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Variable distributions presented in this codebook have been generated from the SPSS files. Distribution tables present variable values, frequencies (n), frequency percentages (%), and valid percentages (v. %) which take into account missing data. All distributions are unweighted. If the data contain weight variables, these will be found at the end of the variables list. In some cases frequency distributions have been substituted by descriptive statistics. Categorised responses to open-ended questions are not always included in the codebook. Distributions may contain missing data. The note "System missing (SYSMIS)" refers to missing observations (e.g. a respondent has not answered all questions) whereas "Missing (User missing)" refers to data the user has defined as missing. For example, the user may decide to code answer alternatives 'don't want to say' or 'can't say' as missing data.

The codebook may contain attached files, the most common one being the questionnaire.

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Chapter 1

Study description

1.1 Titles

Titles and data version: Finnish Local Government Barometer 1996: Inhabitants

Titles and data version in Finnish: Kunnallisan ilmapuntari 1996: kuntalaiset

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1.2 Subject description

Authoring entity

Foundation for Municipal Development

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Depositor

Foundation for Municipal Development

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9.3.2001

Keywords

employment schemes; local finance; local government; local government officers; local government services; local taxation; municipalities; political power

Topic Classification

Fields of Science Classification: social sciences

CESSDA Classification: government, political systems and organisations; political behaviour and attitudes

Series description

The data belong to the series:

Finnish Local Government Barometers

The Foundation for Municipal Development conducts annual surveys covering opinions on local (municipal) democracy, local government, local economy and services. Respondents are generally local inhabitants, municipal managers and the chairpersons of municipal boards. The data enable comparison between the opinions of the inhabitants on the one hand, and the managers and chairpersons on the other. The surveys also study municipal managers' views on the policies of the Government of Finland and the functionality of local co-operation. The survey series was launched in 1992.

Abstract

The respondents were asked several questions about the correlation between the level of the municipal tax and the supply of services. Views on the municipal administration and the adequacy or inadequacy of local government services were also canvassed. The respondents were asked what kind of role municipalities should play in executing and financing employment schemes. They were also asked which would be suitable means for improving municipalities' financial situation.

The respondents were asked to name the characteristics they value in their own local councillors, and to describe the general image of the Finnish municipalities and local government. They also assessed the significance and effectiveness of municipal management. Compared to the previous barometers, the 1996 survey included several revised questions.

Background variables included the respondent's gender, age, basic education, vocational education, income of the household, household composition, occupational group and economic activity of the respondent and the household head, type of neighbourhood, province of residence, and whether or not R is a municipal employee.

1.3 Structure and collection of the data

Country: Finland

Geographic coverage: Finland

Analysis or observation unit type: Individual

Universe: Population of Finland aged 15 or over, excluding the Åland Islands

Collection date: 15.5.1996 – 9.6.1996

Data collector(s): Gallup Finland

Data producer(s): Foundation for Municipal Development

Mode of data collection: Face-to-face interview

Type of research instrument: Structured questionnaire

Time period covered: 1996

Time method of the data collection: Longitudinal: Trend/Repeated cross-section

Number of variables and cases: The data contain 117 variables and 960 cases.

Sampling procedure: Probability: Multistage

The sample was collected in three phases. In the first phase, the target persons were divided by province. Then, within each province, the target persons were divided according to community type: communities were grouped in different types so that cities were divided to big and small according to population size, and rural communities in three classes according to industrial structure. In the third phase, a group of starting points were designated for each of the selected municipalities in relation to their population. Starting point method was used, and each randomly selected point resulted in six interviews. From each household the person who matched the gender and age requirements stated in the selection card was interviewed.

1.4 Use of data

Data appraisal

The variable identifying postal code has been removed from the data.

Related publications

Blomberg, Helena & Kroll, Christian (1999). Who wants to preserve the "Scandinavian welfare state"? Attitudes to welfare services among the citizens and local government elites in Finland 1992-96. In: *The end of welfare state? Responses to state retrenchment* (eds. Svallfors, S. & Taylor-Gooby, P.). London: Routledge. *ESA studies in European Society*.

Blomberg, Helena & Kroll, Christian (2003). Kuntalaiset, paikalliset päättäjät ja hyvinvointipalvelut 1990-luvulla. Teoksessa: *Laman varjo ja nousun huuma* (toim. Olli Kangas). Helsinki: Kansaneläkelaitos. *Sosiaali- ja terveysturvan tutkimuksia*; 72.

Kallio, Johanna (2010). Hyvinvointipalvelujärjestelmän muutos ja suomalaisten mielipiteet 1996-2006. Helsinki: Kansaneläkelaitos. *Sosiaali- ja terveysturvan tutkimuksia*; 108.

Kansalaismielipide ja kunnat: ilmapuntari 1996 (1996). Helsinki: Kunnallisanalan kehittämissäätiö. *Polemia-sarja*; 21.

Katara, Henna-Riikka (2012). Hyvinvointivaltion kannatus ja palvelujärjestelmä. Kuntalaisten ja kunnanjohtajien mielipiteiden vertailua vuosina 1996-2006. Turku: Turun yliopisto. *Sosi-*

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Updated list of publications in the study description at

https://services.fsd.uta.fi/catalogue/FSD1120?lang=en&study_language=en

Related material

Ilmapuntari : väestö 1996 (1996). Espoo : Suomen Gallup - (Gallup omnibus tutkimusraportti).

Kiljunen, P. & Pehkonen, J. (1996). Kansalaismielipide ja kunnat : ilmapuntari 1996. Espoo : Suomen Gallup.

Location of the data collection

Finnish Social Science Data Archive

Weighting

There are no weight variables in the data.

Restrictions

The dataset is (B) available for research, teaching and study.

Chapter 2

Variables

[FSD_NO] FSD study number

Question

FSD study number

Descriptive statistics

statistic	value
number of valid cases	960
minimum	1120.00
maximum	1120.00
mean	1120.00
standard deviation	0.00

[FSD_VR] FSD edition number

Question

FSD edition number

Descriptive statistics

statistic	value
number of valid cases	960
minimum	2.00
maximum	2.00
mean	2.00
standard deviation	0.00

[FSD_ID] FSD case id**Question***FSD case id***Descriptive statistics**

statistic	value
number of valid cases	960
minimum	1.00
maximum	960.00
mean	480.50
standard deviation	277.27

[Q1_1] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Everyone can influence matters in his/her municipality of residence if he/she wants to**Question***To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Everyone can influence matters in his/her municipality of residence if he/she wants to***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	147	15.3	15.3
Agree	2	366	38.1	38.1
Disagree	3	293	30.5	30.5
Strongly disagree	4	135	14.1	14.1
Can't say	5	19	2.0	2.0
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_2] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipal taxation in Finland is not excessive in relation to the selection and quality of municipal services**Question***To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipal taxation in Finland is not excessive in relation to the selection and quality of municipal services***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	68	7.1	7.1
Agree	2	415	43.2	43.2
Disagree	3	279	29.1	29.1
Stronly disagree	4	123	12.8	12.8
Can't say	5	75	7.8	7.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_3] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: If it has to be done, it is better to raise the municipal tax rate than to cut down municipal services

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: If it has to be done, it is better to raise the municipal tax rate than to cut down municipal services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	142	14.8	14.8
Agree	2	386	40.2	40.2
Disagree	3	237	24.7	24.7
Stronly disagree	4	119	12.4	12.4
Can't say	5	76	7.9	7.9
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_4] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: In the future, municipalities should increase rather than cut down municipal services

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: In the future, municipalities should increase rather than cut down municipal services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	245	25.5	25.5
Agree	2	340	35.4	35.4

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Disagree	3	254	26.5	26.5
Stronly disagree	4	64	6.7	6.7
Can't say	5	57	5.9	5.9
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_5] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipal self-government is a fundamental value for Finns, and it should not be undermined in any circumstances

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipal self-government is a fundamental value for Finns, and it should not be undermined in any circumstances

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	352	36.7	36.7
Agree	2	424	44.2	44.2
Disagree	3	116	12.1	12.1
Stronly disagree	4	18	1.9	1.9
Can't say	5	50	5.2	5.2
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_6] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Local government could be abolished in municipalities where there is already enough service provision

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Local government could be abolished in municipalities where there is already enough service provision

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	46	4.8	4.8
Agree	2	158	16.5	16.5

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Disagree	3	337	35.1	35.1
Stronly disagree	4	296	30.8	30.8
Can't say	5	123	12.8	12.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_7] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: If Finnish municipalities are not streamlined and their economy hard-handedly reorganised soon, the majority of them will end up in a state of bankruptcy before long

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: If Finnish municipalities are not streamlined and their economy hard-handedly reorganised soon, the majority of them will end up in a state of bankruptcy before long

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	142	14.8	14.8
Agree	2	339	35.3	35.3
Disagree	3	257	26.8	26.8
Stronly disagree	4	104	10.8	10.8
Can't say	5	118	12.3	12.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_8] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: If inhabitants do not use the basic municipal services, they should be given a reimbursement

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: If inhabitants do not use the basic municipal services, they should be given a reimbursement

Frequencies

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2. Variables

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label	value	n	%	v. %
label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	107	11.1	11.1
Agree	2	182	19.0	19.0
Disagree	3	307	32.0	32.0
Stronly disagree	4	293	30.5	30.5
Can't say	5	71	7.4	7.4
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_9] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Citizens should have the right to free or almost free municipal basic services regardless of the costs of service provision

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Citizens should have the right to free or almost free municipal basic services regardless of the costs of service provision

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	214	22.3	22.3
Agree	2	391	40.7	40.7
Disagree	3	243	25.3	25.3
Stronly disagree	4	82	8.5	8.5
Can't say	5	30	3.1	3.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_10] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Retrenchments in municipal services and administration are no longer necessary, because the essential cuts have already been carried out and the worst financial crisis passed

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Retrenchments in municipal services and administration are no longer necessary, because the essential cuts have already been carried out and the worst financial crisis passed

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	139	14.5	14.5
Agree	2	346	36.0	36.0
Disagree	3	288	30.0	30.0
Stronly disagree	4	86	9.0	9.0
Can't say	5	101	10.5	10.5
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_11] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipalities should boldly borrow more to boost employment, because they would certainly get their investment back as a result of increasing employment

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipalities should boldly borrow more to boost employment, because they would certainly get their investment back as a result of increasing employment

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	161	16.8	16.8
Agree	2	358	37.3	37.3
Disagree	3	256	26.7	26.7
Stronly disagree	4	117	12.2	12.2
Can't say	5	68	7.1	7.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_12] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipalities should perform their tasks as well as they can in terms of finance, and leave the responsibility for employing the inhabitants to the state and companies

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipalities should perform their tasks as well as they can in terms of finance, and leave the responsibility for employing the inhabitants to the state and companies

Frequencies

2. Variables

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	76	7.9	7.9
Agree	2	255	26.6	26.6
Disagree	3	401	41.8	41.8
Stronly disagree	4	136	14.2	14.2
Can't say	5	92	9.6	9.6
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_13] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipalities should consciously increase their responsibility for employing inhabitants by raising funds e.g. through taxation, and then using them for increasing employment

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Municipalities should consciously increase their responsibility for employing inhabitants by raising funds e.g. through taxation, and then using them for increasing employment

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	99	10.3	10.3
Agree	2	350	36.5	36.5
Disagree	3	294	30.6	30.6
Stronly disagree	4	126	13.1	13.1
Can't say	5	91	9.5	9.5
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q1_14] To what extent do you agree with the following statement: The state should move the tasks and funds of employment offices to municipalities to be used for increasing employment

Question

To what extent do you agree with the following statement: The state should move the tasks and funds of employment offices to municipalities to be used for increasing employment

Frequencies

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label	value	n	%	v. %
label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	142	14.8	14.8
Agree	2	351	36.6	36.6
Disagree	3	237	24.7	24.7
Stronly disagree	4	103	10.7	10.7
Can't say	5	127	13.2	13.2
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q2_1] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Maintenance of parks and recreation areas

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Maintenance of parks and recreation areas

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	54	5.6	5.6
Somewhat	2	577	60.1	60.1
Not at all	3	299	31.1	31.1
Can't say	4	30	3.1	3.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q2_2] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Public transport services

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Public transport services

Frequencies

2. Variables

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	26	2.7	2.7
Somewhat	2	309	32.2	32.2
Not at all	3	577	60.1	60.1
Can't say	4	48	5.0	5.0
		960	100.0	100.0

**[Q2_3] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings:
Support of business life**

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Support of business life

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	142	14.8	14.8
Somewhat	2	467	48.6	48.6
Not at all	3	270	28.1	28.1
Can't say	4	81	8.4	8.4
		960	100.0	100.0

**[Q2_4] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings:
Support of housing production**

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Support of housing production

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	42	4.4	4.4
Somewhat	2	410	42.7	42.7
Not at all	3	452	47.1	47.1
Can't say	4	56	5.8	5.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q2_5] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Sports, exercise and outdoor recreation possibilities and services

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Sports, exercise and outdoor recreation possibilities and services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	128	13.3	13.3
Somewhat	2	466	48.5	48.5
Not at all	3	339	35.3	35.3
Can't say	4	27	2.8	2.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q2_6] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Salaries of municipal officials and employees

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Salaries of municipal officials and employees

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	182	19.0	19.0
Somewhat	2	434	45.2	45.2
Not at all	3	285	29.7	29.7
Can't say	4	59	6.1	6.1
		960	100.0	100.0

**[Q2_7] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings:
School services**

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: School services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	16	1.7	1.7
Somewhat	2	178	18.5	18.5
Not at all	3	740	77.1	77.1
Can't say	4	26	2.7	2.7
		960	100.0	100.0

**[Q2_8] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings:
Child day care**

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Child day care

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	12	1.3	1.3
Somewhat	2	139	14.5	14.5
Not at all	3	778	81.0	81.0
Can't say	4	31	3.2	3.2
		960	100.0	100.0

**[Q2_9] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings:
Elderly care**

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Elderly care

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	10	1.0	1.0
Somewhat	2	119	12.4	12.4
Not at all	3	810	84.4	84.4
Can't say	4	21	2.2	2.2
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q2_10] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Minimum income guarantee (formerly social welfare)

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Minimum income guarantee (formerly social welfare)

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	59	6.1	6.1
Somewhat	2	356	37.1	37.1
Not at all	3	497	51.8	51.8
Can't say	4	48	5.0	5.0
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q2_11] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Street maintenance and lighting

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Street maintenance and lighting

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	72	7.5	7.5

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2. Variables

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Somewhat	2	545	56.8	56.8
Not at all	3	307	32.0	32.0
Can't say	4	36	3.8	3.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q2_12] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Municipal health centre services

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Municipal health centre services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	28	2.9	2.9
Somewhat	2	184	19.2	19.2
Not at all	3	734	76.5	76.5
Can't say	4	14	1.5	1.5
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q2_13] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Library services

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Library services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	63	6.6	6.6
Somewhat	2	466	48.5	48.5
Not at all	3	391	40.7	40.7

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Can't say	4	40	4.2	4.2
		960	100.0	100.0

**[Q2_14] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings:
Environmental protection**

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Environmental protection

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	71	7.4	7.4
Somewhat	2	364	37.9	37.9
Not at all	3	475	49.5	49.5
Can't say	4	50	5.2	5.2
		960	100.0	100.0

**[Q2_15] If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings:
Culture services, e.g. theatres**

Question

If municipalities are forced to reduce their expenses, how much would you think the following area could be cut down to generate savings: Culture services, e.g. theatres

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
A lot	1	206	21.5	21.5
Somewhat	2	487	50.7	50.7
Not at all	3	222	23.1	23.1
Can't say	4	45	4.7	4.7
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_1] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is highly educated

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is highly educated

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	137	14.3	14.3
Fairly pleased	2	519	54.1	54.1
Not very pleased	3	187	19.5	19.5
Not pleased at all	4	52	5.4	5.4
Can't say	5	65	6.8	6.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_2] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has plenty of experience of local council work and municipal politics

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has plenty of experience of local council work and municipal politics

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	279	29.1	29.1
Fairly pleased	2	449	46.8	46.8
Not very pleased	3	160	16.7	16.7
Not pleased at all	4	26	2.7	2.7
Can't say	5	46	4.8	4.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_3] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Represents people of your age group

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Represents people of your age group

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	245	25.5	25.5
Fairly pleased	2	420	43.8	43.8
Not very pleased	3	175	18.2	18.2
Not pleased at all	4	68	7.1	7.1
Can't say	5	52	5.4	5.4
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_4] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is the same sex as you

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is the same sex as you

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	96	10.0	10.0
Fairly pleased	2	309	32.2	32.2
Not very pleased	3	219	22.8	22.8
Not pleased at all	4	153	15.9	15.9
Can't say	5	183	19.1	19.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_5] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is active in organisational policy

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is active in organisational policy

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	164	17.1	17.1
Fairly pleased	2	436	45.4	45.4
Not very pleased	3	198	20.6	20.6
Not pleased at all	4	58	6.0	6.0
Can't say	5	104	10.8	10.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_6] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has a successful career outside politics

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has a successful career outside politics

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	217	22.6	22.6
Fairly pleased	2	497	51.8	51.8
Not very pleased	3	128	13.3	13.3
Not pleased at all	4	39	4.1	4.1
Can't say	5	79	8.2	8.2
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_7] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is a well-known person in your municipality of residence

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is a well-known person in your municipality of residence

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	184	19.2	19.2
Fairly pleased	2	432	45.0	45.0
Not very pleased	3	188	19.6	19.6
Not pleased at all	4	55	5.7	5.7
Can't say	5	101	10.5	10.5
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_8] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has an elegant appearance and is stylish

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has an elegant appearance and is stylish

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	68	7.1	7.1
Fairly pleased	2	297	30.9	30.9
Not very pleased	3	253	26.4	26.4
Not pleased at all	4	197	20.5	20.5
Can't say	5	145	15.1	15.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_9] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is a good public performer and has a good delivery

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is a good public performer and has a good delivery

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	445	46.4	46.4
Fairly pleased	2	418	43.5	43.5
Not very pleased	3	40	4.2	4.2
Not pleased at all	4	16	1.7	1.7
Can't say	5	41	4.3	4.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_10] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is enthusiastically assertive

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is enthusiastically assertive

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	84	8.8	8.8
Fairly pleased	2	226	23.5	23.5
Not very pleased	3	339	35.3	35.3
Not pleased at all	4	258	26.9	26.9
Can't say	5	53	5.5	5.5
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_11] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is actively in contact with his/her own voters between various elections

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is actively in contact with his/her own voters between various elections

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	400	41.7	41.7
Fairly pleased	2	437	45.5	45.5
Not very pleased	3	68	7.1	7.1
Not pleased at all	4	10	1.0	1.0
Can't say	5	45	4.7	4.7
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_12] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Belongs to the right political party

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Belongs to the right political party

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	207	21.6	21.6
Fairly pleased	2	363	37.8	37.8
Not very pleased	3	165	17.2	17.2
Not pleased at all	4	84	8.8	8.8
Can't say	5	141	14.7	14.7
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_13] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is from the same district or village as you

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is from the same district or village as you

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	206	21.5	21.5
Fairly pleased	2	425	44.3	44.3
Not very pleased	3	146	15.2	15.2
Not pleased at all	4	75	7.8	7.8
Can't say	5	108	11.3	11.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_14] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has co-operation and negotiation skills

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has co-operation and negotiation skills

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	574	59.8	59.8
Fairly pleased	2	339	35.3	35.3
Not very pleased	3	22	2.3	2.3
Not pleased at all	4	3	0.3	0.3
Can't say	5	22	2.3	2.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_15] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is completely independent of political parties

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is completely independent of political parties

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	227	23.6	23.6
Fairly pleased	2	330	34.4	34.4
Not very pleased	3	226	23.5	23.5
Not pleased at all	4	70	7.3	7.3
Can't say	5	107	11.1	11.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_16] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Does not promise anything at all

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Does not promise anything at all

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	83	8.6	8.6
Fairly pleased	2	164	17.1	17.1
Not very pleased	3	310	32.3	32.3
Not pleased at all	4	311	32.4	32.4
Can't say	5	92	9.6	9.6
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_17] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is determined to promote the interests of people and population groups like you

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is determined to promote the interests of people and population groups like you

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	399	41.6	41.6
Fairly pleased	2	421	43.9	43.9
Not very pleased	3	83	8.6	8.6
Not pleased at all	4	16	1.7	1.7
Can't say	5	41	4.3	4.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_18] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has the courage to act against the interests of his/her voters if necessary

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has the courage to act against the interests of his/her voters if necessary

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	135	14.1	14.1
Fairly pleased	2	338	35.2	35.2
Not very pleased	3	279	29.1	29.1
Not pleased at all	4	120	12.5	12.5
Can't say	5	88	9.2	9.2
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_19] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Places a great emphasis on other people's opinions when making his/her decisions

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Places a great emphasis on other people's opinions when making his/her decisions

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	142	14.8	14.8
Fairly pleased	2	412	42.9	42.9
Not very pleased	3	233	24.3	24.3
Not pleased at all	4	103	10.7	10.7
Can't say	5	70	7.3	7.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_20] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Conforms to the will of his/her political group's majority

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Conforms to the will of his/her political group's majority

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	73	7.6	7.6
Fairly pleased	2	253	26.4	26.4
Not very pleased	3	331	34.5	34.5
Not pleased at all	4	210	21.9	21.9
Can't say	5	93	9.7	9.7
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_21] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is irreproachable as a person

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is irreproachable as a person

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	334	34.8	34.8
Fairly pleased	2	444	46.3	46.3
Not very pleased	3	98	10.2	10.2
Not pleased at all	4	19	2.0	2.0
Can't say	5	65	6.8	6.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_22] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes raising municipal tax rate

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes raising municipal tax rate

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	232	24.2	24.2
Fairly pleased	2	412	42.9	42.9
Not very pleased	3	164	17.1	17.1
Not pleased at all	4	34	3.5	3.5
Can't say	5	118	12.3	12.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_23] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes cutting down municipal services

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes cutting down municipal services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	292	30.4	30.4
Fairly pleased	2	343	35.7	35.7
Not very pleased	3	178	18.5	18.5
Not pleased at all	4	71	7.4	7.4
Can't say	5	76	7.9	7.9
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_24] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Acts boldly to improve the municipality's financial situation although it may entail service level reduction

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Acts boldly to improve the municipality's financial situation although it may entail service level reduction

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	109	11.4	11.4
Fairly pleased	2	370	38.5	38.5
Not very pleased	3	311	32.4	32.4
Not pleased at all	4	56	5.8	5.8
Can't say	5	114	11.9	11.9
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_25] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has the courage to support raising the municipal tax rate if it's necessary regarding the financial situation

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Has the courage to support raising the municipal tax rate if it's necessary regarding the financial situation

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	113	11.8	11.8
Fairly pleased	2	458	47.7	47.7
Not very pleased	3	222	23.1	23.1
Not pleased at all	4	67	7.0	7.0
Can't say	5	100	10.4	10.4
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_26] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Supports privatising municipal services

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Supports privatising municipal services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	70	7.3	7.3
Fairly pleased	2	290	30.2	30.2
Not very pleased	3	276	28.7	28.7
Not pleased at all	4	167	17.4	17.4
Can't say	5	157	16.4	16.4
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_27] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Supports strictly increasing municipal employment projects

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Supports strictly increasing municipal employment projects

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	439	45.7	45.7
Fairly pleased	2	409	42.6	42.6
Not very pleased	3	73	7.6	7.6
Not pleased at all	4	3	0.3	0.3
Can't say	5	36	3.8	3.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_28] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Defends the current government in Finland

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Defends the current government in Finland

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	68	7.1	7.1
Fairly pleased	2	302	31.5	31.5
Not very pleased	3	293	30.5	30.5
Not pleased at all	4	116	12.1	12.1
Can't say	5	181	18.9	18.9
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_29] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes the current government in Finland

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes the current government in Finland

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	88	9.2	9.2
Fairly pleased	2	210	21.9	21.9
Not very pleased	3	341	35.5	35.5
Not pleased at all	4	121	12.6	12.6
Can't say	5	200	20.8	20.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_30] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Supports Finland's EU membership

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Supports Finland's EU membership

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	145	15.1	15.1
Fairly pleased	2	309	32.2	32.2
Not very pleased	3	204	21.3	21.3
Not pleased at all	4	136	14.2	14.2
Can't say	5	166	17.3	17.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_31] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes Finland's EU membership

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes Finland's EU membership

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	119	12.4	12.4
Fairly pleased	2	175	18.2	18.2
Not very pleased	3	273	28.4	28.4
Not pleased at all	4	215	22.4	22.4
Can't say	5	178	18.5	18.5
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_32] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Acts so that society becomes more competitive and market-oriented

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Acts so that society becomes more competitive and market-oriented

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	108	11.3	11.3
Fairly pleased	2	393	40.9	40.9
Not very pleased	3	236	24.6	24.6
Not pleased at all	4	83	8.6	8.6
Can't say	5	140	14.6	14.6
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_33] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Acts so that the living conditions in your municipality of residence become socially more equal

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Acts so that the living conditions in your municipality of residence become socially more equal

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	322	33.5	33.5
Fairly pleased	2	504	52.5	52.5
Not very pleased	3	72	7.5	7.5
Not pleased at all	4	11	1.1	1.1
Can't say	5	51	5.3	5.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_34] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Does not work for the municipality

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Does not work for the municipality

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	208	21.7	21.7
Fairly pleased	2	257	26.8	26.8
Not very pleased	3	238	24.8	24.8
Not pleased at all	4	86	9.0	9.0
Can't say	5	171	17.8	17.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_35] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes the influence of market forces in society

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes the influence of market forces in society

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	106	11.0	11.0
Fairly pleased	2	321	33.4	33.4
Not very pleased	3	266	27.7	27.7
Not pleased at all	4	87	9.1	9.1
Can't say	5	180	18.8	18.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_36] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Acts strictly to reduce malpractices and crimes in municipal administration

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Acts strictly to reduce malpractices and crimes in municipal administration

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	627	65.3	65.3
Fairly pleased	2	261	27.2	27.2
Not very pleased	3	29	3.0	3.0
Not pleased at all	4	7	0.7	0.7
Can't say	5	36	3.8	3.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_37] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes strictly all projects which may threaten the existing natural environment in your municipality

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Opposes strictly all projects which may threaten the existing natural environment in your municipality

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	408	42.5	42.5
Fairly pleased	2	402	41.9	41.9
Not very pleased	3	64	6.7	6.7
Not pleased at all	4	29	3.0	3.0
Can't say	5	57	5.9	5.9
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_38] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is a professional politician

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is a professional politician

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	52	5.4	5.4
Fairly pleased	2	198	20.6	20.6
Not very pleased	3	371	38.6	38.6
Not pleased at all	4	250	26.0	26.0
Can't say	5	89	9.3	9.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_39] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Promotes the interests of minorities in the municipality

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Promotes the interests of minorities in the municipality

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	250	26.0	26.0
Fairly pleased	2	484	50.4	50.4
Not very pleased	3	116	12.1	12.1
Not pleased at all	4	36	3.8	3.8
Can't say	5	74	7.7	7.7
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q3_40] How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is well familiar with entrepreneurship

Question

How pleased would you be to see the following characteristic in your own representative in next Autumn's municipal elections: Is well familiar with entrepreneurship

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very pleased	1	370	38.5	38.5
Fairly pleased	2	467	48.6	48.6
Not very pleased	3	49	5.1	5.1
Not pleased at all	4	10	1.0	1.0
Can't say	5	64	6.7	6.7
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_1] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is an essential provider and guarantor for citizens' welfare

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is an essential provider and guarantor for citizens' welfare

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	154	16.0	16.0
Fairly well	2	625	65.1	65.1
Not very well	3	110	11.5	11.5
Not at all	4	12	1.3	1.3
Can't say	5	59	6.1	6.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_2] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Needs to be cut down and streamlined thoroughly

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Needs to be cut down and streamlined thoroughly

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	89	9.3	9.3
Fairly well	2	465	48.4	48.4
Not very well	3	250	26.0	26.0
Not at all	4	64	6.7	6.7
Can't say	5	92	9.6	9.6
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_3] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is an effective and working system

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is an effective and working system

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	92	9.6	9.6
Fairly well	2	534	55.6	55.6
Not very well	3	244	25.4	25.4
Not at all	4	40	4.2	4.2
Can't say	5	50	5.2	5.2
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_4] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Patronises and passivises inhabitants too much

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Patronises and passivises inhabitants too much

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	48	5.0	5.0
Fairly well	2	330	34.4	34.4
Not very well	3	395	41.1	41.1
Not at all	4	113	11.8	11.8
Can't say	5	74	7.7	7.7
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_5] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has suffered too much from reductions and cuts during the last years

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has suffered too much from reductions and cuts during the last years

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	208	21.7	21.7
Fairly well	2	417	43.4	43.4
Not very well	3	212	22.1	22.1
Not at all	4	54	5.6	5.6
Can't say	5	69	7.2	7.2
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_6] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has grown excessively in terms of extent and expenses

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has grown excessively in terms of extent and expenses

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	117	12.2	12.2
Fairly well	2	455	47.4	47.4
Not very well	3	248	25.8	25.8
Not at all	4	47	4.9	4.9
Can't say	5	93	9.7	9.7
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_7] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Implements social justice and equality

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Implements social justice and equality

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	63	6.6	6.6

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Fairly well	2	502	52.3	52.3
Not very well	3	268	27.9	27.9
Not at all	4	49	5.1	5.1
Can't say	5	78	8.1	8.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_8] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Provides diversified quality services

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Provides diversified quality services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	145	15.1	15.1
Fairly well	2	587	61.1	61.1
Not very well	3	155	16.1	16.1
Not at all	4	24	2.5	2.5
Can't say	5	49	5.1	5.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_9] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is the most effective influencing channel for citizens

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is the most effective influencing channel for citizens

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	68	7.1	7.1
Fairly well	2	428	44.6	44.6
Not very well	3	293	30.5	30.5

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Not at all	4	69	7.2	7.2
Can't say	5	102	10.6	10.6
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_10] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is an ineffective and obstinate entity

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is an ineffective and obstinate entity

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	59	6.1	6.1
Fairly well	2	365	38.0	38.0
Not very well	3	325	33.9	33.9
Not at all	4	104	10.8	10.8
Can't say	5	107	11.1	11.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_11] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has to operate under excessive state control

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has to operate under excessive state control

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	117	12.2	12.2
Fairly well	2	465	48.4	48.4
Not very well	3	201	20.9	20.9
Not at all	4	27	2.8	2.8
Can't say	5	150	15.6	15.6
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_12] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Should be privatised as regards several services

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Should be privatised as regards several services

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	76	7.9	7.9
Fairly well	2	390	40.6	40.6
Not very well	3	260	27.1	27.1
Not at all	4	127	13.2	13.2
Can't say	5	107	11.1	11.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_13] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Should be based more on voluntariness, associations and enterprises

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Should be based more on voluntariness, associations and enterprises

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	54	5.6	5.6
Fairly well	2	394	41.0	41.0
Not very well	3	277	28.9	28.9
Not at all	4	127	13.2	13.2
Can't say	5	108	11.3	11.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_14] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is a quasi-democratic decision-making body

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is a quasi-democratic decision-making body

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	82	8.5	8.5
Fairly well	2	432	45.0	45.0
Not very well	3	189	19.7	19.7
Not at all	4	53	5.5	5.5
Can't say	5	204	21.3	21.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_15] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has elevated taxation to an unbearable level

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has elevated taxation to an unbearable level

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	147	15.3	15.3
Fairly well	2	385	40.1	40.1
Not very well	3	299	31.1	31.1
Not at all	4	62	6.5	6.5
Can't say	5	67	7.0	7.0
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_16] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has tumbled into the hands of officials too much and left elected officials without real power

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has tumbled into the hands of officials too much and left elected officials without real power

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	200	20.8	20.8
Fairly well	2	467	48.6	48.6
Not very well	3	158	16.5	16.5
Not at all	4	35	3.6	3.6
Can't say	5	100	10.4	10.4
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_17] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has developed towards a better direction during the last years

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has developed towards a better direction during the last years

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	39	4.1	4.1
Fairly well	2	370	38.5	38.5
Not very well	3	360	37.5	37.5
Not at all	4	76	7.9	7.9
Can't say	5	115	12.0	12.0
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_18] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has lost touch with citizens and their needs

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Has lost touch with citizens and their needs

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	135	14.1	14.1

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Fairly well	2	437	45.5	45.5
Not very well	3	276	28.7	28.7
Not at all	4	44	4.6	4.6
Can't say	5	68	7.1	7.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_19] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Realises the hopes of companies and business life without a will of its own

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Realises the hopes of companies and business life without a will of its own

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	43	4.5	4.5
Fairly well	2	379	39.5	39.5
Not very well	3	309	32.2	32.2
Not at all	4	59	6.1	6.1
Can't say	5	170	17.7	17.7
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_20] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is a system that is behind the times and should be abolished

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is a system that is behind the times and should be abolished

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	38	4.0	4.0

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Fairly well	2	168	17.5	17.5
Not very well	3	328	34.2	34.2
Not at all	4	344	35.8	35.8
Can't say	5	82	8.5	8.5
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_21] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is possible to preserve in its present form, in case there is enough will

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is possible to preserve in its present form, in case there is enough will

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	240	25.0	25.0
Fairly well	2	483	50.3	50.3
Not very well	3	127	13.2	13.2
Not at all	4	24	2.5	2.5
Can't say	5	86	9.0	9.0
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_22] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is the safety net of society, without which many people would be abandoned

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Is the safety net of society, without which many people would be abandoned

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	327	34.1	34.1

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Fairly well	2	458	47.7	47.7
Not very well	3	91	9.5	9.5
Not at all	4	15	1.6	1.6
Can't say	5	69	7.2	7.2
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q4_23] How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Will become much poorer in terms of services in the future

Question

How well does the following statement describe your personal opinion? A Finnish municipality: Will become much poorer in terms of services in the future

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Very well	1	71	7.4	7.4
Fairly well	2	467	48.6	48.6
Not very well	3	236	24.6	24.6
Not at all	4	80	8.3	8.3
Can't say	5	106	11.0	11.0
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q5] Do you work for the municipality?

Question

Do you work for the municipality?

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Yes	1	106	11.0	11.0
No	2	849	88.4	88.4
Can't say	3	5	0.5	0.5
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q6] If parliamentary elections were held now, which party or group would you vote for?

Question

If parliamentary elections were held now, which party or group would you vote for?

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Social Democratic Party of Finland (SDP)	1	185	19.3	20.2
Centre Party of Finland (KESK)	2	121	12.6	13.2
National Coalition Party (KOK)	3	103	10.7	11.2
Left Alliance (VAS)	4	42	4.4	4.6
Swedish People's Party in Finland (RKP)	5	11	1.1	1.2
Green League (VIHR)	6	76	7.9	8.3
Christian League of Finland (SKL)	7	22	2.3	2.4
Progressive Finnish Party (NUOR)	8	18	1.9	2.0
True Finns (PS) (former Finnish Rural Party (SMP))	9	4	0.4	0.4
Liberal Party (LKP)	10	2	0.2	0.2
Womens' Party (NAISP)	11	2	0.2	0.2
Alliance for Free Finland (VSL)	12	1	0.1	0.1
Finnish Pensioners' Party (SEP)	13	2	0.2	0.2
Pensioners for the People (EKA)	14	0	0.0	0.0
Ecological Party (EKO)	15	1	0.1	0.1
Natural Law Party (LLP)	16	2	0.2	0.2
Joint Responsibility Party (YVP)	17	0	0.0	0.0
Communist Worker's Party (KTP)	18	1	0.1	0.1
Some other party or group	19	9	0.9	1.0
Wouldn't vote	20	89	9.3	9.7
Can't say	21	154	16.0	16.8
Don't want to say	22	73	7.6	8.0
System missing (SYSMIS)	.	42	4.4	—
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q7] If parliamentary elections were held now, which party or group would be your SECOND CHOICE (i.e. some other party than in the previous question)?

Question

If parliamentary elections were held now, which party or group would be your SECOND CHOICE (i.e. some other party than in the previous question)?

Frequencies

2. Variables

label	value	n	%	v. %
Social Democratic Party of Finland (SDP)	1	85	8.9	9.3
Centre Party of Finland (KESK)	2	78	8.1	8.5
National Coalition Party (KOK)	3	85	8.9	9.3
Left Alliance (VAS)	4	34	3.5	3.7
Swedish People's Party in Finland (RKP)	5	8	0.8	0.9
Green League (VIHR)	6	71	7.4	7.7
Christian League of Finland (SKL)	7	23	2.4	2.5
Progressive Finnish Party (NUOR)	8	25	2.6	2.7
True Finns (PS) (former Finnish Rural Party (SMP))	9	8	0.8	0.9
Liberal Party (LKP)	10	7	0.7	0.8
Womens' Party (NAISP)	11	5	0.5	0.5
Alliance for Free Finland (VSL)	12	2	0.2	0.2
Finnish Pensioners' Party (SEP)	13	6	0.6	0.7
Pensioners for the People (EKA)	14	1	0.1	0.1
Ecological Party (EKO)	15	2	0.2	0.2
Natural Law Party (LLP)	16	0	0.0	0.0
Joint Responsibility Party (YVP)	17	3	0.3	0.3
Communist Worker's Party (KTP)	18	3	0.3	0.3
Some other party or group	19	12	1.3	1.3
Wouldn't vote	20	123	12.8	13.4
Can't say	21	237	24.7	25.8
Don't want to say	22	100	10.4	10.9
System missing (SYSMIS)	.	42	4.4	—
		960	100.0	100.0

[Q8] Which party or group did you vote for in the parliamentary elections in March 1995?

Question

Which party or group did you vote for in the parliamentary elections in March 1995?

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Social Democratic Party of Finland (SDP)	1	212	22.1	23.1
Centre Party of Finland (KESK)	2	123	12.8	13.4
National Coalition Party (KOK)	3	113	11.8	12.3
Left Alliance (VAS)	4	35	3.6	3.8
Swedish People's Party in Finland (RKP)	5	10	1.0	1.1
Green League (VIHR)	6	58	6.0	6.3
Christian League of Finland (SKL)	7	19	2.0	2.1
Progressive Finnish Party (NUOR)	8	8	0.8	0.9

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label	value	n	%	v. %
True Finns (PS) (former Finnish Rural Party (SMP))	9	6	0.6	0.7
Liberal Party (LKP)	10	2	0.2	0.2
Womens' Party (NAISP)	11	1	0.1	0.1
Alliance for Free Finland (VSL)	12	0	0.0	0.0
Finnish Pensioners' Party (SEP)	13	2	0.2	0.2
Pensioners for the People (EKA)	14	0	0.0	0.0
Ecological Party (EKO)	15	0	0.0	0.0
Natural Law Party (LLP)	16	1	0.1	0.1
Joint Responsibility Party (YVP)	17	0	0.0	0.0
Communist Worker's Party (KTP)	18	0	0.0	0.0
Some other party or group	19	3	0.3	0.3
Didn't vote	20	174	18.1	19.0
Can't say	21	39	4.1	4.2
Don't want to say	22	112	11.7	12.2
System missing (SYSMIS)	.	42	4.4	–
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV1] Respondent's gender**Question***Respondent's gender***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Female	1	498	51.9	51.9
Male	2	462	48.1	48.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV2] Respondent's age**Question***Respondent's age***Descriptive statistics**

statistic	value
number of valid cases	960

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statistic	value
minimum	15.00
maximum	90.00
mean	41.42
standard deviation	16.94

[BV3] Respondent's basic education

Question

Respondent's basic education

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Primary school or less, senior primary school	1	345	35.9	35.9
Grammar school or comprehensive school	2	372	38.8	38.8
Matriculation examination, upper secondary school	3	229	23.9	23.9
Other	4	14	1.5	1.5
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV4] Respondent's vocational education

Question

Respondent's vocational education

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
No vocational education	1	283	29.5	29.5
Vocational course, short vocational training, etc.	2	155	16.1	16.1
Vocational school, technical school, business school, etc.	3	301	31.4	31.4
College level education	4	143	14.9	14.9
University, academic degree	5	65	6.8	6.8
Other	6	13	1.4	1.4
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV5] Within which of the following income brackets does your gross household income fall (total income of all household members before taxes)?

Question

Within which of the following income brackets does your gross household income fall (total income of all household members before taxes)?

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Under 60,000 FIM/year or under 5,000 FIM/month	1	179	18.6	18.6
60,001-90,000 FIM/year or 5,001-7,500 FIM/month	2	140	14.6	14.6
90,001-120,000 FIM/year or 7,501-10,000 FIM/month	3	133	13.9	13.9
120,001-150,000 FIM/year or 10,001-12,500 FIM/month	4	103	10.7	10.7
150,001-180,000 FIM/year or 12,501-15,000 FIM/month	5	95	9.9	9.9
180,001-210,000 FIM/year or 15,001-17,500 FIM/month	6	70	7.3	7.3
210,001-240,000 FIM/year or 17,501-20,000 FIM/month	7	46	4.8	4.8
240,001-270,000 FIM/year or 20,001-22,500 FIM/month	8	32	3.3	3.3
270,001-300,000 FIM/year or 22,501-25,000 FIM/month	9	20	2.1	2.1
Over 300,000 FIM/year or over 25,000 FIM/month	10	19	2.0	2.0
No answer	11	123	12.8	12.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV6_1] Number of persons aged over 16 in the household

Question

Number of persons aged over 16 in the household

Descriptive statistics

statistic	value
number of valid cases	960
minimum	1.00
maximum	7.00

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2. Variables

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statistic	value
mean	1.95
standard deviation	0.80

[BV6_2] Number of persons aged 7-16 in the household

Question

Number of persons aged 7-16 in the household

Descriptive statistics

statistic	value
number of valid cases	960
minimum	0.00
maximum	5.00
mean	0.39
standard deviation	0.78

[BV6_3] Number of persons aged under 7 in the household

Question

Number of persons aged under 7 in the household

Descriptive statistics

statistic	value
number of valid cases	960
minimum	0.00
maximum	4.00
mean	0.29
standard deviation	0.63

[BV6_4] Total number of persons in the household

Question

Total number of persons in the household

Descriptive statistics

statistic	value
number of valid cases	960
minimum	1.00
maximum	13.00
mean	2.68
standard deviation	1.56

[BV7] Respondent's household composition

Question

Respondent's household composition

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Single, living with parents	1	93	9.7	9.7
Single, aged under 35	2	74	7.7	7.7
Single, aged 35 or over	3	145	15.1	15.1
Married/cohabiting, no children	4	142	14.8	14.8
Married/cohabiting, child(ren)	5	330	34.4	34.4
Single parent/adult, living with children	6	65	6.8	6.8
Couple, children do not live at home	7	111	11.6	11.6
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV8_A] Economic activity and occupational status of the household head (the person with the highest income)

Question

Economic activity and occupational status of the household head (the person with the highest income)

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Farmer, agricultural entrepreneur	1	26	2.7	2.7
Other employer, self-employed, own account worker	2	50	5.2	5.2
Higher managerial employee	3	99	10.3	10.3
Lower managerial or professional employee	4	130	13.5	13.5
Worker	5	363	37.8	37.8
Pensioner/retired	6	209	21.8	21.8

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Student/pupil	7	51	5.3	5.3
Other	8	32	3.3	3.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV8_B] (IF RETIRED) Former economic activity and occupational status of the household head (the person with the highest income)

Question

(IF RETIRED) Former economic activity and occupational status of the household head (the person with the highest income)

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Farmer, agricultural entrepreneur	1	26	2.7	12.4
Other employer, self-employed, own account worker	2	10	1.0	4.8
Higher managerial employee	3	20	2.1	9.6
Lower managerial or professional employee	4	22	2.3	10.5
Worker	5	122	12.7	58.4
Pensioner/retired	6	0	0.0	0.0
Student/pupil	7	1	0.1	0.5
Other	8	8	0.8	3.8
System missing (SYSMIS)	.	751	78.2	–
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV8_C] Respondent's economic activity and occupational status (IF RESPONDENT IS THE HOUSEHOLD HEAD, USE THE SAME AS IN a) OR b))

Question

Respondent's economic activity and occupational status (IF RESPONDENT IS THE HOUSEHOLD HEAD, USE THE SAME AS IN a) OR b))

Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Farmer, agricultural entrepreneur	1	17	1.8	1.8

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Other employer, self-employed, own account worker	2	32	3.3	3.3
Higher managerial employee	3	56	5.8	5.8
Lower managerial or professional employee	4	137	14.3	14.3
Worker	5	323	33.6	33.6
Pensioner/retired	6	200	20.8	20.8
Student/pupil	7	132	13.8	13.8
Other	8	63	6.6	6.6
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV9] Respondent's employment status**Question***Respondent's employment status***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Full-time work	1	349	36.4	36.4
Part-time work	2	67	7.0	7.0
Unemployed	3	149	15.5	15.5
Laid-off	4	8	0.8	0.8
Not in the labour market	5	387	40.3	40.3
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV10] Who decides over your household's grocery shopping?**Question***Who decides over your household's grocery shopping?***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Respondent	1	493	51.4	51.4
Other than respondent	2	226	23.5	23.5
Respondent together with someone else	3	241	25.1	25.1
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV11] Type of neighbourhood**Question***Type of neighbourhood***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Capital area	1	107	11.1	11.1
Turku, Tampere	2	57	5.9	5.9
Other city/town	3	429	44.7	44.7
Population centre in a rural area	4	263	27.4	27.4
Sparsely populated rural area	5	104	10.8	10.8
		960	100.0	100.0

[BV12] Respondent's province of residence (according to the pre-1997 classification)**Question***Respondent's province of residence (according to the pre-1997 classification)***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Uusimaa	1	199	20.7	20.7
Turku and Pori	2	135	14.1	14.1
Häme	3	128	13.3	13.3
Kymi	4	78	8.1	8.1
Mikkeli	5	54	5.6	5.6
Kuopio	6	55	5.7	5.7
Central Finland	7	46	4.8	4.8
Vaasa	8	74	7.7	7.7
North Karelia	9	47	4.9	4.9
Oulu	10	93	9.7	9.7
Lapland	11	51	5.3	5.3
		960	100.0	100.0

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Descriptive statistics

statistic	value
number of valid cases	960
minimum	6.00
maximum	915.00
mean	392.37
standard deviation	271.20

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