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## **GLES Panel**

**Wave 20 (september 2021)**

ZA6838

*Documentation of Questionnaire  
(Preliminary Version)*

The German Longitudinal Election Study (GLES) is the central scientific survey programme in Germany for the continuous collection and provision of high-quality data for national and international election research. The methodologically diverse surveys of GLES make it possible to investigate the political attitudes and behaviors of voters and candidates. GLES has been carried out in close cooperation between the German Society for Electoral Studies (DGfW) and GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences. More information are available here: [www.gles.eu](http://www.gles.eu).

The GLES Panel allows users to study intra-individual change in political attitudes and behaviors during the election campaign, as well as investigates long-term change between federal elections. It is a longitudinal survey of the same individuals of currently two different samples. Sample A, “2017 Election Campaign”, consists of respondents from the Short-term Campaign Panel of the GLES 2017, whereas Sample B, “2017 Pre- and Post-Election Cross-Section”, includes those respondents from the 2017 Pre- and Post-Election Cross-Section of GLES (ZA6802) who agreed to be re-interviewed in the GLES Panel. While respondents from Sample A have been interviewed up to fourteen times since the beginning of the data collection in autumn 2016, Wave 10 of the GLES Panel has been the first re-interview for respondents from Sample B. In addition, individuals recruited in profile wave a2 2020 were re-surveyed for the first time in wave 15 (sample A4). In the following, you will find some general information about the data sets and the documentation of the questionnaire of wave 20. From wave 13 onwards, both samples are surveyed solely in CAWI mode.

**Please note:**

This documentation of the questionnaire is a preliminary version and published before data release on the website of the German Longitudinal Election Study (GLES). Therefore, it might contain errors and adjustments might be necessary due to the data collection and processing. Preliminary English translations might change due in later revisions. Please do not cite before the data are released in the [data catalogue](#) of GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences. Information on data releases can be found on the [GLES website](#) or by signing up for the [GLES newsletter](#).

As a public service to the international academic community, we provide English translations of GLES datasets, questionnaires, and related important documents. Due to specifics of the original documents in German and the fact that translations were not done by political scientists, the wording of established social and political science questions and constructs in these translations may occasionally deviate somewhat from the Standard English versions. If you have any questions concerning the translations, do not hesitate to contact the GLES staff via [gles@gesis.org](mailto:gles@gesis.org).

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Title	GLES Panel 2016-2021, Wave 20
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Number of variables	Not yet collected. The questionnaire consists of 177 items.

**Basic Information**

Funding Agency	GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences
Data Collector	GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences

Date of Collection	Wave	Sample	Date of Collection
	Wave 20	A	2021-09-29 – 2021-10-12

B

2021-09-29 – 2021-11-09

Content Intention to vote und vote choice, political involvement, political attitudes, perceptions of problems, evaluations of political actors, sociodemographics, personality, corona crisis

### Methodology

Geographic Coverage Germany (DE)

**Universe** [Sample A1-A3]

German population with Internet access eligible to vote in the 2017 federal elections.

[Sample A4]

German population with Internet access eligible to vote in the 2021 federal elections.

Selection [Sample A]

Quota sampling of the frame population of the Online-Access-Panel by age, gender and education.

Mode of Data Collection [Sample A]

Computer-assisted web-based interviews (CAWI)

### Data access

Terms of access Data and documents are released for academic research and teaching: Category A.

Due to data protection regulations, some variables can also only be made available after signing an off-site data use agreement or can only be used on-site at the Secure Data Center (SDC) at GESIS (Cologne, Mannheim). If you are interested, please contact us at [gles@gesis.org](mailto:gles@gesis.org).

### Notification of publications

To get an overview of the use of our data, we kindly request users of GLES-data to inform us about publications that utilize those data (biographic description, study no. of the dataset). Publications using GLES-data are listed in the official bibliography of the GLES project. In case of limited access to your publication (e.g. conference papers), we would highly appreciate if you could send us an electronic (PDF file, [gles@gesis.org](mailto:gles@gesis.org)) or a print copy of your publication.

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**Verification****Variables:** kp20\_2291; kp20\_2290; kp20\_2293s**Waves:** 1-20,a1, a2**Topic:** Verification**Items:** Month of birth; Year of birth; Location of birth**Mode:** CAWI**Sample:** A/B**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**must answer:** the following three questions are displayed on one screen; plausibility check: If no or invalid answers were given for month of birth, year of birth and/or location of birth, the following request follows: "One or more answers are invalid. Please answer all questions".**Question kp20\_2291:**

In what month were you born?

- Please select
- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June
- July
- August
- September
- October
- November
- December

**Coding:**

- (0) Please select
- (1) January
- (2) February
- (3) March
- (4) April
- (5) May
- (6) June
- (7) July
- (8) August
- (9) September
- (10) October
- (11) November
- (12) December

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(-95) not participated**Presentation:**

Text field (single row) with four numerical digits; Plausibility check: Only exactly four numerical values are possible, no letters or special characters! Only entries between 1906 and 2003 are allowed. Text for plausibility check: "Please enter your year of birth in four digits".

**Question kp20\_2290:**

Please enter the year you were born in.

**Instructions:**

Use four digits, e.g. 1978.

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**Coding:**

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(-95) not participated

**Presentation:**

Text field (single row); Field for answer with one character; Plausibility check: Only one letter (allow umlauts) and no number or punctuation is possible; Text for plausibility check: "Please enter the first letter of your location of birth."

**Question kp20\_2293s:**

Please enter the first letter of your location of birth.

**Instructions:**

If you are not sure, enter the location of birth just as it is written on the front page of your ID card.

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**Coding:**

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(-95) not participated

<b>Variables:</b> kp20_2291_c2; kp20_2290_c2; kp20_2293s_c2		
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a2	<b>Topic:</b> Verification	<b>Items:</b> Month of birth; Year of birth; Location of birth
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A	

**Filter:**

*Sample A1/A2:*

kp1\_2291!=kp20\_2291 | kp1\_2290!=kp20\_2290 | kp1\_2293s!= kp20\_2293s

*Sample A3:*

kpa1\_2291!=kp20\_2291 | kpa1\_2290!=kp20\_2290 | kpa1\_2293s!= kp20\_2293s

*Sample A4:*

Kpa2\_2291!=kp20\_2291 | kpa2\_2290!=kp20\_2290 | kpa2\_2293s!= kp20\_2293s

**must answer:** the following three questions are displayed on one screen.

Plausibility check: If no invalid answers were given for gender, month of birth, year of birth and/or location of birth, the following request follows: "One or more answers are missing. Please answer all questions." Display instruction text in red.

**Instructions (left-justified and bold letters):**

"Your answers do not match your answers from the first survey of the GLES-study. Please note that you can only participate in this survey if you identify yourself correctly just as you did the first time."

**Presentation:**

Single, closed response list

**Question kp20\_2291\_c2:**

What month were you born in?

**Instructions:**

Please select

- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June
- July
- August
- September
- October
- November
- December

**Coding:**

- (0) Please select
- (1) January
- (2) February
- (3) March
- (4) April
- (5) May
- (6) June
- (7) July
- (8) August
- (9) September
- (10) October
- (11) November
- (12) December

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable

**Presentation:**

Text field (single row) with two numerical digits

**Question kp20\_2290\_c2:**

Please enter the year you were born in.

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**Coding:**

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable

**Presentation:**

Text field (single row); Field for answer with one character; plausibility check: Only one letter and no numbers are possible; Text for plausibility check: "Please enter the first letter of your location of birth."

**Question kp20\_2293s\_c2:**

Please enter the first letter of your location of birth.

**Instructions:**

If you are not sure, enter the location of birth just as it is written on the front page of your ID card.

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**Coding:**

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable

[NOTE: Because the content of the verification variables has to be identical with the answer from the first wave of the respondent, the displayed variables are not included in the dataset but may be acquired on request.]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_4280	<b>Topic:</b> Verification	<b>Item:</b> Reason for false verification code
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20	<b>Sample:</b> A	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:**

*Sample A1/A2:*

(kp20\_2293s\_c2!=-97) & (kp1\_2291!=kp20\_2291\_c2 | (kp1\_2290!=kp20\_2290\_c2) |  
(kp1\_2293s!=kp20\_2293s\_c2)

*Sample A3:*

(kp20\_2293s\_c2!=-97) & (kpa1\_2291!=kp20\_2291\_c2 | (kpa1\_2290!=kp20\_2290\_c2) |  
(kpa1\_2293s!=kp20\_2293s\_c2)

*Sample A4:*

(kp20\_2293s\_c2!=-97) & (kpa2\_2291!=kp20\_2291\_c2 | (kpa2\_2290!=kp20\_2290\_c2) |  
(kpa2\_2293s!=kp20\_2293s\_c2)

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

The answers concerning your person do not match the answers from the first survey of the GLES-study. There are several possible reasons. Please select the reason that you think is most likely.

- I did not participate in the first part of the GLES-study.
- I may have made a typing error.
- I am sure that I gave the same answers as I did in the first part of the GLES-study.

**Forwarding:** Closing screen >> survey completed

**Coding:**

- (1) not participated
- (2) typing error
- (3) same answer

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable

[NOTE: These verification variables are not included in the dataset but may be acquired on request.]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2280	<b>Topic:</b> Sociodemography	<b>Item:</b> Gender
<b>Waves:</b> 1-16, a1, a2,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Presentation:**

**must answer;** single response list (vertical); plausibility check: "Please state your gender."

**Question:**

Please state your gender.

- male
- female
- diverse

**Coding:**

- (1) male
- (2) female
- (3)diverse

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2601	<b>Topic:</b> Sociodemography	<b>Item:</b> Federal state
<b>Waves:</b> 1,[2],a1,9, 11-15,a2,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

**must answer,** single response list (vertical); plausibility check: If no answer was given then the following text will be shown: "Answering this question is very important for the rest of the survey. Please state the federal state you live in."

**Question:**

And in which federal state do you live?

**Instructions:**

If you have several places of residence, please indicate the federal state in which your principal place of residence is located.

- Baden-Württemberg
- Bavaria
- Berlin
- Brandenburg
- Bremen
- Hamburg
- Hesse
- Mecklenburg-Vorpommern
- Lower Saxony
- North Rhine-Westphalia
- Rhineland-Palatinate
- Saarland
- Saxony
- Saxony-Anhalt
- Schleswig-Holstein
- Thuringia

**Coding:**

- (1) Schleswig-Holstein
- (2) Hamburg
- (3) Lower Saxony
- (4) Bremen
- (5) North Rhine-Westphalia
- (6) Hesse
- (7) Rhineland-Palatinate
- (8) Baden-Württemberg
- (9) Bavaria
- (10) Saarland
- (11) Berlin
- (12) Brandenburg
- (13) Mecklenburg-Vorpommern
- (14) Saxony
- (15) Saxony-Anhalt
- (16) Thuringia

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- (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-99) no answer

<b>General attitudes towards politics</b>
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<b>Variable:</b> kp20_010	<b>Topic:</b> General attitudes towards politics	<b>Item:</b> Interest in politics, in general
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a1,a2	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

Quite generally, how interested are you in politics?

- very interested
- somewhat interested
- in between
- not very interested
- not interested at all

**Coding:**

- (1) very interested
- (2) somewhat interested
- (3) in between
- (4) not very interested
- (5) not at all interested

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- (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_011a-c	<b>Topic:</b> General attitudes towards politics	<b>Item:</b> Interest in politics, election levels
<b>Waves:</b> 10-16,19,20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Matrix; if no federal state was indicated in the previous waves, just show "state level" at item B

**Question:**

And how interested are you in politics at federal, state, and European level?

(A) Federal level

(B) State level: ``display federal state from kp20_2601``

(C) European level

- very interested
- somewhat interested
- in between
- not very interested
- not interested at all

**Coding:**

- (1) very interested
- (2) somewhat interested
- (3) in between
- (4) not very interested
- (5) not at all interested

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_020	<b>Topic:</b> General attitudes towards politics	<b>Item:</b> Satisfaction with Democracy
<b>Waves:</b> 1,5,8-10,12,14-18,a2,20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

On the whole, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way democracy works in Germany?

