# ELECTION STUDY 2006

# QUESTIONNAIRE STAGE A PRE-ELECTION INTERVIEW

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

We have been commissioned to undertake an impartial interview study of this year's election. Before the questions I would like to inform you that the answers will only be used for statistical analysis. No outsider will get to know how any individual has answered our questions. I am of course under obligation to observe confidentiality.

1 5 8	Question 1 Do you regularly read one or more daily newspapers? By regularly I mean at least once a week.  yes no DK/does not want to answer  2
<b>—</b>	Which newspaper of newspapers do you read regularly?  newspaper/newspapers:  NOTE THE NEWSPAPER(S) MENTIONED BY R. DAILY NEWSPAPERS INCLUDE MORNING AND EVENING PAPERS AS WELL AS REGULARLY PUBLISHED LOCAL PAPERS. ALSO DAILY NEWSPAPERS ON THE INTERNET. DO NOT USE ABBREVIATIONS.
1 2 3 4 7 8	Question 2 How often do you read news and articles about politics in the daily press?  SHOW CARD 2. READ OUT ALTERNATIVES.  never reads news and articles about politics occasionally reads news and articles about politics often reads news and articles about politics reads news and articles about politics reads news and articles about politics every day other answer:  DK/does not want to answer
\	When you read about politics in the daily papers: How often do you read about:  SHOW CARD 3. READ OUT ALTERNATIVES. REPEAT QUESTION FOR EVERY ISSUE AREA.  1 reads practically everything 2 reads quite a lot 3 does not read a lot 4 reads nothing/almost nothing 8 DK/does not want to answer  A. national [domestic] politics? B. local politics? C. politics in other countries/international news?

	Questions 4A-D Concerning news programmes on radio and TV: How often do you watch/listen to (NEWS PROGRAMME)?  SHOW CARD 4. READ OUT ALTERNATIVES. REPEAT QUESTION FOR EVERY PROGRAMME.  1 6-7 days a week 2 3-5 days a week 3 1-2 days a week 4 more seldom 5 never 8 DK/does not want to answer
	<ul> <li>A. Rapport/Aktuellt [Swedish TV, SVT]?</li> <li>B. Ekot, long newscasts on Radio Sweden [SR]?</li> <li>C. Nyheterna [news on terrestrial commercial channel TV 4]?</li> <li>D. Update [news on cable/satellite commercial channel TV 3]?</li> </ul>
1 2 3 4 7	Question 5 Generally speaking, how interested in politics are you? Which of the answers on this card describes you most accurately? Are you very interested, fairly interested, not very interested or not at all interested in politics?  SHOW CARD 5  very interested fairly interested not very interested not very interested not at all interested other answer:
1 2 3 4 7 8	Question 6A  How often do political discussions occur in your nearest surroundings – in your family, among your friends and work colleagues? Does it happen: very often, fairly often, not very often or not at all?  SHOW CARD 6A  very often fairly often not very often not very often not at all other answer:  DK/does not want to answer
1 2 3 4 7 8	What do you usually do yourself when you are in a group of people and the conversation turns to politics? Which of these descriptions fits you best?  SHOW CARD 6B AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES  I usually do not bother to listen when people start discussing politics I may well listen, but never take part in the discussion It happens, but not too often, that I say what I think I usually take part in the discussion and say what I think other answer:  DK/does not want to answer

	Question 6C In general, how much difference do you think there is between the parties in parliament, regarding their political positions?
	SHOW CARD 6C AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES
1 2 3 4 7 8	a great deal of difference a fair amount of difference not much difference no difference at all other answer:  DK/does not want to answer

# QUESTIONS 6A - 6C ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A

	Question 7 Thinking about this year's election, is there any issue or issues which are important when it comes to which party you are going to vote for in the Parliamentary election on 17 September?
1 5 6 8	yes no, no important issue does not intend to vote in parliamentary election DK/does not want to answer     FR. ANSWERS YES
	What issue or issues?  issue(s):  ADDED QUESTION FOR DETAILED  Is there any other issue that is important when you choose party in the parliamentary election?
1 5 8	yes no DK/does not want to answer  IF R ANSWERS YES  What other issue or issues? issue(s):

#### **Question 8**

I would like to ask a few questions concerning <u>your opinion</u> about the policies of the parties on various issues. On this card we have put together some issue areas which have been important in Swedish politics in recent years. I begin with employment.

SHOW CARD 8. ASK QUESTIONS BELOW, IN SUCCESSION, FOR EACH ISSUE AREA

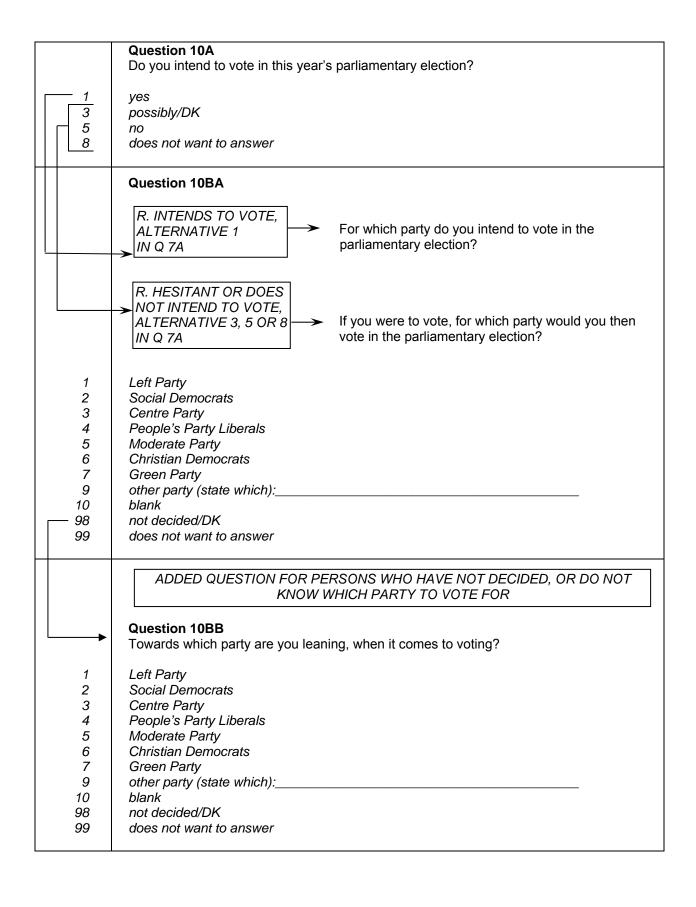
Is there, in your opinion, any party or parties with a good policy on (ISSUE AREA)?

