

The European Social Survey

SELF-COMPLETION QUESTIONNAIRE (Round 1 2002)

NOTE FOR TRANSLATORS:

The questions in Section HS are re-formulations of questions already asked in the main questionnaire. Translators should refer back to the main questionnaire for annotations and should be careful to be consistent in their translations where the formulation is identical. For each question the corresponding question number in the main questionnaire is given in a footnote.

RESPONDENT: IF YOU ARE MALE, ANSWER GS1. IF YOU ARE FEMALE, ANSWER GS2

GS1 MALE RESPONDENTS

Here we briefly describe some people. Please read each description tick the box on each line that shows how much each person is or is not like you.

	Very much like me	Like me	Some- what like me	A little like me	Not like me	Not like me at all
A Thinking up new ideas ¹ and being creative is important to him. He likes to do things in his own original way.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
B It is important to him to be rich. He wants to have a lot of money and expensive ² things.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
C He thinks it is important that every person in the world should be treated equally. He believes everyone should have equal opportunities in life.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
D It's important to him to show ³ his abilities. He wants people to admire ⁴ what he does.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
E It is important to him to live in secure ⁵ surroundings. He avoids anything that might endanger his safety.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
F He likes surprises and is always looking for new things to do. He thinks it is important to do lots of different things in life ⁶ .	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
G He believes that people should do what they're told ⁷ . He thinks people should follow rules ⁸ at all times, even when no-one is watching.	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 6
H It is important to him to listen to people who are different ⁹ from him. Even when he disagrees with them, he still wants to understand them.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
I It is important to him to be humble and modest. He tries not to draw attention to himself.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
J Having a good time is important to him. He likes to "spoil" ¹⁰ himself.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06

¹ Having new ideas, with an emphasis on the creative side of having them through generating them himself.

² "Expensive": in the sense of costing a lot rather than their being 'luxury' items.

³ The idea is to show whatever abilities he has, with no assumption that he actually has great abilities. It is important to him to be perceived as being able.

⁴ He wants his actions to be admired, not his person.

⁵ In the sense of the surroundings actually being secure, and not that he feels secure.

⁶ Important for himself (his life) is the focus.

⁷ The idea here is that when someone else tells you what to do in actual interpersonal interaction, (implying also that the person has some authority), you should do it.

⁸ "Rules" in the sense of 'rules and regulations'.

⁹ "Different" in almost any way. The key idea is that he sees difference/diversity positively and as something worth learning about.

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K	It is important to him to make his own decisions about what he does. He likes to be free and not depend ¹¹ on others.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
L	It's very important to him to help the people around him. He wants to care for ¹² their well-being.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
M	Being very successful is important to him. He hopes people will recognise his achievements.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
N	It is important to him that the government ensures ¹³ his safety against all threats. He wants the state to be strong so it can defend its citizens.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
O	He looks for adventures and likes to take risks. He wants to have an exciting ¹⁴ life.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
P	It is important to him always to behave properly. He wants to avoid doing anything people would say is wrong.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
Q	It is important to him to get ¹⁵ respect from others. He wants people to do what he says.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
R	It is important to him to be loyal to his friends. He wants to devote ¹⁶ himself to people close to him.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
S	He strongly believes that people should care for ¹⁷ nature. Looking after the environment is important to him.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
R	Tradition is important to him. He tries to follow the customs handed down by his religion or his family.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06
U	He seeks every chance ¹⁸ he can to have fun. It is important to him to do things that give him pleasure.	<input type="checkbox"/> 01	<input type="checkbox"/> 02	<input type="checkbox"/> 03	<input type="checkbox"/> 04	<input type="checkbox"/> 05	<input type="checkbox"/> 06

NOW GO TO QUESTION HS1

¹⁰ "Spoil himself": "treat himself" is another idiom. Strongly negative 'self-indulgence' is *not* intended.

¹¹ In the sense of not to have to depend on people

¹² "care for": here in the sense of actively promote their well-being.

¹³ "Ensures" in the sense of 'guarantees'.

¹⁴ "Exciting" more in the sense of 'exhilarating' than 'dangerous'.

¹⁵ Get/have this respect, not deserve respect

¹⁶ "Devote": is intended to convey deep concern for these people and readiness to invest his time, resources and energy in their welfare.

