



Codebook

HEGESCO

Data File

File variables

Variables: CASE_ID Casenumber identification

Value range: 1-9999999

Format: F7.0 - numeric 7 positions, no decimals

Variables: COUNTRY Countrycode

Values: 18 Slovenia
19 Turkey
20 Lithuania
21 Poland
22 Hungary

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: VADM Administration code

Value range: 1-ZZZZZZZZZZ

Format: A10 - string 10 characters

Variables: WF1 Weighting factor preserving original number of cases

Value range: 0.1-99.9

Format: F4.1 - numeric 4 positions, 1 decimal

Variables: WF2000 Weighting factor setting to 2000 cases per country

Value range: 1-25

Format: F4.1 - numeric 4 positions, 1 decimal

Variables: SEL2000 Random selection of maximum 2000 cases per country

Values 0 Not selected
1 Selected

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

A Study programme you graduated from in 2002/2003

Question: A1 - First part
What was the name of the study programme?

Variables: A1FOE1 Field of education and training, broad field

Value range: 0-8

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: A1FOE2 Field of education and training, narrow field

Value range: 0-86

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: A1FOE3 Field of education and training, detailed field

Value range: 0-863

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: A1
What was the name of the study programme?

Variables: A1TYPALL Type of qualification per country

Values: 1801 SI:Bachelors
1802 SI:Masters, specialization
1803 SI:Other
1901 TR:Bachelors
1902 TR:Master
1903 TR:Other
2001 LT:Profesijos bakalauro
2002 LT:Bakalauro
2003 LT:Magistro
2004 LT: Kita
2101 PL:licencjat
2102 PL:magister
2103 PL:inzynier

2201 HU:Bachelors
2202 HU:Master
2203 HU:Other

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Remark: Variable is a combination of the countrycode and all country specific values.

Variables: A1SUBLEV (N) Sublevel of study programme

Values: 2 ISCED 5A long programme providing direct access to doctorate
3 ISCED 5A long programme not providing direct access to doctorate

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: A1YOHE (N) Years of higher education in study programme

Value range: 0-99

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Estimated number of years required to earn degree specified in A1TYPALL. NB: this may differ from individual study duration.

Question: A1 - Third part
What was the name of the institution from which you graduated?

Variables: A1INSNR Code of institution per country

Value range: 1001-22999

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F5.0 - numeric 5 positions, no decimals

Remark: Variable is a combination of the countrycode and a country institution number.

Question: A2 - First part
What was the start and end date of this study programme?

Variables: A2STARTM Start date of study programme: month

Values: 1 January
2 February
3 March

- 4 April
- 5 May
- 6 June
- 7 July
- 8 August
- 9 September
- 10 October
- 11 November
- 12 December

Missing: -1 Start date (month and year) later than end date
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: A2STARTY Start date of study programme: year

Value range: 1949-2002

Missing: -1 Start date (month and year) later than end date
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Variables: A2ENDM End date of study programme: month

- Values:
- 1 January
 - 2 February
 - 3 March
 - 4 April
 - 5 May
 - 6 June
 - 7 July
 - 8 August
 - 9 September
 - 10 October
 - 11 November
 - 12 December

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: A2ENDY End date of study programme: year

Value range: 1969-2007

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Question: A2 - Second part

What was the start and end date of your preceding bachelors programme?

Variables: A2STARBM Start date of preceding bachelors programme: month

Values: 1 January
2 February
3 March
4 April
5 May
6 June
7 July
8 August
9 September
10 October
11 November
12 December

Missing: -1 Start date (month and year) later than end date
-3 Not applicable
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: A2STARBY Start date of preceding bachelors programme: year

Value range: 1961-2002

Missing: -1 Start date (month and year) later than end date
-2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not applicable
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Variables: A2ENDBM End date of preceding bachelors programme: month

Values: 1 January
2 February
3 March
4 April
5 May
6 June
7 July
8 August
9 September
10 October
11 November
12 December

Missing: -3 Not applicable

- 8 Not relevant for some countries
- 9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: A2ENDBY End date of preceding bachelors programme: year

Value range: 1966-2005

- Missing:
- 2 Outside allowed value range
 - 3 Not applicable
 - 8 Not relevant for some countries
 - 9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Question: A2 - Third part
Did you at any time interrupt this study programme for 4 or more months?

Variables: A2IRUPT Interrupting the study programme for 4 or more months

- Values:
- 1 Yes
 - 2 No

- Missing:
- 8 Not relevant for some countries
 - 9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: A2IRUPTM Interrupting the study programme: months

Value range: 4-999

- Missing:
- 1 Not relevant: no interruption of studyprogramme for 4 or more months
 - 2 Outside allowed value range
 - 8 Not relevant for some countries
 - 9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Variables: A2GSTUDU (N) Gross study duration in months

Value range: 1-999

- Missing:
- 9 Not known

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: Including (if relevant) preceding bachelor programme.

Variables: A2NSTUDU (N) Net study duration in months

Value range: 1-999

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 Not known

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: Including (if relevant) preceding bachelor programme. Excluding (if relevant) interruptions for 4 or more months.

Question: A3 - First part
What was your average grade when you finished this study programme?

Variables: A3AVG_LT Average grade: Lithuania

Values: 1 6
2 6,5
3 7
4 7,5
5 8
6 8,5
7 9 ir aukstesnis

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: A3AVG_PL Average grade: Poland

Values: 1 3,0
2 3,5
3 4,0
4 4,5
5 5,0

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: A3AVG_SI Average grade: Slovenia

Values: 6
6,5
7
7,5
8
8,5
9 ali vec

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F3.1 - numeric 3 positions, 1 decimal

Variables: A3AVG_TR Average grade: Turkey

Value range: 5 - 100

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Variables: A3AVG_HU Average grade: Hungary

Value range: 1 - 4

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Question: A3 - Second part

How do you rate this grade compared to other students that graduated from your study programme?

Variables: A3RELGRA Grade compared to other students

Values: 1 Much lower than average
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Much higher than average
6 Cannot tell

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: A4

How would you describe your situation in the last one to two years of your study?

Variables: A4STUDNT Situation in the last one to two years of study

Values: 1 Fulltime student
2 Part-time student

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries

-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: A6

To what extent did the following descriptions apply to your study programme?

Variables: A6DEMAND The programme was generally regarded as demanding
A6EMPFML Employers are familiar with the content of the programme
A6FREEDC There was freedom in composing your own programme
A6BROADF The programme had a broad focus
A6VOCORI The programme was vocationally orientated
A6ACPRES The programme was academically prestigious

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 To a very high extent

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: A7

To what extent were the following modes of teaching and learning emphasized in your study programme?

Variables: A7LECTUR Lectures
A7GROASG Group assignments
A7RESPRJ Participation in research projects
A7WORPLC Internships, work placement
A7PRACTI Facts and practical knowledge
A7THEORI Theories and paradigms
A7TEACHR Teacher as the main source of information
A7PROBAL Project and/or problem-based learning
A7WRIASG Written assignments
A7ORALPR Oral presentations by students
A7MULTCH Multiple choice exams

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 To a very high extent

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: A8

Did you take part in one or more work placements/internships as part of your study programme?

Variables: A8INTERN Participated in work placement/internships

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: A8INTERM Participated in work placement/internships: months

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no work placements/internships
-2 Outside allowed value range
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: A9

To what extent do the following descriptions apply to your study behaviour?

Variables: A9EXWORK I did extra work above what was required to pass my exams
A9STRIVE I strived for the highest possible marks

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 To a very high extent

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: A10

Altogether, approximately how many hours did you spend on your study?

Variables: A10STHRS Weekly hours spent on study

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

B Other educational and related experiences

Question: B1**What was your highest qualification before you entered higher education for the first time?**

Variables: B1HIQALL Highest qualification before entering higher education per country

Values:

- 1801 SI: General secondary education
- 1802 SI: Upper secondary and technical education
- 1803 SI: Vocational secondary education
- 1901 TR: Academic secondary education
- 1902 TR: Non academic general secondary education
- 1903 TR: Vocational secondary education
- 1904 TR: Other
- 2001 LT: Vidurinis
- 2002 LT: Profesinis vidurinis
- 2003 LT: Kita
- 2101 PL: liceum ogólnokształcące
- 2102 PL: liceum profilowane
- 2103 PL: technikum
- 2104 PL: szkoła policealna
- 2105 PL: inne
- 2201 HU: Academic secondary education
- 2202 HU: Non academic general secondary education
- 2203 HU: Vocational secondary education

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Remark: Variable is a combination of the countrycode and all country specific values.

Variables: B1LEVEL (N) Sublevel of highest secondary qualification

Values:

- 1 General secondary education highest track
- 2 General secondary education medium track
- 3 Vocational secondary education highest track
- 4 Vocational secondary education medium track

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B1OTHSPE Specification other highest qualification

Format: A100 - string 100 characters

Question: B2**What was your average final examination grade when you finished secondary education?**

Variables: B2GRA_LT Average final examination grade secondary education: Lithuania

Values: 1 9 arba aukstesnis

2 9 - 8
3 8 - 7
4 7 - 6
5 6 - 5
6 5 - 4

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B2GRA_PL Average final examination grade secondary education: Poland

Values: 1 3,0
2 3,5
3 4
4 4,5
5 5

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B2GRA_SI Average final examination grade secondary education: Slovenia

Values: 2 2
3 3
4 4
5 5

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B2GRA_TR Average final examination grade secondary education: Turkey

Values: 2 3
3 4
4 5

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B2GRA_HU Average final examination grade secondary education: Hungary

Values: 1 2
2 3

3 4
4 5

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F4.1 - numeric 4 positions, 1 decimal

Question: B3
Did you acquire any study-related work experience:

Variables: B3BEFHE Before higher education
B3DURHE During higher education

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B3BEFHEM Before higher education: months

Value range: 0-600

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no study related work experience before HE
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Variables: B3DURHEM During higher education: months

Value range: 0-600

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no study related work experience during HE
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Question: B4
Did you acquire any non study-related work experience:

Variables: B4BEFHE Before higher education
B4DURHE During higher education

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries

-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B4BEFHEM Before higher education: months

Value range: 0-600

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no non-study related work experience before HE
-2 Outside allowed value range
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Variables: B4DURHEM During higher education: months

Value range: 0-600

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no non-study related work experience during HE
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Question: B5
During your time in higher education, did you hold a position in student or other voluntary organizations?

Variables: B5VOLUN Position in student or other voluntary organizations

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B5VOLUNM Position in student or other voluntary organizations: months

Value range: 0-600

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no position in student or voluntary organizations
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Question: B6

Have you ever enrolled in any of the following types of study/training programme?

Variables: B6TRBAMA (additional) Bachelor or master level programmes
B6THPHD PhD programme
B6TRPGRA Other post-graduate qualifications
B6TRNONE No

Values: 0 Not mentioned
1 Mentioned

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: **B7** Name of additional study/training programme

Variables: B71FOE1 Field of additional education and training programme 1, broad field
B72FOE1 Field of additional education and training programme 2, broad field

Value range: 0-8

Missing: -3 Not relevant: no additional education
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: B71FOE2 Field of additional education and training programme 1, narrow field
B72FOE2 Field of additional education and training programme 2, narrow field

Value range: 0-86

Missing: -3 Not relevant: no additional education
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: B71FOE3 Field of additional education and training programme 1, detailed field
B72FOE3 Field of additional education and training programme 2, detailed field

Value range: 0-863

Missing: -3 Not relevant: no additional education
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: B7 - Second part
Type of additional study/training programme

Variables: B7TR1ALL Type of additional study/training programme 1 per country
B7TR2ALL Type of additional study/training programme 2 per country

Values: 1801 SI: Bachelor
1802 SI: Master
1803 SI: PhD
1805 SI: Other
1901 TR: Bachelor
1902 TR: Master
1903 TR: PhD
1904 TR: Other postgraduate qualification
2001 LT: Bachelor
2002 LT: Master
2003 LT: PhD
2004 LT: Other postgraduate qualification
2005 LT: Other
2101 PL: Bachelor
2102 PL: Master
2103 PL: PhD
2104 PL: Other postgraduate qualification
2105 PL: Other
2201 HU: Bachelor
2202 HU: Master
2203 HU: PhD
2204 HU: Other postgraduate qualification
2205 HU: Other

Missing: -3 Not relevant: no additional education
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Remark: Variable is a combination of the countrycode and all country specific values.

Variables: B7TR1TPO Type of additional study/training programme 1: other
B7TR2TPO Type of additional study/training programme 2: other

Format: A250 - string 250 characters

Variables: B7SUBLV1 (N) Sublevel of additional study or training programme 1
B7SUBLV2 (N) Sublevel of additional study or training programme 2

Values: 1 ISCED 5A specialist degree (med., dent., vet.) or ISCED 6 level programme
2 ISCED 5A long programme providing direct access to doctorate
3 ISCED 5A long programme not providing direct access to doctorate
4 ISCED 5A short or ISCED 5B programme
9 Other programme

Missing: -1 Not relevant: qualification not (yet) gained

-3 Not relevant: no additional education
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B7HILEVC (N) Highest educational sublevel currently attained

Values: 1 ISCED 5A specialist degree (med., dent., vet.) or ISCED 6 level programme
2 ISCED 5A long programme providing direct access to doctorate
3 ISCED 5A long programme not providing direct access to doctorate

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B7HILVJ1 (N) Highest educational sublevel attained by start of 1st job

Values: 1 ISCED 5A specialist degree (med., dent., vet.) or ISCED 6 level programme
2 ISCED 5A long programme providing direct access to doctorate
3 ISCED 5A long programme not providing direct access to doctorate

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B7YOHE1 (N) Years of higher education additional study or training programme 1
B7YOHE2 (N) Years of higher education additional study or training programme 2

Value range: 1-99

Missing: -1 Not relevant: qualification not (yet) gained
-3 Not relevant: no additional education
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Estimated number of years required to earn degree specified in B7TR1ALL/B7TR2ALL. NB: this may differ from individual study duration.

Variables: B7YOHEC (N) Years of higher education currently attained

Value range: 1-99

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Estimated number of years required to earn highest degree currently attained (maximum of A1YOHE, B7YOHE1 and B7YOHE2, conditional on qualification currently having been attained). NB: this may differ from individual study duration.

Variables: B7YOHEJ1 (N) Years of higher education attained by start of 1st job

Value range: 1-99

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Estimated num of years required to earn highest degree at time of start first job (max. of A1YOHE, B7YOHE1 and B7YOHE2, conditional on qualification having been attained by start of first job). NB: this may differ from individual study duration.

Question: B7 - Third part
When did you start?

Variables: B7TR1STM Start additional study/training programme 1: month
B7TR2STM Start additional study/training programme 2: month

Values: 1 January
2 February
3 March
4 April
5 May
6 June
7 July
8 August
9 September
10 October
11 November
12 December

Missing: -3 Not relevant: no additional education
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B7TR1STY Start additional study/training programme 1: year
B7TR2STY Start additional study/training programme 2: year

Value range: 1950-2008

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: no additional education
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Question: B7 - Fourth part
Did you gain the qualification?