- very satisfied
- fairly satisfied
- neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- not very satisfied
- not at all satisfied

**Coding:**

- (1) very satisfied
- (2) fairly satisfied
- (3) neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- (4) not very satisfied
- (5) not at all satisfied

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_050c,g,j,	<b>Topic:</b> General attitudes towards politics	<b>Item:</b> Principles of democracy & Extremism
<b>Waves:</b> 2,a1,9,10,12,14,15,18,20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI/PAPI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Intro:**

Here are some common statements on politics and society.

**Question:**

Please state to what extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

(C) In general, each democratic party should have the chance to assume government responsibilities.

(G) Everybody should have the right to defend his own view even if the majority dissents on that aspect.

(J) A democracy will not work without a political opposition.

**Coding:**

- (1) strongly disagree
- (2) disagree
- (3) neither agree nor disagree
- (4) agree
- (5) strongly agree

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_160a,b,j,p1,p2,q	<b>Topic:</b> General attitudes towards politics	<b>Item:</b> Confidence in institutions
<b>Waves:</b> 2,8-10,12,14-16,a1,20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Intro:**

Let's talk about the following public institutions.

**Question:**

Please state if you trust these institutions or not.

How about ...

- (A) the Bundestag?
- (B) the Federal Constitutional Court?
- (J) the German armed forces?
- (P1) public service broadcasting
- (P2) social media
- (Q) the police?

**Coding:**

- (1) I do not trust at all
- (2) I rather do not trust
- (3) neither trust nor distrust
- (4) I rather trust
- (5) I fully trust

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(-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_5021	<b>Topic:</b> General attitudes towards politics	<b>Item:</b> Difference parties
<b>Waves:</b> 1,5,7-10,12,14,15,16,a2,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Question:**

Thinking about the current political discussions, how large would you say the differences between the parties are?

**Coding:**

- (1) 1 no differences at all
- (2) 2
- (3) 3
- (4) 4
- (5) 5 major differences

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(-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_5020	<b>Topic:</b> General attitudes towards politics	<b>Item:</b> Difference govern- ment
<b>Waves:</b> 1,5,7-10,12,14-16,a2,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Question:**

Some people say that it makes a big difference who is in power in Berlin. Others say that it doesn't make any difference who is in power. How about you?

**Coding:**

- (1) 1 It doesn't make any difference who is in power.
- (2) 2
- (3) 3
- (4) 4
- (5) 5 It makes a big difference who is in power.

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(-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_180	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Turnout
<b>Waves:</b> 8-9,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter Sample A:** kp18\_170!=6 & kp19\_170!=6

**Filter Sample B:**

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

At the federal election on 26 September a lot of people did not manage to vote or did not participate in the election for other reasons. How about you?

- I did vote
- I did not vote
  
- I had already cast a postal vote

**Coding:**

- (1) I did vote
- (2) I did not vote
- (6) already cast a postal vote

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_200a,b	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Actual vote: first/second vote
<b>Waves:</b> 8-9,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Modus:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_180=1

**Presentation:**

Display sample ballot paper with first and second vote; settled out down below "I did not cast a first/second vote"-category

**Intro:**

You had two votes in the federal election. The first vote was for a candidate in your local constituency, the second vote was for a party.

**Question:**

How did you mark your ballot?

- (A) First vote:
  - Candidate of the CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
  - Candidate of the SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
  - Candidate of the AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
  - Candidate of the FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
  - Candidate of the Die Linke
  - Candidate of the Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
  - Candidate of the Other party
  
- I did not cast a first vote

(B) Second vote:

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD(Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Other party

- I did not cast a second vote

**Coding:**

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (4) SPD
- (5) FDP
- (6) GRÜNE
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (322) AfD
- (801) other party

(-84) I didn't cast a first/second vote

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE I: This variable and the variables kp20\_201a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_200aa/kp20\_200ab and kp20\_200ba/kp20\_200bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_201a

**Waves:** 8-9,20

**Mode:** CAWI

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Sample:** A/B

**Item:** Actual vote: first vote, other party

**Filter:** kp20\_200a=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which candidate did you vote for with your FIRST vote in this federal election?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformier)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

(126) BP  
 (349) DiB  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (372) dieBasis  
 (171) FAMILIE  
 (180) FREIE WAEHLER  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_200a were recoded into the variables kp20\_200aa and kp20\_200ab in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_201b	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Actual vote: second vote, other party
<b>Waves:</b> 8-9,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_200b=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which party did you vote for with your SECOND vote in this federal election?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

(126) BP  
 (349) DiB  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (372) dieBasis  
 (171) FAMILIE  
 (180) FREIE WAEHLER  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_200b were recoded into the variables kp20\_200ba and kp20\_200bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_252, kp20\_252s

**Waves:** 8-9,20

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Item:** Reasons for decision not to vote, closed

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_180=2

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical); italicize "most important"

**Question:**

Please state the most important reason for why you did not vote.

- I didn't have time.
- I wasn't at home on election day.
- I couldn't participate for health reasons.
- I am not interested in politics.
- I didn't know who I should vote for.
- Voting does not change anything.
- I am dissatisfied with politics and/or politicians.
- One single vote has too little influence.
- other reason: [text field]

**Coding:**

- (1) no time
- (2) absent on election day
- (3) for health reasons
- (4) not interested in politics
- (5) didn't know who I should vote for
- (6) voting does not change anything
- (7) dissatisfaction with politics/politicians
- (8) single vote has too little influence
- (9) other reason

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[Note: Open-ended mentions are available in variable kp20\_252s]

**Variable:** kp20\_191a,b

**Waves:** 5-9,18-20

**Mode:** CAWI

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Sample:** A/B

**Item:** Vote postal voter

**Filter:** kp20\_180=6

**Presentation:**

Display sample ballot paper with first and second vote

**Question:**

You had two votes in the absentee ballot. The first vote was for a candidate in your local constituency, the second vote was for a party.

How did you mark your ballot?

(A) First vote:

- Candidate of the CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- Candidate of the SPD(Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- Candidate of the AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- Candidate of the FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Candidate of the Die Linke
- Candidate of the Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Candidate of the Other party

(B) Second vote:

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD(Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Other party

**Coding:**

(1) CDU/CSU  
 (4) SPD  
 (322) AfD  
 (5) FDP  
 (7) DIE LINKE  
 (6) GRÜNE  
 (801) other party

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_193a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_191aa/kp20\_191ab and kp20\_191ba/kp20\_191bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_193a

**Waves:** 5-9,18-20

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Item:** Vote postal voter: first vote, other party

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_191a=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which candidate did you vote for with your FIRST vote?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

(126) BP  
 (349) DiB  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (372) dieBasis  
 (171) FAMILIE  
 (180) FREIE WAEHLER  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_191a were recoded into the variables kp20\_191aa and kp20\_191ab in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_193b	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Vote postal voter: second, other party
<b>Waves:</b> 5-9,18-20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_191b=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which party did you vote for with your SECOND vote?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

(126) BP  
 (349) DiB  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (372) dieBasis  
 (171) FAMILIE  
 (180) FREIE WAELER  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_191b were recoded into the variables kp20\_191ba and kp20\_191bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).

**Variable:** kp20\_260s

**Waves:** [5],[6],[7],8,9,18-20 **Topic:** Voting decision **Item:** Reasons for voting decision, open

**Mode:** CAWI **Sample:** A/B

**Filter:**

(kp20\_180=1 | kp20\_180=6) & kp20\_200b!=-99 & kp20\_201b!=-99 & kp20\_191b!=-99 & kp20\_193b!=-99 & kp20\_200b!=-84 & kp20\_191b!=-84

**Presentation:**

Text field four rows with visually 50 characters per line; no maximum character limit; italicize "most important"

**Question:**

Why did you give your second vote to this party?

**Instructions:**

Please state the *most important* reason.

**Coding:**

[Open answers have been coded by the coding pattern "Gründe für Wahlentscheidung"]

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_221a,c-g,i

**Waves:** 1,3-9,14,16-20,a2

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Item:** Consideration Set

**Mode:** CAWI

**Samples:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_200b=1-322) | (kp20\_201b=120-373>> Receive intro and question 2  
kp20\_200b=801 & (kp20\_201b= -99 | kp20\_201b=801) >> Do not receive any intro but ONLY the question 2  
(kp20\_200b= -84| -99) >> Do not receive any intro but ONLY the question 3

**Presentation:**

Standard matrix, Column labels as coding labels

The party that was chosen for the second vote in kp20\_190b or kp20\_192b, must not appear in the answering options.

**Intro:**

You said that you want to cast your second vote for (insert party).

**Question 2:**

Did you consider any other parties for your second vote on federal election day?

**Question 3:**

Which parties did you consider for your second vote?

(A) CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)

(C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)

(I) AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)

(D) FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)

(F) Die Linke [labelled in dataset as "DIE LINKE"]

(E) Bündnis 90/Die Grünen [labelled in dataset as "GRÜNE"]

(G) other party

**Coding:**

(1) would consider

(2) would rather consider

(3) would rather not consider

(4) would not consider

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_211a,c-g,i	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Consideration Set, hypothetical
<b>Waves:</b> 1,3-9,14,16-20,a2	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_180=2,-99

**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Question :**

Let's assume you would have taken part in the election. Which party would you have considered for your second vote?

- (A) CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- (C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- (I) AfD (Alternative für Deutschland) (D) FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- (F) Die Linke [labelled in dataset as "DIE LINKE"]
- (E) Bündnis 90/Die Grünen [labelled in dataset as "GRÜNE"]

(G) other party

**Coding:**

- (1) would consider
- (2) would probably consider
- (3) would probably not consider
- (4) would not consider

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2751a,c-g,i	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Consideration Set on the day of the postal vote
<b>Waves:</b> 5-8,18-20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_180=6 & ((kp20\_191b=1-322) | (kp20\_193b=120-373)) >> Receive intro and question 1  
 kp20\_180=6 & kp20\_191b=801 & (kp20\_193b=-99 | kp20\_193b=801) >> Do not receive intro but ONLY question 1  
 kp20\_180=6 & kp20\_191b=-99 >> Do not receive intro but ONLY question 2

**Presentation:**

Standard matrix; Column labels like coding labels.

The party that was chosen for the second vote in kp19\_191b or kp19\_193b must not appear in the answering options.

**Intro:**

You said you cast your second vote for (insert party).

**Question 1:**

Did you consider any other parties for your second vote on the day of your postal vote?

**Question 2:**

Which parties did you consider for your second vote on the day of your postal vote?

- (A) CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- (C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- (I) AfD (Alternative für Deutschland) (D) FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- (F) Die Linke [labelled in dataset as "DIE LINKE"]
- (E) Bündnis 90/Die Grünen [labelled in dataset as "GRÜNE"]
- (G) other party

**Coding:**

- (1) considered
- (2) rather considered
- (3) rather not considered
- (4) not considered

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable [either because the respondent was previously filtered out or he/she already selected the party under second vote]

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_320

**Wave:** 8,20

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Item:** Time of final voting decision

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp18\_170=6 | kp19\_170=6 | kp20\_180=6 | kp20\_180=1

**Filter Sample B:** kp20\_180=6 | kp20\_180=1

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

When did you decide how to vote in this federal election?

- That was decided a long time ago.
- That was decided a year ago.
- That was decided a few months ago.
- I decided in the final weeks before the election.
- I decided in the final days before the election.
- I didn't decide until the day of the federal election.

**Coding:**

- (1) long time ago
- (6) year ago
- (2) few months ago
- (3) few weeks before the election
- (4) few days before the election
- (5) on election day

-----

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_321

**Wave:** 8,20

**Mode:** CAWI

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Sample:** A/B

**Item:** Time of decision not to vote

**Filter:** kp20\_180=2

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

When did you decide not to vote in this federal election?

