

DATA STRUCTURE

DATA ACCESS The GESIS Panel offers **two modes** of access:

1. ZA5664: GESIS Panel – Extended Edition
2. ZA5665: GESIS Panel – Standard Edition

On-site access at the **Secure Data Center** at GESIS Mannheim or Cologne

Off-site access via **download**

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How-to get access: [GESIS Panel Data Access](#)

How-to cite: (Example)

DATA PACKAGE The GESIS Panel Standard Edition contains:

1) DOCUMENTATION



2) DATA SETS The GESIS Panel consists of **three cohorts: 2013, 2016 and 2018.**

COHORT SPECIFIC DATA SETS



The GESIS Panel provides **DATA SETS** for each cohort structured by **cohort** and the respective **waves** per year,

- 1) e.g., ZA5665_a1_da-df_v31-0-0.dta 2) e.g., ZA5665_d1_fa-ff_v31-0-0.dta

MISSING VALUE SCHEME

| Value | Value label | Remark |
|-------|-------------------|---|
| -11 | Not invited | Panel members who were not part of the panel at the time of the survey |
| -22 | Not in panel | not willing to join the panel after recruitment interview or actively signing off |
| -33 | Unit nonresponse | invited but not participating in corresponding wave |
| -44 | Missing by m.o.p. | mode of participation (m.o.p.): online or offline |
| -55 | Technical error | e.g., questionnaire programming error |
| -66 | Missing by design | experimental variation |
| -77 | Not reached | only in online mode: panelist has not seen the item due to break-off |
| -88 | Missing by filter | filtered item |
| -99 | Item nonresponse | due to nonresponse by the respondent |
| -111 | Ambiguous answer | ambiguous answers in offline questionnaire |

NAMING CONVENTIONS

VARIABLE NAMING Each variable is named according to:

| Position | 1 | 2 | 3+4 | 5-7 | 8 |
|------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Characters | [a-y] | [a-d/f] | [aa-zz] | [001-999] | [a-z] |
| Meaning | [Year] | [Wave] | [Study] | [Variable Number] | [Modifications] |

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NAMING OF WAVES Every two/three months (2013-2020/since 2021), the GESIS Panel conducts one survey, which results in six/four waves per year:

| Survey year | Character | Character | Wave until | Wave since |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| 2013 | a | | 2020 | 2021 |
| 2014 | b | 1 a | Feb.-March | Feb.-Apr. |
| ... | ... | 2 b | Apr.-May | May-July |
| 2019 | g | 3 c | June-July | Aug.-Oct. |
| 2020 | h | 4 d | Aug.-Sept. | Nov.-Jan. |
| 2021 | i | 5 e | Oct.-Nov. | - |
| 2022 | j | 6 f | Dec.-Jan | - |

OVERVIEW CHART of the four cohorts and the individual waves of the GESIS Panel



STUDIES

CORE STUDIES Core studies are collected once a year on a specific topic:

| Wave (2013-2020) | Wave (since 2021) | Core Study Topic | Study |
|------------------|-------------------|--|-------|
| a | a | Subjective Well-Being | zb |
| b | a | Political and Social Participation | zc |
| c | b | Environmental Attitudes and Behavior | zd |
| d | b | Personality and Personal Values | ze |
| e | c | Media Usage | zf |
| e | c | Work and Leisure | zg |
| f | d | Socio-Demographic Update | zh |
| f | d | Panel survey participation evaluation, survey mode preferences | zi |
| c | c | Attitude towards refugees scale | zj |
| d | d | Religion | zt |