Is there, in your opinion, any party or parties with a <u>bad</u> policy on (ISSUE AREA)?

ENTER THE PARTIES MENTIONED BY R. FOR EVERY ISSUE AREA. MORE THAN ONE PARTY POSSIBLE. USE <u>PARTY ABBREVIATIONS</u>. IF ANSWER INCLUDES MORE THAN ONE PARTY, ENTER SPACE BETWEEN THE ABBREVIATIONS. USE THE CODE 90 FOR 'ALL PARTIES', 95 FOR 'NO PARTY' AND 98 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER.

	Parties with a good policy	Parties with a <u>bad</u> policy
Employment	<u>good</u> policy	——————————————————————————————————————
The Swedish economy		
Taxes		
Issues concerning conditions for business		
Energy and nuclear power		
Issues concerning social security		
Issues concerning care of elderly		
Health care and hospitals		
Issues concerning child care		
Schools and education		
Issues concerning gender equality		
Issues concerning scarcely populated areas of the country		

#### **Question 9A** On this card there is a kind of scale. SHOW CARD 9 I would like you to use it to illustrate how much you like or dislike the different parties. Use 'plus' figures for parties you like and 'minus' figures for parties you dislike. If I get to a party you do not know, or do not know enough about to judge, just say so. -5 -3 -2 -1 0 +1 +2 +3 +4 +5 dislike neither like like strongly nor dislike strongly READ OUT ONE PARTY AT A TIME AND ASK QUESTION BELOW. IF R. DOES NOT KNOW THE PARTY, ENTER 96. ENTER 98 FÖR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER. Where would you place: Centre Party A. B. Moderate Party C. Left Party People's Party Liberals D. E. Social Democrats Green Party F. G. **Christian Democrats** H. June List Feminist Initiative ١. **Sweden Democrats** J. **Question 9B** READ OUT ONE PARTY LEADER AT A TIME AND ASK QUESTION BELOW. IF R. DOES NOT KNOW THE PARTY LEADER, ENTER 96. ENTER 98 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER. We use the same scale for the party leaders. If I mention a party leader you do not know, or do not know enough about, just say so. Where would you place: A. Maud Olofsson [Centre Party]? B. Fredrik Reinfeldt [Moderate Party]? C. Lars Ohly [Left Party]? D. Lars Leijonborg [People's Party Liberals]? E. Göran Persson [Social Democrats]? Peter Eriksson [Green Party]? F. G. Maria Wetterstrand [Green Party]? H. Göran Hägglund [Christian Democrats]? Nils Lundgren [June List]? ١. Gudrun Schyman [Feminist Initiative]? J.



	Q 10BC TO BE ASKED TO PERSONS WHO HAVE GIVEN A PARTY IN Q 10BA OR 10BB
	Question 10BC Is there any other party or parties you are choosing from in this year's parliamentary election?
1	yes
5 8	no > 11A DK/does not want to answer > 11A
	<i>IF YES</i> → Which party or parties?
	party/parties:
	Question 10BD You say that you are choosing between (PARTY 1, PARTY 2, PARTY 3). What would suggest that you will vote for (PARTY 1) in this year's parliamentary election.
	PARTY 1 REFERS TO THE PARTY GIVEN BY R. IN Q 10BA OR Q 10BB. PARTY 2 REFERS TO THE FIRST PARTY GIVEN BY R. IN Q 10BC AND PARTY 3 REFERS TO THE SECOND PARTY GIVEN BY R IN Q 10BC.
	answer:
	Question 10BE What suggests that you will vote for (PARTY 2) in this year's parliamentary election.
	answer:
	Question 10BF
	What suggests that you will vote for (PARTY 3) in this year's parliamentary election.
	answer:

### Q 10BA ASKED AS Q 10B IN STAGE B. Q 10BB – 10BF ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A.

	Q 11A NOT ASKED TO FIRST TIME VOTERS
	Question 11A  There are several ways of voting in parliamentary elections. How have you usually voted in previous parliamentary elections?
	SHOW CARD 11A AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES
1	I have usually voted at a polling station on election day
2	I have sometimes voted at a polling station on election day, sometimes in advance at a post office
3	I have usually voted in advance at the post office
4	never before voted in a parliamentary election
8	DK/does not remember/does not want to answer

	Question 11B  How do you intend to vote in this year's election? Do you intend to vote at a polling station on 17 September, do you intend to use the opportunity to cast a pre-election vote or have you already voted?
	SHOW CARD 11B
1 2 3 4 5 8 9	intends to vote at a polling station on election day intends to cast a pre-election vote has already voted has already voted, but intends to vote at a polling station on election day has already voted at hospital/institution  DK/not decided does not want to answer
9	Question 11C Do you know where you can vote in advance?
1	yes
5 8	no DK/does not want to answer
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#### Q 11A-11C ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A.

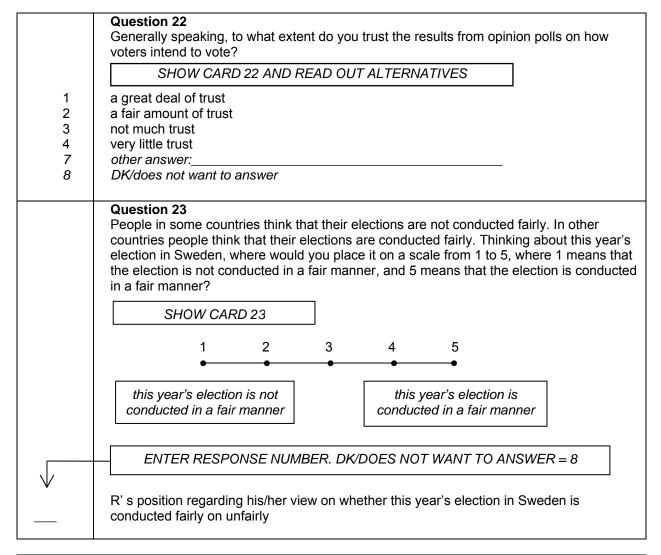
#### Question 12 You say you are going to vote for (...PARTY, see Q10BA)/are leaning towards voting for (...PARTY, see Q10BB) in this year's parliamentary election. How important are the following reasons for to your choice of party? SHOW CARD 12 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES one of the absolutely most important reasons 2 fairly important reason 3 not very important reason 4 not at all an important reason 8 DK/does not want to answer READ OUT ONE REASON AT A TIME Using the answers on this card, how important a reason is it that: A. The party's policies are usually advantageous to my occupational group? B. The party has a good leader? C. I feel like a supporter of the party? D. The party has good policies on many of the issues that have recently featured in the public debate? E. The party has competent people who can run the country? F. G. The party has a good political ideology? I always vote for the party? Н. The party has good parliamentary candidates on the ballot paper in my constituency? I. The party has done a good job in politics in recent years? J. The party has a good programme for the future? It is a big party, and therefore has a better chance than a smaller party to K. implement its policies? L. It is a small party, and in danger of not reaching the four per cent threshold to parliamentary representation?