Variables: B7TR1QU Qualification additional study/training programme 1

B7TR2QU Qualification additional study/training programme 2

Values: 1 Yes
 2 No, left without qualification
 3 No, still enrolled

Missing: -3 Not relevant: no additional education
 -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B7TR1QUM Qualification additional study/training programme 1: month
 B7TR2QUM Qualification additional study/training programme 2: month

Values: 1 January
 2 February
 3 March
 4 April
 5 May
 6 June
 7 July
 8 August
 9 September
 10 October
 11 November
 12 December

Missing: -1 Not relevant: qualification not (yet) gained
 -3 Not relevant: no additional education
 -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: B7TR1QUY Qualification additional study/training programme 1: year
 B7TR2QUY Qualification additional study/training programme 2: year

Value range: 1950-2008

Missing: -1 Not relevant: qualification not (yet) gained
 -2 Outside allowed value range
 -3 Not relevant: no additional education
 -9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

C Transition from study to work

Question: C1
Have you ever had paid work since graduation in 2002/2003?

Variables: C1WORKSG Paid work since graduation

Values: 1 Yes, I continued the work I already had during study
2 Yes, I have started to work
3 No

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Some graduates who answered "no" to this question apparently did have paid work since graduation, based on answers to subsequent questions.

Question: C2
When did you start being employed after graduation in 2002/2003?

Variables: C2STARTM Start being employed after graduation 2002/2003: month

Values: 1 January
2 February
3 March
4 April
5 May
6 June
7 July
8 August
9 September
10 October
11 November
12 December

Missing: -3 Not relevant: started work during study
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: C2STARTY Start being employed after graduation 2002/2003: year

Value range: 1950-2008

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: started work during study
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Question: C3
When did you begin looking for work?

Variables: C3LOOKWK Begin looking for work

Values: 1 Prior to graduation in 2002/2003
2 Around the time of graduation
3 After graduation in 2002/2003
4 Got work without searching

Missing: -3 Not relevant: started work during study
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: C4
How many months did you search before you obtained this employment?

Variables: C4BEFGRA Before graduation

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: started work during study
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-6 Not relevant: got work without searching
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Variables: C4AFTGRA After graduation

Value range: 0-72

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: started work during study
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-6 Not relevant: got work without searching
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: Recode the missing value -6 to zero for calculation of average search durations

Question: C5
How did you find this work?

Variables: C5FINDWK Way of finding work

Values: 1 Through advertisement in newspaper
2 Through public employment agency
3 Through private employment agency
4 Through internet
5 Contacted employer on own initiative

- 6 Approached by employer
- 7 Through work placement during higher education
- 8 Through family, friends or acquaintances
- 9 Through help of higher education institution
- 10 Set up my own business
- 11 Other
- 12 Through previous work

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Answer 12 "through previous work" assigned by partial recoding of C5FINDWO

Variables: C5FINDWO Way of finding work: other

Format: A100 - string 100 characters

D First job after graduation

Question: D2
What was your occupation or job title at that time? Please describe your main tasks or activities at that time?

Variables: D2OCC1 1st job: International Standard Classification of Occupations 1988, major group

Value range: 0-9

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: ISCO 88, European Version. For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: D2OCC2 1st job: International Standard Classification of Occupations 1988, sub-major group

Value range: 1-93

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: ISCO 88, European Version. For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: D2OCC3 1st job: International Standard Classification of Occupations 1988, minor group

Value range: 11-933

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: ISCO 88, European Version. For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: D2OCC4 1st job: International Standard Classification of Occupations 1988, unit group

Value range: 110-9330

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Remark: ISCO 88, European Version. For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: D5
What type of contract did you have when you started/at the time of graduation?

Variables: D5CONTR 1st job: Type of contract

Values: 1 Unlimited term (or in probationary period prior to unlimited contract)
2 Fixed-term or temporary contract for (number of) months
3 Other

Missing: -3 Not relevant: self-employed
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: D5CONTRM 1st job: Fixed-term contract: months

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no fixed-term contract
-2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: self-employed
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Variables: D5CONTRO 1st job: Specification other contract type

Format: A100 - string 100 characters

Question: D6
What was the number of regular/contract hours?

Variables: D6CTRHRS 1st job: Number of regular/contract hours

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Question: D8
Did this work involve an initial training period?

Variables: D8TPCOU 1st job: Initial training period: training or courses
D8TPINF 1st job: Initial training period: informal learning
D8NONE 1st job: Initial training period: no

Values: 0 Not mentioned
1 Mentioned

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: D8TPCOUM 1st job: Initial training period, training or courses: number of months

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no training or course
-2 Outside allowed value range
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Variables: D8TPINFM 1st job: Initial training period, informal learning: number of months

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no informal learning
-2 Outside allowed value range
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Question: D9
What type of education do you feel was most appropriate for this work?

Variables: D9APTALL 1st job: Type of education most appropriate for your work per country

Values: 1801 SI: PhD
1802 SI: Other postgraduate education
1803 SI: Master
1804 SI: Bachelor
1805 SI: Lower than higher education
1901 TR: PhD
1902 TR: Other postgraduate education
1903 TR: Master
1904 TR: Bachelor
1905 TR: Lower than higher education
2001 LT: Doktorantūros studijos
2002 LT: Podiplomines profesines studijos
2003 LT: Magistrantūros studijos
2004 LT: Bakalauro studijos
2005 LT: Zemesnio lygmens nei aukstojo mokslo studijos
2101 PL: doktorat
2102 PL: studia podyplomowe
2103 PL: studia magisterskie
2104 PL: licencjat, studia inżynierskie
2105 PL: wykształcenie ośrednie i niżej
2201 HU: PhD
2202 HU: Other postgraduate education
2203 HU: Master
2204 HU: Bachelor
2205 HU: Lower than higher education

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Remark: Variable is a combination of the countrycode and all country specific values.

Variables: D9SUBLEV (N) (Sub)level of education most appropriate for 1st job

Values: 1 ISCED 5A specialist degree (med., dent., vet.) or ISCED 6 level programme
2 ISCED 5A long programme providing direct access to doctorate
3 ISCED 5A long programme not providing direct access to doctorate
4 ISCED 5A short or ISCED 5B programme
5 Programme below tertiary level

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: D9RLEVSP (N) Appropriate (sub)level of education 1st job relative to study programme

Values: 1 Higher level
2 Same level
3 Lower level of tertiary education
4 Below tertiary level

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: D9RLEVS1 (N) Appropriate (sub)level of education 1st job relative to highest sublevel attained by start of 1st job

Values: 1 Higher level
2 Same level
3 Lower level of tertiary education
4 Below tertiary level

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: D9YOHE (N) Years of higher education most appropriate for 1st job

Value range: 0-99

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Estimated number of years required to earn degree specified in D9APTALL

Variables: D9OVERSP (N) Years of overeducation 1st job relative to study programme

Value range: 0-99

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation

- 5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
- 9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: A1YOHE minus D9YOHE (0 if difference is negative). There is no one-to-one relation between formal sublevels of HE and the estimated number of years required, D9OVERSP and D9RLEVSP give slightly different estimates of the number of overeducated graduates.

Variables: D9UNDSP (N) Undereducation 1st job relative to studyprogramme

Values: 0 No
1 Yes

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: 1 if A1YOHE is less than D9YOHE, otherwise 0. There is no one-to-one relation between formal sublevels of HE and the estimated number of years required, D9UNDSP and D9RLEVSP give slightly different estimates of the number of undereducated graduates.

