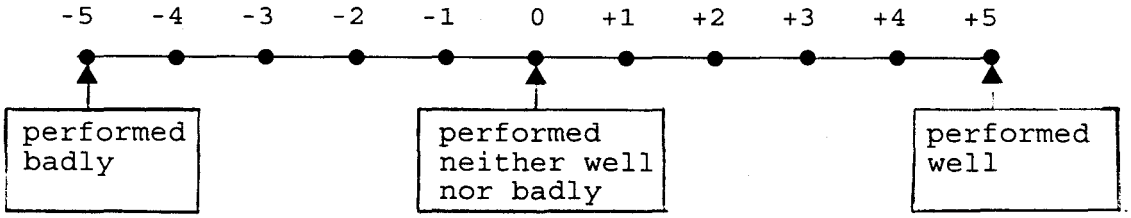
Ola Ullsten? ***(People's Party)***

Olof Palme? ***(Social Democrats)***

(parties not given in original)

13C I would like you to use a similar scale to indicate how you feel that the Centre Party, the Moderates and the People's Party have performed as government parties since the 1976 election and how the Social Democrats have performed as an opposition party.

SHOW CARD 13C



ASK THE QUESTIONS BELOW AND NOTE THE FIGURES MENTIONED BY R. QUESTIONS IN BRACKETS MAY BE USED IF R. IS IN DOUBT OR DOES NOT UNDERSTAND THAT HE/SHE SHOULD ANSWER USING THE FIGURES ON THE SCALE. DO NOT FORGET PLUS AND MINUS SIGNS. DK IS MARKED 8.

How do you think the <u>three party government</u> with the Centre, Moderate and People's parties performed as government between 1976 and 1978? (Where on the scale would you place the three party government?)

How do you think the <u>Centre Party</u> performed in the three party government?
(Where on the scale would you place the Centre Party?)

How do you think the <u>Moderate Party</u> performed in the three party government?
(Where on the scale would you place the Moderate Party?)

How do you think the <u>People's Party</u> performed in the three party government?
(Where on the scale would you place the People's Party?)

How do you think the <u>People's Party performed as government party</u> after it formed a one party government in 1978?
(Where on the scale would you place the People's Party as solitary government party?)

How do you think that the <u>Social Democrats</u> have performed as opposition party since the 1976 election?
(Where on the scale would you place the Social Democrats as an opposition party?)

14 I will now read to you a list of policies, which some people think ought to be implemented in Sweden. For each of them, please say if it is:

SHOW CARD 14. READ OUT ALTERNATIVES.

1 very good proposal: very important that it is implemented

2 fairly good proposal: fairly important that it is implemented

3 does not really matter

4 fairly bad proposal: fairly important that it is not implemented

5 bad proposal: very important that it is not implemented

8 DK

READ PROPOSALS ONE BY ONE AND WRITE NUMBER IN BOX

A. Using one of the answers on this card, what is your opinion about the proposal to build more day care centres for children? ▽ ⌊_⌋
B. Reduce tax deductions for private house owners. ⌊_⌋
C. Reduce government influence on private enterprise. ⌊_⌋
D. Prohibit all forms of pornography. ⌊_⌋
E. Start closing down nuclear power immediately. ⌊_⌋
F. Socialize large companies. ⌊_⌋
G. Cut taxes on high incomes. ⌊_⌋
H. Transfer parts of business profits to Wage Earner's Funds which are run by the unions. ⌊_⌋
I. Reduce expenditure on defence. ⌊_⌋
J. Raise prices on wine and spirits substantially, in order to reduce alcohol abuse and alcohol damage in society. ⌊_⌋
K. Decide that 50 per cent of the Riksdag members must be women. ⌊_⌋
L. Ban private driving in inner cities. ⌊_⌋
M. In periods of unemployement - give priority to men instead of married women whose husbands are already employed. ⌊_⌋
N. Increase economic support to immigrants so they can maintain their own culture. ⌊_⌋
O. Stop development aid to Vietnam. ⌊_⌋

15A There are differing views concerning nuclear power as a source of energy. What is your opinion? Are you, on the whole, for or against nuclear being used as an energy source in Sweden or do you have no definite opinion on the issue?

1 on the whole pro nuclear power
2 on the whole anti nuclear power
3 no definite opinion on the issue → 16
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

15B Is your opinion on this issue definite or do you feel a bit uncertain?

1 definite opinion
2 uncertain
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

15C In the debate concerning the future energy supply, various reasons have been put forward for/against the use of nuclear power as a source of energy. Which are the most important reasons why you are for/against the use of nuclear energy as a source of energy in our country?

R. WHO HAS ANSWERED "ON THE WHOLE PRO NUCLEAR POWER" IS ASKED FOR HIS/HER REASONS "FOR" THE USE OF NUCLEAR POWER. R. WHO HAS ANSWERED "ON THE WHOLE AGAINST NUCLEAR POWER" IS ASKED FOR HIS/HER REASONS "AGAINST" THE USE OF NUCLEAR POWER.

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there any further reason that you would like to mention?

→ answer: _____

_____

8 DK

16 In the political debate, different proposals have been put forward concerning the extent to which we should use nuclear power in the future. On this card we have put together some of those proposals. Which proposal is most in line with your own view?

SHOW CARD 16 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 We should not utilize nuclear power and discontinue the reactors currently in use.
2 We should not utilize nuclear power and discontinue the reactors currently in use within the next ten years.
3 We should utilize nuclear power and use the 12 reactors already constructed, but not start new reactors.
4 We should utilize nuclear power and construct more reactors than the 12 which are constructed or under construction.
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

17 How important is the issue concerning nuclear power for your choice of party in this year's Riksdag election?

SHOW CARD 17 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 absolutely one of the most important issues
2 fairly important issue
3 not a particularly important issue
4 not at all an important issue
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

18A Have you noticed any difference between the parties' views concerning the expansion of nuclear power?

1 yes, difference
5 no, no difference → 19
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

18B In which way do think the parties differ?

SHOW CARD 18B

1 We should not utilize nuclear power and immediately discontinue the reactors currently in use.
2 We should not utilize nuclear power and discontinue the reactors currently in use within the next ten years.
3 We should utilize nuclear power and use the 12 reactors already constructed, but not start new reactors.
4 We should utilize nuclear power and construct more reactors than the 12 which are constructed or under construction.

ASK QUESTION BELOW FOR EACH OF THE PARTIES AND NOTE NUMBER IN BOX. DK TO BE MARKED 8.

Beginning with the Moderate Party, which of the proposals on this card do you think is closest to the view of the Moderate Party concerning the expansion of nuclear power?

[ ] Left Party Communists?

[ ] People's Party?

[ ] Centre Party?

[ ] Social Democrats?

19 The Swedish nuclear power stations are all situated in four different communities along the coast. I wonder if you know the name of one or more of the places with a nuclear power station?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Do you know of more places?

→ places: _____

NOTE PLACES MENTIONED BY R.

8 DK

x → other answer: _____

20A Various proposals have been put forward concerning the introduction of Wager Earner's Funds in Sweden. One proposal is that a part of the profits of private industry will be transferred to funds which are controlled by employees via the trade unions. What is your opinion? Are you, on the whole, for or against that Wage Earner's Funds, such as the ones described here, are introduced in Sweden or do you have no particular opinion on the issue?

1 on the whole for the introduction of Wage Earner's Funds
2 on the whole against the introduction of Wage Earner's Funds
3 no particular opinion on the issue → 21
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

20B Is your opinion on this issue definite or do you feel a bit uncertain?

1 definite opinion
2 uncertain
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

20C In the debate concerning collective Wage Earner's Funds, various reasons have been put forward <u>for/against</u> the introduction of collective Wage Earner's Funds. Which are the most important reasons why you are <u>for/against</u> the introduction of collective Wage Earner's Funds in our country?

R. WHO HAS ANSWERED "ON THE WHOLE FOR COLLECTIVE WAGE EARNER'S FUNDS TO BE ASKED FOR HIS/HER REASONS "FOR" THE INTRODUCTION OF COLLECTIVE WAGE EARNER'S FUNDS. R. WHO HAS ANSWERED "ON THE WHOLE AGAINST COLLECTIVE WAGE EARNER'S FUNDS" TO BE ASKED FOR HIS/HER REASONS "AGAINST" COLLECTIVE WAGE EARNER'S FUNDS.

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there any other reason that you would like to mention?

→ answer: _____

8 DK

21 How important is the issue concerning Wage Earner's Funds for your choice of party in this year's Riksdag election?

SHOW CARD 21 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 absolutely one of the most important issues
2 fairly important issue
3 not a particularly important issue
4 not at all an important issue
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

22A Have you noticed any difference between the parties' views concerning the Wage Earner's Fund issue?

1 yes, difference
5 no, no difference → 23A
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

22B Which party or parties are, as you see it, against introducing Wage Earner's Funds controlled by employees via the trade unions?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there any other party which is for introducing Wage Earner's Funds?

→ party(ies): _____

_____

5 no party
8 DK

22C Which party or parties are, as you see it, against introducing Wage Earner's Funds controlled by employees via the trade unions?

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Is there any other party which is against introducing Wage Earner's Funds?

→ party(ies): _____

_____

5 no party
8 DK

23A We have put together some opinions which often appear in the political debate.