- That was decided a long time ago.
- That was decided a year ago.
- That was decided a few months ago.
- I decided in the final weeks before the election.
- I decided in the final days before the election.
- I didn't decide until the day of the federal election.

**Coding:**

- (1) long time ago
- (6) year ago
- (2) a few months ago
- (3) few weeks before the election
- (4) few days before the election
- (5) on election day

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_330

**Waves:** [5],[6],[7],8,[18], [19],20

**Mode:** CAWI

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Sample:** A/B

**Item:** Difficulty of voting decision

**Filter:** kp20\_180=1,6

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

How difficult was it for you to decide how to vote in this federal election?

- very difficult
- fairly difficult
- moderately
- not very difficult
- not difficult at all

**Coding:**

- (1) very difficult
- (2) fairly difficult
- (3) moderately
- (4) not very difficult
- (5) not difficult at all

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_340	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Satisfaction with election outcome
<b>Waves:</b> 8-9,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the outcome of the federal election?

- very satisfied
- fairly satisfied
- neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- not very satisfied
- not at all satisfied

**Coding:**

- (1) very satisfied
- (2) fairly satisfied
- (3) neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- (4) not very satisfied
- (5) not at all satisfied

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_341a,c-f,i	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Election outcome: winner and loser
<b>Waves:</b> 8-9,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Modus:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix "don't-know"-category settled out a bit

**Question:**

If you think about the outcome of the federal election, which parties do belong to the winners and which to the losers?

- (A) CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- (C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- (I) AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- (D) FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- (F) Die Linke [labelled in dataset as "DIE LINKE"]
- (E) Bündnis 90/Die Grünen [labelled in dataset as "GRÜNE"]

**Coding:**

- (1) clearly to the losers
- (2) rather to the losers
- (3) neither to the losers nor to the winners
- (4) rather to the winner
- (5) clearly to the winners

(-98) don't know

-----

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_280

**Wave:** 8,20

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Item:** Hypothetical voting decision

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp18\_170!=6 & kp19\_170!=6

**Filter Sample B:** /

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

Let's assume you could vote again today. Would you make the same voting decision today as you did at the federal election, or would you decide differently?

I would...

- make the same decision
- make a different decision

**Coding:**

- (1) make the same decision
- (2) make a different decision

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_290a,b

**Wave:** 8,20

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Item:** Hypothetical voting decision after federal election

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_280= 2 | -99

**Presentation:**

Display sample ballot paper with first and second vote; "don't-know"-category and "I would not cast a first/second vote" below

**Question:**

Let's assume you could vote again today: How would you decide today?

(A) First vote:

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Other party

- Don't know

- I would not cast a first vote

(B) Second vote:

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Other party
  
- Don't know
- I would not cast a second vote

**Coding:**

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (4) SPD
- (5) FDP
- (6) GRÜNE
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (322) AfD
- (801) other party

- (-98) don't know
- (-84) would not cast a first/second vote

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_291a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_290aa/kp20\_290ab and kp20\_290ba/kp20\_290bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_291a

**Wave:** 8,20

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Item:** Hypothetical first vote after federal election, other party

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_290a=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which one of these candidates would you vote for with your FIRST vote today?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPd (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

(126) BP  
 (349) DiB  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (372) dieBasis  
 (171) FAMILIE  
 (180) FREIE WAELER  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_290a were recoded into the variables kp20\_290aa and kp20\_290ab in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_291b		
<b>Wave:</b> 8,20	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Hypothetical second vote after federal election, other party
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp20\_290b=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which one of these parties would you vote for with your SECOND vote today?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

(126) BP  
 (349) DiB  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (372) dieBasis  
 (171) FAMILIE  
 (180) FREIE WAEHLER  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_290b were recoded into the variables kp20\_290ba and kp20\_290bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2770a,b	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Hypothetical vote after postal vote
<b>Waves:</b> [6],[7],8,19,20	<b>Sample:</b> A	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp18\_170=6 | kp19\_170=6

**Presentation:**

Display sample ballot paper with first and second vote; below "don't know"-category and "I would not cast a first/second vote"

**Question:**

You had cast a postal vote.

Let's assume you could participate in the election again. Which party would you decide for today?

(A) First vote:

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Other party
  
- Don't know
- I would not cast a first vote

## (B) Second vote:

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Other party
  
- Don't know
- I would not cast a second vote

**Coding:**

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (4) SPD
- (322) AfD
- (5) FDP
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (6) GRÜNE
- (801) other party

- (-98) don't know
- (-84) would not cast a first/second vote

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_2771a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_2770aa/kp20\_2770ab and kp20\_2770ba/kp20\_2770bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2771a	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Hypothetical first vote after postal vote, other party
<b>Waves:</b> [6],[7],8,19,20	<b>Sample:</b> A	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_2770a=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which one of these parties would you vote for with your FIRST vote today?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

(126) BP  
 (349) DiB  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (372) dieBasis  
 (171) FAMILIE  
 (180) FREIE WAEHLER  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_2770a were recoded into the variables kp20\_2770aa and kp20\_2770ab in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2771b	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Hypothetical second voter after postal vote, other party
<b>Waves:</b> [6],[7],8,19,20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A	

**Filter:** kp20\_2770b=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which one of these parties would you vote for with your SECOND vote today?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

(126) BP  
 (349) DiB  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (372) dieBasis  
 (171) FAMILIE  
 (180) FREIE WAEHLER  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_2770b were recoded into the variables kp20\_2770ba and kp20\_2770bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_342a,b,c	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Fair election
<b>Wave:</b> 8,16,18,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Intro:**

Here are some statements on the election campaign and the 2021 federal election with which some people agree, while others do not.

**Question:**

Please state to what extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

(A) During the election campaign, all parties will have a fair chance to present their positions to the eligible voters.

(B) The federal election is conducted properly and fairly by the competent authorities.

(C) Voting by postal ballot is a secure procedure.

**Coding:**

(1) strongly disagree  
 (2) disagree  
 (3) neither agree nor disagree  
 (4) agree  
 (5) strongly agree

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_222	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Voting decision: postal vote, frequency
<b>Waves:</b> 18-20	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Modes:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_180==6

**Presentation:**

Single selection among each other

**Text Intro:**

Some eligible voters are casting their ballots by postal vote for the first time in the federal election because of the Corona pandemic, while others have already used this option more frequently.

**Question text:**

How often in the past have you cast your vote by postal ballot in federal, state and local elections?

- always
- often
- sometimes
- rarely

- I am casting my vote by absentee ballot for the first time in this election.

**Coding:**

- (1) always
- (2) often
- (3) sometimes
- (4) rarely
- (5) I am casting my vote by absentee ballot for the first time in this election.

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_223, kp20\_223s

**Waves:** 18-20

**Topic:** Voting decision

**Item:** Voting decision: postal vote, habitual, reason

**Modes:** CAWI

**Samples:** A

**Filter:** kp20\_222 ==1 | kp20\_222 ==2

**Representation:**

Single selection among them; show answer from kp20\_222 ("frequently" or "always").

**Question text:**

Why do you [always / often] cast your vote by postal ballot?

**Note text:**

Please state the *most important* reason.

- Absentee voting is the most convenient for me.
- With absentee voting, I have more time to fill out my ballot.
- I am unable to cast my vote at the polling place on election day due to health reasons.
- Another reason, and that is: [TEXTFIELD]

**Coding:**

- (1) Absentee voting is the most convenient for me.
- (2) Absentee voting gives me more time to fill out my ballot.
- (3) I am unable to cast my vote at the polling place on election day due to health reasons.
- (5) Another reason

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[Note: Open-ended mentions are available in variable kp20\_223s].

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_224, kp20_224s		
<b>Waves:</b> 18-20	<b>Topic:</b> Voting decision	<b>Item:</b> Voting decision: postal vote, situational, reason
<b>Modes:</b> CAWI	<b>Samples:</b> A	

**Filter:** kp20\_222 == 3 | kp20\_222 == 4 | kp20\_222 == 5

**Representation:**

Single selection among each other

**Question text:**

Why did you decide to cast your vote by postal ballot this time?

**Note text:**

Please state the *most important* reason.

- Absentee voting is the most convenient for me.
- With absentee voting, I have more time to fill out my ballot.
- I am unable to cast my vote at the polling place on election day due to health reasons.
- I was worried about contracting the corona virus while voting at the polling place.
- Another reason, and that is: [TEXTFIELD]

**Coding:**

- (1) Absentee voting is the most convenient for me.
- (2) Absentee voting gives me more time to fill out my ballot.
- (3) I am unable to cast my vote at the polling place on election day due to health reasons.
- (4) I was concerned about contracting the corona virus while voting at the polling place.
- (5) Another reason

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[Note: Open-ended mentions are available in variable kp20\_224s].

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_3490	<b>Topic:</b> Involvement in election campaign	<b>Item:</b> Wahl-O-Mat, usage
<b>Waves:</b> 6,[7],[8],19,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_3490!=1

**Filter Sample B :/**

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

Did you use the "Wahl-O-mat", the voting advice application of the Federal Agency for Civic Education [Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung], for the upcoming federal election?

- yes

- no

-haven't heard of "Wahl-O-Mat"

**Coding:**

(1) yes

(2) no

(-71) haven't heard of

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_3500a-c	<b>Topic:</b> Involvement in election campaign	<b>Item:</b> Wahl-O-Mat, reason for use
<b>Waves:</b> 6,[7],[8],19,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_3490=1

**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Question:**

Why did you use the "Wahl-O-Mat"? To what extent do these statements apply to you?

(A) I wanted to check whether the party I wanted to vote for actually suited me best.

(B) I didn't know which party to vote for, and I wanted to find that out with the Wahl-O-Mat.

(C) I wanted to read the positions of the parties because I enjoy doing that.

**Coding:**

(1) does not apply at all

(2) rather does not apply

(3) neither applies nor does not apply

(4) rather applies

(5) applies completely

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_3510

**Waves:** 6,[7],[8],19,20

**Mode:** CAWI

**Topic:** Involvement in election campaign

**Sample:** A/B

**Item:** Wahl-O-Mat, congruence

**Filter:** kp20\_3490= 1

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

With which party did you have the best match using the "Wahl-O-Mat"?

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- other party
  
- I don't remember anymore

**Coding:**

(1) CDU/CSU

(4) SPD

(322) AfD

(5) FDP

(7) DIE LINKE

(6) GRÜNE

(801) other party

(-98) don't know

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) no applicable

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_421ka-ei,y

**Waves:** 4-8,17-20

**Topic:** Involvement in election campaign

**Item:** Contact with parties I

**Mod:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:**

**Presentation:**

Checkbox matrix; possibilities of contact in rows; parties in columns. The variable names should follow the following schemata. Kp20\_421[Item-Code][Party-Code]; Below the matrix, there is a checkbox "None of the above applies."; Please program so that the respondent cannot make inconsistent answers (such as marking a party and the checkbox "None of the above applies."); italicize "past week"/" week before the election" text for plausibility check if no answer was given: "Please note, that an answers is necessary for continuing the survey.";

**Intro:**

During the election campaign, there are different ways of acquiring information about politics in Germany.

**Question:**

From which parties did you receive information during the *week before the election*?

**Instructions:**

Please checkmark all the parties to which the following statements apply.

I...

