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To begin, we have some questions about where you live: your neighbourhood or village; your town or city, your district, and so on. (By "neighbourhood we mean the part of the town/city you live in. If you live in a village, we take this as your "neighbourhood".)

1) How close do you feel to:

CARD 1!

1 = Very close

2 = Close

3 = Not very close

4 = Not close at all

N = Can't choose

A your neighbourhood (village)

B your town or city

C your district

D Slovakia

E Europe

2) If you could improve your work or living conditions, how willing or unwilling would you be to... CARD 2!

1 = Very willing

2 = Fairly willing

3 = Neither willing, nor unwilling

4 = fairly unwilling

5 = Very unwilling

N = Can't choose

A move to another neighbourhood (or village)

B move to another town or city within this district

C move to another district

D move outside Slovakia

E move outside Europe

3) Which of these two statements comes closer to your own view? Please tick one box only!

1. "It is essential that Slovakia remains one state."

OR

2. "Parts of Slovakia should be allowed to become fully separate states if they choose to."

N = Can't choose

4) Some people say the following things are important for being truly Slovak. Others say they are not important. How important do you think each of the following is? CARD 3!

It is: 1 = Very important

2 = Fairly important

3 = Not very important

4 = Not important at all

N = Can't choose

A. To have been born in Slovakia

B. To have Slovakian citizenship

C. To have lived in Slovakia for most of one's life

D. To be able to speak Slovak

E. To be a Christian

F. To respect Slovakia's political institutions and laws

G. To feel Slovakian

- 5) How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements? **CARD 4 !**
- 1 = Agree strongly A. "I would rather be a citizen of Slovakia than of any other country in the world."
 2 = Agree B. "There are some things about Slovakia today that make me feel ashamed of Slovakia."
 3 = Neither agree, nor disagree C. "The world would be a better place if people from other countries were more like the Slovaks."
 4 = Disagree D. "generally speaking, Slovakia is a better country than most other countries."
 5 = Disagree strongly E. "People should support their country even if the country is in wrong."
 N = Can't choose F. "When my country does well in international sports, it makes me proud to be Slovakian."

- 6) How proud are you of Slovakia in each of the following? **CARD 5!**
- 1 = Very proud A. the way democracy works
 2 = Somewhat proud B. its political influence in the world
 3 = Not very proud C. Slovakia's economical achievements
 4 = Not proud at all D. its social security system
 N = Can't choose E. its scientific and technological achievements
 F. its achievements in sports
 G. its achievements in the arts and literature
 H. Slovakia's armed forces
 I. its history
 J. its fair and equal treatment of all groups in society

- 7) *How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?* **CARD 4 !**
- 1 = Agree strongly A. "Slovakia should limit the import of foreign products in order to protect its national economy."
 2 = Agree B. "For certain problems, like environment pollution, international bodies should have the right to enforce solutions."
 3 = Neither agree, nor disagree C. "Slovakian schools should make much more effort to teach foreign languages properly."
 4 = Disagree D. "Slovakia should follow its own interests, even if this leads to conflicts with other nations."
 5 = Disagree strongly E. "Foreigners should not be allowed to buy land in Slovakia."
 N = Can't choose F. "Slovak television should give preference to Slovakian films and programmes."

- 8) How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements? **CARD 4 !**
- 1 = Agree strongly
 2 = Agree
 3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
 4 = Disagree
 5 = Disagree strongly
 N = Can't choose
- A. "It is impossible for people who do not share Slovakian customs and traditions to become fully Slovakian."
 B. "Ethnic minorities should be given government assistance to preserve their customs and traditions."

- 9) Some people say that it is better for a country if different racial and ethnic groups maintain their distinct customs and traditions. Others say that it is better if these groups adapt and blend into the larger society. Which of these views comes closer to your own? **PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY !**

1. "It is better for society if groups maintain their distinct customs and traditions. "
OR

2. "It is better if groups adapt and blend into the larger society."

N Don't know

Following questions concern issues about immigrants, who come to settle in Slovakia.

10. There are different opinions about immigrants from other countries living in Slovakia. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? CARD 4!

1 = Agree strongly

2 = Agree

3 = Neither agree, nor disagree

4 = Disagree

5 = Disagree strongly

N = Can't choose

A. »Immigrants increase crime rates«

B. »Immigrants are generally good for Slovakia's economy"

C. "Immigrants take jobs away from people who were born in Slovakia.«

D. »Immigrants make Slovakia more open to new ideas and cultures.«

11) Do you think the number of immigrants to Slovakia nowadays should be...

1 ... increased a lot

2 ... increased a little

3 ... remain the same as it is

4 ... reduced a little

5 ... reduced a lot?

N Can't choose

12) How much do agree or disagree that refugees who have suffered political repression in their own country should be allowed to stay in Slovakia?

1 = Agree strongly

2 = Agree

3 = Neither agree, nor disagree

4 = Disagree

5 = Disagree strongly

N = Can't choose

13) Where did you spend most of your childhood (until age 16)? Was it: (Please tick one box only!)

1 In this town (city, village)

2 In a different town (city, village), but in this district

3 In a different district in Slovakia

4 Outside Slovakia

14) How long have you lived in the town (city, village) where you live now? (Write down number of years!)

15) About how long altogether have you lived in other countries? (Please tick one box only)

1 Never lived in other countries

2 Less than one year in all

3 1 to 4 years in all

4 5 years or longer

16) What languages do you speak at home? (Please fill in maximum 3 languages!)

1. language:.....
2. language:.....
3. language:.....

17) What languages, except mother, do you speak well? (*Please fill in maximum 3 languages!*)

1. language:.....
2. language:.....
3. language:.....

18) Are you a citizen of Slovakia?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

19) At the time of your birth, were both, one or neither of your parents citizens of Slovak, or Czecho-Slovak republic?

1. Both were citizens of Slovak (Czecho-Slovak) republic.
2. Only father was a citizen of Slovak (Czecho-Slovak) republic.
3. Only mother was a citizen of Slovak (Czecho-Slovak) republic.
4. Neither parent was a citizen of Slovak (Czecho-Slovak) republic.

20) From which country (countries) come your ancestors? (Please write down maximum 3 countries (Write down maximum 3 countries (parts of world) including Slovakia (Czecho-Slovakia!))

1. country:.....
2. country:.....
3. country:.....

21) If you mentioned more than one country, please say to which of them you have the closest relationship? (Write down the country!)

22) How close is your relationship to nationality (ethnic group) of your ancestors?

- 1 Very close
- 2 Close
- 3 Not very close
- 4 Not close at all
- N Can't choose

23) How much have you heard or read about the European Union?

- 1 A lot
- 2 Quite a bit
- 3 Not much
- 4 Nothing at all

24) Generally speaking, would you say that Slovakia would benefit from being a member of the European Union?

- 1 Would benefit
- 2 Would not benefit
- 3 I have never heard of EU
- N Don't know

?) What is your nationality?

25) Which of the following statements comes closer to your own view? (Please tick one box only!)

1. "Slovak republic should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union."

OR

2. "Slovak republic should do all it can to protect its independence from the European Union."

N Don't know

26) How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? CARD 4!

1 = Agree strongly

2 = Agree

3 = Neither agree, nor disagree

4 = Disagree

5 = Disagree strongly

N = Can't choose

A. "Foreign Slovaks, who want to settle in Slovakia, should have a possibility to easier attain Slovak citizenship."

B. "The Slovak republic should take stronger measures to exclude illegal immigrants."

27) Some people say that if we consider geographical location, politics and history, it is possible to divide Europe into three parts: Western, Central and Eastern Europe. What part would you place the following countries into? Read the list first and then do the placing. (CARD 6!)

1 = Western Europe

2 = Central Europe

3 = Eastern Europe

N = Can't choose

A Bulgaria

B Czech republic

C France

D Croatia

E Italy

F Latvia

G Hungary

H Germany

I Netherlands

J Poland

K Austria

L Russia

M Slovakia

N Slovenia

O Switzerland

P Ukraine

28) State three countries with which the Slovak Republic should have the closest economic cooperation. Order them according to a degree of importance! (Note: You can choose from all countries in the world.)

1. country:.....

2. country:.....

3. country:.....

29) State three countries with which the Slovak Republic should have the closest political cooperation. Order them according to a degree of importance! (Note: You can choose from all countries in the world.)

1. country:.....
2. country:.....
3. country:.....

30) State three countries with which the Slovak Republic has the closest cultural similarity. Order them according to a degree of similarity! (Note: You can choose from all countries in the world.)

1. country:.....
2. country:.....
3. country:.....

31) In your opinion, what countries could be dangerous for the Slovak Republic? Order them according to a degree of danger! (Note: You can choose from all countries in the world.)

1. country:.....
2. country:.....
3. country:.....

32) Living in a small country has some advantages and disadvantages. What do you think about the following statements? CARD 4!

- 1 = Agree strongly
- 2 = Agree
- 3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
- 4 = Disagree
- 5 = Disagree strongly
- N = Can't choose

Small states have better opportunities to:

- A. apply democracy in practice.
- B. solve local and regional problems.
- C. scientific performance.
- D. openness to other cultures.
- E. relation to life in a municipality and taking part in it.
- F. economic flexibility.

33) What do you think about the following statements concerning large countries? CARD 4!

- 1 = Agree strongly
- 2 = Agree
- 3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
- 4 = Disagree
- 5 = Disagree strongly
- N = Can't choose

Large states have better opportunities, because:

- A. they have an influence in the world.
- B. it is less likely that their economy would be overtaken by another country.
- C. ...they have an opportunity to play an active role in the world's politics.

34) Do you want the Slovak Republic to join the European Union?

- 1 Yes

- 2 No --> go to q. 37!
- N Don't know

35) Would you prefer the Slovak Republic to join the EU as soon as possible or after meeting all necessary prerequisites?

- 1 As soon as possible
- 2 After meeting all prerequisites
- N Can't choose

36) Would you prefer the Slovak Republic to join the EU individually or in coordination with other countries?

- 1 Individually
- 2 In coordination with other countries
- N Can't choose

37) Do you want the Slovak Republic to join the NATO?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 I have never heard of NATO
- N don't know

38) Now we will read some statements characterising the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy. Can you tell us how much do you agree or disagree with them? CARD 4!

- 1 = Agree strongly
- 2 = Agree
- 3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
- 4 = Disagree
- 5 = Disagree strongly
- N = Can't choose

- A. "Austria-Hungary was a prison of nations and people who lived there. "
- B. " People in Central Europe have lived well and happily never since the Monarchy disintegrated. "
- C. "The Austro-Hungarian economy was internally heterogenous and ineffective."
- D. "The Austro-Hungarian bureaucracy was more effective and more reliable than current state administration in Central Europe."
- E. "Austria-Hungary helped its backward regions towards economic growth. "

39) Do you personally regret that the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy disintegrated?

- 1 Very regret
- 2 Regret a little
- 3 Fairly regret
- 4 Don't regret at all
- N Can't choose

PERSONAL (STATISTICAL) INFORMATION

40) You are: 1 Male 2 Female

41) In what year were you born? (*Write down last 2 figures of year of birth!*)

42) What is your marital status? 1 Married
2 Living with partner unmarried

- 3 Widowed
- 4 Divorced
- 5 Separated
- 6 Single

43) How long did you go to school? Include also incomplete or part-time studies. (Write down number of grades! *If respondent presently attends high or vocational school, write code 95! If he is presently a student of college/university, write code 96!*)

44) What is your highest level of education? CARD 7!

- 1 Primary incomplete
- 2 Primary
- 3 Vocational without graduation
- 4 Secondary without graduation
- 5 Vocational with graduation
- 6 Secondary tech with graduation
- 7 Secondary general with graduation
- 8 University incomplete
- 10 University
- N Don't know

45) What is your current economic situation, main source of living?

- CARD 8!
- 1 Employed - full time
 - 2 Employed - part (half and more) time
 - 3 Employed - part (less than half) time
 - 4 Self-employed - entrepreneur
 - 5 Self-employed - freelance
 - 6 Helping family member
 - 7 Unemployed
 - 8 Student
 - 10 Retired - working
 - 11 Disabled
 - 12 Retired
 - 13 Housewife (person)
 - 14 Maternity leave
 - 15 other

46) How many hours a week do you usually work? Include also your second jobs, other entrepreneurial activities, etc. (Include only time spent with earning activities! Don't include time spent with studies, house-work, work in the garden, etc.)

N = Don't know

47) What is your occupation in your main job? (*Presently not working respondents ask about their last profession!*)

Profession:

48) Do (did) you have subordinates in your principal employment?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 0 Never worked
- N Don't know

49) If you are an employee, do you work in a private or state sector, or are you entrepreneur/self-employed? CARD 9!

- 1 Works for government
- 2 Works for publicly owned firm
- 3 State administration
- 4 Municipal firm
- 5 Agricultural co-operative
- 6 Private firm - domestic owner
- 7 Private firm - foreign owner
- 8 Firm with mixed ownership
- 10 Own entrepreneurial activity
- 0 Never had a job
- N Can't choose

50) If you are self-employed/entrepreneur, how many employees do you have? (X = no business)

51) Are you a member of a trade union?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- N Don't know

52) What is the current economic position, main source of living of your partner? ? (CARD 8!)

- 1 Employed - full time
- 2 Employed - part (half and more) time
- 3 Employed - part (less than half) time
- 4 Self-employed - entrepreneur
- 5 Self-employed - freelance
- 6 Helping family member
- 7 Unemployed
- 8 Student
- 10 Retired - working
- 11 Disabled
- 12 Retired
- 13 Housewife (person)
- 14 Maternity leave
- 15 other
- N Don't know
- X Doesn't have spouse/partner

53) What is your partner's occupation in his/her main job?
(Presently not working respondents ask about their last profession!)

Profession:

54) What is your partner's highest level of education? CARD 7!

