ELECTION STUDY
2006

QUESTIONNAIRE
STAGE A
PRE-ELECTION INTERVIEW

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INTRODUCTION

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.

Question 1
Do you regularly read one or more daily newspapers? By regularly I mean at least once a week.

1 yes
5 no → *2*
8 *DK/does not want to answer* → *2*

Which newspaper of newspapers do you read regularly?

*newspaper/newspapers:*_____

NOTE THE NEWSPAPER(S) MENTIONED BY R. DAILY NEWSPAPERS INCLUDE MORNING AND EVENING PAPERS AS WELL AS REGULARLY PUBLISHED LOCAL PAPERS. ALSO DAILY NEWSPAPERS ON THE INTERNET. DO NOT USE ABBREVIATIONS.

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

SHOW CARD 2. READ OUT ALTERNATIVES.

1 *never reads news and articles about politics* → *4*
2 *occasionally reads news and articles about politics*
3 *often reads news and articles about politics*
4 *reads news and articles about politics every day*
7 *other answer:*_____
8 *DK/does not want to answer*

Question 3A-C
When you read about politics in the daily papers: How often do you read about:

SHOW CARD *3.* READ OUT ALTERNATIVES*. REPEAT QUESTION FOR EVERY ISSUE AREA.*

1 reads practically everything
2 reads quite a lot
3 does not read a lot
4 reads nothing/almost nothing
8 DK/does not want to answer

____ A. national *[domestic]* politics?
____ B. local politics?
____ C. politics in other countries/international news?

Questions 4A-D
Concerning news programmes on radio and TV: How often do you watch/listen to (…*NEWS PROGRAMME*…)?

SHOW CARD 4. READ OUT ALTERNATIVES. REPEAT QUESTION FOR EVERY PROGRAMME.

1 6-7 days a week
2 3-5 days a week
3 1-2 days a week
4 more seldom
5 never
8 DK/does not want to answer

___ A. *Rapport/Aktuellt* [Swedish TV, SVT]?
___ B. *Ekot*, long newscasts on Radio Sweden [SR]?
___ C. *Nyheterna* [news on terrestrial commercial channel TV 4]?
___ D. Update [news on cable/satellite commercial channel TV 3]?

Question 5
Generally speaking, how interested in politics are you? Which of the answers on this card describes you most accurately? Are you very interested, fairly interested, not very interested or not at all interested in politics?

SHOW CARD 5

1 very interested
2 fairly interested
3 not very interested
4 not at all interested
*7 other answer:*_____

Question 6A
How often do political discussions occur in your nearest surroundings – in your family, among your friends and work colleagues? Does it happen: very often, fairly often, not very often or not at all?

SHOW CARD 6A

1 very often
2 fairly often
3 not very often
4 not at all
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Question 6B
What do you usually do yourself when you are in a group of people and the conversation turns to politics? Which of these descriptions fits you best?

SHOW CARD 6B AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 I usually do not bother to listen when people start discussing politics
2 I may well listen, but never take part in the discussion
3 It happens, but not too often, that I say what I think
4 I usually take part in the discussion and say what I think
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Question 6C
In general, how much difference do you think there is between the parties in parliament, regarding their political positions?

SHOW CARD 6C AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 a great deal of difference
2 a fair amount of difference
3 not much difference
4 no difference at all
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

QUESTIONS 6A – 6C ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A

Question 7
Thinking about this year's election, is there any issue or issues which are important when it comes to which party you are going to vote for in the Parliamentary election on 17 September?

1 yes
5 no, no important issue → *8*
6 does not intend to vote in parliamentary election → *8*
8 DK/does not want to answer → *8*

IF R. ANSWERS YES

What issue or issues?
*issue(s):*_____
_____

ADDED QUESTION FOR DETAILED ANSWERS → Is there any other issue that is important when you choose party in the parliamentary election?

1 yes
5 no → *8*
8 DK/does not want to answer → *8*

IF R ANSWERS YES

What other issue or issues?
*issue(s):*_____
_____

Question 8

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

SHOW CARD 8. ASK QUESTIONS BELOW, IN SUCCESSION, FOR EACH ISSUE AREA

Is there, in your opinion, any party or parties with a good policy on *(ISSUE AREA)?*

Is there, in your opinion, any party or parties with a bad policy on *(ISSUE AREA)?*

ENTER THE PARTIES MENTIONED BY R. FOR EVERY ISSUE AREA. MORE THAN ONE PARTY POSSIBLE. USE PARTY ABBREVIATIONS. IF ANSWER INCLUDES MORE THAN ONE PARTY, ENTER SPACE BETWEEN THE ABBREVIATIONS. USE THE CODE 90 FOR 'ALL PARTIES', 95 FOR 'NO PARTY' AND 98 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER.

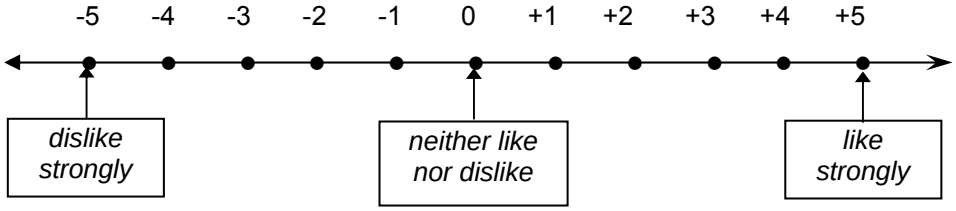
	Parties with a good policy	Parties with a bad policy
Employment	_____	_____
The Swedish economy	_____	_____
Taxes	_____	_____
Issues concerning conditions for business	_____	_____
Energy and nuclear power	_____	_____
Issues concerning social security	_____	_____
Issues concerning care of elderly	_____	_____
Health care and hospitals	_____	_____
Issues concerning child care	_____	_____
Schools and education	_____	_____
Issues concerning gender equality	_____	_____
Issues concerning scarcely populated areas of the country	_____	_____

Question 9A

On this card there is a kind of scale.

SHOW CARD 9

I would like you to use it to illustrate how much you like or dislike the different parties. Use 'plus' figures for parties you like and 'minus' figures for parties you dislike. If I get to a party you do not know, or do not know enough about to judge, just say so.



READ OUT ONE PARTY AT A TIME AND ASK QUESTION BELOW. IF R. DOES NOT KNOW THE PARTY, ENTER 96. ENTER 98 FÖR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER.