# QUESTION 13 NOT ASKED IN STAGE A

1 3 5 8	Question 14 It is possible to cast a personal vote the ballot paper. Do you think you wi  yes  yes, possibly  no  DK/does not want to answer	by putting a cross befo Il cast a personal vote	ore one of the candidates on in the parliamentary election?
O			
	Question 15 Generally speaking, what is your view parliamentary elections? You may chalternatives.	noose one of the follow	ing response
	SHOW CARD 15 AND REAL		S
1 2	no personal vote should exist, only continuous there should be an element of person parliamentary election		ser extent than in this year's
3	there should be an element of person parliamentary election is about right	nal voting, and the leve	el used in this year's
4 7	the extent of personal voting should other answer:	be increased further in	future parliamentary elections
8	DK/does not want to answer  Question 16A		
7 1 5 8	Do you know the name of one or mo lists in your parliamentary constituen yes no DK/does not want to answer		→ 16B
	Question 16B		
	To which party does he/she belong?  ENTER THE FIRST NAME MENTICE FOLLOW-UP QUESTION. DO NOT (USE PARTY ABBREVIATIONS) AS CANDIDATES MENTIONED BY R.	FORGET TO ENTER	THE PARTY
	Do you remember the name of any other person?		
	ENTER THE <u>THREE FOLLOWING</u> NAMES MENTIONED BY R. AND ASK FOLLOW-UP QUESTION		
	To which party does he/she belong?		
	ENTER THE FOUR FIRST	NAMES MENTION	ED BY R
	yes, name 1:	party:	gender:
	yes, name 2:	party:	gender:
	yes, name 3:	party:	gender:
	yes, name 4:	party:	gender:
8	DK/does not want to answer/does no	ot remember	

	election?  Would you like any other party to be included in accomment?		
	be included in government?		
	parties:		
8	DK/does not want to answer		
	ENTER ALL PARTIES MENTIONED BY RESP. ANSWERS "GRAND COALITION" OF "ALL PARTIES" SHOULD ALSO BE ENTERED.		
	Question 17B Who would you prefer as prime minister in the government after the election?		
	prime minister:		
8	DK/does not want to answer		
	Question 18A  Now a couple of questions about how the governing party and the bourgeois opposition parties, respectively, have performed since the 2002 election. You may answer using the scale on the card.		
	SHOW CARD 18. READ OUT QUESTIONS ONE BY ONE. ENTER 98 FOR		
	-5 -4 -3 -2 -1 0 +1 +2 +3 +4 +5		
	<b>→ → → → → → → →</b>		
$\downarrow$	poorly neither well nor poorly well		
	A. How do you think the Social Democrats have performed as governing party since		
_	the 2002 election?  B. How do you think the bourgeois parties have performed as opposition since the 2002 election?		
	Question 18B Looking forward in time, using the same scale:		
$\downarrow$	A. How do you think the Social Democrats will perform as a governing party in the next four years if they get to form a government after the		
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1 5 8	Question 19A  Do you think any party or parties will make gains in this year's parliamentary election?  IF R. ASKS IT IS UP TO HIM/HERSELF TO MAKE COMPARISONS WITH PREVIOUS ELECTIONS OR RECENT TRENDS  yes no DK/does not want to answer  19B  IF YES Which party or parties?  party/parties:
1 5 8	Question 19B Do you think any party or parties will suffer losses in this year's parliamentary election?  IF R. ASKS IT IS UP TO HIM/HERSELF TO MAKE COMPARISONS WITH PREVIOUS ELECTIONS OR RECENT TRENDS  yes no DK/does not want to answer  > 20 DK/does not want to answer  > Which party or parties?  party/parties:
\	According to the smaller parties will perform in this year's election?  READ OUT QUESTION FOR ONE PARTY AT A TIME.  1 yes 5 no 8 DK/does not want to answer  Do you think (PARTY) will get at least 4 per cent in the election, and thus be represented in parliament after the election?  Christian Democrats Green Party Feminist Initiative June List Sweden Democrats
1 2 5 7 8	Question 21 Have you in recent weeks read, or heard, about results from opinion polls on how people intend to vote in this year's parliamentary election?  SHOW CARD 21 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES. THE OPINION POLLS WE HAVE IN MIND ARE THOSE CONDUCTED BY, E.G., SIFO, TEMO, DEMOSKOP AND SKOP.  yes, several times yes, occasionally no other answer:  DK/does not want to answer



QUESTIONS 17-23 ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A QUESTION 24 NOT ASKED IN STAGE A

QUESTION 25 NOT ASKED TO R WHO IS BORN 18 SEPTEMBER 1988 OR LATER, OR TO R WHO FOR REASONS OTHER THAN AGE HAS BEEN GIVEN THE RIGHT TO VOTE DURING THE MOST RECENT ELECTION PERIOD.

