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Introduction

This codebook describes the *Public Use*-dataset of the AUTNES candidate survey conducted after the national parliamentary election of 29 September 2013. The dataset is based on a written census survey of the 3,946 candidates for the National Council election. Data collection lasted from November 2013 to June 2014. The fieldwork was conducted by a team of researchers at the Department of Government at the University of Vienna. The Principal Investigator of the AUTNES candidate survey 2013 is Univ.-Prof. Dr. Wolfgang C. Müller.

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Resp_ID
> Integer
> Unique Respondent ID

GP25
> 0   not a MP in the 25th legislative period
> 1   MP in the 25th legislative period

A) Political Background and Activities

A1. For which party did you run in this election?

A1
> 1   SPO
> 2   OVP
> 3   FPO
> 4   BZO
> 5   GRÜNE
> 6   KPO
> 7   NEOS
> 8   PIRAT
> 9   FRANK
> 10   CPO
> 11   WANDL
> 12   EUAUS
> 13   M
> 14   SLP
> .a   *not codable*
> .b   *not answered*

A2. In which year did you join this party?

A2
> NUMERICAL {*Jahr*}
> .a   *not codable*
> .b   *not answered*

A3. Have you ever been a member of another party?

A3_1
> 0   no
> 1   yes
> .a   *not codable*
> .b   *not answered*

A3_2_1   member of another party, first mention
A3_2_2   member of another party, first mention
A3_2_3   member of another party, first mention
> 1   SPO

2	OVP
3	FPO
4	BZO
5	GRUNE
6	KPO
7	NEOS
8	PIRAT
9	FRANK
10	CPO
11	WANDL
12	EUAUS
13	M
14	SLP
15	LiF/JuLis
16	ALO – Alternative List Austria
17	VGO – United Greens Austria
18	For Innsbruck
19	RETTO – Save Austria
20	VDU – Federation of Independents
21	FDP (Germany)
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

A4. Do you have a personal cause to be active in politics?

A4_1

0	no
1	yes
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*
.c	*corrected* **A4_2**
	STRING {*If yes, personal cause(s)*}
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

A4_2

	STRING {*personal cause*}
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

A5. How important were the following reasons for your personal decision to run for your party in this election?

A5_a	to win a mandate
A5_b	to take a step forward in my political career
A5_c	to show loyalty with my party
A5_d	to support a real political alternative

A5_...

0	not at all important
1	not very important
2	fairly important
3	very important
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

A6. Do you or did you ever hold one of the following positions?

A6_a   local party office
A6_b   regional party office (on the 'Land' level)
A6_c   national party office
A6_d   mayor
A6_e   member of a local assembly
A6_f   member of a regional assembly/parliament (on the 'Land' level)
A6_g   member of the regional government (on the 'Land' level)
A6_h   political office at the European level
A6_i   employee in a state or federal MP's or minister's office
A6_j   employee of my party

A6_...
   0   no, never
   1   yes, previously
   2   yes, currently
   .a   *not codable*
   .b   *not answered*

A7. Are you a member of any of the organisations or associations listed below?
How often did you meet during the past 12 months?

A7_a_1   labour union {*Meetings*}
A7_a_2   labour union {*Member*}
A7_b_1   Chamber of Labour {*Meetings*}
A7_b_2   Chamber of Labour {*Member*}
A7_c_1   Chamber of Agriculture {*Meetings*}
A7_c_2   Chamber of Agriculture {*Member*}
A7_d_1   Austrian Federal Economic Chamber {*Meetings*}
A7_d_2   Austrian Federal Economic Chamber {*Member*}
A7_e_1   another chamber (or association) {*Meetings*}
A7_e_2   another chamber (or association) {*Member*}
A7_f_1   Federation of Austrian Industries {*Meetings*}
A7_f_2   Federation of Austrian Industries {*Member*}
A7_g_1   interest group, NGO {*Meetings*}
A7_g_2   interest group, NGO {*Member*}
A7_h_1   citizen action group {*Meetings*}
A7_h_2   citizen action group {*Member*}
A7_i_1   voluntary aid organisation {*Meetings*}
A7_i_2   voluntary aid organisation {*Member*}
A7_j_1   cultural organisation {*Meetings*}
A7_j_2   cultural organisation {*Member*}
A7_k_1   religious organisation {*Meetings*}
A7_k_2   religious organisation {*Member*}
A7_l_1   sports club {*Meetings*}
A7_l_2   sports club {*Member*}
A7_m_1   another organisation/association {*Meetings*}
A7_m_2   another organisation/association {*Member*}