Where would you place:

___ A. Centre Party
___ B. Moderate Party
___ C. Left Party
___ D. People's Party Liberals
___ E. Social Democrats
___ F. Green Party
___ G. Christian Democrats
___ H. June List
___ I. Feminist Initiative
___ J. Sweden Democrats

Question 9B

READ OUT ONE PARTY LEADER AT A TIME AND ASK QUESTION BELOW. IF R. DOES NOT KNOW THE PARTY LEADER, ENTER 96. ENTER 98 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER.

We use the same scale for the party leaders. If I mention a party leader you do not know, or do not know enough about, just say so. Where would you place:

___ A. Maud Olofsson *[Centre Party]*?
___ B. Fredrik Reinfeldt *[Moderate Party]*?
___ C. Lars Ohly *[Left Party]*?
___ D. Lars Leijonborg *[People's Party Liberals]*?
___ E. Göran Persson *[Social Democrats]*?
___ F. Peter Eriksson *[Green Party]*?
___ G. Maria Wetterstrand *[Green Party]*?
___ H. Göran Hägglund *[Christian Democrats]*?
___ I. Nils Lundgren *[June List]*?
___ J. Gudrun Schyman *[Feminist Initiative]*?

QUESTIONS 9A – 9B ASKED AS QUESTIONS 60A AND 60B IN STAGE B

Question 10A
Do you intend to vote in this year's parliamentary election?

1 *yes*
3 *possibly/DK*
5 *no*
8 *does not want to answer*

Question 10BA

R. INTENDS TO VOTE, ALTERNATIVE 1 IN Q 7A → For which party do you intend to vote in the parliamentary election?

R. HESITANT OR DOES NOT INTEND TO VOTE, ALTERNATIVE 3, 5 OR 8 IN Q 7A → If you were to vote, for which party would you then vote in the parliamentary election?

1 *Left Party*
2 *Social Democrats*
3 *Centre Party*
4 *People's Party Liberals*
5 *Moderate Party*
6 *Christian Democrats*
7 *Green Party*
9 *other party (state which):*_____
10 *blank*
98 *not decided/DK*
99 *does not want to answer*

ADDED QUESTION FOR PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT DECIDED, OR DO NOT KNOW WHICH PARTY TO VOTE FOR

Question 10BB
Towards which party are you leaning, when it comes to voting?

1 *Left Party*
2 *Social Democrats*
3 *Centre Party*
4 *People's Party Liberals*
5 *Moderate Party*
6 *Christian Democrats*
7 *Green Party*
9 *other party (state which):*_____
10 *blank*
98 *not decided/DK*
99 *does not want to answer*

	Q 10BC TO BE ASKED TO PERSONS WHO HAVE GIVEN A PARTY IN Q 10BA OR 10BB **Question 10BC** Is there any other party or parties you are choosing from in this year's parliamentary election? *1* *yes* *5* *no* → *11A* *8* *DK/does not want to answer* → *11A* *IF YES* → Which party or parties? *party/parties:*_____
	Question 10BD You say that you are choosing between (*PARTY 1, PARTY 2, PARTY 3…*). What would suggest that you will vote for *(…PARTY 1…*) in this year's parliamentary election. *PARTY 1 REFERS TO THE PARTY GIVEN BY R. IN Q 10BA OR Q 10BB. PARTY 2 REFERS TO THE FIRST PARTY GIVEN BY R. IN Q 10BC AND PARTY 3 REFERS TO THE SECOND PARTY GIVEN BY R IN Q 10BC.* *answer:*_____
	Question 10BE What suggests that you will vote for (…PARTY 2…) in this year's parliamentary election. *answer:*_____
	Question 10BF What suggests that you will vote for (…PARTY 3…) in this year's parliamentary election. *answer:*_____

Q 10BA ASKED AS Q 10B IN STAGE B.
Q 10BB – 10BF ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A.

	Q 11A NOT ASKED TO FIRST TIME VOTERS
	Question 11A There are several ways of voting in parliamentary elections. How have you usually voted in previous parliamentary elections? *SHOW CARD 11A AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES* 1 I have usually voted at a polling station on election day 2 I have sometimes voted at a polling station on election day, sometimes in advance at a post office 3 I have usually voted in advance at the post office 4 never before voted in a parliamentary election *8* *DK/does not remember/does not want to answer*

Question 11B
How do you intend to vote in this year's election? Do you intend to vote at a polling station on 17 September, do you intend to use the opportunity to cast a pre-election vote or have you already voted?

SHOW CARD 11B

1	intends to vote at a polling station on election day	
2	intends to cast a pre-election vote	
3	has already voted →	*12*
4	has already voted, but intends to vote at a polling station on election day	*12*
5	has already voted at hospital/institution	*12*
8	*DK/not decided*	
9	*does not want to answer*	

Question 11C
Do you know where you can vote in advance?

1	*yes*
5	*no*
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

Q 11A-11C ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A.

Question 12
You say you are going to vote for *(...PARTY, see Q10BA)/*are leaning towards voting for *(…PARTY, see Q10BB*) in this year's parliamentary election. How important are the following reasons for to your choice of party?

SHOW CARD 12 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1	one of the absolutely most important reasons
2	fairly important reason
3	not very important reason
4	not at all an important reason
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

READ OUT ONE REASON AT A TIME

Using the answers on this card, how important a reason is it that:

___ A. The party's policies are usually advantageous to my occupational group?
___ B. The party has a good leader?
___ C. I feel like a supporter of the party?
___ D. The party has good policies on many of the issues that have recently featured in the public debate?
___ E. The party has competent people who can run the country?
___ F. The party has a good political ideology?
___ G. I always vote for the party?
___ H. The party has good parliamentary candidates on the ballot paper in my constituency?
___ I. The party has done a good job in politics in recent years?
___ J. The party has a good programme for the future?
___ K. It is a big party, and therefore has a better chance than a smaller party to implement its policies?
___ L. It is a small party, and in danger of not reaching the four per cent threshold to parliamentary representation?

QUESTION 13 NOT ASKED IN STAGE A

Question 14
It is possible to cast a personal vote by putting a cross before one of the candidates on the ballot paper. Do you think you will cast a personal vote in the parliamentary election?

1 *yes*
3 *yes, possibly*
5 *no*
8 *DK/does not want to answer*

Question 15
Generally speaking, what is your view about personal voting in Swedish parliamentary elections? You may choose one of the following response alternatives.

SHOW CARD 15 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 no personal vote should exist, only choice between parties
2 there should be an element of personal voting, but to a lesser extent than in this year's parliamentary election
3 there should be an element of personal voting, and the level used in this year's parliamentary election is about right
4 the extent of personal voting should be increased further in future parliamentary elections
7 *other answer:*_____
8 *DK/does not want to answer*

Question 16A
Do you know the name of one or more of the persons appearing on the party lists in your parliamentary constituency?

