



List of variables

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1. Variables of identification

| No. | Name | Label | German description |
|-------|--------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1.1) | survey | survey | Umfrage |
| 1.2) | year | year | Erhebungsjahr |
| 1.3) | month | month | Erhebungsmonat |
| 1.4) | idnum | KT and INNO firm addressfile id | Firmenidentifikationsnummer |
| 1.5) | runnum | running number of plant | Laufende Firmennummer |
| 1.6) | vg_plantnum | KT and INNO information containing id | 11-stellige Identifikationsnummer |
| 1.7) | vg_fedstaifo | federal state (ifo-code) | Bundesland entsprechend ifo Codierung |
| 1.8) | vg_westeast | western eastern | Unterscheidet zwischen West- und Ost- Erhebung |
| 1.9) | vg_weight | weight | Gewicht |
| 1.10) | vg_latecomer | latecomer | Nachzügler |
| 1.11) | sector_id | sector id | Sektor ID |
| 1.12) | sector_ifo | ifo sector classification | ifo Sektorklassifikation |
| 1.13) | vg_sypro | sypro sector classification | sypro Sektorklassifikation |
| 1.14) | sector_wz93 | wz93 sector classification | wz93 Sektorklassifikation |
| 1.15) | sector_wz08 | wz08 sector classification | wz08 Sektorklassifikation |
| 1.16) | sector_total | ebdc sector classification | EBDC Sektorklassifikation |

Variables regarding the survey process

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|-------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1.17) | online | online | Fragebogen online beantwortet |
| 1.18) | survey_start | survey start | Umfragebeginn |
| 1.19) | survey_end | survey end | Umfrageende |
| 1.20) | participation_date | participation date | Teilnahmedatum |
| 1.21) | participation_hour | participation hour | Teilnahmestunde |
| 1.22) | participation_status | participation status | Teilnahmestatus |
| 1.23) | vg_participant | participation in this survey | Teilnahme |

2. Standard questions

| No. | Name | Label | German description |
|-------|--------------------|---|---|
| 2.1) | vg_statebus | state of business (appraisal) | Beurteilung der Geschäftslage |
| 2.2) | vg_provpm | production versus previous month | Produktion im Vergleich zum Vormonat |
| 2.3) | vg_stin | stock of inventories | Beurteilung des Bestand an Fertigwaren |
| 2.4) | vg_demand | situation of demand | Nachfragesituation gegenüber dem Vormonat |
| 2.5) | vg_ordvpm | orders versus past | Auftragsbestand in Vergangenheit |
| 2.6) | vg_orders | orders (appraisal) | Beurteilung des aktuellen Auftragsbestands |
| 2.7) | vg_pricevpm | domestic prices of sale versus previous month | Inländische Verkaufspreise |
| 2.8) | vg_proexp | expected production | Erwartete Inländische Produktionsaktivität |
| 2.9) | vg_priceexp | expected domestic prices | Erwartete inländische Verkaufspreise |
| 2.10) | vg_expexp | expected export trade | Erwarteter Exporthandel |
| 2.11) | vg_comexp | expected commercial operations | Erwarteter Geschäftslage |
| 2.12) | vg_foroard | foreign orders (appraisal) | Bestand an Auslandsaufträgen |
| 2.13) | vg_salesexp | sales expectancy | Erwarteter Umsatz |
| 2.14) | vg_emplexp* | expected employees | Erwartete Entwicklung der Gesamtbeschäftigtenzahl |
| 2.15) | vg_pro_vpq | production vs. Past | Produktionsaktivität in Vergangenheit |
| 2.16) | vg_demand_vpq | situation of dmnd vs. Past | Nachfragesituation in Vergangenheit |
| 2.17) | vg_ord_vpq | orders vs. Past | Auftragsbestand in Vergangenheit |
| 2.18) | vg_price_vpq | domestic prices of sale vs. Past | Inlandsverkaufspreise in Vergangenheit |
| 2.19) | vg_credit** | credit allocation | Kreditvergabe |
| 2.20) | vg_statebus_sl | state of business (VAS) | Beurteilung der Geschäftslage (VAS) |
| 2.21) | vg_statebus_clicks | state of business (clicks) | Beurteilung der Geschäftslage (Klicks) |
| 2.22) | vg_comexp_sl | expected commercial (VAS) | Erwartete Geschäftslage (VAS) |
| 2.23) | vg_comexp_clicks | expected commercial (clicks) | Erwartete Geschäftslage (Klicks) |
| 2.24) | vg_comexp_unc | uncertainty w.r.t. commercial operation | Slider Unsicherheit |
| 2.25) | vg_emplpast | development employees last month | Entwicklung der Gesamtbeschäftigtenzahl im Vormonat |
| 2.26) | vg_prestatebus_unc | uncertainty: prediction of business situation | Unsicherheit der Lagevorhersage |

*special question until 06/1997. See 3.13)

**special question until 08/2008. See 3.48)

3. Special questions

| No. | Name | Label | German description |
|-------|-----------------|--|--|
| 3.1) | vg_ranord | range of orders in months | Reichweite der Auftragsbestände in Monaten |
| 3.2) | vg_uticappc | capacity utilization in % | Auslastung der Anlagen in % |
| 3.3) | vg_uticapap | capacity utilization (appraisal) | Beurteilung der technischen Kapazität |
| 3.4) | vg_constraint | constraints to production | Behinderung der Produktionsaktivität |
| 3.5) | vg_ordlack | lack of orders | Auftragsmangel |
| 3.6) | vg_mplack | lack of manpower | Arbeitskräftemangel |
| 3.7) | vg_matlack | lack of material | Materialknappheit |
| 3.8) | vg_techcap | technical capacity | Technische Kapazität |
| 3.9) | vg_bastlack | lack of back staff | Mangel an Hilfskräften |
| 3.10) | vg_diffin | difficulties of financing | Produktionsbehinderung durch Finanzierungsengpässe |
| 3.11) | vg_weather | weather conditions | Produktionsbehinderung durch Wetterlage |
| 3.12) | vg_skellack | lack of skilled employees | Mangel an Fachkräften |
| 3.13) | vg_othrea | other reasons | Sonstige Faktoren / Andere Ursachen |
| 3.14) | vg_proexpen | product too expensive | Produkte zu teuer |
| 3.15) | vg_proqual | quality of products | Produktqualität |
| 3.16) | vg_propro | program of products | Produktprogramm |
| 3.17) | vg_overtime | overtime | Überstunden |
| 3.18) | vg_optimemo | overtime more than customary | Mehr Überstunden als betriebsüblich |
| 3.19) | vg_stwork | short-time work | Kurzarbeit |
| 3.20) | vg_stworkexp | expected short-time work | Erwartete Kurzarbeit |
| 3.21) | vg_emplexp* | expected employees | Erwartete Entwicklung der Gesamtbeschäftigtenzahl |
| 3.22) | vg_empl | employees 12 month | Beschäftigte Erwartungen |
| 3.23) | vg_prof | profit situation | Ertrags situation derzeit |
| 3.24) | vg_profch | change of profit situation | Ertrags situation gegenüber dem Vorquartal |
| 3.25) | vg_hcount | headcount | Entwicklung des Personalbestands |
| 3.26) | vg_fest | feedstock | Rohstoff- und Vorrat material bestände |
| 3.27) | vg_proenl | enlargement of production | Produktionserweiterung |
| 3.28) | vg_priceinc | increase in price | Preiserhöhung |
| 3.29) | vg_fincolow | low costs of financing | Niedrige Finanzierungskosten |
| 3.30) | vg_diffsup1 | difficulties of supply | Versorgungsschwierigkeiten |
| 3.31) | vg_weaken | weakening | Abschwächung |
| 3.32) | vg_prored | reduction of production | Produktionsabschwächung |
| 3.33) | vg_pricedec | price decrease | Preisrückgänge |
| 3.34) | vg_fincobi | high costs of financing | Hohe Finanzierungskosten |
| 3.35) | vg_diffsup2 | difficulties of supply | Versorgungsschwierigkeiten |
| 3.36) | vg_strength | strengthening | Verstärkte Produktion |
| 3.37) | vg_festwe | feedstock in weeks | Rohstoff- und Vorrat material bestände in Wochen |
| 3.38) | vg_stinwe | stock of inventories in weeks | Fertigwarenbestände in Wochen |
| 3.39) | vg_emppro2 | employees in production | Produktionsbeschäftigte für XY |
| 3.40) | vg_emplinc | increase of employees in % | Zunahme der Beschäftigten in % für die Produktion von XY |
| 3.41) | vg_empldec | decrease of employees in % | Abnahme der Beschäftigten in % für die Produktion von XY |
| 3.42) | vg_compos1 | national competitive position | Wettbewerbsposition Inland |
| 3.43) | vg_compos2 | EU competitive position | Wettbewerbsposition innerhalb der EU |
| 3.44) | vg_compos3 | competitive position abroad | Wettbewerbsposition außerhalb der EU |
| 3.45) | vg_ranord2 | range of orders in months (end of prev. month) | Reichweite der Auftragsbestände in Monaten |
| 3.46) | vg_uticappc2 | capacity utilization in % (end of prev. month) | Kapazitätsauslastung in % |
| 3.47) | vg_emppro | employees | Im Unternehmen beschäftigte Personen |
| 3.48) | vg_credit** | credit allocation | Kreditvergabe |
| 3.49) | vg_j1 | Japan crisis q1 | Japankrise Frage1 |
| 3.50) | vg_j2 | Japan crisis q2 | Japankrise Frage2 |
| 3.51) | vg_j3 | Japan crisis q3 | Japankrise Frage3 |
| 3.52) | vg_j4 | Japan crisis q4 | Japankrise Frage4 |
| 3.53) | vg_j5 | Japan crisis q5 | Japankrise Frage5 |
| 3.54) | vg_j6 | Japan crisis q6 | Japankrise Frage6 |
| 3.55) | vg_fairxh | exhibitor at an international specialized fair | Aussteller auf einer internationalen Fachmesse |
| 3.56) | vg_fairxh_g | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in Germany | Aussteller auf einer internationalen Fachmesse in Deutschland |
| 3.57) | vg_fairxh_e | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a foreign European country | Aussteller auf einer internationalen Fachmesse im europäischen Ausland |
| 3.58) | vg_fairxh_ne | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a country outside Europe | Aussteller auf einer internationalen Fachmesse im außereuropäischen Ausland |
| 3.59) | vg_fairxhexp | exhibitor at an international specialized fair during next 2-3 years | Aussteller auf einer internationalen Fachmesse in den nächsten 2-3 Jahren |
| 3.60) | vg_fairxhexp_g | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in Germany during next 2-3 years | Aussteller auf einer internationalen Fachmesse in Deutschland in den nächsten 2-3 Jahren |
| 3.61) | vg_fairxhexp_e | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a foreign European country during next 2-3 years | Aussteller auf einer internationalen Fachmesse im europäischen Ausland in den nächsten 2-3 Jahren |
| 3.62) | vg_fairxhexp_ne | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a country outside Europe during next 2-3 years | Aussteller auf einer internationalen Fachmesse im außereuropäischen Ausland in den nächsten 2-3 Jahren |
| 3.63) | vg_csal_lq | percentage change of sales in field xy - last quarter | Umsatzveränderung im letzten Quartal in Bereich XY |
| 3.64) | vg_csal_lq_v | values: percentage change of sales in field xy - last quarter | Wertangaben: Umsatzveränderung im letzten Quartal in Bereich XY |
| 3.65) | vg_csal_nqbc | best case//percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | Umsatzveränderung im nächsten Quartal in Bereich XY (best case) |
| 3.66) | vg_csal_nqbc_v | values: best case//percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | Wertangabe: Umsatzveränderung im nächsten Quartal in Bereich XY (best case) |
| 3.67) | vg_csal_nqac | average case//percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | Umsatzveränderung im nächsten Quartal in Bereich XY (average case) |
| 3.68) | vg_csal_nqac_v | values: average case//percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | Wertangabe: Umsatzveränderung im nächsten Quartal in Bereich XY (average case) |
| 3.69) | vg_csal_nqwc | worst case//percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | Umsatzveränderung im nächsten Quartal in Bereich XY (worst case) |
| 3.70) | vg_csal_nqwc_v | values: worst case//percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | Wertangabe: Umsatzveränderung im nächsten Quartal in Bereich XY (worst case) |
| 3.71) | vg_psalinc | probability of sales increase - next quarter | Wahrscheinlichkeit eines steigenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.72) | vg_psalinc_min | lower bound: probability of sales increase - next quarter | Angegebene Untergrenze: Wahrscheinlichkeit eines steigenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.73) | vg_psalinc_max | upper bound: probability of sales increase - next quarter | Angegebene Obergrenze: Wahrscheinlichkeit eines steigenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.74) | vg_psalinc_sv | single value: probability of sales increase - next quarter | Einzelwert: Wahrscheinlichkeit eines steigenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |

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| 3.75) | vg_psalstead | probability of steady sales - next quarter | Wahrscheinlichkeit eines gleichbleibenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.76) | vg_psalstead_min | lower bound: probability of steady sales - next quarter | Angegebene Untergrenze: Wahrscheinlichkeit eines gleichbleibenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.77) | vg_psalstead_max | upper bound: probability of steady sales - next quarter | Angegebene Obergrenze: Wahrscheinlichkeit eines gleichbleibenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.78) | vg_psalstead_sv | single value: probability of steady sales - next quarter | Einzelwert: Wahrscheinlichkeit eines gleichbleibenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.79) | vg_psaldec | probability of sales decrease - next quarter | Wahrscheinlichkeit eines sinkenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.80) | vg_psaldec_min | lower bound: probability of sales decrease - next quarter | Angegebene Untergrenze: Wahrscheinlichkeit eines sinkenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.81) | vg_psaldec_max | upper bound: probability of sales decrease - next quarter | Angegebene Obergrenze: Wahrscheinlichkeit eines sinkenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.82) | vg_psaldec_sv | single value: probability of sales decrease - next quarter | Einzelwert: Wahrscheinlichkeit eines sinkenden Umsatzes im nächsten Quartal |
| 3.83) | vg_inf_heat | influence of heatwaves on value added | Auswirkung von Hitzewellen auf die Wertschöpfung |
| 3.84) | vg_inf_cold | influence of cold waves on value added | Auswirkung von Kältewellen (inkl. Eis & Schnee) auf die Wertschöpfung |
| 3.85) | vg_inf_drou | influence of drought on value added | Auswirkung von Trockenheit auf die Wertschöpfung |
| 3.86) | vg_inf_rain | influence of heavy rainfall on value added | Auswirkung von Starkniederschlag auf die Wertschöpfung |
| 3.87) | vg_inf_storm | influence of storms on value added | Auswirkung von Stürmen auf die Wertschöpfung |
| 3.88) | vg_einf_pur | expected influence of climate change on purchases | Erwartete Auswirkungen des Klimawandels auf den Bereich Einkauf |
| 3.89) | vg_einf_prod | expected influence of climate change on production | Erwartete Auswirkungen des Klimawandels auf den Bereich Produktion |
| 3.90) | vg_einf_sal | expected influence of climate change on sales | Erwartete Auswirkungen des Klimawandels auf den Bereich Absatz |
| 3.91) | vg_einf_wast | expected influence of climate change on waste management | Erwartete Auswirkungen des Klimawandels auf den Bereich Entsorgung |
| 3.92) | vg_einf_log | expected influence of climate change on logistics | Erwartete Auswirkungen des Klimawandels auf den Bereich Logistik |
| 3.93) | vg_einf_inno | expected influence of climate change on innovations | Erwartete Auswirkungen des Klimawandels auf den Bereich Innovation |
| 3.94) | vg_einf_pers | expected influence of climate change on personnel | Erwartete Auswirkungen des Klimawandels auf den Bereich Personal |
| 3.95) | vg_flight_ger | importance of flight connections in Germany | Bedeutung von Flugverbindungen zu Zielen in Deutschland |
| 3.96) | vg_flight_eur | importance of flight connections in Europe | Bedeutung von Flugverbindungen zu Zielen in Europa |
| 3.97) | vg_flight_world | importance of flight connections worldwide | Bedeutung von Flugverbindungen zu Zielen weltweit |
| 3.98) | vg_surp_cat | return on sales: surplus (category) | Jahresüberschuss (Kategorie) |
| 3.99) | vg_ros_surp | return on sales: surplus | Jahresüberschuss |
| 3.100) | vg_loss_cat | return on sales: loss (category) | Jahresverlust (Kategorie) |
| 3.101) | vg_ros_loss | return on sales: loss | Jahresverlust |
| 3.102) | vg_russia1 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q1 | Russland/Ukraine-Konflikt Frage 1 |
| 3.103) | vg_russia2 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q2 | Russland/Ukraine-Konflikt Frage 2 |
| 3.104) | vg_russia3 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q3 | Russland/Ukraine-Konflikt Frage 3 |
| 3.105) | vg_russia4 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q4 | Russland/Ukraine-Konflikt Frage 4 |
| 3.106) | vg_russia5 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q5 | Russland/Ukraine-Konflikt Frage 5 |
| 3.107) | vg_russia6 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q6 | Russland/Ukraine-Konflikt Frage 6 |
| 3.108) | vg_russia7 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q7 | Russland/Ukraine-Konflikt Frage 7 |
| 3.109) | vg_russia8 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q8 | Russland/Ukraine-Konflikt Frage 8 |
| 3.110) | vg_fambus | family business | Familienunternehmen |
| 3.111) | vg_minim1 | minimum wage q1 | Mindestlohn Frage 1 |
| 3.112) | vg_minim2 | minimum wage q2 | Mindestlohn Frage 2 |
| 3.113) | vg_minim3 | minimum wage q3 | Mindestlohn Frage 3 |
| 3.114) | vg_minim4 | minimum wage q4 | Mindestlohn Frage 4 |
| 3.115) | vg_minim5 | minimum wage q5 | Mindestlohn Frage 5 |
| 3.116) | vg_minim6 | minimum wage q6 | Mindestlohn Frage 6 |
| 3.117) | vg_minim7 | minimum wage q7 | Mindestlohn Frage 7 |
| 3.118) | vg_minim8 | minimum wage q8 | Mindestlohn Frage 8 |
| 3.119) | vg_invest_lj | total investment last year | Gesamtinvestitionen letztes Jahr |
| 3.120) | vg_invcon_lj | investment in construction last year | Investitionen in Bauten letztes Jahr |
| 3.121) | vg_inveq_lj | investment in equipment last year | Investitionen in Ausrüstung letztes Jahr |
| 3.122) | vg_invest_dj | total investment this year | Gesamtinvestitionen dieses Jahr |
| 3.123) | vg_invcon_dj | investment in construction this year | Investitionen in Bauten dieses Jahr |
| 3.124) | vg_inveq_dj | investment in equipment this year | Investitionen in Ausrüstung dieses Jahr |
| 3.125) | vg_invest_nj | total investment next year | Investitionen im kommenden Jahr, Insgesamt |
| 3.126) | vg_invcon_nj | investment in construction next year | Investitionen im kommenden Jahr, Bauten |
| 3.127) | vg_inveq_nj | investment in equipment next year | Investitionen im kommenden Jahr, Ausrüstung |
| 3.128) | vg_ref1 | refugees question1 | Flüchtlinge Frage 1 |
| 3.129) | vg_ref2 | refugees question2 | Flüchtlinge Frage 2 |
| 3.130) | vg_ref3 | refugees question3 | Flüchtlinge Frage 3 |
| 3.131) | vg_ref4 | refugees question4 | Flüchtlinge Frage 4 |
| 3.132) | vg_ref5 | refugees question5 | Flüchtlinge Frage 5 |
| 3.133) | vg_ref6 | refugees question6 | Flüchtlinge Frage 6 |
| 3.134) | vg_ref7 | refugees question7 | Flüchtlinge Frage 7 |
| 3.135) | vg_ref8 | refugees question8 | Flüchtlinge Frage 8 |
| 3.136) | vg_ref9 | refugees question9 | Flüchtlinge Frage 9 |
| 3.137) | vg_minim_post1 | affected by minimum wage | von Mindestlohn betroffen |
| 3.138) | vg_minim_post2 | no minimum wage measures | keine Mindestlohn- Maßnahmen |
| 3.139) | vg_minim_post3 | measures: employee reduction | Maßnahmen: Personalabbau |
| 3.140) | vg_minim_post4 | measures: working hour reduction | Maßnahmen: Arbeitszeitreduzierung |
| 3.141) | vg_minim_post5 | measures: increased prices | Maßnahmen: Preiserhöhungen |
| 3.142) | vg_minim_post6 | measures: decreased investment | Maßnahmen: verringerte Investitionen |
| 3.143) | vg_minim_post7 | measures: decreased special payments | Maßnahmen: Kürzungen von Sonderzahlungen |
| 3.144) | vg_minim_post8 | less minijobs | Minijobs weggefallen |
| 3.145) | vg_minim_post9 | minijobs transformed into insurable employment | Minijobs in soz.ver.pflichtige Besch.verhältnisse umgewandelt |
| 3.146) | vg_minim_post10 | new insurable employment | neue soz.ver.pflichtige Besch.verhältnisse |
| 3.147) | vg_minim_post11 | employment relationships did not change | keine veränderten Besch.Verhältnisse |
| 3.148) | vg_credityes | credit agreement signed | Kreditvertrag abgeschlossen |
| 3.149) | vg_creditno | credit agreement not signed | Kreditvertrag nicht abgeschlossen |
| 3.150) | vg_creditusel1 | financing of ongoing operating resources | Finanzierung laufender Kreditmittel |
| 3.151) | vg_creditusel2 | financing of an investment | Finanzierung einer Investition |
| 3.152) | vg_creditusel3 | other financing | Sonstiger Verwendungszweck |
| 3.153) | vg_brexit | expected impact from brexit | Erwartete Auswirkungen von einem Brexit |
| 3.154) | vg_midmanager | mid tier: more than 4 managers | Mittelstand: mehr als 4 Manager |
| 3.155) | vg_midmanshare | mid tier: at least one manager has shares | Mittelstand: Mindestens ein Manager hat Anteile |
| 3.156) | vg_midyes | mid tier: company rated as mid tier | Mittelstand: Als Mittelstand eingeschätzt |
| 3.157) | vg_usgov_exp_1 | new US government: expect new customs | neue US Regierung: neue Zölle erwartet |
| 3.158) | vg_usgov_exp_2 | new US government: expect increased customs | neue US Regierung: Zollerhöhung erwartet |
| 3.159) | vg_usgov_exp_3 | new US government: expect other barriers | neue US Regierung: andere Handelsbarrieren erwartet |
| 3.160) | vg_usgov_exp_4 | new US government: expect no change | neue US Regierung: keine Veränderung erwartet |
| 3.161) | vg_usgov_inf_1 | new US government influence: more production | neue US Regierung Einfluss: mehr Produktion |

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| 3.162) | vg_usgov_inf_2 | new US government influence: opening of new branches | neue US Regierung Einfluss: weitere Niederlassung gründen |
| 3.163) | vg_usgov_inf_3 | new US government influence: no US exports | neue US Regierung Einfluss: keine Exporte in die USA |
| 3.164) | vg_usgov_rev | new US government: revenue expectations | neue US Regierung: Umsatzerwartungen |
| 3.165) | vg_usgov_des | new US government: importance as destination | neue US Regierung: Wichtigkeit als Exportziel |
| 3.166) | vg_usgov_orig | new US government: importance as origin | neue US Regierung: Wichtigkeit als Importursprung |
| 3.167) | vg_usgov_prod | new US government: importance as production location | neue US Regierung: Wichtigkeit als Produktionsstandort |
| 3.168) | vg_credit2_1 | credit seeking | Kreditverhandlungen durchgeführt |
| 3.169) | vg_credit2_2 | credit allocation | Kreditvergabe: Verhalten der Banken |
| 3.170) | vg_credit2_3 | reasons for not credit seeking | Gründe für keine Kreditverhandlungen |
| 3.171) | vg_negint | confronted with negative interest rates | Wurden Sie mit Negativzinsen konfrontiert? |
| 3.172) | vg_negint_noact | negative interest actions: none | Keine Maßnahmen |
| 3.173) | vg_negint_agree | negative interest actions: bank agreements | Verhandlungen mit Bank |
| 3.174) | vg_negint_change | negative interest actions: change of bank | Wechsel der Bank |
| 3.175) | vg_negint_inc | negative interest actions: increase of cash | Erhöhung der Bargeldhaltung |
| 3.176) | vg_negint_redas | negative interest actions: redeployment in other financial assets and settlement of credits | Umschichtung Finanzanlagen/Rückzahlung von Krediten |
| 3.177) | vg_negint_redasint | negative interest actions: redeployment of assets within company | Umschichtung des Guthabens |
| 3.178) | vg_negint_inv | negative interest actions: investing or preponing (additional) investments | Investitionen |
| 3.179) | vg_negint_oth | negative interest actions: other | Anderer |
| 3.180) | vg_negint_burden | burden of negative interest rates on profit situation | Belastrung durch Negativzinsproblematik |
| 3.181) | vg_negint_banks | number of relationship banks | Wie viele Banken? |
| 3.182) | vg_mercoex | export to Mercosur area | Export in Mersous-Raum |
| 3.183) | vg_mercoex_tariffs | export to Mercosur area if: trade tariffs decrease | Handelszölle |
| 3.184) | vg_mercoex_transco | export to Mercosur area if: transport costs decrease | Transportkosten |
| 3.185) | vg_mercoex_techsta | export to Mercosur area if: technical standards equalized | technische Standards und Normen |
| 3.186) | vg_mercoex_admin | export to Mercosur area if: administrative obstacles disappear | bürokratische Hindernisse |
| 3.187) | vg_mercoex_polrisk | export to Mercosur area if: political risks decrease | politische Risiken |
| 3.188) | vg_mercoex_serv | export to Mercosur area if: access to service markets facilitated | Zugang zu Dienstleistungsmärkten |
| 3.189) | vg_mercoex_pubten | export to Mercosur area if: access to public tenders facilitated | Zugang zu öffentlichen Ausschreibungen |
| 3.190) | vg_mercoagree_ex | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: export more to M. | Export in Mercosur |
| 3.191) | vg_mercoagree_im | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: import more from M. | Import aus Mercosur |
| 3.192) | vg_mercoagree_inv | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: invest more in M. | Investitionen im Mercosur |
| 3.193) | vg_mercoagree_comp | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: more competition from M. | Erhöhter Wettbewerb durch Unternehmen aus Mercosur |
| 3.194) | vg_mercoagree_no | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: no impact | Nicht betroffen |
| 3.195) | vg_ustax_sales | tax reform: percentage sales in US | US Steuerreform: prozentualer Umsatz in USA |
| 3.196) | vg_ustax_competition | tax reform: competition with US-companies | US Steuerreform: Wettbewerb mit US-Firmen |
| 3.197) | vg_ustax_shortterm | tax reform: tax burden short term | US Steuerreform: Steuerbelastung kurzfristig |
| 3.198) | vg_ustax_longterm | tax reform: tax burden long term | US Steuerreform: Steuerbelastung langfristig |
| 3.199) | vg_ustax_export | tax reform: reaction export | US Steuerreform: Reaktion Exporte |
| 3.200) | vg_ustax_import | tax reform: reaction import | US Steuerreform: Reaktion Importe |
| 3.201) | vg_ustax_inbus | tax reform: reaction investment in US | US Steuerreform: Reaktion Investitionen in USA |
| 3.202) | vg_ustax_invg | tax reform: reaction investment in Germany | US Steuerreform: Reaktion Investitionen in Deutschland |
| 3.203) | vg_ustax_intelprop | tax reform: relocation of intellectual property | US Steuerreform: Verlagerung von geistigen Eigentum |
| 3.204) | vg_gdp1 | real gdp: % change comp. last year | reale BIP: prozentuale Änderung vgl. zum Vorjahr |
| 3.205) | vg_gdp2 | impact economic development on business situation | Einfluss allg. Konjunkturentwicklung auf Geschäftslage |
| 3.206) | vg_extserv_it | business processes by external service provider: IT | Geschäftsprozesse durch externe DL: IT |
| 3.207) | vg_extserv_rd | business processes by external service provider: R&D | Geschäftsprozesse durch externe DL: F & E |
| 3.208) | vg_extserv_pur | business processes by external service provider: purchase | Geschäftsprozesse durch externe DL: Einkauf |
| 3.209) | vg_extserv_mark | business processes by external service provider: marketing | Geschäftsprozesse durch externe DL: Marketing |
| 3.210) | vg_extserv_fin | business processes by external service provider: finance | Geschäftsprozesse durch externe DL: Finanzen |
| 3.211) | vg_extserv_empl | business processes by external service provider: employees | Geschäftsprozesse durch externe DL: Personal |
| 3.212) | vg_extserv_log | business processes by external service provider: logistics | Geschäftsprozesse durch externe DL: Logistik |
| 3.213) | vg_extserv_py_it | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope past 5 years: IT | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang letzte 5 Jahre: IT |
| 3.214) | vg_extserv_py_rd | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope past 5 years: R&D | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang letzte 5 Jahre: F & E |
| 3.215) | vg_extserv_py_pur | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope past 5 years: purchase | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang letzte 5 Jahre: Einkauf |
| 3.216) | vg_extserv_py_mark | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope past 5 years: marketing | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang letzte 5 Jahre: Marketing |
| 3.217) | vg_extserv_py_fin | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope past 5 years: finance | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang letzte 5 Jahre: Finanzen |
| 3.218) | vg_extserv_py_empl | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope past 5 years: employees | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang letzte 5 Jahre: Personal |
| 3.219) | vg_extserv_py_log | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope past 5 years: logistics | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang letzte 5 Jahre: Logistik |
| 3.220) | vg_extserv_ny_it | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope next 5 years: IT | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang nächste 5 Jahre: IT |
| 3.221) | vg_extserv_ny_rd | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope next 5 years: R&D | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang nächste 5 Jahre: F & E |
| 3.222) | vg_extserv_ny_pur | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope next 5 years: purchase | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang nächste 5 Jahre: Einkauf |
| 3.223) | vg_extserv_ny_mark | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope next 5 years: marketing | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang nächste 5 Jahre: Marketing |
| 3.224) | vg_extserv_ny_fin | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope next 5 years: finance | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang nächste 5 Jahre: Finanzen |
| 3.225) | vg_extserv_ny_empl | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope next 5 years: employees | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang nächste 5 Jahre: Personal |
| 3.226) | vg_extserv_ny_log | business proc. by external serv. prov. -scope next 5 years: logistics | Geschäftsproz. durch externe DL -Umfang nächste 5 Jahre: Logistik |
| 3.227) | vg_found | founding year | Gründungsjahr |
| 3.228) | vg_forsales | sales: % in foreign country | Umsatz in Ausland (%) |
| 3.229) | vg_invit_dj | investment in Software/database this year | Investitionen in Software/Datenbanken dieses Jahr |
| 3.230) | vg_invit_nj | investment in Software/Database next year | Investitionen in Software/Datenbanken nächstes Jahr |
| 3.231) | vg_sec_management | sector - questionnaire completed in: management | Sektor - Fragebogen ausgefüllt in Geschäftsführung |
| 3.232) | vg_sec_controlling | sector - questionnaire completed in: controlling | Sektor - Fragebogen ausgefüllt in Controlling |
| 3.233) | vg_sec_marketing | sector - questionnaire completed in: marketing | Sektor - Fragebogen ausgefüllt in Vertrieb |
| 3.234) | vg_sec_production | sector - questionnaire completed in: production | Sektor - Fragebogen ausgefüllt in Produktion |
| 3.235) | vg_sec_other | sector - questionnaire completed in: other | Sektor - Fragebogen ausgefüllt in Sonstiges |
| 3.236) | vg_sec_other_descr | sector - questionnaire completed in: other description | Sektor - Fragebogen ausgefüllt in Sonstiges Beschreibung |