A7_..._1   {*Meetings*}
   0   never
   1   once or twice a year
   2   every 3 months
   3   once a month
   4   once a week

.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*

A7_…_2   *{Member}*

0   Member: no
1   Member: yes
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*

A8. When there is no electoral campaign, about how much time do you devote to the following party activities in an average week?

a. internal party activities (meetings, events, discussions, etc.)

A8_a_1

NUMERICAL {Hours per week}
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*
.c   *corrected*

A8_a_2

0   (do it)
1   don't do it
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*
.c   *corrected*

b. party events and activities open to a broader public

A8_b_1

NUMERICAL {Hours per week}
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*
.c   *corrected***A8_b_2**
0   (do it)
1   don't do it
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*

A8_b_2

0   (do it)
1   don't do it
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*
.c   *corrected*

B) Campaigning

B1. What was the primary aim of your campaign? Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means 'to attract as much attention as possible for me as a candidate' and 10 means 'to attract as much as possible attention for my party'?

B1

0	to attract as much attention as possible for me as a candidate
1	.
2	.
3	.
4	.
5	.
6	.
7	.
8	.
9	.
10	to attract as much attention as possible for my party
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

B2. About how much time did you devote to campaigning during the last four weeks before the election?

B2_1		NUMERICAL {*Hours per week*}
	.a	*not codable*
	.b	*not answered*
B2_2	0	(campaigning)
	1	no campaigning
	.a	*not codable*
	.b	*not answered*

B3. During this last weeks of the campaign, about how many hours per week did you spend on the following campaign activities?

B3_a_1	party-internal co-ordination of the campaign {*Hours per week*}
B3_a_2	party-internal co-ordination of the campaign {*(not) done*}
B3_b_1	door-knocking, canvassing {*Hours per week*}
B3_b_2	door-knocking, canvassing {*(not) done*}
B3_c_1	calling up voters on the phone {*Hours per week*}
B3_c_2	calling up voters on the phone {*(not) done*}
B3_d_1	direct mailing {*Hours per week*}
B3_d_2	direct mailing {*(not) done*}
B3_e_1	public debates with competing candidates {*Hours per week*}
B3_e_2	public debates with competing candidates {*(not) done*}
B3_f_1	providing information and communication via the internet {*Hours per week*}
B3_f_2	providing information and communication via the internet {*(not) done*}
B3_g_1	meeting local party members {*Hours per week*}
B3_g_2	meeting local party members {*(not) done*}
B3_h_1	meeting regional party officials {*Hours per week*}
B3_h_2	meeting regional party officials {*(not) done*}
B3_i_1	meeting national party officials {*Hours per week*}
B3_i_2	meeting national party officials {*(not) done*}

B3_j_1 visiting business, sports or cultural events in my constituency {*Hours per week*}
B3_j_2 visiting business, sports or cultural events in my constituency {*(not) done*}
B3_k_1 visiting companies in my constituency {*Hours per week*}
B3_k_2 visiting companies in my constituency {*(not) done*}
B3_l_1 visiting assoc., citizen action groups or NGOs in my constituency {*Hours per week*}
B3_l_2 visiting assoc., citizen action groups or NGOs in my constituency {*(not) done*}
B3_m_1 organising and joining rallies in my constituency {*Hours per week*}
B3_m_2 organising and joining rallies in my constituency {*(not) done*}
B3_n_1 press, radio and television interviews {*Hours per week*}
B3_n_2 press, radio and television interviews {*(not) done*}
B3_o_1 Other: _____ {*Hours per week*}
B3_o_2 Other: _____ {*(not) done*}
B3_o_3 Other: _____ {*String*}

B3_…_1

NUMERICAL {*Hours per week*}
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*
.c   *corrected*

B3_…_2

0   done
1   not done
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*
.c   *corrected*

B4. In your effort to attract voters in your constituency, did you follow the same strategy over the entire campaign or did you adapt it in the course of the campaign?