SHOW CARD 23A

Could you tell me how you feel about each of these opinions. Choose one of the answers on the left hand side in the booklet.

1 agree entirely
2 agree on the whole
3 disagree on the whole
4 disagree entirely
8 DK

READ OUT STATEMENTS ONE BY ONE AND LET R. CHOOSE ALTERNATIVE. WRITE NUMBER IN BOX.

☐ A. Leading bankers and industrialists will be far too influential unless society is able to control private enterprise.

☐ B. Social reforms have gone so far in this country that the government should reduce rather than increase grants and support for people.

23B We have also put together some opinions concerning parties and politics. They are rather critical. I will read these opinions to you one by one and ask you to choose one of the answers on the left hand side of the booklet.

SHOW CARD 23B

Do you agree with this opinion or do you think it is wrong?

☐ A. The parties are only interested in people's votes, not in what they think.

☐ B. One can never trust that any of the parties keep their promises.

☐ C. Those who sit in the Riksdag making decisions don't pay much attention to the thoughts and views of ordinary people.

24A How often do discussions about politics take place among your friends outside the family? Does it happen often or rarely or not at all?

1 often
2 rarely
3 not at all
8 DK
x → other answer:_____

24B How do you yourself usually act if you are among people who start talking about politics? Which of these descriptions fits you best?
SHOW CARD 24B. IF NECESSARY, READ OUT ALTERNATIVES.

1 I usually do not listen when people start talking about politics
2 I often listen, but never take part in the discussion
3 it happens occasionally, but not very often, that I speak my mind and say what I think
4 I usually take part in the discussion and say what I think
8 DK
x → other answer:_____

25A Many people consider themselves adherents of a specific party. But there are also many others who do not have such an attachment to any of the parties. Do you usually think of yourself as, for example, a **folkpartist**, **socialdemokrat**, **moderat**, **centerpartist**, or **kommunist**? Or do you not have such an attachment to any of the parties?

1 yes, thinks of him/herself as an adherent of a specific party
3 does not know/hesitant
5 no, does not think of him/herself as an adherent of any party
8 does not want to answer

25B Which party do you like best?

1 Left Party Communists
2 Social Democrats
3 Centre Party
4 People's Party
5 Moderate Party
6 Christian Democrats
x → other party (state which):

.....
8 does not want to answer → 26B

25C Some people are strongly convinced adherents of their party. Others are not so strongly convinced. Do you yourself belong to the strongly convinced adherents of your party?

1 yes, strongly convinced
5 no, not strongly convinced
x → other answer:_____

25D Still, is there any party that you consider yourself closer to than the other parties?

1 Left Party Communists
2 Social Democrats
3 Centre Party
4 People's Party
5 Moderate Party
6 Christian Democrats
x → other party:

.....
8 DK/does not want to answer/ no,no party → 26B

26A Which party do you like second best?

1	Left Party Communists
2	Social Democrats
3	Centre Party
4	People's Party
5	Moderate Party
6	Christian Democrats
8	does not know/does not want to answer/no, no party mentioned
x	other party:_____

IF POSSIBLE, MARK ONLY ONE PARTY

26B Which party do you dislike the most?

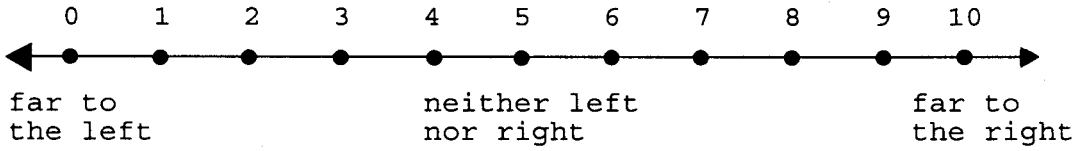
1	Left Party Communists
2	Social Democrats
3	Centre Party
4	People's Party
5	Moderate Party
6	Christian Democrats
8	does not know/does not want to answer/no, no party mentioned
x	other party:_____

IF POSSIBLE, MARK ONLY ONE PARTY

27A The parties are sometimes thought of as being ordered from left to right.

SHOW CARD 27AB

On this card I have a kind of scale. I would like you to place the political parties on the scale. The further to the left you think a party is, the lower the number. The further to the right you think a party is, the higher the number.



ASK THE QUESTIONS BELOW. TRY TO MAKE R. MENTION ONE OF THE NUMBERS AND MARK THEM IN THE BOXES. DK IS MARKED WITH 98.

⌊__⌋ We begin with the People's Party. Where on the scale would you place the **People's Party**?

⌊__⌋ Social Democrats

⌊__⌋ Moderate Party

⌊__⌋ Left Party Communists

⌊__⌋ Centre Party

27B Where on the scale would you place yourself?