- (K) visited websites of a party or a candidate
- (G) saw campaign posters
- (A) attended election meetings or rallies
- (D) saw party political broadcasts on TV
- (E) listened to party political broadcasts on the radio
- (Y) none of the above applies

**Coding Parties:**

- (A) CDU/CSU
- (C) SPD
- (I) AfD
- (D) FDP
- (F) DIE LINKE
- (E) GRÜNE

**Coding checkboxes wave:**

- (0) not mentioned
- (1) mentioned

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_421ka-ei_c2,p1	<b>Waves:</b> 4-8,17-20	<b>Topic:</b> Involvement in Election Campaign	<b>Item:</b> Contact with parties I,
	follow-up question		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B		

**Filter:** kp20\_421ka-kf,ki=0 & kp20\_421ga-gf,gi=0 & kp20\_421aa-af,ai=0 & kp20\_421da-df,di=0 & kp20\_421ea-ef,ei=0 & kp20\_421y=0

**Presentation:**

must answer; text for plausibility check if no answer was given: "Please note, that an answers is necessary for continuing the survey."; Above the checkbox matrix, there are two radio buttons with the answer options "None of the above applies" and "I didn't want to answer this question."; Please program so that the respondent cannot make inconsistent answers

(such as marking a party and one of the radio buttons."); text for plausibility check: "The combination of your answers is not possible, please check your answers."

**Intro:**

You did not answer the last question.

**Question:**

Does this mean that none of the above applies or did you not want to answer this question?

Instructions:

If you want to answer the question, you can checkmark the statements that apply.

- None of the above applies.

- I didn't want to answer this question.

I ...

(K) visited websites of a party or a candidate

(G) saw campaign posters

(A) attended election meetings or rallies

(D) saw party political broadcasts on TV

(E) listened to party political broadcasts on the radio

**Coding parties:**

(A) CDU/CSU

(C) SPD

(D) FDP

(E) GRÜNE

(F) DIE LINKE

(I) AfD

**Coding checkboxes:**

(0) not mentioned

(1) mentioned

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(-93) not asked, terminated

**Coding kp20\_421\_p1:**

(1) none of the above applies

(2) didn't want to answer this question

(3) not mentioned

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-97) not applicable

[NOTE I: The answers that were given upon inquiry were integrated into the variables kp20\_421aa-kf,y. The point of time when the answer was given can be looked up by using the flag variable kp20\_421flag1.]

**Variable:** kp20\_421ca-ii,z

**Waves:** 4-8,17-20

**Topic:** Involvement in election campaign

**Item:** Contact with parties, II

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:**

**Presentation:**

Checkbox matrix; possibilities of contact in rows; parties in columns. The variable names should follow the following schemata. Kp20\_421 [Item-Code][Party-Code]; Below the matrix, there is a checkbox "None of the above applies."; Please program so that the respondent cannot make inconsistent answers (such as marking a party and the checkbox "None of the above applies."); Text for plausibility check: "The combination of your answers is not possible. Please check your answers"; italicize "past week"/"week before the election" text for plausibility check if no answer was given: "Please note, that an answers is necessary for continuing the survey.";

**Question:**

And which of the following information did you receive during *the week before the election*?

**Instructions:**

Please checkmark all the parties to which the following statements apply  
I...

(H) had conversations at an election campaign booth

(C) received e-mails or text messages from parties.

(F) received information material from parties, such as flyers, leaflets, pamphlets or mailings.

(I) received information material via a social network like for example Facebook or others.

(Z) none of the above applies

**Coding parties:**

(A) CDU/CSU

(C) SPD

(I) AfD

(D) FDP

(F) DIE LINKE

(E) GRÜNE

**Coding checkboxes:**

(0) not mentioned

(1) mentioned

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_421ha-ii_c2,p2	<b>Topic:</b> Involvement in election campaign	<b>Item:</b> Contact with parties II, follow-up question
<b>Waves:</b> 4-8,17-20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp20\_421ha-hf,hi=0 & kp20\_421ca-cf,ci=0 & kp20\_421la-lf,li=0 & kp20\_421fa-ff,fi=0 & kp20\_421z=0

**Presentation:**

**must answer;** text for plausibility check if no answer was given: "Please note, that an answers is necessary for continuing the survey."; Above the checkbox matrix, there are two radio buttons with the answer options "None of the above applies" and "I didn't want to answer this question."; Please program so that the respondent cannot make inconsistent answers (such as marking a party and one of the radio buttons."); text for plausibility check: "The combination of your answers is not possible, please check your answers."

**Intro:**

You did not answer the last question.

**Question:**

Does this mean that none of the above applies or did you not want to answer this question?

**Instructions:**

If you want to answer the question, you can checkmark the statements that apply.

- None of the above applies.
- I didn't want to answer this question.

I ...

(H) had conversations at an election campaign booth

(C) received e-mails or text messages from parties.

(F) received information material from parties, such as flyers, leaflets, pamphlets or mailings.

(I) received information material via a social network like for example Facebook or others.

**Coding parties:**

(A) CDU/CSU

(C) SPD

(I) AfD

(D) FDP

(F) DIE LINKE

(E) GRÜNE

**Coding checkboxes:**

(0) not mentioned

(1) mentioned

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

**Coding kp20\_421p2:**

(1) None of the above applies

(2) Didn't want to answer this question

(3) Not mentioned

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-97) not applicable

[NOTE: The answers that were given upon inquiry were integrated into the variables kp20\_421ha-ii, z. The point of time when the answer was given can be looked up by using the flag variable kp20\_421flag2.]

**Variable:** kp20\_110

**Waves:** 1,a1,6,11,17,20,a2

**Topic:** Political Knowledge **Item:** Political knowledge: First/second vote

**Mode:** CAWI **Sample:** A/B

**Filter:**

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

What do you think: Which vote decides how many seats each party will have in parliament?

- the first vote
- the second vote
- both are equally important

- don't know

**Coding:**

- (1) the first vote
- (2) the second vote
- (3) both are equally important

(-98) don't know

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: The correct answer (2 – the second vote) has been marked with an asterisk (\*).]

**Variable:** kp20\_730

**Waves:** 1-8,10-20,a1,a2

**Topic:** Party ratings in general

**Item:** Scalometer government

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:**

**Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "not at all satisfied" and +5 "completely satisfied"

**Question:**

Are you more satisfied or less satisfied with the performance of the government of CDU/CSU and SPD?

**Coding:**

(1) -5 not at all satisfied

(2) -4

(3) -3

(4) -2

(5) -1

(6) 0

(7) +1

(8) +2

(9) +3

(10) +4

(11) +5 completely satisfied

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_731a-c	<b>Topic:</b> Party ratings in general	<b>Item:</b> Scalometer governing parties
<b>Waves:</b> 1-8,10-20,a1,a2	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "not at all satisfied" and +5 "completely satisfied"

**Question:**

And considering each of the governing parties separately, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with their performance? How satisfied are you with the performance of the...?

- (A) CDU (Christlich Demokratische Union)
- (B) CSU (Christlich Soziale Union)
- (C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)

**Coding:**

- (1) -5 not at all satisfied
- (2) -4
- (3) -3
- (4) -2
- (5) -1
- (6) 0
- (7) +1
- (8) +2
- (9) +3
- (10) +4
- (11) +5 completely satisfied

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_780	<b>Topic:</b> Valence issues	<b>Item:</b> Personal economic situation, current
<b>Waves:</b> 1,3,5,6,8,10-20,a2	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical), italicize "own".

**Intro:**

Now, let us shift attention to your economic situation.

**Question:**

How would you evaluate your *own* current economic situation?

- very good
- good
- neither good nor bad
- bad
- very bad

**Coding:**

- (1) very good
- (2) good
- (3) neither good nor bad
- (4) bad
- (5) very bad

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_770	<b>Topic:</b> Valence issues	<b>Item:</b> Responsibility for personal economic Situation
<b>Waves:</b> 5,6,8,10-20,a2		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp20\_780=1-5

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

To what extent do you think that the federal government's policies are responsible for your economic situation?

- a great deal
- a fair amount
- moderately
- not very much
- not at all

- don't know

**Coding:**

- (1) a great deal
- (2) a fair amount
- (3) moderately
- (4) not very much
- (5) not at all

(-98) don't know

-----

(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_790	<b>Topic:</b> Valence issues	<b>Item:</b> Personal economic situation, future
<b>Waves:</b> a2,14-20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:**

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical), italicize "own".

**Question:**

What do you think your own economic situation will be a year from now?

- Improved considerably
- Improved somewhat
- Remained the same
- Deteriorated somewhat
- Deteriorated considerably

**Coding:**

- (1) Improved considerably
- (2) Improved somewhat
- (3) Remained the same
- (4) Deteriorated somewhat
- (5) Deteriorated considerably

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_820	<b>Topic:</b> Valence issues	<b>Item:</b> General economic situation, current
<b>Waves:</b> 1,3,5,6,8,10-20,a2	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

How would you evaluate the current general economic situation in Germany?

- very good
- good
- neither good nor bad
- bad
- very bad

**Coding:**

- (1) very good
- (2) good
- (3) neither good nor bad
- (4) bad
- (5) very bad

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_810	<b>Topic:</b> Valence issues	<b>Item:</b> Responsibility for general economic situation
<b>Waves:</b> 5,6,8,10-20,a2	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_820=1-5

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

To what extent do you think that the government's policies are responsible for the general economic situation in Germany?

- a great deal
- a fair amount
- moderately
- not very much
- not at all
- don't know

**Coding:**

- (1) a great deal
- (2) a fair amount
- (3) moderately
- (4) not very much
- (5) not at all

- (-98) don't know

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_830	<b>Topic:</b> Valence issues	<b>Item:</b> General economic situation, future
<b>Waves:</b> 14-20,a2		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

What do you think the general economic situation in Germany will be a year from now?

- Improved considerably
- Improved somewhat
- Remained the same
- Deteriorated somewhat
- Deteriorated considerably

**Coding:**

- (1) Improved considerably
- (2) Improved somewhat
- (3) Remained the same
- (4) Deteriorated somewhat
- (5) Deteriorated considerably

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

**Strategic Voting**

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_910a-c, e-i	<b>Topic:</b> Strategic Voting	<b>Item:</b> Scalometer coalitions
<b>Waves:</b> 3,5-10,16-20	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; Scale: -5 to +5 with numerical label; with zero point; Label: -5 "not desirable at all", +5 "very desirable"

**Question:**

Regardless of which coalition governs and how likely the following coalitions are at the moment, how desirable are these coalition governments at federal level for you personally?

- (A) Coalition of CDU/CSU and SPD
- (E) Coalition of CDU/CSU and Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- (F) Coalition of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, SPD and FDP
- (G) Coalition of CDU/CSU, Bündnis 90/Die Grünen and FDP
- (H) Coalition of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, SPD and Die Linke
- (I) Coalition of CDU/CSU, SPD and FDP

**Coding:**

- (1) -5 not desirable at all
- (2) -4
- (3) -3
- (4) -2
- (5) -1
- (6) 0
- (7) +1
- (8) +2
- (9) +3
- (10) +4
- (11) +5 very desirable

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

**Party ratings in general****Variable:** kp20\_430a-f,i**Waves:** 1-20, a2**Topic:** Party ratings in general**Item:** Scalometer parties**Mode:** CAWI**Samples:** A/B**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "I do not think much of the party at all" and +5 "I think a great deal of the party". "haven't heard of" settled out a bit

**Question:**

What do you think of the different parties in general?

**Instructions:**

Please use a scale from -5 to +5.

- (A) CDU (Christlich Demokratische Union)
- (B) CSU (Christlich-Soziale Union)
- (C) SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- (I) AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- (D) FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- (F) Die Linke [labelled in dataset as "DIE LINKE"]
- (E) Bündnis 90/Die Grünen [labelled in dataset as "GRÜNE"]

**Coding:**

- (1) -5 I do not think much of the party at all  
 (2) -4  
 (3) -3  
 (4) -2  
 (5) -1  
 (6) 0  
 (7) +1  
 (8) +2  
 (9) +3  
 (10) +4  
 (11) +5 I think a great deal of the party

(-71) haven't heard of [labelled in dataset as "subject unknown"]

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 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

Candidates		
<b>Variable:</b> kp20_650a,b1,f2,o1,h2,s,i2,e2,g2	<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a1,a2	<b>Topic:</b> Candidates
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	<b>Item:</b> Scalometer politicians
<b>Filter:</b>		
<b>Presentation:</b>		
Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "I do not think much of the person at all", +5 "I think a great deal of the person"; "haven't heard of"- category is settled out a bit		
<b>Question:</b>		
Screen 1: Please state what you think of some leading politicians.		
Screen 2: And what do you think of the following politicians?		
Screen 1:		
(A) Angela Merkel		
(B1) Armin Laschet		
(F2) Annalena Baerbock		
(O1) Olaf Scholz		
(H2) Alice Weidel		
Screen 2:		
(S) Christian Lindner		
(i2) Tino Chrupalla		
(E2) Saskia Esken		
(G2) Dietmar Bartsch		

**Coding:**

(1) -5 I do not think much of the person at all

(2) -4

(3) -3

(4) -2

(5) -1

(6) 0

(7) +1

(8) +2

(9) +3

(10) +4

(11) +5 I think a great deal of the person

(-71) haven't heard of [labelled in dataset as "subject unknown"]

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_661a1-d1,t1**Waves:** 3,5,16,17,18,20**Topic:** Candidates**Item:** Attributes of chancellor candidates, Laschet**Mode:** CAWI**Sample:** A/B**Filter:** kp20\_650b1!=-71**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Question:**

To what extent do the following statements apply or not apply to Armin Laschet?

(A1) He is assertive.

(B1) He is trustworthy.

(C1) He is a likeable person.

(D1) He has reasonable ideas about how to boost the economy.

(T1) He represents the values and political views of the CDU/CSU.

**Coding:**

(1) does not apply at all

(2) rather does not apply

(3) neither applies nor does not apply

(4) rather applies

(5) applies completely

(-98) don't know

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_661e1-h1,u1	<b>Topic:</b> Candidates	<b>Item:</b> Attributes of chancellor candidates, Scholz
<b>Waves:</b> 3,5,16,17,18,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_650o1!=-71

**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Question:**

To what extent do the following statements apply or not apply to Olaf Scholz?

(E1) He is assertive.

(F1) He is trustworthy.

(G1) He is a likeable person.

(H1) He has reasonable ideas about how to boost the economy.

(U1) He represents the values and political views of the SPD.

**Coding:**

(1) does not apply at all

(2) rather does not apply

(3) neither applies nor does not apply

(4) rather applies

(5) applies completely

(-98) don't know

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_661i1-l1, v1	<b>Topic:</b> Candidates	<b>Item:</b> Attributes of chancellor candidates, Baerbock
<b>Waves:</b> 3,5,16,17,18,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_650f2!=-71

**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Question:**

To what extent do the following statements apply or not apply to Annalena Baerbock?

(I1) She is assertive.

(J1) She is trustworthy.

(K1) She is a likeable person.

(L1) She has reasonable ideas about how to boost the economy.

(V1) She represents the values and political views of the CDU/CSU.

**Coding:**

(1) does not apply at all

(2) rather does not apply

(3) neither applies nor does not apply

(4) rather applies

(5) applies completely

(-98) don't know

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_671	<b>Topic:</b> Candidates	<b>Item:</b> Preferred chancellor
<b>Waves:</b> 2-8,16-20	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

Who would you prefer to see as chancellor?

- Armin Laschet
- Olaf Scholz
- Annalena Baerbock

- none of them

**Coding:**

- (1) Armin Laschet
- (2) Olaf Scholz
- (3) Annalena Baerbock
- (3) none of them

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

**Valence issues**

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_840s	<b>Topic:</b> Valence issues	<b>Item:</b> Most important problem
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a1,a2	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Text field (two rows) with optical 50 characters per row, no maximum limited number of characters; italicize "only one"

**Intro:**

You will now be asked about the two most important problems.

**Question:**

In your opinion, what is the most important problem facing Germany today?

**Instructions:**

Please mention *only one* problem.

**Coding:**

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_850

**Waves:** 1-20,a1,a2

**Topic:** Valence issues

**Item:** Ability to solve the most important problem

**Mode:** CAWI

**Samples:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_840s!=-99

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which party is best able to handle this problem?

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- other party
  
- all parties equally good
- no party

**Coding:**

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (4) SPD
- (322) AfD
- (5) FDP
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (6) GRÜNE
- (801) other party
- (809) all parties equally good
- (808) no party

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_851 were recoded into the variables kp20\_850a and kp20\_850b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_851	<b>Topic:</b> Valence issues	<b>Item:</b> Ability to solve the most important problem, other party
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a1,a2	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_850=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which of these parties is best able to handle this problem?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

- (126) BP
- (349) DiB
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (372) dieBasis
- (171) FAMILIE
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (331) LKR
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (373) Team Todenhöfer
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (364) Volt
- (801) other party

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_850 were recoded into the variables kp20\_850a and kp20\_850b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

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**Variable:** kp20\_860s

**Waves:** 1-20,a1,a2

**Topic:** Valence issues

**Item:** Second most important problem

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_840s != -99

**Presentation:**

Text field (two rows) with optical 50 characters per row, no maximum limited number of characters; italicize "only one"

**Question:**

In your opinion, what is the second most important problem facing Germany today?

**Instructions:**

Please mention *only one* problem.

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**Coding:**

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_870	<b>Topic:</b> Valence issues	<b>Item:</b> Ability to solve the second most important problem
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a1,a2		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp20\_860s != -97 | kp20\_860s != -99  
Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which party is best able to handle this problem?

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD(Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- other party

- all parties equally good
- no party

**Coding:**

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (4) SPD
- (322) AfD
- (5) FDP
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (6) GRÜNE
- (801) other party
- (809) all parties equally good
- (808) no party

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_871 were recoded into the variables kp20\_870a and kp20\_870b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_871**Waves:** 1-20,a1,a2**Topic:** Valence issues**Item:** Ability to solve the second most important problem, other party**Mode:** CAWI**Samples:** A/B**Filter:** kp20\_870=801**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which of these parties is best able to handle this problem?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

- (126) BP
- (349) DiB
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (372) dieBasis
- (171) FAMILIE
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (331) LKR
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (373) Team Todenhöfer
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (364) Volt
- (801) other party

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_870 were recoded into the variables kp20\_870a and kp20\_870b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2880d,g,ap,bt,at,bu,be,bv,bw,ar	<b>Topic:</b> Political positions	<b>Item:</b> Ego positions
<b>Waves:</b> 1,3,13-20,a2	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard-Matrix

**Intro:**

Now we come to your assessment of political issues. You may agree more or less with the following statements.

**Question Screen 1:**

Please state to what extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

(D) The state should take measures to reduce differences in income levels.

(G) The state should stay out of the economy.

(AP) In order to limit the power of corporations, expropriations should also be carried out.

(BT) The statutory retirement age should be raised to over 67.

(AT) The state should take more measures to improve living conditions in rural areas.

**Question Screen2:**

And how much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

(BU) The next federal government should be led by an SPD chancellor.

(BE) To make sure that this survey is being filled out by a human, please click here on 'disagree'.

(BV) CDU and CSU should go into opposition in the Bundestag.

(BW) When combating climate change, more emphasis should be placed on banning climate-damaging behaviours than on incentives for climate-friendly behaviour.

(AR) Germany is so small that it cannot make an effective contribution to protecting the global climate.

**Coding:**

(1) strongly disagree

(2) disagree

(3) neither agree nor disagree

(4) agree

(5) strongly agree

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_4046**Waves:** 15-20**Mode:** CAWI**Topic:** Corona Crisis**Samples:** A/B**Item:** Corona: Government**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "not at all satisfied" and +5 "completely satisfied"

**Intro:**

And now a few questions about the corona crisis.

**Question:**

How satisfied are you with the work of the federal government in combatting the corona crisis?

**Coding:**

(1) -5 not at all satisfied

(2) -4

(3) -3

(4) -2

(5) -1

(6) 0

(7) +1

(8) +2

(9) +3

(10) +4

(11) +5 completely satisfied

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This question was taken from the GLES Tracking (T48)].

**Variable:** kp19\_4045a-e**Waves:** 13-20,a2**Mode:** CAWI**Topic:** Corona Crisis**Samples:** A/B**Item:** Corona measures**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Question:**

Do you think that in the following respects the federal government has taken too few or too many measures to combat the corona crisis?

(A) Ensuring medical care

(B) Restricting public life, e.g., closing shops and public facilities

(C) Reducing economic damage

(D) Communicating with the population

(E) Vaccination of the population

**Coding:**

(1) too few

(2) rather too few

(3) just right

(4) rather too many

(5) too many

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

[Note: The question is an adaptation from the GESIS Panel Special Survey on the Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 Outbreak in Germany from 17 to 29 March 2020.]

**Variable:**kp20\_4043a-d

**Waves:** 13-20

**Topic:** Corona Crisis

**Item:**Infection

**Mode:** CAWI

**Samples:** A/B

**Filter:**

**Presentation:**

Multiple selection one below the other; Plausibility check cannot be ignored if "No" is selected with one of the other answer options: The answer "No" cannot be chosen together with other answer options. Please correct your answer."

**Question:**

Have you or people close to you become infected with coronavirus? Please click on all applicable answer options.

- (a) No.
- (b) Yes, I have become infected.
- (c) Yes, people in my immediate family have become infected.
- (d) Yes, people in my immediate circle of friends have become infected.

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_4044

**Waves:** 13-20

**Topic:** Corona Crisis

**Item:** Financial losses

**Mode:** CAWI

**Samples:** A/B

**Filter:**

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

Did you personally suffer financial losses in the Corona crisis?

- (1) No.
- (2) Yes, to a small degree.
- (3) Yes, to a substantial degree.
- (4) yes, to an extent threatening my existence

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_4047	<b>Topic:</b> Corona Crisis	<b>Item:</b> Corona: Vaccination Status
<b>Waves:</b> 18,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp18\_4047 != 1

**Representation:**

Single selection among each other

**Question:**

Have you had yourself vaccinated against COVID-19 or not?

**Note text:**

By this we mean that you have been vaccinated with at least one dose of one of the vaccines approved in Germany.

- Yes, I got vaccinated.

- No, I didn't get vaccinated.

**Coding:**

(1) Yes, I did get vaccinated.

(2) No, I did not get vaccinated.

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_4048	<b>Topic:</b> Corona Crisis	<b>Item:</b> Corona: vaccination status, demand
<b>Waves:</b> 18,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_4047 = 1 | kp18\_4048 == -99 | kp18\_4048 == 2

**Representation:**

Single selection among each other

**Question:**

Have you already been fully vaccinated against COVID-19?

**Note text:**

By fully vaccinated, it is meant that you have received the prescribed number of vaccinations for a complete vaccination protection.

- Yes, I am already fully vaccinated.

- No, I haven't been fully vaccinated yet.

**Coding:**

(1) Yes, I am already fully vaccinated.

(2) No, I have not yet been fully vaccinated.

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_4049	<b>Topic:</b> Corona Crisis	<b>Item:</b> Corona: Vaccination readiness
<b>Waves:</b> 18,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_4047 = 2

**Representation:**

Standard matrix; scale without numerical labelling; only labelling of the endpoints with: " I definitely do not want to be vaccinated ", " I definitely want to be vaccinated ".

**Question:**

In general, do you want to get vaccinated against COVID-19 or not?

-I definitely don't want to get vaccinated...

-  
-  
-  
-  
-

- I definitely want to get vaccinated

**Coding:**

(1) 1 I do not want to be vaccinated in any case

(2) 2

(3) 3

(4) 4

(5) 5

(6) 6

(7) 7 I would definitely like to be vaccinated

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_060b,d,e,i,j,l	<b>Topic:</b> General attitudes towards politics	<b>Item:</b> Extremism/ Authoritarianism
<b>Waves:</b> 2,9,13-15,17,a1,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:**

**Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Question on screen 1:**

Here you can find several statements with which some people agree, while others do not. How about you?

(E) Under certain circumstances, a dictatorship is the better form of government.

(L) It would be better if decisions were taken by unelected, independent experts rather than by politicians or the citizens.

(I) It should be made clear to troublemakers that they are not wanted in society.

**Question on screen 2:**

And how much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

(J) We need strong leaders so we can live safely in society.

(B) The main business enterprises must be nationalized.

(D) The general welfare ranks much higher than the interest of groups and associations.

**Coding:**

- (1) strongly disagree
- (2) disagree
- (3) neither agree nor disagree
- (4) agree
- (5) strongly agree

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

The item (L) was taken from the GESIS Panel.

**Variable:** kp20\_050a,e,h,k,l

**Waves:** 1,5,8,9,14,16-20,a2

**Topic:** General attitudes towards politics

**Item:** Efficacy and duty to vote

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Intro:**

Here are some common statements on politics and society.

**Question:**

Please state to what extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

- (A) Politicians care about what ordinary people think.
- (E) Politicians try to get in close contact with the population.
- (H) I have the confidence to take active part in a discussion about political issues.
- (K) I am perfectly able to understand and assess important political questions.
- (L) In a democracy, it is the duty of all citizens to vote regularly in elections.

**Coding:**

- (1) strongly disagree
- (2) disagree
- (3) neither agree nor disagree
- (4) agree
- (5) strongly agree

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1600	<b>Topic:</b> Media use	<b>Item:</b> Internet use, politically current
<b>Waves:</b> 1,3-8,16-20,a2	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical), italicize "week before the election"

**Question:**

On how many days during the week before the election did you use the Internet to inform yourself about politics?

- not at all
- on one day
- on 2 days
- on 3 days
- on 4 days
- on 5 days
- on 6 days
- on 7 days

**Coding:**

- (1) 0 days
- (2) 1 day
- (3) 2 days
- (4) 3 days
- (5) 4 days
- (6) 5 days
- (7) 6 days
- (8) 7 days

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2880 bc,bo,bn,bb,bx	<b>Topic:</b> Political positions	<b>Item:</b> Ego positions
<b>Waves:</b> 1,3,13-20,a2	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard-Matrix

**Intro:**

Here you can find several statements with which some people agree, while others do not.

**Question:**

Please state to what extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

- (BC) Health protection must take priority over promoting economic growth.
- (BO) Unvaccinated people should be subject to more restrictions (e.g. on attending events) than fully vaccinated people during this phase of the pandemic.
- (BN) During a pandemic, there should be a general obligation to vaccinate.
- (BB) In emergency situations, it is justified for the state to restrict civil liberties.
- (BX) Pandemic restrictions and control measures should be lifted.

**Coding:**

- (1) strongly disagree
- (2) disagree
- (3) neither agree nor disagree
- (4) agree
- (5) strongly agree

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

**Candidates****Variable:** kp20\_650l1,j2,k1,y1**Wellen:** 1-20,a1,a2**Topic:** Candidates**Item:** Scalometer politicians**Mode:** CAWI**Samples:** A/B**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale: -5 to +5 including zero with numerical label; label of endpoints: -5 "I do not think much of the politician at all", +5 "I think a great deal of the politician"; "haven't heard of"- category is settled out a bit

**Question:**

Here, you see some leading politicians once again. Please state what you think of these politicians.

- (L1) Robert Habeck
- (j2) Janine Wissler
- (K1) Markus Söder
- (Y1) Jens Spahn

**Coding:**

- (1) -5 I do not think much of the person at all
- (2) -4
- (3) -3
- (4) -2
- (5) -1
- (6) 0
- (7) +1
- (8) +2
- (9) +3
- (10) +4
- (11) +5 I think a great deal of the person

(-71) haven't heard of [labelled in dataset as "subject unknown"]

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1250	<b>Waves:</b> 1,a1,6-8,10,11,13-15,18-20,a2	<b>Topic:</b> Political positions	<b>Item:</b> European integration, ego
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale without numerical labels; only labels at the endpoints: "European unification should be pushed further", "European unification has already gone too far"; "don't know"- category is settled out a bit

**Intro:**

Now we come to your assessment of political issues.

**Question:**

Should the European unification be pushed further in order to establish a joint government soon or has the European unification already gone too far?

What is your opinion on this issue?

- European unification should be pushed further
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- 
- European unification has already gone too far

**Coding:**

- (1) European unification should be pushed further
- (2)
- (3)
- (4)
- (5)
- (6)
- (7) European unification has already gone too far

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1290	<b>Waves:</b> 1-2,4,a1,7,8,10-20,a2	<b>Topic:</b> Political positions	<b>Item:</b> Climate change, ego
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B		

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; seven-point-scale without numerical label; label of endpoints: "fight against climate change should take precedence, even if it impairs economic", "economic growth should take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change"

**Question:**

Some say that the fight against climate change should definitely take precedence, even if it impairs economic growth. Others say that the economic growth should definitely take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change.

What is your opinion on this issue?

- fight against climate change should take precedence, even if it impairs economic growth
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- economic growth should take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change

**Coding:**

- (1) 1 fight against climate change should take precedence, even if it impairs economic growth  
 (2) 2  
 (3) 3  
 (4) 4  
 (5) 5  
 (6) 6  
 (7) 7 economic growth should take precedence, even if it impairs the fight against climate change

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 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_1090

**Waves:** 1-4,a1,6-8,10-15,19,20,a2

**Topic:** Political positions

**Item:** Socio-economic dimension, ego

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; seven-point-scale without numerical label; label of endpoints: "lower taxes, although this results in less social services" and "more social services, although this results in raising taxes"; "don't know"-category is settled out a bit

**Question:**

Some people prefer lower taxes, although this results in less social services. Others prefer more social services, although this results in raising taxes.

What is your opinion on this issue?

- lower taxes, although this results in less social services

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- more social services, although this results in raising taxes

**Coding:**

- (1) 1 lower taxes, although this results in less social services  
 (2) 2  
 (3) 3  
 (4) 4  
 (5) 5  
 (6) 6  
 (7) 7 more social services, although this results in raising taxes

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 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1130	<b>Topic:</b> Political positions	<b>Item:</b> Libertarian-authoritarian
<b>Waves:</b> 1-4,a1,6-8,10-15,19,20,a2		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; seven-point-scale without numerical label; label of endpoints: "immigration for foreigners should be easier", "immigration for foreigners should be more difficult"

**Question:**

Let's turn to the issue of immigration. Should it be easier or more difficult for foreigners to immigrate?

What is your opinion on this issue?

- immigration for foreigners should be easier
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- immigration for foreigners should be more difficult

**Coding:**

- (1) 1 immigration for foreigners should be easier
- (2) 2
- (3) 3
- (4) 4
- (5) 5
- (6) 6
- (7) 7 immigration for foreigners should be more difficult

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1590	<b>Topic:</b> Political positions	<b>Item:</b> Position issue: Gender equality, ego
<b>Wellen:</b> 15-17,19,20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; 7-point scale without numerical labelling

Labels at the endpoints: "state equality measures still do not go far enough", "state equality measures already go much too far"

**Question:**

Now we would like to know what you think about state measures for the equality of women in society. Some think that state equality measures by no means go far enough, others think that they already go much too far today.

What is your opinion on state measures for the equality of women in society?

- State equality measures by no means go far enough.

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- State equality measures already go much too far.

**Coding:**

(1) 1 State equality measures by no means go far enough.

(2) 2

(3) 3

(4) 4

(5) 5

(6) 6

(7) 7 State equality measures already go much too far.

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_3103a-h	<b>Topic:</b> General attitudes towards politics	<b>Item:</b> Populism
<b>Waves:</b> 5,8,9,13-15,17,a2,20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix

**Intro:**

Here you can find some more statements on politics and society with which some people agree, while others do not.

**Question:**

Screen 1: Please state whether you agree or disagree with each statement.

Screen 2: How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

**Screen 1:**

(A) Politicians talk too much and take too little action.

(B) Ordinary people are of good and honest character.

(C) The people should have the final say on the most important political issues by voting on them directly in referendums.

(D) Ordinary people all pull together.

**Screen 2:**

- (E) Differences between the elite and the people are larger than the differences among the people.  
 (F) The people, and not politicians, should make our most important policy decisions.  
 (G) The politicians in Parliament need to follow the will of the people.  
 (H) Ordinary people share the same values and interests.

**Coding:**

- (1) strongly disagree  
 (2) disagree  
 (3) neither agree nor disagree  
 (4) agree  
 (5) strongly agree

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_1210

**Waves:** 1-2,4,a1,7-8,10,11,13-15,20,a2

**Topic:** Political positions

**Item:** Integration, ego

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix; scale without numerical labels; only labels at the endpoints: "foreigners should completely assimilate to the German culture", "foreigners should be able to live according to their own culture"

**Question:**

There are different views on how much foreigners should assimilate in Germany. Some people think that foreigners should completely assimilate to the German culture. Others think that foreigners should be able to live according to their own culture.

What is your opinion on this issue?

- foreigners should completely assimilate to the German culture
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- foreigners should be able to live according to their own culture

**Coding:**

- (1) foreigners should completely assimilate to the German culture  
 (2)  
 (3)  
 (4)  
 (5)  
 (6)  
 (7) foreigners should be able to live according to their own culture

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-99) no answer

**Networks****Variable:** kp20\_1933**Waves:** 1-8,17-20**Mode:** CAWI**Topic:** Networks**Sample:** A/B**Item:** Conversations about politics, in general**Filter:****Presentation:**

Standard matrix with responsive pagination; depending on the width of the screen, as a matrix or as response options underneath each other; highlight "week before the election" in italics in the question text.

**Question:**

On how many days during the *week before the federal election* did you talk with other people about politics?

**Coding:**

- (1) 0 days
- (2) 1 day
- (3) 2 days
- (4) 3 days
- (5) 4 days
- (6) 5 days
- (7) 6 days
- (8) 7 days

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_1933\_c2,p**Waves:** 1-8,17-20**Mode:** CAWI**Topic:** Networks**Sample:** A/B**Item:** Conversations about politics, follow-up question**Filter:** kp20\_1933=-99**Presentation:**

**Must answer.** Text for plausibility check if no answer was given: "Please note that an answer is necessary for the continuation of the survey." Above the checkbox matrix, there are two radio buttons with the response options: "I did not talk about politics." and "I did not want to give any information on this." Please program them in such a way that respondents cannot give inconsistent information (i.e., by clicking on checkbox and on the radio buttons [above the matrix]). Text for plausibility check: "The combination of your information is not possible, please check your entry." Highlight "week before the election" in italics [in the question text].

**Intro:**

You did not answer the last question.

**Question:**

Does this mean that you didn't talk about politics in the *week before the federal election* or that you did not want to answer this question?

**Instruction:**

If you would like to provide information now, please feel free to do so.

- I didn't talk about politics

- I didn't want to answer this question

**Coding:**

- (1) 0 days
- (2) 1 day
- (3) 2 days
- (4) 3 days
- (5) 4 days
- (6) 5 days
- (7) 6 days
- (8) 7 days

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

**Coding plausibility check variable kp20\_1933p:**

- (1) I didn't talk about politics
- (2) I didn't want to answer this question
- (3) not mentioned

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE I: The answers that were given upon inquiry were integrated into the variables kp20\_1933. The point of time when the answer was given can be looked up by using the flag variable kp20\_1933flag.

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1937a-c	<b>Topic:</b> Networks	<b>Item:</b> Name generator
<b>Waves:</b> 1-8,17-20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_1933=2-8 | kp20\_1933\_c2=2-8

**Presentation:****Presentation:**

Three rows with two text fields each (bordered in blue and green, see published screenshots); plausibility check: allow only letters (also with umlauts), no numbers or special characters. Instruction text: "Please enter letters only." Program in such a way that only one letter can be entered in a box. Show no instruction text if no box is filled; treat as -99 = "no answer" (i.e. not a "must answer"!)." Instruction text if either only the blue or only the green box is filled in a row: "Please enter both the first letter of the first name and the first letter of the last name." Show this instruction text only once; even if respondent still refuses to give a complete answer, forward to kp20\_1941a-c and display incomplete initials. Italicize "past week" ("week before the federal election").

**Intro:**

We would now like to ask you a few questions about the people with whom you talked about politics most frequently in the *week before the federal election*. These questions will be easier to answer if you think of specific people.

**Question:**

Please enter the initials of up to three people with whom you talked about politics most frequently in the *week before the federal election*.

**Instructions:**

Enter the first letter of the first name of your discussion partner in the blue box and the first letter of the last name in the green box.

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1941a-c	<b>Topic:</b> Networks	<b>Item:</b> Discussion partner, relationship
<b>Waves:</b> 1-8,17-20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_1937a!=-99 | kp20\_1937b!=-99 | kp20\_1937c!=-99

**Presentation:**

Single-choice questions in columns next to each other, each with person [no.] and initials as heading; radio buttons; show as many columns as discussion partners named in kp20\_1937

**Question text in the case of only one discussion partner:**

And what is your relationship to this person?

**Question text in the case of several discussion partners:**

And what is your relationship to these persons?

**Instructions:**

Please click on the option that best describes your relationship.

**Coding:**

- (1) Spouse or partner
- (2) Friend
- (3) Relative
- (4) Work colleague
- (5) Acquaintance or neighbour
- (6) Other contact

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1945a-c	<b>Topic:</b> Networks	<b>Item:</b> Discussion partner, frequency
<b>Waves:</b> 1-8,17-20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** If more than one discussion partner, kp20\_1937a!=-99 | kp20\_1937b!=-99 | kp20\_1937c!=-99

**Presentation:**

Standard matrix with responsive pagination; social relationship and initials of discussion partners in rows (see published screen views); depending on screen width, as a matrix or as response options underneath each other.

Plausibility check, (can be ignored; not a "must answer"): If nothing was stated for any discussion partners (kp20\_1945a == -99 & kp20\_1945b == -99 & kp20\_1945c == -99), please show information text:

"Your response is very important to us. Please answer this question."

**Question:**

On how many days during the *past week* did you talk about politics with your individual discussion partners?

**Coding:**

- Kp20\_1945a – First discussion partner  
Kp20\_1945b – Second discussion partner  
Kp20\_1945c – Third discussion partner

- (2) 1 day
- (3) 2 days
- (4) 3 days
- (5) 4 days
- (6) 5 days
- (7) 6 days
- (8) 7 days

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1973a-c	<b>Topic:</b> Networks	<b>Item:</b> Discussion partner, voting decision
<b>Wave:</b> 8,20	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_1937a!=-99 | kp20\_1937b!=-99 | kp20\_1937c!=-99

**Presentation:**

Matrix, rows=parties, columns = display initials of discussion partners and social relationship; show as many columns as discussion partners named (see published screenshots)

**Question if only one discussion partner:**

Which party do you think your discussion partner probably voted for in the federal election on 24 September?

**Question if several discussion partners:**

Which party do you think your discussion partners probably voted for in the federal election on 24 September?

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- other party
  
- didn't vote
- don't know

**Coding:**

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (4) SPD
- (5) FDP
- (6) GRÜNE
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (322) AfD
- (801) other party
  
- (-85) didn't vote
- (-98) don't know

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- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_1974a-c were recoded into the variables kp20\_1973aa/ kp20\_1973ba/ kp20\_1973ca and kp20\_1973ab/ kp20\_1973bb/ kp20\_1973cb in order to create party versions A and B (see study description.)]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_1974a-c	<b>Topic:</b> Networks	<b>Item:</b> Discussion partner, voting decision, other party
<b>Wave:</b> 8,20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp20\_1973?==801

**Presentation:**

Matrix, rows = parties, columns = display initials of discussion partners and social relationship; show as many columns as discussion partners with a voting decision for an "other party" named in kp20\_1973.

**Intro if several discussion partners voted for an "other party":**

You have just indicated that your discussion partners voted for an "other party".

**Intro if only one discussion partner voted for an "other party":**

You have just indicated that your discussion partner voted for an "other party".

**Question:**

Which party is that?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformier)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

- (126) BP
- (349) DiB
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (372) dieBasis
- (171) FAMILIE
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (331) LKR
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (373) Team Todenhöfer
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (364) Volt
- (801) other party

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_1973a-c were recoded into the variables kp20\_1973aa/ kp20\_1973ba/ kp20\_1973ca and kp20\_1973ab/ kp20\_1973bb/ kp20\_1973cb in order to create party versions A and B (see study description).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2780	<b>Topic:</b> Voting Decision	<b>Item:</b> Turnout federal election
<b>Waves:</b> 1,8,14,18,19,a2,20 2017		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp18\_2780!=-99 & kp18\_2780!=1 & kp18\_2780!=2 & kp18\_2780!=-84 & kp18\_2780!=-98 & kp19\_2780!=-99 & kp19\_2780!=1 & kp19\_2780!=2 & kp19\_2780!=-84 & kp19\_2780!=-98

**Filter Sample B:** /

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Intro:**

In the last federal election on 24th September 2017 a lot of people did not get around to voting or did not participate in the election for other reasons.

**Question:**

How about you? Did you vote, did you not vote, or were you not eligible to vote at all?

- Yes, I voted.

- No, I didn't vote.

- I wasn't entitled to vote.

- I don't know anymore.

**Coding:**

(1) yes, I voted

(2) no, I didn't vote

(-86) not entitled to vote

(-98) don't know

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(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_350ab	<b>Topic:</b> Voting Decision	<b>Item:</b> Recall previous federal
<b>Waves:</b> 1,8,14,18-20,a2 election		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp20\_2780==1 | -99

**Presentation:**

Display sample ballot paper with first/second vote; "don't know"-category below

**Question:**

Which parties did you vote for at the last federal election in September 2017?

(A) First vote:

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)

- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)

- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)

- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)

- Die Linke

- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen

- other party

- I didn't cast a first vote

- Don't know anymore

(B) Second vote:

- CDU/CSU (Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich-Soziale Union)
- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- other party
  
- I didn't cast a second vote
- Don't know anymore

**Coding:**

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (4) SPD
- (5) FDP
- (6) GRÜNE
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (322) AfD
- (801) other party
- (-84) didn't cast a first/second vote
- (-98) don't know

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE I: This variable and the variables kp20\_351a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_350aa/kp20\_350ab and kp20\_350ba/kp20\_350bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_353a

**Waves:** 1,8,14,18,19,a2,20  
election first vote, other party

**Topic:** Voting Decision

**Item:** Recall previous federal

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_350a = 801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which candidate did you vote for with your FIRST vote?

- BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- DIE RECHTE (DIE RECHTE)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- Freie Wähler (FW)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PBC (Partei Bibeltreuer Christen)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- pro Deutschland (Bürgerbewegung pro Deutschland)
- REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

**Coding:**

(120) BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)  
 (151) Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)  
 (323) DIE RECHTE (DIE RECHTE)  
 (171) FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)  
 (180) Freie Wähler (FW)  
 (206) NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)  
 (209) ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)  
 (214) PBC (Partei Bibeltreuer Christen)  
 (215) PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)  
 (218) pro Deutschland (Bürgerbewegung pro Deutschland)  
 (225) REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)  
 (801) other party

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_350a were recoded into the variables kp20\_350aa and kp20\_350ab in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_353b	<b>Topic:</b> Voting Decision	<b>Item:</b> Recall previous federal election second vote, other party
<b>Waves:</b> 1,8,14,18,19,a2,20		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp20\_350b=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which party did you vote for with your SECOND vote?

- BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- DIE RECHTE (DIE RECHTE)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- Freie Wähler (FW)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PBC (Partei Bibeltreuer Christen)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- pro Deutschland (Bürgerbewegung pro Deutschland)
- REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

**Coding:**

(120) BIG (Partei Bündnis für Innovation & Gerechtigkeit)  
 (151) Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)  
 (323) DIE RECHTE (DIE RECHTE)  
 (171) FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)  
 (180) Freie Wähler (FW)  
 (206) NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)  
 (209) ödp (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)  
 (214) PBC (Partei Bibeltreuer Christen)  
 (215) PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)  
 (218) pro Deutschland (Bürgerbewegung pro Deutschland)  
 (225) REP (DIE REPUBLIKANER)  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)  
 (801) other party

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_350b were recoded into the variables kp20\_350ba and kp20\_350bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_355, kp20\_355y

**Wellen:** 18,19,20    **Topic:** Voting decision    **Item:** Electoral decision: Reasons, change of choice

**Mode:** CAWI    **Sample:** A/B

**Filter:**

(kp20\_191b=1-801 & kp20\_350b=1-801 & (kp20\_191b!= kp20\_350b |  
 (kp20\_193b=1-801 & kp20\_353b=1-801 & kp20\_193b!= kp20\_353b))) |  
 (kp20\_200b=1-801 & kp20\_350b=1-801 & (kp20\_200b!= kp20\_350b |  
 (kp20\_201b=1-801 & kp20\_353b=1-801 & kp20\_201b!= kp20\_353b)))

**Representation:**

Four-line text field with 50 optical characters per line. Plausibility check: Specification kp19\_355y==1 cannot be made together with the specification of a reason (entry of at least one letter or number at kp19\_355), with text "The combination of your entries is not possible, please check your entry".

**Text Intro:**

According to you, you voted differently in the 2021 general election than you did in the 2017 general election.

**Question text:**

Why did you decide to vote differently in the 2021 federal election than you did in the 2017 federal election?

**Clue text:**

Please state the *most important* reason.

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 - I didn't make a different decision in the 2021 federal election than I did in the 2017 federal election.

**Coding kp20\_355\_y:**

(0) not mentioned  
 (1) mentioned

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

### State election in Berlin

**Variable:** kp20\_4680

**Waves:** 20

**Topic:** State election Berlin

**Item:** Turnout, Berlin

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_2601=11

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Intro:**

On 26 September, the election for the Berlin House of Representatives took place in Berlin.

**Question:**

In the election for the Berlin House of Representatives, a lot of people did not manage to vote or did not participate in the election for other reasons. How about you?

- I did vote.

- I did not vote.

- I wasn't eligible to vote.

**Coding:**

(1) did vote

(2) did not vote

(-86) not eligible to vote

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 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

**Variable:** kp20\_4690a,b

**Waves:** 20

**Topic:** State election Berlin

**Item:** Voting decision, Berlin

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_4680=1

**Presentation:**

Display sample ballot paper for the state election in Berlin with first and second vote as matrix

**Intro:**

You had two votes in the state election in Berlin. The first vote was for a candidate in your voting district, the second vote was for a party.

**Question:**

How did you mark your ballot in this state election?

(A) First vote:

- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)

- CDU (Christlich Demokratische Union Deutschlands)

- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen

- Die Linke

- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)

- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)

- Other party

- Did not cast a first vote

(B) Second vote:

- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- CDU (Christlich Demokratische Union Deutschlands)
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Die Linke
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Other party

- Did not cast a second vote

**Coding:**

- (2) CDU
- (4) SPD
- (5) FDP
- (6) GRÜNE
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (322) AfD
- (801) other party

(-84) didn't cast a first/second vote

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 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_4692a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_4690aa/kp20\_4690ab and kp20\_4690ba/kp20\_4690bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_4692a

**Waves:** 20      **Topic:** State election Berlin    **Item:** Voting decision, Berlin, first vote, other party

**Mode:** CAWI      **Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_4690a=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which candidate did you vote for with your FIRST vote in the state election in Berlin?

- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- Gesundheitsforschung (Partei für Gesundheitsforschung)
- Graue Panther
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Coding:**

(372) dieBasis  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (180) FREIE WAHLER  
 (342) Gesundheitsforschung  
 (357) Graue Panther  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_4690a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_4690aa/kp20\_4690ab and kp20\_4690ba/kp20\_4690bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_4692b

**Waves:** 20      **Topic:** State election Berlin    **Item:** Voting decision, Berlin, second vote, other party

**Mode:** CAWI      **Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_4690b=801

**Question:**

And which party did you vote for with your SECOND vote in the state election in Berlin?

- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- Gesundheitsforschung (Partei für Gesundheitsforschung)
- Graue Panther
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- other party

**Codierung:**

(372) dieBasis  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (180) FREIE WAEHLER  
 (342) Gesundheitsforschung  
 (357) Graue Panther  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (801) other party

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_4690a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_4690aa/kp20\_4690ab and kp20\_4690ba/kp20\_4690bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>State election in Mecklenburg Western Pomerania</b>
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<b>Variable:</b> kp20_4780
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<b>Waves:</b> 20	<b>Topic:</b> State election Mecklenburg Western Pomerania	<b>Item:</b> Turnout, Mecklenburg Western Pomerania
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<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B
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<b>Filter:</b> kp20_2601=13
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**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Intro:**

On 26 September, state election took place in Mecklenburg Western Pomerania.

**Question:**

In the state election, a lot of people did not manage to vote or did not participate in the election for other reasons. How about you?

- I did vote.  
 - I did not vote.

- I wasn't eligible to vote.

**Coding:**

(1) did vote  
 (2) did not vote

(-86) not eligible to vote

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_4790a,b	<b>Topic:</b> State election Mecklenburg Western Pomerania	<b>Item:</b> Voting decision,
<b>Waves:</b> 20	Mecklenburg Western Pomerania	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Sample:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp20\_4780=1

**Presentation:**

Display sample ballot paper for the state election in Mecklenburg Western Pomerania with first and second vote as matrix

**Intro:**

You had two votes in the state election in Mecklenburg Western Pomerania. The first vote was for a candidate in your voting district, the second vote was for a party.

**Question:**

How did you mark your ballot in this state election?

(A) First vote:

- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- CDU (Christlich Demokratische Union Deutschlands)
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Die Linke
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Other party

- Did not cast a first vote

(B) Second vote:

- SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- CDU (Christlich Demokratische Union Deutschlands)
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- Die Linke
- AfD (Alternative für Deutschland)
- FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei)
- Other party

- Did not cast a second vote

**Coding:**

- (2) CDU
- (4) SPD
- (5) FDP
- (6) GRÜNE
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (322) AfD
- (801) other party

(-84) didn't cast a first/second vote

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_4792a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_4790aa/kp20\_4790ab and kp20\_4790ba/kp20\_4790bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_4792a

**Waves:** 20      **Topic:** State election Mecklenburg Western Pomerania      **Item:** Voting decision, Mecklenburg Western Pomerania, first vote, other party

**Mode:** CAWI      **Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_4790a=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which candidate did you vote for with your FIRST vote in the state election in Mecklenburg Western Pomerania?

- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- Freier Horizont (FREIER HORIZONT)
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

**Coding:**

- (349) DiB
- (372) dieBasis
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (385) Freier Horizont
- (331) LKR
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (373) Team Todenhöfer
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (801) other party

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_4790a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_4790aa/kp20\_4790ab and kp20\_4790ba/kp20\_4790bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_4792b

**Waves:** 20      **Topic:** State election Berlin    **Item:** Voting decision, Mecklenburg Western Pomerania, second vote, other party

**Mode:** CAWI      **Sample:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_4790b=801

**Question:**

And which party did you vote for with your SECOND vote in the state election in Mecklenburg Western Pomerania?

- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- Freier Horizont (FREIER HORIZONT)
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- other party

**Codierung:**

- (349) DiB
- (372) dieBasis
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (385) Freier Horizont
- (331) LKR
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (373) Team Todenhöfer
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (801) other party

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_4790a,b were recoded into the variables kp20\_4790aa/kp20\_4790ab and kp20\_4790ba/kp20\_4790bb in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_2090

**Waves:** 1-20,a1,a2

**Mode:** CAWI

**Topic:** Predispositions

**Samples:** A/B

**Item:** Party identification

**Filter:**

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Intro:**

In Germany, many people lean towards a particular party for a long time, although they may occasionally vote for a different party.

**Question:**

How about you, do you in general lean towards a particular party? If so, which one?

- CDU/CSU
- CDU
- CSU
- SPD
- AfD
- FDP
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- other party
- no party

**Coding:**

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (2) CDU
- (3) CSU
- (4) SPD
- (322) AfD
- (5) FDP
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (6) GRÜNE
- (801) other party

(808) no party

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_2091 were recoded into the variables kp20\_2090a and kp20\_2090b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2091	<b>Topic:</b> Predispositions	<b>Item:</b> Party identification, other party
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a1,a2	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_2090=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which one of these parties do you feel close to?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- WiR2020
- other party

**Coding:**

- (126) BP
- (349) DiB
- (151) Die PARTEI
- (372) dieBasis
- (171) FAMILIE
- (180) FREIE WAEHLER
- (331) LKR
- (206) NPD
- (209) ödp
- (215) PIRATEN
- (373) Team Todenhöfer
- (237) Tierschutzpartei
- (364) Volt
- (371) WiR2020
- (801) other party

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_2090 were recoded into the variables kp20\_2090a and kp20\_2090b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2100	<b>Topic:</b> Predisposition	<b>Item:</b> Party identification, strength
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a1,a2	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_2090>0 & <=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

All in all, how strongly or weakly do you lean towards this party?

- very strongly
- fairly strongly
- moderately
- fairly weakly
- very weakly

**Coding:**

- (1) very strongly
- (2) fairly strongly
- (3) moderately
- (4) fairly weakly
- (5) very weakly

-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-97) not applicable

(-99) no answer

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2095	<b>Topic:</b> Predispositions	<b>Item:</b> Multiple party identification
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a1,a2	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI		

**Filter:** kp20\_2090=1-801; do not display party named at kp20\_2090 anymore. If kp20\_2090=1 (CDU/CSU), then show neither response option 2 (CDU) nor response option 3 (CSU). If kp20\_2090=2 | 3, then do not display response option 1 at kp20\_2150 anymore.

**Presentation:**

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

Some people lean towards more than one party, while others don't. How about you? Do you lean towards another political party?

- CDU/CSU
- CDU
- CSU
- SPD
- AfD
- FDP
- Die Linke
- Bündnis 90/Die Grünen
- other party
  
- no other party

**Coding:**

- (1) CDU/CSU
- (2) CDU
- (3) CSU
- (4) SPD
- (5) FDP
- (6) GRÜNE
- (7) DIE LINKE
- (322) AfD
- (801) other party

(808) no other party

- 
- (-93) not asked, terminated
  - (-95) not participated
  - (-97) not applicable
  - (-99) no answer

[NOTE: This variable and the variables kp20\_2096 were recoded into the variables kp20\_2095a and kp20\_2095b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

<b>Variable:</b> kp20_2096	<b>Topic:</b> Predispositions	<b>Item:</b> Multiple party identification, other party
<b>Waves:</b> 1-20,a1,a2		
<b>Mode:</b> CAWI	<b>Samples:</b> A/B	

**Filter:** kp20\_2095=801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

And which one of these parties do you feel close to?

- BP (Bayernpartei)
- DiB (DEMOKRATIE IN BEWEGUNG)
- Die PARTEI (Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative)
- dieBasis (Basisdemokratische Partei Deutschland)
- FAMILIE (Familien-Partei Deutschlands)
- FREIE WÄHLER
- LKR (Liberal-Konservative Reformer)
- NPD (Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands)
- ÖDP (Ökologisch-Demokratische Partei)
- PIRATEN (Piratenpartei Deutschland)
- Team Todenhöfer (Team Todenhöfer – Die Gerechtigkeitspartei)
- Tierschutzpartei (PARTEI MENSCH UMWELT TIERSCHUTZ)
- Volt (Volt Deutschland)
- WiR2020
- other party

**Coding:**

(126) BP  
 (349) DiB  
 (151) Die PARTEI  
 (372) dieBasis  
 (171) FAMILIE  
 (180) FREIE WAELER  
 (331) LKR  
 (206) NPD  
 (209) ödp  
 (215) PIRATEN  
 (373) Team Todenhöfer  
 (237) Tierschutzpartei  
 (364) Volt  
 (371) WiR2020  
 (801) other party

-----  
 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

[NOTE I: This variable and the variables kp20\_2095 were recoded into the variables kp20\_2095a and kp20\_2095b in order to create the party versions A and B (see documentation).]

**Variable:** kp20\_2101

**Waves:** 1-20,a1,a2

**Topic:** Predispositions

**Item:** Multiple party identification,  
strength

**Mode:** CAWI

**Samples:** A/B

**Filter:** kp20\_2095=1-801

**Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

All in all, how strongly or weakly do you lean towards this party?

- very strongly
- fairly strongly
- moderately
- fairly weakly
- very weakly

**Coding:**

(1) very strongly  
 (2) fairly strongly  
 (3) moderately  
 (4) fairly weakly  
 (5) very weakly

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 (-93) not asked, terminated  
 (-95) not participated  
 (-97) not applicable  
 (-99) no answer

### Panel management

**Variable:** kp20\_33a

**Wave:** 10-14,20

**Topic:** Panel management

**Item:** Entry of e-mail address

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** B

**Filter:** participation variable: e-mail address exists

**Presentation:** Single response list with open text field. Plausibility check E-mail address must contain "@" sign, in addition, "@" must be followed by "." after a not defined numbers of signs. Following Ignorable plausible text: "The e-mail address you entered is incorrect. Please check your entry." Ignoreable DAC: "Your entry is very important to us. Please answer this question."

**Question:**

We have sent you the link to this survey to the e-mail address you provided last time. You can change this e-mail address here or enter it again to confirm it.

**Instruction:**

If you have not yet received an e-mail from us, please re-enter your email address here to ensure that we have it.

Of course your e-mail address will be stored separately from your previous entries in the survey.

- My e-mail address is: \_\_\_\_\_

- I do not wish to re-enter or change my e-mail address.

**Variable:** kp20\_33b

**Wellen:** 10-14,20

**Topic:** Panel management

**Item:** Entry of e-mail address

**Mode:** CAWI

**Sample:** B

**Filter:** participation variable: e-mail address exists

**Presentation:** Single response list with open text field. Plausibility check E-mail address must contain "@" sign, in addition, "@" must be followed by "." after a not defined numbers of signs. Following Ignorable plausible text: "The e-mail address you entered is incorrect. Please check your entry." Ignoreable DAC: "Your entry is very important to us. Please answer this question."

**Question:**

To make it even easier for you to participate in the German Election Study in the future, we would like to ask you to provide your e-mail address. You will then receive an e-mail notification with a link that will take you directly to our survey.

**Information text:**

Of course your e-mail address will be stored separately from your previous entries in the survey.

- My e-mail address is: \_\_\_\_\_

- I do not have an e-mail address.

- I don't want to enter an e-mail address.

**Quality of Data****Variable:** kp20\_4240**Waves:** 1-20,a1,a2**Mode:** CAWI**Topic:** Quality of Data**Samples:** A/B**Item:** Rating of survey**Filter:****Presentation:**

Single response list (vertical)

**Question:**

How would you rate our survey overall?

- very good
- good
- neither good nor bad
- bad
- very bad

**Coding:**

- (1) very good
- (2) good
- (3) neither good nor bad
- (4) bad
- (5) very bad

-----  
(-93) Not asked, terminated

(-95) Not participated

(-99) No answer

**Variable:** kp20\_4270s**Waves:** 1-20,a1,a2**Mode:** CAWI**Topic:** Quality of Data**Samples:** A/B**Item:** Comment, open**Filter:****Presentation:**

Text field (four rows) with optical 50 characters per row, no maximum limit of characters

**Intro:**

Finally, we would like to give you the possibility to comment on our today's survey.

**Question:**

Do you have comments or suggestions concerning the survey or particular questions?

**Coding:**-----  
(-93) not asked, terminated

(-95) not participated

(-99) no answer