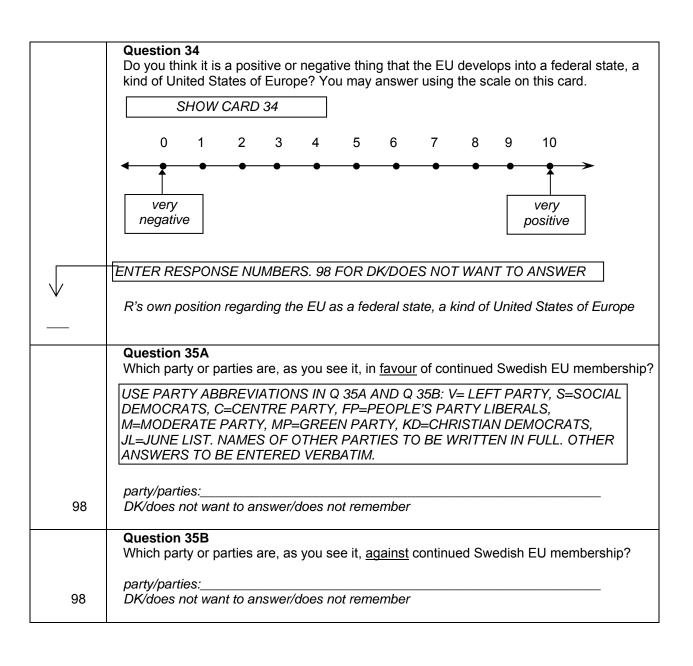
	Question 25A
	Did you vote in the 2002 parliamentary election?
1	yes .
3	does not remember for sure, but probably
5	no, did not vote/R does not believe R voted
6	not entitled to vote > 27A
8	DK/does not want to answer → 27A
	Question 25B
	Which party did you vote for in the 2002 parliamentary election?
1	Left Party
2	Social Democrats
3	Centre Party
4	People's Party Liberals
5	Moderate Party
6	Christian Democrats
7	Green Party
9	other party (state which):
98	does not remember/DK/does not want to answer

#### QUESTION 26 NOT ASKED IN STAGE A

#### **Question 27A** On this card there are a number of words and expressions that can be used to describe different characteristics of party leaders and parties. I would like you to tell me how appropriately you think that each of them describes Göran Persson, Fredrik Reinfeldt, the Social Democrats and the Moderate Party. We will only ask about the two biggest parties and their leaders. SHOW CARD 27 1 very appropriate 2 fairly appropriate 3 not very appropriate 4 not at all appropriate 8 DK/does not want to answer FOR EACH PARTY LEADER AND EACH PARTY, READ OUT ONE EXPRESSION AT A TIME AND LET R. CHOOSE ALTERNATIVE. ENTER RESPONSE NUMBER. Thinking of (...PARTY LEADER), how appropriate do you think the following expressions Göran Persson trustworthy inspiring knowledgeable friendly knows the thoughts and feelings of ordinary people speaks so that ordinary people can understand strona leader Fredrik Reinfeldt trustworthy inspiring knowledgeable friendly knows the thoughts and feelings of ordinary people speaks so that ordinary people can understand strong leader **Question 27B** Thinking of (...PARTY), how appropriate do you think the following expressions are: SHOW CARD 27 **Social Democrats** trustworthy inspiring friendly knows the thoughts and feelings of ordinary people has competent people who can run the country has clear policies usually keeps its election promises **Moderate Party** trustworthy inspiring friendly knows the thoughts and feelings of ordinary people has competent people who can run the country has clear policies usually keeps its election promises

1 2 3 4 7 8	Question 28A Generally speaking, how much faith do you have in Swedish politicians? Do you have a great deal of faith, a fair amount of faith, not much faith or very little faith?  SHOW CARD 28A  a great deal of faith a fair amount of faith not much faith very little faith other answer:  DK/does not want to answer
	Question 28B What is the most important reason or reasons why you do not have faith in Swedish politicians?
	Q 28B ONLY ASKED TO PERSONS WHO HAVE ANSWERED 3 OR 4 TO Q 28A
	answer:
	Question 29 Here are a number of proposals that have appeared in the political debate. What is your opinion about each of them?  SHOW CARD 29 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES
	1 very good proposal 2 fairly good proposal 3 neither good nor bad proposal 4 fairly bad proposal 5 very bad proposal 8 DK/does not want to answer
, ,	READ OUT PROPOSALS ONE AT A TIME
V	Using the answers on this card, what is your opinion about the proposal to:
	<ul> <li>A. Reduce the size of the public sector?</li> <li>B. Reduce defence expenditure?</li> <li>C. Reduce benefits?</li> <li>D. Cut taxes?</li> <li>E. Keep the property tax?</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>F. Sell off state owned businesses and public utilities to private interests?</li> <li>G. Reduce income differences in society?</li> <li>H. Increase the proportion of health care run by private interests?</li> <li>I. Do more to promote independent schools?</li> <li>J. Increase financial support to less densely populated areas of the country?</li> <li>K. Sweden should in the long run abolish nuclear power?</li> </ul>

1 2 3	Question 30 In the debate about parental benefit, there are those who think that the parents themselves should be able to decide how to share all the days covered by the parental benefit between them. Others believe that all days covered by the parental benefit should be shared equally between the parents. Which of these proposals is closest to your opinion, or do you not have a definite view on the issue?  SHOW CARD 30  the parents should be able to decide for themselves the days covered by the parental benefit should be shared equally between the parents no definite view on the issue
7 8	other answer:
	Question 31
	Are you, on the whole, in favour of or against the introduction of some form of parental allowance for parents with small children, or do you have no definite view on the issue?  SHOW CARD 31
1 2 3 7	on the whole in favour of the introduction of some form of parental allowance on the whole against the introduction of some form of parental allowance no definite view on the issue other answer:
8	DK/does not want to answer
	Question 32 There are varying views about nuclear as an energy source. What is your opinion? Are you, on the whole, in favour of or against nuclear power, or do you have no definite opinion on the issue?
	SHOW CARD 32
1 2 3 7	on the whole in favour of nuclear power on the whole against nuclear power no definite opinion on the issue other answer:
8	DK/does not want to answer
	Question 33 Are you on the whole in favour of or against the Swedish membership of the EU, or do you have no definite opinion on the issue?  SHOW CARD 33
1 2 3 7	on the whole in favour of the Swedish EU membership on the whole against the Swedish EU membership no definite opinion on the issue other answer:
8	DK/does not want to answer



#### Question 36 Again, I would like to ask some questions about your views about the policies of the political parties in some issue areas. I begin with issues related to the European Union, SHOW CARD 36. ASK QUESTIONS BELOW, IN SUCESSION, FOR EACH OF THE ISSUE AREAS Is there any party or parties that, in your view, have a good policy on (ISSUE AREA)? Is there any party or parties that, in your view, have a bad policy on (ISSUE AREA)? ENTER THE PARTIES R MENTIONS NEXT TO THE RESPECTIVE ISSUE AREA. SEVERAL PARTIES ARE POSSIBLE. USE PARTY ABBREVIATIONS. WHEN MORE THAN ONE PARTY IS MENTIONED, TYPE A SPACE BETWEEN THE PARTY ABBREVIATIONS. USE THE CODE 90 FOR ALL PARTIES, 95 FOR NO PARTY AND 98 FOR DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER. Parties with a Parties with a bad good policy policy Issues concerning the European union, EU Refugee and immigration issues Issues concerning ethnic integration Environment Issues concerning law and order Question 37 Here are a number of proposals regarding Sweden's relations with other countries. What is your opinion about each of them? SHOW CARD 37 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES 1 very good proposal 2 fairly good proposal 3 neither good nor bad proposal 4 fairly bad proposal 5 very bad proposal DK/does not want to answer READ OUT PROPOSALS ONE AT A TIME Using the answers on this card, what is your opinion about the proposal to: Sweden should leave the EU? A. B. Sweden should introduce the euro as currency? C. Sweden should apply for membership of NATO? Sweden work to promote more free trade in the whole world? D. Reduce third world aid? E. F. Accept fewer refugees into Sweden Increase economic support to immigrants so that they can keep their own G.

culture?