¹⁷ "care for": look after, basically synonymous with 'looking after' in the second sentence.

¹⁸ Seeks: active pursuit rather than 'taking every' chance.

GS2 FEMALE RESPONDENTS¹⁹

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¹⁹ Translators: see male version for annotations.

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ALL RESPONDENTS ANSWER

HS1 On an average weekday, how much time, in total, do you spend watching television²⁰?

WRITE IN HOURS: **AND MINUTES:**

HS2 On an average weekday, how much time, in total, do you spend listening to the radio²¹?

WRITE IN HOURS: **AND MINUTES:**

HS3 On an average weekday, how much time, in total, do you spend reading the newspapers²²?

WRITE IN HOURS: **AND MINUTES:**

Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

HS4 “Sometimes politics seems so complicated that I can’t really understand what is going on²³.”

Please tick one box.

Disagree strongly 1

Disagree 2

Neither disagree nor agree 3

Agree 4

Agree strongly 5

HS5 “I think I could take an active role in a group involved with political issues²⁴.”

Please tick one box.

Disagree strongly 1

Disagree 2

Neither disagree nor agree 3

Agree 4

Agree strongly 5

²⁰ See A1 in main questionnaire

²¹ See A3

²² See A5

²³ See B2

HS6 "I find it easy to make my mind up about political issues²⁵."
Please tick one box.

Disagree strongly 1

Disagree 2

Neither disagree nor agree 3

Agree 4

Agree strongly 5

HS7 On the whole how satisfied are you with the present state of the economy in [country]²⁶?
Please tick one box.

Very dissatisfied 1

Fairly dissatisfied 2

Fairly satisfied 3

Very satisfied 4

HS8 Now thinking about the [country] government, how satisfied are you with the way it is doing its job²⁷?
Please tick one box.

Very dissatisfied 1

Fairly dissatisfied 2

Fairly satisfied 3

Very satisfied 4

²⁴ See B3

²⁵ See B4

²⁶ See B30

²⁷ See B31

HS9 And on the whole, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in [country]²⁸?
Please tick one box.

Very dissatisfied 1

Fairly dissatisfied 2

Fairly satisfied 3

Very satisfied 4

HS10 Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted, or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people²⁹? Please tick the box that is closest to your opinion, where 0 means you can't be too careful and 5 means that most people can be trusted.

You can't be
too careful

Most people
can be trusted

0

1

2

3

4

5

HS11 Do you think that most people would try to take advantage of you if they got the chance, or would they try to be fair³⁰? **Please tick one box.**

Most people
would try to take
advantage of me

Most people
would try
to be fair

0

1

2

3

4

5

HS12 Would you say that most of the time people try to be helpful or that they are mostly looking out for themselves³¹? **Please tick one box.**

People mostly
look out for
themselves

People mostly
try to be
helpful

0

1

2

3

4

5

²⁸ See B32

²⁹ See A8

³⁰ See A9

³¹ See A10

Please indicate on a score of 0 to 10 how much you personally trust each of the institutions below. 0 means you do not trust an institution at all, and 10 means you have complete trust³².

Please tick the box that is closest to your opinion.

		No trust at all										Complete trust
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
HS13	[Country]'s parliament	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HS14	The legal system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HS15	The police	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

HS16 "The less that government intervenes in the economy, the better it is for [country]³³"
Please tick one box.

Agree strongly 1

Agree 2

Neither agree nor disagree 3

Disagree 4

Disagree strongly 5

HS17 "The government should take measures to reduce differences in income levels³⁴".
Please tick one box.

Agree strongly 1

Agree 2

Neither agree nor disagree 3

Disagree 4

Disagree strongly 5

³² See B7, 8 and 9

³³ See B43

³⁴ See B44

HS18 “Employees need strong trade unions to protect their working conditions and wages³⁵”.
Please tick one box.

Agree strongly 1

Agree 2

Neither agree nor disagree 3

Disagree 4

Disagree strongly 5

HS19 On an average weekday, how much time, in total, do you spend watching television³⁶? **Please tick one box.**

No time at all 01

Very little time 02

A little time 03

Some time 04

Quite a lot of time 05

A lot of time 06

A great deal of time 07

HS20 On an average weekday, how much time, in total, do you spend listening to the radio³⁷?
Please tick one box.

No time at all 01

Very little time 02

A little time 03

Some time 04

Quite a lot of time 05

A lot of time 06

A great deal of time 07

³⁵ See B45

³⁶ See A1

HS21 On an average weekday, how much time, in total, do you spend reading the newspapers³⁸?

Please tick one box.

- No time at all 01
- Very little time 02
- A little time 03
- Some time 04
- Quite a lot of time 05
- A lot of time 06
- A great deal of time 07

Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

HS22 “Sometimes politics seems so complicated that I can’t really understand what is going on³⁹”

Please tick one box.

- Agree strongly 1
- Agree 2
- Neither agree nor disagree 3
- Disagree 4
- Disagree strongly 5

HS23 “I think I could take an active role in a group involved with political issues⁴⁰”

Please tick one box.

- Agree strongly 1
- Agree 2
- Neither agree nor disagree 3
- Disagree 4
- Disagree strongly 5

³⁷ See A3

³⁸ See A5

³⁹ See B2

HS24 "I find it easy to make my mind up about political issues"⁴¹
Please tick one box.

Agree strongly 1

Agree 2

Neither agree nor disagree 3

Disagree 4

Disagree strongly 5

HS25 On the whole, how satisfied are you with the present state of the economy in [country]⁴²? Please tick the box that is closest to your opinion, where 0 means extremely dissatisfied and 5 means extremely satisfied.

Extremely
dissatisfied

Extremely
satisfied

0 1 2 3 4 5

HS26 Now thinking about the [country] government, how satisfied are you with the way it is doing its job⁴³? **Please tick one box.**

Extremely
dissatisfied

Extremely
satisfied

0 1 2 3 4 5

HS27 And on the whole, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in [country]⁴⁴? **Please tick one box.**

Extremely
dissatisfied

Extremely
satisfied

0 1 2 3 4 5

⁴⁰ See B3

⁴¹ See B4

⁴² See B30

⁴³ See B31

⁴⁴ See B32

HS28 Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted, or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people⁴⁵? **Please tick one box.**

You can't be too careful 1

Most people can be trusted 2

HS29 Do you think that most people would try to take advantage of you if they got the chance, or would they try to be fair⁴⁶? **Please tick one box.**

Most people would try to take advantage of me 1

Most people would try to be fair 2

HS30 Would you say that most of the time people try to be helpful or that they are mostly looking out for themselves⁴⁷? **Please tick one box.**

People mostly look out for themselves 1

People mostly try to be helpful 2

HS31 Please say on a scale of 0 to 10 how much you trust **[country]'s parliament**. If you have no trust at all give a score of 0. If you have complete trust, give a score of 10. The more you trust the parliament, the higher the score should be⁴⁸.

Your score:

HS32 Please say on a scale of 0 to 10 how much you trust the **legal system**. If you have no trust at all give a score of 0. If you have complete trust, give a score of 10. The more you trust the legal system, the higher the score should be⁴⁹.

Your score:

HS33 Please say on a scale of 0 to 10 how much you trust the **police**. If you have no trust at all give a score of 0. If you have complete trust, give a score of 10. The more you trust the police, the higher the score should be⁵⁰.

Your score:

⁴⁵ See A8

⁴⁶ See A9

⁴⁷ See A10

⁴⁸ See B7

⁴⁹ See B8

⁵⁰ See B9

HS34 Is it generally good for [country] if government intervenes less in the economy⁵¹? **Please tick one box.**

Definitely 1

Probably 2

Not sure either way 3

Probably not 4

Definitely not 5

HS35 Should the government take measures to reduce differences in income levels⁵²? **Please tick one box.**

Definitely 1

Probably 2

Not sure either way 3

Probably not 4

Definitely not 5

HS36 Do employees need strong trade unions to protect their working conditions and wages⁵³? **Please tick one box.**

Definitely 1

Probably 2

Not sure either way 3

Probably not 4

Definitely not 5

⁵¹ See B43

⁵² See B44

⁵³ See B45

Are you...

...male 1

or, female? 2

In which year were you born?

Write in year:

1	9		
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PLEASE ENTER TODAY'S DATE: DAY MONTH YEAR

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

PLEASE RETURN IT AS REQUESTED.