⌊__⌋

EXPLAIN - IF NECESSARY - THAT THIS QUESTION CONCERNS R:s OWN POLITICAL POSITION. WRITE NUMBER MENTIONED BY R. IN BOX.

28 Do you intend to vote in this year's election?

1 yes
3 maybe/does not know
5 no
8 refuses to answer

QUESTIONS 28-29 CONCERN RIKSDAG **(PARLIAMENTARY)** ELECTION ONLY

29A Which party do you intend to vote for in the Riksdag election?

1 Left Party Communists
2 Social Democrats
3 Centre Party
4 People's Party
5 Moderate Party
6 Christian Democrats
x → other party:_____
7 not yet decided/does not know
8 refuses to answer

→ 30A

29B If you were to vote, which party would you vote for?

1 Left Party Communists
2 Social Democrats
3 Centre Party
4 People's Party
5 Moderate Party
6 Christian Democrats
x → other party:_____
7 not yet decided/does not know
8 refuses to answer
9 does not intend to vote in Riksdag election

→ 30A

29C NOTE: THIS QUESTION TO BE ASKED TO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN MARKED AS ALTERNATIVE 7 OR 8 ON Q. 29A OR 7-9 ON Q. 29B. IF R. HAS REFUSED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT PARTY SYMPATHY SO FIRMLY THAT YOU CONSIDER IT MEANINGLESS TO ASK Q. 29C, YOU MAY LEAVE THIS QUESTION. IF SO, WRITE "LEFT OUT" IN THE SLACE FOR "OTHER ANSWER" BELOW. IF R. DOES NOT REFUSE BUT IS MERELY IN DOUBT, Q. 29 SHOULD ALWAYS BE ASKED.

Could you name two parties which you consider better than the others so that you could consider voting for one of them? (Whicb party?)

→ Parties:_____

→ other answer:_____

7 no/cannot name parties/in doubt/DK

8 refuses to answer

9 does not intend to vote in Riksdag election

RESPONDENT BORN 20TH SEPTEMBER 1958 OR LATER → 32A

30A Did you vote in the 1976 Riksdag election?

1 yes
3 does not remember for sure, but probably
5 no, did not vote/R. does not think R. voted
8 DK

30B Which party did you vote for in the 1976 election?

1 Left Party Communists
2 Social Democrats
3 Centre Party
4 People's Party
5 Moderate Party
6 Christian Democrats
8 DK
x other party:_____

RESPONDENT BORN 1954 OR LATER → 32A

31A Did you vote in the 1973 Riksdag election?

1 yes
3 does not remember for sure, but probably
5 no, did not vote/R. does not think R. voted → 32A
8 DK

31B Which party did you vote for in the 1973 election?

1 Left Party Communists
2 Social Democrats
3 Centre Party
4 People's Party
5 Moderate Party
6 Christian Democrats
8 DK
x → other party:_____

32A Are you gainfully employed?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → Do you work full time or part time?

ADDED QUESTION IF NO → Are you studying?

1 yes, full time
2 yes, part time
3 yes, but temporarily unemployed
4 no, studying
5 no, not gainfully employed

32B Have you previously been gainfully employed?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES Q. REFERS TO LATEST OCCUPATION → Did you work full time or part time?

1 yes, full time
2 yes, part time
5 no, never been gainfully employed —— 35A

WRITE "NO" IF R. HAS ONLY BEEN TEMPORARILY EMPLOYED DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

32C What is/was your occupation?

ADDED QUESTION TO SPECIFY OCCUPATION → What kind of work do/did you mainly do?

x work/occupation: _____

THIS QUESTION IS ASKED TO RESPONDENTS CURRENTLY AS WELL AS PREVIOUSLY ACTIVE IN THE LABOUR MARKET. IF R. HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN THE PAST, USE THE PAST TENSE.

32D Which is/was the main kind of work done where you work/used to work?

x ▷ main kind of work: _____

33A Could you tell me which of the following occupational categories you belong/belonged to?

USE PAST TENSE IF RESPONDENT HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN ACTIVE IN LABOUR MARKET. IN THAT CASE QUESTION REFERS TO RESPONDENT'S LATEST OCCUPATION.

SHOW CARD 33A

1 salaried employee
2 worker
3 farmer with own land or tenancy
4 self-employed outside agriculture
x → other answer: _____

33B Are/were you employed by the central government (state), a commune **(subnational government)** or a private company?

1 state
2 commune **(local or regional)**
3 private company
x → other answer: _____

33C Do you think the policies pursued in this country in recent years have been favourable or unfavourable to people who belong to the same group in society as you?

ADDED QUESTION IF R. IS HESITANT → Do you think it has been mostly favourable or mostly unfavourable?