Variables: D9OVERS1 (N) Years of overeducation 1st job relative to years of higher education by start of 1st job

Value range: 0-99

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: B7YOHEJ1 min D9YOHE (0 if difference is negative). There is no one-to-one relation between formal sublevels of HE and the estimated number of years required, D9OVERS1 and D9RLEVS1 give slightly different estimates of the number of overeducated graduates.

Variables: D9UNDS1 (N) Undereducation 1st job relative to highest sublevel attained by start of 1st job

Values: 0 No
1 Yes

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: 1 if B7YOHEJ1 is less than D9YOHE, otherwise 0. There is no one-to-one relation between formal sublevels of HE and the estimated number of years required, D9UNDS1 and D9RLEVS1 give slightly different estimates of the number of undereducated graduates.

Question: D10

What field of study do you feel was most appropriate for this work?

Variables: D10APFOS 1st job: Field of study most appropriate for your work

Values: 1 Exclusively own field
2 Own or a related field
3 A completely different field
4 No particular field

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: D13

Are you still in your first employment?

Variables: D13INFE 1st job: Still in first employment

Values: 1 Yes
2 No, I left that employment in (month) and (year)

Missing: -4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: D13FENDM 1st job: Left first employment: month

Values: 1 January
2 February
3 March
4 April
5 May
6 June
7 July
8 August
9 September
10 October
11 November
12 December

Missing: -1 Still in first employment
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: D13FENDY 1st job: Left first employment: year

Value range: 1999-2008

Missing: -1 Still in first employment
-2 Outside allowed value range
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

E Employment history and current situation

Question: E1
How many employers have you had altogether since graduation in 2002/2003?

Variables: E1NUMEMP Number of employers since graduation

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: E2
How long in total have you been employed since graduation in 2002/2003?

Variables: E2EMPSGM Number of months employed since graduation

Value range: 0-84

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-4 Not relevant: no paid work since graduation
-5 Not relevant: had paid work since graduation but answered 'No' to C1
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: E3
Have you ever been unemployed (that is, not employed and seeking employment) since graduation in 2002/2003?

Variables: E3UNEMP Unemployed since graduation

Values: 1 Yes, (number of) times, for a total of approximately (number of) months
2 No

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: E3UNEMPT Unemployed since graduation: number of times

Value range: 0-30

Missing: -1 Not relevant: never unemployed
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Recode the missing value -1 to zero for calculation of average number of times unemployed.

Variables: E3UNEMPM Unemployed since graduation: number of months

Value range: 0-84

Missing: -1 Not relevant: never unemployed
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Recode the missing value -1 to zero for calculation of average unemployment duration.

Question: E4 - First part
In the past 4 weeks, were you engaged in:

Variables: E4TRAIN Further education or other training related to your professional development

Values: 1 Yes, for approximately (number of) hours per week
2 No

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: E4TRAINH Further education or other training: hours per week

Value range: 0-168

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no training in past 4 weeks
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: Recode the missing value -1 to zero for calculation of average training hours.

Question: E4 - Second part
In the past 4 weeks, were you engaged in:

Variables: E4FAMCR Child rearing or family care
Values: 1 Yes, for approximately (number of) hours per week
2 No
Missing: -9 No answer
Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: E4FAMCRH Child rearing or family care: hours per week

Value range: 0-168

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no family care in past 4 weeks
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: Recode the missing value -1 to zero for calculation of average hours of child rearing or family care.

Question: E4 - Third part
In the past 4 weeks, were you engaged in:

Variables: E4VOLUN Unpaid/voluntary work
Values: 1 Yes, for approximately (number of) hours per week
2 No
Missing: -9 No answer
Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: E4VOLUNH Unpaid/voluntary work: hours per week

Value range: 0-168

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no voluntary work in past 4 weeks
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: Recode the missing value -1 to zero for calculation of average hours of voluntary work.

Question: E5
Have you actively tried to obtain (other) paid work in the past 4 weeks?

Variables: E5OBTWRK Tried to obtain (other) paid work in the past 4 weeks

Values: 1 Yes
2 No
3 No, but I am awaiting the results of earlier job applications

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: E6
How useful do you consider your social network (friends, relatives, colleagues, former teachers etc.) would be if you:

Variables: E6SNJOB Needed information on job opportunities?
E6SNOBWK Needed help in directly obtaining work?
E6SNOBUS Needed help in setting up your own business?

Values: 1 Not very useful
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Very useful

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: E7
Are you currently in paid employment?

Variables: E7CUREMP Currently in paid employment

Values: 1 Yes, I have one job
2 Yes, I have more than one job
3 No

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: E7EMPSTA (N) Employment status

Values: 1 Employed
2 Unemployed

Missing: -1 Not in labour force
-9 Not known

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Graduates not currently working and not seeking work are classed as "Not in labour force".

Variables: E7LABSTA (N) Labour force status

Values: 1 In labour force
2 Not in labour force

Missing: -9 Not known

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Graduates not currently working and not seeking work are classed as "Not in labour force".

F Current work

Question: F1
What is your current occupation or job title?

Variables: F1SAMOC Current occupation or job title same as 1st job

Values: 1 The same as listed above for first job
2 Other

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Subjective answer by respondent; it may be that respondents have been assigned the same occupational code for first and current job, despite answering "other" to this question.

Question: F2
Please describe your current main tasks or activities

Variables: F2SAMTSK Current main tasks or activities same as 1st job

Values: 1 The same as listed above for first job
2 Other

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: F2OCC1 Current job: International Standard Classification of Occupations 1988, major group

Value range: 0-9

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: ISCO 88, European Version. For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: F2OCC2 Current job: International Standard Classification of Occupations 1988, sub-major group

Value range: 1-93

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: ISCO 88, European Version. For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: F2OCC3 Current job: International Standard Classification of Occupations 1988, minor group

Value range: 11-933

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: ISCO 88, European Version. For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: F2OCC4 Current job: International Standard Classification of Occupations 1988, unit group

Value range: 110-9330

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Remark: ISCO 88, European Version. For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: F3
Are you self-employed?

Variables: F3SELEMP Are you self-employed?

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment

-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: F4
Are you mainly dependent on one client or several clients?

Variables: F4NCLIEN Mainly dependent on one client or several clients?

Values: 1 Mainly one client
2 Several clients

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-4 Not relevant: not self-employed
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: F5
What is your current type of contract?

Variables: F5CONTR Current type of contract

Values: 1 Unlimited term (or in probationary period prior to unlimited contract)
2 Fixed-term or temporary contract, for (number of) months
3 Other

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-4 Not relevant: self-employed
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: F5CONTRM Current fixed-term contract: months

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no fixed-term contract
-2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-4 Not relevant: self-employed
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: F5CONTRO Specification other contract type

Format: A100 - string 100 characters

Question: F6**What are your average working hours?**

Variables: F6HRSCTR Regular/contract hours in main employment per week
F6HRSOVT Paid or unpaid average overtime in main employment per week
F6HRSOTH Average hours in other paid work per week

Value range: 0-98

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: F6TOTHR (N) Total working hours current work

Value range: 0-999

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Question: F7**What are your gross monthly earnings?**

Variables: F7EACTIN (N) Gross monthly earnings: contract hours in main employment (euro)

Value range: 0-99999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 Not known

Format: F7.2 - numeric 7 positions, 2 decimals

Variables: F7EACTEX (N) Gross monthly earnings truncated: contract hours in main employment (euro)

Value range: 0-99999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-6 Outside upper 2.5% or lower 0.5% boundary
-9 Not known

Format: F7.2 - numeric 7 positions, 2 decimals

Question: F7**What are your gross monthly earnings?**

Variables: F7EAOVIN (N) Gross monthly earnings: overtime or extras in main employment (euro)

Value range: 0-99999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 Not known

Format: F7.2 - numeric 7 positions, 2 decimals

Variables: F7EAOVEX (N) Gross monthly earnings truncated: overtime or extras in main employment (euro)

Value range: 0-99999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-6 Outside upper 2.5% or lower 0.5% boundary
-9 Not known

Format: F7.2 - numeric 7 positions, 2 decimals

Question: F7
What are your gross monthly earnings?

Variables: F7EAOTIN (N) Gross monthly earnings: other work (euro)

Value range: 0-99999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 Not known

Format: F7.2 - numeric 7 positions, 2 decimals

Variables: F7EAOTEX (N) Gross monthly earnings truncated: other work (euro)

Value range: 0-99999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-6 Outside upper 2.5% or lower 0.5% boundary
-9 Not known

Format: F7.2 - numeric 7 positions, 2 decimals

Question: F7
What are your gross monthly earnings?

Variables: F7INCTIN (N) Gross monthly earnings: total (euro)

Value range: 1-99999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 Not known

Format: F7.2 - numeric 7 positions, 2 decimals

Variables: F7INCTEX (N) Gross monthly earnings truncated: total (euro)

Value range: 1-99999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-6 Outside upper 2.5% or lower 0.5% boundary
-9 Not known

Format: F7.2 - numeric 7 positions, 2 decimals

Variables: F7EPHRIN (N) Gross earnings current job per (contract-) hour (euro)

Value range: 1-9999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 Not known

Format: F6.2 - numeric 6 positions, 2 decimals

Variables: F7EPHREX (N) Gross earnings current job per (contract-) hour truncated (euro)

Value range: 1-9999.99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-6 Outside upper 2.5% or lower 0.5% boundary
-9 Not known

Format: F6.2 - numeric 6 positions, 2 decimals

Variables: F7PPP (N) Purchasing Power Parity rate current job

Value range: 0.001-99.999

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment

Format: F5.3 - numeric 5 positions, 3 decimals

Remark: Income variables F7EACTIN to F7EPHREX can be corrected for country differences in purchasing power by dividing by this variable.

Question: F8
What type of education do you feel is most appropriate for this work?

Variables: F8APTALL Type of education most appropriate for this work per country

Values: 1801 SI: PhD
1802 SI: Other postgraduate qualification

1803 SI: Master
1804 SI: Bachelor
1805 SI: Lower than higher education
1901 TR: PhD
1902 TR: Other postgraduate qualification
1903 TR: Master
1904 TR: Bachelor
1905 TR: Lower than higher education
2001 LT: PhD
2002 LT: Other postgraduate qualification
2003 LT: Master
2004 LT: Bachelor
2005 LT: Lower than higher education
2101 PL: PhD
2102 PL: Other postgraduate qualification
2103 PL: Master
2104 PL: Bachelor
2105 PL: Lower than higher education
2201 HU: PhD
2202 HU: Other postgraduate education
2203 HU: Master
2204 HU: Bachelor
2205 HU: Lower than higher education

Missing: -3 not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Remark: Variable is a combination of the countrycode and all country specific values.

Variables: F8SUBLEV (N) (Sub)level of education most appropriate for current job

Values: 1 ISCED 5A specialist degree (med., dent., vet.) or ISCED 6 level programme
2 ISCED 5A long programme providing direct access to doctorate
3 ISCED 5A long programme not providing direct access to doctorate
4 ISCED 5A short or ISCED 5B programme
5 Programme below tertiary level

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: F8RLEVSP (N) Appropriate (sub)level of education current job relative to study programme

Values: 1 Higher level
2 Same level
3 Lower level of tertiary education
4 Below tertiary level

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: F8RLEVC (N) Appropriate (sub)level of education current job relative to highest sublevel currently attained

Values: 1 Higher level
2 Same level
3 Lower level of tertiary education
4 Below tertiary level

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: F8YOHE (N) Years of higher education most appropriate for current job

Value range: 0-99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Estimated number of years required to earn degree specified in F8APTALL

Variables: F8OVERSP (N) Years of overeducation current job relative to study programme

Value range: 0-99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: A1YOHE minus F8YOHE (0 if difference is negative). There is no one-to-one relation between formal sublevels of HE and the estimated number of years required, F8OVERSP and F8RLEVSP give slightly different estimates of the number of overeducated graduates.

Variables: F8UNDSP (N) Undereducation current job relative to study programme

Values: 0 No
1 Yes

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: 1 if A1YOHE is less than F8YOHE, otherwise 0. There is no one-to-one relation between formal sublevels of HE and the estimated number of years required, F8UNDSP and F8RLEVSP give slightly different estimates of the number of undereducated graduates.

Variables: F8OVERC (N) Years of overeducation current job relative to current years of higher education

Value range: 0-99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: B7YOHEJ1 min F8YOHE (0 if difference is negative). There is no one-to-one relation between formal sublevels of HE and the estimated number of years required, F8OVERC and F8RLEVC give slightly different estimates of the number of overeducated graduates.

Variables: F8UNDC (N) Undereducation current job relative to highest sublevel currently attained

Values: 0 No
1 Yes

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: 1 if F8YOHE is less than D9YOHE, otherwise 0. There is no one-to-one relation between formal sublevels of HE and the estimated number of years required, F8UNDC and F8RLEVC give slightly different estimates of the number of undereducated graduates.

Question: F9
What field of study for you feel is most appropriate for this work?

Variables: F9APFOS Field of study most appropriate for this work

Values: 1 Exclusively own field
2 Own or a related field
3 A completely different field
4 No particular field

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: F10
How much time would it take for an average graduate with the relevant educational background to become an expert in this kind of work?

Variables: F10TIMEX How much time to become an expert in this kind of work

Values: 1 6 months or less
2 7 to 12 months

- 3 1 to 2 years
- 4 3 to 5 years
- 5 6 to 10 years
- 6 More than 10 years

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: F11
To what extent are your knowledge and skills utilized in your current work?

Variables: F11UTIL To what extent are knowledge and skills utilized in your current work

- Values:
- 1 Not at all
 - 2 -
 - 3 -
 - 4 -
 - 5 To a very high extent

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: F12
To what extent does your current work demand more knowledge and skills than you can actually offer?

Variables: F12MORE To what extent does your current work demand more knowledge and skills than you can actually offer

- Values:
- 1 Not at all
 - 2 -
 - 3 -
 - 4 -
 - 5 To a very high extent

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: F13
How satisfied are you with your current work?

Variables: F13SATIS Satisfied with your current work

- Values:
- 1 Very dissatisfied
 - 2 -
 - 3 -
 - 4 -

5 Very satisfied

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: F14
Did you follow any work-related course/training in the past 12 months?

Variables: F14T12MO Followed any work-related course/training in the past 12 months

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: F15
What was the most important reason you had for following this course?

Variables: F15TRREA Most important reason for following this course

Values: 1 To update my knowledge for my present work
2 To enhance my career
3 To prepare myself for working in another field
4 To prepare myself for self-employment
5 Other

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-4 Not relevant: no work-related training
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: F15TRREO Most important reason for following this course, other

Format: A100 - string 100 characters

G Work organization

Question: G1
When did you start working with your current employer/start your self-employment?

