

## *OECD Risks That Matter Survey 2022: Background Questionnaire*

### 1. Please select your language:

*[Show relevant languages per country, if more than one language. If only 1 language in country, then auto-recode and hide this question]*

*Countries to add since 2020: Latvia, United Kingdom*

Country	Language #1	Language #2	Language #3
Austria	de_AT		
Belgium	nl_BE	fr_BE	de_BE
Canada	en_CA	fr_CA	
Chile	es_CL		
Denmark	da_DK		
Estonia	et_EE		
Finland	fi_FI	sv_FI	
France	fr_FR		
Germany	de_DE		
Greece	el_GR		
Ireland	en_IE		
Israel	he_IL		
Italy	it_IT		
Korea	ko_KR		
Latvia	+lv_LV		
Lithuania	lt_LT		
Mexico	es_MX		
Netherlands	nl_NL	en_US	
Norway	nb_NO		
Poland	pl_PL		
Portugal	pt_PT		
Spain	sp_ES		
Slovenia	sl_SI		
Switzerland	fr_CH	de_CH	+ it_IT, + en_US
Turkey	tr_TR		
United States	en_US	es_US	
United Kingdom	en_UK		

### Introduction

You are about to read and answer a series of background questions about your work, income and home life.

We assure you that all answers will be treated anonymously and confidentially. Your statements will not be used for commercial purposes but solely for statistical and analytical purposes.

## Socio-demographics

Before we begin, we would like to know a little bit about you.

### 2. How would you describe yourself?

*[Tick one]*

- a. Male
- b. Female
- c. Other / prefer not to answer

### 3. What year were you born?

\_\_\_\_ *[Open text field;]*

### 4. In which country do you live?

*[Dropdown list of 26 countries + "Other"; screen out if "Other" or if wrong country for market version selected]*

### 5. Including yourself, how many people usually live in your household?

*Note: Please include all people (adults and children), including people who usually reside in your household but are temporarily living elsewhere.*

\_\_\_\_ *[open text field; valid entries >=1 and <=15]*

## Your education

### 6. What is the highest educational level that you have attained?

*[Tick one]*

- a. No formal education [CODE 1]
- b. Primary (e.g. elementary education) [CODE 1]
- c. Lower secondary (e.g. middle/junior high school) [CODE 1]
- d. Upper secondary (e.g. high school diploma) [CODE 2]
- e. Post-secondary, non-tertiary (e.g. vocational certificate) [CODE 2]
- f. Basic tertiary (e.g. undergraduate degree) [CODE 3]
- g. Advanced tertiary (e.g. Master's degree, Doctorate) [CODE 3]

## Earnings and income

### 7. Please tell us the total gross annual income of your household in 2021.

Note: By gross annual income, we mean income from all sources, including jobs, investment income, benefits and allowances, before deducting tax and other deductions. By household, we mean all members of your household, regardless of whether or not they are a member of your family.

\_\_\_\_\_ [Open numerical field]

*NOTE ALTERNATE TEXT REQUESTED FOR FINLAND, GERMANY AND LATVIA: Please use MONTHLY reference period for Q7 and Q8.*

### 8. Please tell us the total disposable (net) annual income of your household in 2021.

Note: By disposable annual income, we mean income after taxes, deductions, benefits, and allowances. By household, we mean all members of your household, regardless of whether or not they are a member of your family. If you are not certain, please make your best guess.

\_\_\_\_\_ [Open numerical field; auto-encode S8 by equivalising for household size (divide by the square root of S5) and cross-referencing against national equivalised disposable annual income deciles to fill quotas]

*NOTE ALTERNATE TEXT FOR FINLAND, GERMANY AND LATVIA: Please use MONTHLY reference period for Q7 and Q8. Auto-encode monthly S8 by equivalising for household size (Multiple \* 12 months, then divide by the square root of S5) and cross-referencing against national equivalised disposable annual income deciles to fill quotas]*

## Employment status

### 9. Did you do any paid work in the last week?

Note: We are referring now to your current work status (i.e. your status at the moment).

[Tick one]

- a. Yes, I was in paid work
- b. No, I was not in paid work but actively seeking a job
- c. No, I was not in paid work and not seeking a job

- d. No, I was temporarily away from my paid job because of health reasons or sick leave
- e. No, I was temporarily away from my paid job for other reasons (e.g. annual leave or maternity/paternity/parental leave)
- f. Other/ don't know

[Filter: Only show S10 if S9=a, d, or e (in paid work or temporarily away from job)]

**10. Are you currently working as an employee or are you self-employed?**

Note: We are referring now to your current work status (i.e. your status at the moment).

[Tick one]

- a. Employee
- b. Self-employed
- c. Both

[Filter: Only show S11 if S10=a ("Employee") or S10=c ("Both")]

**11. What type of employee contract do you have in your current main job? Are you employed on a permanent contract (i.e. an open-ended contract without a fixed end date), a temporary contract (i.e. job contract of limited duration) or employed without a contract?**

Note: We are referring now to your current work status (i.e. your status at the moment).

[Tick one]

- a. Employed on a permanent contract
- b. Employed on a temporary contract
- c. Employed without a contract

RECODE TYPE OF WORKER

- Code 1: Not employed --> IF S9 = b OR c "not in paid work"
- Code 2: Employed: Standard worker --> IF S11 = a "permanent contract"
- Code 3: Employed: Non-standard worker --> IF S10 = b OR S11 = (b OR c) "self-employed; temporary contracts; without a contract"

Alternatively

- Code 1: Not employed --> IF S9 = b OR S9 = c "not in paid work"
- Code 2: Employed: Standard worker --> IF S9 = (a OR d OR e) AND IF S10 = (a OR c) AND S11 = a "permanent contract"
- Code 3: Employed: Non-standard worker --> [IF S9 = (a OR d OR e) AND IF S10 = b] OR [IF S9 = (a OR d OR e) AND IF S10 = (a OR c) AND IF S11 = (b OR c)] "self-employed; temporary contracts; without a contract"

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[BREAK IN SCREENER here. All of the following background questions come after the core questionnaire]

## Living arrangements

**12. In which one of the following regions of [#country#] do you currently live?**

\_\_\_\_\_ *[show relevant regions for country]*

**13. What is the size of the town or place you are currently living in?**

*[Tick one]*

- a. A big city
- b. The suburbs or outskirts of a big city
- c. A town or small city
- d. A country village
- e. The countryside or rural area

**14. Thinking about the place where you currently live, are you (or you and your partner):**

*[Tick one]*

- a. The outright owner  
(i.e. you live in a house or apartment owned by you or a family member, without a mortgage)
- b. The owner paying a mortgage  
(i.e. you live in house or apartment owned by you or a family member, with a mortgage)
- c. A tenant paying rent at the market rate  
(i.e. you live in a rented house or apartment that you, your employer, or a family member pays for, without government assistance)
- d. A tenant paying rent at a subsidised rate  
(i.e. you live in **subsidised housing** offered or paid for partially through government assistance)
- e. **Living rent-free with other family members**
- f. Other

**15. What is your current marital status?**

*[Tick one]*

- a. Single
- b. Married or in a registered partnership
- c. In a non-registered partnership

- d. Separated
- e. Divorced or previously in a dissolved registered partnership
- f. Widowed

[Filter: Only show S16 if S15=b or c (i.e. married or in a partnership)]

**16. Do you currently live with your spouse or partner?**

[Tick one]

- a. Yes
- b. No

[Filter: Only show S17 if S16=a (i.e. they live with a spouse or partner)]

**17. Did your spouse/partner do any paid work in the last week?**

Note: We are referring now to your spouse's current work status (i.e. status at the moment).

[Tick one]

- a. Yes, my spouse/partner was in paid work
- b. No, my spouse/partner was not in paid work but was actively seeking a job
- c. No, my spouse/partner was not in paid work and was not seeking a job
- d. No, my spouse/partner was temporarily away from their paid job because of health reasons or sick leave
- e. No, my spouse/partner was temporarily away from their paid job for other reasons (e.g. annual leave or maternity/paternity/parental leave).
- f. Other/don't know

**18. How many children (under the age of 18) do you have?**

- a. \_\_\_ [open text field]
- b. I don't have any children under 18

[Filter: Only show S19 if (S18>=1 (i.e. respondent has at least 1 child) AND S5>=2 (HH size is min. 2)]

**19. How many of your (and/or your partner's) children usually live in your household?**

- a. \_\_\_ [open text field with plausibility check]

[Filter: Only show S20 if S19>=1 (i.e. if respondent has at least 1 child in the household)]

**20. What is the age of your (and/or your partner's) youngest child living in your household?**

- a. \_\_\_ years old [open text field with plausibility check]

**21. Are you currently providing long-term care for elderly family members or for other family members with illness or disability?**

*[Select up to two]*

- a. No
- b. Yes, for an elderly family member
- c. Yes, for a young or working-age family member with an illness or disability

### **Main job and benefits**

In this section we would like to know more about your main job and benefits received. Unless otherwise stated, when referring to your main job we mean **the job that brings in the larger income each month if you have more than one job**. If more than one statement applies to you, please indicate the statement that best describes how you see yourself.

**22. Please tell us which of these statements best describes your current work arrangements in your main job (if you have more than one job, please describe the job that brings in the larger income each month). If more than one statement applies to you, please indicate the statement that best describes how you see yourself.**

*[Tick one]*

- a. Full-time employee
- b. Full-time self-employed
- c. Part-time employee
- d. Part-time self-employed
- e. Apprentice, intern or in government training scheme
- f. Full-time student
- g. In retirement or early retirement
- h. Long-term illness, disability and/or inability to work
- i. Military or community service
- j. Caring for children or family members (unpaid)
- k. Unemployed, i.e. not in work but actively seeking a job
- l. Other

**23. Which of the following occupations best describes your role in your current main job?**

Note: If you are retired or currently out of work, please answer for your most recent job.

*[Tick one]*

- a. Manager or senior official  
(e.g. Director or chief executive, business manager, sales manager, production manager, human resource manager, shop manager, restaurant or hotel manager)
- b. Professional  
(e.g. Scientist, engineer, architect, doctor or nurse, veterinarian, teacher or professor, software developer, lawyer, journalist)
- c. Technician or associate professional  
(e.g. Science or engineering technician, medical or pharmaceutical technician, business or administration associate, ICT technician, sports coach or instructor, photographer, chef)
- d. Clerical support worker  
(e.g. Secretary, receptionist, customer service worker, bank teller, library clerk)
- e. Service or sales worker  
(e.g. Shopkeeper, sales assistant, child care worker, health care assistant, police officer, firefighter, security guard, cook, waiter, hairdresser or beautician, travel attendant, housekeeper)
- f. Skilled agricultural, forestry or fishery worker  
(e.g. Livestock, poultry or dairy producer, crop producer, forestry worker, fishery worker, subsistence farmer)
- g. Craft or trade worker  
(e.g. Bricklayer, carpenter or joiner, plumber, electrician, plasterer, painter, blacksmith or metal worker, handicraft worker, butcher and food processing worker, tailor)
- h. Plant and machine operator or assembly worker  
(e.g. Miner, manufacturing plant machine operator or assembly worker, car, truck or locomotive driver)
- i. Elementary occupation  
(e.g. Cleaner, labourer, food preparation assistant, refuse worker)
- j. Other / prefer not to answer
- k. Not applicable: Have never done paid work

**24. Which of the following categories best describes the sector you primarily work in (regardless of your actual position)?**

Note: If you are retired or currently out of work, please answer for your most recent job.

*[Tick one]*

- a. Agriculture, forestry and fishing
- b. Mining and quarrying
- c. Manufacturing
- d. Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply
- e. Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities
- f. Construction



- g. Wholesale and retail trade (including e.g. repair of motor vehicles)
- h. Transportation and storage
- i. Accommodation and food service activities
- j. Information and communication
- k. Financial and insurance activities
- l. Real estate activities
- m. Professional, scientific and technical activities (including e.g. professional services like lawyers or accountants)
- n. Administrative and support service activities
- o. Public administration and defence (including e.g. state social security administration)
- p. Education
- q. Human health and social work activities
- r. Arts, entertainment and recreation
- s. Other service activities
- t. Other / prefer not to answer
- u. Not applicable: never been employed

25. In the past 12 months, did you or did anyone in your household experience any of the following:

[Select all that apply]

RANDOMLY ROTATE CATEGORIES a-i, FIX j at the end.

- a. Receive a public disability, sickness or accident insurance payment from the government
- b. Receive an old-age pension from the government
- c. Receive a government housing subsidy or public housing
- d. Receive a cash family benefit from the government
- e. Receive an unemployment benefit from the government
- f. Have a child attend childcare provided for free or at a subsidised rate by the government or municipality
- g. Have a child attend after-school care provided at a free or subsidised rate by a public school or government/municipality
- h. Receive medical care at a public hospital or public medical provider
- i. Use the national health insurance programme to cover medical costs
- j. Receive any other cash assistance from the government
- k. I did not receive any benefits in the past 12 months

## Other work and the use of digital technologies

*[Filter: Only show S26 if S9= a, d or e (in paid work or temporarily away from paid job)]*

26. Some people work more than one job. In the past 12 months, how often – **if at all** – have you done any of the following kinds of paid work **in addition** to the main job you mentioned?

*[1. Regularly (once a month or more often); 2. Occasionally (once every few months); 3. Once or a few times; 4. Never]*

- a A second job based on an internet platform/using an app (e.g. Uber, Task Rabbit)
- b A second job not on an internet platform (e.g. babysitting, cleaning, bartending, etc)

*[Filter: Only show S27 if S9= a, d or e (in paid work or temporarily away from paid job)]*

27. **Remote work: In your current or most recent main job, if you were unable to attend your place of work, what percentage of tasks would you be able to do from home?**

*[Sliding scale 0 – 100%]*

*[Filter: Only show S28 if S9= a, de or e (in paid work or temporarily away from paid job)]*

28. **In your current or most recent main job, how often are you allowed (by your organisation) to work from home?**

*[5 days/week; 4 days/week; 3 days/week; 2 days/week; 1 day/week; Occasionally (less than one day per week); Never]*

29. **During the COVID-19-related lockdowns, if you were unable to attend your place of work, what percentage of tasks were you able to do from home (0% – 100%)?**

*[slider scale 0 - 100 %, plus “Not applicable” option]*

## Experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic

30. **At any time during the first year of COVID-19 pandemic, i.e. in 2020, did you experience any of the following?**

*[Tick all that apply]*

- a. Lost your job or been laid off permanently by your employer
- b. Been laid off temporarily by your employer or been placed on a full-time job retention scheme
- c. Had your working hours reduced by your employer or been placed on a part-time job retention scheme
- d. Had your pay reduced by your employer
- e. Lost your self-employed job or your own business

- f. Lost income from your self-employed job or your own business because of a drop in work, sales, or similar
- g. Had to take leave from work (paid or unpaid), or had to work reduced hours, for at least one week in order to look after children or an adult or elderly family member
- h. Had to take leave from work (paid or unpaid), or had to work reduced hours, for at least one week for other reasons
- i. Had to resign from your job due to own illness or advice or order to self-quarantine.
- j. Had to resign from your job in order to look after children or an adult or elderly family member
- k. Had to resign from your job for other reasons
- l. I kept my job without interruption
- m. None of the above, I did not have a job during COVID in 2020

**31. If you lived with a partner during the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, i.e. 2020, did your cohabitating partner at the time experience any of the following?**

*[Tick all that apply]*

- a. I did not live with a partner during 2020.
- b. Lose their job or been laid off permanently by their employer
- c. Get laid off temporarily by employer or been placed on a full-time job retention scheme
- d. Have working hours reduced by employer or been placed on a part-time job retention scheme
- e. Have pay reduced by employer
- f. Lose self-employed job or own business
- g. Lose income from self-employed job or own business because of a drop in work, sales, or similar
- h. Have to take leave from work (paid or unpaid), or had to work reduced hours, for at least one week in order to look after children or an adult or elderly family member
- i. Have to take leave from work (paid or unpaid), or had to work reduced hours, for at least one week for other reasons
- j. Have to resign from job due to own illness or advice or order to self-quarantine.
- k. Have to resign from job in order to look after children or an adult or elderly family member
- l. Had to resign from job for other reasons
- m. They kept their job without interruption
- n. None of the above, they did not have a job during COVID in 2020

*[Filter: Show S32 only if S18>=1 [i.e. they have minor children]*

- 32. At any time since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, have any of your children had their class, school or child care facility closed due to the virus? This could be for any length of time.**

*[Tick one]*

- a. Yes, closed for more than 18 months
- b. Yes, closed for a total of 6 to 18 months
- c. Yes, closed for a total of 3 months to less than 6 months
- d. Yes, closed for a total of one to 3 months
- e. Yes, occasionally closed, for a total of less than one month
- f. No
- g. Not applicable

*[Filter: Show S33 only if S32=a,b,c,d or e (i.e. at least one child has had their school/child care closed)]*

- 33. In your household, who took on any additional care work as a result of COVID-related school or child care facility closures? This could include leading/supervising the children's learning during school closure, watching/supervising children, and/or any other additional household or care work (e.g. cooking, cleaning) caused by school or child care facility closures.**

*[Tick one]*

- a. Entirely you
- b. Mostly you
- c. Additional care work evenly shared between you and your spouse/partner
- d. Mostly your spouse/partner
- e. Entirely your spouse/partner
- f. Mostly someone else (another member of your household or someone from outside your household)
- g. A mixture of you (and/or your spouse/partner) and someone else (another member of your household or someone from outside your household)
- h. Can't choose / difficult to say
- i. Not applicable: The children did not need supervising and/or school, child care facility closures did not cause any additional unpaid care work in your household, or you are the sole parent

## Other questions

### 34. If a national election were held tomorrow, for which party would you vote?

Response choices defined by country plus “Other left-wing party,” “Other right-wing party,” “Other,” “I would not vote”, “I am not eligible to vote,” “Can’t choose” and “I do not want to answer” response choices

### 35. What proportion of your friends and acquaintances has the following elements in common with you?

[All of them / Most of them / Around half / Less than half / Almost none / None of them / Can't choose]

- a. Income level
- b. Educational level
- c. Disability status
- d. Ethnic background
- e. Age
- f. Sexual orientation

### 36. Would you consider yourself as being part of a minority group based on your ...

Please select all that apply

RANDOMLY ROTATE OPTIONS a-g

LEAVE OPTIONS h TO j AT THE END

IF OPTIONS i OR j ARE SELECTED, UNTICK THE OTHER OPTIONS

- a. Ethnicity or skin colour
- b. Language
- c. Disability
- d. Sexual orientation or gender identity
- e. Religion or belief
- f. Migrant status
- g. Political opinion
- h. Other
- i. I do not consider myself part of a minority group
- j. Don't know/ prefer not to answer

### 37. Optional: Please share your thoughts on what social and economic risks you and your family face, and whether and how government should address them.

\_\_\_ [Open text field; optional]

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**NOTE TO RESPONDENT: Q38 and Q39 can ONLY run in the United States.**

**38. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?**

IF OPTION c IS SELECTED, UNTICK THE OTHER OPTIONS

- a. No
- b. Yes
- c. Don't know/ prefer not to answer

**39. What is your race? Please select all that apply**

IF OPTION g IS SELECTED, UNTICK THE OTHER OPTIONS

- a. White
- b. Black or African American
- c. American Indian or Alaska native
- d. Asian
- e. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- f. Other group [please specify]:
- g. Don't know/ prefer not to answer

**NOTE TO RESPONDENT: Q40 can ONLY run in Canada.**

**40. Do you identify as...? Please select all that apply**

IF OPTION n IS SELECTED, UNTICK THE OTHER OPTIONS

- a. White
- b. South Asian (e.g., East Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan)
- c. Chinese
- d. Black
- e. Filipino
- f. Arab
- g. Latin American
- h. Southeast Asian (e.g., Vietnamese, Cambodian, Laotian, Thai)
- i. West Asian (e.g., Iranian, Afghan)
- j. Korean

- k. Japanese
- l. First Nations, Métis or Inuk (Inuit)
- m. Other group [please specify]:
- n. Don't know/ prefer not to answer