1 favourable
3 unfavourable
5 neither favourable nor unfavourable
8 DK
x → other answer: _____

34A Have you ever changed occupation so that you earlier, for some considerable time, have belonged to another of these occupational groups? By considerable time I mean at least 1 year.

SHOW CARD 34A

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → To which of the occupational groups did you belong?

1 salaried employee
2 worker
3 farmer with own land or tenancy
4 self-employed outside agriculture
5 no, has not changed occupational group → 35A
x → other answer: _____

34B Were you employed by the central government (state), a commune **(subnational government)** or a private company?

1 state
2 commune **(local or regional)**
3 private company
x → other answer:_____

35A Are you a member of a trade union, organisation for self-employed or any other vocational organisation?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → Which organisation?

1 → yes (name of organisation):_____

_____

5 no
8 DK

DO NOT USE ABBREVIATIONS BUT COMPLETE NAME OF ORGANISATION. IF R. MENTIONS HEAD ORGANIZATION (LO, TCO OR SACO/SR), ASK FOR AND NOTE THE NAME OF THE SPECIFIC UNION. FARMERS' ORGANISATIONS COUNT AS EMPLOYERS' ORGANISATION.

35B Are you an active member of (...organisation)? By active I mean attending meetings a few times a year.

1 yes, active
5 no, not active
8 DK
x → other answer:_____

36A Are you a member of a political party or another political organisation?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → Of which political party or political organisation are you a member?

WRITE NAMES OF PARTIES/ORGANISATIONS MENTIONED BY R. MORE THAN ONE ORGANISATION POSSIBLE

→ party:_____ → ADDED QUESTION FOR "SOCIAL DEMOCRATS"

_____

→ political org.:_____

_____

5 no
8 DK → 37

Are you individually or collectively affiliated to the party?

1 collectively
2 individually
3 both collectively and individually
8 DK
x → other answer:_____

36B Are active in the political organisation(s) of which you are member? By active I mean attending meetings a few times per year.

1 yes, active
5 no, not active
8 DK
x ▷ other answer:_____

_____

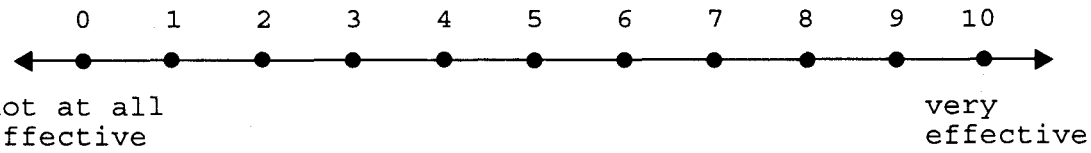
37 Are you an active member in any other organisations than the unions or political organisations I just asked about? By active I mean attending meetings a few times per year.

1 yes, active
5 no, not active
8 DK
x ▷ other answer:_____

_____

38 There are differing opinions about how one effectively can influence decions made in the society. I have here a list of some methods used and I would like to ask you how effective you think they are. You may answer using this card.

SHOW CARD 38



If you think a method is very effective, choose a high figure. If you think a method is not at all effective, choose a low figure.

READ OUT METHODS ONE BY ONE AND WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. "DK" MARKED WITH 98.

A. Using the scale on this card, how efficient do you think it is to **work in political parties** if one wishes to influence decisions made in society.
B. Work in action groups or local committees (Sw. *byalag*)?
C. Work in trade unions?
D. Vote in elections?
E. Personally approach influential people?
F. Try to make press, radio and TV interested?

39 I have here a list of activities taking place when people try to influence decisions made in society. For each of them, I would like to know how many times you have participated in that kind of activity. You may answer using this card.

SHOW CARD 39

1 have participated in this activity several times
2 have participated in this activity on occasion
3 have never participated in this activity
8 DK

READ OUT ACTIVITIES ONE BY ONE AND NOTE ANSWER IN BOX.

A. Using the answers on this card, how many times have you **participated in a demonstration**?

B. Participated in a political party meeting?

C. Participated in meeting of action group or local committee (Sw. *byalag*)?

D. Signed a petition?

E. Tried to influence family or friends to vote for a particular party?

F. Contacted press, radio or TV?

G. Personally approached some influential person?

40 What kind of education do you have/are you studying for? **(specifications do not appear in original)**

ADDED QUESTION FOR THOROUGH ANSWERS → Do you have any other practical or theoretical education?

ADDED QUESTION FOR STUDENTS (4 IN Q. 32A) → Which education are you going through at the moment?

1	primary school	6 or 7 year primary/secondary school **(old system)**
2	vocational school	various forms of vocational and apprentice education received in publicly organized schools
3	comprehensive school/secondary school	8 or 9 year comprehensive school **(current system)** or 2 year secondary school **(old system)**
4	secondary/ high school	2 year secondary school, technical institute, commercial institute
5	upper secondary/ high school	3 year upper secondary school, total 12 years education (comparable to GB "A" levels, German "Abitur"; Sw.: *studentexamen*).
6	university	university and equivalent education
8	DK	
x	→ other education:_____	

IF MORE THAN ONE OF ALTERNATIVES 1-6 ARE RELEVANT, ONLY NOTE THE ONE WITH THE HIGHEST NUMBER. IT DOES NOT MATTER WHETHER R. HAS COMPLETED A DEGREE OR NOT. WE ARE ONLY INTERESTED IN THE HIGHEST EDUCATIONAL LEVEL ATTENDED BY R. IF IN DOUBT WHEN CLASSIFYING, WRITE ANSWER IN SPACE RESERVED FOR "OTHER EDUCATION".

41 Concerning your marital status, which alternative on this card is the best description of your situation?

SHOW CARD 41. READ OUT ALTERNATIVES IF NEEDED.

1	married or unmarried but living permanently with partner	
2	unmarried or divorced →	44A
3	widowed →	42C
x	→ other answer:_____	

42A Is your husband/wife/partner gainfully employed?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → Does he/she work full time or part time?

ADDED QUESTION IF NO → Is he/she studying?

1	yes, full time	→ 42C
2	yes, part time	→ 42C
3	yes, but temporarily unemployed	→ 42C
4	no, studying	
5	no, not gainfully employed	

42B Was he/she ever gainfully employed before?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES → Did he/she work full time or part time?

TEMPORARY WORK DURING SUMMER HOLIDAYS MARKED NO.

1 yes, full time
2 yes, part time
5 no, never gainfully employed → 44A

42C Which occupation does/did your husband/wife/partner have?

ADDED QUESTION TO SPECIFIY OCCUPATION → What kind of work does/did he/she mainly do?

▷ profession/occupation: _____

42D At your husband's/wife's/partners workplace: What kind of work does/did he/she mainly do?

▷ work: _____

43A Could you tell me which of the following occupational categories your husband/wife/partner belongs/belonged to?

SHOW CARD 43A

1 salaried employee
2 worker
3 farmer with own land or tenancy
4 self-employed outside agriculture
x ▷ other answer: _____

43B Are/were your husband/wife/partner employed by the central government (state), a commune **(subnational government)** or a private company?

1 state
2 commune **(local or regional)**
3 private company
x ▷ other answer: _____

44A I would like to ask a few questions about your childhood. What was you father's occupation when you was a child?

CHILDHOOD *(Sw. uppväxtåren)* TO BE UNDERSTOOD AS UP TO THE AGE OF 20.

→ work/occupation:_____

_____

44B Was you mother gainfully employed during your childhood or was she a housewife *(Sw. hemarbetande)*?

IF "GAINFULLY EMPLOYED" → What was her occupation?

→ work/occupation:_____

_____

5 Mother was housewife

45A Do you recall which party your father used to vote for during your childhood?

IF YES → Which party did he vote for?

→ father's party:_____

5 Father never voted
8 no, does not recall/DK/does not want to answer

45B Do you recall which party your mother used to vote for during your childhood?

IF YES → Which party did she vote for?

mother's party:_____

5 Mother never voted
8 no, does not recall/DK/does not want to answer

46 During your childhood, did you live on the **countryside**, or in a **rural town or village**, or in a **city**?

SHOW CARD 46

1 countryside
2 rural community
3 city, but none of those below
4 Stockholm, Göteborg or Malmö
x → other answer:_____

47A Respondent's current home:

1 farm or isolated house on the countryside
2 row house or separate house
3 flat in block of flatsnin high rise area
4 flat in smaller house, not in high rise area
x ⟶ other home:_____

47B Do you rent or own your current home?

1 rents home
2 owns home (including owned flat)
x ⟶ other answer:_____

48 Have you any children living at home?

ADDED QUESTION IF YES ⟶ How many?
How old is the child/
How old are they?

⟶ number of children living at home:_____

⟶ age of child/children:_____

5 no, no children living at home

NOTES BY INTERVIEWER AFTER END OF INTERVIEW:

Where does R. live?

1 countryside
2 small town or village
3 city, but none of those below
4 Stockholm, Göteborg or Malmö
x ▷any further remarks:_____

Key to pre- and post election questionnaires:

The following questions were included, and identically worded, in both the pre- and post-election questionnaires of 1979:

1-11A, 12-13B, 15-27, 30-33C, 34-48.

The following questions were only included in the pre-election questionnaire:

11B, 13C.

The following questions were only included in the post-election questionnaire (see pages 36-40 below):

14P, 29D-E, 33D (E-M).

Q. 28 and 29 A-C were included in both the pre-and post-election questionnaires, but have been changed in the latter case. See p. 36-37 below.

Questions only appearing in the 1979 post-election questionnaire:

14 IDENTICAL TO Q. 14 IN PRE-ELECTION QUESTIONNAIRE (P. 15 ABOVE), BUT WITH THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL ADDED:

P. Immedidately stop the use of chemicals in forestry.

24C To what extent did you have the opportunity to watch the programmes broadcast on TV before this year's election?

Did you see the final debate among the party leaders on the Friday before the election on September 16th?

SHOW CARD 24C

1 yes, saw the whole debate
2 yes, saw parts of the debate
5 no, did not see the debate
x ⟶ other answer: _____

24D How many of the party leader interviews on TV did you watch?

SHOW CARD 24D

1 saw none of the party leader interviews
2 saw 1-2 of the party leader interviews
3 saw 3 or more of the party leader interviews
8 DK
x ⟶ other answer: _____

28 Did you vote in this year's election?

1 yes
3 yes, but not in all the elections ⟶ OF QUESTIONS 29A TO 29C, ASK THOSE RELEVANT
5 no, did not vote in any of the elections ⟶ 29E
8 refuses to answer **(see p 37 below)** ⟶ 30A

29A We had three elections at the same time this year. Which party did you vote for in the Riksdag election?

1 Left Party Communists
2 Social Democrats
3 Centre Party
4 People's Party
5 Moderate Party
6 Christian Democrats
x → other party (state which): _____
8 refuses to answer **(see bottom of this page)**

SKIP QUESTION IF R. DID NOT VOTE IN RIKSDAG ELECTION

29B Which party did you vote for in the *kommunfullmäktige* (local) election?

1 Left Party Communists
2 Social Democrats
3 Centre Party
4 People's Party
5 Moderate Party
6 Christian Democrats
x → other party (state which): _____
8 refuses to answer

SKIP QUESTION IF R. DID NOT VOTE IN LOCAL ELECTION

IF RESP LIVES IN GÖTEBORG, MALMÖ OR THE ISLAND OF GOTLAND (DO NOT HAVE REGIONAL ELECTIONS) → 29D

29C Which party did you vote for in the *landsting* (regional) election?

1 Left Party Communists
2 Social Democrats
3 Centre Party
4 People's Party
5 Moderate Party
6 Christian Democrats
x → other party (state which): _____
8 refuses to answer

SKIP QUESTION IF R. DID NOT VOTE IN REGIONAL ELECTION

N.B. RESPONDENTS WHO REFUSED TO ANSWER Q. 28 AND 29A WERE ASKED TO GIVE THEIR PARTY VOTE BY THE USE OF AN ANONYMOUS ANSWERING CARD WHICH WAS PUT INTO AN ENVELOPE.

29D When did you decide how to vote this year? Was it during the last week before the election or earlier during the autumn or summer or did you know how to vote all along?

1 last week before election
2 earlier during autumn or summer
3 R. knew all along how to vote
8 DK
x → other answer:_____

29E QUESTION 29E ONLY TO THOSE WHO DID NOT VOTE IN 1979 (THAT IS, DID NOT VOTE IN ANY OF THE THREE ELECTIONS THIS YEAR).

Which party would you have voted for, if you had voted?

ADDED QUESTION IF R. IS HESITANT → Which party would you have been most likely to vote for?

→ party:_____

8 DK

33D	Do you feel that there is any party or parties with policies particularly favourable to <u>farmers</u>? CIRCLE PARTY OR PARTIES MENTIONED BY R. vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____
E	Is there any party or parties with policies <u>disadvantageous</u> to farmers? vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____
F	Is there any party or parties with policies favourable to <u>owners of small businesses</u>? vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____
G	Is there any party or parties with policies <u>disadvantageous</u> to owners of small businesses? vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____
H	Is there any party or parties with policies favourable to <u>large businesses owners</u>? vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____
I	Is there any party or parties with policies <u>disadvantageous</u> to large business owners? vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____
J	Is there any party or parties with policies favourable to <u>workers</u>? vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____
K	Is there any party or parties with policies <u>disadvantageous</u> to workers? vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____
L	Is there any party or parties with policies favourable to <u>salaried employees</u>? vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____
M	Is there any party or parties with policies <u>disadvantageous</u> to salaried employees? vpk s c fp m 6 "all parties" 7 no, no party 8 DK other party:_____

Interviewer instruction after last question (no. 48), added on last page of post-election questionnaire:

HAS R. REFUSED TO ANSWER ABOUT HIS/HER VOTING IN 1979?

If R. has refused to answer q. 28 or 29A, ask if R. would like to indicate how he/she voted, using the voting card. If so, let R. complete the voting card and close the envelope him/herself.

Note number of voting card here [ ]

Post-election mail questionnaire sent to respondents who participated in the pre-election survey.

1979 ELECTION STUDY

To those who have been interviewed

Thanks to the kind participation of you and many others, we have been able to complete a survey in connection with this year's election. We hope that it will bring valuable and reliable results.

Our survey ends with this little mail questionnaire. Among the contents are a few questions we could not include in the pre-election interviews for practical reasons.

We would be very grateful if you would answer the questions, and then return the questionnaire in the enclosed envelope. The address is printed on the envelope, and no stamp is needed. Please mail the envelope as soon as possible, preferably today or tomorrow.

Your answers will be treated anonymously. No outsider will get to know your answers. The answers will merely be used for statistical analysis, and only be presented as figures in tables. The answers of individuals can not be inferred from the tables.

Yours sincerely

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As you know, we had three elections this year,

that is, *riksdag* election, *kommunfullmäktige* election **(local government)** and *landsting* election **(regional government)** (except in Göteborg, Malmö and the island of Gotland where no *landsting* elections were held. Our questions concern your own voting in the three different elections. We would also like to ask when you decided how to vote this year and to which extent you had the opportunity to watch TV programmes broadcast before the election.

Please write a cross in the appropriate square for each of the elections here below and for the answer on the other question which you think describes yourself most adequately.

Riksdag election	**Kommunfullmäktige election**	**Landsting election**
I voted for:	I voted for:	I voted for:
☐ Left Party Communists	☐ Left Party Communists	☐ Left Party Communists
☐ Social Democrats	☐ Social Democrats	☐ Social Democrats
☐ Centre Party	☐ Centre Party	☐ Centre Party
☐ People's party	☐ People's Party	☐ People's Party
☐ Moderate Party	☐ Moderate Party	☐ Moderate Party
☐ Christian Democrats	☐ Christian Democrats	☐ Christian Democrats
Other party (please state which)	Other party (please state which)	Other party (please state which) .....
I did not vote ☐	I did not vote ☐	I did not vote ☐

When did you decide how to vote this year?

☐ I decided during the last week before the election

☐ I decided earlier during the autumn or summer

☐ I knew all along how to vote

☐ I did not vote in any of the elections this year

Please tick the appropriate box

Did you watch the concluding debate among the party leaders on TV on the Friday before the election on September 16th?

☐ Yes, watched the whole debate

☐ Yes, watched part of the debate

☐ No, did not watch debate among party leaders

How many of the party leader interviews did you watch?

☐ Watched none of the party leader interviews

☐ Watched 1-2 of the party leader interviews

☐ Watched 3 or more of the party leader interviews

Please tick the appropriate box

We would like to send to an account of our results. If you wish to receive a report on the survey results, you can make an order by writing you name and address here below. If you do not wish to receive the report you naturally do not need to give your name and address.

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KEY TO THE SWEDISH PARTIES 1979

Name in Swedish: Vänsterpartiet Kommunisterna
Abbreviation: VPK
Translation of party name: Left Party the Communists
Ideological location: left socialist, Euro-communist
Riksdag election result 1979: 5.6% (20/349 seats)
Party leader: Lars Werner

Name in Swedish: Socialdemokratiska Arbetarepartiet
(Socialdemokraterna)
Abbreviation: S (also SAP)
Translation of party name: Social Democratic Workers Party
Ideological location: social democratic (labour)
Riksdag election result 1979: 43.2% (154/349 seats)
Party leader: Olof Palme (Prime Minister 1969-1976 and 1982-1986)

Name in Swedish: Centerpartiet
Abbreviation: C
Translation of party name: Centre Party
Ideological location: non-socialist, centre
Riksdag election result 1979: 18.1% (64/349 seats)
Party leader: Thorbjörn Fälldin (Prime Minister 1976-1978 and 1979-1982)

Name in Swedish: Folkpartiet
Abbreviation: Fp
Translation of party name: People's Party
Ideological location: liberal
Riksdag election result 1979: 10.6% (38/349 seats)
Party leader: Ola Ullsten (Prime Minster 1978-1979)

Name in Swedish: Moderata Samlingspartiet
Abbreviation: M
Translation of party name: Moderate Unity Party
Ideological location: conservative
Riksdag election result 1979: 20.3% (73/349 seats)
Party leader: Gösta Bohman

Name in Swedish: Kristen Demokratisk Samling
Abbreviation: Kds
Translation of party name: Christian Democratic Coalition
Ideological location: Christian democratic
Riksdag election result 1979: 1.4% (no seats).
Party leader: Alf Svensson