Variables: G1CEMPM Start-date working with current employer/self-employment: month

Values: 1 January

- 2 February
- 3 March
- 4 April
- 5 May
- 6 June
- 7 July
- 8 August
- 9 September
- 10 October
- 11 November
- 12 December

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: G1CEPMY Start-date working with current employer/self-employment: year

Value range: 1950-2008

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 position, no decimals

Variables: G1WORKDU (N) Duration current job in months

Value range: 0-999

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Question: G2 - First part
In what economic sector do you work?

Variables: G2SEC1 International Standard Industrial Classification (revision 3.1), section

Value range: 1-17

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: G2SEC2 International Standard Industrial Classification (revision 3.1), division

Value range: 1-99

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: G2SEC3 International Standard Industrial Classification (revision 3.1), group

Value range: 10-990

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: G2SEC4 International Standard Industrial Classification (revision 3.1), class

Value range: 100-9900

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F5.0 - numeric 5 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: G3
Do you work in the public or private sector?

Variables: G3SECPP Public or private sector

Values: 1 Public sector
2 Private non-profit sector
3 Private profit sector
4 Other

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: G3SECPPO Public or private sector, other

Format: A100 - string 100 characters

Question: G4
Where do you work?

Variables: G4WCTRY Work country

Values: 1 Home country
2 Other

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: G4REGION Region of employment

Value range: AA1-ZZZZZ

Missing: -1 Foreign country
-3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: A5 - string 5 characters

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: G4COUNTR Country of employment

Value range: 1-269

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: G5
How strong is de competition in the market in which your organization operates?

Variables: G5COMPET How strong is the competition in the market in which your organization operates?

Values: 1 Very weak
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Very strong

6 Question not applicable

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G6
Does your organization compete mainly by price or by quality?

Variables: G6COMPPQ Does your organization compete mainly by price or by quality?

Values: 1 Mainly price
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Mainly quality
6 Question not applicable

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G7
How stable is demand in the market in which your organization operates?

Variables: G7MSTABL How stable is demand in the market in which your organization operates?

Values: 1 Highly stable
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Highly unstable
6 Question not applicable

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G8
What is the scope of operations of your organization?

Variables: G8SCOPE Scope of operations of your organization

Values: 1 Local
2 Regional
3 National
4 International

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment

- 8 Not relevant for some countries
- 9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G9
Which of the following changes have taken place in your organization since you started working there?

Variables: G9OWNTSK Major change in my own work tasks
G9REORG Reorganization
G9MERGER Merger or takeover by another firm
G9LAYOFF Large-scale layoffs of personnel
G9RELOCA Relocation to another region

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G10
How would you characterize the extent of innovation in your organization or your work, with respect to the following aspects?

Variables: G10INPRO Product or service
G10INTEC Technology, tools or instruments
G10INKNO Knowledge or methods

Values: 1 Very low
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Very high

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer
-8 Not relevant for some countries

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G11
Do you play a role in introducing these innovations in your organisation?

Variables: G11RLPRO Product or service
G11RLTEC Technology, tools or instruments
G11RLKNO Knowledge or methods

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

3 Not applicable, no innovations

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer
-8 Not relevant for some countries

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G12
Is your organization normally at the forefront when it comes to adopting innovations, new knowledge or new methods, or is it more a follower?

Variables: G12FRONT Adopting innovations by organization

Values: 1 Mainly at forefront
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Mainly a follower

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G13
How are higher positions usually obtained in your organization?

Variables: G13PSOBT Higher positions obtained in your organization

Values: 1 By internal appointments
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 By external appointments
6 Question not applicable

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G14
How many people work in your organization and, if applicable, your own location?

Variables: G14ORGSZ Number of people working in total organization

Values: 1 1-9
2 10-49
3 50-99
4 100-249
5 250-999

6 1000 or more
Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer
Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: G14LOCSZ Number of people working in own location

Values: 1 1-9
2 10-49
3 50-99
4 100-249
5 250-999
6 1000 or more
7 Not applicable, only one location

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G15
Do your directly or indirectly supervise other members of staff?

Variables: G15SUPV Do you supervise?

Values: 1 Yes, I supervise (number of) staff members
2 No

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: G15SUPVN Do you supervise: number of staff members

Value range: 1-9999

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no supervision
-2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 position, no decimals

Question: G16
To what extent are you responsible for:

Variables: G16GOALO Setting goals for the organization
G16GOALW Setting goals for your own work

G16STRAT Deciding work strategies for the organization
G16OWNJB Deciding how you do your own job

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 To a very high extent

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G17
To what extent do the following statements apply to your professional role?

Variables: G17SOURC Professional colleagues rely on me as an authoritative source of advice
G17NWDEV I keep my professional colleagues informed about new developments in my field of work
G17CEXPT I take the initiative in establishing professional contacts with experts outside the organization
G17ETHIC Taking account of professional ethics is part of my work

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 To a very high extent

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer
-8 Not relevant for some countries

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G18
To what extent:

Variables: G18PFOTH Results of your work dependent on the performance of others in the organization?
G18PFOWN Results of the work of others in the organization dependent on your performance
G18ASSQO Responsible for assessing the quality of the work of others in the organization

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 To a very high extent
6 Not applicable, there are no others

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G19

To what extent can your individual performance be objectively assessed by others?

Variables: G19PERFA Can your individual performance be objectively assessed by others

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 To a very high extent
6 Not applicable, I have no supervisor or colleagues

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G20

How closely is your performance monitored by your own supervisor?

Variables: G20MONIT How closely is your performance monitored by your own supervisor

Values: 1 Not very closely
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Very closely
6 Not applicable, I have no supervisor

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: G21

How damaging would it be for the organization if you made major mistakes or omissions in the performance of your work?

Variables: G21DAMAG Damage for the organization if you made major mistakes

Values: 1 Hardly damaging
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Extremely damaging

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

H Competencies

Question: H1 - A part
How do you rate your own level of competence?

Variables:	H1OWNFO	Mastery of your own field or discipline
	H1OTHFO	Knowledge of other fields or disciplines
	H1ANALYO	Analytical thinking
	H1ACKNOO	Ability to rapidly acquire new knowledge
	H1NEGOTO	Ability to negotiate effectively
	H1PRESSO	Ability to perform well under pressure
	H1ALERTO	Alertness to new opportunities
	H1COORDO	Ability to coordinate activities
	H1UTIMEO	Ability to use time efficiently
	H1WWOTHO	Ability to work productively with others
	H1MOBOTO	Ability to mobilize the capacities of others
	H1CMEANO	Ability to make your meaning clear to others
	H1AUTHOO	Ability to assert your authority
	H1COMPUO	Ability to use computers and the internet
	H1SOLUTO	Ability to come up with new ideas and solutions
	H1QUESTO	Willingness to question your own and others' ideas
	H1PRESEO	Ability to present products, ideas or reports to an audience
	H1WRITEO	Ability to write reports, memos or documents
	H1LANGO	Ability to write and speak in a foreign language
	H1OTHCO	Professional knowledge of other countries
	H1INTECO	Knowledge of intercultural differences
	H1OTHENO	Ability to work with people from other cultural environments

Values:	1	Very low
	2	-
	3	-
	4	-
	5	-
	6	-
	7	Very high

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: H1 - B part
What is the required level of competence in your current work?

