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Reading Aid

This representation of the questionnaire contains the same informations as the portal paneldata.org.

The diagram illustrates the structure of a questionnaire entry. It shows two questions, Q72 and Q73, with their respective text, instructions, and answer options. Labels on the left point to specific parts of the entry:

- question number:** Points to the question number (Q72, Q73).
- question text:** Points to the main text of the question.
- interviewer instruction:** Points to the instruction text (e.g., "This refers to Germany...").
- answer options:** Points to the list of possible answers (Yes, No, No answer).
- in blue: identifier for filter:** Points to the identifier (Q72:lsta1).
- in blue: filter with condition:** Points to the filter condition (Q72:LSTA1=2).
- grey bar: open or numeric answer:** Points to the grey bar representing the answer.

On the right, a label points to the green text: "in green: dataset name variable name variable label".

Question 72: Q72 Now we would like to know something about you personally. Were you born in Germany?
 This refers to Germany or the Federal Republic of Germany or the German Democratic Republic in the national borders at the time of your birth.
 Yes 1
 No 2
 No answer -1
 Q72:lsta1 bio I0013 born in Germany
 Q72:LSTA1=2
 Q73 What country were you born in?
 Please enter the current name!
 Q73:lsta2 bio I0016 Country Of Birth

Here, in addition to the *question number*, *question text*, *interviewer instructions*, and *answer options*, you find printed in green the *file name* and the *variable name* with the *variable label*, which contains information from the question. If you see rows of green lines below the answer option, the questionnaire defines several variables or informations are stored in more than one data set.

The *routing by filters* is depicted in blue. Each variable is preceded by an identifier (which generally contains the question number, marked here with a yellow dotted line), which is given, if the variable is used in filters in a subsequent question. Such filters are usually shown (as gatekeepers) at the beginning of the question.

This reading aid does not cover a few exceptional cases: If the filter (as gatekeeper) only affects one of several variables for a question, the filter is printed in blue behind the variable. There you will also find a "go to" command in the form 2 @ Q73. Here, the questionnaire skips to question 73 if the variable results in value of 2.

Phrases that are not already translated in English are displayed in German and preceded by [de].

0 Congratulation on your newborn child! The next generation is particularly important for “Living in Germany”. This short questionnaire is about children, they were born in 2015 or 2016. The questions refer to your personal experiences and the development of your newborn child. The questionnaires are only for mothers, because the questions are about pregnancy. Your participation is entirely voluntary. We therefore cordially request that - you allow our staff member to interview you - or you fill out the questionnaire independently.

Before handing in the questionnaire, please enter in accordance with the address log:

Household Number:

0:hnr bioagel hhnrakt current wave hh number

Completed by father:

Mother's first name

Please print in capital letters.

Person ID

0:mpnr bioagel persnr Never Changing Person ID Mother

1 What's your newborn child's name?

Child's first name

Please print in capital letters.

Person ID

1:apnr bioagel persnr unchanging personal id of child

2 In which year and month was your child born?

2015

2016

2:agebj bioagel birthy childs year of birth

Month

2:agebm bioagel birthm Child month of birth

3 Where was your baby delivered?

At home

At the hospital

Elsewhere

3:aent bioagel delivpl place where birth took place

Was the baby delivered by caesarean section?

Yes

No

3:aent1 bioagel delivcs delivery by caesarean section

4 In what week of pregnancy was your baby born?

In the ... week

4:awoch bioagel birthpw pregnancy week of birth

5 What did your baby weigh/measure at birth?

Birth weight in grams

Height in centimeters

Head circumference in centimeters

5:agew bioagel weightb weight of child at birth in grams

5:agro bioagel heightb Height of child at birth in cm

5:akop bioagel circum head circumference of the child in cm

6 Did you breastfeed your baby?

Still breastfeeding

Breastfed only the first four weeks

No, did not breastfeed

6:astil1 bioagel breastf breast-feeding baby

I breastfed for a longer period: ... months

6:astil2 bioagel breastfm breast-feeding time in months

7 During the first three months after your baby's birth, did your child experience health problems that necessitated a hospital stay?

Yes

No

7:ages1 bioagel hospital3mb length of hospital stay in the first 3 months after birth in days

7:ages2 bioagel hospital3mb length of hospital stay in the first 3 months after birth in days

8 After giving birth, the mother receives a "child health record" for medical check-ups (referred to as "U₂" for the second check-up, "U₃" for the third, etc.). Which was your child's last check-up?

"U"

8:aunt bioagel lstmedex last medical examination

None of these check-ups were conducted

8:auntno bioagel lstmedex last medical examination

9 Has your child been diagnosed with any delays, disorders, or disabilities?

Yes, at the "U" check-up

Yes, at another check-up

No

9:astor bioagel disord child has confirmed disorders

10 Has your child been diagnosed with any of the following developmental delays, disorders, or disabilities?*Please mark all that apply.*

sensory (sight, hearing)				1
motor functions (grasping, crawling, walking)				1
neurological disorders (including cramps)				1
speech (pronunciation, speech acquisition disorders)				1
regulatory system (inconsolable crying, ongoing sleeping or eating disorders)				1
chronic illness				1
physical disability				1
mental disability				1
other				1
10:astor1	bioagel	disord1	Disorder: Perception	
10:astor2	bioagel	disord2	Disorder: Motor Skills	
10:astor3	bioagel	disord3	Disorder: Nuerological Disorder	
10:astor4	bioagel	disord4	Disorder: Language	
10:astor5	bioagel	disord5	Disorder: Regulation	
10:astor6	bioagel	disord6	Disorder: Chronic Illness	
10:astor7	bioagel	disord7	Disorder: Physical Handicap	
10:astor8	bioagel	disord8	Disorder: Mental Handicap	
10:astor9	bioagel	disord9	Diorder: Other	

11 Is the newborn your first, second, third, etc. child? (Please state)

He/she is my ... child

11:aan2 bioagel nchild newborn is 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. child

12 Is the newborn your biological child?

Yes 1

No 2

12:aleib bioagel biochild biological child

13 Was your pregnancy more unplanned or more planned?

More unplanned 1

More planned 2

Medically assisted pregnancy (hormone treatment, IVF) 3

13:aplan bioagel pregplan pregnancy planned/unplanned

14 How were you feeling physically and mentally during the last third of your pregnancy and during the first three months after giving birth?

	Very well	Well	Bad	Very bad
Physical State: In the last third of your pregnancy	1	2	3	4
Physical State: In the first three months after childbirth	1	2	3	4
Mental State: In the last third of your pregnancy	1	2	3	4
Mental State: In the first three months after childbirth	1	2	3	4

14:abef1 bioagel feeling1 physical condition in the final third of the pregnancy
 14:abef2 bioagel feeling2 physical condition in the first 3 months after birth
 14:abef3 bioagel feeling3 mental state in the final third of the pregnancy
 14:abef4 bioagel feeling4 mental state in the first 3 months after birth

15 Life changes after the birth of a child. You experience new things and start to have new expectations for the future. To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

	Agree completely	Agree	Disagree	Disagree completely
My life has changed significantly	1	2	3	4
It gives me pleasure and happiness to raise my child	1	2	3	4
I often feel like I'm running out of energy	1	2	3	4
I am satisfied with my role as a mother	1	2	3	4
I often do not feel up to the new tasks and demands of being a mother	1	2	3	4
I am meeting new people and making new contacts through my child	1	2	3	4
I am suffering from being restricted to my role as a mother	1	2	3	4
It's important to me to show my child plenty of affection	1	2	3	4
I'm worried about my child's health	1	2	3	4
15:aver1 bioagel change1				
15:aver2 bioagel change2				
15:aver3 bioagel change3				
15:aver4 bioagel change4				
15:aver5 bioagel change5				
15:aver6 bioagel change6				
15:aver7 bioagel change7				
15:aver8 bioagel change8				
15:aver9 bioagel health				
circumstances in life have greatly changed				
child provides happiness and joy				
often close to running out of strength				
very satisfied with the role of mother				
often unable to cope with tasks/responsibilities				
have made new contacts through the child				
suffering from being limited to the role of mother				
important to provide the child with much affection				
concerns about the child's health				

16 Does the father live in the household?

Yes 1
No 2

16:avat bioagel fathinhh father lives in household

17 How much do you feel your partner helps you in looking after the child?

Very much	1
Quite a bit	2
Not much	3
Not at all	4
Not applicable, no partner	5

17:aunt2 bioagel supportn supported by partner

18 Are you the child's main caregiver?

Yes	1
No	2

18:abet1 bioagel maincare mother is main caregiver

19 If you think about a normal week, is there anybody else who regularly spends time looking after your child? If so, who is it and how many hours a week do they spend looking after the child?

Spouse / partner	1
Grandparents of the child	1
Older siblings	1
Other relatives	1
Paid caregiver (outside the home)	1
Nursery school (child care center)	1
Other (e.g., babysitter, neighbor)	1
No, nobody	1

19:asit1 bioagel care1h cared for by partner (in h/week)
 19:asit2 bioagel care3h cared for by grandparents (in h/week)
 19:asit3 bioagel care4h cared for by older siblings (in h/week)
 19:asit4 bioagel care5h cared for by other relatives (in h/week)
 19:asit5 bioagel care6h cared for in family day care (in h/week)
 19:asit6 bioagel care8h cared for in creche/day nursery (in h/week)
 19:asit7 bioagel care12h cared for by others (in h/week)
 19:asitno bioagel care19 no others cared for, only mother

Hours [spouse / partner]	
Hours [grandparents]	
Hours [siblings]	
Hours [other relatives]	
Hours [family daycare provider]	
Hours [nursery school]	
Hours [other]	

19:astd1 bioagel care1h cared for by partner (in h/week)
 19:astd2 bioagel care3h cared for by grandparents (in h/week)
 19:astd3 bioagel care4h cared for by older siblings (in h/week)
 19:astd4 bioagel care5h cared for by other relatives (in h/week)
 19:astd5 bioagel care6h cared for in family day care (in h/week)
 19:astd6 bioagel care8h cared for in creche/day nursery (in h/week)
 19:astd7 bioagel care12h cared for by others (in h/week)

20 What's your current impression of your child? To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

	Agree completely	Agree	Disagree	Disagree completely
My child is generally cheerful and happy	1	2	3	4
My child is easily irritated and cries a lot	1	2	3	4
My child is difficult to comfort when upset	1	2	3	4
My child is curious and active	1	2	3	4
My child tends to be shy	1	2	3	4

20:aakt1 bioagel temp1 child is generally happy and satisfied
 20:aakt2 bioagel temp2 child is easily irritated and often cries
 20:aakt3 bioagel temp3 child is hard to console
 20:aakt4 bioagel temp4 child is curious and active
 20:aakt5 bioagel temp5 child more reserved

A What date do we have today?

Day
 Month
 Hour
 Minute
 Interview form

A:form bioagel mode form of questioning

Int Interviewer:

List-number
 Lfd ID
 Account number: