



Data protection

## Your data are safe

Study participants have been placing their trust in us for 40 years. You can rest assured that your data will be handled with care. Data will only be analyzed after a process of data anonymization.

This ensures that individual respondents cannot be identified in the survey data.

Of course, your participation is always voluntary.



## Information on the 2024 Study

Contact

## Do you have any questions?

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Your Participation

## What matters to you and all of us

The study “Leben in Deutschland” paints a comprehensive picture of the society we live in.

Your voice will be heard – but only if you want it to be. The study’s full potential can only be achieved if as many as possible of the randomly selected households take part. Each and every person counts: Your responses make it possible to track how people in Germany are doing, and how the conditions affecting work, prosperity, and health are changing. Your participation can even have an impact on political decisions.

To accomplish this, we need you!

**40 Years of**  
Leben in Deutschland

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The Survey

# The largest long-term study on social developments in Germany

For 40 years now, we have been asking people in Germany about their living situations and attitudes on an annual basis. More than 30,000 people currently take part. What's the purpose of the study? It provides the foundation for concrete, representative statements about the entire population of Germany across multiple generations. Researchers worldwide evaluate the data, analyze them in comparison with data from other countries, and derive recommendations for policy action.

The study has been conducted annually since 1984 with funding from the Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF) and Germany's federal states.

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Survey Procedure

## What happens next?

We would like to interview you as part of our study "Leben in Deutschland". Details on how we proceed can be found in the letter accompanying this brochure.

If you have any questions, the team at infas would be happy to answer them at any time! You'll find our contact information on the reverse side of this flyer.



Special Topic

## Wealth and Assets

This year, we are especially interested in the wealth situation of private households in Germany. The information provided by the households in our study paints an overall picture that helps researchers and politicians to realistically assess the current financial situation and the distribution of wealth and assets in Germany. We, of course, treat your wealth information with absolute confidentiality.

For example, we look at whether you own residential property, building society savings, or private insurance policies. Do you have savings accounts, securities, or tangible assets? Do you have debts? Do you donate money, and if so, to what charities or organizations?

We would appreciate if you could have the relevant documents at hand to be able to provide accurate answers.



Survey Results

## Concrete and true to life

"Leben in Deutschland" pulls back the curtain on living conditions in Germany. How satisfied are people with their jobs? Do they have access to a good education? And what's the distribution of income and wealth in Germany?

Education, work, income, health, and life satisfaction are central topics of the survey. Researchers around the world analyze the anonymized data to gain insights into how our society is changing and developing.

Some of the most important findings from the study can be found at [www.leben-in-deutschland.de](http://www.leben-in-deutschland.de)

