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## Reading Aid

This representation of the questionnaire contains the same informations as the portal [paneldata.org](https://paneldata.org).

The diagram shows a questionnaire form with the following elements:

- question number:** Q72
- question text:** Now we would like to know something about you personally. Were you born in Germany?
- interviewer instruction:** 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.
- answer options:**
  - Yes 1
  - No 2
  - No answer -1
- in blue: identifier for filter:** Q72;lsta1 bio l0013 born in Germany
- in blue: filter with condition:** Q72;lsta1=2
- grey bar: open or numeric answer:** Q73 What country were you born in? Please enter the current name!
- in green:** dataset name (Q73;lsta2), variable name (bio), variable label (l0016 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].

**Intro** Comparably the Scientific research has much knowledge about children in school age, but not so much knowledge about the period before the school attendance starts. This short questionnaire deals with children, who were born in 2011. Our questions refer to your personal experiences and the child's growth. Generally the (biological or adoptive) mother should answer the following questions.

The participation is voluntarily. We cordially request you, to answer the questions for our Interviewer or to fill out the questionnaire by yourself accurately.

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

Household Number:

0:hnr bioagel hhnrakt current wave hh number

Mother's first name

*Please print*

Person ID

**1** What's your child's name?

*Please complete using block capitals.*

Child's first name

Person ID

**2** Birth date and sex of your child

Day

Month

Year

2:cgebm bioagel birthm Child month of birth

2:cgebj bioagel birthy childs year of birth

...

Male

Female

2:csex bioagel sex Child gender

**3** To what extent do you agree with the following statements about your child? For each answer, think about your child's behavior in the last six months.

*Please answer on the following scale, where 1 means "does not apply at all", and 7 meaning "applies completely"*

My child ...

	Does not apply at all	1	2	3	4	5	6	Applies completely
is thoughtful	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
is restless, hyperactive, can't sit still long	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
likes to share with other children (sweets, toys, crayons, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
often has tantrums, is short-tempered	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
is a loner, usually plays alone	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
is helpful when others are hurt, sick, or sad	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
is always fidgety	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
often fights with or picks on other children	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
is often unhappy or downcast, cries a lot	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
is generally well-liked by other children	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
is easily distracted, unfocused	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
is nervous or clingy in new situations, easily loses self-confidence	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
is often teased or picked on by others	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
often helps others of his/her own accord (parents, teachers, other children)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
gets along better with adults than with children	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
has a lot of fears, gets scared easily	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
finishes what he/she starts, can concentrate for a long time	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

3:cver01	bioagel	behav1	child is considerate
3:cver02	bioagel	behav2	child is restless, hyperactive, cannot sit still
3:cver03	bioagel	behav3	child shares with other children
3:cver04	bioagel	behav4	child often has fits of anger, quick-tempered
3:cver05	bioagel	behav5	child is a loner, usually plays alone
3:cver06	bioagel	behav6	child is helpful when others are hurt, sick, sad
3:cver07	bioagel	behav7	child is fidgety
3:cver08	bioagel	behav8	child argues with or bullies others
3:cver09	bioagel	behav9	child is often unhappy, cries easily

3:cver10	bioagel	behav10	child is popular with peers
3:cver11	bioagel	behav11	child is easily distracted, lacks concentration
3:cver12	bioagel	behav12	child is nervous or clingy in new situations
3:cver13	bioagel	behav13	child gets teased or bullied by peers
3:cver14	bioagel	behav14	child frequently offers to help others
3:cver15	bioagel	behav15	child gets along with adults better than with other children
3:cver16	bioagel	behav16	child has a lot of fears, gets scared easily
3:cver17	bioagel	behav17	child completes tasks, can concentrate for an extended period

#### 4 What is your child's current height and weight?

Weight in kilograms

Height in centimeters

4:cgew	bioagel	weight	childs weight in kg
4:cgro	bioagel	height	Child - Height In Cm

#### 5 Is your child in any way impaired or prevented from doing things that most children of his or her age can do?

Yes 1

No 2

5:cstor bioagel ill0 child is restricted in abilities

#### 6 Did your child experience health problems in the last 12 months that necessitated a hospital stay?

Yes 1

No 2

6:cges1 bioagel hospital12m length of hospital stay in the last 12 months in days

Yes, ... days

6:cges2 bioagel hospital12m length of hospital stay in the last 12 months in days

#### 7 Did you have to go to or call a doctor in the last 3 months because of your child's health problems?

Yes 1

No 2

7:carz1 bioagel medaid3m medical help - number of times in the last 3 months

Yes: ... times

7:carz2 bioagel medaid3m medical help - number of times in the last 3 months

#### 8 Has your child been diagnosed by a doctor as having one of the following health conditions or impairments?

*Please state all that apply!*

Respiratory disease (asthma, bronchitis or similar)

Middle-ear inflammation

Neurodermatitis

Vision impairment (e.g., far-sightedness, near-sightedness, crossed eyes)

Nutritional disorder

Motor impairment (impairments of the locomotor apparatus)

Other impairment or disorder

No, none of the above

8:cstor1 bioagel ill10 respiratory disease

8:cstor2 bioagel ill2 middle-ear inflammation

1
1
1
1
1
1
1
1

8:cstor3	bioagel	ill4	neurodermatitis
8:cstor4	bioagel	ill5	vision impairment
8:cstor5	bioagel	ill7	nutritional disorders
8:cstor6	bioagel	ill8	motor impairment
8:cstor7	bioagel	ill9	other impairments or disorders
8:cstor9	bioagel	illno	No Confirmed Disorder

**9** How many times in the last 14 days have you or the main caregiver engaged in the following activities with your child?

	Daily	Several times a week	At least once a week	Not at all
Going to the playground	1	2	3	4
Activities outdoors (taking walks or similar)	1	2	3	4
Visiting other families with children	1	2	3	4
Going shopping with the child	1	2	3	4
Singing children's songs	1	2	3	4
Painting or doing arts and crafts	1	2	3	4
Playing cards, board games, or other games together	1	2	3	4
Watching television or videos with the child	1	2	3	4
Playing computer or Internet games together	1	2	3	4
Going to children's theater, the circus, museums, exhibitions, or similar	1	2	3	4
[Reading or telling stories] in German	1	2	3	4
[Reading or telling stories] in another language	1	2	3	4
9:caktiv01	bioagel	activ6	going to playground (no. of times during last 14 days)	
9:caktiv02	bioagel	activ2	taking walks outdoors (no. of times during last 14 days)	
9:caktiv03	bioagel	activ7	visiting other families with children (times during last 14 days)	
9:caktiv04	bioagel	activ8	going shopping with child (no. of times during last 14 days)	
9:caktiv05	bioagel	activ1	singing children songs to/with child (times during last 14 days)	
9:caktiv06	bioagel	activ3	painting or doing arts and crafts (times during last 14 days)	
9:caktiv07	bioagel	activ10	frequency of playing cards or dice in the last 14 days	
9:caktiv08	bioagel	activ9	watching television/videos with child (times during last 14 days)	
9:caktiv09	bioagel	activ11	frequency of computer/online gaming in the last 14 days	
9:caktiv10	bioagel	activ12	frequency of trips to child's theater, circus, museum, last 14 days	
9:caktiv11	bioagel	activ4	reading/telling stories (in German) (times during last 14 days)	
9:caktiv12	bioagel	activ13	frequency of reading/story-telling in other language last 14 days	

**10 Is your child allowed to watch television or videos alone, without adult supervision?**

- Yes 1  
 Rarely, as an exception. 2  
 No, never. 3

10:ctv1 bioagel tvyn child allowed to watch television or videos alone

Yes, ... hours per week.

10:ctv2 bioagel tvhrs child watches video/tv alone (in h/week)

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

- Spouse / Partner 1  
 The child's father (if not a resident of the same household) 1  
 The child's grandparents 1  
 Older brother / sister of the child 1  
 Other relatives 1  
 Paid caregiver (outside the home) 1  
 Paid caregiver (comes into your home) 1  
 Nursery school (creche, kindergarten) 1  
 Other (friends, acquaintances, neighbors, etc.) 1  
 No, nobody 1

11:csit1 bioagel care1h cared for by partner (in h/week)

11:csit2 bioagel care2h cared for by child's father (if not resident of same household) (in h/week)

11:csit3 bioagel care3h cared for by grandparents (in h/week)

11:csit4 bioagel care4h cared for by older siblings (in h/week)

11:csit5 bioagel care5h cared for by other relatives (in h/week)

11:csit6 bioagel care6h cared for in family day care (in h/week)

11:csit7 bioagel care7h cared for by babysitter (in h/week)

11:csit8 bioagel care8h cared for in creche/day nursery (in h/week)

11:csit9 bioagel care12h cared for by others (in h/week)

11:csitno bioagel care19 no others cared for, only mother

Hours [spouse / partner]

Hours [father (if not in the household)]

Hours [grandparents]

Hours [siblings]

Hours [other relatives]

Hours [paid caregiver outside home]

Hours [paid caregiver inside home]

Hours [nursery school]

Hours [other]

11:cstd1 bioagel care1h cared for by partner (in h/week)

11:cstd2 bioagel care2h cared for by child's father (if not resident of same household) (in h/week)

11:cstd3 bioagel care3h cared for by grandparents (in h/week)

11:cstd4 bioagel care4h cared for by older siblings (in h/week)

11:cstd5 bioagel care5h cared for by other relatives (in h/week)

11:cstd6 bioagel care12h cared for by others (in h/week)

11:cstd7 bioagel care6h cared for in family day care (in h/week)

11:cstd8 bioagel care7h cared for by babysitter (in h/week)

11:cstd9 bioagel care8h cared for in creche/day nursery (in h/week)

**12** How would you rank your child in comparison to other children of the same age? My child is ...

*The further to the left you make the X, the more the characteristic on the left side applies. The further to the right you make the X, the more the characteristic on the right side applies.*

is rather talkative	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is rather quiet
is messy	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is neat
is good-natured	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is easy irritated
disinterested	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	curious to learn
is self-confident	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is insecure
is withdrawn	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is sociable
is focused	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is easily distracted
is defiant	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is obedient
understands quickly	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	needs more time
is timidly	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	is fearless
12:cverg01	bioagel	char1b	child tends to be talkative / quiet									
12:cverg02	bioagel	char5	child tends to be messy / neat									
12:cverg03	bioagel	char6	child tends to be sweet-tempered / easily excited									
12:cverg04	bioagel	char7	child tends to be disinterested / curious									
12:cverg05	bioagel	char7	child tends to be disinterested / curious									
12:cverg06	bioagel	char9	child tends to be withdrawn / outgoing									
12:cverg07	bioagel	char2	child tends to be focused / easily distracted									
12:cverg08	bioagel	char3	child tends to be obstinate / obedient									
12:cverg09	bioagel	char4	child tends to be quick to learn new things / to need more time									
12:cverg10	bioagel	char10	child tends to be anxious / confident									

**A** What's the date today?

Day

Month

Hours

Minute

A:datm bioagel age Age Of Child At Time Of Survey

Interview form

Form

A:form bioagel mode form of questioning

Interviewer:

List ID

Lfd ID

Account number

Interviewer signature