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1 General Information

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2 Identifiers

pid – Never Changing Person ID

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

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Edition: international

cid – Original Household Number

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
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-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

hid – Current Householdnummer

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
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Edition: international

syearch – Survey Year

2020		191
2022		632
2024		362
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
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Edition: international

3 Survey data

eab0005 – Performance incentives: Other free-form text

? Which of the following performance incentives does your company offer employees? // [Other] namely: *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/35:eab0005[39382])*

	352
[-7] Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted)	833

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

eab0006 – Company benefits: Other free-form text

? Which of the following benefits does your company offer in addition to the legally mandated social benefits? // [Other] namely: *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/37:eab0006[39383])*

	353
[-7] Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted)	832

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

eab0013 – Comments and suggestions

? If you have any additional comments or suggestions regarding the survey, you can share them with us here. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/75:eab0013[]*)

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[-7] Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted) 1181

Waves: 2022, 2024
Edition: internal

eab0030 – Reasons for self-employment: Other reason

? What were other important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q028:VBP[]*)

[-7] Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted) 1185

Waves: 2020
Edition: onsite

eab0030_cat – Reasons for self-employment: Other reason [categories]

? What were other important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q028:VBP[]*)

1	Yes	133
-1	No answer / don't know	58
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020
Edition: international

eab0031 – Difficulties: Other difficulties free-form text

? What are other major difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial/self-employed activity? (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q031:VBM[]*)

[-7] Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted) 1185

Waves: 2020
Edition: onsite

eab0031_cat – Difficulties: Other difficulties free-form text [categories]

? What are other major difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial/self-employed activity? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q031:VBM[])

1	Yes	123
-1	No answer / don't know	68
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

eab0032 – Challenges: Other challenges

? What are other personal challenges for your entrepreneurial/self-employed activities in the coming years? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q033:VBC[])

[-7] Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted) 1185

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

eab0032_cat – Challenges: Other challenges [categories]

? What are other personal challenges for your entrepreneurial/self-employed activities in the coming years? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q033:VBC[])

1	Yes	109
-1	No answer / don't know	82
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

eab0033 – Activities: Other activities text

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company. // [Other business-related activities], namely: (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:eab0033[]*)

	282
[-7] Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted)	903

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

eab0033_cat – Activities: Other activities text [categories]

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company. // [Other business-related activities], namely: (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:eab0033[]*)

1	Yes	193
-1	No answer / don't know	502
-2	Does not apply	490
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

eab0034 – Other instruments for employee motivation text

? Apart from feedback meetings, do you use other tools to motivate your employees? // [Other instruments] (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/29:eab0034[39379]*)

[-7] Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted)	1185
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Waves: 2020, 2022

Edition: onsite

eab0034_cat – Other instruments for employee motivation text [categories]

? Apart from feedback meetings, do you use other tools to motivate your employees? // [Other instruments] (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/29:eab0034[39379]*)

1	Yes	65
-1	No answer / don't know	177
-2	Does not apply	581

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	362

Waves: 2020, 2022

Edition: international

elb0003 – Majority owner present

? Does your company have a majority owner? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/8:elb0003
[])

1	Yes	60
2	No	128
-1	No answer / don't know	4
-2	Does not apply	802
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0004 – Majority shareholding in %

? What percentage of your company is owned by the majority shareholder? // [...] percent
(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/9:elb0004[39348])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0004_cat – Majority shareholding in % [categories]

? What percentage of your company is owned by the majority shareholder? // [...] percent
(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/9:elb0004[39348])

1	0-99 percent	44
2	100 percent	14
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	934
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0006 – Founding year of company

? In which year was your company founded, regardless of any changes in legal form, location or ownership? // In the year: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/10:elb0006[39349])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0006_cat – Founding year of company [categories]

? In which year was your company founded, regardless of any changes in legal form, location or ownership? // In the year: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/10:elb0006[39349])

1	Before 1900	20
2	1900-1924	12
3	1925-1944	14
4	1945-1949	10
5	1950-1964	21
6	1965-1974	22
7	1975-1984	40
8	1985-1989	36

9	1990-1995	91
10	1996-2002	122
11	2003-2007	102
12	2008-2012	100
13	2013-2017	98
14	2018-2022	125
15	2023-2027	13
-1	No answer / don't know	38
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	4
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0013 – Number of employees excluding marginally employeeed on June 30 last year

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Blue-collar and white-collar employees] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0013[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0013_cat – Number of employees excluding marginally employeeed on June 30 last year [cat.]

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Blue-collar and white-collar employees] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0013[]*)

1	Yes	380
2	No	47
-1	No answer / don't know	43

-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0014 – Number of trainees on June 30 last year

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Apprentices] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0014[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0014_cat – Number of trainees on June 30 last year [categories]

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Apprentices] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0014[]*)

1	Yes	139
2	No	288
-1	No answer / don't know	43
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0016 – Number of active owners on June 30 last year

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Active owners] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0016[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0016_cat – Number of active owners on June 30 last year [categories]

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Active owners] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0016[]*)

1	Yes	246
2	No	181
-1	No answer / don't know	43
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0017 – Number of helping family members on June 30 last year

? How many other employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? // [Family members] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/19:elb0017[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0

-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0017_cat – Number of helping family members on June 30 last year [categories]

? How many other employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? // [Family members] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/19:elb0017[]*)

1	Yes	100
2	No	90
-1	No answer / don't know	9
-2	Does not apply	795
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0018 – Number of marginally employed persons on June 30 last year

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Marginal employees] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0018[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0018_cat – Number of marginally employed persons on June 30 last year [categories]

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Marginal employees] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0018[]*)

1	Yes	288
2	No	139
-1	No answer / don't know	43
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0019 – Number of temporary workers on June 30 last year

? How many other employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? // [Temporary workers] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/19:elb0019[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0019_cat – Number of temporary workers on June 30 last year [categories]

? How many other employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? // [Temporary workers] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/19:elb0019[]*)

1	Yes	26
2	No	164
-1	No answer / don't know	9
-2	Does not apply	795

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0020 – Number of freelancers with work/service contracts on June 30 last year

? How many other employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? // [Freelancers] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/19:elb0020[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0020_cat – Number of freelancers with work/service contracts on June 30 last year [cat.]

? How many other employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? // [Freelancers] Number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/19:elb0020[]*)

1	Yes	69
2	No	121
-1	No answer / don't know	9
-2	Does not apply	795
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0022 – Share of women among employees excluding marginally employed in %

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Blue- and white-collar employees] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0022\[\]](#))

0	68
1	8
2	4
3	3
4	1
5	5
6	5
7	1
8	3
9	1
10	13
11	1
12	2
13	3
14	1
... (31 rows omitted)	174
87	1
88	1
90	4
92	1
95	2
96	1
100	77
-1 No answer / don't know	43
-2 Does not apply	571
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0023 – Share of women among trainees in %

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Apprentices] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0023\[\]](#))

0	60
1	3

2	1
3	1
10	1
17	1
20	5
25	1
30	1
33	5
40	1
45	1
50	14
60	3
66	2
67	2
71	1
90	2
100	34
-1 No answer / don't know	43
-2 Does not apply	812
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0025 – Share of women among active owners in %

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Active owners] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0025[])*

0	142
1	4
2	1
3	1
6	1
7	1
10	2
25	2
30	2
33	4
34	2
50	30
66	4
70	1
98	1

100	48
-1 No answer / don't know	43
-2 Does not apply	705
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0026 – Share of women among helping family members in %

? How many other employees did your company have on June 30, 2021, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Family members] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/15:ant_fam_frauen[39361])*

0	12
1	2
2	1
10	1
25	1
30	1
33	1
50	10
80	1
100	33
-1 No answer / don't know	9
-2 Does not apply	560
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0027 – Share of women among marginally employed in %

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Marginal employees] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0027[])*

0	54
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1	12
2	5
3	2
5	1
8	1
10	3
14	2
16	1
17	1
20	1
25	5
30	1
33	8
34	2
... (6 rows omitted)	47
66	5
70	2
75	4
80	5
85	1
89	1
100	124
-1 No answer / don't know	43
-2 Does not apply	663
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0028 – Share of women among temporary workers in %

? How many other employees did your company have on June 30, 2021, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Temporary workers] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/15:ant_leih_frauen[39361]*)

0	11
10	1
20	1
50	1
100	2
-1 No answer / don't know	9
-2 Does not apply	607
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0029 – Share of women among freelancers in %

? How many other employees did your company have on June 30, 2021, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Freelancers] Of which share of women [...] % (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/15:ant_frei_frauen [39361]*)

0		17
1		1
10		1
25		3
30		1
33		1
35		1
50		4
66		1
75		1
80		1
100		7
-1	No answer / don't know	9
-2	Does not apply	584
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0031_v1 – Part-time employees in the company on June 30 last year

? As of mid-2023, were there any part-time employees among your staff, including those in marginal employment earning a maximum of 520 euros per month? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/15:elb0031[]*)

1	Yes	351
2	No	113
-1	No answer / don't know	6
-2	Does not apply	524

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0032 – Number of employees in large part-time on June 30 last year

? Of the part-time employees, as of mid-2023, how many were working ... // [Large part-time] Number of part-time employees (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/16:elb0032\[\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0032_cat2 – Number of employees in large part-time on June 30 last year [categories]

? Of the part-time employees, as of mid-2023, how many were working ... // [Large part-time] Number of part-time employees (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/16:elb0032\[\]](#))

0	0	167
1	1-9	126
2	10-15	12
3	16-25	4
4	26-45	3
5	46-75	2
6	76-119	5
7	120-199	1
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	31
-2	Does not apply	643
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0033 – Number of employees in small part-time on June 30 last year

? Of the part-time employees, as of mid-2023, how many were working ... // [Small part-time] Number of part-time employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/16:elb0033[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0033_cat2 – Number of employees in small part-time on June 30 last year [categories]

? Of the part-time employees, as of mid-2023, how many were working ... // [Small part-time] Number of part-time employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/16:elb0033[]*)

0	0	76
1	1-9	223
2	10-15	8
3	16-25	3
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	1
6	76-119	9
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	31
-2	Does not apply	643
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0034 – Share of women in large part-time in %

? Of the part-time employees, as of mid-2023, how many were working ... // [Large part-time] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/16:elb0034
[])

0	23
1	3
2	4
3	1
4	1
6	1
8	1
10	1
20	1
25	3
30	2
33	2
40	2
50	9
60	2
... (2 rows omitted)	2
75	3
80	7
85	2
88	1
90	5
95	1
100	76
-1 No answer / don't know	31
-2 Does not apply	810
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0035 – Share of women in small part-time in %

? Of the part-time employees, as of mid-2023, how many were working ... // [Small part-time] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/16:elb0035
[])

0	35
1	7
2	2

3	1
5	1
10	1
12	1
17	1
20	1
25	3
33	4
40	1
50	28
60	5
62	1
66	3
70	1
75	1
80	7
85	2
90	3
100	135
-1 No answer / don't know	31
-2 Does not apply	719
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0036 – Share employed in activities without required vocational training (Group 1) in %

? How were the employees of your company distributed among the following employee groups as of mid-2023? Please do not include temporary workers and freelancers with contracts for work and services. // [Simple activities] Share of employees (in %) [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/17:elb0036\[\]](#))

0	236
1	13
2	10
3	5
5	13
6	2
7	1
8	4
10	26
11	2
14	3
15	6

20	15
25	5
26	1
... (10 rows omitted)	40
70	2
72	1
75	1
80	7
82	1
90	4
100	32
-1 No answer / don't know	40
-2 Does not apply	524
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0037 – Share of employees in jobs with required vocational train./exper. (Group 2) in %

? How were the employees of your company distributed among the following employee groups as of mid-2023? Please do not include temporary workers and freelancers with contracts for work and services. // [Vocational training/apprenticeship] Share of employees (in %) [...] % *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/17:elb0037[])*

0	86
1	24
2	3
3	7
4	8
5	1
6	2
7	4
8	5
10	9
12	2
13	2
15	1
16	1
19	1
... (32 rows omitted)	142
90	17
91	1
92	1
95	7

98	1
99	3
100	102
-1 No answer / don't know	40
-2 Does not apply	524
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0038 – Share of employees in jobs with required technical/uni. degree (Group 3) in %

? How were the employees of your company distributed among the following employee groups as of mid-2023? Please do not include temporary workers and freelancers with contracts for work and services. // [University degree] Share of employees (in %) [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/17:elb0038\[\]](#))

0	243
1	9
2	14
3	9
4	4
5	11
6	1
7	2
8	4
9	1
10	18
11	2
12	2
13	2
14	1
... (19 rows omitted)	66
75	2
80	5
90	2
93	1
94	1
98	1
100	29
-1 No answer / don't know	40
-2 Does not apply	524
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0

-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0039 – Share of foreign employees on June 30 last year in %

? What was the share of foreign employees in your establishment/public body on June 30, 2021? This includes all persons who do not have German citizenship. // Total share of foreign employees [...] % (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/12:ant_ges_ausl[39358]*)

0	164
1	8
2	5
3	3
4	5
5	5
6	2
7	1
8	5
10	18
11	1
15	3
20	9
22	1
23	2
... (10 rows omitted)	35
66	1
80	1
85	1
86	1
90	1
97	1
100	1
-1 No answer / don't know	19
-2 Does not apply	339
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0040 – Share of foreign employees in group 1 activities in %

? What was the share of foreign employees in the following groups on June 30, 2021? This includes all persons who do not have German citizenship. // [Simple activities] Share of foreign employees [...] % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/13:ant_einf_ausl[39359])

0	54
1	3
2	1
3	2
4	1
5	3
10	4
15	2
20	2
30	2
50	7
70	1
90	1
93	1
95	1
100	15
-1 No answer/ don't know	10
-2 Does not apply	522
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0041 – Share of foreign employees in group 2 activities in %

? What was the share of foreign employees in the following groups on June 30, 2021? This includes all persons who do not have German citizenship. // [Qualified training] Share of foreign employees [...] % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/13:ant_aub_ausl[39359])

0	41
2	1
4	3
5	6
7	2
10	5
12	1
15	3
20	2
25	2

30	3
33	1
50	7
80	1
85	1
90	2
100	19
-1 No answer / don't know	10
-2 Does not apply	522
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0042 – Share of foreign employees in group 3 activities in %

? What was the share of foreign employees in the following groups on June 30, 2021? This includes all persons who do not have German citizenship. // [University degree] Share of foreign employees [...] % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/13:ant_hochsch_ausl[39359])

0	77
1	1
2	1
3	1
5	1
8	1
10	1
15	2
17	2
20	1
30	1
50	1
70	1
100	9
-1 No answer / don't know	10
-2 Does not apply	522
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0043 – Share of foreign employees among owners/executives/managing directors in %

? What was the share of foreign employees in the following groups on June 30, 2021? This includes all persons who do not have German citizenship. // [Management Board] Share of foreign employees [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/13:ant_leitung_ausl\[39359\]](#))

0	96
25	1
33	2
100	1
-1 No answer / don't know	10
-2 Does not apply	522
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0154 – Share of full-time empl. with gross monthly income below EUR 1900 June 30 LY in %

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // Under 1900EUR: Share of full-time employees [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0154\[39380\]](#))

-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	0
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0155 – Share of full-time empl. w/ gross monthly income below EUR 1900 does not apply

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // Does not apply (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0155\[39380\]](#))

1 Applies	0
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2	No	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0156 – Share of full-time empl. with gross monthly income of EUR 1900-2500 June 30 LY in %

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // 1900EUR to under 2500EUR: Share of full-time employees [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0156\[39380\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0157 – Share of full-time empl. w/ gross monthly income 1900EUR-2500EUR does not apply

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // Does not apply (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0157\[39380\]](#))

1	Applies	0
2	No	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0158 – Share of full-time empl. with gross monthly income of EUR 2500-3300 June 30 LY in %

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // 2500EUR to under 3300EUR: Share of full-time employees [...] % (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0158[39380]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0159 – Share of full-time empl. w/ gross monthly income of EUR 2500-3300 does not apply

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // Does not apply (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0159[39380]*)

1	Applies	0
2	No	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0160 – Share of full-time empl. with gross monthly income EUR3300-4000 June 30 LY in %

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // 3300EUR to under 4000EUR: Share of full-time employees [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0160\[39380\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0161 – Share of full-time empl. w/ gross monthly income EUR3300-4000 does not apply

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // Does not apply (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0161\[39380\]](#))

1	Applies	0
2	No	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0162 – Share of full-time empl. with gross monthly income EUR4000-6000 June 30 LY in %

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // 4000EUR to under 6000EUR: Share of full-time employees [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0162\[39380\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0163 – Share of full-time empl. w/ gross monthly income EUR4000-6000 does not apply

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // Does not apply (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0163[39380]*)

1	Applies	0
2	No	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0164 – Share of full-time empl. with gross monthly income EUR6000-7800 June 30 LY in %

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // 6000EUR to under 7800EUR: Share of full-time employees [...] % (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0164[39380]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0165 – Share of full-time empl. w/ gross monthly income EUR6000-7800 does not apply

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // Does not apply (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0165[39380])

1	Applies	0
2	No	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0166 – Share of full-time empl. with gross monthly income EUR 7800 or more June 30 LY in %

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // 7800EUR and more: Share of full-time employees [...] % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0166[39380])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0167 – Share of full-time empl. w/ gross monthly income EUR 7800 and more does not apply

? What was the share of full-time employees with an average gross monthly income in the following categories in your company on June 30, 2023? // Does not apply (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/33:elb0167[39380])

1	Applies	0
2	No	0

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0168 – Remuneration according to: Individual performance

? To what extent do you base the remuneration of your employees on the following criteria?
 // Individual performance (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/34:elb0168[39381])

1	Very strongly	0
2	Strongly	0
3	Moderately	0
4	Less	0
5	Not at all	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0169 – Remuneration according to: Team performance

? To what extent do you base the remuneration of your employees on the following criteria?
 // Team performance (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/34:elb0169[39381])

1	Very strongly	0
2	Strongly	0
3	Moderately	0
4	Less	0
5	Not at all	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0

-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0170 – Remuneration according to: Success of the company

? To what extent do you base the remuneration of your employees on the following criteria?

// Success of the entire company (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/34:elb0170[39381]*)

1	Very strongly	0
2	Strongly	0
3	Moderately	0
4	Less	0
5	Not at all	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0171 – Remuneration according to: Length of service

? To what extent do you base the remuneration of your employees on the following criteria?

// Length of service (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/34:elb0171[39381]*)

1	Very strongly	0
2	Strongly	0
3	Moderately	0
4	Less	0
5	Not at all	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0172 – Remuneration according to: Formal educational/professional qualification

? To what extent do you base the remuneration of your employees on the following criteria?
 // Formal educational or professional qualification (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/
 34:elb0172[39381])

1	Very strongly	0
2	Strongly	0
3	Moderately	0
4	Less	0
5	Not at all	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0173 – Remuneration according to: Individual professional experience

? To what extent do you base the remuneration of your employees on the following criteria? // Individual professional experience (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/
 34:elb0173
 [39381])

1	Very strongly	0
2	Strongly	0
3	Moderately	0
4	Less	0
5	Not at all	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0174 – Remuneration according to: Social criteria

? To what extent do you base the remuneration of your employees on the following criteria?
 // Social criteria, e.g. number of children, place of residence (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-
 selfempl/34:elb0174[39381])

1	Very strongly	0
2	Strongly	0
3	Moderately	0
4	Less	0
5	Not at all	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0175_v1 – Performance incentives: Equity participation

? Which of the following performance incentives does your company offer employees? // Equity participation (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/32:anreiz1[39382]*)

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022

Edition: onsite

elb0175_v2 – Performance incentives: Equity participation

? Which of the following performance incentives does your company offer employees? // Employee equity participation (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/35:elb0175[39382]*)

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0176 – Performance incentives: Profit sharing

? Which of the following performance incentives does your company offer employees? // Profit-sharing (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/35:elb0176\[39382\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0177 – Performance incentives: Bonus payments

? Which of the following performance incentives does your company offer employees? // Bonus payments (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/35:elb0177\[39382\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0178 – Performance incentives: Share options

? Which of the following performance incentives does your company offer employees? // Share options (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/35:elb0178\[39382\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0179 – Performance incentives: Other

? Which of the following performance incentives does your company offer employees? // Other (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/35:elb0179\[39382\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0180 – Performance incentives: Nothing applies

? Which of the following performance incentives does your company offer employees? // Nothing applies (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/35:elb0180\[39382\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0183 – Company benefits: Company pension scheme/company pension above statutory entitl.