B4_1

0   I followed the same strategy over the entire campaign
1   I adapted the strategy in the course of the campaign
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*
.c   *corrected*

If you adapted your strategy, for what reason? (Tick all that apply!)

B4_2_a current events
B4_2_b feedback from voters
B4_2_c campaign(s) of political competitors
B4_2_d on request from my party

B4_2_...

0   no
1   yes
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*
.c   *corrected*

B5. During the campaign, can you remember any important problems or events in your constituency that influenced opinions of voters?

B5_1

    0   no
    1   yes
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*
    .c   *corrected*

B5_2   STRING {*Problems / Events*}

    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B6. How important were the following communication means in your campaign?

B6_a_1   door-knocking, canvassing {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_a_2   door-knocking, canvassing {*(not) used*}
B6_b_1   personal campaign posters {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_b_2   personal campaign posters {*(not) used*}
B6_c_1   personal ads in the local press {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_c_2   personal ads in the local press {*(not) used*}
B6_d_1   office hours {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_d_2   office hours {*(not) used*}
B6_e_1   social gatherings {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_e_2   social gatherings {*(not) used*}
B6_f_1   personal flyers {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_f_2   personal flyers {*(not) used*}
B6_g_1   radio or television appearances/interviews {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_g_2   radio or television appearances/interviews {*(not) used*}
B6_h_1   radio, television and movie ads {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_h_2   radio, television and movie ads {*(not) used*}
B6_i_1   sending of electr. short messages (SMS/MMS) {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_i_2   sending of electr. short messages (SMS/MMS) {*(not) used*}
B6_j_1   internet: personal website, blog, Youtube {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_j_2   internet: personal website, blog, Youtube {*(not) used*}
B6_k_1   internet: e-mail, mailing lists {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_k_2   internet: e-mail, mailing lists {*(not) used*}
B6_l_1   internet: social media (Facebook, Twitter, ...) {*not at all important … very important*}
B6_l_2   internet: social media (Facebook, Twitter, ...) {*(not) used*}

B6_..._1

    0   not at all important
    1   not very important
    2   fairly important
    3   very important
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*
    .c   *corrected*

B6_..._2

    0   used
    1   not used
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*
    .c   *corrected*

B7. Did your personal campaign produce any other campaign materials that were not provided by your party?

B7_1
- 0 no
- 1 yes
- *.a   not codable*
- *.b   not answered*
- *.c   corrected*

B7_2   STRING {*campaign materials*}
- *.a   not codable*
- *.b   not answered*

B8. How strongly did you emphasize each of the following in your campaign?

- **B8_a**   my party's manifesto
- **B8_b**   one particular issue in my party's manifesto
- **B8_c**   my party's record
- **B8_d**   the top candidate of my party
- **B8_e**   other members of my party
- **B8_f**   the economic well-being of my constituency
- **B8_g**   social cohesion and solidarity in my constituency
- **B8_h**   demands of the voters in my constituency
- **B8_i**   my openness to the voters of my constituency
- **B8_j**   my own local or regional background
- **B8_k**   my own political experience

B8_...
- 0 not at all
- 1 a little
- 2 fairly
- 3 very much
- *.a   not codable*
- *.b   not answered*

B9. How often did you comment on other parties in your campaign?

- **B9_a**   on other parties' manifestos
- **B9_b**   on the records of other parties
- **B9_c**   on top candidates of other parties
- **B9_d**   on other members/candidates of other parties
- **B9_e**   on potential coalitions after the election

B9_...
- 0 never
- 1 rarely
- 2 sometimes
- 3 often
- *.a   not codable*
- *.b   not answered*

B10. In your constituency, to what extent does your party compete with the following other parties for the same voters?

  B10_SPOE   competition with… SPÖ
  B10_OEVP   competition with… ÖVP
  B10_FPOE   competition with… FPÖ
  B10_BZOE   competition with… BZÖ
  B10_GRUENE competition with… GRÜNE
  B10_NEOS   competition with… NEOS
  B10_FRANK   competition with… FRANK

  B10_...
    0 not at all
    1 a little
    2 fairly
    3 very much
    .a *not codable*
    .b *not answered*
    .c *corrected*

B11. How strongly was your recent nomination as a candidate in your party contested …

  B11_a_1 for the federal list {*degree of contest*}
  B11_a_2 for the federal list {*(no) candidacy*}
  B11_b_1 for the 'Land' list {*degree of contest*}
  B11_b_2 for the 'Land' list {*(no) candidacy*}
  B11_c_1 for your electoral district {*degree of contest*}
  B11_c_2 for your electoral district {*(no) candidacy*}

  B11_..._1
    0 not at all
    1 a little
    2 fairly
    3 very
    .a *not codable*
    .b *not answered*
    .c *corrected*

  B11_..._2
    0 (candidacy)
    1 no candidacy
    .a *not codable*
    .b *not answered*
    .c *corrected*

B12. About how many people in your electoral district worked for your party's campaign?

  B12_1
    0 .
    1 I do not know
    .a *not codable*
    .b *not answered*

B12_2 NUMERICAL {*number of people*}
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B13. Did you have your own personal campaign team?

B13_1
    0   no
    1   yes
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*
    .c   *corrected*

B13_2 NUMERICAL {*number of people*}
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B14. Did you or your party use any professional political consulting for the campaign in your electoral district?

B14_a   Myself
B14_b   My party

B14_...
    0   no
    1   yes
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B15. Did you have your own personal campaign funds?

B15_1
    0   no
    1   yes
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B15_1
    0   no
    1   yes
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*
    .c   *corrected*

B15_2 NUMERICAL {*personal campaign funds in Euro*}
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B15_3_a proportion from party funds {*per cent*}
B15_3_b proportion from donations {*per cent*}
B15_3_c proportion from private funds {*per cent*}

B15_3_... NUMERICAL {*proportion in per cent*}
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B16. To what extent did you coordinate your campaign with … ?

B16_a   your national party organization?
B16_b   your regional party organization?
B16_c   the party organization in your district?
B16_d   your local party organization?
B16_e   other organizations within your party?
B16_f   other candidates of your party?

B16_...
    0   not at all
    1   a little
    2   fairly
    3   very much
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B17. Did you raise any issues during your campaign that were specific to your constituency and that were not raised by the national or regional party?

B17_1
    0   no
    1   yes
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*
    .c   *corrected*

B17_2   STRING {*issue(s) during the campaign*}
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B18. Did members of the central party leadership visit your constituency during the campaign?

B18
    0   no
    1   yes, once
    2   yes, more than once
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B19. What was the aim of your personal campaign?

B19
    1   to win as many preferential votes as possible for myself
    2   to win as many preferential votes as possible for another candidate
    3   to win as many votes for my party as possible
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

B20. In the days prior to the election, how did you evaluate your chances to win a mandate?

B20

0	no chance at all
1	low chances
2	open race
3	high chances
4	safe seat
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

B21. How do you evaluate the previous campaign? Was it …

B21_a	fair
B21_b	aggressive
B21_c	boring

B21_...

0	not at all
1	a little
2	fairly
3	very
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

B22. Did you mention your party's top candidate in your campaign?

B22_1

0	no
1	yes
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*
.c	*corrected*

If yes, how much did you emphasize the following personal characteristics of your party's top candidate?

B22_2_a	competence
B22_2_b	honesty
B22_2_c	assertiveness
B22_2_d	charisma

B22_2_...

0	not at all
1	a little
2	fairly
3	very much
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

B23. How did the following factors contribute to the election result of your party?

B23_a	government's work in the previous legislative period
B23_b	my party's issue positions

B23_c   choice of issues during the campaign
B23_d   campaign management of the party
B23_e   top candidate of the party
B23_f   dedication and work of party officials and party members
B23_g   my party's ability and competence to govern
B23_h   my party's statements concerning potential coalitions
B23_i   other parties' statements concerning potential coalitions
B23_j   media coverage about the party
B23_k   TV debates between the top candidates
B23_l   scandals, trials
B23_m   the election result in Germany

B23_...

0   very harmful
1   fairly harmful
2   partly beneficial, partly harmful
3   fairly beneficial
4   very beneficial
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*

B24. Prior to every election campaign, parties publish an election manifesto with specific suggestions for the following legislative period. Did you read your party's manifesto?

B24

1   I carefully read the entire manifesto
2   I carefully read parts and glanced over the remainder
3   I skimmed through the manifesto
4   I did not read the manifesto
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*

B25. Regardless if you read the manifesto or not, please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements on your party's manifesto.

B25_a   The election manifesto is an important source of information for candidates on the positions of my party.
B25_b   The election manifesto is well suited to be distributed directly to the voters.
B25_c   Publishing the election manifesto is an obligatory act but not particularly useful for the campaign.
B25_d   The election manifesto is a summary of valid party positions, from which candidates must not deviate.
B25_e   The election manifesto is just one of many sources of political statements of my party during the campaign and has no particular significance.
B25_f   The election manifesto of my party did not contain much information on topics that were important during the campaign.

B25_...

0   completely disagree
1   somewhat disagree
2   partly agree, partly disagree
3   somewhat agree
4   completely agree
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*

B26. There are different opinions regarding the ideal election manifesto. Should it rather be …

B26
- 1   short and concise and limited to just some important topics
- 2   an extensive summary of party positions
- *.a*   *not codable*
- *.b*   *not answered*

B27. In order to comment on the other parties' positions in the campaign, ...

B27_a	I have read their manifestos
B27_b	I have read summaries and argumentation aids of my party
B27_c	I attended to other sources of information
B27_d	I did not comment on the positions of other parties

B27_...
- 0   no
- 1   yes
- *.a*   *not codable*
- *.b*   *not answered*

C) Issues and Policies

C1. In your opinion, what are the three most important political problems facing Austria today?

C1_1	The most important problem
C1_2	The second most important problem
C1_3	The third most important problem

C1_...   STRING {*problem*}
- *.a*   *not codable*
- *.b*   *not answered*

C2. How much did you emphasize the following policies and topics during your campaign?

C2_a	economy, economic policy	{Beware of typo in questionnaire: "C2_d"}
C2_b	labour market, unemployment	
C2_c	national budget, national debt	
C2_d	taxes	
C2_e	EU, European policy in general	
C2_f	monetary union and EURO	
C2_g	social policy (incl. families)	
C2_h	public health, health care	
C2_i	pensions, retirement provisions	
C2_j	immigrants, immigration, asylum	
C2_k	schools, education	
C2_l	universities, higher education	
C2_m	marriage/divorce law, civil unions, partnerships	
C2_n	women's rights	
C2_o	environmental policy	
C2_p	energy policy	

C2_q	transport, infrastructure
C2_r	law enforcement by police/courts
C2_s	national defence, military reform
C2_t	neutrality (of Austria)
C2_u	potential coalitions, government policies
C2_v	corruption, mismanagement
C2_w	youth policies
C2_x	housing policies
C2_y	consumer protection

C2_...

0	not at all
1	a little
2	fairly
3	very much
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

C3. People hold different views on political issues. What do you think of the following?

C3_a	Politics should keep out of the economy.
C3_b	The national debt must not increase, even if state benefits have to be reduced.
C3_c	Politics should balance differences between large and small incomes.
C3_d	Unemployment needs to be fought, even at the expense of high national debt.
C3_e	Taxes should be lowered, even at the expense of social security and benefits.
C3_f	The state should not hold ownership of business companies.
C3_g	Austria's cultural life is enriched by immigrants.
C3_h	Immigration to Austria should be more constrained.
C3_i	Adequate German language skills should be a prerequisite for immigration.
C3_j	Austria should take a tough stance on admission of asylum seekers.
C3_k	Immigration from Islamic countries is a danger to the value systems in Austria.
C3_l	We need stronger measures to protect the environment, even if life becomes expensive for everyone.
C3_m	In a nursery small children are taken care of just as well as they are by their parents or grandparents.
C3_n	After primary school there should be a comprehensive school for all children until the age of 14.
C3_o	All students should be required to pay tuition fees.
C3_p	In case of equal qualification women should be favoured at a job application.
C3_q	Women should be free to decide on matters of abortion.
C3_r	Same-sex union should grant the same rights as marriage between a man and a woman.
C3_s	Authorities and capacities of policy should be expanded to enhance crime prevention and law enforcement.
C3_t	Criminals need to be punished severely.

C3_...

0	completely disagree
1	somewhat disagree
2	partly agree, partly disagree
3	somewhat agree
4	completely agree
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

C4. In your opinion, has the situation of Austrians and immigrants living together in the last three years …

C4

0	gotten a lot worse
1	gotten a little worse
2	stayed the same
3	gotten a little better
4	gotten a lot better
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

C5. In proportional representation systems most of the time a coalition is needed to form a government. Which of the following parties would you favour as a coalition partner, independent of whether such a coalition would be supported by a parliamentary majority?

C5_SPOE	SPÖ as a preferred coalition partner
C5_OEVP	ÖVP as a preferred coalition partner
C5_FPOE	FPÖ as a preferred coalition parnter
C5_GRUENE	GRÜNE as a preferred coalition partner
C5_NEOS	NEOS as a preferred coalition partner
C5_FRANK	FRANK as a preferred coalition partner

C5_...	0	no
	1	yes
	.a	*not codable*
	.b	*not answered*

C6. In politics people often talk of 'left' and 'right'. Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means 'left' and 10 'right'?

C6

0	left
1	.
2	.
3	.
4	.
5	.
6	.
7	.
8	.
9	.
10	right
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

C7. Using the same scale, where would you place Austria's parties?

C7_SPOE	left/right-position of … SPÖ
C7_OEVP	left/right-position of … ÖVP
C7_FPOE	left/right-position of … FPÖ
C7_BZOE	left/right-position of … BZÖ
C7_GRUENE	left/right-position of … GRÜNE
C7_NEOS	left/right-position of … NEOS
C7_FRANK	left/right-position of … FRANK

C7_...

     0   left
     1   .
     2   .
     3   .
     4   .
     5   .
     6   .
     7   .
     8   .
     9   .
    10   right
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

C8. Using the same scale, where would you place your party's typical voter in your constituency in the last election?

C8

     0   left
     1   .
     2   .
     3   .
     4   .
     5   .
     6   .
     7   .
     8   .
     9   .
    10   right
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

C9. Generally speaking, do you think that Austria's membership of the European Union is a good thing, a bad thing, or neither good nor bad?

C9

     0   a bad thing
     1   neither good nor bad
     2   a good thing
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

C10. In your opinion, should Austria remain a member of the EU or should it withdraw from the EU?

C10

     0   withdraw from the EU
     1   withdraw under certain circumstances
     2   remain a member
    .a   *not codable*
    .b   *not answered*

C11. Some say European unification should be pushed further. Others say it already has gone too far. What is …

C11_a   your personal opinion
C11_b   the position of your party
C11_c   the position of your party's typical voter in your constituency in the last election?

C11_...

0   has already gone too far
1   .
2   .
3   .
4   .
5   .
6   .
7   .
8   .
9   .
10   should be pushed further
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*

C12. Similar to national governments, should there be a European economic/financial government with broad authorities and competences in essential economic matters?

C12

0   no
1   rather no
2   rather yes
3   yes
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*

C13. All in all, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in the European Union?

C13

0   not at all satisfied
1   not very satisfied
2   fairly satisfied
3   very satisfied
.a   *not codable*
.b   *not answered*

C14. Which of the following countries should become members of the EU in the future?

C14_a   none
C14_b   Albania
C14_c   Iceland
C14_d   Montenegro
C14_e   Serbia
C14_f   Turkey
C14_g_1 Other country/-ies {yes*/no*}

C14_...

    0   no
    1   yes
   .a   not codable
   .b   not answered

C14_g_2

    STRING {*Other country/-ies*}
   .a   not codable
   .b   not answered

C14_g_c… and C14_g_COUNTRY   Recoding of C14_g_2, GEONOM 2010

001	France (incl. Monaco)
004	Germany
005	Italy
006	United Kingdom (incl. Brit. Channel Islands)
011	Spain
017	Belgium
024	Iceland
028	Norway
037	Liechtenstein
038	Austria
039	Switzerland
041	Faroe Islands
043	Andorra
044	Gibraltar
045	Holy See (Vatican City State)
047	San Marino
048	Yugoslavia
052	Turkey
056	former Soviet Union
060	Poland
061	Czech Republic
063	Slovakia
064	Hungary
066	Romania
070	Albania
072	Ukraine
073	Belarus
074	Moldova, Republic of
075	Russian Federation
076	Georgia
077	Armenia
078	Azerbaijan
079	Kazakhstan
080	Turkmenistan
081	Uzbekistan
082	Tajikistan
083	Kyrgyz, Republic
092	Croatia
093	Bosnia and Herzegovina
095	Kosovo
096	Macedonia, Former Yugoslaw Republic of
097	Montenegro

098	Serbia
204	Morocco
264	Sierra Leone
388	South Africa
400	United States of America
406	Greenland
508	Brazil
608	Syrian Arab Republic
616	Iran
624	Israel
680	Thailand
690	Viet-Nam
720	China
732	Japan
800	Australia
822	French Polynesia
1051	Mediterranean basin countries
1120	Western Balkan Countries
5190	European countries
5210	North Africa
5300	Americas (North, Central and South America)
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

D) Democracy and Representation

D1. On the whole, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in Austria?

D1

0	not at all satisfied
1	not very satisfied
2	fairly satisfied
3	very satisfied
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

D2. How well does the National Council as a whole represent the views of Austrian voters?

D2

0	very poorly
1	rather poorly
2	rather well
3	very well
.a	*not codable*
.b	*not answered*

D3. In case of a conflict between the interests of single provinces or the interests of Austria as a whole, should members of parliament represent the interests of …

D3

1	their own province

2　Austria as a whole
　　.a　*not codable*
　　.b　*not answered*

D4. In case of a conflict between the interests of the electorate as a whole and the interests of a party's voters, should members of parliament represent the interests of …

D4
　　1　the electorate as a whole
　　2　the party's voters
　　.a　*not codable*
　　.b　*not answered*

D5. How should a Member of Parliament vote in parliament in the following situations?

D5_a　If the voters in his/her constituency have one opinion and his/her party takes a different position?

　　1　MP should vote according to his/her voters opinion
　　2　MP should vote according to his/her party's opinion
　　.a　*not codable*
　　.b　*not answered*

D5_b　If his/her own opinion on an issue does not correspond with the opinion of the voters in his/her constituency?

　　1　MP should vote according to the opinion of voters in his/her constituency
　　2　MP should vote according to his/her own opinion
　　.a　*not codable*
　　.b　*not answered*

D5_c　If his/her own opinion on an issue does not correspond with his/her party's opinion?

　　1　MP should vote according to his/her own opinion
　　2　MP should vote according to his/her party's opinion
　　.a　*not codable*
　　.b　*not answered*

D6. Regarding the performance of the national government in the last legislative term: Did they do …

D6
　　0　a very bad job
　　1　a fairly bad job
　　2　a fairly good job
　　3　a very good job
　　.a　*not codable*
　　.b　*not answered*

D7. Recently, demands for electoral reform in Austria have been raised. In your opinion, what is the most important function of an electoral system?

D7
　　1　to adequately represent the opinions and preferences of voters in parliament

2 to facilitate the formation of a stable majority government without delay
.a *not codable*
.b *not answered*

D8. Are you in favour or against a majority voting system in Austria?

D8

0 against majority voting system
1 undecided
2 in favour of majority voting system
.a *not codable*
.b *not answered*

D9. Regardless if you are in favour of a majority voting system or not, which of the following systems do you prefer?

D9_1

1 First-past-the-post voting in single member districts (as in the U.K.)
2 Two-round/second ballot system (as in France)
3 majority 'bonus' for the party with the most votes at the federal level
4 another system
.a *not codable*
.b *not answered*

D9_2 Another system
-2 not answered
1 no idea
2 unclear
3 like Germany
4 Swiss Model
5 direct democracy Switzerland
6 direct democrac
7 minority friendly
8 combined system
9 proportional representation
10 personalized election
11 council of experts
12 STV/like Ireland
13 Winner takes it all/USA/direct election of repr.
14 no majority vote
15 100 political representatives, 50 independent representatives
16 never an absolute majority for one party
17 Liquid Feedback
.a *not codable*
.b *not answered*

D10. The 4 percent threshold required for entering the National Council should be …

D10

1 abolished
2 lowered
3 maintained
4 raised

.a   not codable
.b   not answered

E) You and your background

E1. I am …

E1

    0   male
    1   female
    .a   not codable
    .b   not answered