

**Germany
ISSP 2017 –
Social Networks and Social Resources
Study Description**

ISSP Study Description Form

Study title: ISSP 2017 Soziale Netzwerke und Soziale Unterstützung
Fieldwork dates: Start: 2018-04-09
End: 2018-09-26
Principal investigators: Prof. Dr. Christof Wolf, *GESIS Leibniz-Institut für Sozialwissenschaften*
Sample type: Two stage random sample. Names and addresses from registers of inhabitants kept by municipalities. Adults of 18 and older living in private accommodation.
Fieldwork institute: Kantar TNS (Germany)
Fieldwork methods: Self-completion questionnaire (CASI), interviewer in attendance. Background variables were asked face-to-face (CAPI).
N. of respondents: number of respondents in the final ISSP file: 1701

		East	West	Total
<i>Details about issued sample:</i> Please follow the standards laid down in AAPOR Standard Definitions: http://www.aapor.org/AAPOR_Main/media/publications/Standard-Definitions20169theditionfinal.pdf The numbers in the parentheses are those used in Tables 2 and 3 of Standard Definitions.	1. Total number of starting or issued names/addresses (gross sample size) *	1810	3941	5751
	2. Interviews (1.0)	543	1158	1701
	3. Eligible, Non-Interview			
	A. Refusal/Break-off (2.10)	850	1846	2696
	B. Non-Contact (2.20)	188	382	570
	C. Other			
	i. Language Problems (2.33)	24	135	159
	ii. Miscellaneous Other (2.31, 2.32, 2.35)	111	156	267
	4. Unknown Eligibility, Non-Interview (3.0)	7	19	26
	5. Not Eligible			
	A. Not a Residence (4.50)	16	40	56
	B. Vacant Residence (4.60)	71	205	276
	C. No Eligible Respondent (4.70)			
	D. Other (4.10,4.90)			

* When new sample units are added during the field period via a new dwelling units list or other standard updating procedure, these additional issued units are added to the starting number of units to make up the total gross sample size. Also, when substitution is used, the total must include the originally drawn cases plus all substitute cases.

Language(s): German
Weight present: Data-set not weighted; weighting factor stored in weight variable.
Weighting procedure: Sample for Eastern Germany deliberately over-samples the five Eastern federal states. If all of Germany is taken as the unit of analysis (rather than the Eastern and Western states) weighting is necessary.
Weighting factor for Western Germany: 1.21803499**;
weighting factor for Eastern Germany: 0.5350193**;
recoding of the country variable is necessary
** Own calculation based on data of Microcensus 2017; figures provided by the German Federal Statistical Office.
Known systematic properties of sample: none
Deviations from ISSP questionnaire: none
Publications: ISSP 2017 Methods Report on the German Study (forthcoming)
For further information see ISSP bibliography on the ISSP homepage (<http://www.issp.org/biblio.htm>)