Increase labour immigration into Sweden?

Introduce a language test for Swedish citizenship?

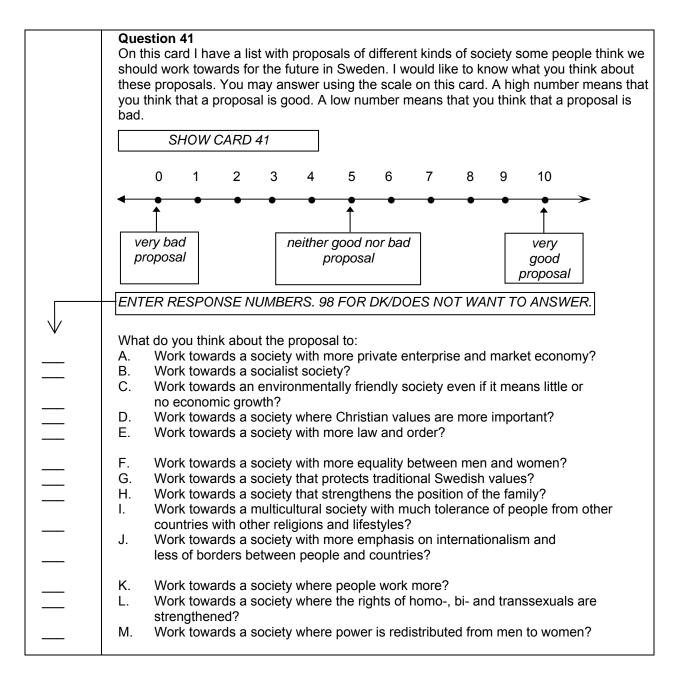
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#### **Question 38** We have put together a couple of views that sometimes appear in the political debate SHOW CARDS 38/39 I will read out one such view at a time and would like you to choose one of the responses on the card. agree entirely 2 agree on the whole 3 disagree on the whole disagree entirely DK/does not want to answer Do you agree with this view or do you think it is wrong? Α. Leading banking and industry people will get far too much influence unless society is given the chance to control private business and industry Social reforms in this country have gone so far that the state ought to B. reduce rather than increase social benefits and support for the citizens Question 39 We have also put together a couple of different views you sometimes hear about parties and politics. SHOW CARD 38/39 I will read out one such view at a time and would like you to choose one of the responses on the card. agree entirely 2 agree on the whole 3 disagree on the whole disagree entirely DK/does not want to answer Do you agree with this view or do you think it is wrong? A. The parties are only interested in people's votes, not in what they think B. Those who sit in Parliament making decisions do not pay much attention to the thoughts and views of ordinary people

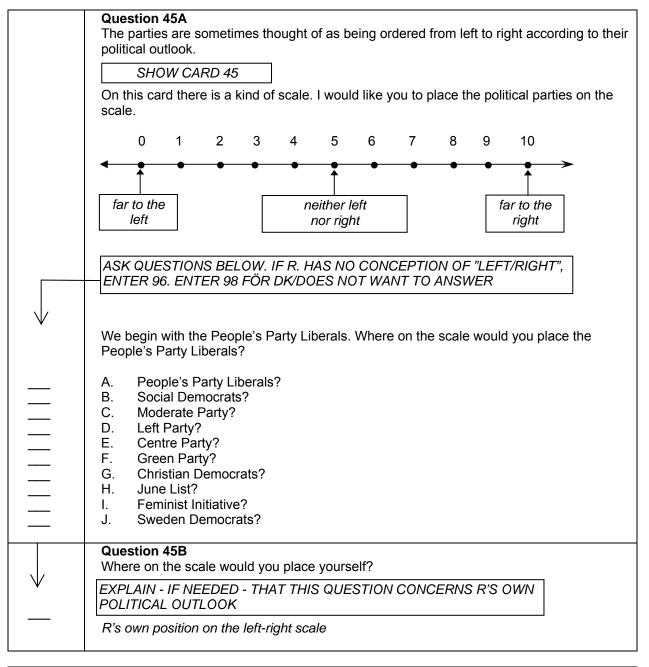
#### **Question 40** Now follow a few questions about how you think our society should develop in the next few years. On this card there is a lost of different goals which many think we should be working for in our society. SHOW CARD 40 1 maintain law and order give individuals greater opportunity to influence political decisions 2 3 fight rising prices protect freedom of expression 4 DK/does not want to answer 8 NB! THE SAME RESPONSE ALTERNATIVE (1-4) MAY EACH ONLY OCCUR ONCE IN Q40A TO 40C I would like to know which of the goals you consider most important? A. Which goal is, in your opinion, the second most important? B. C. Which goal is, in your opinion, the least important?

#### QUESTION 40 ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A



	Question 42 Here are a few more proposals that have appeared in the political debate. What is your view on each of them?	
	SHOW CARD 42 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES	
	1 very good proposal 2 fairly good proposal 3 neither good not bad proposal 4 fairly bad proposal 5 very bad proposal 8 DK/does not want to answer	
	READ OUT PROPOSALS ONE BY ONE	
V	Using the proposals on this card, what is your opinion about the proposal to:	
	<ul> <li>A. Introduce a six hour working day for all gainfully employed?</li> <li>B. Prohibit all forms of pornography?</li> <li>C. Restrict the right to free abortion?</li> <li>D. Allow gay and lesbian couples to adopt children?</li> <li>E. Significantly raise the severity of prison sentences for criminals?</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>F. Stop private driving in inner cities?</li> <li>G. Make household and domestic services tax deductible?</li> <li>H. Raise the severity of the penalties for the purchase of sex?</li> <li>I. Allow free download of all films and music from the Internet?</li> </ul>	
	Question 43A  Many people consider themselves adherents of a specific party. But there are also many others who do not have any such attachment to any of the parties. Do you usually think of yourself as, for example, a <i>folkpartist, socialdemokrat, moderat, centerpartist, vänsterpartist, miljöpartist,</i> or <i>kristdemokrat</i> ? Or do you have no such attachment to any of the parties?	
1	yes, thinks of him/herself as an adherent of a specific party	
3 5	does not know/hesitant no, does not think of him/herself as an adherent of a specific party   43D	
9	does not want to answer	
	Question 43B Which party do you like best?	
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 9	Left Party Social Democrats Centre Party People's Party Liberals Moderate Party Christian Democrats Green Party other party (state which):	
98	other party (state which):  DK/does not want to answer ────────────────────────────────────	

	Question 43C Some people are strongly convinced adherents of their party. Others are not so strongly convinced. Do you yourself belong to the strongly convinced adherents of your party?		
1 5	yes, strongly convinced no, not strongly convinced  > 44		
7			
8	other answer:does not want to answer		
	does not want to answer		
	Question 43D Still, is there any party that you consider yourself closer to than any of the other parties? (Which party?)		
1	Left Party		
2	Social Democrats		
3	Centre Party		
4	People's Party Liberals		
5	Moderate Party		
6 7	Christian Democrats		
9	Green Party		
95	other party (state which): no, no party   45A		
98	DK/does not want to answer $\longrightarrow$ 45A		
	Question 44 Which party do you like second best?		
	IF POSSIBLE, ENTER ONLY ONE PARTY		
1	Left Party		
2	Social Democrats		
3	Centre Party		
4 5	People's Party Liberals		
6	Moderate Party Christian Democrats		
7	Green Party		
9	other party (state which):		
95	no party		
98	DK/does not want to answer		



#### QUESTIONS 45A AND 45 B ASKED AS QUESTIONS 61A AND 61B IN STAGE B

	Question 46A What is your view on the current economic situation in Sweden? Would you say that the economic situation is very good, good, neither good nor bad, bad or very bad?
	SHOW CARD 46A
1	very good
2	fairly good
3	neither good nor bad
4	fairly bad
5	very bad
8	DK/does not want to answer

	Question 46B Would you say that the Swedish economy has improved, remained the same or gone worse during the past 12 months?
	SHOW CARD 46B/D
1 3 5 8	improved remained the same gone worse DK/does not want to answer
	Question 46C How do you think the Swedish economy will develop in the next 12 months? Will it improve, remain the same or will it go worse?  SHOW CARD 46C
1	improve
3 5	remain the same go worse
8	DK/does not want to answer
	Question 46D  If you compare your own economic situation with what it was 12 months ago, has it improved, remained the same or has it gone worse?  SHOW CARD 46B/D
1	improved
3 5	remained the same gone worse
8	DK/does not want to answer
	Question 46E Looking forward, how do you think your own economic situation will change in the next 12 months? Will it improve, remain the same or will it go worse?  SHOW CARD 46E
1 3	improve remain the same
5	go worse
8	DK/does not want to answer

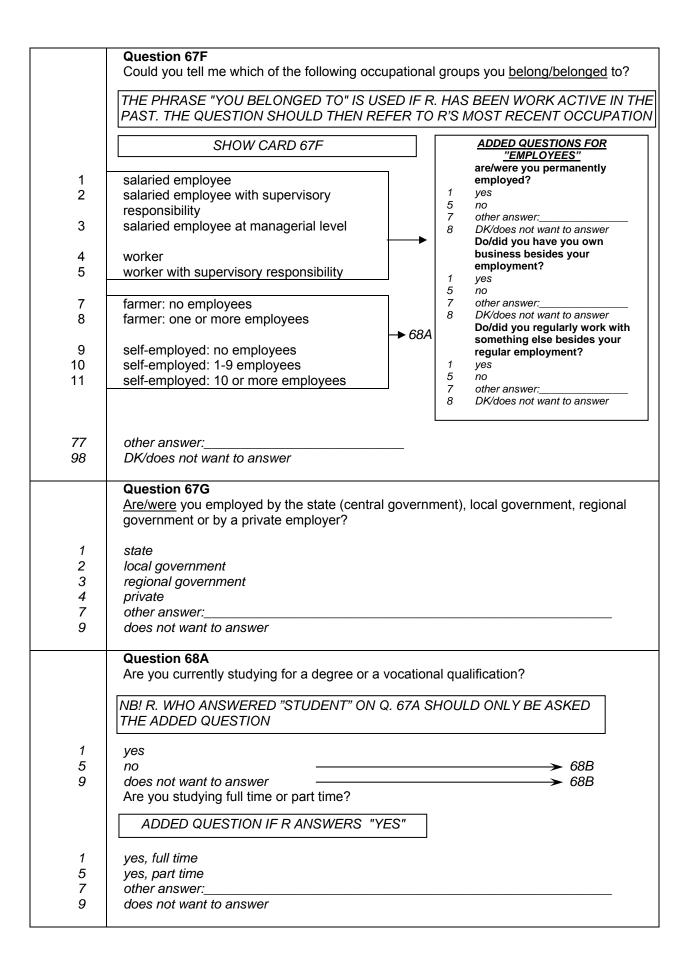
# QUESTION 46 ONLY ASKED IN STAGE A

	Question 47		
	Here is a list with names of different persons. Could you tell me which <u>party</u> each of them		
	belongs to? I begin with Karin Pilsäter?		
	SHOW CARD 47		
	READ OUT ONE NAME AT A TIME AND ENTER THE PARTY MENTIONED BY R.		
, ,	USE THE CODES FOR THE PARTIES.		
V			
	ENTER NUMBER OF THE PARTY MENTIONED BY R:		
	A. Karin Pilsäter? 4  1 LEFT PARTY		
	B. Bo Ringholm? 2 Dep PM 2 SOCIAL DEMOCRATS C. Fredrick Federley? 3 2 CENTRE PARTY		
	D. Comilla Carlacar 2. F. J. CENTRE PARTY		
	E Vyonno Duwoido? 7 4 PEUPLES PARTI LIBERALS		
	E Alice Actrom 2.1 5 WODERATE PARTY		
	C Inger Davidson 26 0 CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS		
	H. Carin Jämtin? 2 9 OTHER PARTY		
	I. Jan Eliasson <b>2 For. Min.</b> 98 DK/DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER		
	30 BIVBOLO NOT WAINT TO ANOWER		
	Question 48 On this card there are a number of statements. Could you say whether each of them is		
	On this card there are a number of statements. Could you say whether each of them is true or false. If you are not certain of the answer, you may say that you do not know		
	whether the statement is true or false.		
	SHOW CARD 48		
	SHOW CARD 40		
	1 true statement		
	5 false statement		
	8 DK		
	9 does not want to answer		
	READ OUT STATEMENTS ONE BY ONE		
$\forall$			
	A. The sickness benefit from National Insurance is at the moment 90 per cent		
	of the wage/salary from the first day of sick leave?		
	B. The Swedish parliament has 349 members.		
	C. Open unemployment in Sweden is less than 5 per cent.		
	D. Spain is a member of the EU.     E. Swedish state aid to developing countries at the moment amounts to one per cent		
	<ul> <li>E. Swedish state aid to developing countries at the moment amounts to one per cent of the gross domestic income (GDI).</li> </ul>		
	F. During the 2002 – 2006 election period, Sweden had a single party Social		
	Democratic government.		
	G. The property tax for detached houses, row (terrace) houses and recreation houses		
	today is 2.0 per cent of the taxable value.		
	H. Grades in school may be given in the first semester of year 8 at the earliest.		

# QUESTIONS 49 – 66 NOT ASKED IN STAGE A

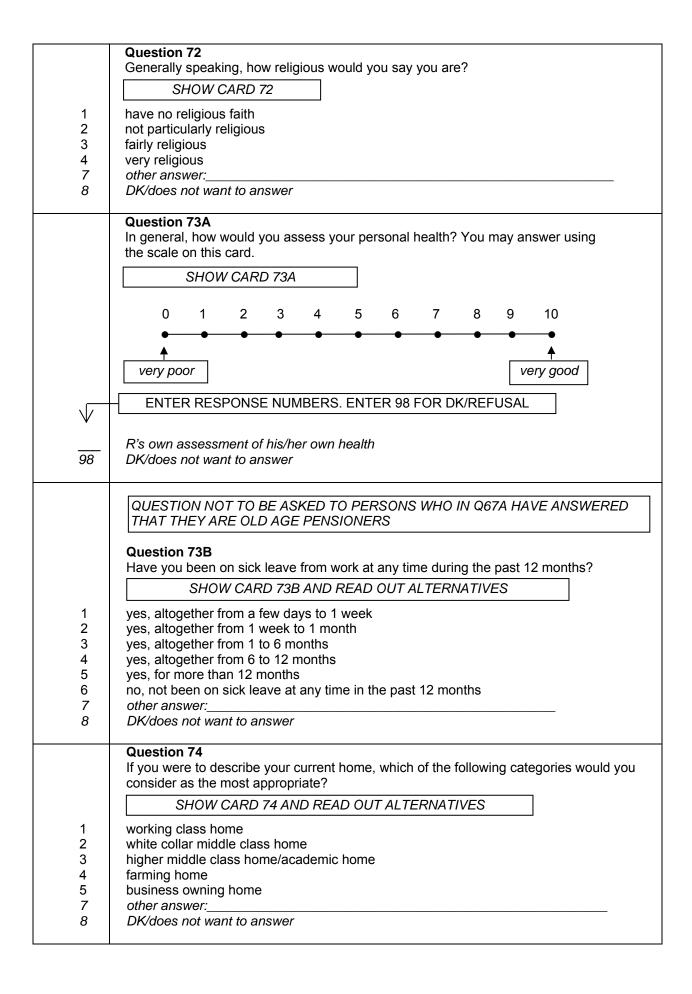
# FINALLY A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT YOURSELF

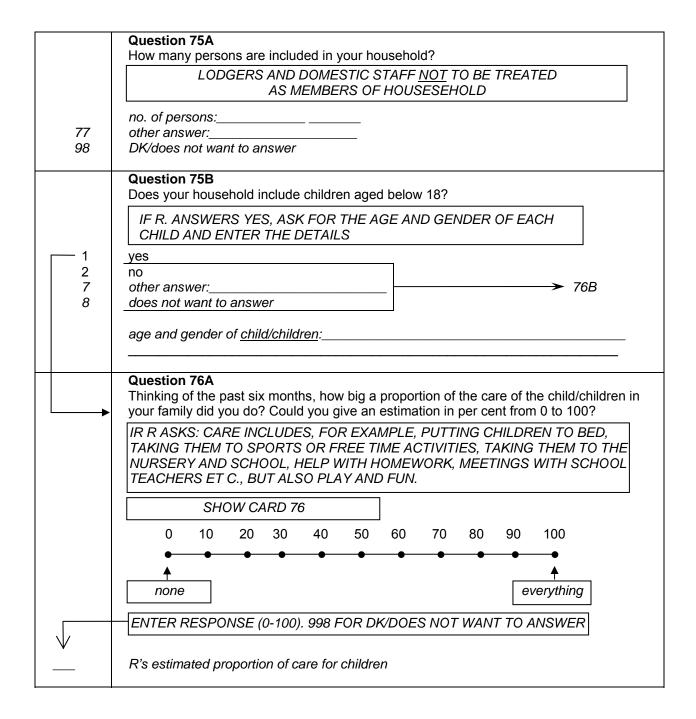
	Question 67A I begin with a few questions about employment and work. To which groups on this card do you belong?  SHOW CARD 67A	
1 2 3 5 6 7 8 9 77 98	gainfully employed in relief work/youth training/unemployment programme in labour market training course organised by AMS (Labour Market Board) unemployed old age pensioner pre-retirement age pensioner/on long term sick leave domestic worker student other group (state which): DK/does not want to answer	
1 5 9	Question 67B Have you previously been gainfully employed?  yes no does not want to answer  ———————————————————————————————————	
•	Question 67C What is/was your occupation?  ADDED QUESTION TO CLARIFY OCCUPATION/TYPE OF WORK   OCCUPATION/TYPE OF WORK   OCCUPATION IS ASKED BOTH TO WORK ACTIVE AS WELL AS RESPONDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN WORK ACTIVE IN THE PAST. IF R. HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN THE PAST, USE THE WORDS "WAS" AND "DID"	
1 2 3 9	Question 67D On average, how many hours do/did you work per week?  SHOW CARD 67D  full time part time, at least 15 hours a week part time, less than 15 hours a week does not want to answer	
	Question 67E         What is/was the main activity at your workplace?         activity:	

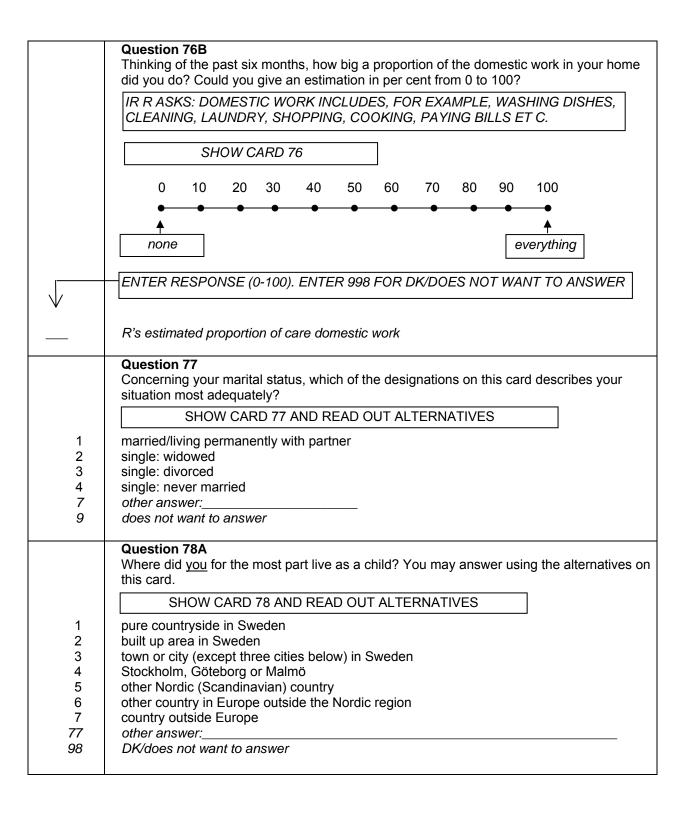


	Question 68B	
		have? What are you studying?
	ADDED QUESTION FOR	
	COMPLETE ANSWERS	→ Have you taken any other practical
		or theoretical education?
1	primary school	6 or 7 year primary/secondary school (old system)
2	comprehensive school	8 or 9 year comprehensive school (current system)
3	vocational school	various forms of vocational and apprentice education
		taught in publicly organised schools, 1 year trade college
4	secondary school	2 year secondary school (old system), total: 9 years of education
5	secondary/high school	2 year secondary school (current system), total: 11 years of education
6	upper secondary/high school	3 or 4 year secondary school (current system), total: 12
		or 13 years of education. Degree not completed;
_		studying at this level
7	upper secondary/high school	as above, but degree completed
8	further education, but not university	degree not completed; studying at this level
9	further education, but not	as above, but degree completed
	university	do dooro, but dogree completed
10	higher education/university	degree not completed; studying at this level
11	higher education/university	degree completed
77	other education:	
98	DK/does not want to answer	
	IE MORE THAN ONE OF ALT	ERNATIVES 1-11 ARE APPLICABLE, ENTER ONLY
		ST NUMBER. WE ARE ONLY INTERESTED IN THE
		R. IS STUDYING/HAS STUDIED. IF IN DOUBT, ENTER
	R'S RESPONSE NEXT TO "C	
	L	
	Question 69A	
		e union, organisation for business owners or any
	other professional, vocational of	or business organisation or association?
	1/00	
1 5	yes	→ 70A
8	no does not want to answer	→ 70A → 70A
	does not want to answer	> 10A
	ADDED QUESTION IF R ANSI	WERS VES Of which organisation are
	ADDED GOESTION IF IT ANSI	a member?
	Name of organisation:	
	DO NOT ENTER ABBREVATION	ONS, BUT THE WHOLE NAME OF THE
	ORGANISATION. IF R. MENTI	ONS THE NAME OF A PEAK LEVEL TRADE
	1 1	), TCO OR SACO), ASK FOR AND ENTER THE
		ERS ORGANISATION TO BE TREATED AS
	BUSINESS ASSOCIATION.	
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1 5 8	Are you a member of a political party or any other political organisation or association?  yes no does not want to answer  ADDED QUESTION IF R ANSWERS YES  Of which party or political organisation are you a member?  party:  political organisation:  ENTER THE NAMES OF THE PARTIES/ORGANISATIONS MENTIONED BY R. MORE THAN ONE ORGANISATION IS POSSIBLE.
1 5 7 8	Question 70B  Are you an active member of (PARTY/POLITICAL ORGANISATION)? By active I mean attending meetings a few times a year.  yes, active no, not active other answer: DK/does not want to answer
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Question 71A  How often do you usually attend services or meetings in the Church of Sweden, a Free Church or any other church or denomination?  SHOW CARD 71A AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES  RADIO, TV, HOSPITAL SERVICES, ETC., ALSO TO BE TREATED AS SERVICES  never
1 2 3 7 8	Question 71B  Do you usually go to the Church of Sweden, to a Free Church or to any other church or religious organisation?  Church of Sweden other church (state which): other religious organisation (state which): other answer: DK/does not want to answer







1 2 3 4 5 6 7 77 98	Where did your father for the most part live as a child? You may answer using the alternatives on this card.  SHOW CARD 78 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES  pure countryside in Sweden built up area in Sweden town or city (except three cities below) in Sweden Stockholm, Göteborg or Malmö other Nordic (Scandinavian) country other country in Europe outside the Nordic region country outside Europe other answer:  DK/does not want to answer
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 77 98	Where did your mother for the most part live as a child? You may answer using the alternatives on this card.  SHOW CARD 78 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES  pure countryside in Sweden built up area in Sweden town or city (except three cities below) in Sweden Stockholm, Göteborg or Malmö other Nordic (Scandinavian) country other country in Europe outside the Nordic region country outside Europe other answer:  DK/does not want to answer
1 2 3 5 7 8	Question 79 Would you be able to read a brief text in English, for example a newspaper article?  SHOW CARD 79 AND READ OUT ALTERNATIVES  yes, without difficulty yes, with some difficulty yes, with great difficulty no other answer: DK/does not want to answer  Question 80A R's current home  farm or isolated countryside house
2 3 4 7 1 2 7 8	detached or row/terraced house in residential area flat in high rise area flat (not in high rise area) other type of residence:  Question 80B Do you, or someone else in your household, own or rent the property where you currently live? rents the property owns the property (including membership of property association, 'bostadsrätt') other answer: does not want to answer

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R. wishes to receive "ELECTION STUDY REPORT 2006".