



RECONCILIATION BETWEEN WORK AND FAMILY LIFE

**Labour Force Survey – Ad hoc module 2005
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Questionnaire

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1. Questionnaire

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Filter	If person aged 15-64 → V0 Else → END		
V0	Are you willing to take part in this survey?		
	Yes	1	→ V1
	No	2	→ End
V1	Do you regularly take care of ill, disabled or elderly relatives or friends aged 15 or more in need of care ?		
	Yes	1	
	No	2	→ V5
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ V5
	No answer	9	→ V5
V2	Would you wish to change the organisation of your working life and your care responsibilities ?		
	Yes, wish to work and work more resp. and as a consequence to reduce caring time	2	
	Yes, wish to work less to have more time for caring	3	→ V5
	No	1	→ V5
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ V5
	No answer	9	→ V5
V3	What is the main reason for not working (more) linked to the lack or the unsuitability of care services/paid carers for ill, disabled, elderly adults? Is it mainly ... (if impossible to choose the main reason, code in the order of the list)		
	Lack of care services/paid carers	1	
	No care services/paid carers in the needed times	2	
	Care services/paid carers are too expensive	3	→ V5
	Available care services/paid carers are not of sufficient quality	4	→ V5
	Other (main) reason	5	→ V5
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ V5
	Blank- No answer	9	→ V5
V4	When is there a lack of care services/paid carers ? Is it mainly ... (if impossible to choose, code in the order of the list)		
	During the day (week days approximately from 7 am to 7 pm)	1	
	Week days before 7 am or after 7 pm	2	
	Weekend	4	

	During holidays	5	
	24 hours/24 hours	6	
	Does not know (has no idea about the future working hours)	3	
	Unknown/Don't know	8	
	No answer	9	
V5	Do you regularly take care of children up to 14 years old?		
	Yes, own children or those of the partner living in the household	1	→ V6
	Yes, own children not living in the household	2	→ V6
	Yes, children of other persons living in the household	3	→ V6
	Yes, children of other persons not living in the household	4	→ V6
	No	5	→ VE2
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ VE2
	No answer	9	→ VE2
V6	Would you wish to change the organisation of your working life and your childcare responsibilities ?		
	Yes, wish to work and work more resp. and as a consequence to reduce caring time	2	
	Yes, wish to work less to have more time for caring	3	→ VE2
	No	1	→ VE2
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ VE2
	No answer	9	→ VE2
V7	What is the main reason for not working (more) linked to the lack or the unsuitability of childcare services/paid childminders ? Is it mainly ...		
	Lack of childcare services/paid childminders	1	
	No childcare services/paid childminders in the needed times	2	
	Childcare services/paid childminders are too expensive	3	→ VE2
	Available childcare services/paid childminders are not of sufficient quality	4	→ VE2
	Other main reason	5	→ V10
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ VE2
	No answer	9	→ VE2
V8	When is there a lack of childcare services/paid childminders ? Is it mainly ... (if impossible to choose, code in the order of the list)		
	During the day (week days approximately from 7 am to 7 pm)	1	
	Week days before 7 am or after 7 pm	2	→ VE2
	Weekend	4	→ VE2
	School holidays	5	→ VE2
	Does not know (has no idea about the future working hours)	3	→ VE2
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ VE2
	No answer	9	→ VE2
V9	Can you give the precise time when there is a lack of childcare services?		
	From hh:mm to hh:mm (example 15:30 to 18:00)		→ VE2
	Unknown/Don't know	88	→ VE2
	No answer	99	→ VE2

V10	Can you name the specific reason?	
	Pleasure/Interest in childcare (homework)	1
	For other family reasons	2
	No work opportunities in the region, which correspond to my qualifications	3
	No work opportunities with adequate working time according to meet the childcare responsibilities	4
	Can work (more) only when the partner works less	5
	(More) work is not an advantage because of loss of financial aid by the government	6
	Would not like that other people take care of my own children	7
	For health reasons	8
	Other reasons	9
	Unknown/Don't know	98
	No answer	99
VE2	Respondent is working and has own children or partners children living in the household → V11	
	Respondent is working and has no own children or partners children in the household → V15	
	Respondent is not working → VE3	
V11	We are going to talk about your children up to 14 living in your household, (including your own children and your spouse/partner's children). During an usual week, who is mainly caring for your children up to 14 years old while you are working (outside compulsory school hours) ? (if impossible to choose the highest number of hours, code in the order of the list)	
	Childcare services (including paid childminders), pre-school	1
	Partner who is living in the household	2
	Parents/Parents-in-law	3
	Parent not living in the household	4
	Other relatives/neighbours/friends (unpaid)	5
	No childcare used	6
	Unknown/Don't know	8
	No answer	9
V12	During school holidays or when the usual childcare services are closed or when the carer is on holidays: To take care of children have you:	
V12.1	... taken days off?	
	Yes	1
	No	2
	Unknown/Don't know	8
	No answer	9
V12.2	... reduced the number of hours	
	Yes	1
	No	2
	Unknown/Don't know	8

	No answer	9	
V12.3	... taken other special working arrangement (e. g. worked at home)		
	Yes	1	
	No	2	
	Unknown/Don't know	8	
	No answer	9	
Filter	Answer in V12.x at least once → V13 Other → V15		
V13	Was it at least once because you could not find a suitable childcare service or a paid childminder to replace a usual childcare arrangement ?		
	Yes	1	
	No, you did so always because of other reasons	2	→ V13
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ V13
	No answer	9	→ V13
V14	Was the main difficulty, that other childcare services or paid childminder where not available (if impossible to choose, code in the order of the list)		
	During the day (week days approximately from 7 am to 7 pm)	1	
	Week days before 7 am or after 7 pm	2	
	Weekend	5	
	Childcare services/paid childminders are too expensive	3	
	Available childcare services/paid childminders are not of sufficient quality	4	
	Unknown/Don't know	8	
	No answer	9	
	Let's talk about your job.		
V15	Is it possible for you to vary start or/and end of the working day for family reasons by at least one hour ?		
	It is generally possible	1	
	It is rarely possible	2	
	It is not possible	3	
	Unknown/Don't know	8	
	No answer	9	
V16	Is it possible for you to organise your working time or your work in order to take whole days off for family reasons (without using holidays and special leave) ?		
	It is generally possible	1	
	It is rarely possible	2	
	It is not possible	3	
	Unknown/Don't know	8	
	No answer	9	

V17	Over the last 12 months, did you take time off from work without using holidays because of sickness or accident of a child/relative or because of family emergencies (even for few hours) ?		
	Yes	1	
	No	2	→ VE3
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ VE3
	No answer	9	→ VE3
V18	Did you take at least once special leave days, especially provided in case of family sickness or emergencies (either remunerated or not) ?		
	Yes	1	
	No, other arrangements always used	2	→ VE3
	Does not apply (self-employed)	3	→ VE3
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ VE3
	No answer	9	→ VE3
V19	Were these special leave days remunerated even partly ?		
	Yes	1	
	No	2	
	Unknown/Don't know	8	
	No answer	9	
VE3	Respondent has at least one own child in the household → V20 Else → VE4		
V20	Over the last 12 months, did you get a financial remuneration for parental leave for your children living in your household (at least once) ?		
	Yes	1	
	No	2	
	Unknown/Don't know	8	
	No answer	9	
V21	Over the last 12 months, did you take parental leave for your children living in your household ?		
	Yes	1	
	No	2	→ V23
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ VE4
	No answer	9	→ VE4
V22	How did you take it over the last 12 months ? Was it ...		
	In one block full-time	1	→ VE4
	In part-time	2	→ VE4
	In another arrangement or combinations of arrangements	3	→ VE4
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ VE4
	No answer	9	→ VE4

V23	Why didn't you take parental leave for your children living in your household over the last 12 months ? Was it mainly because ...		
	You had no legal right to take parental leave	1	
	<i>Legal right but:</i>		
	No remuneration or too low	2	
	Not enough flexibility in choice of the parental leave period	3	
	Negative effects on social security	4	
	Negative effects on the career/negative perception from the employer	5	
	Preference for work (for other reasons than codes 2 to 5)	6	
	Other reason	7	
	Unknown/Don't know	8	
	No answer	9	
VE4	Respondent is working, has own children below 15 and is currently not on parental leave → V24 Else → End		
V24	Have you ever been on parental leave and did not work for that reason?		
	Yes	1	
	No	2	→ End
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ End
	No answer	9	→ End
V25	How old was your youngest child when you continued to work?		
	Years, month		
	Unknown/Don't know	8	→ End
	No answer	9	→ End
V26	What were your problems in re-entering work?		
	No problems	1	
	Needed job relevant training	2	
	Negative effects for the job career	3	
	Had to do inferior work	4	
	Had to search for a new/other job	5	
	Difficulties in finding a new job	6	
	Was inflexible, no possibilities to work overtime	7	
	Had problems to find adequate childcare services	8	
	Negative attitudes from colleagues at work	9	
	Others	10	
	Unknown/Don't know	98	
	No answer	99	

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