? Which of the following benefits does your company offer in addition to the legally mandated social benefits? // Company pension scheme / company pension that exceeds the statutory entitlement (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/37:elb0183[39383]*)

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0184 – Company benefits: Release from work/covering of costs for training

? Which of the following benefits does your company offer in addition to the legally mandated social benefits? // Release from work and / or covering of costs for further training measures (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/37:elb0184[39383]*)

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0186 – Company benefits: Other

? Which of the following benefits does your company offer in addition to the legally mandated social benefits? // Other (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/37:elb0186[39383])

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0187 – Company benefits: Nothing applies

? Which of the following benefits does your company offer in addition to the legally mandated social benefits? // Nothing applies (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/37:elb0187[39383])

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0188_v1 – Number of employees who use PCs/laptops/tablets/digital devices

? Please indicate the total number of employees who use PCs, laptops, tablets / iPads or other digital devices, e.g. for machine control, to perform their daily tasks in your company. // Total number of employees who use PCs, laptops, tablets / iPads or other digital devices, e.g. for machine control: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/39:elb0188[])

0	31
1	49
2	45

3	23
4	26
5	23
6	12
7	14
8	7
9	1
10	15
11	3
12	11
13	4
14	6
... (31 rows omitted)	68
90	1
95	1
100	33
200	1
250	1
515	1
1600	1
-1 No answer / don't know	27
-2 Does not apply	590
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0189 – Share of women in employees who use PCs/laptops/tablets/digit. devices in %

? Please indicate the total number of employees and the approximate share of women who use PCs, laptops, tablets/iPads or other digital devices, e.g. for machine control, to perform their daily tasks in your company. // Of which share of women (in %) [...] % *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/35:ant_pc_frauen[39386])*

0	28
1	1
2	2
3	2
5	3
6	1
7	1
10	6
12	2
13	1
15	1

16	1
20	9
25	11
26	1
... (17 rows omitted)	102
88	1
89	1
90	7
92	3
95	1
99	1
100	59
-1 No answer / don't know	24
-2 Does not apply	363
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0190 – Share of employees who use PC/laptop/tablets/digit. devices in group 1 in %

? Please indicate the approximate share per employee group who use PCs, laptops, tablets/iPads or other digital devices (e.g. for machine control) to perform their daily tasks in your company/establishment/public body.c // Employees in jobs that do not require vocational training: [...] % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/36:ant_pc_grp1[39387])

0	155
1	3
3	1
5	3
6	1
7	1
8	1
10	9
15	2
20	6
25	4
30	1
33	1
40	1
50	6
66	1
70	1
80	2
90	2

100	24
-1 No answer / don't know	20
-2 Does not apply	387
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0191 – Share of employees who use PC/laptop/tablets/digit. devices in group 2 in %

? Please indicate the approximate share per employee group who use PCs, laptops, tablets/iPads or other digital devices (e.g. for machine control) to perform their daily tasks in your establishment/public body. // Employees in jobs that require a completed apprenticeship, comparable vocational training or corresponding professional experience: [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/36:ant_pc_grp2\[39387\]](#))

0	40
1	3
2	1
4	1
6	1
9	1
10	4
15	3
20	3
25	1
30	5
33	1
40	2
50	15
55	1
... (9 rows omitted)	22
80	14
84	1
85	2
86	1
90	9
95	1
100	93
-1 No answer / don't know	20
-2 Does not apply	387
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0192 – Share of employees who use PC/laptop/tablets/digit. devices in group 3 in %

? Please indicate the approximate share per employee group who use PCs, laptops, tablets/iPads or other digital devices (e.g. for machine control) to perform their daily tasks in your eompany.stablishment/public body.c // Employees in jobs that require a technical or university degree: [...] % (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/36:ant_pc_grp3\[39387\]](#))

0		111
1		2
4		1
5		3
6		1
7		1
10		8
15		1
16		1
20		8
24		1
25		5
30		6
33		1
34		3
...	(3 rows omitted)	7
50		6
66		1
67		1
75		1
80		4
90		2
100		50
-1	No answer / don't know	20
-2	Does not apply	387
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0193_v1 – Usage last 3 years: Customized software

? How has the use of the following technologies changed in your company in the last three years? // Custom software, i.e., software that has been developed or adapted to meet the needs of the company. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/40:elb0193\[\]](#))

1	Strongly increased	142
2	Increased	224
3	Remained roughly the same	342
4	Decreased	8
5	Strongly decreased	6
6	Technology is not used	226
-1	No answer / don't know	46
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0194_v1 – Usage last 3 years: Data analytics

? How has the use of the following technologies changed in your company in the last three years? // Data analytics, i.e., the use of digital tools to analyze data collected in this company or from other sources. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/40:elb0194\[\]](#))

1	Strongly increased	51
2	Increased	161
3	Remained roughly the same	301
4	Decreased	7
5	Strongly decreased	7
6	Technology is not used	416
-1	No answer / don't know	51
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0195_v1 – Usage last 3 years: Big Data

? How has the use of the following technologies changed in your company in the last three years? // Big data, i.e., the analysis of large datasets. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/40:elb0195[]*)

1	Strongly increased	23
2	Increased	67
3	Remained roughly the same	220
4	Decreased	11
5	Strongly decreased	3
6	Technology is not used	613
-1	No answer / don't know	57
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0196_v1 – Usage last 3 years: Robots

? How has the use of the following technologies changed in your company in the last three years? // Robots, i.e., programmable machines that can automatically perform complex sequences of actions. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/40:elb0196[]*)

1	Strongly increased	8
2	Increased	29
3	Remained roughly the same	74
4	Decreased	2
5	Strongly decreased	4
6	Technology is not used	830
-1	No answer / don't know	47
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0197_v1 – Usage last 3 years: Virtual or augmented reality

? How has the use of the following technologies changed in your company in the last three years? // Virtual or augmented reality, i.e., the enhancement of images with objects that exist only virtually. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/40:elb0197\[\]](#))

1	Strongly increased	15
2	Increased	29
3	Remained roughly the same	62
4	Decreased	4
5	Strongly decreased	2
6	Technology is not used	838
-1	No answer / don't know	44
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0198_v1 – Usage last 3 years: Artificial intelligence

? How has the use of the following technologies changed in your company in the last three years? // Artificial intelligence, i.e., computer programs that assist in optimizing goal achievement and learn autonomously. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/40:elb0198\[\]](#))

1	Strongly increased	30
2	Increased	88
3	Remained roughly the same	57
4	Decreased	3
5	Strongly decreased	3
6	Technology is not used	773
-1	No answer / don't know	40
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0199_v1 – Usage last 3 years: 3D printing

? How has the use of the following technologies changed in your company in the last three years? // 3D printing, i.e., a manufacturing process in which material is applied layer by layer to create a three-dimensional product. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/40:elb0199[]*)

1	Strongly increased	7
2	Increased	28
3	Remained roughly the same	40
4	Decreased	2
5	Strongly decreased	29
6	Technology is not used	846
-1	No answer / don't know	42
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0200_v1 – Usage last 3 years: Internet of Things

? How has the use of the following technologies changed in your company in the last three years? // Internet of Things, i.e., the digital networking of devices and objects, as well as entire industrial plants or buildings. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/40:elb0200[]*)

1	Strongly increased	35
2	Increased	107
3	Remained roughly the same	156
4	Decreased	2
5	Strongly decreased	4
6	Technology is not used	652
-1	No answer / don't know	38
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0201_v2 – Digitization technology: Well equipped with digitization technology

? Think about the digitalization technologies that are used in your company. These can include computers as well as robots and artificial intelligence. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // Our company is well equipped with digitalization technologies compared to other companies in our industry. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/41:elb0201[]*)

1	Fully agree	135
2	Tend to agree	221
3	Partly agree / partly disagree	229
4	Rather disagree	74
5	Disagree	50
6	Does not apply	236
-1	No answer / don't know	49
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0202_v2 – Digitization technology: Additional personnel requirements and new hires

? Think about the digitalization technologies that are used in your company. These can include computers as well as robots and artificial intelligence. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // The use of digitalization technologies has led to additional personnel requirements, i.e. new hires (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/41:elb0202[]*)

1	Fully agree	23
2	Tend to agree	35
3	Partly agree / partly disagree	45
4	Rather disagree	62
5	Disagree	72
6	Does not apply	215
-1	No answer / don't know	18
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0203_v2 – Digitization technology: High demand for further training

? Think about the digitalization technologies that are used in your company. These can include computers as well as robots and artificial intelligence. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // The use of digitalization technologies has led to a high demand for further training of employees. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/41:elb0203[]*)

1	Fully agree	26
2	Tend to agree	90
3	Partly agree / partly disagree	85
4	Rather disagree	45
5	Disagree	42
6	Does not apply	164
-1	No answer / don't know	18
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0204_v2 – Digitization technology: Employees are critical

? Think about the digitalization technologies that are used in your company. These can include computers as well as robots and artificial intelligence. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // Employees tend to be critical of the use of digitalization technologies. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/41:elb0204[]*)

1	Fully agree	21
2	Tend to agree	37
3	Partly agree / partly disagree	97
4	Rather disagree	62
5	Disagree	100
6	Does not apply	133
-1	No answer / don't know	20
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0205_v2 – Digitization technology: Problems with data security or cyber attacks

? Think about the digitalization technologies that are used in your company. These can include computers as well as robots and artificial intelligence. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // The use of digitalization technologies has led to problems with data security or cyberattacks. (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/41:elb0205[]*)

1	Fully agree	38
2	Tend to agree	96
3	Partly agree / partly disagree	103
4	Rather disagree	102
5	Disagree	163
6	Does not apply	444
-1	No answer / don't know	48
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0206_v2 – Digitization technology: Strong dependence on external service providers

? Think about the digitalization technologies that are used in your company. These can include computers as well as robots and artificial intelligence. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // The use of digitalization technologies leads to a strong dependence on external service providers. (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/41:elb0206[]*)

1	Fully agree	134
2	Tend to agree	170
3	Partly agree / partly disagree	137
4	Rather disagree	75
5	Disagree	89
6	Does not apply	342
-1	No answer / don't know	47
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0207_v2 – Digitization technology: Used to control employees

? Think about the digitalization technologies that are used in your company. These can include computers as well as robots and artificial intelligence. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // Digitalization technologies are used in my company to monitor employee performance. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/41:elb0207[]*)

1	Fully agree	7
2	Tend to agree	21
3	Partly agree / partly disagree	34
4	Rather disagree	46
5	Disagree	125
6	Does not apply	218
-1	No answer / don't know	19
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0208_v2 – Digitization technology: I am very familiar with its use in the company

? Think about the digitalization technologies that are used in your company. These can include computers as well as robots and artificial intelligence. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // I am very familiar with the digitalization technologies in my company. (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/41:elb0208[]*)

1	Fully agree	154
2	Tend to agree	227
3	Partly agree / partly disagree	204
4	Rather disagree	83
5	Disagree	60
6	Does not apply	221
-1	No answer / don't know	45
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0209 – Corona impact for company until June 30 last year

? What impact did the coronavirus pandemic have on your company up to June 30, 2021?
 (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/39:covidausw[39392]*)

1	Very positive effects	11
2	Positive effects	44
3	Partly positive / partly negative effects	169
4	Negative effects	148
5	Very negative effects	79
6	No effects	159
-1	No answer / don't know	22
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0210_v2 – Change in headcount since the start of the coronavirus pandemic until June 30

? Compared to the headcount immediately before the coronavirus pandemic, how has the headcount in your company changed by June 30, 2021? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/40:covidperso[39393]*)

1	Strongly increased	5
2	Slightly increased	32
3	Remained the same	208
4	Slightly decreased	29
5	Strongly decreased	12
-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0211 – Reaction to Corona: Reduction of temporary staff in the 1st half of the year

? Which of the following personnel policy measures have you implemented in your company in response to the coronavirus pandemic in the first half of 2021, i.e. by June 30, 2021?
 // Reduction of temporary staff (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/41:covidpersomaßn1[39394]*)

1	Mentioned	4
2	Not mentioned	282
-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0212 – Reaction to Corona: No retention of apprentices in the 1st half of the year

? Which of the following personnel policy measures have you implemented in your company in response to the coronavirus pandemic in the first half of 2021, i.e. by June 30, 2021?
 // No retention of apprentices (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/41:covidpersomaßn2[39394]*)

1	Mentioned	4
2	Not mentioned	282
-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0213 – Reaction to Corona: Vacancies not filled in 1st half of year

? Which of the following personnel policy measures have you implemented in your company in response to the coronavirus pandemic in the first half of 2021, i.e. by June 30, 2021?
 // Vacancies not filled (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/41:covidpersomaßn3[39394]*)

1	Mentioned	16
2	Not mentioned	270

-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0214 – Reaction to Corona: Postponement of planned staff increase in 1st half of year

? Which of the following personnel policy measures have you implemented in your company in response to the coronavirus pandemic in the first half of 2021, i.e. by June 30, 2021?
 // Postponement of a planned increase in personnel (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/41:covidpersomaßn4[39394]*)

1	Mentioned	23
2	Not mentioned	263
-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0215 – Reaction to corona: Cancel. of planned hiring of apprentice. in 1st half of y.

? Which of the following personnel policy measures have you implemented in your company in response to the coronavirus pandemic in the first half of 2021, i.e. by June 30, 2021?
 // Cancellation of planned hiring of apprenticeship positions (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/41:covidpersomaßn5[39394]*)

1	Mentioned	10
2	Not mentioned	276
-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0

-8 Question not part of the survey program this year 553

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Edition: international

elb0216 – Reaction to Corona: None of the above

? Which of the following personnel policy measures have you implemented in your company in response to the coronavirus pandemic in the first half of 2021, i.e. by June 30, 2021?

// None of this (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/41:covidpersomaßn_ka\[39394\]](#))

1	Mentioned	245
2	Not mentioned	41
-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0245_v1 – Number of employees working from home on June 30 last year

? What was the total number of employees who worked from home (home office) as of mid-2023? // Number of employees (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/42:elb0245\[\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0245_v1_cat2 – Number of employees working from home on June 30 last year [categories]

? What was the total number of employees who worked from home on June 30, 2021 (home office)? // Number of employees (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/42:ant_homeoffice\[39395\]](#))

0	0	238
1	1-9	166
2	10-15	17
3	16-25	10
4	26-45	8
5	46-75	3
6	76-119	5
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	2
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	1
-1	No answer / don't know	20
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0246 – Share of women working from home on June 30 last year in %

? What was the share of women who worked from home (home office) on June 30, 2021? // Share of women (in %) [...] % (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/43:ant_homeoffice_frauen* [39396])

0	24
1	5
3	1
5	1
12	1
13	1
14	1
15	2
20	2
25	4
30	5
33	6
35	1
40	1
50	23
52	1
60	1
65	1
66	1
75	3
80	3

100	44
-1 No answer / don't know	1
-2 Does not apply	499
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0247 – Share of employees working from home in group 1 on June 30 last year in %

? What was the share per employee group that worked from home (home office) on June 30, 2021? // Employees in jobs that do not require vocational training [...] % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/44:ant_homeoffice_grp1[39397])

0	100
1	1
5	1
20	2
25	1
40	1
50	4
67	1
100	8
-1 No answer / don't know	14
-2 Does not apply	499
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0248 – Share of employees working from home in group 2 on June 30 last year in %

? What was the share per employee group that worked from home (home office) on June 30, 2021? // Employees in jobs that require a completed apprenticeship, comparable vocational training or corresponding professional experience [...] % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/44:ant_homeoffice_grp2[39397])

0	36
1	2

2	1
3	2
4	2
5	1
10	2
17	1
20	3
25	1
30	2
33	4
40	2
50	12
60	1
66	1
70	1
80	3
90	2
98	1
100	39
-1 No answer / don't know	14
-2 Does not apply	499
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0249 – Share of employees working from home in group 3 on 30.06 last year. in %

? What was the share per employee group that worked from home (home office) on June 30, 2021? // Employees in qualified jobs that require a technical or university degree [...] %
(from: *soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/44:ant_homeoffice_grp3[39397]*)

0	57
1	1
4	1
5	1
10	3
20	2
25	2
30	3
34	1
40	1
50	9
66	2
67	1

70	1
80	3
90	1
100	30
-1 No answer / don't know	14
-2 Does not apply	499
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0250_v2 – Share of employees working from home: Change since corona pand. to June 30 LY

? Think back to the time immediately before the coronavirus pandemic. How has the share of employees working from home (home office) changed by June 30, 2021? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/45:ant_homeofficeaender\[39398\]](#))

1 Strongly increased	49
2 Slightly increased	16
3 Remained the same	63
4 Slightly decreased	2
5 Strongly decreased	0
-1 No answer / don't know	3
-2 Does not apply	499
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0251_v2 – Working hours in work from home: Change since corona pandemic until June 30 LY

? How did the number of working hours that employees worked from home (home office) change by June 30, 2021? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/46:homeofficezeit\[39399\]](#))

1 Strongly increased	32
2 Slightly increased	15
3 Remained the same	81

4	Slightly decreased	2
5	Strongly decreased	1
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	499
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0259 – Who decides on work from home hours

? Who decides when the employee works at home (in the home office)? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/47:homeofficeentsch[39400])

1	Exclusively the employer	30
2	Especially the employer	17
3	Employer and employee together	55
4	Especially the employee	15
5	Exclusively the employee	10
-1	No answer / don't know	6
-2	Does not apply	499
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0260 – Use of coworking office spaces last 3 years

? Has your company used or considered using coworking spaces within the last three years? A coworking space is a workspace outside the company that can be booked flexibly by the employer for employees. (from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/48:coworking[39401])

1	Coworking space used	14
2	Coworking space considered	16
3	Coworking space neither used nor considered	536
-1	No answer / don't know	66
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0261_v2 – Legal form of the company

? What is the legal form of your company? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/64:elb0261
[])

1	Sole proprietorship with full liability of one person	0
2	Partnership, i.e. KG, OHG or GbR	0
3	Limited liability company as GmbH, UG or Ltd.	0
4	Public limited company, i.e. AG, SE	0
5	Mixed forms, i.e. GmbH & Co. KG, KGaA	0
8	Other legal form	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0262_v2 – Earnings situation of company in penultimate fiscal year

? What was the earnings situation of your company in the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years? // 2022 (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/65:elb0262[])

1	Very good	109
2	Good	320
3	Satisfactory	217
4	Sufficient	129
5	Unsatisfactory	128
-1	No answer / don't know	91
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0263_v2 – Earnings situation of company in last fiscal year

? What was the earnings situation of your company in the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years? // 2023 (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/65:elb0263\[\]](#))

1	Very good	134
2	Good	294
3	Satisfactory	232
4	Sufficient	144
5	Unsatisfactory	121
-1	No answer / don't know	69
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0264 – Turnover in penultimate fiscal year in euros

? What was your turnover in the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years? // [Approximate amount] 2022 [...] euros (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/67:elb0264\[\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0264_cat2 – Turnover in penultimate fiscal year in euros [categories]

? What was your turnover in the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years? // [Approximate amount] 2022 [...] euros (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/67:elb0264\[\]](#))

0	0	29
1	(0, 1,000)	10
2	[1,000, 5,000)	34
3	[5,000, 10,000)	28
4	[10,000, 50,000)	167
5	[50,000, 100,000)	75
6	[100,000, 500,000)	160
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	61
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	127
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	56
10	20,000,000 and more	17
-1	No answer / don't know	180
-2	Does not apply	50
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0265 – Turnover 2022 not specified

? What was your turnover in the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years? // Can't / don't want to answer
(from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/67:elb0265\[\]](#))

1	Applies	0
2	No	0
-1	No answer / don't know	49
-2	Does not apply	313
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0266 – Turnover in last fiscal year in euros

? What was your turnover in the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years? // [Approximate amount] 2023
[...] euros (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/67:elb0266\[\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0266_cat2 – Turnover in last fiscal year in euros [categories]

? What was your turnover in the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years? // [Approximate amount] 2023
[...] euros (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/67:elb0266\[\]](#))

0	0	10
1	(0, 1,000)	12
2	[1,000, 5,000)	31
3	[5,000, 10,000)	38
4	[10,000, 50,000)	166
5	[50,000, 100,000)	93
6	[100,000, 500,000)	167
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	62
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	125
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	55
10	20,000,000 and more	15
-1	No answer / don't know	174
-2	Does not apply	46
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0267 – Turnover 2023 not specified

? What was your turnover in the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years? // Can't / don't want to answer
(from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/67:elb0267\[\]](#))

1	Applies	0
2	No	0
-1	No answer / don't know	45
-2	Does not apply	317
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0270_v1 – Share of personnel costs in operating costs last year in %

? What was the percentage share of personnel costs in total operating costs in 2023? // Percentage of operating costs [...] % *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/70:elb0270[])*

0	12
1	2
2	1
3	1
5	12
8	3
9	1
10	15
11	1
12	4
13	2
15	8
16	1
17	3
19	1
... (30 rows omitted)	241
75	10
76	2
79	1
80	19
85	5
90	8
95	1
-1 No answer / don't know	114
-2 Does not apply	526
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0273 – Change in personnel costs compared to 2022

? How has the percentage share of personnel costs in total operating costs changed in 2023 compared to 2022?? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/71:elb0273\[\]](#))

1	Share decreased	20
2	Share remained the same	66
3	Share increased	80
-1	No answer / don't know	12
-2	Does not apply	184
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0273_v2 – Change in personnel costs compared to penultimate year

? How has the percentage share of personnel costs in total operating costs changed in 2020 compared to 2020?1 (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/59:perskostaend\[39413\]](#))

1	Share decreased	22
2	Share remained the same	150
3	Share increased	80
-1	No answer / don't know	38
-2	Does not apply	342
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0300 – Currently self-employed

? Are you currently still self-employed or have you had to give up your self-employment? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q002:VBSF\[\]](#))

1	Still self-employed	175
2	Self-employment terminated	6
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	10

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0301_v1 – Foundation or takeover

? Are you an entrepreneur or self-employed and have founded a company or taken over an existing one? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q003:VBD()*)

1	Founded company alone	114
2	Founded company as a team	20
3	Took over the company completely	11
4	Joined a team as a partner	6
5	None of this	29
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	11
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0301_v2 – How company was founded

? You have stated that you are self-employed. How did you found your company? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/1:elb0301()*)

1	I founded the company on my own	515
2	I founded the company as part of a team	113
3	I have taken over the company completely	124
4	I have joined a team as a partner	79
-1	No answer / don't know	37
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0302 – Number of additional persons at foundation

? With how many other people did you found the company? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/2:elb0302[]*)

1	68
2	36
3	21
4	5
6	1
7	1
8	1
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	1052
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0303 – Number of other people in the team when joined as a partner

? How many other people were on the team that you joined as a partner? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/5:elb0303[]*)

1	22
2	29
3	8
4	8
5	1
6	1
7	1
10	3
20	1
25	1
30	1
35	1
40	1
50	1
60	2
99	1

-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	1100
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0306 – Not specified: Date of foundation

1	Mentioned	3
2	Not mentioned	130
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	58
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0307 – Month: Founding date

? When did you found the company? // Month _ _ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/
Q006:VBJa_Monat[])

1		22
2		8
3		13
4		14
5		7
6		12
7		14
8		11
9		12
10		7
11		6
12		3
-1	No answer / don't know	4
-2	Does not apply	58
-3	Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0308 – Year: Founding date

? When did you found the company? // Year _ _ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/
Q006:VBJa_Jahr[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0308_cat – Year: Founding date [categories]

? When did you found the company? // Year _ _ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/
Q006:VBJa_Jahr[])

1	Before 1900	0
2	1900-1924	0
3	1925-1944	0
4	1945-1949	0
5	1950-1964	0
6	1965-1974	2
7	1975-1984	3
8	1985-1989	3
9	1990-1995	15
10	1996-2002	19
11	2003-2007	15
12	2008-2012	31
13	2013-2017	24
14	2018-2022	18
15	2023-2027	0
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	58
-3	Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0311 – Not specified: Takeover date

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	11
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	180
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0312 – Month: Takeover date

? When did you take over the company? // Month _ _ (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q007:VBjb_Monat[]*)

1		3
3		1
4		2
5		1
7		1
8		2
9		1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	180
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0313 – Year: Takeover date

? When did you take over the company? // In the year: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/11:elb0313[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0313_cat – Year: Takeover date [categories]

? When did you take over the company? // In the year: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/11:elb0313[])

1	Before 1900	0
2	1900-1924	0
3	1925-1944	0
4	1945-1949	0
5	1950-1964	0
6	1965-1974	0
7	1975-1984	7
8	1985-1989	7
9	1990-1995	12
10	1996-2002	27
11	2003-2007	26
12	2008-2012	17
13	2013-2017	22
14	2018-2022	17
15	2023-2027	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	1050
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0316 – Not specified: Entry date

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	6
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	185
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0317 – Month: Entry date

? When did you join the company? // Month _ _ (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q008:VBJc_Monat[]*)

1		3
5		1
7		2
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	185
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0318 – Year: Entry date

? When did you join the company? // In the year: (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/12:elb0318[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0318_cat – Year: Entry date [categories]

? When did you join the company? // In the year: (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/12:elb0318[]*)

1	Before 1900	0
2	1900-1924	0
3	1925-1944	0
4	1945-1949	0
5	1950-1964	0
6	1965-1974	0
7	1975-1984	0
8	1985-1989	2
9	1990-1995	11
10	1996-2002	20
11	2003-2007	12
12	2008-2012	16
13	2013-2017	9
14	2018-2022	13
15	2023-2027	1
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	1100
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0326 – Foundation/takeover/entry after 30.09.2019?

1	Mentioned	6
2	Not mentioned	144
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0327 – Work situation: New regulations on opening hours or other restrictions

? Have there been the following short-term changes in your company and/or in your work situation as a result of the coronavirus crisis? // My business is directly affected by new regulations, such as opening hours or other restrictions (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q009:VBRH_1[]*)

1	Mentioned	40
2	Not mentioned	110
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0328 – Work situation: Suppliers do not deliver

? Have there been the following short-term changes in your company and/or in your work situation as a result of the coronavirus crisis? // My business is directly affected by the fact that my suppliers cannot supply me with the primary products I need for my business (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q009:VBRH_2[]*)

1	Mentioned	12
2	Not mentioned	138
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0329 – Work situation: Customers have canceled orders or not requested services

? Have there been the following short-term changes in your company and/or in your work situation as a result of the coronavirus crisis? // My company is directly affected by the fact that customers have canceled their orders for my products or are currently not requesting my services (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q009:VBRH_3[]*)

1	Mentioned	56
2	Not mentioned	94
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0330 – Work situation: Kurzarbeit for employees

? Have there been the following short-term changes in your company and/or in your work situation as a result of the coronavirus crisis? // I make use of Kurzarbeit regulations for my employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q009:VBRH_4[]*)

1	Mentioned	12
2	Not mentioned	138
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0331 – Work situation: Special leave with pay compensation for employees

? Have there been the following short-term changes in your company and/or in your work situation as a result of the coronavirus crisis? // I make use of special leave arrangements with pay compensation for my employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q009:VBRH_5[]*)

1	Mentioned	0
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2	Not mentioned	150
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0332 – Work situation: Special leave without pay compensation for employees

? Have there been the following short-term changes in your company and/or in your work situation as a result of the coronavirus crisis? // I make use of special leave arrangements without pay compensation for my employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q009:VBRH_6* [\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	150
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0333 – Work situation: Interviewee completely works from home

? Have there been the following short-term changes in your company and/or in your work situation as a result of the coronavirus crisis? // I work entirely from home (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q009:VBRH_8* [\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	40
2	Not mentioned	110
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0

-8 Question not part of the survey program this year 994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0334 – Work situation: Interviewee partly works from home

? Have there been the following short-term changes in your company and/or in your work situation as a result of the coronavirus crisis? // I work partly from home (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q009:VBRH_9\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	27
2	Not mentioned	123
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0335 – Work situation: None of the above applies

? Have there been the following short-term changes in your company and/or in your work situation as a result of the coronavirus crisis? // No, none of this applies (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q009:VBRH_10\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	42
2	Not mentioned	108
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0336 – Scope of working hours changed

? Has the scope of your working hours changed as a result of the coronavirus crisis? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q010:VBRK[]*)

1	Yes, has increased	24
2	Yes, has decreased	58
3	No	65
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0337 – Increase in working hours: Hours per week

? By how many hours per week have your working hours increased? // _ _ hours per week (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q011:VBRL[]*)

2		2
3		1
4		1
5		3
6		1
8		1
9		1
10		8
15		1
20		3
25		2
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	167
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0338 – Reduction in working hours: Hours per week

? By how many hours per week have your working hours been reduced? // _ _ hours per week *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q012:VBRM[])*

1	1
2	3
3	3
5	2
7	1
8	2
10	9
15	7
16	1
20	12
25	2
30	1
35	1
36	1
40	3
48	1
-1 No answer / don't know	8
-2 Does not apply	133
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0339 – Restricting decisions: Company investments postponed

? What other restrictive decisions did you have to make in your company? // I have postponed operational investments *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q013:VBRY_1[])*

1 Mentioned	55
2 Not mentioned	95
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	41
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0340 – Restricting decisions: Introduction of innovations postponed

? What other restrictive decisions did you have to make in your company? // I have postponed the introduction of innovations (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q013:VBRY_2[]*)

1	Mentioned	21
2	Not mentioned	129
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0341 – Restricting decisions: Company expansion plans postponed

? What other restrictive decisions did you have to make in your company? // I have postponed operational expansion plans (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q013:VBRY_3[]*)

1	Mentioned	16
2	Not mentioned	134
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0342 – Restricting decisions: Recruitment postponed

? What other restrictive decisions did you have to make in your company? // I have postponed recruitment (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q013:VBRY_4[]*)

1	Mentioned	17
2	Not mentioned	133
-1	No answer / don't know	0

-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0343 – Restricting decisions: Dismissed employees

? What other restrictive decisions did you have to make in your company? // I had to lay off employees (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q013:VBRY_5\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	5
2	Not mentioned	145
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0344 – Restricting decisions: None of these apply

? What other restrictive decisions did you have to make in your company? // No, none of this applies (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q013:VBRY_10\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	85
2	Not mentioned	65
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0345 – Number of employees dismissed

? How many employees did you have to let go? // – Employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q014:VBRZ[]*)

1	4
2	1
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	186
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0346 – Expansive decisions: Additional investments

? Were you also able to make decisions that expanded your operating activities? // I have made additional investments (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q015:VBSB_1[]*)

1 Mentioned	16
2 Not mentioned	134
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	41
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0347 – Expansive decisions: Product, process or organizational innovation introduced

? Were you also able to make decisions that expanded your operating activities? // I have introduced a product, process or organizational innovation (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q015:VBSB_2[]*)

1 Mentioned	14
2 Not mentioned	136
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	41
-3 Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0348 – Expansive decisions: "E-commerce" expanded and Internet sales increased

? Were you also able to make decisions that expanded your operating activities? // I have expanded "e-commerce" and increasingly sell my products or services via the Internet (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q015:VBSB_3[]*)

1	Mentioned	11
2	Not mentioned	139
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0349 – Expansive decisions: Company expanded into new areas

? Were you also able to make decisions that expanded your operating activities? // I was able to expand my business into new areas (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q015:VBSB_4[]*)

1	Mentioned	7
2	Not mentioned	143
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0350 – Expansive decisions: Staff hired

? Were you also able to make decisions that expanded your operating activities? // I have hired staff (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q015:VBSB_5[]*)

1	Mentioned	9
2	Not mentioned	141
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0351 – Expansive decisions: None of these apply

? Were you also able to make decisions that expanded your operating activities? // No, none of this applies (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q015:VBSB_10[]*)

1	Mentioned	110
2	Not mentioned	40
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0352 – Number of employees hired

? How many employees were you able to hire? // _ _ Employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q016:VBSC[]*)

1	3	
2	2	
5	1	
10	1	
40	1	
-1	No answer / don't know	1

-2	Does not apply	182
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0353 – Change in income during the corona crisis

? Has your income from self-employment or entrepreneurial activity changed as a result of the coronavirus crisis? Is your income ... (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q017:VBRN
[])

1	Increased	6
2	Decreased	73
3	Remained roughly the same	66
4	Don't know	3
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0354 – Turnover in the month of February 2020 in euros

? What was your turnover in euros in February 2020? // Euro __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q018:VBRP[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0354_cat – Turnover in the month of February 2020 in euros [categories]

? What was your turnover in euros in February 2020? // Euro __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q018:VBRP[])

0	0	3
1	(0, 1,000)	10
2	[1,000, 5,000)	30
3	[5,000, 10,000)	23
4	[10,000, 50,000)	26
5	[50,000, 100,000)	3
6	[100,000, 500,000)	8
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	2
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	0
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	1
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	44
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0355 – Change in turnover in the last month

? And has your company's turnover changed as a result of the coronavirus crisis? Has turnover in the last month ... (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q019:VBRQ[])

1	Increased	17
2	Decreased	74
3	Remained roughly the same	54
4	Don't know	2
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0356 – Turnover increase in the last month compared to February 2020 in percent

? By what percentage did your turnover increase last month compared to February 2020? // -- % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q020:VBRR[])

5	2
12	1
20	4
30	1
45	1
99	1
100	3
-1 No answer / don't know	4
-2 Does not apply	174
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0357 – Turnover loss in the last month compared to February 2020 in percent

? By what percentage did your turnover fall last month compared to February 2020? // -- % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q021:VBRS[])

5	1
10	4
15	1
17	1
20	4
25	4
30	6
35	2
40	2
45	1
50	8
60	4
70	4
80	5
90	4
100	10
-1 No answer / don't know	13
-2 Does not apply	117
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0

-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0358 – Duration of liquid capital reserves in months

? How long will your liquidity reserves last to keep the business going? // __ months (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q022:VBRT[]*)

0		3
1		3
2		7
3		9
4		4
5		2
6		10
8		1
10		1
12		11
15		2
20		1
24		3
60		1
-1	No answer / don't know	16
-2	Does not apply	117
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0359 – Use of government support measures

? Are you using government support measures from the rescue package due to your financial situation? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q023:VBRV[]*)

1	Yes, liquidity assistance	25
2	Yes, state loans	2
3	Yes, both	1
4	No	43
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	117

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0360 – Use of loans from friends, acquaintances or family

? Do you use loans or financial support from friends, acquaintances or family due to your financial situation? *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q024:VBRW[])*

1	Yes	9
2	No	63
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	117
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0361_v1 – Attitude: Entrepreneurial activity is the right decision from today's perspec.

? To what extent do the following statements apply to you from today's perspective? // From today's perspective, it is the right decision to become an entrepreneur *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q025:VBK_1[])*

1	1 Does not apply at all	1
2	2	3
3	3	8
4	4	15
5	5	31
6	6	27
7	7 Fully applies	65
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0

-8 Question not part of the survey program this year 994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0361_v2 – Attitude: Self-employment currently the right decision

? To what extent do the following statements apply to you from today's perspective? // From today's perspective, it is the right decision to be an entrepreneur or self-employed (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/72:elb0361[])

1	Does not apply at all	28
2	2	32
3	3	48
4	4	137
5	5	149
6	6	138
7	Fully applies	431
-1	No answer / don't know	27
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0362_v1 – Attitude: Own entrepreneurial development fully under control

? To what extent do the following statements apply to you from today's perspective? // I have my entrepreneurial development completely under control (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q025:VBK_2[])

1	1 Does not apply at all	2
2	2	10
3	3	13
4	4	20
5	5	44
6	6	32
7	7 Fully applies	29
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0362_v2 – Attitude: Company development as a self-employed currently under control

? To what extent do the following statements apply to you from today's perspective? // I have my entrepreneurial development as a self-employed person completely under control (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/72:elb0362[]*)

1	Does not apply at all	14
2	2	39
3	3	56
4	4	104
5	5	189
6	6	167
7	Fully applies	389
-1	No answer / don't know	32
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0363 – Attitude: Accept comparable dependent employment

? To what extent do the following statements apply to you from today's perspective? // Suppose you were offered a comparable job in a dependent employment relationship: I would end my self-employment and accept a comparable job in a dependent employment relationship (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q025:VBK_3[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	62
2	2	31
3	3	15
4	4	14
5	5	12
6	6	13
7	7 Fully applies	3
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0364_v1 – Attitude before Corona pandemic: Entrepreneurial activity was right decision

? And what was it like before the coronavirus crisis at the beginning of this year (January 2020)? To what extent does the following statement apply to you? // It was the right decision to become an entrepreneur (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q026:VBSD_1[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	1
2	2	2
3	3	1
4	4	9
5	5	19
6	6	39
7	7 Fully applies	79
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0364_v2 – Attitude before Corona pandemic: Entrepreneurial activ. and self-empl. was right decision

? And what was it like before the coronavirus crisis at the beginning of the year 2020? // It was the right decision to become an entrepreneur or self-employed (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/61:elb0364_v2[39416]*)

1	Does not apply at all	10
2	2	14
3	3	20
4	4	45
5	5	66
6	6	97
7	Fully applies	333
-1	No answer / don't know	43
-2	Does not apply	4

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0365_v1 – Attitude before Corona pandemic: Own entrepreneurial development fully under control

? And what was it like before the coronavirus crisis at the beginning of this year (January 2020)? To what extent does the following statement apply to you? // I have my entrepreneurial development completely under control (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q026:VBSD_2[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	1
2	2	2
3	3	10
4	4	16
5	5	34
6	6	48
7	7 Fully applies	39
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0365_v2 – Att. before Corona pandemic: Entrepreneurial develop. as self-employed fully under cont.

? And what was it like before the coronavirus crisis at the beginning of the year 2020? // I had my entrepreneurial development as a self-employed completely under control (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/61:elb0365_v2[39416]*)

1	Does not apply at all	10
2	2	14
3	3	24
4	4	60
5	5	97

6	6	105
7	Fully applies	276
-1	No answer / don't know	42
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0366 – Attitude before Corona pandemic: Accept comparable dependent employment

? And what was it like before the coronavirus crisis at the beginning of this year (January 2020)? To what extent does the following statement apply to you? // I would have ended my self-employment at the beginning of the year and would have accepted a comparable job in dependent employment if I had been offered it (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q026:VBSD_3[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	78
2	2	31
3	3	14
4	4	14
5	5	6
6	6	6
7	7 Fully applies	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0367 – Reasons for self-employment: Being your own boss

? What were the most important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? In your opinion, to what extent do these statements apply to your decision? // I wanted to be my own boss (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q027:VBN_1[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	5
2	2	4

3	3	15
4	4	18
5	5	23
6	6	30
7	7 Fully applies	55
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0368 – Reasons for self-employment: Disadvantage at previous workplace

? What were the most important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? In your opinion, to what extent do these statements apply to your decision? // I was discriminated against at my previous workplace (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q027:VBN_2[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	87
2	2	22
3	3	8
4	4	7
5	5	9
6	6	6
7	7 Fully applies	11
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0369 – Reasons for self-employment: Earn more money

? What were the most important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? In your opinion, to what extent do these statements apply to your decision? // I wanted to earn more money (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q027:VBN_3[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	16
2	2	10
3	3	22
4	4	26
5	5	23
6	6	30
7	7 Fully applies	23
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0370 – Reasons for self-employment: No longer being unemployed

? What were the most important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? In your opinion, to what extent do these statements apply to your decision? // I no longer wanted to be unemployed (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q027:VBN_4[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	101
2	2	9
3	3	5
4	4	9
5	5	5
6	6	7
7	7 Fully applies	14
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0371 – Reasons for self-employment: Market niche discovered

? What were the most important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? In your opinion, to what extent do these statements apply to your decision? // I had discovered a gap in the market (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q027:VBN_5[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	66
2	2	14
3	3	17
4	4	19
5	5	10
6	6	16
7	7 Fully applies	8
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0372 – Reasons for self-employment: Wanting to implement a new idea

? What were the most important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? In your opinion, to what extent do these statements apply to your decision? // I had a new idea that I wanted to implement (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q027:VBN_6\[\]](#))

1	1 Does not apply at all	57
2	2	16
3	3	15
4	4	10
5	5	18
6	6	23
7	7 Fully applies	11
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0373 – Reasons for self-employment: No more employment found

? What were the most important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? In your opinion, to what extent do these statements apply to your decision? // I could no longer find a job (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q027:VBN_7\[\]](#))

1	1 Does not apply at all	106
2	2	14
3	3	7
4	4	4
5	5	7
6	6	3
7	7 Fully applies	9
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0374 – Reasons for self-employment: Flexible working hours

? What were the most important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? In your opinion, to what extent do these statements apply to your decision? // I wanted to have flexible working hours (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q027:VBN_8\[\]](#))

1	1 Does not apply at all	26
2	2	5
3	3	13
4	4	16
5	5	19
6	6	26
7	7 Fully applies	45
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0375 – Reasons for self-employment: Continuation of a family business

? What were the most important reasons for you to become an entrepreneur/self-employed? In your opinion, to what extent do these statements apply to your decision? // Continuation of a family business (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q027:VBN_9\[\]](#))

1	1 Does not apply at all	126
2	2	6
3	3	2
4	4	1
5	5	1
6	6	1
7	7 Fully applies	13
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	41
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0376 – Germany has the right conditions for entrepreneurial/self-employment

? To what extent do you agree with the following statement: We have the right framework conditions in Germany for entrepreneurial or self-employed activities (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/74:elb0376[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	94
2	2	161
3	3	231
4	4	288
5	5	192
6	6	76
7	7 Fully applies	47
-1	No answer / don't know	50
-2	Does not apply	46
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0377_v1 – Difficulties: A lot of bureaucracy

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial/self-employed activity? // A lot of bureaucracy (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q030:VBL_1[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	3
2	2	9
3	3	17
4	4	12
5	5	41
6	6	33
7	7 Fully applies	34
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0377_v2 – Difficulties: A lot of bureaucracy

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial / self-employed activity? // A lot of bureaucracy (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/73:elb0377[]*)

1	No difficulty	107
2	2	109
3	3	108
4	4	153
5	5	210
6	6	121
7	Very high difficulty	140
-1	No answer / don't know	42
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0378_v1 – Difficulties: High workload

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial/self-employed activity? // High workload (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q030:VBL_2[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	8
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2	2	16
3	3	17
4	4	34
5	5	31
6	6	30
7	7 Fully applies	13
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0378_v2 – Difficulties: High workload

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial / self-employed activity? // High workload (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/73:elb0378[]*)

1	No difficulty	121
2	2	100
3	3	152
4	4	153
5	5	177
6	6	165
7	Very high difficulty	87
-1	No answer / don't know	35
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0379_v1 – Difficulties: Financial risk

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial/self-employed activity? // Financial risk (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q030:VBL_3[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	5
2	2	11

3	3	17
4	4	18
5	5	23
6	6	37
7	7 Fully applies	38
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0379_v2 – Difficulties: Financial risk

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial / self-employed activity? // Financial risk (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/73:elb0379[]*)

1	No difficulty	139
2	2	116
3	3	113
4	4	150
5	5	183
6	6	149
7	Very high difficulty	106
-1	No answer / don't know	34
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0380_v1 – Difficulties: Lack of employees

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial/self-employed activity? // Lack of employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q030:VBL_4[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	53
2	2	24
3	3	17

4	4	22
5	5	15
6	6	8
7	7 Fully applies	10
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0380_v2 – Difficulties: Lack of employees

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial / self-employed activity? // Lack of employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/73:elb0380[]*)

1	No difficulty	414
2	2	86
3	3	66
4	4	93
5	5	91
6	6	84
7	Very high difficulty	105
-1	No answer / don't know	51
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0381_v1 – Difficulties: Qualification of employees

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial/self-employed activity? // Qualification of employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q030:VBL_5[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	51
2	2	20
3	3	9
4	4	23

5	5	24
6	6	11
7	7 Fully applies	11
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0381_v2 – Difficulties: Qualification of employees

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial / self-employed activity? // Qualification of employees (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/73:elb0381\[\]](#))

1	No difficulty	428
2	2	72
3	3	87
4	4	98
5	5	102
6	6	57
7	Very high difficulty	66
-1	No answer / don't know	80
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0382_v1 – Difficulties: Uncertain future

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial/self-employed activity? // Uncertain future (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q030:VBL_6\[\]](#))

1	1 Does not apply at all	15
2	2	30
3	3	12
4	4	29
5	5	23

6	6	20
7	7 Fully applies	20
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0382_v2 – Difficulties: Uncertain future

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial / self-employed activity? // Uncertain future (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/73:elb0382[])

1	No difficulty	205
2	2	111
3	3	120
4	4	149
5	5	167
6	6	102
7	Very high difficulty	99
-1	No answer / don't know	37
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0383 – Challenges: Organizing company succession

? What do you personally see as the biggest challenges for your entrepreneurial/self-employed activities in the coming years? // Regulating company succession (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q032:VBB_1[])

1	1 Does not apply at all	97
2	2	20
3	3	7
4	4	7
5	5	10

6	6	5
7	7 Fully applies	3
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0384 – Challenges: Digitization, automation

? What do you personally see as the biggest challenges for your entrepreneurial/self-employed activities in the coming years? // Digitization, automation (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q032:VBB_2[])

1	1 Does not apply at all	40
2	2	27
3	3	15
4	4	29
5	5	15
6	6	14
7	7 Fully applies	9
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0385 – Challenges: Shortage of skilled workers

? What do you personally see as the biggest challenges for your entrepreneurial/self-employed activities in the coming years? // Skills shortage (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q032:VBB_3[])

1	1 Does not apply at all	64
2	2	19
3	3	13
4	4	18

5	5	15
6	6	7
7	7 Fully applies	13
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0386 – Challenges: Economic development

? What do you personally see as the biggest challenges for your entrepreneurial/self-employed activities in the coming years? // Economic development (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q032:VBB_4[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	13
2	2	21
3	3	19
4	4	28
5	5	31
6	6	18
7	7 Fully applies	19
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0387 – Challenges: Structural changes in markets

? What do you personally see as the biggest challenges for your entrepreneurial/self-employed activities in the coming years? // Structural changes in the markets (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q032:VBB_5[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	17
2	2	16
3	3	13

4	4	36
5	5	31
6	6	22
7	7 Fully applies	14
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0388 – Challenges: Lack of recognition in politics and society

? What do you personally see as the biggest challenges for your entrepreneurial/self-employed activities in the coming years? // Lack of recognition in politics and society (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q032:VBB_6[])

1	1 Does not apply at all	21
2	2	21
3	3	18
4	4	22
5	5	20
6	6	24
7	7 Fully applies	23
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0389 – Ever employed employees since foundation

? Have you ever had any employees since the company was founded (date of foundation [MM.YYYY])? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q034:VBRa[])

1	Yes	49
2	No	83
-1	No answer / don't know	0

-2	Does not apply	59
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0390 – Ever employed employees since takeover

? Have you ever employed dependent employees since the takeover of the company (date of takeover [MM.YYYY])? *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q035:VBRb[])*

1	Yes	10
2	No	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	180
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0391 – Ever employed employees since joining the company

? Since joining the company (date of joining [MM.YYYY]), have you ever employed dependent employees? *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q036:VBRc[])*

1	Yes	4
2	No	2
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	185
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0392 – Ever employed employees [control variable]

? [Dummy for controlling the other employee questions. If employees have ever been employed since foundation/takeover/entry, set value = 1, otherwise = 2] (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q037:VBR[]*)

1	Yes	63
2	No	86
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	42
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0395 – Number of employees last year not specified

1	Mentioned	10
2	Not mentioned	52
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0396 – Number of employees last year

? And how many employees were there on September 30, 2019? // Total number __ (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q038:VBT_Anz[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0396_cat – Number of employees last year [categories]

? And how many employees were there on September 30, 2019? // Total number __ (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q038:VBT_Anz[]*)

0	0	0
1	1-9	40
2	10-15	4
3	16-25	2
4	26-45	1
5	46-75	3
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	1
9	400-999	1
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	10
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0397 – Number of employees last year women

? And how many employees were there on September 30, 2019? // How many of them women __ (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q038:VBT_Frauen[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0397_cat – Number of employees last year women [categories]

? And how many employees were there on September 30, 2019? // How many of them women -- (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q038:VBT_Frauen[]*)

0	0	11
1	1-9	32
2	10-15	4
3	16-25	1
4	26-45	1
5	46-75	2
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	1
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	10
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0398 – Company with empl. and found./takeover/entry before 30.09.2019 [control filter]

1	Mentioned	62
2	Not mentioned	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	128
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0399 – Company with empl. and found./takeover/entry after 30.09.2019 [control filter]

1	Mentioned	1
2	Not mentioned	62
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	128
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0408 – Number of employees in activities without required vocational training

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Total number: Employees for simple tasks that do not require vocational training (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__1_Anz[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0408_cat – Number of employees in activities without required vocational training [cat.]

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Total number: Employees for simple tasks that do not require vocational training (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__1_Anz[]*)

0	0	37
1	1-9	23
2	10-15	2
3	16-25	1
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0

6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	128
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0409 – Number of employees in quali. activities requiring vocational train. or similar

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Total number: Employees for qualified activities that require a completed apprenticeship or comparable vocational training (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__2_Anz()*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0409_cat – Number of employees in qualif. activities requiring vocational train. o.s.[cat.]

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Total number: Employees for qualified activities that require a completed apprenticeship or comparable vocational training (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__2_Anz()*)

0	0	25
1	1-9	33
2	10-15	0

3	16-25	2
4	26-45	2
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	1
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	128
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0410 – Number of employees in quali. activities requiring university degree

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Total number: Employees for qualified jobs requiring a university degree (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__3_Anz[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0410_cat – Number of employees in quali. activities requiring university degree [cat.]

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Total number: Employees for qualified jobs requiring a university degree (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__3_Anz[]*)

0	0	48
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1	1-9	9
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	1
4	26-45	2
5	46-75	1
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	1
9	400-999	1
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	128
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0411 – Number of active owners, board members, managing directors

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Total number: Active owners, board members, managing directors (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__4_Anz()*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

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elb0411_cat – Number of active owners, board members, managing directors [categories]

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Total number: Active owners, board members, managing directors (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__4_Anz()*)

0	0	24
1	1-9	38
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	1
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	128
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0412 – Number of women in activities without required vocational training

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Number of which women: Employees for simple jobs that do not require vocational training (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__1_Frauen[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0412_cat – Number of women in activities without required vocational training [categories]

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Number

of which women: Employees for simple jobs that do not require vocational training (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__1_Frauen[]*)

0	0	42
1	1-9	19
2	10-15	1
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0413 – Number of women in quali. activities requiring vocational training or similar

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Number of which women: Employees for qualified jobs that require a completed apprenticeship or comparable vocational training (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__2_Frauen[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0413_cat – Number of women in quali. activities requiring vocational training o.s. [cat.]

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employ-

ees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Number of which women: Employees for qualified jobs that require a completed apprenticeship or comparable vocational training (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__2_Frauen[]*)

0	0	31
1	1-9	26
2	10-15	1
3	16-25	1
4	26-45	1
5	46-75	1
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	130
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0414 – Number of women in qualified activities requiring university degree

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Number of which women: Employees for qualified jobs that require a university degree (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__3_Frauen[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0414_cat – Number of women in qualified activities requiring university degree [categories]

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Number of which women: Employees for qualified jobs that require a university degree (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__3_Frauen[]*)

0	0	47
1	1-9	9
2	10-15	1
3	16-25	1
4	26-45	2
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	1
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	130
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0415 – Number of women among active owners, board members and managing directors

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Number of which women: Active owners, board members, managing directors (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__4_Frauen[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0415_cat – Number of women among active owners, board members, managing directors [cat.]

? What is the breakdown of the total number of employees on September 30, 2019 by the employee groups listed here and how many of them were women? [Have you hired employees since your company was founded and how many of them were women?] // Number of which women: Active owners, board members, managing directors (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q039:VBRF__4_Frauen[]*)

0	0	47
1	1-9	14
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	130
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0422 – Number of part-time employees

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Total number: Part-time employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__1_Anz1[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0422_cat – Number of part-time employees [categories]

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Total number: Part-time employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__1_Anz1*)

0	0	38
1	1-9	19
2	10-15	3
3	16-25	1
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	1
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0423 – Number of employees in marginal employment up to EUR 450

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Total number: marginally employed up to 450 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__2_Anz1*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0423_cat – Number of employees in marginal employment up to EUR450 [categories]

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Total number: marginally employed up to 450 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__2_Anz1[]*)

0	0	35
1	1-9	27
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0424 – Number of employees between EUR450 and EUR850

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Total number: Employees between EUR450 and EUR850 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__3_Anz1[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0424_cat – Number of employees between EUR450 and EUR850 [categories]

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Total number: Employees between EUR450 and EUR850 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__3_Anz1[]*)

0	0	49
1	1-9	13
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0425 – Number of women employed part-time

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Number of which women: Part-time employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__1_Frauen[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0425_cat – Number of women employed part-time [categories]

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Number of which women: Part-time employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__1_Frauen[]*)

0	0	39
1	1-9	19
2	10-15	3
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	1
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0426 – Number of women employed marginally up to EUR 450

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Number of which women: Part-time employees up to 450 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__2_Frauen[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0426_cat – Number of women employed marginally up to EUR450 [categories]

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Number of which women: Part-time employees up to 450 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__2_Frauen[]*)

0	0	38
1	1-9	24
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0427 – Number of women employed between EUR450 and EUR850

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Number of which women: Employees between EUR450 and EUR850 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__3_Frauen[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0427_cat – Number of women employed between EUR450 and EUR850 [categories]

? Did the employees include part-time employees (including marginal part-time employees)? // Number of which women: Employees between EUR450 and EUR850 (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q040:VBRG__3_Frauen[])

0	0	55
1	1-9	7
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	129
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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Edition: international

elb0428 – Foundation before 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	139
2	Not mentioned	6
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	46
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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Edition: international

elb0429 – Foundation after 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	6
2	Not mentioned	139
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	46
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0433 – Number of other employees: Self-employed without employees

? Beyond dependent employees: Did you have the following employees [on 30.09.2019]? // Self-employed without employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q041:VCB_4[]*)

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0433_cat – Number of other employees: Self-employed without employees [categories]

? Beyond dependent employees: Did you have the following employees [on 30.09.2019]? // Self-employed without employees (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q041:VCB_4[]*)

0	0	0
1	1-9	112
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0

-1	No answer / don't know	79
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0434 – Number of other employees: Not specified:

1	Mentioned	79
2	Not mentioned	112
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0435 – Number of other employees: Freelancers with contracts for work or services

? Beyond dependent employees: Did you have the following employees [on 30.09.2019]?
 // Number: Freelancers with contracts for work and services – (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q041:VCB_Anz1[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0435_cat – Number of other employees: Freelancers with contracts for work or servic.[cat.]

? Beyond dependent employees: Did you have the following employees [on 30.09.2019]?
 // Number: Freelancers with contracts for work and services _ _ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q041:VCB_Anz1[])

0	0	101
1	1-9	10
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	1
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	79
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0436 – Number of other employees: Temporary workers

? Beyond dependent employees: Did you have the following employees [on 30.09.2019]? //
 Number: Temporary workers _ _ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q041:VCB_Anz2[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0436_cat – Number of other employees: Temporary workers [categories]

? Beyond dependent employees: Did you have the following employees [on 30.09.2019]? //
 Number: Temporary workers __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q041:VCB_Anz2[])

0	0	112
1	1-9	0
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	79
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0437 – Number of other employees: 1-euro jobbers

? Beyond dependent employees: Did you have the following employees [on 30.09.2019]? //
 Number: 1-Euro-Jobber __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q041:VCB_Anz3[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0437_cat – Number of other employees: 1-euro jobbers [categories]

? Beyond dependent employees: Did you have the following employees [on 30.09.2019]? //
 Number: 1-Euro-Jobber __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q041:VCB_Anz3[])

0	0	112
1	1-9	0
2	10-15	0
3	16-25	0
4	26-45	0
5	46-75	0
6	76-119	0
7	120-199	0
8	200-399	0
9	400-999	0
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	79
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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Edition: international

elb0438 – Employees hired in 2019

? Did you hire employees in 2019? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q042:VCC\[\]](#))

1	Yes	21
2	No	40
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	130
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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Edition: international

elb0439 – Demand for personnel

? Would you have liked to hire employees in 2019 or did you have no need at all? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q043:VCD\[\]](#))

1	Yes, would have liked to hire ... employees	0
2	No, I had no demand	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0

-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	1185

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Edition: international

elb0440 – Demand for personnel: Number of employees demanded

? Would you have liked to hire employees in 2019 or did you have no need at all? // Yes, would have liked to hire __ employees (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q043:VCD_ANZ[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	1185

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Edition: international

elb0441 – Demand for personnel since foundation

? Would you have liked to hire employees since the company was founded or did you have no need at all? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q044:VBRX[])

1	Yes, would have liked to hire ... employees	0
2	No, I had no demand	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	1185

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Edition: international

elb0442 – Demand for personnel since foundation: Number of employees demanded

? Would you have liked to hire employees since the company was founded or did you have no need at all? // Yes, would have liked to hire __ employees (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q044:VBRX_ANZ[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	1185

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elb0446 – Number of employees hired in 2019

? How many new employees did you hire in total in 2019? // __ Employees (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q045:VCF_ANZ1[])

1		9
2		5
6		2
7		1
9		1
18		1
150		2
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	170
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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Edition: international

elb0447 – Number of employees hired in 2019: Of which women

? How many new employees did you hire in total in 2019? // How many of them were women __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q045:VCF_ANZ2[])

0	5
1	7

2	2
3	1
4	1
5	1
6	1
7	1
10	1
50	1
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	170
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0448 – Employees left the company in 2019

? Did any employees leave your company in 2019? This refers to redundancies, dismissals, retirement, expiry of temporary contracts, death. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q046:VCG\[\]](#))

1 Yes	17
2 No	44
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	130
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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elb0452 – Number of employees who left the company in 2019

? // How many employees left the company in total _ _ (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q047:VCH_Anz1\[\]](#))

1	10
3	3
5	1
6	1

12	1
100	1
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	174
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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elb0453 – Number of employees who left the company in 2019: Of which women

? // How many of them women __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q047:VCH_Anz2
[])

0	4
1	8
2	2
3	2
30	1
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	174
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0462 – Type of separation: Not specified

1 Mentioned	0
2 Not mentioned	17
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	174
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0463 – Type of separation number: Termination by the employee

? What is the overall breakdown of staff departures by the reasons mentioned here? // Termination by the employee – – (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q048:VCJ_Anz1[]*)

0	9
1	3
2	1
3	1
4	1
9	1
95	1
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	174
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0464 – Type of separation number: Termination by the company

? What is the overall breakdown of staff departures by the reasons mentioned here? // Termination by the company – – (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q048:VCJ_Anz2[]*)

0	6
1	9
2	1
3	1
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	174
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0465 – Type of separation number: Expiry of a fixed-term employment contract

? What is the overall breakdown of staff departures by the reasons mentioned here? // Expiry of a fixed-term employment contract __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q048:VCJ_Anz3[])

0	15
2	1
6	1
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	174
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0466 – Type of separation number: Termin. by mutual agree. (also due to social plan)

? What is the overall breakdown of staff departures by the reasons mentioned here? // Termination by mutual agreement (also on the basis of a social plan) __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q048:VCJ_Anz4[])

1 Mentioned	1
2 Not mentioned	16
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	174
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0467 – Type of separation number: Retirem. on reaching the reg. (statutory) retire. age

? What is the overall breakdown of staff departures by the reasons mentioned here? // Retirement on reaching the regular (statutory) retirement age __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q048:VCJ_Anz5[])

0	16
2	1

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	174
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0468 – Type of separation number: Retirem. before reaching the reg. (stat.) retire. age

? What is the overall breakdown of staff departures by the reasons mentioned here? // Retirement before reaching the regular (statutory) retirement age __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q048:VCJ_Anz6[])

0		17
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	174
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0469 – Type of separation number: Occupational/inability to work

? What is the overall breakdown of staff departures by the reasons mentioned here? // Occupational disability/incapacity to work __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q048:VCJ_Anz7[])

0		17
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	174
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0470 – Type of separation number: Other

? What is the overall breakdown of staff departures by the reasons mentioned here? // Other __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q048:VCJ_Anz8[])

0	17
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	174
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0471 – Leave of absence or covering of costs for further training

? Did your company support further education and training measures in 2019, i.e. were employees released from work to take part in in-house or external measures or were the costs of further training measures covered in full or in part by the company? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q049:VCK[])

1 Yes, leave of absence or covering of costs	20
2 No, neither leave of absence nor covering of costs	29
-1 No answer / don't know	12
-2 Does not apply	130
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0475 – Further training number of participants

? How many people took part in these training measures in 2019? If people in your company took part in multiple training measures, please only count them once. Please state the total number. // Participants (persons) in total __ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q050:VCL_ANZ1[])

1	5
2	6
3	1

4	1
6	1
8	1
10	1
20	1
35	1
450	1
-1 No answer / don't know	1
-2 Does not apply	171
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0476 – Further training number of participants: Of which women

? How many people took part in these training measures in 2019? If people in your company took part in multiple training measures, please only count them once. Please state the total number. // How many of them women __ (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q050:VCL_ANZ2\[\]](#))

0	5
2	8
4	1
5	1
6	1
10	1
28	1
150	1
-1 No answer / don't know	1
-2 Does not apply	171
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0477 – Staff costs in 2019 in euros (employer gross amount incl. bonuses)

? How high were the total personnel expenses (employer gross amount incl. bonuses) for all employees in your company in 2019? // Expenditure in EUR _ _ (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q051:VCM[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0477_cat – Staff costs in 2019 in euros (employer gross amount incl. bonuses)
[categories]

? How high were the total personnel expenses (employer gross amount incl. bonuses) for all employees in your company in 2019? // Expenditure in EUR _ _ (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q051:VCM[]*)

0	0	0
1	(0, 1,000)	1
2	[1,000, 5,000)	3
3	[5,000, 10,000)	3
4	[10,000, 50,000)	7
5	[50,000, 100,000)	4
6	[100,000, 500,000)	7
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	0
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	2
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	34
-2	Does not apply	130
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0478 – Turnover excluding VAT last year in euros

? What was your company's turnover (and other operating income) excluding VAT in 2019?

// Euro __ (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q052:VCN[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0478_cat – Turnover excluding VAT last year in euros [categories]

? What was your company's turnover (and other operating income) excluding VAT in 2019?

// Euro __ (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q052:VCN[]*)

0	0	0
1	(0, 1,000)	1
2	[1,000, 5,000)	1
3	[5,000, 10,000)	3
4	[10,000, 50,000)	30
5	[50,000, 100,000)	21
6	[100,000, 500,000)	21
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	5
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	9
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	48
-2	Does not apply	52
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0481 – Material and operational expenses not specified

1	Mentioned	56
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2	Not mentioned	82
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	53
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0482 – Material and operational expenses last year in euros

? What was the total cost of materials and other operating expenses in your company in 2023 as a whole? // Expenditure in euros: [...] (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/69:elb0482](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0482_cat – Material and operational expenses last year in euros [categories]

? What was the total cost of materials and other operating expenses in your company in 2023 as a whole? // Expenditure in euros: [...] (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/69:elb0482](#))

0	0	81
1	(0, 1,000)	55
2	[1,000, 5,000)	91
3	[5,000, 10,000)	48
4	[10,000, 50,000)	86
5	[50,000, 100,000)	32
6	[100,000, 500,000)	44
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	16
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	34
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	10
10	20,000,000 and more	3
-1	No answer / don't know	341

-2	Does not apply	344
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0483 – Material and operational expenses last year relative to sales in percent

? What was the total cost of materials and other operating expenses in your company in 2023 as a whole? // Expenditure relative to sales (in percent): [...] (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/69:elb0483[]*)

0		48
1		8
3		8
4		1
5		14
7		1
8		4
10		32
14		1
15		11
18		2
20		21
25		9
26		2
27		1
...	(20 rows omitted)	127
78		2
80		5
85		1
90		4
96		1
99		1
100		5
-1	No answer / don't know	341
-2	Does not apply	535
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0484a – Taxable profit previous year in euros (positive amount)

? What was your company's reported taxable profit in 2023? // [...] euros (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/68:elb0484()*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0484a_cat – Taxable profit previous year in euros (positive amount) [categories]

? What was your company's reported taxable profit in 2023? // [...] euros (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/68:elb0484()*)

0	0	80
1	(0, 1.000)	17
2	[1.000, 5.000)	52
3	[5.000, 10.000)	45
4	[10.000, 50.000)	222
5	[50.000, 100.000)	105
6	[100.000, 500.000)	121
7	[500.000, 1.000.000)	21
8	[1.000.000, 5.000.000)	15
9	[5.000.000, 20.000.000)	2
10	20.000.000 and more	2
-1	No answer / don't know	432
-2	Does not apply	71
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0484b – Taxable profit previous year in euros (negative amount)

? What was your company's reported taxable profit in 2023? // [...] euros (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/68:elb0484[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0484b_cat – Taxable profit previous year in euros (negative amount) [categories]

? What was your company's reported taxable profit in 2023? // [...] euros (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/68:elb0484[])

0	0	0
1	(0, 1.000)	5
2	[1.000, 5.000)	1
3	[5.000, 10.000)	4
4	[10.000, 50.000)	3
5	[50.000, 100.000)	3
6	[100.000, 500.000)	2
7	[500.000, 1.000.000)	0
8	[1.000.000, 5.000.000)	0
9	[5.000.000, 20.000.000)	0
10	20.000.000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	349
-2	Does not apply	627
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0486 – Start-up capital: Amount of start-up capital not exactly known

? How much start-up capital - not including material resources - did you use for your start-up in [date of foundation MM YYYY]? Please state the amount in euros. An estimate is

sufficient. Separately: how much capital in kind did you use? // Start-up capital amount not exactly known (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q055:VCR_3[]*)

1	Mentioned	1
2	Not mentioned	3
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	186
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0488 – Physical capital: Amount of physical capital not exactly known

? How much start-up capital - not including material resources - did you use for your start-up in [date of foundation MM YYYY]? Please state the amount in euros. An estimate is sufficient. Separately: how much capital in kind did you use? // Amount of tangible capital not precisely known (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q055:VCR_4[]*)

1	Mentioned	1
2	Not mentioned	3
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	186
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0491 – Start-up capital without physical capital in euros

? How much start-up capital - not including material resources - did you use for your start-up in [date of foundation MM YYYY]? Please state the amount in euros. An estimate is sufficient. Separately: how much capital in kind did you use? // _ _ Euro (starting capital without capital in kind) (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q055:VCRa_Anz1[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0491_cat – Start-up capital without physical capital in euros [categories]

? How much start-up capital - not including material resources - did you use for your start-up in [date of foundation MM YYYY]? Please state the amount in euros. An estimate is sufficient. Separately: how much capital in kind did you use? // _ _ Euro (starting capital without capital in kind) (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q055:VCRa_Anz1[]*)

0	0	1
1	(0, 1,000)	0
2	[1,000, 5,000)	0
3	[5,000, 10,000)	1
4	[10,000, 50,000)	1
5	[50,000, 100,000)	0
6	[100,000, 500,000)	0
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	0
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	0
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	187
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0493 – Physical capital in euros

? How much start-up capital - not including material resources - did you use for your start-up in [date of foundation MM YYYY]? Please state the amount in euros. An estimate is sufficient. Separately: how much capital in kind did you use? // _ _ Euro (tangible capital) (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q055:VCRb_Anz2[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0493_cat – Physical capital in euros [categories]

? How much start-up capital - not including material resources - did you use for your start-up in [date of foundation MM YYYY]? Please state the amount in euros. An estimate is sufficient. Separately: how much capital in kind did you use? // _ _ Euro (tangible capital) (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q055:VCRb_Anz2[])

0	0	0
1	(0, 1,000)	0
2	[1,000, 5,000)	0
3	[5,000, 10,000)	0
4	[10,000, 50,000)	2
5	[50,000, 100,000)	1
6	[100,000, 500,000)	0
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	0
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	0
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	187
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0494 – Start-up capital: less than 1,000 euros

? under 1,000 euros (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q056:VCS_1[])

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	190
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0

-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0495 – Start-up capital: 1,000 to under 2,500 euros

? under 1,000 euros // 1,000 to under 2,500 euros (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q056:VCS_2[]*)

1	Mentioned	1
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	190
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0496 – Start-up capital: 2,500 to under 5,000 euros

? under 1,000 euros // 2,500 to under 5,000 euros (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q056:VCS_3[]*)

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	190
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0497 – Start-up capital: 5,000 to under 10,000 euros

? under 1,000 euros // 5,000 to under 10,000 euros (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q056:VCS_4\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	190
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0498 – Start-up capital: 10,000 to under 50,000 euros

? under 1,000 euros // 10,000 to under 50,000 euros (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q056:VCS_5\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	190
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0499 – Start-up capital: 50,000 to under 250,000 euros

? under 1,000 euros // 50,000 to under 250,000 euros (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q056:VCS_6\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	190
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0500 – Start-up capital: 250,000 euros and more

? under 1,000 euros // 250,000 euros and more (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q056:VCS_7\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	190
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0501 – Start-up capital: not specified

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	190
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0502 – Total investments (balance sheet-relevant) last year in euros

? What was the total amount of balance sheet-relevant investments, excluding depreciation or other value adjustments, that you made in your company in 2023 as a whole? // [...] euros (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/20:elb0502\[\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0502_cat – Total investments (balance sheet-relevant) last year in euros [categories]

? What was the total amount of balance sheet-relevant investments, excluding depreciation or other value adjustments, that you made in your company in 2023 as a whole? // [...] euros
(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/20:elb0502[])

0	0	267
1	(0, 1,000)	69
2	[1,000, 5,000)	153
3	[5,000, 10,000)	71
4	[10,000, 50,000)	149
5	[50,000, 100,000)	52
6	[100,000, 500,000)	69
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	15
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	9
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	1
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	277
-2	Does not apply	53
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0503 – Share of expansion investments last year in percent

? What was the share of expansion investments in the total investment volume mentioned above? // approx. _ _ % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q058:VCV[])

0	20
1	1
2	1

3	1
4	1
5	2
10	2
20	1
30	1
50	1
90	1
100	2
-1 No answer / don't know	104
-2 Does not apply	53
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0504 – Financing of investments in last year filter

1 Mentioned	138
2 Not mentioned	6
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	47
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0505 – Financing the start-up capital filter

1 Mentioned	6
2 Not mentioned	138
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	47
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

- 7 Only available in less restricted edition 0
- 8 Question not part of the survey program this year 994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0506 – Financing: Equity

? How did you finance the investments in 2019? [How did you finance the start-up capital?]
 // Equity capital (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q059:VCX_1[])

- 1 Mentioned 96
- 2 Not mentioned 12
- 1 No answer / don't know 36
- 2 Does not apply 47
- 3 Implausible value 0
- 4 Inadmissible multiple response 0
- 5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire 0
- 6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering 0
- 7 Only available in less restricted edition 0
- 8 Question not part of the survey program this year 994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0507 – Financing: Venture capital (venture capital, equity crowd funding, etc.)

? How did you finance the investments in 2019? [How did you finance the start-up capital?]
 // Venture capital (venture capital, equity crowd funding or similar) (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q059:VCX_2[])

- 1 Mentioned 0
- 2 Not mentioned 108
- 1 No answer / don't know 36
- 2 Does not apply 47
- 3 Implausible value 0
- 4 Inadmissible multiple response 0
- 5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire 0
- 6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering 0
- 7 Only available in less restricted edition 0
- 8 Question not part of the survey program this year 994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0508 – Financing: Short-term debt capital

? How did you finance the investments in 2019? [How did you finance the start-up capital?]
 // Short-term debt capital (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q059:VCX_3[]*)

1	Mentioned	11
2	Not mentioned	97
-1	No answer / don't know	36
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0509 – Financing: Long-term debt capital

? How did you finance the investments in 2019? [How did you finance the start-up capital?]
 // Long-term debt capital (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q059:VCX_4[]*)

1	Mentioned	14
2	Not mentioned	94
-1	No answer / don't know	36
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0510 – Financing: Not specified

1	Mentioned	36
2	Not mentioned	108
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0513 – Financing: Equity not specified

1	Mentioned	51
2	Not mentioned	45
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	95
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0514 – Financing: Equity in euros

? How high was your equity? // around _ _ Euro (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q060:VCY_Anz1[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0514_cat – Financing: Equity in euros [categories]

? How high was your equity? // around _ _ Euro (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q060:VCY_Anz1[]*)

0	0	0
1	(0, 1,000)	2
2	[1,000, 5,000)	9
3	[5,000, 10,000)	4

4	[10,000, 50,000)	9
5	[50,000, 100,000)	2
6	[100,000, 500,000)	2
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	0
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	1
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	51
-2	Does not apply	111
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0515 – Financing: Equity in percent

? How high was your equity? // around _ _ % of total investments (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q060:VCY_Anz2[])

0		1
5		1
15		1
25		1
30		2
35		1
45		1
50		1
75		1
90		1
100		13
-1	No answer / don't know	51
-2	Does not apply	116
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0518 – Financing: Venture capital not specified

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	191
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0519 – Financing: Venture capital in euros

? How much was your venture capital? // around __ Euro (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q061:VCZ_Anz1[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0519_cat – Financing: Venture capital in euros [categories]

? How much was your venture capital? // around __ Euro (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q061:VCZ_Anz1[])

0	0	0
1	(0, 1,000)	0
2	[1,000, 5,000)	0
3	[5,000, 10,000)	0
4	[10,000, 50,000)	0
5	[50,000, 100,000)	0
6	[100,000, 500,000)	0
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	0
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	0
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	191
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0520 – Financing: Venture capital in percent

? How much was your venture capital? // around _ _ % of total investments (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q061:VCZ_Anz2[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	191
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0523 – Financing: Short-term debt not specified

1	Mentioned	3
2	Not mentioned	8
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	180
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0524 – Financing: Short-term debt capital in euros

? How much short-term debt capital did you have? // around _ _ Euro (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q062:VDB_Anz1[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0524_cat – Financing: Short-term debt capital in euros [categories]

? How much short-term debt capital did you have? // around _ _ Euro (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q062:VDB_Anz1[]*)

0	0	0
1	(0, 1,000)	1
2	[1,000, 5,000)	2
3	[5,000, 10,000)	1
4	[10,000, 50,000)	3
5	[50,000, 100,000)	0
6	[100,000, 500,000)	0
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	0
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	0
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	181
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0525 – Financing: Short-term debt capital in percent

? How much short-term debt capital did you have? // around _ _ % of total investments (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q062:VDB_Anz2[]*)

10		1
15		1
65		1
100		1
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	184
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0528 – Financing: Long-term debt capital not specified

1	Mentioned	5
2	Not mentioned	9
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	177
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0529 – Financing: Long-term debt capital in euros

? How high was your long-term debt capital? // around _ _ Euro (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q063:VDC_Anz1[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0529_cat – Financing: Long-term debt capital in euros [categories]

? How high was your long-term debt capital? // around _ _ Euro (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q063:VDC_Anz1[]*)

0	0	0
1	(0, 1,000)	0
2	[1,000, 5,000)	0
3	[5,000, 10,000)	1
4	[10,000, 50,000)	4
5	[50,000, 100,000)	0
6	[100,000, 500,000)	1
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	2
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	0
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	5
-2	Does not apply	178
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0530 – Financing: Long-term debt capital in percent

? How high was your long-term debt capital? // around _ _ % (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q063:VDC_Anz2[]*)

25		1
50		1
70		1
-1	No answer / don't know	5
-2	Does not apply	183
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0531 – Average interest rate for short-term debt

? What average interest rate did you have to pay for the short-term borrowed capital? // – % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q064:VDD[])

0	2
3	1
5	3
8	1
9	1
-1 No answer / don't know	3
-2 Does not apply	180
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0532 – Average interest rate for long-term debt

? What average interest rate did you have to pay for the long-term debt? // – – % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q065:VDF[])

0	1
1	2
2	4
3	1
5	2
-1 No answer / don't know	4
-2 Does not apply	177
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0533 – Marketing expenditure last year in euros

? What was the approximate total marketing expenditure you made in your company in the fiscal year 2023? // [...] euros (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/21:elb0533[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0533_cat – Marketing expenditure last year in euros [categories]

? What was the approximate total marketing expenditure you made in your company in the fiscal year 2023? // [...] euros (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/21:elb0533[]*)

0	0	372
1	(0, 1,000)	224
2	[1,000, 5,000)	161
3	[5,000, 10,000)	78
4	[10,000, 50,000)	84
5	[50,000, 100,000)	20
6	[100,000, 500,000)	20
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	3
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	1
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	169
-2	Does not apply	53
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0534 – Service/product improved filter foundation before 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	138
2	Not mentioned	6
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0535 – Service/product improved filter foundation after 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	6
2	Not mentioned	138
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0536_v1 – Service/product improved in the last fiscal year

? Did your company improve or further develop a service or product that you previously offered in the last fiscal year 2019? [Has your company introduced a new service or product with market entry for which a market already exists?] (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q067:VDG\[\]](#))

1	Yes	57
2	No	58
3	Don't know	9
-1	No answer / don't know	20
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0536_v2 – Service/product improved in the last fiscal year

? Did your company improve or further develop a service or product that you previously offered in the last fiscal year 2023? *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/22:elb0536[])*

1	Yes	260
2	No	691
-1	No answer / don't know	43
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0537 – Completely new service/product offered filter foundation before 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	138
2	Not mentioned	6
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0538 – Completely new service/product offered filter foundation after 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	6
2	Not mentioned	138
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0539_v1 – Completely new service/product offered in last fiscal year

? Did your company launch a completely new service or product for which a new market has yet to be created in the last fiscal year 2019? [Has your company introduced a completely new service or product with market entry for which a market has yet to be created?] (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q068:VDH\[\]](#))

1	Yes	13
2	No	115
3	Don't know	0
-1	No answer / don't know	15
-2	Does not apply	48
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0539_v2 – Completely new service/product offered in last fiscal year

? Did your company launch a completely new service or product for which a new market has yet to be created in the last fiscal year 2023? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/23:elb0539\[\]](#))

1	Yes	79
2	No	878
-1	No answer / don't know	37
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0540_v1 – New organizational methods developed and introduced in last fiscal year

? Did your company develop and introduce new methods in the organization of business processes (e.g. quality management, supply chain management, lean production, knowledge management) in the last fiscal year 2019? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q069:VDJ\[\]](#))

1	Yes	19
2	No	104
3	Don't know	2
-1	No answer / don't know	12
-2	Does not apply	54
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0540_v2 – New organizational methods developed and introduced in last fiscal year

? Did your company develop and introduce new methods in the organization of business processes in the last fiscal year 2023? This includes, for example, quality management, supply chain management, lean production, knowledge management are meant. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/24:elb0540\[\]](#))

1	Yes	116
2	No	841
-1	No answer / don't know	37
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0541_v1 – New marketing/sales methods introduced in last fiscal year

? Did your company introduce new marketing/sales methods (marketing innovations are part of a new marketing concept or a new marketing strategy) in the last fiscal year 2019 that were not previously used in your company? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q070:VDK\[\]](#))

1	Yes	12
2	No	112
3	Don't know	4
-1	No answer / don't know	9
-2	Does not apply	54
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0541_v2 – New marketing/sales methods introduced in last fiscal year

? Did your company introduce new marketing/sales methods in the last fiscal year 2023 that were not previously used in your company? Marketing innovations are part of a new marketing concept or a new marketing strategy. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/25:elb0541](#) [\[\]](#))

1	Yes	85
2	No	874
-1	No answer / don't know	35
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0542_v1 – New procedures for production process developed or introduced in last fiscal y.

? Did your company develop or introduce processes in the last fiscal year 2019 that significantly improved the production process or the provision of services? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q071:VDL](#) [\[\]](#))

1	Yes	18
2	No	107
3	Don't know	4
-1	No answer / don't know	8
-2	Does not apply	54
-3	Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0542_v2 – New procedures for production process developed or introduced in last fiscal y.

? Did your company develop or introduce processes in the last fiscal year 2023 that significantly improved the production process or the provision of services? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/26:elb0542\[\]](#))

1	Yes	120
2	No	839
-1	No answer / don't know	35
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0543 – Planned innovations not implemented in last fiscal year

? Did you plan but not implement any product, process, organizational or marketing innovations in the last fiscal year 2019? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q072:VDM\[\]](#))

1	Yes	22
2	No	108
-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	54
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0544 – No innovations: High investment costs

? Which of the following factors prevented the implementation? // High investment costs
 (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q073:VDN_1[])

1	Mentioned	8
2	Not mentioned	13
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	169
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0545 – No innovations: High economic risk

? Which of the following factors prevented the implementation? // High economic risk
 (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q073:VDN_2[])

1	Mentioned	4
2	Not mentioned	17
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	169
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0546 – No innovations: Problems in obtaining external capital

? Which of the following factors prevented the implementation? // Problems in obtaining outside capital (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q073:VDN_3[])

1	Mentioned	2
2	Not mentioned	19
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	169
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0547 – No innovations: Organizational problems

? Which of the following factors prevented the implementation? // Organizational problems (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q073:VDN_4[]*)

1	Mentioned	7
2	Not mentioned	14
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	169
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0548 – No innovations: Lack of skilled personnel

? Which of the following factors prevented the implementation? // Lack of specialist staff (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q073:VDN_5[]*)

1	Mentioned	5
2	Not mentioned	16
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	169
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0549 – No innovations: Lack of customer acceptance

? Which of the following factors prevented the implementation? // Lack of customer acceptance (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q073:VDN_6[])

1	Mentioned	1
2	Not mentioned	20
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	169
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0550 – No innovations: Long approval procedures

? Which of the following factors prevented the implementation? // Long approval procedures (laws, standards, legal regulations) (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q073:VDN_7[])

1	Mentioned	0
2	Not mentioned	21
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	169
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0551 – No innovations: Other

? Which of the following factors prevented the implementation? // Other (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q073:VDN_8[])

1	Mentioned	8
2	Not mentioned	13
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	169
-3	Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0552 – No innovations: Not specified

1	Mentioned	1
2	Not mentioned	21
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	169
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0553 – Research and development

? Is your company involved in research and development (R&D)? *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q074:VDP[])*

1	Yes	16
2	No	124
3	Don't know	0
-1	No answer / don't know	6
-2	Does not apply	45
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0554 – Cooperation with other companies

? Research and development is often carried out in cooperation with others. What is it like for you? // We work together with other companies (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q075:VDQ_1[]*)

1	Mentioned	6
2	Not mentioned	8
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	175
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0555 – Cooperation with universities or universities of applied sciences

? Research and development is often carried out in cooperation with others. What is it like for you? // We cooperate with universities/universities of applied sciences (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q075:VDQ_2[]*)

1	Mentioned	4
2	Not mentioned	10
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	175
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0556 – Cooperation with external consultants

? Research and development is often carried out in cooperation with others. What is it like for you? // We work together with external consultants (management consultants, engineering offices) (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q075:VDQ_3[]*)

1	Mentioned	2
2	Not mentioned	12
-1	No answer / don't know	2

-2	Does not apply	175
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0557 – Cooperation with non-university research institutions

? Research and development is often carried out in cooperation with others. What is it like for you? // We cooperate with non-university research facilities/research institutes (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q075:VDQ_4\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	1
2	Not mentioned	13
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	175
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0558 – No cooperation in R&D

? Research and development is often carried out in cooperation with others. What is it like for you? // Does not apply, no cooperation with R & D (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q075:VDQ_5\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	5
2	Not mentioned	9
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	175
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0559 – Cooperation: Not specified

1	Mentioned	2
2	Not mentioned	14
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	175
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0562 – Research and development expenditure not specified

1	Mentioned	5
2	Not mentioned	10
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	176
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0563 – Research and development expenditure 2018 in euros

? How much was spent on research and development in 2018 and 2019? // 2018: __ Euro
 (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q076:VDR_Anz1\[\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0563_cat – Research and development expenditure 2018 in euros [categories]

? How much was spent on research and development in 2018 and 2019? // 2018: __ Euro
(from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q076:VDR_Anz1[]*)

0	0	2
1	(0, 1,000)	2
2	[1,000, 5,000)	1
3	[5,000, 10,000)	1
4	[10,000, 50,000)	2
5	[50,000, 100,000)	0
6	[100,000, 500,000)	2
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	0
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	0
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	5
-2	Does not apply	176
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0564 – Research and development expenditure 2019 in euros

? How much was spent on research and development in 2018 and 2019? // 2019: __ Euro
(from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q076:VDR_Anz2[]*)

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020

Edition: onsite

elb0564_cat – Research and development expenditure 2019 in euros [categories]

? How much was spent on research and development in 2018 and 2019? // 2019: __ Euro
(from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q076:VDR_Anz2[]*)

0	0	2
1	(0, 1,000)	2
2	[1,000, 5,000)	1
3	[5,000, 10,000)	1
4	[10,000, 50,000)	2
5	[50,000, 100,000)	1
6	[100,000, 500,000)	1
7	[500,000, 1,000,000)	0
8	[1,000,000, 5,000,000)	0
9	[5,000,000, 20,000,000)	0
10	20,000,000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	5
-2	Does not apply	176
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0565 – Digitization: Actively engaged with new technologies

? Modern automation and digitalization technologies are able to revolutionize communication and cooperation between employees, systems, logistics, products and customers. These include autonomous robotics, smart factories, the Internet of Things and analysis tools with big data, cloud services and online platforms. In your opinion, to what extent do the following statements apply to your company? // We have already worked intensively with these new technologies in our company (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q078:VDT_1[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	44
2	2	20
3	3	12
4	4	20
5	5	25
6	6	9
7	7 Fully applies	16
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	45
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0566 – Digitization: Huge potential

? Modern automation and digitalization technologies are able to revolutionize communication and cooperation between employees, systems, logistics, products and customers. These include autonomous robotics, smart factories, the Internet of Things and analysis tools with big data, cloud services and online platforms. In your opinion, to what extent do the following statements apply to your company? // We see great potential for using such new technologies in our company (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q078:VDT_2[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	45
2	2	28
3	3	13
4	4	20
5	5	19
6	6	5
7	7 Fully applies	16
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	45
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0567 – Digitization: Technologies are already being used

? Modern automation and digitalization technologies are able to revolutionize communication and cooperation between employees, systems, logistics, products and customers. These include autonomous robotics, smart factories, the Internet of Things and analysis tools with big data, cloud services and online platforms. In your opinion, to what extent do the following statements apply to your company? // We are already using such new technologies in our company (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q078:VDT_3[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	50
2	2	23
3	3	10
4	4	22
5	5	16
6	6	9
7	7 Fully applies	16
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	45
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0568 – Digitization: Company well-positioned in comparison

? Modern automation and digitalization technologies are able to revolutionize communication and cooperation between employees, systems, logistics, products and customers. These include autonomous robotics, smart factories, the Internet of Things and analysis tools with big data, cloud services and online platforms. In your opinion, to what extent do the following statements apply to your company? // Compared to other companies in our sector, our company is well equipped with these new technologies (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q078:VDT_4[]*)

1	1 Does not apply at all	36
2	2	21
3	3	23
4	4	30
5	5	19
6	6	5
7	7 Fully applies	12
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	45
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0569 – E-Commerce 1: Filter foundation before 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	137
2	Not mentioned	6
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	48
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0570 – E-Commerce 1: Filter foundation after 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	6
2	Not mentioned	137
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	48
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0571 – Procurement of goods and services via the Internet

? Did you procure goods and services online in [year 2019/first quarter of 2020]? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q079:VDV\[\]](#))

1	Yes	103
2	No	36
-1	No answer / don't know	4
-2	Does not apply	48
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0572 – E-Commerce 2: Filter foundation before 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	100
2	Not mentioned	3
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	88
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0573 – E-Commerce 2: Filter foundation after 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	3
2	Not mentioned	100
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	88
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0574 – Share of purchases made online in percent

? What is the share of purchases made online in [year 2019/first quarter of 2020]? // __ %
 (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q080:VDW[])

1		3
2		1
3		1
5		6
10		6
15		2
20		6
25		3
30		2
40		1
50		10
60		4
70		5
75		1
80		11
90		5
95		1
100		7
-1	No answer / don't know	28
-2	Does not apply	88
-3	Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0575 – Company website available

? Does your company have its own website? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q081:VDX
[])

1	Yes	94
2	No	49
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	45
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0576 – Sale of goods and services via the Internet

? Do you sell your company's goods and services via the Internet? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q082:VDY[])

1	Yes	42
2	No	101
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	46
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0577 – E-Commerce 3: Filter foundation before 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	37
2	Not mentioned	3
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	151
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0578 – E-Commerce 3: Filter foundation after 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	3
2	Not mentioned	37
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	151
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0579 – Share of sales made via the Internet in percent

? What is the share of sales made online in [year 2019/first quarter of 2020]? // _ _ % (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q083:VDZ[]*)

0	1
1	2
2	1
3	1
4	1
5	4
10	3
15	2
20	1
25	1
50	1

65		1
70		1
75		1
80		2
90		4
95		1
100		6
-1	No answer / don't know	6
-2	Does not apply	151
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0580 – Production of digital products or services

? Do you produce and sell digital products and services? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q084:VFB[]*)

1	Yes	37
2	No	105
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	46
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0581 – E-Commerce 4: Filter foundation before 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	34
2	Not mentioned	2
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	155
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0582 – E-Commerce 4: Filter foundation after 30.09.2019

1	Mentioned	2
2	Not mentioned	34
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	155
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0583 – Share of digital products and services produced in percent

? What is the share of digital products and services in all products manufactured by you in [year 2019/first quarter of 2020]? // _ _ % (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q085:VFC
[])

1		1
3		1
10		2
20		1
30		3
40		2
65		1
70		2
80		2
90		1
95		1
100		14
-1	No answer / don't know	5
-2	Does not apply	155
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0584_v1 – Activities: Participation in/execution of production

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Participation in/execution of the production of the goods or services that my company operates (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_1[]*)

1	Daily	76
2	Weekly	25
3	Monthly	3
4	Quarterly	2
5	Less than once a quarter	3
6	Never	35
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0584_v2 – Activities: Participation in/execution of production

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Participation in/execution of the production of the goods or services that my company operates (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0584[]*)

1	Daily	338
2	Weekly	82
3	Monthly	35
4	Quarterly	7
5	Less than once a quarter	15
6	Never or does not apply	339
-1	No answer / don't know	52
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0585_v1 – Activities: Recruitment and personnel selection

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Recruitment and personnel selection (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_2*
[])

1	Daily	1
2	Weekly	6
3	Monthly	8
4	Quarterly	8
5	Less than once a quarter	32
6	Never	89
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0585_v2 – Activities: Recruitment and personnel selection

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Recruitment and personnel selection (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0585[]*)

1	Daily	42
2	Weekly	47
3	Monthly	55
4	Quarterly	37
5	Less than once a quarter	153
6	Never or does not apply	506
-1	No answer / don't know	28
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0586_v1 – Activities: Conversations with employees and managers in the company

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Conversations with employees and managers in the company (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_3[]*)

1	Daily	23
2	Weekly	19
3	Monthly	7
4	Quarterly	4
5	Less than once a quarter	14
6	Never	77
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0586_v2 – Activities: Conversations with employees and managers in the company

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Conversations with employees and managers in the company (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0586[]*)

1	Daily	202
2	Weekly	121
3	Monthly	50
4	Quarterly	27
5	Less than once a quarter	37
6	Never or does not apply	405
-1	No answer / don't know	26
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0587_v1 – Activities: Organization of production processes in the company

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company. // Organization of production processes in the company (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_4\[\]](#))

1	Daily	33
2	Weekly	31
3	Monthly	17
4	Quarterly	12
5	Less than once a quarter	18
6	Never	33
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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Edition: international

elb0587_v2 – Activities: Organization of production processes in the company

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company. // Organization of production processes in the company (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0587\[\]](#))

1	Daily	228
2	Weekly	104
3	Monthly	66
4	Quarterly	32
5	Less than once a quarter	40
6	Never or does not apply	371
-1	No answer / don't know	27
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0588_v1 – Activities: Quality management

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Quality management (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_5[]*)

1	Daily	36
2	Weekly	30
3	Monthly	19
4	Quarterly	17
5	Less than once a quarter	15
6	Never	27
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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Edition: international

elb0588_v2 – Activities: Quality management

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Quality management (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0588[]*)

1	Daily	201
2	Weekly	122
3	Monthly	95
4	Quarterly	34
5	Less than once a quarter	59
6	Never or does not apply	327
-1	No answer / don't know	30
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0589_v1 – Activities: Marketing activities

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Marketing activities (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_6[]*)

1	Daily	12
2	Weekly	25
3	Monthly	24
4	Quarterly	23
5	Less than once a quarter	26
6	Never	34
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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Edition: international

elb0589_v2 – Activities: Marketing activities

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Marketing activities (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0589[])

1	Daily	58
2	Weekly	114
3	Monthly	112
4	Quarterly	67
5	Less than once a quarter	139
6	Never or does not apply	349
-1	No answer / don't know	29
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0590_v1 – Activities: Bureaucratic activities due to government requirements and regul.

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Bureaucratic activities due to government requirements and regulations (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_7[])

1	Daily	31
2	Weekly	38

3	Monthly	39
4	Quarterly	14
5	Less than once a quarter	18
6	Never	4
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0590_v2 – Activities: Bureaucratic activities due to government requirements and regul.

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Bureaucratic activities due to government requirements and regulations (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0590[]*)

1	Daily	192
2	Weekly	182
3	Monthly	171
4	Quarterly	63
5	Less than once a quarter	70
6	Never or does not apply	164
-1	No answer / don't know	26
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0591_v1 – Activities: Customer acquisition and conversations with customers

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Customer acquisition and conversations with customers (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_8[]*)

1	Daily	54
2	Weekly	43
3	Monthly	23

4	Quarterly	10
5	Less than once a quarter	8
6	Never	6
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

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Edition: international

elb0591_v2 – Activities: Customer acquisition and conversations with customers

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Customer acquisition and conversations with customers (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0591[])

1	Daily	325
2	Weekly	192
3	Monthly	87
4	Quarterly	38
5	Less than once a quarter	57
6	Never or does not apply	142
-1	No answer / don't know	27
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0592_v1 – Activities: Conversations with suppliers

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Conversations with suppliers (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_9[])

1	Daily	13
2	Weekly	29
3	Monthly	24
4	Quarterly	13
5	Less than once a quarter	20

6	Never	45
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0592_v2 – Activities: Conversations with suppliers

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Conversations with suppliers (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0592[]*)

1	Daily	127
2	Weekly	168
3	Monthly	95
4	Quarterly	42
5	Less than once a quarter	71
6	Never or does not apply	339
-1	No answer / don't know	26
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0593_v1 – Activities: Conversations with co-owners, co-managing directors

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company. // Conversations with co-owners, co-managing directors (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_10[]*)

1	Daily	17
2	Weekly	11
3	Monthly	1
4	Quarterly	2
5	Less than once a quarter	4
6	Never	109
-1	No answer / don't know	0

-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0593_v2 – Activities: Conversations with co-owners, co-managing directors

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company. // Conversations with co-owners, co-managing directors (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0593[]*)

1	Daily	139
2	Weekly	50
3	Monthly	25
4	Quarterly	11
5	Less than once a quarter	19
6	Never or does not apply	594
-1	No answer / don't know	30
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0594_v1 – Activities: Conversations with the company's financiers

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company. // Conversations with the company's financiers (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_11[]*)

1	Daily	1
2	Weekly	3
3	Monthly	6
4	Quarterly	12
5	Less than once a quarter	27
6	Never	95
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0594_v2 – Activities: Conversations with the company's financiers

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Conversations with the company's financiers (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0594](#)
 [])

1	Daily	7
2	Weekly	16
3	Monthly	36
4	Quarterly	46
5	Less than once a quarter	119
6	Never or does not apply	618
-1	No answer / don't know	26
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0595_v1 – Activities: Analysis of the market and competitors

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company. // Analysis of the market and competitors (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_12\[\]](#))

1	Daily	17
2	Weekly	31
3	Monthly	24
4	Quarterly	14
5	Less than once a quarter	26
6	Never	32
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0595_v2 – Activities: Analysis of the market and competitors

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Analysis of the market and competitors (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0595*
[])

1	Daily	133
2	Weekly	117
3	Monthly	93
4	Quarterly	54
5	Less than once a quarter	121
6	Never or does not apply	324
-1	No answer / don't know	26
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0596_v1 – Activities: Preparing and making growth and investment decisions

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Preparing and making growth and investment decisions (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-*
selfempl/Q086:VFD_13[])

1	Daily	2
2	Weekly	11
3	Monthly	27
4	Quarterly	22
5	Less than once a quarter	50
6	Never	32
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0596_v2 – Activities: Preparing and making growth and investment decisions

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Preparing and making growth and investment decisions (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0596[])

1	Daily	35
2	Weekly	60
3	Monthly	126
4	Quarterly	109
5	Less than once a quarter	192
6	Never or does not apply	317
-1	No answer / don't know	29
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0597_v1 – Activities: Association work

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Association work (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_14[])

1	Daily	0
2	Weekly	6
3	Monthly	14
4	Quarterly	6
5	Less than once a quarter	30
6	Never	88
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0

-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0597_v2 – Activities: Association work

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.

// Association work (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0597[])

1	Daily	10
2	Weekly	32
3	Monthly	63
4	Quarterly	42
5	Less than once a quarter	107
6	Never or does not apply	582
-1	No answer / don't know	32
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0598_v1 – Activities: Other activities

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.

// other activities _ _ (from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q086:VFD_15[])

1	Daily	21
2	Weekly	13
3	Monthly	5
4	Quarterly	6
5	Less than once a quarter	14
6	Never	85
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0598_v2 – Activities: Other activities

? Please describe how often you typically deal with the following activities in your company.
 // Other business-related activities (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/27:elb0598[]*)

1	Daily	81
2	Weekly	56
3	Monthly	37
4	Quarterly	16
5	Less than once a quarter	33
6	Never or does not apply	558
-1	No answer / don't know	87
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0599 – Hours per day: Participation in/execution of production

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Participation in/execution of the production of the goods or services that my company operates (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0599[]*)

0	14	
1	46	
2	34	
3	25	
4	43	
5	45	
6	49	
7	21	
8	56	
9	15	
10	34	
11	4	
12	12	
15	1	
16	1	
20	1	
-1	No answer / don't know	13
-2	Does not apply	771

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0600 – Hours per day: Recruitment and personnel selection

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Recruitment and personnel selection (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0600[]*)

0		13
1		20
2		4
3		1
5		1
10		3
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	1142
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0601 – Hours per day: Conversations with employees and managers in the company

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Conversations with employees and managers in the company (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0601[]*)

0	9
1	136
2	39
3	15
4	6
5	6
6	2
8	1
10	3
15	1

-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	960
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0602 – Hours per day: Organization of production processes in the company

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Organization of production processes in the company (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0602\[\]](#))

0		20
1		155
2		39
3		10
4		9
5		4
6		3
7		1
8		3
9		2
10		2
12		1
24		1
-1	No answer / don't know	11
-2	Does not apply	924
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0603 – Hours per day: Quality management

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Quality management (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0603\[\]](#))

0	21
1	175

2	18
3	2
4	3
5	4
8	3
9	1
10	1
12	1
-1 No answer / don't know	8
-2 Does not apply	948
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0604 – Hours per day: Marketing activities

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Marketing activities (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0604\[\]](#))

0	9
1	45
2	8
3	2
4	1
8	1
10	1
-1 No answer / don't know	3
-2 Does not apply	1115
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0605 – Hours per day: Bureaucratic activities due to government requirements and regul.

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Bureaucratic activities due to government requirements and regulations (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0605\[\]](#))

0	9
1	117
2	58
3	14
4	9
5	4
6	1
8	3
10	1
15	1
-1 No answer / don't know	6
-2 Does not apply	962
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0606 – Hours per day: Customer acquisition and conversations with customers

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Customer acquisition and conversations with customers (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0606*
[])

0	9
1	153
2	73
3	42
4	28
5	13
6	18
7	7
8	12
9	6
10	9
11	1
15	1
-1 No answer / don't know	7
-2 Does not apply	806
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0607 – Hours per day: Conversations with suppliers

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Conversations with suppliers (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0607[]*)

0	12
1	106
2	12
3	2
4	1
5	1
8	1
-1 No answer / don't know	5
-2 Does not apply	1045
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0608 – Hours per day: Conversations with co-owners, co-managing directors

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Conversations with co-owners, co-managing directors (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0608[]*)

0	12
1	103
2	26
3	4
4	3
5	2
-1 No answer / don't know	6
-2 Does not apply	1029
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0609 – Hours per day: Conversations with the company's financiers

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Conversations with the company's financiers (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0609[]*)

1	7
-1 No answer / don't know	1
-2 Does not apply	1177
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0610 – Hours per day: Analysis of the market and competitors

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Analysis of the market and competitors (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0610[]*)

0	15
1	109
2	13
3	4
6	1
8	1
9	1
10	1
-1 No answer / don't know	5
-2 Does not apply	1035
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0611 – Hours per day: Preparing and making growth and investment decisions

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Preparing and making growth and investment decisions (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0611[]*)

0	6
1	24
2	2
4	1
-1 No answer / don't know	4
-2 Does not apply	1148
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0612 – Hours per day: Association work

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Association work (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0612[]*)

0	2
1	7
2	1
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	1175
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0613 – Hours per day: Other activities

? Of all the activities you do every day, how many hours do you spend on // Other activities (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/28:elb0613[]*)

0	6
1	41
2	12
3	9
4	7
5	3
6	5
7	2

8	5
9	1
10	3
-1 No answer / don't know	8
-2 Does not apply	1083
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0614_v1 – Decision making

? Do you alone, or together with your co-owners/managing directors, make all the decisions in your company or have you delegated some of the decisions to individual managers in your company or to a second management level? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q088:VFF\[\]](#))

1 Alone	38
2 Together in the team of owners/managing directors	10
3 Together in a team with other managers and/or employees	8
4 The company has a second management level	3
-1 No answer / don't know	1
-2 Does not apply	131
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0614_v2 – How decisions are made

? How are decisions made in your company? Please indicate which of the following applies to your company. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/31:elb0614\[\]](#))

1 I take most of the decisions alone	192
2 I take most decisions in team of owners and/or managing directors	148
3 I take most decisions in team with other managers and/or employees	98
4 I take most decisions in consultation with the franchisor	3
-1 No answer / don't know	5
-2 Does not apply	548

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0615 – Share of decisions made at 2nd management level in percent

? Approximately what percentage of all decisions are delegated to the second management level? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q089:VFW\[\]](#))

25		1
60		1
70		1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	188
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0616_v1 – Frequency of structured feedback meetings

? How often do you or managers in your company hold structured feedback meetings with your employees, for example about service quality, customer satisfaction, production, costs, performance decline, quality, inventory, absenteeism? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q090:VFG\[\]](#))

1	Never	20
2	Annually	6
3	Quarterly	10
4	Monthly	5
5	Weekly	8
6	Daily	2
7	More often	0
-1	No answer / don't know	9
-2	Does not apply	131
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0

-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0616_v2 – Frequency of structured feedback meetings

? How often do you or managers in your company hold structured feedback meetings with your employees, for example about service quality, customer satisfaction, production, costs, performance decline, quality, inventory, absenteeism? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/32:elb0616\[\]](#))

1	Less than once a year or never	59
2	Annually	77
3	Quarterly	76
4	Monthly	78
5	Weekly	58
6	Daily	34
7	Several times a day	4
-1	No answer / don't know	18
-2	Does not apply	590
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0617 – Other instruments for employee motivation

? Apart from feedback meetings, do you use other tools to motivate your employees? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/29:elb0617\[39379\]](#))

1	Yes	65
2	No	150
-1	No answer / don't know	23
-2	Does not apply	585
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	362

Waves: 2020, 2022

Edition: international

elb0618 – Type of donation

? Regardless of whether you have agreed to take part in the personal surveys: Thank you very much for taking part in this online survey! As a thank you for your participation, we would like to send you 5 euros in cash together with a thank you letter. If you would prefer to donate this amount to UNICEF, please indicate this here. (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q092:VBSG()*)

1	Please send me 5 euros	52
2	Please donate 5 euros to UNICEF	89
3	I do not wish to receive 5 euros or make a donation to UNICEF	3
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	47
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

elb0630 – Number of women in the founding team

? How many women were on the founding team? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/3:elb0630()*)

0		55
1		46
2		10
3		2
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	881
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0631 – Number of people with a migration background in the founding team

? How many persons with migration background were on the founding team? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/4:elb0631[]*)

0	94
1	12
2	4
3	3
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	881
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0632 – Number of women when joined as partner

? How many of them were women? (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/6:elb0632[]*)

0	39
1	24
2	3
3	3
4	1
5	2
15	1
25	2
34	1
35	1
50	2
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	915
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0633 – Number of people with a migration background when joined as partner

? How many of them had migration background? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/7:elb0633\[\]](#))

0	65
1	3
2	5
4	1
10	1
20	1
30	1
-1 No answer / don't know	2
-2 Does not apply	915
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0636 – Employees working in the company in the last year?

? Were there dependent employees working in your company in 2023? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/13:elb0636\[\]](#))

1 Yes	470
2 No	506
-1 No answer / don't know	18
-2 Does not apply	0
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0637 – Take time for personal matters during working hours?

? Would you say taking an hour or two off during working hours to deal with personal or family matters is ... (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/29:elb0637\[\]](#))

1 Very easy to arrange	377
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2	Quite easy to arrange	282
3	Quite difficult to arrange	120
4	Very difficult to arrange	67
-1	No answer / don't know	22
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0638 – Retirement security: Statutory pension insurance

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I have acquired entitlements to statutory pension insurance as a former employee (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0638[]*)

1	Mentioned	558
2	Not mentioned	72
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0639 – Retirement security: Company pension

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I have entitlements to a company pension as a former employee (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0639[]*)

1	Mentioned	100
2	Not mentioned	201
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	668
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0

-8 Question not part of the survey program this year 191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0640 – Retirement security: Artists' social security fund

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I have entitlements to the artists' social security fund (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0640\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	40
2	Not mentioned	220
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	709
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0641 – Retirement security: Berufsständische Versorgung (pension scheme free profes.)

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I have entitlements to a berufsständische Versorgungswerk (pension scheme for free professions) (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0641\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	112
2	Not mentioned	201
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	656
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0642 – Retirement security: Real estate ownership

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I have acquired real estate for retirement provision (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0642\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	415
2	Not mentioned	109
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	445
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0643 – Retirement security: Life insurance

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I have taken out a capital life insurance policy for retirement provision (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0643\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	299
2	Not mentioned	146
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0644 – Retirement security: Private pension insurance

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I have taken out private pension insurance (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0644\[\]](#))

1	Mentioned	339
2	Not mentioned	129
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	501
-3	Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0645 – Retirement security: Shares/funds/bonds

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I am building wealth through stocks, funds, bonds, or similar investments (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0645[]*)

1	Mentioned	368
2	Not mentioned	115
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	486
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0646 – Retirement security: Other regular savings

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I regularly save money in other ways (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0646[]*)

1	Mentioned	240
2	Not mentioned	161
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	568
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0647 – Retirement security: Secured through partner

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // I am covered through my partner (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0647[]*)

1	Mentioned	121
2	Not mentioned	198
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	650
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0648 – Retirement security: No retirement provisions so far

? How are you personally currently securing your retirement? // No retirement provision has been made so far (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/38:elb0648[]*)

1	Mentioned	54
2	Not mentioned	227
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	688
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0650 – Change in share of employees working from home until June 30 last year

? Think back to the time immediately before the coronavirus pandemic. How has the amount of time you worked from home (home office) changed by June 30, 2021? (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/49:elb0650[39402]*)

1	Strongly increased	67
2	Slightly increased	75
3	Remained the same	399
4	Slightly decreased	10
5	Strongly decreased	20

-1	No answer / don't know	61
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0651 – Frequency of work in own business premises

? How often have you worked at each of these locations since starting your main job? // My own business premises (office, factory, store, school, etc.) (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/50:elb0651\[39404\]](#))

1	Daily	394
2	Several times a week	98
3	Several times a month	30
4	Less often	15
5	Never	64
-1	No answer / don't know	31
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0652 – Frequency of work in clients' premises

? How often have you worked at each of these locations since starting your main job? // Clients' premises (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/50:elb0652\[39404\]](#))

1	Daily	65
2	Several times a week	75
3	Several times a month	69
4	Less often	112
5	Never	281
-1	No answer / don't know	30
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0653 – Frequency of work in car/other vehicle

? How often have you worked at each of these locations since starting your main job? // In the car or another vehicle (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/50:elb0653[39404]*)

1	Daily	80
2	Several times a week	50
3	Several times a month	51
4	Less often	81
5	Never	342
-1	No answer / don't know	28
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0654 – Frequency of outdoor work

? How often have you worked at each of these locations since starting your main job? // Outdoors (e.g., construction site, field, city streets) (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/50:elb0654[39404]*)

1	Daily	54
2	Several times a week	48
3	Several times a month	54
4	Less often	71
5	Never	379
-1	No answer / don't know	26
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0655 – Frequency of working from home

? How often have you worked at each of these locations since starting your main job? // Your own home (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/50:elb0655\[39404\]](#))

1	Daily	196
2	Several times a week	118
3	Several times a month	62
4	Less often	84
5	Never	149
-1	No answer / don't know	23
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0656 – Frequency of work in public places

? How often have you worked at each of these locations since starting your main job? // Public places such as cafés, airports, etc. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/50:elb0656\[39404\]](#))

1	Daily	2
2	Several times a week	7
3	Several times a month	27
4	Less often	103
5	Never	468
-1	No answer / don't know	25
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0657 – Remuneration regulations such as Honorarordnung für A. u. I.

? Is there an official fee structure in your field, such as the fee schedule for architects and engineers? *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/63:elb0657[])*

1	Yes, remuneration regulations such as Honorarordnung	157
2	Yes, an intermediary agency (platform) sets the prices	33
3	No, I set the prices freely	604
-1	No answer / don't know	74
-2	Does not apply	126
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0658 – Share of revenue from largest client in euros

? What share of your revenue comes from your largest client? *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/66:elb0658[])*

1	Less than 50 percent	625
2	50 to 75 percent	118
3	More than 75 percent	127
-1	No answer / don't know	124
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0660 – Difficulties: Other challenges

? What are the greatest difficulties in carrying out your entrepreneurial / self-employed activity? // Other difficulties *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/73:elb0660[])*

1	No difficulty	231
2	2	78
3	3	115
4	4	218

5	5	140
6	6	69
7	Very high difficulty	56
-1	No answer / don't know	83
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0661 – Company employed freelancers/temporary workers last year?

? Were there freelancers, temporary workers or assisting family members working in your company in 2023? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/18:elb0661\[\]](#))

1	Yes	199
2	No	776
-1	No answer / don't know	19
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0665 – Total number of employees on June 30 last year

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Total] Total number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0665\[\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0665_cat – Total number of employees on June 30 last year [categories]

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Total] Total number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0665[]*)

0	0	2
1	1-9	214
2	10-15	53
3	16-25	45
4	26-45	45
5	46-75	21
6	76-119	29
7	120-199	8
8	200-399	9
9	400-999	1
10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	43
-2	Does not apply	524
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0666 – Share of women employed in % on June 30 last year

? How many employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Total] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/14:elb0666[]*)

0	42
1	4
3	2
5	2
6	2
7	1
8	5
10	6
11	3
12	4
14	1
15	3

17	6
18	1
19	1
... (26 rows omitted)	103
80	5
83	1
85	3
89	1
90	5
92	1
100	63
-1 No answer / don't know	203
-2 Does not apply	526
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0667 – Total share of employees on June 30 last year in %

? How were the employees of your company distributed among the following employee groups as of mid-2023? Please do not include temporary workers and freelancers with contracts for work and services. // [Total] Total share of employees [...] % *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/17:elb0667[])*

0	5
1	19
2	9
3	9
4	6
5	6
6	2
7	3
8	3
9	3
10	3
11	1
13	2
14	1
20	1
... (8 rows omitted)	9
75	1
80	1
87	1
89	1

95	1
99	3
100	339
-1 No answer / don't know	40
-2 Does not apply	524
-3 Implausible value	1
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0668 – Total number of other employees on June 30 last year

? How many other employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? // [Total] Total number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/19:elb0668[]*)

-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	0
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0668_cat – Total number of other employees on June 30 last year [categories]

? How many other employees did your company have as of mid-2023, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? // [Total] Total number of respective employees as of mid-2023 (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/19:elb0668[]*)

0 0	16
1 1-9	157
2 10-15	10
3 16-25	4
4 26-45	5
5 46-75	0
6 76-119	7
7 120-199	0
8 200-399	0
9 400-999	0

10	1000 and more	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	795
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0669 – Share of women among other employees in %

? How many other employees did your company have on June 30, 2021, broken down by the employment groups mentioned? And what was the share of women? // [Total] Of which share of women (in %) [...] % (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/15:ant_summe_sonst_frauen* [39361])

0		25
1		1
10		1
25		2
33		3
50		4
75		1
80		1
100		27
-1	No answer / don't know	53
-2	Does not apply	514
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0670 – Further training: Courses/seminars in 1st half of last year

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2023? // Courses, training programs, seminars (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/30:elb0670*)

1	Was offered	177
2	Was not offered	214

-1	No answer / don't know	13
-2	Does not apply	590
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0671 – Further training: Lectures, conferences, fairs etc. in 1st half of last year

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2023? // Lectures, conferences, trade fairs, etc. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/30:elb0671\[\]](#))

1	Was offered	176
2	Was not offered	218
-1	No answer / don't know	10
-2	Does not apply	590
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0672 – Further training: On-the-job training in 1st half of last year

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2023? // On-the-job training, e.g. instruction, induction, on-the-job training (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/30:elb0672\[\]](#))

1	Was offered	234
2	Was not offered	159
-1	No answer / don't know	11
-2	Does not apply	590
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0673 – Further training: Job rotation in 1st half of last year

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2023? // Job change / job rotation (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/30:elb0673[]*)

1	Was offered	55
2	Was not offered	338
-1	No answer / don't know	11
-2	Does not apply	590
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0674 – Further training: Quality circles in 1st half of last year

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2023? // Quality circles, workshop circles, learning workshop (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/30:elb0674[]*)

1	Was offered	58
2	Was not offered	337
-1	No answer / don't know	9
-2	Does not apply	590
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0675 – Further training: Project teams in 1st half of last year

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2021? // Collaboration in project teams (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2022-selfempl/26:weiterb_c_6[39375]*)

1	Was offered	72
2	Was not offered	214
-1	No answer / don't know	7
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	553

Waves: 2022

Edition: international

elb0676 – Further training: Coaching in 1st half of last year

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2023? // Coaching/Mentoring (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/30:elb0676[])

1	Was offered	89
2	Was not offered	305
-1	No answer / don't know	10
-2	Does not apply	590
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0677 – Further training: Other offered in 1st half of last year

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2023? // Other qualification measures, namely: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/30:elb0677[])

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[-7]	Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted)	931

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0677_cat – Further training: Other offered in 1st half of last year [categories]

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2023? // Other qualification measures, namely: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/30:elb0677[])

1	Was offered	44
2	Was not offered	329
-1	No answer / don't know	282
-2	Does not apply	339
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0678 – Usage last 3 years: Platforms for order acquisition

? How has the use of the following technologies changed in your company in the last three years? // Platforms for acquiring orders, i.e., acquisition of customers through a platform. (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/40:elb0678[])

1	Strongly increased	28
2	Increased	118
3	Remained roughly the same	199
4	Decreased	2
5	Strongly decreased	6
6	Technology is not used	597
-1	No answer / don't know	44
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0679 – Digitization technology: Increased use of platforms for order acquisition

? Think about the digitalization technologies that are used in your company. These can include computers as well as robots and artificial intelligence. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // The use of digitalization technologies has changed the

process of acquiring orders and is leading to increased use of intermediary platforms. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/41:elb0679\[\]](#))

1	Fully agree	38
2	Tend to agree	111
3	Partly agree / partly disagree	122
4	Rather disagree	74
5	Disagree	130
6	Does not apply	466
-1	No answer / don't know	53
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

elb0680 – Further training: Career planning / succession planning 1st half-year 2023

? Which of the following measures for professional development did you offer in your company in the first half of 2023? // Career development planning / succession planning (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/30:elb0680\[\]](#))

1	Was offered	12
2	Was not offered	93
-1	No answer / don't know	6
-2	Does not apply	251
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0724 – Risk of serious IT security incident within the next 12 months

? In your opinion, how great is the risk of a serious IT security incident at your company within the next 12 months? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/43:elb0724\[\]](#))

1	No risk	61
2	Low risk	164
3	Medium risk	88

4	Great risk	9
5	Very great risk	1
6	Cannot judge	38
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0725 – Person for IT security or cyber defense in the company

? Do you have someone who deals with IT security or cyber defense issues? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/44:elb0725[])

1	Yes	162
2	No	196
-1	No answer / don't know	4
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0726 – Measures to improve IT security in 2023

? Did you implement measures to improve IT security in 2023? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/45:elb0726[])

1	Yes	149
2	No	204
-1	No answer / don't know	9
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0727 – IT security: Consulting by external experts

? Which measures did you implement? // Consulting by external experts (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0727[]*)

1	Yes	105
2	No	42
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	213
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0728 – IT security: Training of employees

? Which measures did you implement? // Training of employees (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0728[]*)

1	Yes	70
2	No	38
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	253
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0729 – IT security: Increased exchange of information, e.g. networking

? Which measures did you implement? // Increased exchange of information, e.g. networking with partners and associations (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0729[]*)

1	Yes	67
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2	No	80
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	213
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0730 – IT security: Specific training for IT employees

? Which measures did you implement? // Specific training of IT employees (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0730\[\]](#))

1	Yes	23
2	No	85
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	253
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0731 – IT security: Strategic alliances and partner networks

? Which measures did you implement? // Strategic alliances and partner networks, e.g. for support in case of need (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0731\[\]](#))

1	Yes	33
2	No	114
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	213
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0732 – IT security: Recruitment of IT experts

? Which measures did you implement? // Hiring of IT-experts (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0732[]*)

1	Yes	8
2	No	139
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	213
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0733 – IT security: Security check from attacker's perspective

? Which measures did you implement? // Security assessment from an attacker's perspective (penetration test) (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0733[]*)

1	Yes	17
2	No	130
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	213
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0734 – IT security: Introduction of IT security-related certifications

? Which measures did you implement? // Implementation of IT security-relevant certifications (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0734[]*)

1	Yes	29
2	No	119
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	213
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0735 – IT security: Performance of emergency drills

? Which measures did you implement? // Performance of emergency drills (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0735\[\]](#))

1	Yes	20
2	No	128
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	213
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0736 – IT security: Other

? Which measures did you implement? // Other (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/46:elb0736\[\]](#))

1	Yes	36
2	No	111
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	213
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0819 – Current value of employee shareholdings and stock options in euros

? What is your estimate of the value of these employee shareholdings or these stock options in euros if sold today? // [Approximate amount] [...] euros (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/36:elb0819\[\]](#))

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	1185
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2024

Edition: onsite

elb0820 – Reducing own CO2 emissions a top priority for company

? To what extent do you agree with the following statement: The reduction of our own CO2 emissions is a top priority for our company. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/47:elb0820\[\]](#))

1	Do not agree at all	17
2	Do not agree	18
3	Neutral	56
4	Agree	23
5	Strongly agree	11
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0821 – Assessment of the company's environmental sustainability

? How would you assess your company's environmental sustainability relative to the rest of the industry? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/48:elb0821\[\]](#))

1	Not sustainable at all	6
2	Mostly not sustainable	32
3	Partly sustainable	148

4	Mostly sustainable	134
5	Fully sustainable	31
-1	No answer / don't know	11
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0822 – Offset of company's CO2 emissions

? Think of the CO2 emissions that are generated directly within your company, for example through the use of vehicles and machinery, heating, or electricity consumption. Do you offset these emissions, for example by purchasing CO2 certificates or through other compensation measures? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/49:elb0822\[\]](#))

1	Yes, completely	2
2	Yes, partly	10
3	No	87
4	Company does not cause any CO2 emissions	20
5	Don't know	7
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0823 – Year when CO2 neutrality is achieved

? By which year does your company plan to achieve CO2-neutrality along the entire value chain? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/50:elb0823\[\]](#))

1	It is already CO2-neutral	15
2	By 2025 or earlier	5
3	Between 2026 and 2030	6
4	Between 2031 and 2035	3
5	Between 2036 and 2040	0
6	Between 2041 and 2045	1

7	Between 2046 and 2050	0
8	After 2050	3
9	There is no specific target year yet	93
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0824 – Company subject to disclosure requirements in accordance with EU taxonomy

? The EU Taxonomy (short for: European Commission's Sustainable Finance Taxonomy) is intended to classify the sustainability of economic activities. Activities count as taxonomy-aligned if they make a substantial contribution to at least one of six environmental objectives (climate change mitigation, climate change adaptation, sustainable use of water resources, transition to a circular economy, pollution prevention, and the protection of ecosystems and biodiversity) without harming the other environmental objectives. The following questions refer to the EU Taxonomy alignment of environmental objectives. // Is your company subject to disclosure requirements regarding its EU Taxonomy alignment? *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/51:elb0824[])*

1	Yes	1
2	No	106
3	Don't know	19
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0825 – Voluntary disclosure in accordance with EU taxonomy planned for 2023

? Is voluntary disclosure in accordance with EU Taxonomy alignment planned for the 2023 reporting year? *(from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/52:elb0825[])*

1	Yes	0
2	No, not planned for 2023 and beyond	96

3	No, but is planned for the coming years	6
4	Don't know	22
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	237
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0826 – Share of sales with EU taxonomy alignment planned for 2023 in %

? For what percentage of your company's revenues in 2023 is Taxonomy alignment planned?
 // Planned Taxonomy alignment of revenues in %: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/53:elb0826[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	362
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0827 – Share of sales with EU taxonomy alignment planned for 2023 don't know

? For what percentage of your company's revenues in 2023 is Taxonomy alignment planned?
 // Do not know (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/53:elb0827[])

1	Mentioned	1
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	361
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0828 – Share of investments with EU taxonomy alignment planned for 2023 in %

? For what percentage of your company's investments in 2023 is Taxonomy alignment planned? // Planned Taxonomy alignment of investments in %: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/54:elb0828[])

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	362
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0829 – Share of investments with EU taxonomy alignment planned for 2023 in % don't know

? For what percentage of your company's investments in 2023 is Taxonomy alignment planned? // Do not know (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/54:elb0829[])

1	Mentioned	1
2	Not mentioned	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	361
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0831 – Eco. measures: Renewable energy sources introduced or expanded

? Have the following changes been implemented in your company over the past 5 years, with the objective of becoming more environmentally sustainable? // Introduced or expanded the use of renewable energy sources (e.g. use of wind or solar power, energy from biomass, hydropower, or geothermal energy) (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/55:elb0831[])

1	Yes	28
2	Partly	16
3	No	59

4	Does not apply	20
5	Don't know	3
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0832 – Eco. measures: Electric or hybrid cars acquired

? Have the following changes been implemented in your company over the past 5 years, with the objective of becoming more environmentally sustainable? // Electric or hybrid vehicles have been acquired (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/55:elb0832[]*)

1	Yes	32
2	Partly	6
3	No	62
4	Does not apply	25
5	Don't know	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0833 – Eco. measures: Lower-emission machines and equipment acquired

? Have the following changes been implemented in your company over the past 5 years, with the objective of becoming more environmentally sustainable? // Lower-emission machines and equipment have been acquired (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/55:elb0833[]*)

1	Yes	16
2	Partly	14
3	No	48
4	Does not apply	45
5	Don't know	3

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0834 – Eco. measures: Procurement of goods and intermediate products changed

? Have the following changes been implemented in your company over the past 5 years, with the objective of becoming more environmentally sustainable? // Procurement of goods and intermediate products has been changed to lower-emission alternatives (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/55:elb0834[]*)

1	Yes	11
2	Partly	17
3	No	50
4	Does not apply	43
5	Don't know	5
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0835 – Eco. measures: Investments made in energy-saving measures

? Have the following changes been implemented in your company over the past 5 years, with the objective of becoming more environmentally sustainable? // Investments in energy-saving measures within the company have been made (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/55:elb0835[]*)

1	Yes	23
2	Partly	28
3	No	48
4	Does not apply	26
5	Don't know	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0

-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0836 – Eco. measures: Product or service portfolio expanded by lower-emission alternatives

? Have the following changes been implemented in your company over the past 5 years, with the objective of becoming more environmentally sustainable? // The product or service portfolio has been expanded with lower-emission alternatives (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/55:elb0836[]*)

1	Yes	4
2	Partly	13
3	No	61
4	Does not apply	46
5	Don't know	1
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0837 – Eco. measures: Emissions from logistics reduced

? Have the following changes been implemented in your company over the past 5 years, with the objective of becoming more environmentally sustainable? // Emissions of inbound and outbound logistics have been reduced (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/55:elb0837[]*)

1	Yes	4
2	Partly	14
3	No	48
4	Does not apply	58
5	Don't know	1
-1	No answer / don't know	1

-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0838 – Eco. measures: Made business trips more CO2-neutral

? Have the following changes been implemented in your company over the past 5 years, with the objective of becoming more environmentally sustainable? // Business travel has been made more CO2-neutral (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/55:elb0838[]*)

1	Yes	23
2	Partly	23
3	No	37
4	Does not apply	41
5	Don't know	1
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0839 – Eco. measures: Office space reduced

? Have the following changes been implemented in your company over the past 5 years, with the objective of becoming more environmentally sustainable? // Office space has been reduced (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/55:elb0839[]*)

1	Yes	14
2	Partly	2
3	No	86
4	Does not apply	22
5	Don't know	1
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0841 – Motivation: Improve company's economic efficiency

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // I wanted to improve the company's economic efficiency. (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0841[])

1	Does not apply	24
2	Mostly does not apply	15
3	Partly applies	33
4	Mostly applies	14
5	Fully applies	8
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	267
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0842 – Motivation: Tap into a new market niche

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // I wanted to exploit a new market gap. (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0842[])

1	Does not apply	73
2	Mostly does not apply	16
3	Partly applies	4
4	Mostly applies	1
5	Fully applies	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	267
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0843 – Motivation: Improve corporate image

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // I wanted to improve the company's external image. (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0843[]*)

1	Does not apply	50
2	Mostly does not apply	12
3	Partly applies	11
4	Mostly applies	19
5	Fully applies	3
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	267
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0844 – Motivation: Low carbon footprint aligns with business purpose

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // A low carbon footprint aligns with my company's business purpose. (from: *soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0844[]*)

1	Does not apply	36
2	Mostly does not apply	15
3	Partly applies	15
4	Mostly applies	21
5	Fully applies	8
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	267
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0845 – Motivation: Employees have encouraged changes

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // The employees suggested changes.
 (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0845[])

1	Does not apply	38
2	Mostly does not apply	8
3	Partly applies	6
4	Mostly applies	2
5	Fully applies	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	307
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0846 – Motivation: Comply with government regulations

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // The company had to comply with government regulations. (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0846[])

1	Does not apply	82
2	Mostly does not apply	3
3	Partly applies	1
4	Mostly applies	8
5	Fully applies	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	267
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0847 – Motivation: Contribute to the prevention of global warming

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // I wanted to contribute to preventing global warming. (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0847[])

1	Does not apply	23
2	Mostly does not apply	4
3	Partly applies	19
4	Mostly applies	18
5	Fully applies	31
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	267
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0848 – Motivation: Industrial customers/retailers have exerted pressure

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // Industrial clients/trade exerted pressure. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0848\[\]](#))

1	Does not apply	89
2	Mostly does not apply	2
3	Partly applies	3
4	Mostly applies	1
5	Fully applies	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	267
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0849 – Motivation: Other

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // Other (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0849\[\]](#))

1	Yes	17
2	No	75
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	267
-3	Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0850 – Motivation: Other free-form text

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // [Other] namely: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0850[])

		345
[-7]	Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted)	840

Waves: 2024

Edition: internal

elb0850_cat – Motivation: Other free-form text [categories]

? What motivated you to implement these changes? // [Other] namely: (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/56:elb0850[])

1	Yes	17
-1	No answer / don't know	345
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0851 – Hindrance: Lack of financial resources

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // There is a lack of financial means to make the investments. (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0851[])

1	Does not apply	48
2	Mostly does not apply	17
3	Partly applies	24
4	Mostly applies	16

5	Fully applies	7
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	249
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0852 – Hindrance: Necessary changes not financially viable

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // The necessary changes would not have been financially viable. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0852\[\]](#))

1	Does not apply	24
2	Mostly does not apply	8
3	Partly applies	27
4	Mostly applies	32
5	Fully applies	20
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	249
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0853 – Hindrance: Improvements not technically feasible

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // The improvements are not technically feasible. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0853\[\]](#))

1	Does not apply	24
2	Mostly does not apply	15
3	Partly applies	30
4	Mostly applies	29
5	Fully applies	13
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	249

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0854 – Hindrance: Lack of necessary know-how

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // The necessary know-how is missing. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0854\[\]](#))

1	Does not apply	46
2	Mostly does not apply	22
3	Partly applies	24
4	Mostly applies	13
5	Fully applies	6
-1	No answer / don't know	2
-2	Does not apply	249
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0855 – Hindrance: Bureaucratic hurdles too high

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // The bureaucratic hurdles are too high. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0855\[\]](#))

1	Does not apply	35
2	Mostly does not apply	17
3	Partly applies	23
4	Mostly applies	20
5	Fully applies	15
-1	No answer / don't know	3
-2	Does not apply	249
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0

-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0856 – Hindrance: Company already has a low CO2 footprint

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // My company already has a low carbon footprint.
(from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0856\[\]](#))

1	Does not apply	11
2	Mostly does not apply	12
3	Partly applies	23
4	Mostly applies	45
5	Fully applies	21
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	249
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0857 – Hindrance: Low CO2 footprint not relevant

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // A low carbon footprint is not relevant for my company.
(from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0857\[\]](#))

1	Does not apply	21
2	Mostly does not apply	13
3	Partly applies	23
4	Mostly applies	30
5	Fully applies	25
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	249
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0858 – Hindrance: Other

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // Other (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0858*)

1	Yes	35
2	No	72
-1	No answer / don't know	6
-2	Does not apply	249
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0859 – Hindrance: Other free-form text

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // [Other] namely: (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0859*)

		327
[-7]	Only available in less restricted edition (string omitted)	858

Waves: 2024

Edition: internal

elb0859_cat – Hindrance: Other free-form text [categories]

? You previously indicated that you did not implement certain CO2-reducing measures. What prevented you from doing so? // [Other] namely: (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/57:elb0859*)

1	Yes	35
-1	No answer / don't know	327
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0

-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0860 – Domestic business trips made in the last 12 months

? Have you or employees of your company undertaken business trips within Germany in the past 12 months? (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/58:elb0860[]*)

1	Yes	81
2	No	45
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0861 – Domestic business trips: Combustion engine car

? How often have the following modes of transport been used for these business trips within Germany? // Combustion engine cars (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/59:elb0861[]*)

1	Not at all	10
2	Rarely	18
3	Sometimes	9
4	Mostly	22
5	Always	22
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	281
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0862 – Domestic business trips: Electric car

? How often have the following modes of transport been used for these business trips within Germany? // Electric cars (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/59:elb0862[]*)

1	Not at all	57
2	Rarely	4
3	Sometimes	8
4	Mostly	7
5	Always	5
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	281
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0863 – Domestic business trips: Hybrid car

? How often have the following modes of transport been used for these business trips within Germany? // Hybrid cars (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/59:elb0863[]*)

1	Not at all	57
2	Rarely	8
3	Sometimes	8
4	Mostly	6
5	Always	2
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	281
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0864 – Domestic business trips: Car sharing services

? How often have the following modes of transport been used for these business trips within Germany? // Car sharing services (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/59:elb0864[]*)

1	Not at all	73
2	Rarely	3
3	Sometimes	4
4	Mostly	1
5	Always	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	281
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0865 – Domestic business trips: Local public transport

? How often have the following modes of transport been used for these business trips within Germany? // Local public transport (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/59:elb0865[]*)

1	Not at all	31
2	Rarely	14
3	Sometimes	19
4	Mostly	14
5	Always	2
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	281
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0866 – Domestic business trips: Long-distance train service

? How often have the following modes of transport been used for these business trips within Germany? // Long-distance train service (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/59:elb0866[]*)

1	Not at all	29
2	Rarely	15
3	Sometimes	16
4	Mostly	19

5	Always	2
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	281
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0867 – Domestic business trips: Airplane

? How often have the following modes of transport been used for these business trips within Germany? // Airplane (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/59:elb0867[]*)

1	Not at all	69
2	Rarely	6
3	Sometimes	6
4	Mostly	0
5	Always	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	281
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0868 – Domestic business trips: Other modes of transport

? How often have the following modes of transport been used for these business trips within Germany? // Other modes of transport (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/59:elb0868[]*)

1	Not at all	63
2	Rarely	5
3	Sometimes	8
4	Mostly	4
5	Always	1
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	281
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0869 – Plans: Increasing use of renewable energy sources

? Do you have concrete plans to implement the following changes within the next five years? // Increasing use of renewable energy sources (e.g., wind or solar energy, energy from biomass, hydro or geothermal power) (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/60:elb0869[]*)

1	Yes	17
2	Partly	27
3	No	61
4	Does not apply	13
5	Don't know	7
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0870 – Plans: Acquiring electric or hybrid vehicles

? Do you have concrete plans to implement the following changes within the next five years? // Acquiring electric or hybrid vehicles (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/60:elb0870[]*)

1	Yes	24
2	Partly	18
3	No	55
4	Does not apply	11
5	Don't know	18
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0871 – Plans: Acquiring lower-emission machines and facilities

? Do you have concrete plans to implement the following changes within the next five years? // Acquiring lower-emission machines and equipment (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/60:elb0871[]*)

1	Yes	9
2	Partly	15
3	No	53
4	Does not apply	40
5	Don't know	9
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0872 – Plans: Shifting procurement of goods and intermediate products to lower-emission alternatives

? Do you have concrete plans to implement the following changes within the next five years? // Shifting procurement of goods and intermediate products to lower-emission alternatives (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/60:elb0872[]*)

1	Yes	3
2	Partly	26
3	No	53
4	Does not apply	37
5	Don't know	7
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0873 – Plans: Investing in energy-saving measures

? Do you have concrete plans to implement the following changes within the next five years?
 // Investing in energy-saving measures within the company (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/60:elb0873[]*)

1	Yes	19
2	Partly	40
3	No	37
4	Does not apply	26
5	Don't know	4
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0874 – Plans: Expanding product or service portfolio by lower-emission alternatives

? Do you have concrete plans to implement the following changes within the next five years? // Expanding the product or service portfolio with lower-emission alternatives (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/60:elb0874[]*)

1	Yes	5
2	Partly	15
3	No	54
4	Does not apply	46
5	Don't know	5
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0875 – Plans: Reducing emissions from logistics

? Do you have concrete plans to implement the following changes within the next five years? // Reducing emissions in inbound and outbound logistics (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/60:elb0875[]*)

1	Yes	7
2	Partly	17
3	No	49
4	Does not apply	47
5	Don't know	6
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0876 – Plans: Making business travel CO2-neutral

? Do you have concrete plans to implement the following changes within the next five years?
 // Planning to make business travel CO2-neutral (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/
 60:elb0876[])

1	Yes	26
2	Partly	24
3	No	45
4	Does not apply	24
5	Don't know	7
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0877 – Plans: Reducing office space

? Do you have concrete plans to implement the following changes within the next five years?
 // Reducing office space (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/60:elb0877[])

1	Yes	10
2	Partly	5
3	No	82
4	Does not apply	22

5	Don't know	7
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0878 – Importance of reducing the carbon footprint for business success

? How important is reducing your company's carbon footprint for business success? (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/61:elb0878\[\]](#))

1	Not important at all	56
2	Not important	47
3	Partly important	13
4	Important	7
5	Very important	2
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0879 – German companies should assume a leading role internationally in environmental protection.

? To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // German companies should assume a leading role internationally in environmental protection. (from: [soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/62:elb0879\[\]](#))

1	Do not agree at all	15
2	Do not agree	14
3	Neutral	32
4	Agree	44
5	Strongly agree	20
-1	No answer / don't know	1
-2	Does not apply	236

-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0880 – Environmental problems are among the greatest challenges of society

? To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // I believe that environmental problems are among the greatest challenges of our society. (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/62:elb0880[])

1	Do not agree at all	11
2	Do not agree	13
3	Neutral	19
4	Agree	42
5	Strongly agree	41
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

elb0881 – Companies must assume broader societal responsibility

? To what extent do you agree with the following statements? // I believe that companies should assume a broader societal responsibility. (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/62:elb0881[])

1	Do not agree at all	2
2	Do not agree	11
3	Neutral	39
4	Agree	49
5	Strongly agree	25
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	236
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0

-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

4 Generated and additional variables

instrument – Survey instrument

304	soep-core-2022-selfempl	632
365	SOEP-LEE2 Self-employed Persons 2024 (soep-core-2024-selfempl)	362
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	191

Waves: 2022, 2024

Edition: international

sample1 – Sample indicator

1	A German HH Head, West, 1984	35
2	B1 Turkish HH Head, 1984	0
3	B2 Yugoslav HH Head, 1984	2
4	B3 Greek HH Head, 1984	0
5	B4 Italian HH Head, 1984	2
6	B5 Spanish HH Head, 1984	0
7	C German HH Head, East, 1990	22
8	D1 Immigrant W. Germany (1984-1994), 1994/95	2
9	D2 Immigrant W. Germany (1984-1994), 1994/95	9
10	E1 Refreshment (PAPI), 1998	0
11	E2 Refreshment (CAPI), 1998	5
12	F1 Refreshment, 2000	47
13	F2 Refreshment, Additional Foreigner Addresses, 2000	0
15	G2 High Income, 2002	33
16	H Refreshment, 2006	15
...	(32 rows omitted)	841
60	L2/3 FiD Screening, Low Income, 2010/11	24
61	L2/3 FiD Screening, Single Parent, 2010/11	25
62	L2/3 FiD Screening, Families with Several Children, 2010/11	62
63	L1 FiD Birth Cohort 2007, 2010/11	13

64	L1 FiD Birth Cohort 2008, 2010/11	17
65	L1 FiD Birth Cohort 2009, 2010/11	15
66	L1 FiD Birth Cohort 2010, 2010/11	16
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

eingangsfiler – Sampling filter [Preload]

? Input filter (selbstja==1) (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/Eingangsfiler:Eingangsfiler
[])

	-8	823
plb0568_v1 == 1 & plb0057_v9 != 4 & panelerst == 1		362

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

panelerst – Panel or refresher case [Preload]

? Is this a panel case or a refresher case? (from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/PL1:panelerst
[])

1	Panel case	362
2	Refresher case	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

isselfempl – Currently self-employed [Preload]

? Is self-employed at the time of this survey (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/PL3:isselfempl*
[])

1	Yes	362
2	No	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

inselfempl2022 – Participation in the self-employed survey 2022 [Preload]

? Has answered the 2022 self-employment questionnaire? (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2024-selfempl/PL2:inselfempl2022*[])

1	Yes	126
2	No	236
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	823

Waves: 2024

Edition: international

split – Split block sequence

? If value = 1 B003 - BBD: Query sales, expenses, profit, financing & investments at the point as in the template If value = 2 B003 - BBD: Query turnover, expenses, profit, financing & investments last (*from: soep-core/soep-core-2020-selfempl/Q001:Blockreihenfolge*[])

1	Block B003 beginning	191
2	Block B003 end	0
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0

-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	994

Waves: 2020

Edition: international

dauer – Interview duration (minutes)

0	4
0.200000002980232	1
0.233333334326744	1
0.333333343267441	1
0.349999994039536	1
0.400000005960464	1
0.449999988079071	3
0.483333319425583	1
0.533333361148834	2
0.550000011920929	1
0.566666662693024	1
0.583333313465118	2
0.633333325386047	2
0.649999976158142	1
0.699999988079071	1
... (240 rows omitted)	1145
10070	1
10199.8837890625	1
11111.716796875	1
12906.099609375	1
20465.44921875	1
27270	1
335357.1875	1
-1 No answer / don't know	8
-2 Does not apply	0
-3 Implausible value	2
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

intid – Interviewer ID

-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	470
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	362

Waves: 2020, 2022

Edition: international

intstatus – Interview status

1	Completed	1131
2	Refusal	0
3	Aborted	18
4	Not realized without explicit rejection	0
5	Not submitted	0
6	Not submitted in error	0
7	Not submitted due to not realised hhmatrix	0
8	Aborted (did not reach completion criterion)	0
9	Aborted (reached completion criterion)	7
10	Does not belong to target population (elb0301==5)	29
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

intstartd – Interview start: Day

1	31
2	26
3	21
4	39
5	20
6	24
7	36
8	32
9	56
10	37

11	28
12	37
13	35
14	66
15	41
... (9 rows omitted)	402
25	49
26	46
27	30
28	34
29	35
30	50
31	10
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	0
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

intstartm – Interview start: Month

1	13
4	57
5	87
6	239
7	168
8	145
9	98
10	113
11	137
12	128
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	0
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

intstarty – Interview start: Year

2020	191
2022	622
2023	10
2024	359
2025	3
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	0
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5 Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6 Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7 Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8 Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

iday – Interview end: Day

1	33
2	26
3	22
4	39
5	20
6	24
7	36
8	31
9	52
10	37
11	29
12	36
13	34
14	64
15	42
... (9 rows omitted)	404
25	49
26	47
27	28
28	33
29	35
30	48
31	12
-1 No answer / don't know	0
-2 Does not apply	4
-3 Implausible value	0
-4 Inadmissible multiple response	0

-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

imonth – Interview end: Month

1		13
4		56
5		87
6		238
7		165
8		148
9		97
10		112
11		136
12		129
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

Edition: international

iyear – Interview end: Year

2020		191
2022		618
2023		10
2024		359
2025		3
-1	No answer / don't know	0
-2	Does not apply	4
-3	Implausible value	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	0
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 2020, 2022, 2024

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