

Missing Values

Coding of missing values in "Adolescents longitudinal", "Young adults longitudinal", "Children longitudinal" and "Cross-sectional 1991/1996"

Value	Application	Meaning	Example	Exceptions
0	When 0 is already assigned	Missings as a result of an explicit filter or a filter with regard to content (not applicable)	As male adolescents were not asked about the age of menarche, they receive 0 for "not applicable"	Multiple responses and those cases, where according to the questionnaire the 0 is an alternative reponse.
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7	Not applicable by multiple responses	Missing data in an available data set. By derived variables: Indication that the variable label is not calculated.	Reponse for the interviewee does not apply	This code is by multiple response not there because it is not distinguishable, whether an option is not indicated, because it is not applicable for the interviewee, or whether it is not indicated, because the interviewee has neglected to mark it. Example: There are diverse sources of capital. The existence of each one is coded with 1 and the "have-not-been-marked" with 0; even though primarily it is not known if this source of capital does not exist or if the interviewee has omitted the indication.
-77	By adjusted variables	Possibly utilisable inconsistencies	Adjusted variables (by Children longitudinal) are indicated by additional letters at the end of the variable, e.g. "u" for recode, "k" or "d" for adjusted.	
-88		Not utilisable inconsistencies		
8	By multiple variables	Missing values as a result of complete missing data sets	If an adolescent has not participated in the 2nd wave, all variables have the digit 8 at the end.	
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Coding in questionnaire	Allowed response to an asked question	"Not applicable" (not abbreviated form)		