1 *yes* → *16B*
5 *no* → *17A*
8 *DK/does not want to answer* → *17A*

Question 16B
To which party does he/she belong?

ENTER THE <u>FIRST</u> NAME MENTIONED BY R. AND ASK THE FOLLOW-UP QUESTION. DO NOT FORGET TO ENTER THE PARTY (USE PARTY ABBREVIATIONS) AND GENDER (M/W) FOR THE CANDIDATES MENTIONED BY R.

Do you remember the name of any other person?

ENTER THE <u>THREE FOLLOWING</u> NAMES MENTIONED BY R. AND ASK FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

To which party does he/she belong?

ENTER THE FOUR FIRST NAMES MENTIONED BY R

*yes, name 1:*_____ *party:*_____ *gender:*_____

*yes, name 2:*_____ *party:*_____ *gender:*_____

*yes, name 3:*_____ *party:*_____ *gender:*_____

*yes, name 4:*_____ *party:*_____ *gender:*_____

8 *DK/does not want to answer/does not remember*

Question 17A
Which party or parties would you prefer to have in government after this year's election?

ADDED QUESTION → Would you like any other party to be included in government?

*parties:*_____

8 *DK/does not want to answer*

ENTER ALL PARTIES MENTIONED BY RESP. ANSWERS "GRAND COALITION" OR "ALL PARTIES" SHOULD ALSO BE ENTERED.

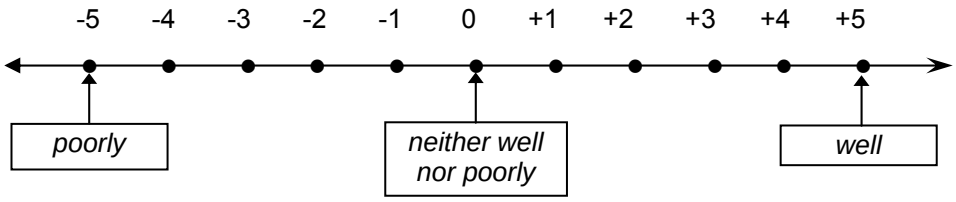
Question 17B
Who would you prefer as prime minister in the government after the election?

*prime minister:*_____

8 *DK/does not want to answer*

Question 18A
Now a couple of questions about how the governing party and the bourgeois opposition parties, respectively, have performed since the 2002 election. You may answer using the scale on the card.

SHOW CARD 18. READ OUT QUESTIONS ONE BY ONE. ENTER 98 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER.



___ A. How do you think the Social Democrats have performed as governing party since the 2002 election?

___ B. How do you think the bourgeois parties have performed as opposition since the 2002 election?

Question 18B
Looking forward in time, using the same scale:

___ A. How do you think the Social Democrats will perform as a governing party in the next four years if they get to form a government after the election?

___ B. How do you think the bourgeois parties will perform as governing parties in the next four years if they get to form a government after the election?

Question 19A
Do you think any party or parties will make gains in this year's parliamentary election?

IF R. ASKS IT IS UP TO HIM/HERSELF TO MAKE COMPARISONS WITH PREVIOUS ELECTIONS OR RECENT TRENDS

1 *yes*
5 *no* → *19B*
8 *DK/does not want to answer* → *19B*

IF YES → Which party or parties?

*party/parties:*_____

Question 19B
Do you think any party or parties will suffer losses in this year's parliamentary election?

IF R. ASKS IT IS UP TO HIM/HERSELF TO MAKE COMPARISONS WITH PREVIOUS ELECTIONS OR RECENT TRENDS

1 *yes*
5 *no* → *20*
8 *DK/does not want to answer* → *20*

IF YES → Which party or parties?

*party/parties:*_____

Question 20
How do you think some of the smaller parties will perform in this year's election?

READ OUT QUESTION FOR ONE PARTY AT A TIME.

1 yes
5 no
8 DK/does not want to answer

Do you think (…*PARTY*) will get at least 4 per cent in the election, and thus be represented in parliament after the election?

___ Christian Democrats
___ Green Party
___ Feminist Initiative
___ June List
___ Sweden Democrats

Question 21
Have you in recent weeks read, or heard, about results from opinion polls on how people intend to vote in this year's parliamentary election?

SHOW CARD 21 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES. THE OPINION POLLS WE HAVE IN MIND ARE THOSE CONDUCTED BY, E.G., SIFO, TEMO, DEMOSKOP AND SKOP.

1 yes, several times
2 yes, occasionally
5 no
7 *other answer:*_____
8 *DK/does not want to answer*

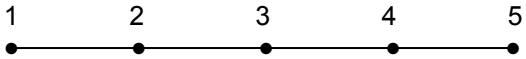
Question 22
Generally speaking, to what extent do you trust the results from opinion polls on how voters intend to vote?

SHOW CARD 22 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1	a great deal of trust
2	a fair amount of trust
3	not much trust
4	very little trust
7	*other answer:*_____
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

Question 23
People in some countries think that their elections are not conducted fairly. In other countries people think that their elections are conducted fairly. Thinking about this year's election in Sweden, where would you place it on a scale from 1 to 5, where 1 means that the election is not conducted in a fair manner, and 5 means that the election is conducted in a fair manner?

SHOW CARD 23



this year's election is not conducted in a fair manner

this year's election is conducted in a fair manner

ENTER RESPONSE NUMBER. DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER = 8

___ R' s position regarding his/her view on whether this year's election in Sweden is conducted fairly on unfairly

QUESTIONS 17-23 ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A
QUESTION 24 NOT ASKED IN STAGE A

QUESTION 25 NOT ASKED TO R WHO IS BORN 18 SEPTEMBER 1988 OR LATER, OR TO R WHO FOR REASONS OTHER THAN AGE HAS BEEN GIVEN THE RIGHT TO VOTE DURING THE MOST RECENT ELECTION PERIOD.

	Question 25A Did you vote in the 2002 parliamentary election?
1	*yes*
3	*does not remember for sure, but probably*
5	*no, did not vote/R does not believe R voted* → *27A*
6	*not entitled to vote* → *27A*
8	*DK/does not want to answer* → *27A*
	Question 25B Which party did you vote for in the 2002 parliamentary election?
1	*Left Party*
2	*Social Democrats*
3	*Centre Party*
4	*People's Party Liberals*
5	*Moderate Party*
6	*Christian Democrats*
7	*Green Party*
9	*other party (state which):*_____
98	*does not remember/DK/does not want to answer*

QUESTION 26 NOT ASKED IN STAGE A

Question 27A
On this card there are a number of words and expressions that can be used to describe different characteristics of party leaders and parties. I would like you to tell me how appropriately you think that each of them describes Göran Persson, Fredrik Reinfeldt, the Social Democrats and the Moderate Party. We will only ask about the two biggest parties and their leaders.

SHOW CARD 27

1	very appropriate
2	fairly appropriate
3	not very appropriate
4	not at all appropriate
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

FOR EACH PARTY LEADER AND EACH PARTY, READ OUT ONE EXPRESSION AT A TIME AND LET R. CHOOSE ALTERNATIVE. ENTER RESPONSE NUMBER.

Thinking of *(…PARTY LEADER)*, how appropriate do you think the following expressions are:

Göran Persson
___ *trustworthy*
___ *inspiring*
___ *knowledgeable*
___ *friendly*
___ *knows the thoughts and feelings of ordinary people*
___ *speaks so that ordinary people can understand*
___ *strong leader*

Fredrik Reinfeldt
___ *trustworthy*
___ *inspiring*
___ *knowledgeable*
___ *friendly*
___ *knows the thoughts and feelings of ordinary people*
___ *speaks so that ordinary people can understand*
___ *strong leader*

Question 27B
Thinking of *(…PARTY)*, how appropriate do you think the following expressions are:

SHOW CARD 27

Social Democrats
___ *trustworthy*
___ *inspiring*
___ *friendly*
___ *knows the thoughts and feelings of ordinary people*
___ *has competent people who can run the country*
___ *has clear policies*
___ *usually keeps its election promises*

Moderate Party
___ *trustworthy*
___ *inspiring*
___ *friendly*
___ *knows the thoughts and feelings of ordinary people*
___ *has competent people who can run the country*
___ *has clear policies*
___ *usually keeps its election promises*

QUESTION 27 ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A

Question 28A
Generally speaking, how much faith do you have in Swedish politicians? Do you have a great deal of faith, a fair amount of faith, not much faith or very little faith?

SHOW CARD 28A

1	a great deal of faith	→ *29*
2	a fair amount of faith	→ *29*
3	not much faith	
4	very little faith	
7	*other answer:*_____	
8	*DK/does not want to answer*	

Question 28B
What is the most important reason or reasons why you do not have faith in Swedish politicians?

Q 28B ONLY ASKED TO PERSONS WHO HAVE ANSWERED 3 OR 4 TO Q 28A

*answer:*_____
_____

Question 29
Here are a number of proposals that have appeared in the political debate. What is your opinion about each of them?

SHOW CARD 29 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1	very good proposal
2	fairly good proposal
3	neither good nor bad proposal
4	fairly bad proposal
5	very bad proposal
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

READ OUT PROPOSALS ONE AT A TIME

Using the answers on this card, what is your opinion about the proposal to:

___ A. Reduce the size of the public sector?
___ B. Reduce defence expenditure?
___ C. Reduce benefits?
___ D. Cut taxes?
___ E. Keep the property tax?

___ F. Sell off state owned businesses and public utilities to private interests?
___ G. Reduce income differences in society?
___ H. Increase the proportion of health care run by private interests?
___ I. Do more to promote independent schools?
___ J. Increase financial support to less densely populated areas of the country?
___ K. Sweden should in the long run abolish nuclear power?

Question 30
In the debate about parental benefit, there are those who think that the parents themselves should be able to decide how to share all the days covered by the parental benefit between them. Others believe that all days covered by the parental benefit should be shared equally between the parents. Which of these proposals is closest to your opinion, or do you not have a definite view on the issue?

SHOW CARD 30

1 the parents should be able to decide for themselves
2 the days covered by the parental benefit should be shared equally between the parents
3 no definite view on the issue
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Question 31
Are you, on the whole, in favour of or against the introduction of some form of parental allowance for parents with small children, or do you have no definite view on the issue?

SHOW CARD 31

1 on the whole in favour of the introduction of some form of parental allowance
2 on the whole against the introduction of some form of parental allowance
3 no definite view on the issue
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Question 32
There are varying views about nuclear as an energy source. What is your opinion? Are you, on the whole, in favour of or against nuclear power, or do you have no definite opinion on the issue?

SHOW CARD 32

1 on the whole in favour of nuclear power
2 on the whole against nuclear power
3 no definite opinion on the issue
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

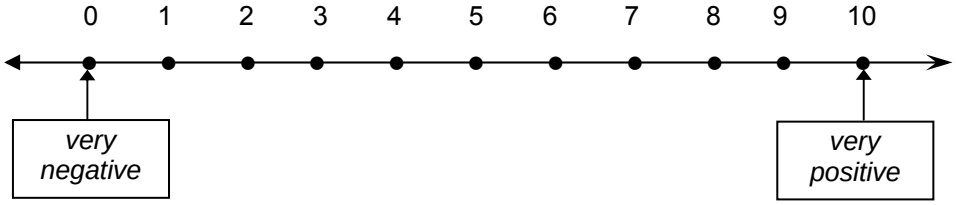
Question 33
Are you on the whole in favour of or against the Swedish membership of the EU, or do you have no definite opinion on the issue?

SHOW CARD 33

1 on the whole in favour of the Swedish EU membership
2 on the whole against the Swedish EU membership
3 no definite opinion on the issue
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Question 34
Do you think it is a positive or negative thing that the EU develops into a federal state, a kind of United States of Europe? You may answer using the scale on this card.

SHOW CARD 34



ENTER RESPONSE NUMBERS. 98 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER

R's own position regarding the EU as a federal state, a kind of United States of Europe

___

Question 35A
Which party or parties are, as you see it, in <u>favour</u> of continued Swedish EU membership?

USE PARTY ABBREVIATIONS IN Q 35A AND Q 35B: V= LEFT PARTY, S=SOCIAL DEMOCRATS, C=CENTRE PARTY, FP=PEOPLE'S PARTY LIBERALS, M=MODERATE PARTY, MP=GREEN PARTY, KD=CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS, JL=JUNE LIST. NAMES OF OTHER PARTIES TO BE WRITTEN IN FULL. OTHER ANSWERS TO BE ENTERED VERBATIM.

*party/parties:*_____
98 *DK/does not want to answer/does not remember*

Question 35B
Which party or parties are, as you see it, <u>against</u> continued Swedish EU membership?

*party/parties:*_____
98 *DK/does not want to answer/does not remember*

Question 36

Again, I would like to ask some questions about your views about the policies of the political parties in some issue areas. I begin with issues related to the European Union, EU.

SHOW CARD 36. ASK QUESTIONS BELOW, IN SUCESSION, FOR EACH OF THE ISSUE AREAS

Is there any party or parties that, in your view, have a good policy on (*ISSUE AREA)?*

Is there any party or parties that, in your view, have a bad policy on (*ISSUE AREA)?*

ENTER THE PARTIES R MENTIONS NEXT TO THE RESPECTIVE ISSUE AREA. SEVERAL PARTIES ARE POSSIBLE. USE PARTY ABBREVIATIONS. WHEN MORE THAN ONE PARTY IS MENTIONED, TYPE A SPACE BETWEEN THE PARTY ABBREVIATIONS. USE THE CODE 90 FOR ALL PARTIES, 95 FOR NO PARTY AND 98 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER.

	Parties with a good policy	Parties with a bad policy
Issues concerning the European union, EU	_____	_____
Refugee and immigration issues	_____	_____
Issues concerning ethnic integration	_____	_____
Environment	_____	_____
Issues concerning law and order	_____	_____

Question 37

Here are a number of proposals regarding Sweden's relations with other countries. What is your opinion about each of them?

SHOW CARD 37 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 very good proposal
2 fairly good proposal
3 neither good nor bad proposal
4 fairly bad proposal
5 very bad proposal
8 DK/does not want to answer

READ OUT PROPOSALS ONE AT A TIME

Using the answers on this card, what is your opinion about the proposal to:

___ A. Sweden should leave the EU?
___ B. Sweden should introduce the euro as currency?
___ C. Sweden should apply for membership of NATO?
___ D. Sweden work to promote more free trade in the whole world?
___ E. Reduce third world aid?

___ F. Accept fewer refugees into Sweden
___ G. Increase economic support to immigrants so that they can keep their own culture?
___ H. Increase labour immigration into Sweden?
___ I. Introduce a language test for Swedish citizenship?

Question 38
We have put together a couple of views that sometimes appear in the political debate

SHOW CARDS 38/39

I will read out one such view at a time and would like you to choose one of the responses on the card.

1	agree entirely
2	agree on the whole
3	disagree on the whole
4	disagree entirely
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

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

___ A. Leading banking and industry people will get far too much influence unless society is given the chance to control private business and industry

___ B. Social reforms in this country have gone so far that the state ought to <u>reduce</u> rather than increase social benefits and support for the citizens

Question 39
We have also put together a couple of different views you sometimes hear about parties and politics.

SHOW CARD 38/39

I will read out one such view at a time and would like you to choose one of the responses on the card.

1	agree entirely
2	agree on the whole
3	disagree on the whole
4	disagree entirely
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

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

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

___ B. Those who sit in Parliament making decisions do not pay much attention to the thoughts and views of ordinary people

Question 40
Now follow a few questions about how you think our society should develop in the next few years. On this card there is a lost of different goals which many think we should be working for in our society.

SHOW CARD 40

1	maintain law and order
2	give individuals greater opportunity to influence political decisions
3	fight rising prices
4	protect freedom of expression
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

NB! THE SAME RESPONSE ALTERNATIVE (1-4) MAY EACH ONLY OCCUR ONCE IN Q40A TO 40C

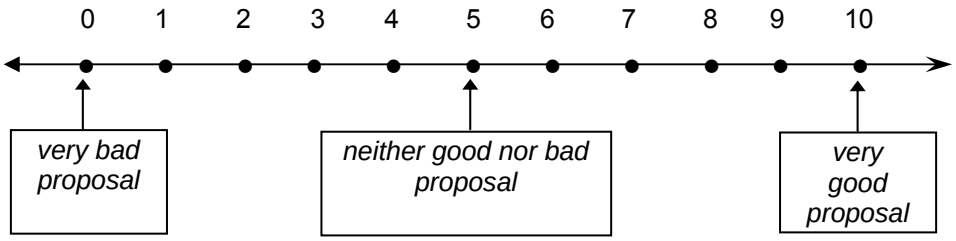
___ A. I would like to know which of the goals you consider most important?
___ B. Which goal is, in your opinion, the second most important?
___ C. Which goal is, in your opinion, the least important?

QUESTION 40 ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A

Question 41

On this card I have a list with proposals of different kinds of society some people think we should work towards for the future in Sweden. I would like to know what you think about these proposals. You may answer using the scale on this card. A high number means that you think that a proposal is good. A low number means that you think that a proposal is bad.

SHOW CARD 41



ENTER RESPONSE NUMBERS. 98 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER.

What do you think about the proposal to:

___ A. Work towards a society with more private enterprise and market economy?
___ B. Work towards a socialist society?
___ C. Work towards an environmentally friendly society even if it means little or no economic growth?
___ D. Work towards a society where Christian values are more important?
___ E. Work towards a society with more law and order?

___ F. Work towards a society with more equality between men and women?
___ G. Work towards a society that protects traditional Swedish values?
___ H. Work towards a society that strengthens the position of the family?
___ I. Work towards a multicultural society with much tolerance of people from other countries with other religions and lifestyles?
___ J. Work towards a society with more emphasis on internationalism and less of borders between people and countries?

___ K. Work towards a society where people work more?
___ L. Work towards a society where the rights of homo-, bi- and transsexuals are strengthened?
___ M. Work towards a society where power is redistributed from men to women?

Question 42
Here are a few more proposals that have appeared in the political debate. What is your view on each of them?

SHOW CARD 42 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1	very good proposal
2	fairly good proposal
3	neither good not bad proposal
4	fairly bad proposal
5	very bad proposal
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

READ OUT PROPOSALS ONE BY ONE

Using the proposals on this card, what is your opinion about the proposal to:

___ A. Introduce a six hour working day for all gainfully employed?
___ B. Prohibit all forms of pornography?
___ C. Restrict the right to free abortion?
___ D. Allow gay and lesbian couples to adopt children?
___ E. Significantly raise the severity of prison sentences for criminals?

___ F. Stop private driving in inner cities?
___ G. Make household and domestic services tax deductible?
___ H. Raise the severity of the penalties for the purchase of sex?
___ I. Allow free download of all films and music from the Internet?

Question 43A
Many people consider themselves adherents of a specific party. But there are also many others who do not have any such attachment to any of the parties. Do you usually think of yourself as, for example, a *folkpartist, socialdemokrat, moderat, centerpartist, vänsterpartist, miljöpartist,* or *kristdemokrat*? Or do you have no such 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 a specific party → *43D*
9	does not want to answer

Question 43B
Which party do you like best?

1	Left Party
2	Social Democrats
3	Centre Party
4	People's Party Liberals
5	Moderate Party
6	Christian Democrats
7	Green Party
9	other party (state which):_____
98	DK/does not want to answer → *45A*

Question 43C
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 → *44*
7	other answer:_____
8	does not want to answer

Question 43D
Still, is there any party that you consider yourself closer to than any of the other parties? (Which party?)

1	Left Party
2	Social Democrats
3	Centre Party
4	People's Party Liberals
5	Moderate Party
6	Christian Democrats
7	Green Party
9	other party (state which):_____
95	no, no party → *45A*
98	DK/does not want to answer → *45A*

Question 44
Which party do you like second best?

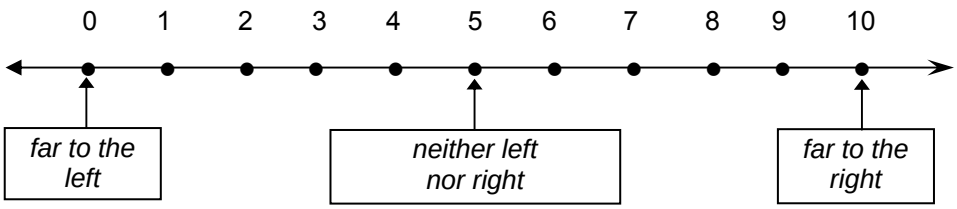
IF POSSIBLE, ENTER ONLY ONE PARTY

1	Left Party
2	Social Democrats
3	Centre Party
4	People's Party Liberals
5	Moderate Party
6	Christian Democrats
7	Green Party
9	other party (state which):_____
95	no party
98	DK/does not want to answer

Question 45A
The parties are sometimes thought of as being ordered from left to right according to their political outlook.

SHOW CARD 45

On this card there is a kind of scale. I would like you to place the political parties on the scale.



ASK QUESTIONS BELOW. IF R. HAS NO CONCEPTION OF "LEFT/RIGHT", ENTER 96. ENTER 98 FÖR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER

We begin with the People's Party Liberals. Where on the scale would you place the People's Party Liberals?

___ A. People's Party Liberals?
___ B. Social Democrats?
___ C. Moderate Party?
___ D. Left Party?
___ E. Centre Party?
___ F. Green Party?
___ G. Christian Democrats?
___ H. June List?
___ I. Feminist Initiative?
___ J. Sweden Democrats?

Question 45B
Where on the scale would you place yourself?

EXPLAIN - IF NEEDED - THAT THIS QUESTION CONCERNS R'S OWN POLITICAL OUTLOOK

___ *R's own position on the left-right scale*

QUESTIONS 45A AND 45 B ASKED AS QUESTIONS 61A AND 61B IN STAGE B

Question 46A
What is your view on the current economic situation in Sweden? Would you say that the economic situation is very good, good, neither good nor bad, bad or very bad?

SHOW CARD 46A

1 very good
2 fairly good
3 neither good nor bad
4 fairly bad
5 very bad
8 DK/does not want to answer

	Question 46B Would you say that the Swedish economy has improved, remained the same or gone worse during the past 12 months? *SHOW CARD 46B/D*
1	improved
3	remained the same
5	gone worse
8	*DK/does not want to answer*
	Question 46C How do you think the Swedish economy will develop in the next 12 months? Will it improve, remain the same or will it go worse? *SHOW CARD 46C*
1	improve
3	remain the same
5	go worse
8	*DK/does not want to answer*
	Question 46D If you compare your own economic situation with what it was 12 months ago, has it improved, remained the same or has it gone worse? *SHOW CARD 46B/D*
1	improved
3	remained the same
5	gone worse
8	*DK/does not want to answer*
	Question 46E Looking forward, how do you think your own economic situation will change in the next 12 months? Will it improve, remain the same or will it go worse? *SHOW CARD 46E*
1	improve
3	remain the same
5	go worse
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

QUESTION 46 ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A

Question 47
Here is a list with names of different persons. Could you tell me which party each of them belongs to? I begin with Karin Pilsäter?

SHOW CARD 47

READ OUT ONE NAME AT A TIME AND ENTER THE PARTY MENTIONED BY R. USE THE CODES FOR THE PARTIES.

___	A.	Karin Pilsäter? **4**
___	B.	Bo Ringholm? **2 Dep PM**
___	C.	Fredrick Federley? **3**
___	D.	Gunilla Carlsson? **5**
___	E.	Yvonne Ruwaida? **7**
___	F.	Alice Åström? **1**
___	G.	Inger Davidsson? **6**
___	H.	Carin Jämtin? **2**
___	I.	Jan Eliasson **2 For. Min.**

ENTER NUMBER OF THE PARTY MENTIONED BY R:

1	*LEFT PARTY*
2	*SOCIAL DEMOCRATS*
3	*CENTRE PARTY*
4	*PEOPLE'S PARTY LIBERALS*
5	*MODERATE PARTY*
6	*CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS*
7	*GREEN PARTY*
9	*OTHER PARTY*
98	*DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER*

Question 48
On this card there are a number of statements. Could you say whether each of them is true or false. If you are not certain of the answer, you may say that you do not know whether the statement is true or false.

SHOW CARD 48

1	true statement
5	false statement
8	DK
9	*does not want to answer*

READ OUT STATEMENTS ONE BY ONE

___	A.	The sickness benefit from National Insurance is at the moment 90 per cent of the wage/salary from the first day of sick leave?
___	B.	The Swedish parliament has 349 members.
___	C.	Open unemployment in Sweden is less than 5 per cent.
___	D.	Spain is a member of the EU.
___	E.	Swedish state aid to developing countries at the moment amounts to one per cent of the gross domestic income (GDI).
___	F.	During the 2002 – 2006 election period, Sweden had a single party Social Democratic government.
___	G.	The property tax for detached houses, row (terrace) houses and recreation houses today is 2.0 per cent of the taxable value.
___	H.	Grades in school may be given in the first semester of year 8 at the earliest.

QUESTIONS 49 – 66 NOT ASKED IN STAGE A

FINALLY A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT YOURSELF

Question 67A
I begin with a few questions about employment and work. To which groups on this card do you belong?

SHOW CARD 67A

1	*gainfully employed*
2	*in relief work/youth training/unemployment programme*
3	*in labour market training course organised by AMS (Labour Market Board)*
5	*unemployed*
6	*old age pensioner*
7	*pre-retirement age pensioner/on long term sick leave*
8	*domestic worker*
9	*student*
77	*other group (state which):_____*
98	*DK/does not want to answer*

Question 67B
Have you previously been gainfully employed?

1	*yes*	
5	*no*	→ *68A*
9	*does not want to answer*	→

Question 67C
What is/was your occupation?

ADDED QUESTION TO CLARIFY OCCUPATION/TYPE OF WORK → What type of work do/did you mainly do?

occupation/work:_____

QUESTION IS ASKED BOTH TO WORK ACTIVE AS WELL AS RESPONDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN WORK ACTIVE IN THE PAST. IF R. HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN THE PAST, USE THE WORDS "WAS" AND "DID"

Question 67D
On average, how many hours do/did you work per week?

SHOW CARD 67D

1	*full time*
2	*part time, at least 15 hours a week*
3	*part time, less than 15 hours a week*
9	*does not want to answer*

Question 67E
What is/was the main activity at your workplace?

activity: _____

Question 67F
Could you tell me which of the following occupational groups you belong/belonged to?

THE PHRASE "YOU BELONGED TO" IS USED IF R. HAS BEEN WORK ACTIVE IN THE PAST. THE QUESTION SHOULD THEN REFER TO R'S MOST RECENT OCCUPATION

SHOW CARD 67F

1	salaried employee
2	salaried employee with supervisory responsibility
3	salaried employee at managerial level
4	worker
5	worker with supervisory responsibility
7	farmer: no employees
8	farmer: one or more employees
9	self-employed: no employees
10	self-employed: 1-9 employees
11	self-employed: 10 or more employees

→ *68A*

ADDED QUESTIONS FOR "EMPLOYEES"

are/were you permanently employed?
1 yes
5 no
7 other answer:_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Do/did you have you own business besides your employment?
1 yes
5 no
7 other answer:_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Do/did you regularly work with something else besides your regular employment?
1 yes
5 no
7 other answer:_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

77	*other answer:_____*
98	*DK/does not want to answer*

Question 67G
Are/were you employed by the state (central government), local government, regional government or by a private employer?

1	*state*
2	*local government*
3	*regional government*
4	*private*
7	*other answer:_____*
9	*does not want to answer*

Question 68A
Are you currently studying for a degree or a vocational qualification?

NB! R. WHO ANSWERED "STUDENT" ON Q. 67A SHOULD ONLY BE ASKED THE ADDED QUESTION

1	*yes*	
5	*no*	→ *68B*
9	*does not want to answer*	→ *68B*

Are you studying full time or part time?

ADDED QUESTION IF R ANSWERS "YES"

1	*yes, full time*
5	*yes, part time*
7	*other answer:_____*
9	*does not want to answer*

Question 68B
What type of education do you have? What are you studying?

ADDED QUESTION FOR COMPLETE ANSWERS → Have you taken any other practical or theoretical education?

1	primary school	*6 or 7 year primary/secondary school (old system)*
2	comprehensive school	*8 or 9 year comprehensive school (current system)*
3	vocational school	*various forms of vocational and apprentice education taught in publicly organised schools, 1 year trade college*
4	secondary school	*2 year secondary school (old system), total: 9 years of education*
5	secondary/high school	*2 year secondary school (current system), total: 11 years of education*
6	upper secondary/high school	*3 or 4 year secondary school (current system), total: 12 or 13 years of education. Degree not completed; studying at this level*
7	upper secondary/high school	*as above, but degree completed*
8	further education, but not university	*degree not completed; studying at this level*
9	further education, but not university	*as above, but degree completed*
10	higher education/university	*degree not completed; studying at this level*
11	higher education/university	*degree completed*
77	*other education:* _____	
98	*DK/does not want to answer*	

IF MORE THAN ONE OF ALTERNATIVES 1-11 ARE APPLICABLE, ENTER ONLY THE ONE WITH THE HIGHEST NUMBER. WE ARE ONLY INTERESTED IN THE HIGHEST LEVEL AT WHICH R. IS STUDYING/HAS STUDIED. IF IN DOUBT, ENTER R'S RESPONSE NEXT TO "OTHER EDUCATION"

Question 69A
Are you a member of any trade union, organisation for business owners or any other professional, vocational or business organisation or association?

1	*yes*	
5	*no*	→ *70A*
8	*does not want to answer*	→ *70A*

ADDED QUESTION IF R ANSWERS YES → Of which organisation are a member?

*Name of organisation:*_____

_____

DO NOT ENTER ABBREVATIONS, BUT THE WHOLE NAME OF THE ORGANISATION. IF R. MENTIONS THE NAME OF A PEAK LEVEL TRADE UNION CONFEDERATION (LO, TCO OR SACO), ASK FOR AND ENTER THE NAME OF THE UNION. FARMERS ORGANISATION TO BE TREATED AS BUSINESS ASSOCIATION.

QUESTION 69B NOT ASKED IN STAGE A

Question 70A
Are you a member of a political party or any other political organisation or association?

1	*yes*
5	*no* → *71A*
8	*does not want to answer* → *71A*

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

*party:*_____

*political organisation:*_____

ENTER THE NAMES OF THE PARTIES/ORGANISATIONS MENTIONED BY R. MORE THAN ONE ORGANISATION IS POSSIBLE.

Question 70B
Are you an active member of (…*PARTY/POLITICAL ORGANISATION*)? By active I mean attending meetings a few times a year.

1	*yes, active*
5	*no, not active*
7	*other answer:*_____
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

Question 71A
How often do you usually attend services or meetings in the Church of Sweden, a Free Church or any other church or denomination?

SHOW CARD 71A AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

RADIO, TV, HOSPITAL SERVICES, ETC., ALSO TO BE TREATED AS SERVICES

1	never → *72*
2	once a year
3	2-11 times a year
4	once a month
5	2 or more times a month
6	every week
7	*other answer:*_____
8	*DK/does not want to answer* → *72*

Question 71B
Do you usually go to the Church of Sweden, to a Free Church or to any other church or religious organisation?

1	*Church of Sweden*
2	*other church (state which):*_____
3	*other religious organisation (state which):*_____ _____
7	*other answer:*_____
8	*DK/does not want to answer*

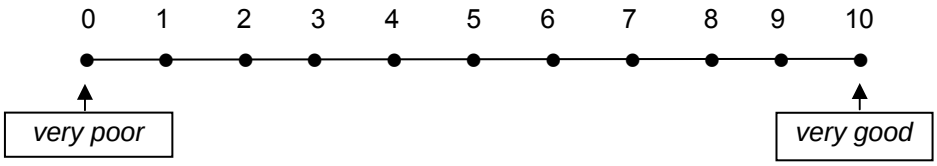
Question 72
Generally speaking, how religious would you say you are?

SHOW CARD 72

1 have no religious faith
2 not particularly religious
3 fairly religious
4 very religious
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Question 73A
In general, how would you assess your personal health? You may answer using the scale on this card.

SHOW CARD 73A



ENTER RESPONSE NUMBERS. ENTER 98 FOR DK/REFUSAL

___
98 DK/does not want to answer

R's own assessment of his/her own health

QUESTION NOT TO BE ASKED TO PERSONS WHO IN Q67A HAVE ANSWERED THAT THEY ARE OLD AGE PENSIONERS

Question 73B
Have you been on sick leave from work at any time during the past 12 months?

SHOW CARD 73B AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 yes, altogether from a few days to 1 week
2 yes, altogether from 1 week to 1 month
3 yes, altogether from 1 to 6 months
4 yes, altogether from 6 to 12 months
5 yes, for more than 12 months
6 no, not been on sick leave at any time in the past 12 months
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Question 74
If you were to describe your current home, which of the following categories would you consider as the most appropriate?

SHOW CARD 74 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 working class home
2 white collar middle class home
3 higher middle class home/academic home
4 farming home
5 business owning home
*7 other answer:*_____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Question 75A
How many persons are included in your household?

LODGERS AND DOMESTIC STAFF NOT TO BE TREATED AS MEMBERS OF HOUSESEHOLD

*no. of persons:*_____ _____
*77 other answer:*_____
98 DK/does not want to answer

Question 75B
Does your household include children aged below 18?

IF R. ANSWERS YES, ASK FOR THE AGE AND GENDER OF EACH CHILD AND ENTER THE DETAILS

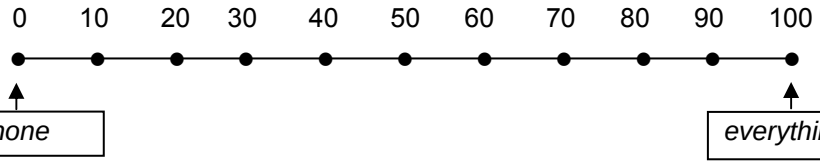
1 yes
2 no
*7 other answer:*_____ → *76B*
8 does not want to answer

*age and gender of child/children:*_____
_____

Question 76A
Thinking of the past six months, how big a proportion of the care of the child/children in your family did you do? Could you give an estimation in per cent from 0 to 100?

IR R ASKS: CARE INCLUDES, FOR EXAMPLE, PUTTING CHILDREN TO BED, TAKING THEM TO SPORTS OR FREE TIME ACTIVITIES, TAKING THEM TO THE NURSERY AND SCHOOL, HELP WITH HOMEWORK, MEETINGS WITH SCHOOL TEACHERS ET C., BUT ALSO PLAY AND FUN.

SHOW CARD 76



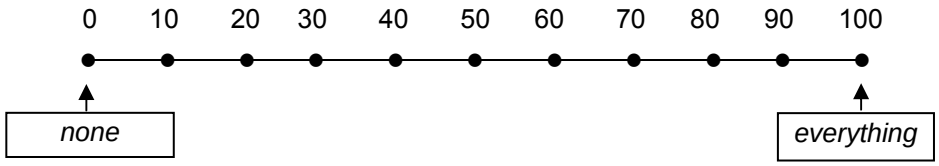
ENTER RESPONSE (0-100). 998 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER

___ *R's estimated proportion of care for children*

Question 76B
Thinking of the past six months, how big a proportion of the domestic work in your home did you do? Could you give an estimation in per cent from 0 to 100?

IR R ASKS: DOMESTIC WORK INCLUDES, FOR EXAMPLE, WASHING DISHES, CLEANING, LAUNDRY, SHOPPING, COOKING, PAYING BILLS ET C.

SHOW CARD 76



ENTER RESPONSE (0-100). ENTER 998 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER

___ *R's estimated proportion of care domestic work*

Question 77
Concerning your marital status, which of the designations on this card describes your situation most adequately?

SHOW CARD 77 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 married/living permanently with partner
2 single: widowed
3 single: divorced
4 single: never married
7 *other answer:*_____
9 *does not want to answer*

Question 78A
Where did <u>you</u> for the most part live as a child? You may answer using the alternatives on this card.

SHOW CARD 78 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 pure countryside in Sweden
2 built up area in Sweden
3 town or city (except three cities below) in Sweden
4 Stockholm, Göteborg or Malmö
5 other Nordic (Scandinavian) country
6 other country in Europe outside the Nordic region
7 country outside Europe
77 *other answer:*_____
98 *DK/does not want to answer*

Question 78B
Where did your father for the most part live as a child? You may answer using the alternatives on this card.

SHOW CARD 78 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

OTHER PERSON IN THE ROLE OF FATHER ALSO TO BE TREATED AS FATHER

1 pure countryside in Sweden
2 built up area in Sweden
3 town or city (except three cities below) in Sweden
4 Stockholm, Göteborg or Malmö
5 other Nordic (Scandinavian) country
6 other country in Europe outside the Nordic region
7 country outside Europe
*77 other answer:*_____
98 DK/does not want to answer

Question 78C
Where did your mother for the most part live as a child? You may answer using the alternatives on this card.

SHOW CARD 78 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

OTHER PERSON IN THE ROLE OF MOTHER ALSO TO BE TREATED AS MOTHER

1 pure countryside in Sweden
2 built up area in Sweden
3 town or city (except three cities below) in Sweden
4 Stockholm, Göteborg or Malmö
5 other Nordic (Scandinavian) country
6 other country in Europe outside the Nordic region
7 country outside Europe
*77 other answer:*_____
98 DK/does not want to answer

Question 79
Would you be able to read a brief text in English, for example a newspaper article?

SHOW CARD 79 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES

1 yes, without difficulty
2 yes, with some difficulty
3 yes, with great difficulty
5 no
7 other answer: _____
8 DK/does not want to answer

Question 80A
R's current home

1 farm or isolated countryside house
2 detached or row/terraced house in residential area
3 flat in high rise area
4 flat (not in high rise area)
*7 other type of residence:*_____

Question 80B
Do you, or someone else in your household, own or rent the property where you currently live?

1 rents the property
2 owns the property (including membership of property association, 'bostadsrätt')
*7 other answer:*_____
8 does not want to answer

INTERVIEWER'S NOTES AFTER COMPLETED INTERVIEW:

Where does R. live?

1 *pure countryside*
2 *small town or village*
3 *suburb of large town or city*
4 *large town or city*

7 *other notes:*_____
_____

Duration of interview?

*minutes:*_____

☐ *R. wishes to receive "ELECTION STUDY REPORT 2006".*