Variables:	H1OWNFR	Mastery of your own field or discipline
	H1OTHFR	Knowledge of other fields or disciplines
	H1ANALYR	Analytical thinking
	H1ACKNOR	Ability to rapidly acquire new knowledge
	H1NEGOTR	Ability to negotiate effectively
	H1PRESSR	Ability to perform well under pressure
	H1ALERTR	Alertness to new opportunities
	H1COORDR	Ability to coordinate activities
	H1UTIMER	Ability to use time efficiently
	H1WWOTHR	Ability to work productively with others
	H1MOBOTR	Ability to mobilize the capacities of others
	H1CMEANR	Ability to make your meaning clear to others
	H1AUTHOR	Ability to assert your authority

H1COMPUR	Ability to use computers and the internet
H1SOLUTR	Ability to come up with new ideas and solutions
H1QUESTR	Willingness to question your own and others' ideas
H1PRESER	Ability to present products, ideas or reports to an audience
H1WRITER	Ability to write reports, memos or documents
H1FLANGR	Ability to write and speak in a foreign language
H1OTHCR	Professional knowledge of other countries
H1INTECR	Knowledge of intercultural differences
H1OTHENR	Ability to work with people from other cultural environments

Values: 1 Very low
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 -
6 -
7 Very high

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: H2

Name a maximum of 3 competencies from the list above that you regard as strong points, and a maximum of three competencies that you regard as weak points of your study programme

Variables: H2STRNG1 Strong points, number 1
H2STRNG2 Strong points, number 2
H2STRNG3 Strong points, number 3
H2WEAK1 Weak points, number 1
H2WEAK2 Weak points, number 2
H2WEAK3 Weak points, number 3

Values: 1 Mastery of your own field or discipline
2 Knowledge of other fields or disciplines
3 Analytical thinking
4 Ability to rapidly acquire new knowledge
5 Ability to negotiate effectively
6 Ability to perform well under pressure
7 Alertness to new opportunities
8 Ability to coordinate activities
9 Ability to use time efficiently
10 Ability to work productively with others
11 Ability to mobilize the capacities of others
12 Ability to make your meaning clear to others
13 Ability to assert your authority
14 Ability to use computers and the internet
15 Ability to come up with new ideas and solutions
16 Willingness to question your own and others' ideas
17 Ability to presents products, ideas or reports to an audience
18 Ability to write reports, memos or documents
19 Ability to write and speak in a foreign language
20 Professional knowledge of other countries
21 Knowledge of intercultural differences
22 Ability to work with people from other cultural environments

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: H2

Name a maximum of 3 competencies from the list above that you regard as strong points, and a maximum of three competencies that you regard as weak points of your study programme

Variables: H2OWNFS (N) Strong point: mastery of your own field or discipline
H2OTHFS (N) Strong point: knowledge of other fields of disciplines
H2ANALYS (N) Strong point: analytical thinking
H2ACKNOS (N) Strong point: ability to rapidly acquire new knowledge
H2NEGOTS (N) Strong point: ability to negotiate effectively
H2PRESSS (N) Strong point: ability to perform well under pressure
H2ALERTS (N) Strong point: alertness to new opportunities
H2COORDS (N) Strong point: ability to coordinate activities
H2UTIMES (N) Strong point: ability to use time efficiently
H2WWOTHS (N) Strong point: ability to work productively with others
H2MOBOTS (N) Strong point: ability to mobilize the capacities of others
H2CMEANS (N) Strong point: ability to make your meaning clear to others
H2AUTHOS (N) Strong point: ability to assert your authority
H2COMPUS (N) Strong point: ability to use computers and the internet
H2SOLUTS (N) Strong point: ability to come up with new ideas and solutions
H2QUESTS (N) Strong point: willingness to question your own and others' ideas
H2PRESES (N) Strong point: ability to present products, ideas or reports to an audience
H2WRITES (N) Strong point: ability to write reports, memos or documents
H2LANGS (N) Strong point: ability to write and speak in a foreign language
H2OTHCS (N) Strong point: professional knowledge of other countries
H2INTECS (N) Strong point: knowledge of intercultural differences
H2OTHENS (N) Strong point: ability to work with people from other cultural environments

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

Missing: -9 Not known

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Variable assigned value 1 if the relevant competence is mentioned in either H2STRNG1, H2STRNG2 or H2STRNG3, and value 2 if either H2STRNG1, H2STRNG2 or H2STRNG3 has been answered but the relevant competence was not mentioned.

Question: H2

Name a maximum of 3 competencies from the list above that you regard as strong points, and a maximum of three competencies that you regard as weak points of your study programme

Variables: H2OWNFW (N) Weak point: mastery of your own field or discipline
H2OTHFW (N) Weak point: knowledge of other fields of disciplines
H2ANALYW (N) Weak point: analytical thinking
H2ACKNOW (N) Weak point: ability to rapidly acquire new knowledge
H2NEGOTW (N) Weak point: ability to negotiate effectively
H2PRESSW (N) Weak point: ability to perform well under pressure
H2ALERTW (N) Weak point: alertness to new opportunities
H2COORDW (N) Weak point: ability to coordinate activities
H2UTIMEW (N) Weak point: ability to use time efficiently

H2WWOTHW	(N) Weak point: ability to work productively with others
H2MOBOTW	(N) Weak point: ability to mobilize the capacities of others
H2CMEANW	(N) Weak point: ability to make your meaning clear to others
H2AUTHOW	(N) Weak point: ability to assert your authority
H2COMPUW	(N) Weak point: ability to use computers and the internet
H2SOLUTW	(N) Weak point: ability to come up with new ideas and solutions
H2QUESTW	(N) Weak point: willingness to question your own and others' ideas
H2PRESEW	(N) Weak point: ability to present products, ideas or reports to an audience
H2WRITEW	(N) Weak point: ability to write reports, memos or documents
H2LANGW	(N) Weak point: ability to write and speak in a foreign language
H2OTHCW	(N) Weak point: professional knowledge of other countries
H2INTECW	(N) Weak point: knowledge of intercultural differences
H2OTHENW	(N) Weak point: ability to work with people from other cultural environments

Values: 1 Yes
2 No

Missing: -9 Not known

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: Variable assigned value 1 if the relevant competence is mentioned in either H2WEAK1, H2WEAK2 or H2WEAK3, and value 2 if either H2WEAK1, H2WEAK2 or H2WEAK3 has been answered but the relevant competence was not mentioned.

Question: H3

Please provide the following information: how much time in one typical working day you spend on these activities?

Variables:	H3INTCOW	Activities: Interacting socially with co-workers at work
	H3INTCLI	Activities: Interacting socially with clients
	H3EXCNEW	Activities: Exchanging news, information, gossip, etc.
	H3EXCWWRK	Activities: Exchanging work-related knowledge with co-worker
	H3WRILET	Activities: Writing letters, reports and/or articles
	H3WRIKNO	Activities: Writing down knowledge and experiences gained through work
	H3MANACT	Activities: Providing services involving manual actions
	H3SHAPHO	Activities: Shaping physical objects
	H3RUNMAC	Running machines and devices (excluding office equipment)
	H3ADVCLI	Advising and/or directing clients
	H3ADVCOW	Advising and/or directing co-workers
	H3CODATD	Collecting and organizing data from databases and/or documents
	H3CODATI	Collecting and organizing data from internet
	H3REAMAN	Reading manuals, instructions and/or technical documents
	H3LISMEA	Listening and/or taking notes at classes or meetings
	H3REALIT	Reading theoretical and/or professional literature

Values: 1 0 hours
2 1/4
3 1/2
4 1
5 2
6 3
7 4+ hours

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

I Evaluation of study programme

Question: I1

To what extent has your study programme been a good basis for:

Variables: I1START Starting work
I1LEARN Further learning on the job
I1PERFRM Performing your current work tasks
I1CAREER Future career
I1PERSDV Your personal development
I1ENTREP Development of entrepreneurial skills

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 To a very high extent

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: I2

Looking back, if you were free to choose again would you choose the same study programme at the same institute of higher education?

Variables: I2STCHOI Would you choose the same study programme at the same institute

Values: 1 Yes
2 No, a different study programme at the same institute
3 No, the same study programme at a different institute
4 No, a different study programme at a different institute
5 No, I would decide not to study at all

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

J Values and orientations

Question: J1 - A part

Please indicate how important the following job characteristics are to you personally

Variables: J1AUTONI Work autonomy
J1SECURE Job security
J1LEARNI Opportunity to learn new things
J1EARNI1 High earnings
J1CHALLI New challenges
J1CAREEI Good career prospects

J1LEISUI Enough time for leisure activities
J1STATUI Social status
J1USEFUI Chance of doing something useful for society
J1FAMILI Good chance to combine work with family tasks

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 Very important

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: J1 - B part
To what extent they actually apply to your current work situation

Variables: J1AUTONA Work autonomy
J1SECURA Job security
J1LEARNNA Opportunity to learn new things
J1EARNIA High earnings
J1CHALLA New challenges
J1CAREEA Good career prospects
J1LEISUA Enough time for leisure activities
J1STATUA Social status
J1USEFUA Chance of doing something useful for society
J1FAMILA Good chance to combine work with family tasks

Values: 1 Not at all
2 -
3 -
4 -
5 To a very high extent

Missing: -3 Not relevant: currently no paid employment
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

K About yourself

Question: K1
Gender

Variables: K1GENDER Gender

Values: 1 Male
2 Female

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: K2
Year of birth

Variables: K2BIRTHY Year of birth

Value range: 0-81

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: K2
Year of birth

Variables: K2AGE (N) Age

Value range: 25-100

Missing: -9 Not known

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: K3 - First part
Country of birth of:

Variables: K3CNTSEH Yourself

Values: 1 Home country
2 Other

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K3COUNTY Country of birth of respondent

Value range: 1-269

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: K3 - Second part
Country of birth of:

Variables: K3CNTMOH Mother
Values: 1 Home country
2 Other
Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer
Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions no decimals

Variables: K3COUNTM Country of birth of mother
Value range: 1-269
Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer
Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals
Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

**Question: K3 - Third part
Country of birth of:**

Variables: K3CNTFAH Father
Values: 1 Home country
2 Other
Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer
Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K3COUNTF Country of birth of father
Value range: 1-269
Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer
Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals
Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

**Question: K4
Where did/do you mainly live at age 16?**

Variables: K4CNT16H Country

Values: 1 Home country
2 Other

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K4REGI16 Region mainly live at age of 16

Value range: AA1-ZZZZZ

Missing: -1 Foreign country
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: A5 - string 5 characters

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: K4COUN16 Country mainly live at age of 16

Value range: 1-269

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: K4
Where did/do you mainly live during your study programme?

Variables: K4CNTSTH Country

Values: 1 Home country
2 Other

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K4REGIST Region mainly live at study programme

Value range: AA1-ZZZZZ

Missing: -1 Foreign country
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: A5 - string 5 characters

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: K4COUNST Country mainly live at study programme

Value range: 1-269

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: K4
Where did/do you mainly live when starting first employment after graduation in 2002/2003?

Variables: K4CNTEMH Country

Values: 1 Home country
2 Other

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K4REGIEM Region mainly live at start first employment

Value range: AA1-ZZZZZ

Missing: -1 Foreign country
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer

Format: A5 - string 5 characters

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: K4COUNEM Country mainly live at start first employment

Value range: 1-269

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals

Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: K4
Where did/do you mainly live at present?

Variables: K4CNTPRH Country
Values: 1 Home country
2 Other
Missing: -9 No answer
Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K4REGIPR Region mainly live at present
Value range: AA1-ZZZZZ
Missing: -1 Foreign country
-8 Not relevant for some countries
-9 No answer
Format: A5 - string 5 characters
Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Variables: K4COUNPR Country mainly live at present
Value range: 1-269
Missing: -9 No answer
Format: F3.0 - numeric 3 positions, no decimals
Remark: For value labels see Codebook Classification document.

Question: K5
Did you spend any time abroad during higher education for study of work?

Variables: K5ABROA1 Spending time abroad during higher education: yes, months for study
K5ABROA2 Spending time abroad during higher education: yes, months for work
K5ABROA3 Spending time abroad during higher education: no
Values: 0 Not mentioned
1 Mentioned
Missing: -9 No answer
Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K5ABSTUM Spending time abroad during higher education: months for study
K5ABWORM Spending time abroad during higher education: months for work-related reasons
Value range: 0-99
Missing: -1 Not relevant: no study/work abroad

-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: K6
Have you spent any time abroad since graduation from higher education for study or work?

Variables: K6ABROA1 Spending time abroad since graduation: yes, months for study
K6ABROA2 Spending time abroad since graduation: yes, month for work
K6ABROA3 Spending time abroad since graduation: no

Values: 0 Not mentioned
1 Mentioned

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K6ABSTUM Spending time abroad since graduation, months for study
K6ABWORM Spending time abroad since graduation, months for work-related reasons

Value range: 0-72

Missing: -1 Not relevant: no study/work abroad
-2 Outside allowed value range
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: K7
How did you live during the last year of your study programme?

Variables: K7LIVE How do you live during the last year of your study programme

Values: 1 Alone
2 With a partner
3 With parents
4 Other
5 In student accomodation
6 With other relatives
7 With friends or acquaintances

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K7LIVEO How do you live during the last year of your study programme, other

Format: A100 - string 100 characters

Question: K8
How do you live at present?

Variables: K8LIVE How do you live at present

Values: 1 Alone
2 With a partner
3 With parents
4 Other
5 With other relatives
6 With friends or acquaintances

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K8LIVEO How do you live at present, other

Format: A100 - string 100 characters

Question: K9
Do you have children?

Variables: K9CHILDR Do you have children?

Values: 1 Yes, 1 child
2 Yes, 2 children
3 Yes, 3 or more children
4 No

Missing: -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: K10
What is the age of the oldest and (in case of more than 1) the youngest?

Variables: K10AGEOL Age of oldest child
K10AGEYO Age of youngest child

Value range: 0-99

Missing: -2 Outside allowed value range
-3 Not relevant: no children
-9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Remark: If there is only one child (Question K9 is 1) the age of the oldest is the same as the age of the youngest (K10AGEOL=K10AGEYO).

Question: K11

What is your parent's and, if applicable, partner's highest education?

Variables: K11EDUFA Father
 K11EDUMO Mother
 K11EDUPA Partner

Values: 1 ISCED 1+2
 2 ISCED 3+4
 3 ISCED 5+6
 4 Not applicable

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
 -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Question: K12

Date of completion of questionnaire

Variables: K12DATED Day

Value range: 1-31

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
 -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K12DATEM Month

Values: 1 January
 2 February
 3 March
 4 April
 5 May
 6 June
 7 July
 8 August
 9 September
 10 October
 11 November
 12 December

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries
 -9 No answer

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals

Variables: K12DATEY Year

Value range: 2008-2009

Format: F4.0 - numeric 4 positions, no decimals

Questions at the end of the questionnaire and other administrative variables

Question: Q0

Administration: version questionnaire

Variables: VINPUT Datacollection

Values: 2 Internet
 3 Paper
 9 By telephone

Missing: -8 Not relevant for some countries

Format: F2.0 - numeric 2 positions, no decimals