- 1 Primary incomplete
- 2 Primary
- 3 Vocational without graduation
- 4 Secondary without graduation
- 5 Vocational with graduation
- 6 Secondary tech with graduation

- 7 Secondary general with graduation
- 8 University incomplete
- 10 University
- N Don't know
- X Doesn't have spouse/partner

55) What is your net monthly income? The following you should be taken into consideration: net salary/wage, incomes from additional employment, entrepreneurial profit, unemployment benefits, maternity benefit, pensions and social benefits. Do not include family allowances.

56) What is the net monthly income of your household? Take into consideration all incomes of all household members.

57) How many people are there in your household?

58) Tell us, please, sex and age of every member of your household (except you)! Order all members of the household (except for the respondent) by age (the oldest member goes first)

Sex: 1 = Male
2 = Female

1. Household member: sex: age:

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7. Household member: sex: age:

59) In politics there are often used notions of the "Left" and the "Right". Where do you place yourself?

1 Far left

2 Left

3 Center

4 Right

5 Far right

N Don't know

60) Can you tell us which political party did you vote for in the last Parliamentary elections in 1994?

1 I've voted (*Vypíšte!*):

2 Didn't vote

X Couldn't vote (under-aged)

N Don't know

61) Into what political spectrum would you place the party you voted for in the last Parliamentary elections? Place the voted party on the scale of 1 to 7 shown on CARD 10, whereby number 1 indicates Far Left and number 7 indicates Far Right. (CARD 10!)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Far left Far right

- N Don't know
- X Didn't vote

62) How strongly do you sympathise with the party you voted for in 1994?

- 1 Very strong
- 2 Fairly strong
- 3 Moderate
- 4 Fairly weak
- 5 Very weak
- N Don't know
- X Didn't vote

63) If the Parliamentary elections were held next week which political party would you vote for?

- 1 I would vote for:
- 2 I would not vote
- N Don't know

64) Into what political spectrum would you place the party you would vote for if the Parliamentary elections were held next week? Place the party on the scale of 1 to 7 shown on CARD 10, whereby number 1 indicates Far Left and number 7 indicates Far Right. (CARD 10!)

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|----------|---|---|---|---|---|-----------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Far left | | | | | | Far right |

- N Don't know
- X Would not vote

65) How strongly do you sympathise with the party you would vote for?

- 1 Very strong
- 2 Fairly strong
- 3 Moderate
- 4 Fairly weak
- 5 Very weak
- N Don't know
- X Wouldn't vote

66) What is your religious affiliation?

67) How often do you attend religious services (worships)?

- 1 Once a week
- 2 Twice or three times a month
- 3 Once a month
- 4 Several times a year
- 5 Less frequently
- 6 Never
- N Don't know

68) Into what social class would you place yourself? (CARD 11!)

- 1 Lower class
- 2 Working class
- 3 Lower middle class

- 4 Middle class
- 5 Upper middle class
- 6 Upper class
- N Don't know

69) What sector of economy are you working in? Please answer even if you are working part-time, you are working student or working retired person! (CARD 12!)

- 1 Agriculture, forestry
- 2 Mining, power industry
- 3 Chemical industry
- 4 Engineering industry
- 5 Other industry
- 6 Construction
- 7 Transport and telecommunications
- 8 Trade
- 10 Services
- 11 Financial
- 12 Public administration
- 13 Health sector
- 14 Education, culture, science, sport
- 15 other
- X unemployed

70) Please tell us, what type of housing does your household use?

- 1 Own family house
- 2 Own apartment
- 3 Building society owned apartment
- 4 Living in parents home
- 5 Public/council owned rent apartment
- 6 Private owned rent apartment
- 7 Employer owned apartment
- 8 Other rent
- 10 Other

71) What is your father's highest level of education?
And what is your mother's highest level of education? CARD 7!

- 1 Primary incomplete
- 2 Primary
- 3 Vocational without graduation
- 4 Secondary without graduation
- 5 Vocational with graduation
- 6 Secondary tech with graduation
- 7 Secondary general with graduation
- 8 University incomplete
- 10 University
- N Don't know

72) What was your parents's occupation when you were 16 years old?
Father:
Mother:

73) Have you been unemployed during the past ten years?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- X not applicable (e.g. attended school, is more than 10 years retired.....)

74) How many months have you been unemployed during the past ten years? Consider all periods of unemployment.

X = not appropriate

N = don't know

75) Size of the community :

- 1 less than 500 inhabitants
- 2 500 to 2.000 inhabitants
- 3 2.000 to 5.000 inhabitants
- 4 5.000 to 10.000 inhabitants
- 5 10.000 to 50.000 inhabitants
- 6 50.000 to 100.000 inhabitants
- 7 over 100.000 inhabitants

?) Name of district: