

European Values Study 1999/2000 (Release 2)

Examples for the documentation of the variables

1. Core variables and optional variables which are part of the integrated data set and the national data sets

The full question and answer texts of the Master Questionnaire are integrated for all core (V) and optional (O) variables.
The answer categories are completed by categories (“-1” to “-4”) which were not shown to the respondents but could be used by the interviewer.

Variables in the integrated and national data sets	
Core question of the master questionnaire	Optional question of the master questionnaire
<p>V1 Integrated Dataset how important in your life: work (Q1A)</p> <p>Q.1</p> <p><Show card 1> Please say, for each of the following, how important it is in your life.</p> <p>Q.1A Work</p> <p>-4 not asked -3 nap -2 na -1 dk 1 very important 2 quite important 3 not important 4 not at all important</p>	<p>O1 Integrated Dataset dont like as neighbours: hindus (Q7O)</p> <p>Q.7</p> <p><Show card 7> On this list are various groups of people. Could you please sort out any that you would not like to have as neighbours?</p> <p><Code an answer for each></p> <p>Q.7O Hindus</p> <p>-4 not asked -3 nap -2 na -1 dk 0 not mentioned 1 mentioned</p>

2. Country specific variables which are part of the integrated data set and the national data set

Example 1 V90_AT is the original variable for Austria comprising 4 instead of 5 answer categories of the corresponding question in the Master Questionnaire. The country specific variable V90_AT was inserted in the integrated data set additionally for its recording was not possible. In the national data set a blank Master Questionnaire question (e.g. V90) was computed for the country specific question. The country code employed in the Internet (AT for Austria) is used as an extension to identify the country specific variable.

Integrated data set		National data set: Austria	
V90	<p>Integrated Dataset job needed to develop talents (Q17A)</p> <p>Q.17</p> <p><Ask all; show card 17> Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</p> <p>Q.17A To fully develop your talents, you need to have a job</p> <p>-4 not asked -3 nap ...</p> <p>Note: for Austria see V90_AT</p>	V90	<p>Austria job needed to develop talents (Q17A)</p> <p>Note: for Austria see V90_AT</p>
V90_AT	<p>Austria AT: job needed to develop talents (Q17A) (4 answer categories)</p> <p>Q.17_at</p> <p><Ask all; show card 17> Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</p> <p>Q.17A_at To fully develop your talents, you need to have a job</p> <p>-4 AT: not asked -3 AT: nap ...</p> <p>Note: Austria: 4 answer categories instead of 5 (code 3 'neither agree nor disagree' is left out)</p>	V90_AT	<p>Austria AT: job needed to develop talents (Q17A) (4 answer categories)</p> <p>Q.17_at</p> <p><Ask all; show card 17> Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</p> <p>Q.17A_at To fully develop your talents, you need to have a job</p> <p>-4 AT: not asked -3 AT: nap ...</p> <p>Note: Austria: 4 answer categories instead of 5 (code 3 'neither agree nor disagree' is left out)</p>

Example 2 V154_5C is the original variable for Austria, Ireland and Northern Ireland comprising 5 instead of 4 categories of the corresponding question in the Master Questionnaire. The country specific variable (V154_5C) was inserted in the integrated data set additionally for its recording was not possible. In the national data sets a blank Master Questionnaire question (e.g. V154) was computed for the country specific question. The abbreviation “5C” (5 answer categories) is used as an extension to the variable name for the variables deviate in the same way in the three countries.

Integrated data set			National data set: Austria		
V154	Integrated Dataset	working mother warm relationship with children (Q46A)	V154	Austria	working mother warm relationship with children (Q46A)
	Q.46 <Show card 46> People talk about the changing roles of men and women today. For each of the following statements I read out, can you tell me how much you agree with each. Please use the responses on this card. Q.46A A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who does not work -4 not asked ...			Note: for Austria see V154_5C (5 answer categories)	
V154_5C	Austria	working mother warm relationship with children (Q46A) (5 answer categories)	V154_5C	Austria	working mother warm relationship with children (Q46A) (5 answer categories)
	Q.46_5C <Show card 46> People talk about the changing roles of men and women today. For each of the following statements I read out, can you tell me how much you agree with each. Please use the responses on this card. Q.46A_5C A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who does not work -4 not asked ...			Q.46_5C <Show card 46> People talk about the changing roles of men and women today. For each of the following statements I read out, can you tell me how much you agree with each. Please use the responses on this card. Q.46A_5C A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who does not work -4 not asked ...	Note: Austria: 5 answer categories instead of 4 categories (3 – “neither agree nor disagree”)

3. Country specific variables which are only part of the national data set

Example 1 V304_DE is the original variable for Germany. It was recoded according to variable V304 of the Master Questionnaire. To provide also the original information the variable is saved in the national data set.

It was not necessary to include the variable in the integrated data set (in contrast to variables that could not be adjusted to the Master Questionnaire).

National data set: Germany							
V304	Germany		highest level education respondent (Q94)	V304_DE	Germany		highest level education
	Q.94		What is the highest level you have reached in your education? To be measured as detailed as possible on national level and to be transformed into this variable		Q.94_de		Highest level education
	-4		not asked		-4		not asked
	-3		nap		-3		nap
	-2		na		-2		na
	-1		dk		-1		dk
	1		inadequately completed elementary education		1		zur Zeit Schüler an allgemeinbildender Vollzeitschule
	2		completed (compulsory) elementary education		2		zur Zeit Schüler an berufsorient. Aufbau-, Fachschule o.ä.
	3		(compulsory) elementary education and basic vocational qualification		3		kein Schulabschluß
	4		secondary, intermediate vocational qualification		4		Volks-, Hauptschulabschluß
	5		secondary, intermediate general qualification		5		Mittlere Reife, Realschulabschluß, Fachschulreife
	6		full secondary, maturity level certificate		6		Polytechn. Oberschule mit Abschluß 10. Klasse
	7		higher education - lower-level tertiary certificate		7		Fachhochschulreife, fachgeb. Hochschulreife, Fachoberschule
	8		higher education - upper-level tertiary certificate		8		Abitur, erweiterte Oberschule (EOS)
					9		Hochschulabschluß, Fachhochschulabschluß
					10		anderer Abschluß
	Note:		original German variable see V304_DE		Note:		original German variable

Example 2 V6a_GB is an 'extra' country specific question (like the C-variables). This variable (item) is a supplement to a group of questions in the Master Questionnaire. The variable is renamed into V6A_GB (always with the name of the last variable of the group of questions to which the country specific question belongs to) for it belongs to the group of questions (v1-v6) 'how important in your life: ...(Q1A-F)'.

National data set: Great Britain					
V6	Great Britain	how important in your life: religion (Q1F)	V6A_GB	Great Britain	Importance of neighbours and local community
	Q.1			Q.1	
	<Show card 1>			<Show card 1>	
	Please say, for each of the following, how important it is in your life.			Please say, for each of the following, how important it is in your life.	
	Q.1F Religion			Q.1J_gb Neighbours and local community	
	-4 not asked			-4 not asked	
	-3 nap			-3 nap	
	-2 na			-2 na	
	-1 dk			-1 dk	
	1 very important			1 very important	
	2 quite important			2 quite important	
	3 not important			3 not important	
	4 not at all important			4 not at all important	
				Note:	
				extra British variable	

4. Additional country specific variables (“C”) which are only part of the national data set

Examples C13 and C3 are examples for additional country specific questions that are completely different from the questions of the Master Questionnaire.

National data set: Portugal			National data set: Croatia		
C13	Portugal	politicians don't care people like me	C3	Croatia	Level of urbanization
	Q.C13_pt	Politicians don't care people like me		Q.C3_hr	Level of urbanization
	-4	not asked		-4	not asked
	-3	nap		-3	nap
	-2	na		-2	na
	-1	dk		-1	dk
	1	strongly agree		0	highly urbanized big cities
	2	agree		1	urbanized towns
	3	disagree		2	small urbanized places
	4	strongly disagree		3	villages with good infrastructure
				4	poorly infrastructured villages
	Note:	additional country specific variable		Note:	additional country specific variable