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| 3.237) | vg_pos_director | position - questionnaire completed by: director | Position - Fragebogen ausgefüllt von Geschäftsleitung |
| 3.238) | vg_pos_manager | position - questionnaire completed by: manager | Position - Fragebogen ausgefüllt von Abteilungsleitung |
| 3.239) | vg_pos_teamleader | position - questionnaire completed by: team leader | Position - Fragebogen ausgefüllt von Teamleiter |
| 3.240) | vg_pos_clerk | position - questionnaire completed by: clerk | Position - Fragebogen ausgefüllt von Sachbearbeiter |
| 3.241) | vg_pos_other | position - questionnaire completed by: other | Position - Fragebogen ausgefüllt von Sonstiges |
| 3.242) | vg_pos_other_descr | position - questionnaire completed by: other description | Position - Fragebogen ausgefüllt von Sonstiges Beschreibung |
| 3.243) | vg_brexit_prob | hard brexit - probability | Wahrscheinlichkeit für harten Brexit |
| 3.244) | vg_brexit_problb | hard brexit - probability lower bound | Wahrscheinlichkeitsintervall für harten Brexit (untere Grenze) |
| 3.245) | vg_brexit_probulb | hard brexit - probability upper bound | Wahrscheinlichkeitsintervall für harten Brexit (obere Grenze) |
| 3.246) | vg_brexit_rev | hard brexit - affected revenue share | Von hartem Brexit betroffener Umsatzanteil |
| 3.247) | vg_brexit_impact | hard brexit - impact | Einfluss eines harten Brexit |
| 3.248) | vg_uticapaa | capacity utilization (annual average) | Auslastung der Anlagen (im Jahresdurchschnitt) |
| 3.249) | vg_gdp3 | real gdp: % change comp. last year (2019 vs 2018) | reales BIP: prozentuale Änderung vgl. zum Vorjahr (2019 vs 2018) |
| 3.250) | vg_gdp4 | real gdp: % change comp. last year (2020 vs 2019) | reales BIP: prozentuale Änderung vgl. zum Vorjahr (2020 vs 2019) |
| 3.251) | vg_heat_occ | weather - occurrence: heat wave | Wetterereignis - Betroffen: Hitzewelle |
| 3.252) | vg_cold_occ | weather - occurrence: cold wave | Wetterereignis - Betroffen: Kältewelle |
| 3.253) | vg_drought_occ | weather - occurrence: drought | Wetterereignis - Betroffen: Trockenheit |
| 3.254) | vg_rain_occ | weather - occurrence: heavy rain | Wetterereignis - Betroffen: Starkregen |
| 3.255) | vg_storm_occ | weather - occurrence: storms | Wetterereignis - Betroffen: Stürme |
| 3.256) | vg_heat_imp | weather - impact: heatwaves | Wetterereignis - Auswirkung: Hitzewelle |
| 3.257) | vg_cold_imp | weather - impact: coldwaves | Wetterereignis - Auswirkung: Kältewellen |
| 3.258) | vg_drought_imp | weather - impact: drought | Wetterereignis - Auswirkung: Trockenheit |
| 3.259) | vg_rain_imp | weather - impact: heavy rain | Wetterereignis - Auswirkung: Starkregen |
| 3.260) | vg_storm_imp | weather - impact: storms | Wetterereignis - Auswirkung: Stürme |
| 3.261) | vg_heat_inc | weather - incidence and intensity: heatwaves | Wetterereignis - Häufigkeit und Intensität: Hitzewelle |
| 3.262) | vg_cold_inc | weather - incidence and intensity: coldwaves | Wetterereignis - Häufigkeit und Intensität: Kältewellen |
| 3.263) | vg_drought_inc | weather - incidence and intensity: drought | Wetterereignis - Häufigkeit und Intensität: Trockenheit |
| 3.264) | vg_rain_inc | weather - incidence and intensity: heavy rain | Wetterereignis - Häufigkeit und Intensität: Starkregen |
| 3.265) | vg_storm_inc | weather - incidence and intensity: storms | Wetterereignis - Häufigkeit und Intensität: Stürme |
| 3.266) | vg_heat_prep | weather - prepared: heatwaves | Wetterereignis - Vorbereitet: Hitzewelle |
| 3.267) | vg_cold_prep | weather - prepared: coldwaves | Wetterereignis - Vorbereitet: Kältewellen |
| 3.268) | vg_drought_prep | weather - prepared: drought | Wetterereignis - Vorbereitet: Trockenheit |
| 3.269) | vg_rain_prep | weather - prepared: heavy rain | Wetterereignis - Vorbereitet: Starkregen |
| 3.270) | vg_storm_prep | weather - prepared: storms | Wetterereignis - Vorbereitet: Stürme |
| 3.271) | vg_log_services_avail | business activities hindered by logistics services: availability | Geschäftstätigkeit behindert durch Logistikdienstleistungen: Verfügbarkeit |
| 3.272) | vg_log_services_prices | business activities hindered by logistics services: prices | Geschäftstätigkeit behindert durch Logistikdienstleistungen: Preise |
| 3.273) | vg_log_services_punct | business activities hindered by logistics services: punctuality | Geschäftstätigkeit behindert durch Logistikdienstleistungen: Pünktlichkeit |
| 3.274) | vg_log_services_qual | business activities hindered by logistics services: quality | Geschäftstätigkeit behindert durch Logistikdienstleistungen: Qualität |
| 3.275) | vg_invit_ij | investment in Software/database last year | Investitionen in Software/Datenbanken letztes Jahr |
| 3.276) | vg_rd_pers | share of research and development: personnel | Anteil FuE-Ausgaben: Personal |
| 3.277) | vg_rd_inst | share of research and development: research by universities and institutes | Anteil FuE-Ausgaben: Auftragsforschung Universitäten und Forschungsinstitute |
| 3.278) | vg_rd_comp | share of research and development: other companies | Anteil FuE-Ausgaben: Auftragsforschung durch andere Unternehmen |
| 3.279) | vg_support_eu | rd support by: EU | FuE-Förderung durch: EU |
| 3.280) | vg_support_fmer | rd support by: Federal Ministry for Education and Research | FuE-Förderung durch: Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung |
| 3.281) | vg_support_fmeae | rd support by: Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy | FuE-Förderung durch: Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft und Energie |
| 3.282) | vg_support_fed | rd support by: Federal State | FuE-Förderung durch: Bundesland |
| 3.283) | vg_support_other | rd support by: other | FuE-Förderung durch: Andere |
| 3.284) | vg_support_none | rd support by: none | FuE-Förderung durch: Keine |
| 3.285) | vg_use_rdsup | use of public rd support | Nutzung steuerlicher FuE-Förderung |
| 3.286) | vg_effect_sp | effect of rd support: spendings | Effekt steuerlicher FuE-Förderung auf: FuE-Ausgaben |
| 3.287) | vg_effect_pr | effect of rd support: projects | Effekt steuerlicher FuE-Förderung auf: Anzahl FuE-Projekte |
| 3.288) | vg_uncert_tax | uncertainty in future demand due to: tax | Unsicherheit der Nachfrageentwicklung durch: Steuern |
| 3.289) | vg_uncert_trade | uncertainty in future demand due to: trade war | Unsicherheit der Nachfrageentwicklung durch: Handelskrieg |
| 3.290) | vg_uncert_exc | uncertainty in future demand due to: exchange rate | Unsicherheit der Nachfrageentwicklung durch: Wechselkurs |
| 3.291) | vg_uncert_econ | uncertainty in future demand due to: general economic development | Unsicherheit der Nachfrageentwicklung durch: Allgemeine Wirtschaftsentwicklung |
| 3.292) | vg_uncert_unempl | uncertainty in future demand due to: unemployment rate | Unsicherheit der Nachfrageentwicklung durch: Arbeitslosenquote |
| 3.293) | vg_uncert_inflation | uncertainty in future demand due to: inflation | Unsicherheit der Nachfrageentwicklung durch: Inflation |
| 3.294) | vg_uncert_intrate | uncertainty in future demand due to: interest rate | Unsicherheit der Nachfrageentwicklung durch: Zins/EZB Geldpolitik |

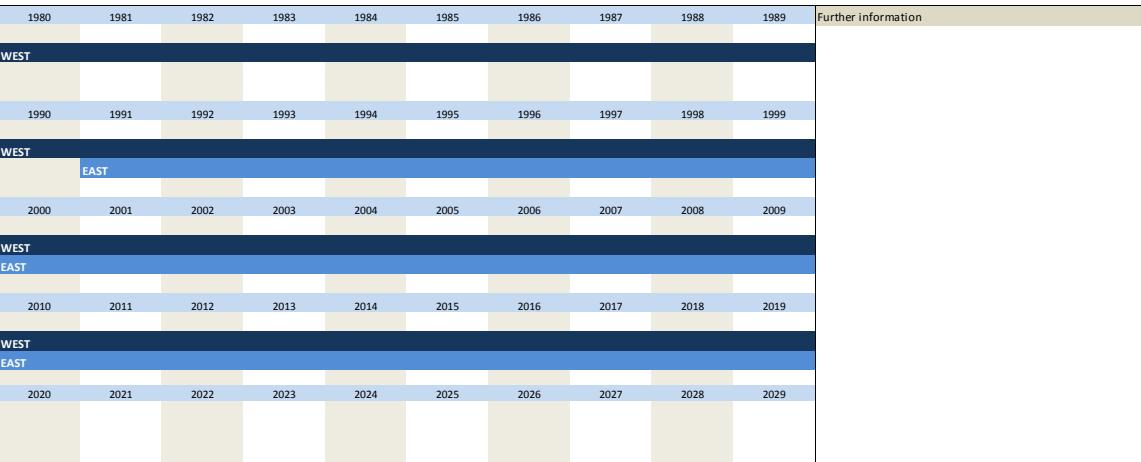
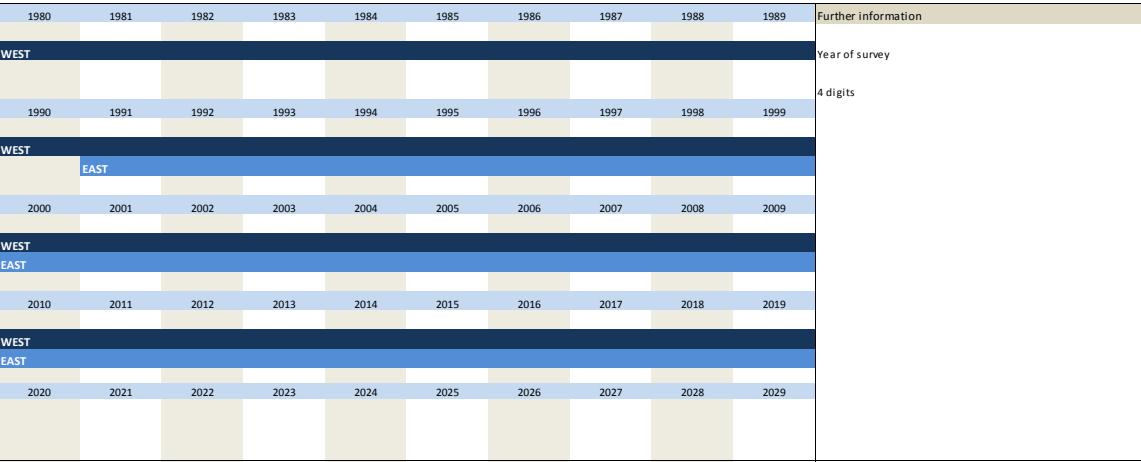
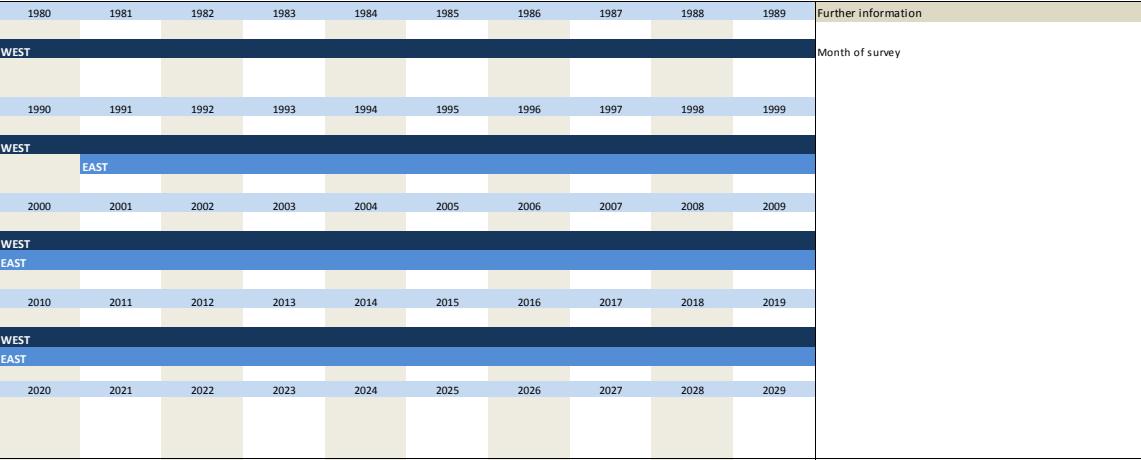
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4. Special question Innovation

| Nr. | Name | Label | Label |
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| 4.1) | vg_market_national_1 | development of national market in next 5 years | Entwicklung des nationalen Marktes in den nächsten 5 Jahren |
| 4.2) | vg_market_national_2 | development of national market in next 5 years | Entwicklung des nationalen Marktes in den nächsten 5 Jahren |
| 4.3) | vg_market_abroad_1 | development of foreign market in next 5 years | Entwicklung des ausländischen Marktes in den nächsten 5 Jahren |
| 4.4) | vg_market_abroad_2 | development of foreign market in next 5 years | Entwicklung des ausländischen Marktes in den nächsten 5 Jahren |
| 4.5) | vg_market_total_1 | development of market in general in next 5 years | Entwicklung des Marktes allgemein in den nächsten 5 Jahren |
| 4.6) | vg_market_total_2 | development of market in general in next 5 years | Entwicklung des Marktes allgemein in den nächsten 5 Jahren |
| 4.7) | vg_prod_inno_realized | product innovation realized this year | Produktinnovationen durchgeführt |
| 4.8) | vg_prod_inno_aborted | product innovation aborted this year | Produktinnovationen abgebrochen |
| 4.9) | leted | product innovation planning completed this year | Planung für Produktinnovationen abgeschlossen |
| 4.10) | vg_prod_inno_in_plannin | product innovation still in planning stage this year | Produktinnovationen noch in Planungsphase |
| 4.11) | vg_prod_inno_np | product innovation not planned this year | Keine Produktinnovationen geplant |
| 4.12) | vg_process_inno_realized | process innovation realized this year | Prozessinnovationen durchgeführt |
| 4.13) | vg_process_inno_aborted | process innovation aborted this year | Prozessinnovationen abgebrochen |
| 4.14) | vg_process_inno_plan_compl | process innovation planning completed this year | Planung für Prozessinnovationen abgeschlossen |
| 4.15) | vg_process_inno_in_planning | process innovation still in planning stage this year | Prozessinnovationen noch in Planungsphase |
| 4.16) | vg_process_inno_np | process innovation not planned this year | Keine Prozessinnovationen geplant |
| 4.17) | vg_share_inno_phase | share of turnover in stage of product launch | Anteil Produktein Produktstartphase an Umsatz |
| 4.18) | vg_share_growth_phase | share of turnover in stage of positive growth | Anteil Produkte in Phase positiven Wachstums an Umsatz |
| 4.19) | vg_share_stagnation_phase | share of turnover in stage of stagnation | Anteil Produkte in Phase von stagnierendem Wachstum an Umsatz |
| 4.20) | vg_share_negative_growth | share of turnover in stage of negative growth | Anteil Produkte in Phase negativen Wachstums an Umsatz |

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| 4.21) | vg_rd_activity | R&D activity | FuE Aktivitäten |
| 4.22) | vg_rd_employee_share | share of employees R&D | Anteil FuE-Personals an Beschäftigten |
| 4.23) | vg_rd_expen_share | share of R&D expenditures | Anreil FuE-Ausgaben an Umsatz |

| 1. Variables of identification | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|----------------------------------|
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | | | | | | | | | Survey frequency |
| 1.1) | survey | survey | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | | | | | | | | | monthly monthly |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.2) | year | year | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | | | | | | | | | monthly survey monthly survey |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.3) | month | month | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | | | | | | | | | monthly survey monthly survey |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| 1.4) idnum | | | | | | | | | | | KT and INNO firm adressfile id | West since 04/1993 East since 04/1992 | monthly survey monthly survey | | | | | | | | |
|------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---|--|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | Further information | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | KT and INNO firm adressfile id 7 digits digit 1-2: economic sector digit 3-7: company identifier | | | | | | | | | | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | WEST | | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | WEST | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 1.5) | runnum | running number of plant | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | Further information | | | | | | | | | | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | Running number of plant | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | WEST | | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | WEST | | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | WEST | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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|------|--------------|--------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1.6) | vg_plantrnum | KT and INNO firm adressfile id | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | Further information | | | | | | | | | | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | KT and INNO firm adressfile id, 11 digits | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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|------|-----------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1.7) | fedstaifo | federal state (ifo-code) | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | Further information | | | | | | | | | | |

| WEST | | | | | | | | | | Federal state according to ifo-code |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------------------------------|
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | EAST |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | EAST |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | EAST |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|-------------|-----------------|---|--|
| 1.8) | vg_westeast | western eastern | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | | | 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 | Further information |
| | | | WEST | Differences between eastern and western survey |
| | | | 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 | |
| | | | WEST | |
| | | | EAST | |
| | | | 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 | |
| | | | WEST | |
| | | | EAST | |
| | | | 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 | |
| | | | WEST | |
| | | | EAST | |
| | | | 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|-----------|--------|---|--|
| 1.9) | vg_weight | weight | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | | | 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 | Further information |
| | | | WEST | |
| | | | 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 | Variable is not collected in the survey but is constructed later using a formula to calculate. weight: calculated by this formula: $(\log_{10}(\text{emppro2}))^e$ |
| | | | WEST | |
| | | | EAST | |
| | | | 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 | Weighting refers to employees per product 'emppro2' |
| | | | WEST | |
| | | | EAST | |
| | | | 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 | |
| | | | WEST | |
| | | | EAST | |
| | | | 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------|-----------|---|---------------------|
| 1.10) | vg_latecomer | latecomer | West 01/1998 to 12/2001 and 08/2008 to 03/2011 | monthly survey |
| | | | East since 01/1998 to 12/2001 and 08/2008 to 03/2011 | monthly survey |
| | | | 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 | Further information |
| | | | Latecomer | [1] N=latecomer |

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|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | WEST | | 01/2002 to 07/2008 The data of the variable latecomer is not fed in, as a double occupancy of the corresponding column exists in the dataset |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | WEST | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|---|-----------|---|----------------------------------|
| 1.11) | sector_id | sector id | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | | | 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 | Further information |
| | WEST | | | |
| | 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 | | | |
| | WEST | EAST | | |
| | 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 | | | |
| | WEST | EAST | | |
| | 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 | | | |
| | WEST | EAST | | |
| | 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|---|---------------------------|---|--|
| 1.12) | sector_ifo | ifo sector classification | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | | | 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 | Further information |
| | WEST | | | ifo-product number, 4 digits |
| | 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 | | | Since 01/1991 the KT is inquired in the east, too. The East-data is classified with a Sypro-product number. The Sypro-number is transcribed in a ifo-product number. But for some Sypro-numbers no corresponding ifo-product number. |
| | WEST | EAST | | |
| | 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 | | | used to be: prodnum : Was renamed for universal naming of sector classifications |
| | WEST | EAST | | |
| | 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 | | | |
| | WEST | EAST | | |
| | 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|---|-----------------------------|---|--|
| 1.13) | sector_sypro | sypro sector classification | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | | | 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 | Further information |
| | WEST | | | Sector label |
| | 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 | | | Sypro-number until 1990: 2 digits |
| | WEST | EAST | | since 1991 in East and West: 7 digits |
| | 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 | | | |

Label key: very extensive, on demand,
see do-File: kt_vg_Panel_Label.do

WEST
EAST

2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

WEST
EAST

2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | | | | | | | | | | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------------|----------------------------|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|
| 1.14) | sector_wz93 | wz93 sector classification | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | | | | | | | | | | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | | | Further information |
| | WEST | | | | | | | | | | | | Sector, economic sector(-number) 1993 |
| | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | | | Label key: very extensive, on demand, see do-File: kt_vg_Panel_Label.do |
| | WEST | | | | | | | | | | | | EAST |
| | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | | | |
| | WEST | | | | | | | | | | | | EAST |
| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | | | |
| | WEST | | | | | | | | | | | | EAST |
| | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | | | | | | | | | | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------------|----------------------------|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|---|
| 1.15) | sector_wz08 | wz08 sector classification | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | | | | | | | | | | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | | | Further information |
| | WEST | | | | | | | | | | | | Sector, economic sector(-number) from 2008 |
| | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | | | Label key: very extensive, on demand see do-File: kt_vg_Panel_Label.do |
| | WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | | | |
| | WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | | | |
| | WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | | | | | | | | | Survey frequency |
|-------------|--------------|----------------------------|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|---|
| 1.16) | sector_total | ebdc sector classification | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | | | | | | | | | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | | Further information |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | | Sector, economic sector |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | [6] food, drinks and tobacco industry |
| | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | | [7] textile, clothing, leather |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | | [8] wood industry, production of cork, wooden, braided and basket articles (without furniture) |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | [9] paper industry, Production of paper, board and articles thereof |
| | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | | [10] publishing industry, printing industry, reproduction of recorded sound, image and data storage media |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | | [11] cokery, mineral oil processing, processing of fissile and fertil materials |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | | [12] chemical industry |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | [13] pharmaceutical industry |
| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | | [14] rubber and plastics industry |

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|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|---|
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | [15] glass and ceramics industry, processing of stones and soil |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | [16] metal industry |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | [17] production of data processing devices, electronical and optical articles |
| | | | | | | | | | | | [18] production of electric equipment |
| | | | | | | | | | | | [19] machinery construction |
| | | | | | | | | | | | [20] broadcast and communications engineering |
| | | | | | | | | | | | [22] vehicle and vehicle part production |
| | | | | | | | | | | | [23] production of furniture, jewellery, music instruments, sports equipment, toys and other products |
| | | | | | | | | | | | [24] other production |
| | | | | | | | | | | | [25] repair and installation of machines and equipment |

II. Variables regarding the survey process

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------|--------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 1.17) | online | online | West 01/1999 to 11/2001 and since 07/2004 East since 07/2004 | monthly survey monthly survey |

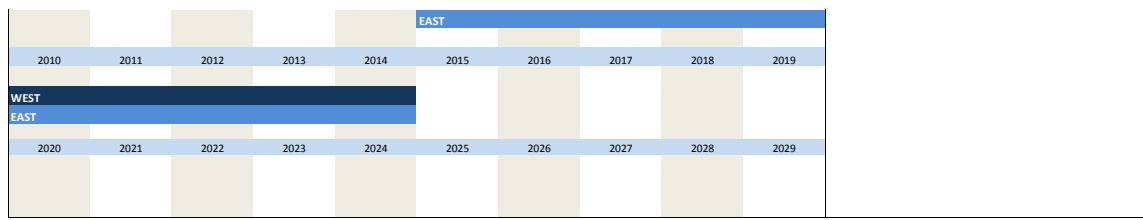
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|-------------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|-------------------------------|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | | Further information |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | Questionnaire answered online |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | | [0] paper |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | [1] fax |
| | EAST | | | | | | | | | | [2] online |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | | [5] manually collected |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------|--------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 1.18) | survey_start | survey start | West since 01/2005 East since 01/2005 | monthly survey monthly survey |

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | | Further information |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | | Survey start Only refers to the participants who answered the questionnaire online. |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | | |
| | WEST | | | | | | | | | | |
| | EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | | |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|------------|------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 1.19) | survey_end | survey end | West since 01/2005 East since 01/2005 | monthly survey monthly survey |

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|---|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | | Further information |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | | End of survey Only refers to the participants who answered the questionnaire online. |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | | |
| | WEST | | | | | | | | | | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------------|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 1.20) | participation_date | participation date | West since 01/2005 East since 01/2005 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | | | Further information Participation date Only refers to the participants who answered the questionnaire online. | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------------|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 1.21) | participation_hour | participation hour | West since 01/2005 East since 01/2005 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | | | Further information Participation hour Only refers to the participants who answered the questionnaire online. | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|----------------------|----------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 1.22) | participation_status | participation status | West since 01/2005 East since 01/2005 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| | | | Further information Participation status Only refers to the participants who answered the questionnaire online. [1] finished [2] reworked [3] completed [4] saved | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency | | | | | | | |
|-------------|----------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| 1.23) | vg_participant | participation in this survey | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly monthly | | | | | | | |
| | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | Further information introduced in 04/2018 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | Participation in this survey: |
| | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | [0] No [1] Yes |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | | | Calculation of variable: 1, if data of online and statusbus or comexp exists, 0 otherwise 1991-03/2018 variable=1, since 04/2018 variable can be 0 or 1 (due to a change in delivered data) |
| | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 07 & 08/2018 only data of participants was delivered |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |

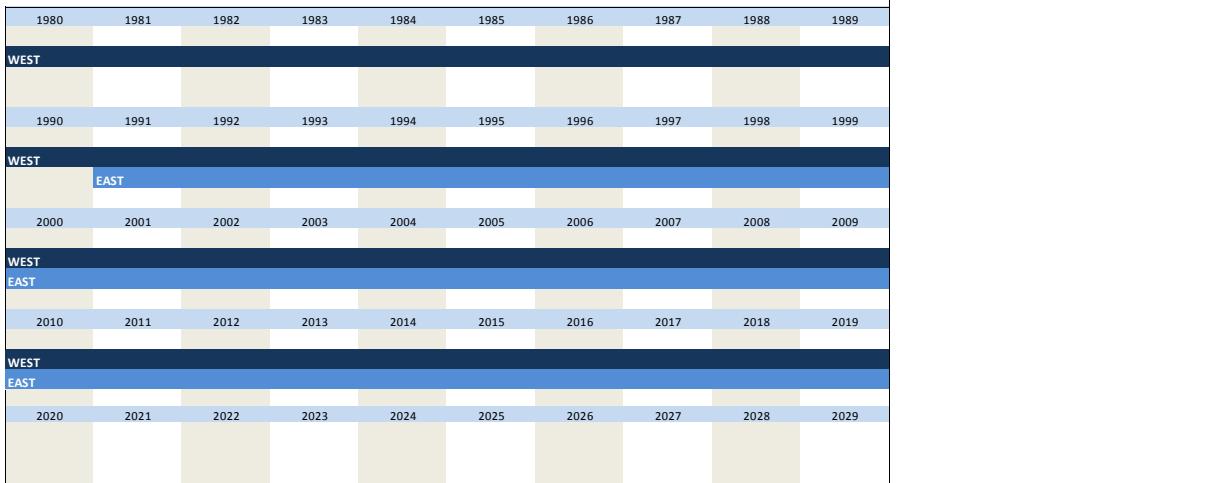
2. Standard questions

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|-------------|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.1) | vg_statebus | state of business (appraisal) | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

| | |
|---|---|
| 01/1991 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available | Further information Appraisal of the state of business |
| 01/1980 to 11/2001 We currently evaluate our state of business for XY to be good [1] satisfiable (seasonal) [2] bad [3] | |
| 01/2002 to 02/2002 Current situation and tendencies We currently evaluate our state of business for XY to be good [1] satisfiable [2] bad [3] | |
| 03/2002 to 06/2018 Current situation We evaluate our state of business for XY to be good [1] satisfiable [2] bad [3] | |
| since 07/2018 Current situation We evaluate our state of business to be good [1] satisfiable [2] bad [3] | |

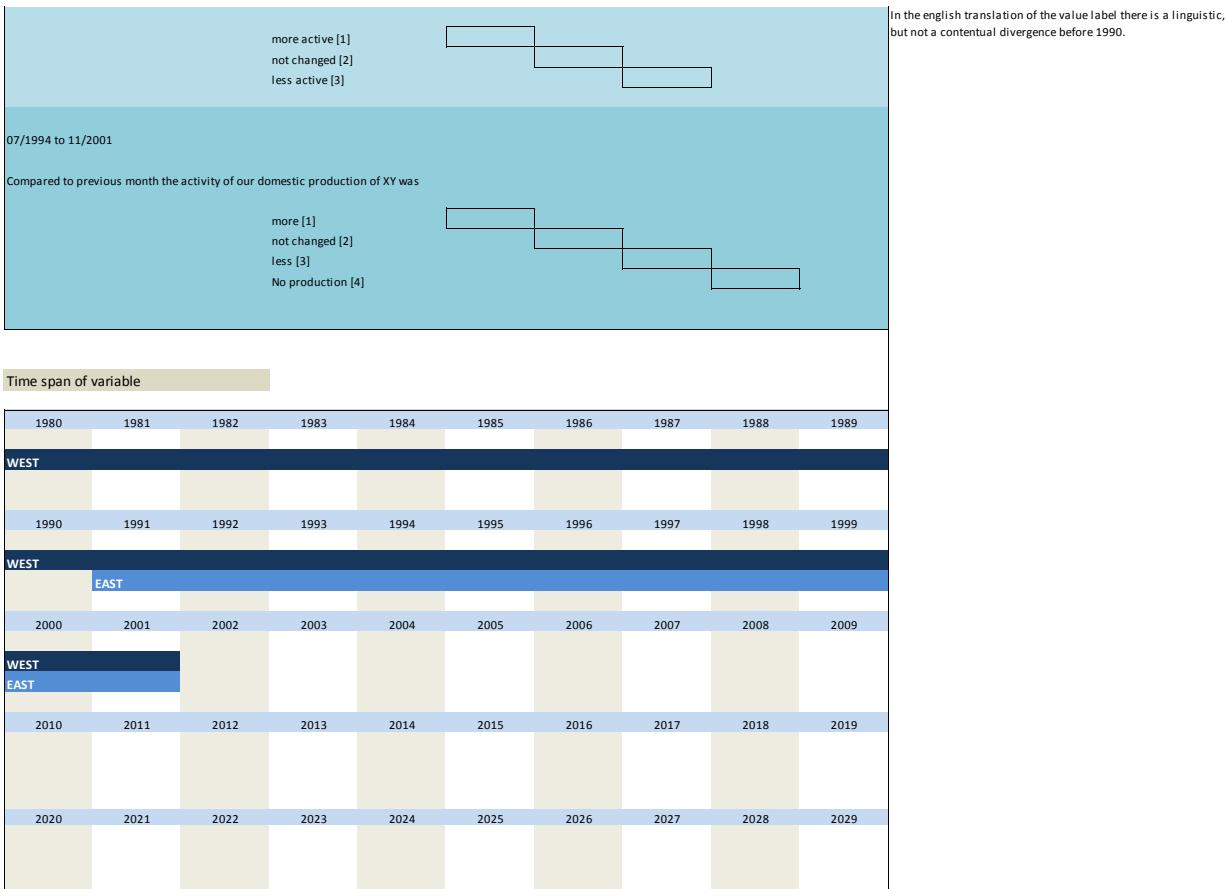
Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|-----------|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.2) | vg_provpm | production versus previous month | West 01/1980 to 11/2001 East 01/1991 to 11/2001 | monthly survey monthly survey |

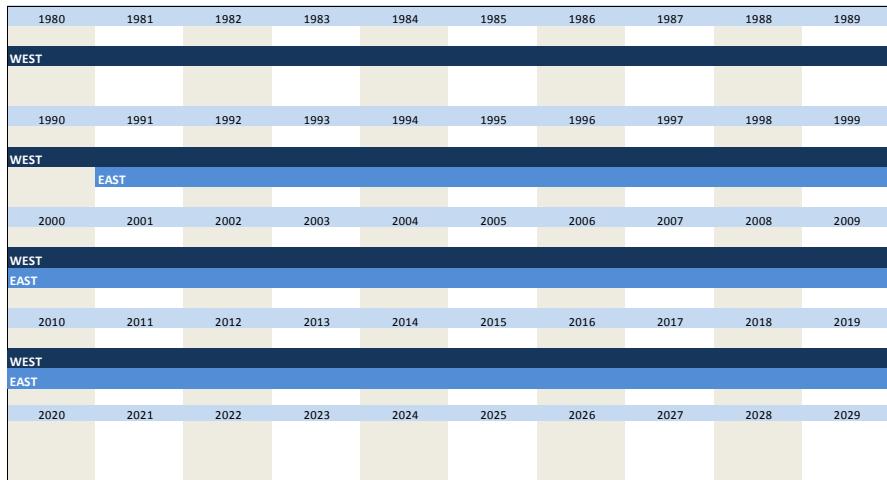
Wording of question

| | |
|--|---|
| 01/1991 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available | Further information Production compared to previous month |
| 01/1980 to 06/1994 Compared to previous month our domestic production of XY was | Due to the alignment of the survey periods by the European Union, the question is continued by the variable 2.15) pro_vpq from 01/2002 on |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--|---------|----------------------|--|--|
| 2.3) | vg_stin | stock of inventories | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| Wording of question | | | | |
| 01/1991 to 11/2001 | | | | Further information Appraisal of the stock of inventories 01/2002 and 02/2002 *Current situation and tendencies **addition "current" |
| No questionnaires for the East available | | | | In the english translation of the value label there is a linguistic, but not a contentual divergence before 1990. |
| 01/1980 to 11/1992 | | | | |
| We currently evaluate our stock of unsold finished goods to be | | | | |
| too little [1] sufficient [2] too much [3] no stock-keeping [4] | | | | |
| 01/1992 to 11/2001 | | | | |
| We currently evaluate our stock of unsold finished goods to be | | | | |
| too little [1] sufficient [2] too much [3] no stock-keeping [4] | | | | |
| 01/2002 to 06/2018 | | | | |
| Current situation* | | | | |
| We evaluate our (current)** stock of unsold finished goods to be | | | | |
| too little [1] sufficient [2] too much [3] no stock-keeping [4] | | | | |
| since 07/2018 | | | | |
| Current situation | | | | |
| We evaluate our stock of unsold finished goods to be | | | | |
| too little [1] sufficient [2] too much [3] no stock-keeping [4] | | | | |

Time span of variable

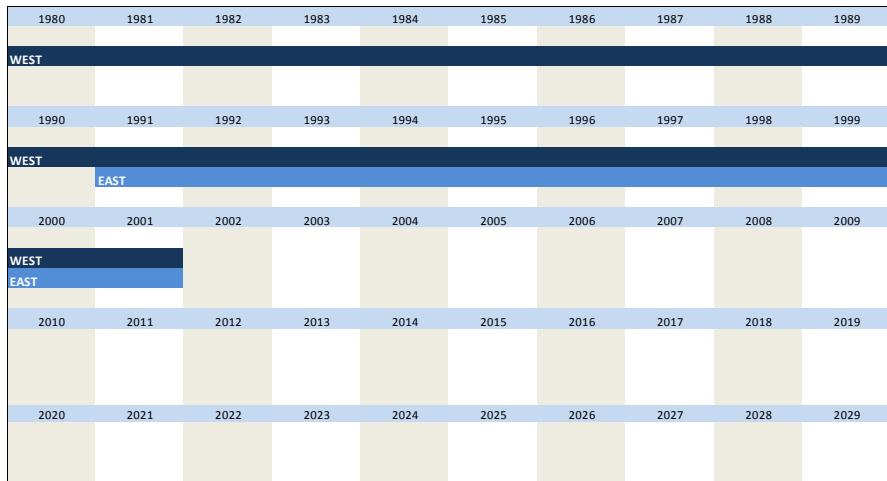


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|-----------|---------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.4) | vg_demand | situation of demand | West 01/1980 to 11/2001 East 01/1991 to 11/2001 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

| | |
|--|---|
| 01/1991 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available | Further information Situation of demand compared to previous month Due to the alignment of the survey periods by the European Union, the question is continued by the variable 2.16) demand_vpq from 01/2002 on |
| 01/1980 to 06/1994 Compared to previous month the situation of demand (domestic and foreign demand) for XY is better [1] not changed [2] worse [3] | |
| 07/1994 to 11/2001 Compared to previous month the situation of demand for XY is better [1] not changed [2] worse [3] | |

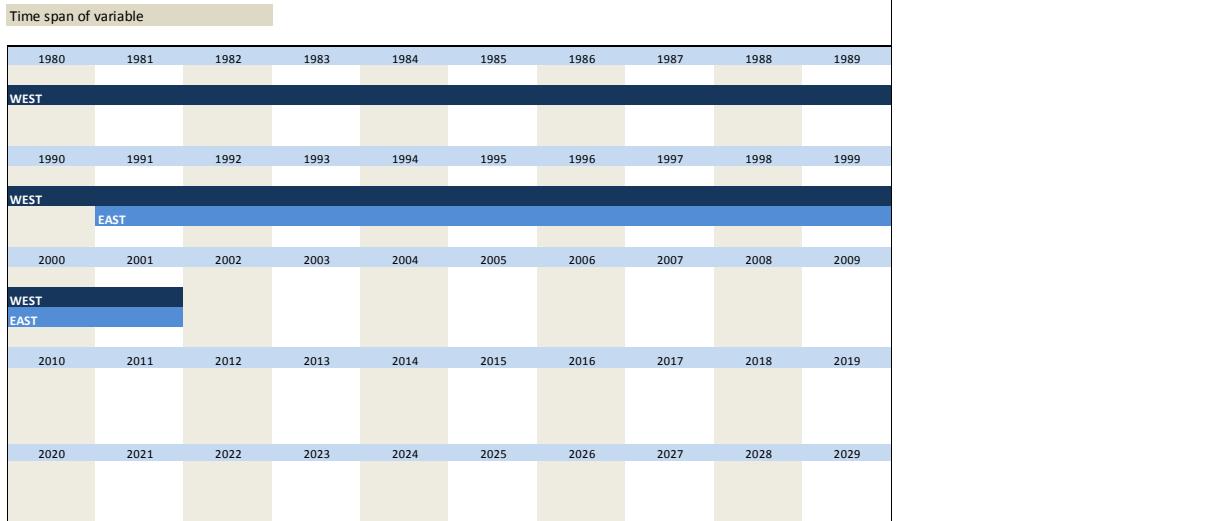
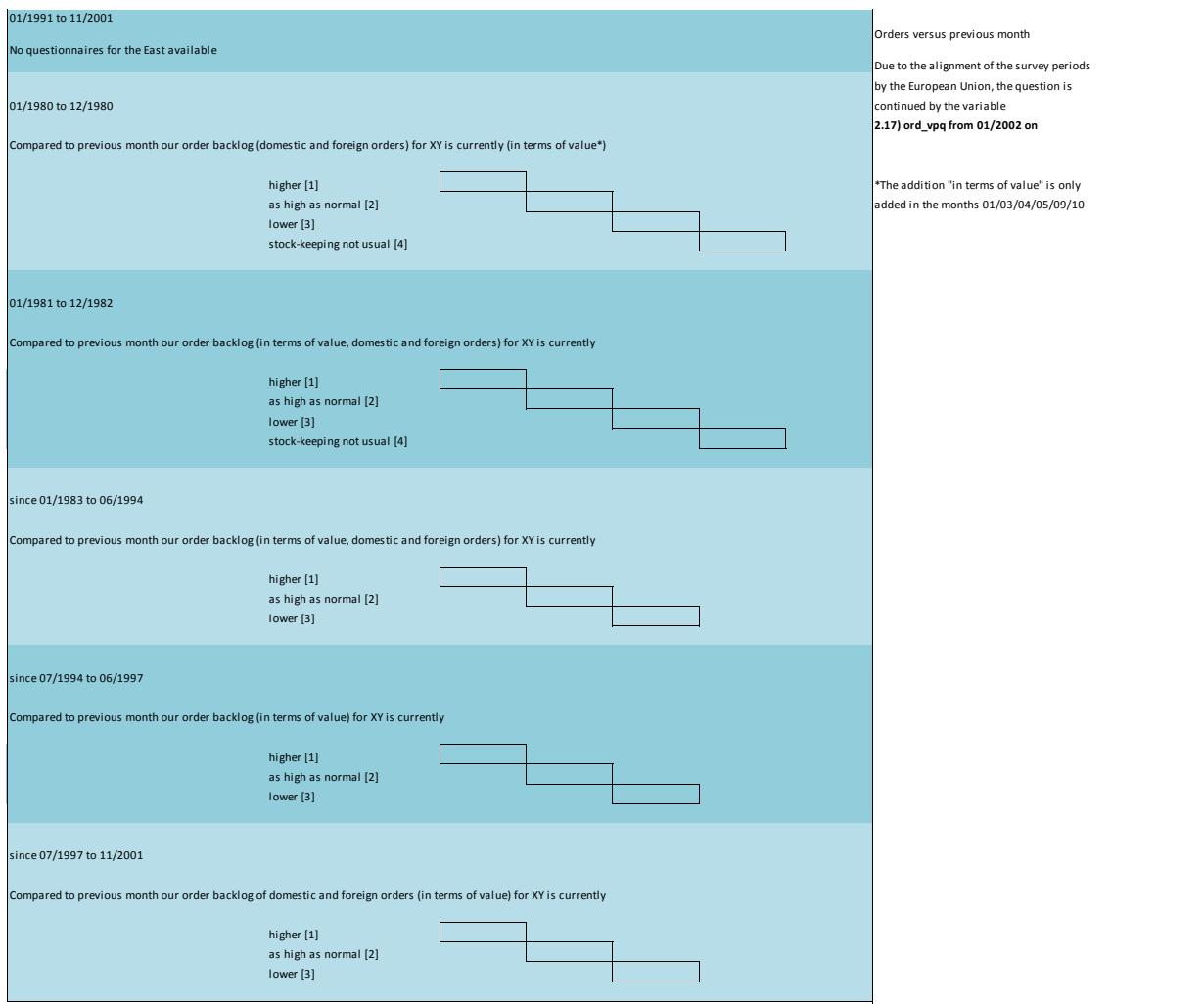
Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|-----------|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.5) | vg_ordvpm | orders versus past | West 01/1980 to 11/2001 East 01/1991 to 11/2001 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| | Further information |
|--|---------------------|



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--|-----------|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.6) | vg_orders | orders (appraisal) | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| Wording of question | | | | |
| <p>01/1991 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available</p> <p>01/1980 to 12/1982 We currently evaluate our order backlog (domestic and foreign orders) to be</p> | | | | |
| <p>Further information</p> <p>appraisal of the current order backlog</p> <p>01/2002 and 02/2002 *instead of "Current situation" → "Current situation and tendencies" **addition "current"</p> | | | | |

| | | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| | <p>relatively high [1] (e.g. extended time of delivery)</p> <p>sufficient [2]</p> <p>too small [3]</p> <p>not usual [4]</p> | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | since 01/1994 inquired for east and west |
| 01/1983 to 06/1994 | | | |
| We currently evaluate our order backlog (domestic and foreign orders) to be | | | |
| | <p>relatively high [1] (e.g. extended time of delivery)</p> <p>sufficient [2]</p> <p>or not customary</p> <p>too small [3]</p> | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 07/1994 to 06/1997 | | | |
| We currently evaluate our order backlog | | | |
| | <p>relatively high [1] (e.g. extended time of delivery)</p> <p>sufficient [2]</p> <p>or not customary</p> <p>too small [3]</p> | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 07/1997 to 11/2001 | | | |
| We currently evaluate our order backlog (domestic and foreign orders) to be | | | |
| | <p>relatively high [1] (e.g. extended time of delivery)</p> <p>sufficient [2]</p> <p>or not customary</p> <p>too small [3]</p> | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 01/2002 to 06/2018 | | | |
| Current situation* | | | |
| We evaluate our (current**) order backlog for XY to be | | | |
| | <p>relatively high [1] (e.g. extended time of delivery)</p> <p>sufficient [2]</p> <p>or not customary</p> <p>too small [3]</p> | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | total |
| since 07/2018 | | | |
| Current situation | | | |
| We consider our order backlog (provided that it is customary) to be | | | |
| a) total | | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | see vg_foreord for b) |
| Time span of variable | | | |
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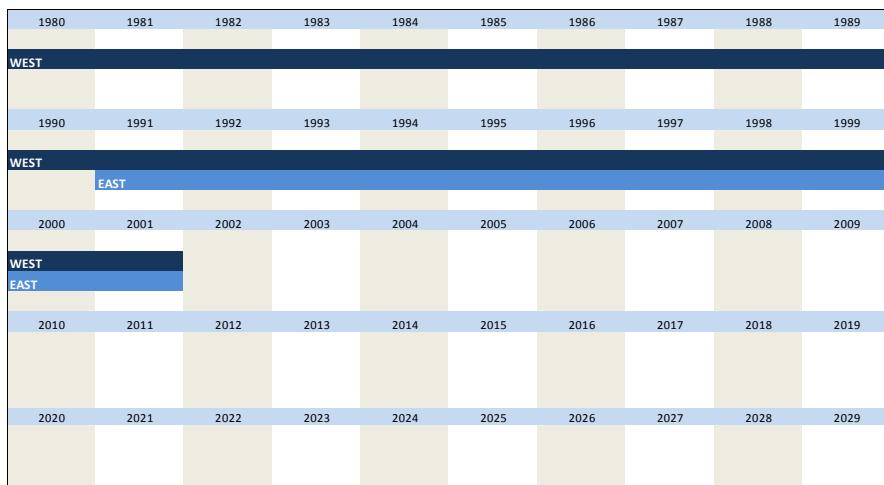
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|-----|------|-------|---------------|------------------|

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|------|--------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.7) | vg_pricevpm | domestic prices of sale versus previous month | West 01/1980 to 11/2001 East 01/1991 to 11/2001 | monthly survey monthly survey |
|------|--------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|

Wording of question

| | |
|---|---|
| 01/1991 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available | Further information Domestic prices of sale versus previous month Due to the alignment of the survey periods by the European Union, the question is continued by the variable 2.18) price_vpq from 01/2002 on |
| 01/1980, 04/1980, 05/1980, 10/1980 Compared to previous month our domestic sale prices - taking changes in conditions into account - for XY were regular orders follow up orders (also "since stock-orders") increased [1] not changed [2] decreased [3] | |
| 02/1980, 03/1980, 06/1980 to 09/1980, 11/1980 to 09/1991 Compared to previous month our domestic sales prices (net-prices) - taking changes in conditions into account - for XY were increased [1] [] not changed [2] [] decreased [3] [] | |
| 10/1991 to 11/2001 Compared to previous month our domestic sales prices (net-prices) - taking changes in conditions into account - for XY were increased [1] [] not changed [2] [] decreased [3] [] | |

Time span of variable

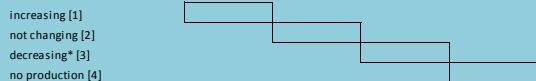


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| 2.8) | vg_proexp | expected production | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

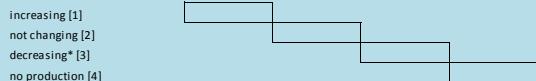
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| 01/1991 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available | Further information Expected domestic production * 04/1991 to 01/1993 "fall" instead of "decrease" |
| 01/1980 to 06/1994 During the next 3 months our domestic production is expected to be [...] in cyclical regards therefor under elimination of purely seasonal fluctuations increasing [1] [] not changing [2] [] decreasing* [3] [] | |
| 07/1994 to 06/1997 | |

During the next 3 months our domestic production is expected to [...] in cyclical regards
therefor under elimination of purely seasonal fluctuations



07/1997 to 11/2001

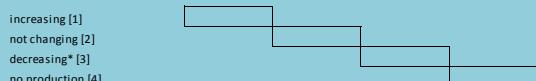
During the next 3 months our domestic production is expected to be [...] in cyclical regards



01/2002 to 06/2018

Expectations for the next 3 months

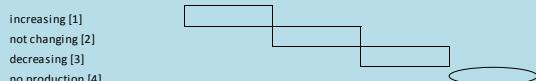
Our domestic production of XY is expected to be



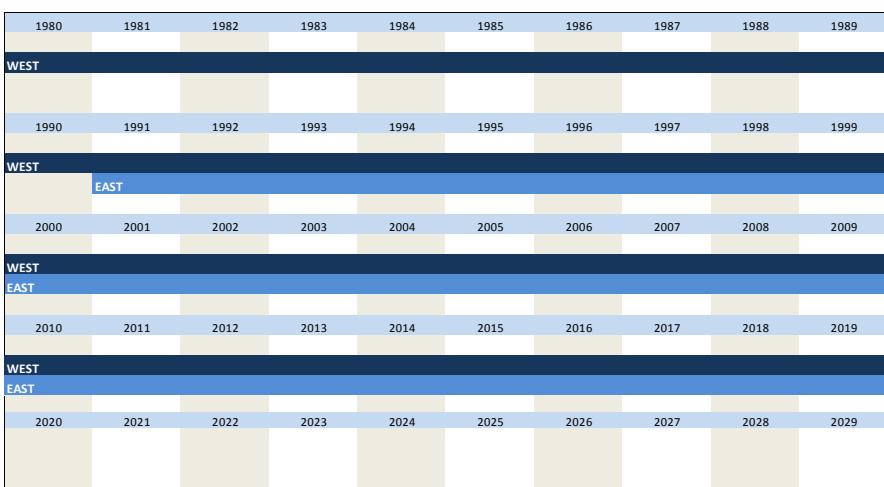
since 07/2018

Plans and Expectations for the next 3 months

Our production is expected to be



Time span of variable



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| 2.9) | vg_priceexp | expected domestic prices | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |

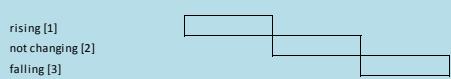
Wording of question

01/1991 to 11/2001

No questionnaires for the East available

01/1980 to 05/1980

During the next 3 months our domestic sales prices for XY (only regular orders) - taking changes in conditions into account - are expected to be



06/1980 to 11/2001

Further information

expected domestic prices

*03/1990 to 01/1993

"decrease" instead of "fall"

During the next 3 months our domestic sales prices for XY (only net sales prices) - taking changes in conditions into account - are expected to be

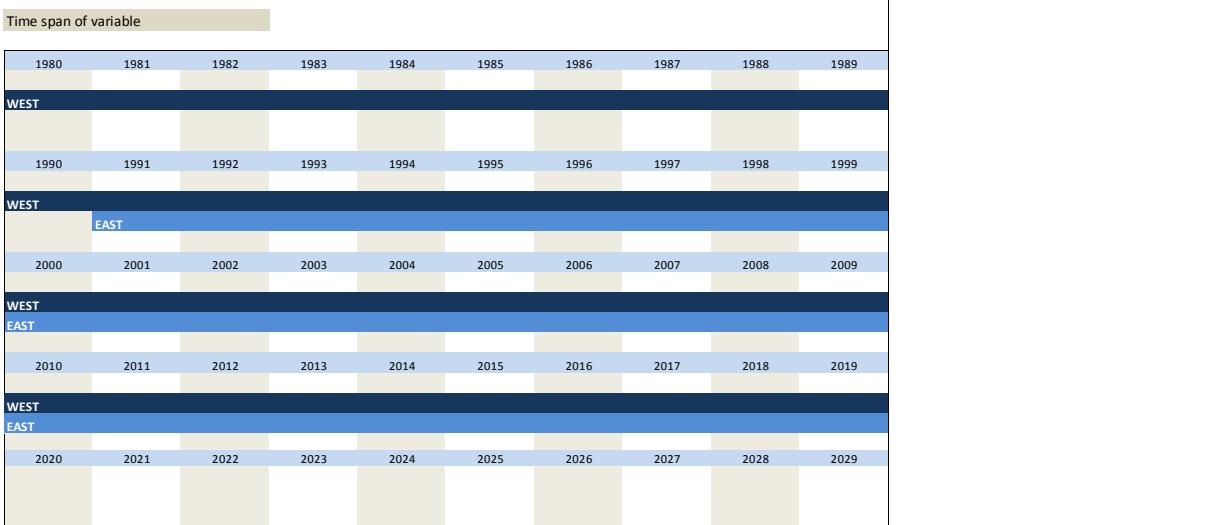
rising [1] not changing [2] falling* [3]

01/2002 to 06/2018
Expectations for the next 3 months
Our domestic sales prices (Net) for XY - taking changes in conditions into account - will expectedly be

rising [1] not changing [2] falling [3]

since 07/2018
Plans and Expectations for the next 3 months
Our prices will expectedly be

rising [1] not changing [2] falling [3]



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|----------|-----------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.10) | vg_exexp | expected export trade | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

01/1991 to 11/2001
No questionnaires for the East available

Further information
expected export trade

01/1980 to 11/2001
During the next 3 months the extent of our exports - taking former export deals and running order negotiations into account - is expected to be

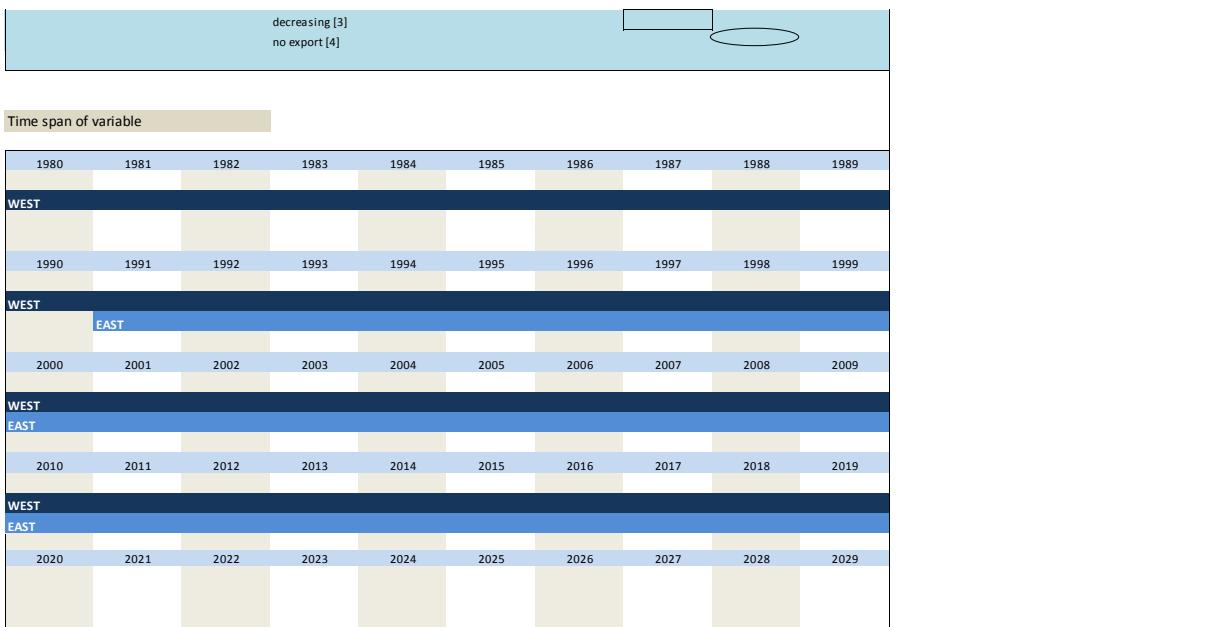
increasing [1] not changing [2] decreasing [3] no export [4]

01/2002 to 06/2018
Expectations for the next 3 months
During the next 3 months the extent of our exports - taking former export deals and running order negotiations into account - is expected to be

increasing [1] not changing [2] decreasing [3] no export of XY [4]

Since 07/2018
Plans and Expectations for the next 3 months
The extent of our exports is expected to be

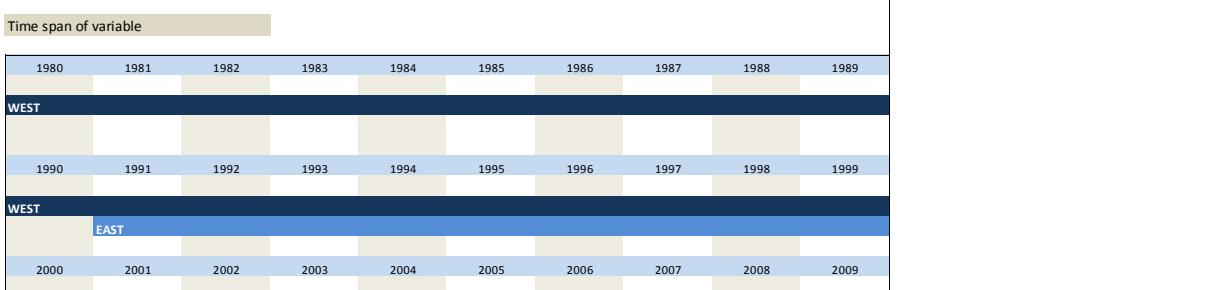
increasing [1] not changing [2]

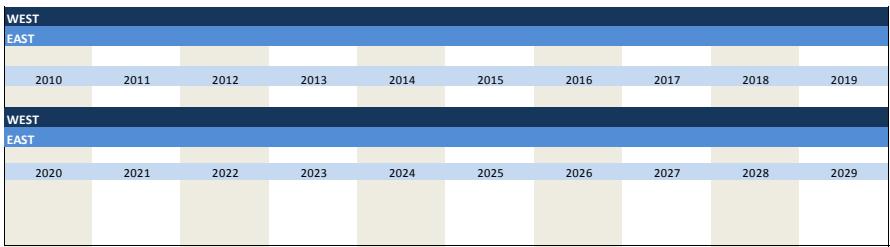


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| 2.11) | vg_comexp | expected commercial operations | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

| | |
|--|---|
| 01/1991 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available | Further information Expected commercial operations |
| 01/1980 to 06/1997 During the next 6 months our commercial operations for XY will be [...] in cyclical regards, therefore by eliminating purely seasonal fluctuations | favourable [1] not changing [2] unfavourable [3] |
| 07/1997 to 11/2001 During the next 6 months our commercial operations for XY will be [...] in cyclical regards | favourable [1] not changing [2] unfavourable [3] |
| 01/2002 to 06/2018 Expectations for the next 6 months In cyclical regards our commercial operations for XY will be | favourable [1] not changing [2] unfavourable [3] |
| Since 07/2018 Plans and Expectations for the next 6 months Our business situation will be | favourable [1] not changing [2] unfavourable [3] |



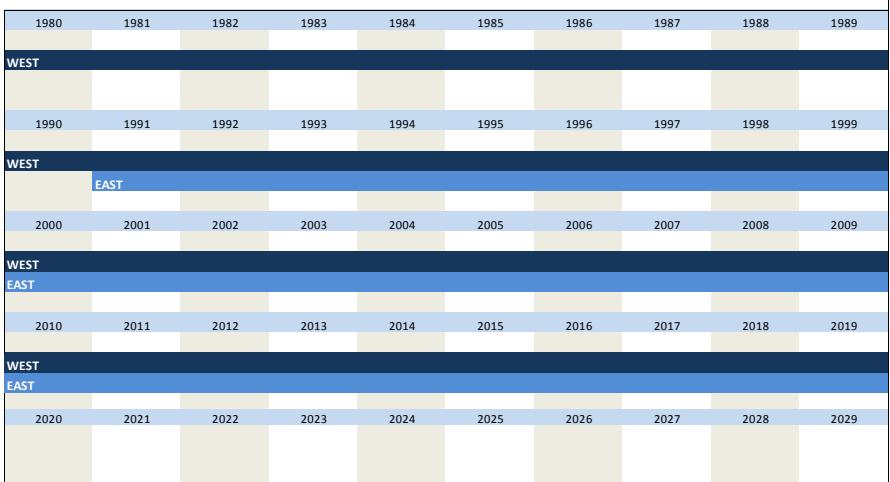


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|------------|----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.12) | vg_foreord | foreign orders (appraisal) | West since 01/1980 East since 01/1991 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

| | |
|--|---|
| 01/1991 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available | Further information Appraisal of foreign orders 01/2002 and 02/2002 *instead of "Current situation" →"Current situation and tendencies" **addition "current" |
| 01/1980 to 11/2001 We consider our foreign order backlog for XY currently to be relatively high [1] (e.g. extended time of delivery) sufficient [2] too small [3] no export XY [4] | |
| 01/2002 to 06/2018 Current situation* We consider our (current**) foreign order backlog to be for export relatively high [1] sufficient [2] or not customary too small [3] no export XY [4] | |
| Since 07/2018 Current situation We consider our order backlog (provided that it is customary) to be b) for export relatively high [1] sufficient [2] too small [3] no export [4] | see vg_orders for a) |

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 2.13) | vg_salesexp | sales expectancy | West 01/1980 to 06/1994 | monthly survey |

Wording of question

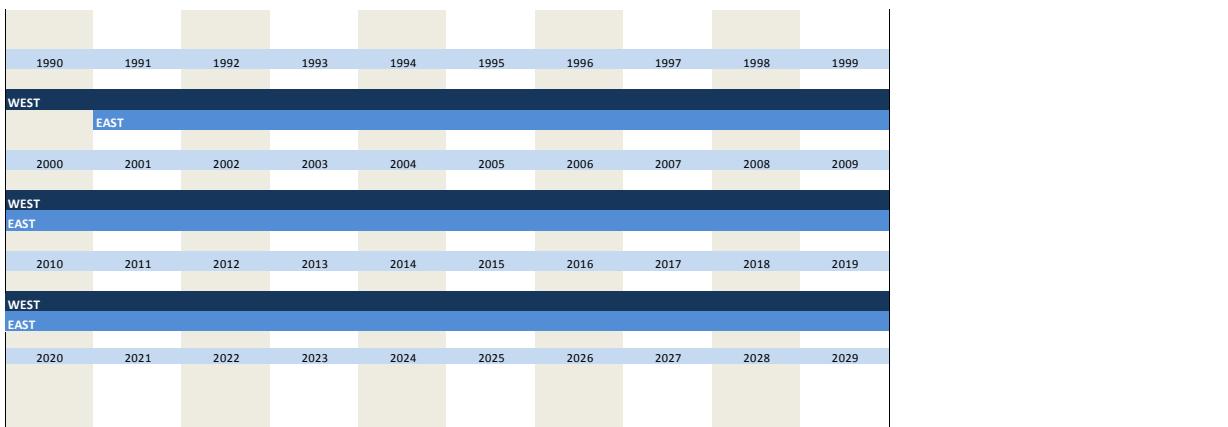
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| 01/1980 to 06/1994 | Further information |
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| <p>During the next 3 months our (domestic and foreign) sales of XY will expectedly be</p> <p style="text-align: center;">rising [1] not changing [2] falling [3]</p> <p>in terms of quantity compared to the corresponding period of previous year</p> | | | | | | | | | | Sales expectancy Inquired for food and luxury food industries | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 2.14) | vg_emplexp | expected employees | West 01/1980 to 04/1997 and since 07/1997 East since 01/1991 | quarterly survey monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

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|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| <p>01/1991 to 11/2001</p> <p>No questionnaires for the East available</p> <p>01/1980 to 04/1997</p> <p>Employees (only domestic companies)</p> <p>During the next 3 months the number of employees assigned to the production of XY will be in cyclical regards, therefore by eliminating purely seasonal fluctuations -</p> <p style="text-align: center;">increasing [1] not changing [2] decreasing [3]</p> | | | | | | | | | | Further information Expected development of the total number of employees *10/1980 to 10/1993 the question has the same structure for the west in October as the question of the variable "empl". see 3.14) was a special question until 06/1997. see 3.13) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>07/1997 to 11/2001</p> <p>Employees (only domestic companies)</p> <p>During the next 3 months the number of employees assigned to the production of XY will be</p> <p style="text-align: center;">increasing [1] not changing [2] decreasing [3]</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>01/2002 to 06/2018</p> <p>Expectations for the next 3 months</p> <p>Employees (only domestic companies)</p> <p>The number of employees assigned to the production of XY will be</p> <p style="text-align: center;">increasing [1] not changing [2] decreasing [3]</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Since 07/2018</p> <p>Plans and Expectations for the next 3 months</p> <p>The number of employees will be</p> <p style="text-align: center;">increasing [1] not changing [2] decreasing [3]</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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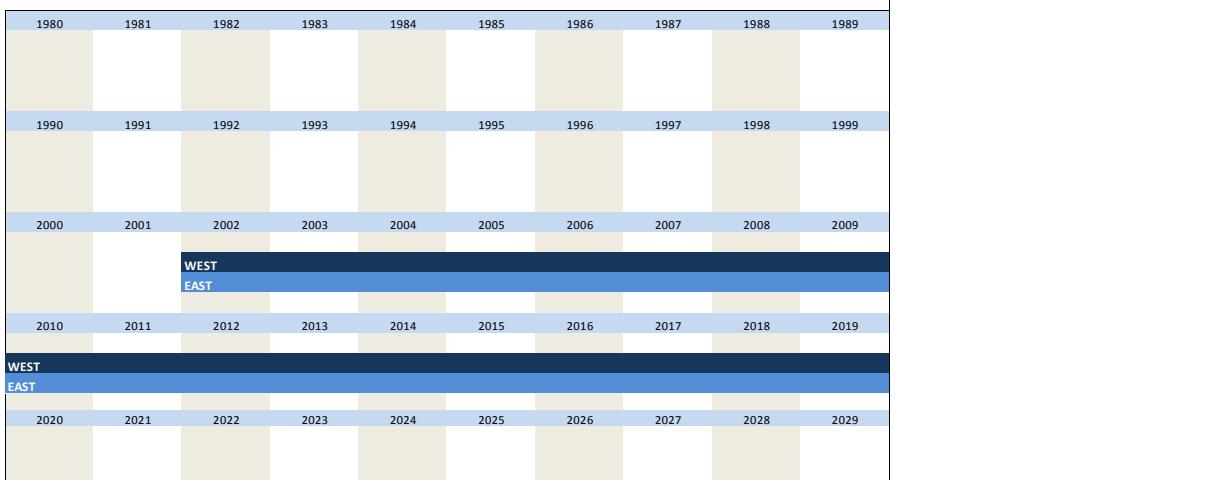


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| 2.15) | vg_pro_vpq | production vs. Past | West since 01/2002 East since 01/2002 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

| | |
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| 01/2002 to 02/2002 During the last 2-3 months our domestic production of XY became more active [1] not changed [2] less active [3] no production [4] | Further information production in previous month or during the last 2-3 months Due to the alignment of the survey periods by the European Union, the question was expressed by the variable 2.2) provpm until 11/2001 |
| 03/2002 to 06/2018 tendencies in previous month Our domestic production of XY increased [1] stayed about the same [2] decreased [3] no production [4] | XX = previous month e.g. question posed in July: XX = June YY= month before previous month (so 2 month before actual month) e.g. question posed in July: YY = May |
| Since 07/2018 Review - tendencies in XX Compared to YY our production increased [1] stayed about the same [2] decreased [3] no production [4] | |

Time span of variable

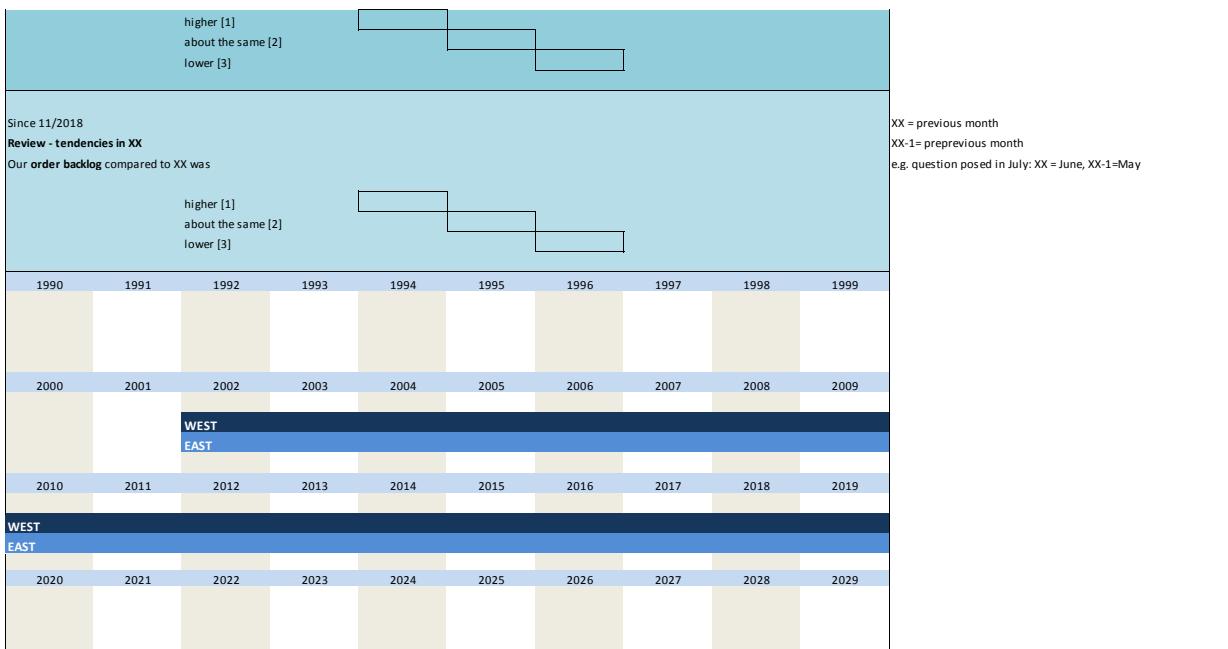


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|---------------|------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.16) | vg_demand_vpq | situation of demand vs. Past | West since 01/2002 East since 01/2002 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

| | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| 01/2002 to 02/2002 | | Further information | |
| During the last 2-3 months the situation of demand of XY was | | Situation of demand previous month or during the last 2-3 months | |
| better [1] not changed [2] worse [3] | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | Due to the alignment of the survey periods by the European Union, the question was expressed by the variable 2.4) demand until 11/2001 | |
| 03/2002 to 06/2018 | | | |
| tendencies in previous month | | | |
| The situation of demand of XY was | | | |
| better [1] not changed [2] worse [3] | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| 07/2018 to 10/2018 | | XX = previous month | |
| Review - tendencies in XX | | e.g. question posed in July: XX = June | |
| The situation of demand was | | | |
| better [1] not changed [2] worse [3] | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Since 11/2018 | | XX = previous month | |
| Review - tendencies in XX | | XX-1= preprevious month | |
| The situation of demand compared to XX-1 was | | e.g. question posed in July: XX = June, XX-1=May | |
| better [1] not changed [2] worse [3] | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Time span of variable | | | |
| | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--|--|---|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.17) | vg_ord_vpq | orders vs. Past | West since 01/2002 East since 01/2002 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| Wording of question | | | | |
| 01/2002 to 02/2002 | | Further information | | |
| During the last 2-3 months our order backlog (domestic and foreign orders, in terms of value) for XY was | | Orders last month or during the last 2-3 months | | |
| higher [1] about the same [2] lower [3] | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | Due to the alignment of the survey periods by the European Union, the question was expressed by the variable 2.5) ordvpm until 11/2001. | | |
| 03/2002 to 06/2018 | | | | |
| tendencies in previous month | | | | |
| Our order backlog (domestic and foreign orders, in terms of value) for XY was | | | | |
| higher [1] about the same [2] lower [3] | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| 07/2018 to 10/2018 | | XX = previous month | | |
| Review - tendencies in XX | | e.g. question posed in July: XX = June | | |
| Our order backlog was | | | | |

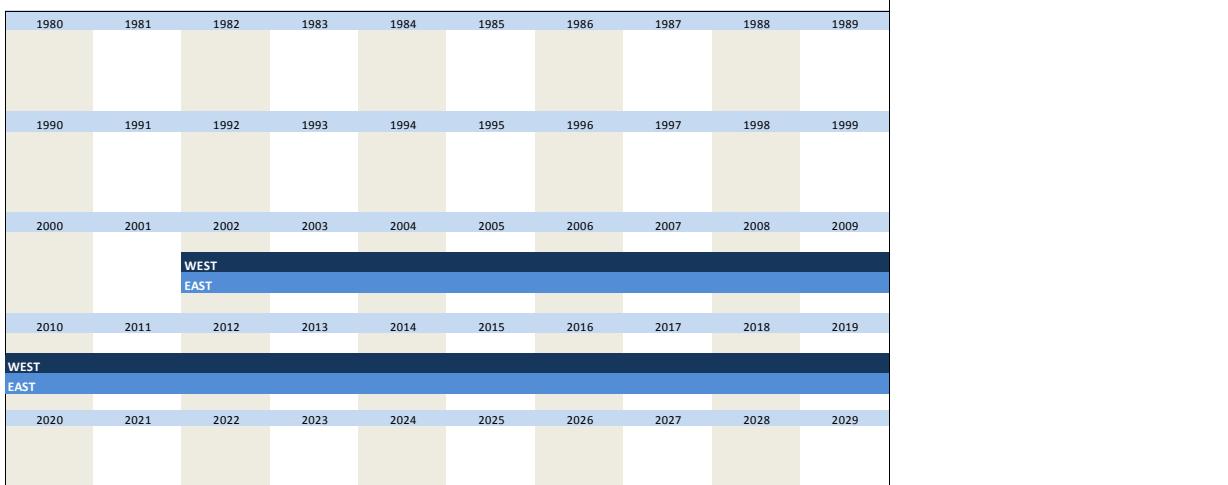


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| 2.18) | vg_price_vpq | domestic prices of sale vs. Past | West since 01/2002 East since 01/2002 | monthly survey monthly survey |

Wording of question

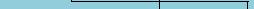
| | | |
|--|--|--|
| 01/2002/ to 02/2002 during the last 2-3 months our (net-) domestic sales prices for XY were [...] taking changes in conditions into account | | Further information Domestic prices of sale previous month or during the last 2-3 months Due to the alignment of the survey periods by the European Union, the question was expressed by the variable 2.7) pricevpm until 11/2001 |
| 03/2002 to 06/2018 tendencies in previous month Our (net-) domestic sales prices for XY were [...] taking changes in conditions into account | | |
| Since 07/2018 Review - tendencies in XX Compared to YY our prices | | XX = previous month e.g. question posed in July: XX = June YY= month before previous month (so 2 month bevor actual month) e.g. question posed in July: YY = May |

Time span of variable

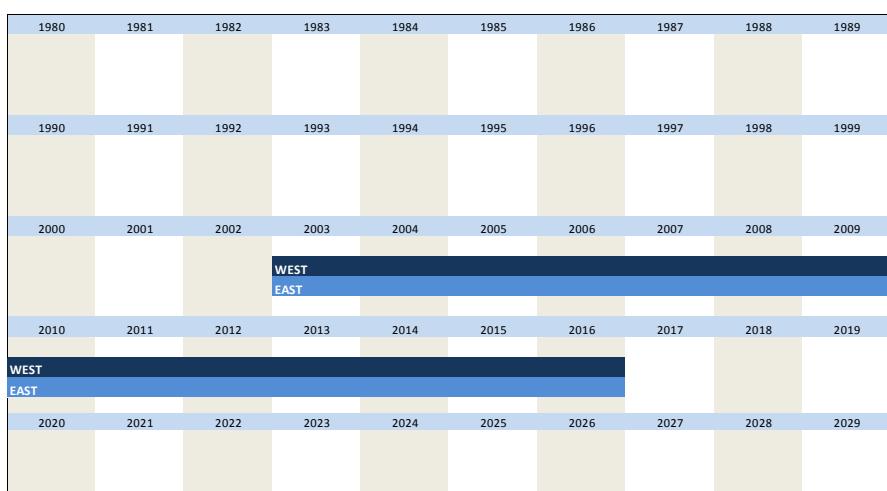


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-----------|-------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 2.19) | vg_credit | credit allocation | West 06/2003 to 08/2008 and 11/2008 - 12/2016 | irregular monthly survey |
| | | | East 06/2003 to 08/2008 and 11/2008 - 12/2016 | irregular monthly survey |

Wording of question

| | Further information |
|--|---|
| since 07/2003 | credit allocation |
| How do you evaluate the current willingness of banks to grant credits to businesses? | 2003: June, August was a special question until 08/2008. see 3.48) |
| accommodating [1] normal [2] reserved [3] |  |

Time span of variable

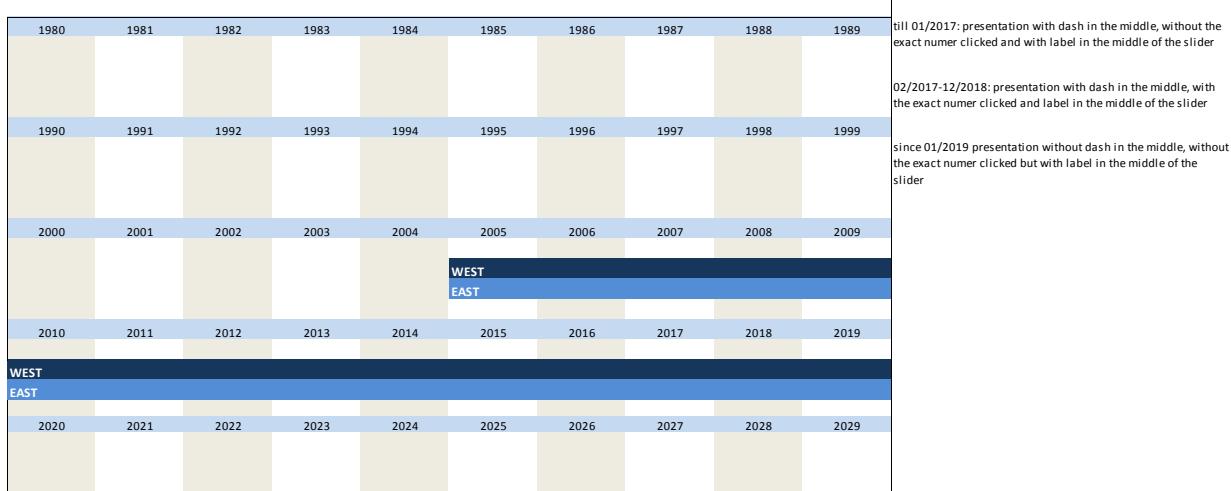


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 2.20) | vg_statebus_sl | state of business (VAS) | West since 08/2005 East since 08/2005 | monthly survey monthly survey |

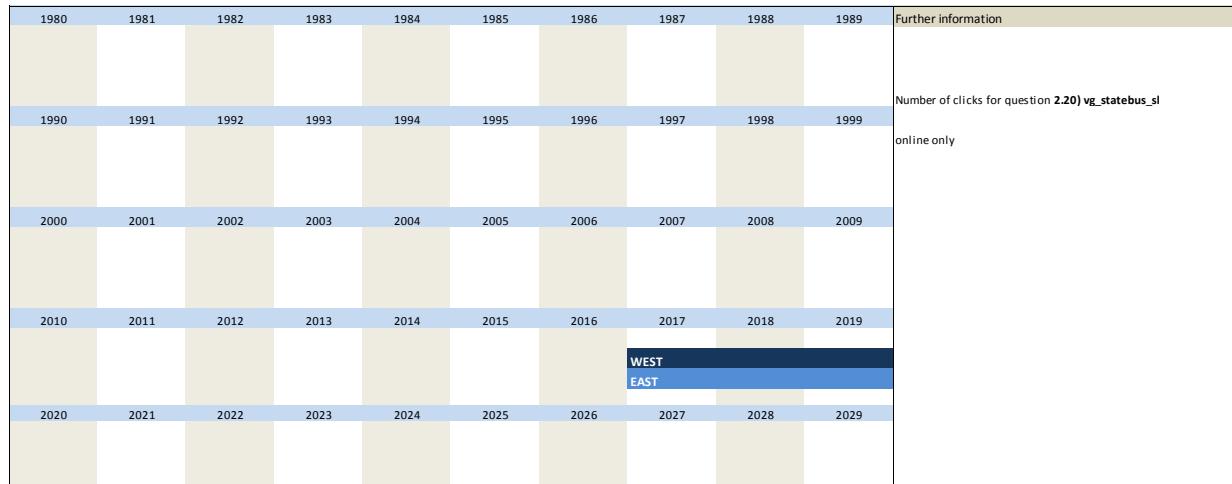
Wording of question

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| <p>since 08/2005</p> <p>Current situation</p> <p>We consider our state of business to be</p>  <p>Other than the variable 2.1 statebus the state of business is rated based on a visual analog scale</p> | <p>Further information</p> <p>Appraisal of the state of business (VAS)</p> <p>online only</p> <p>The presentation of the online-Slider changed over the last</p> |
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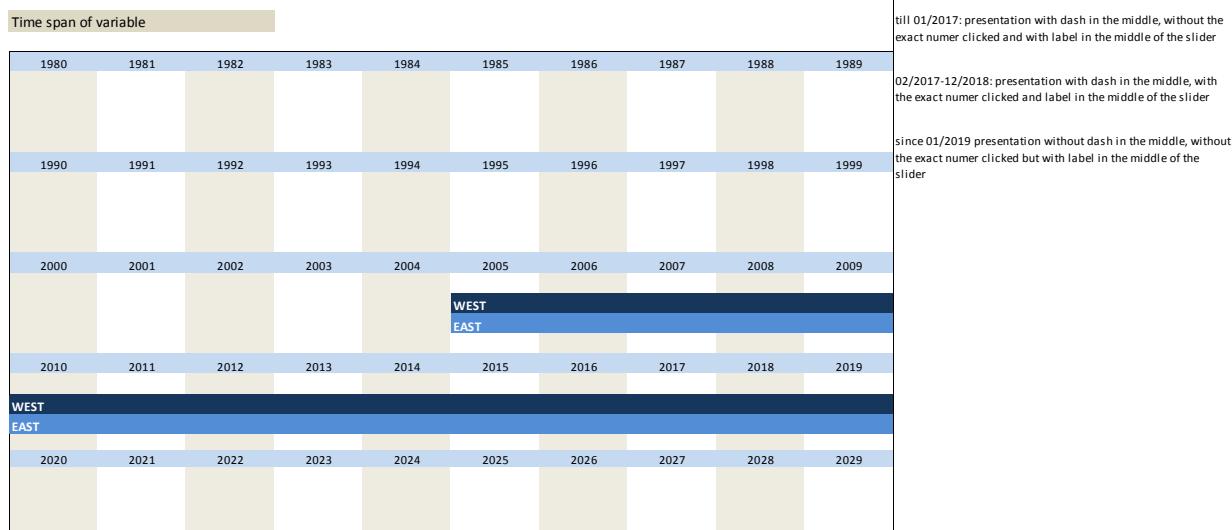
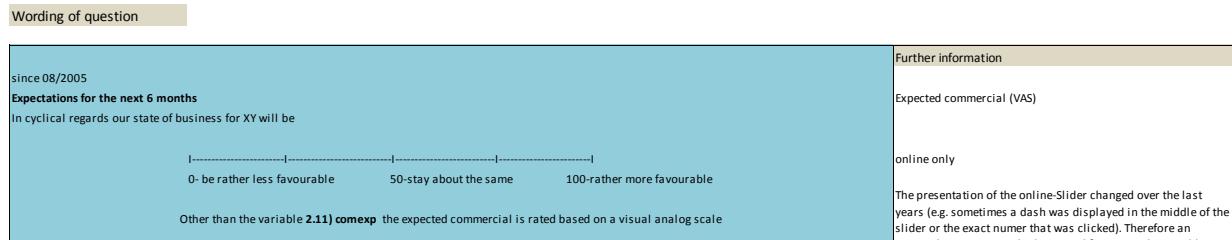
Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.21) | vg_statebus_clicks | state of business (clicks) | West since 01/2017 East since 01/2017 | monthly survey monthly survey |
| Time span of variable | | | | |
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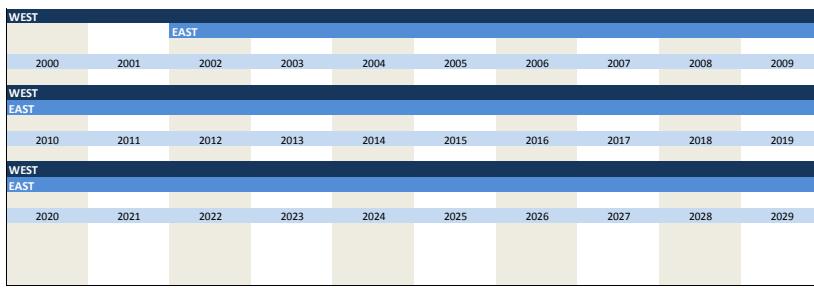


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| 2.22) | vg_comexp_sl | expected commercial (VAS) | West since 08/2005 East since 08/2005 | monthly survey monthly survey |



3. Special questions

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| 3.1) | vg_ranord | range of orders in months | West 03/1980 to 09/2001 East 07/1992 to 07/1993 East 12/1993 to 09/2001 East and West since 01/2002 | Mrch, Jun, Sep, Dec Mrch, Jul, Oct, Dec Mrch, Jul, Sep, Dec Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |
| Wording of question | | | | |
| <p>07/1992 to 09/2001 No questionnaires for the East available</p> <p>03/1980 to 09/2001 Currently our order backlog for delivery of XY equates to a production duration of</p> <p>no backlog 1/2 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 state number of months for more than 10, please</p> <p>01/2002 to 06/2018 Momentarily our order backlog for delivery of XY equates to a production duration of</p> <p>no backlog 1/2 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 state number of months for more than 10, please</p> <p>Since 07/2018 Momentarily our order backlog for delivery equates to a production duration of _____ month</p> | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | |
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| 3.2) | vg_uticappc | capacity utilization in % | West 03/1980 to 09/2001 East 07/1992 to 07/1993 East 12/1993 to 09/2001 East and West since 01/2002 | Mrch, Jun, Sep, Dec Mrch, Jul, Oct, Dec Mrch, Jul, Sep, Dec Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |
| Wording of question | | | | |
| <p>07/1992 to 09/2001 No questionnaires for the East available</p> <p>03/1980 to 06/2018 Currently** the utilization of our plants* to produce XY (full capacity utilization normal for the company = 100%) is up to more than 100% in fact:</p> <p>30 40 50 60 70 75 80 85 90 95 100 in fact:</p> <p>Since 07/2018 Currently the utilization of our plants (full capacity utilization normal for the company = 100%) is up to</p> <p>30% 70% 90% 40% 75% 95% 50% 80% 100% 60% 85%</p> <p>more than 100%, in fact: _____ %</p> | | | | |
| Coding in the dataset | | | | |
| <p>Capacity utilization in %</p> <p>*09/94, 09/95, 09/96, 09/97, 09/98, 09/99, 09/00, 09/01 addition "domestic plants"</p> <p>**since 01/2002 instead of "currently" "momentarily"</p> <p>01/2019 a relevant spacialquestion vg_uticapaa was posted</p> | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.3) | vg_uticapap | capacity utilization (appraisal) | West 03/1980 to 09/2001 East 07/1992 to 07/1993 East 12/1993 to 09/2001 East and West since 01/2002 | Mrch, Jun, Sep, Dec Mrch, Jul, Oct, Dec Mrch, Jul, Sep, Dec Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

07/1992 to 09/2001
No questionnaires for the East available

03/1980 to 06/2018
Taking into account our current order backlog and the new orders we expect for the next 12 months our technical capacities* for XY to be

more than sufficient [1]
sufficient [2]
not sufficient [3]

Since 07/2018
Taking into account our current order backlog and the new orders we expect for the next 12 months, we expect our technical capacities to be

more than sufficient [1]
sufficient [2]
not sufficient [3]

Time span of variable

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|---------------|---------------------------|---|--|
| 3.4) | vg_constraint | constraints to production | West since 01/1980 East 01/1991 to 12/2000 East since 01/2001 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct monthly survey Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

01/1991 to 10/2001
No questionnaires for the East available

01/1980 to 10/2001
Our domestic production of XY is currently constrained

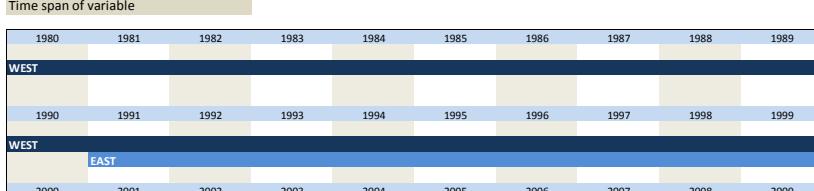
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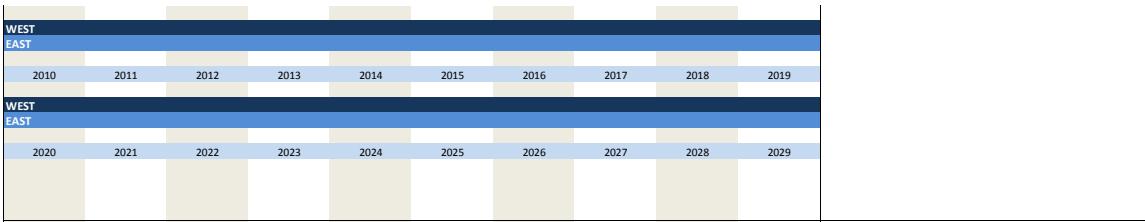
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Our domestic production is currently constrained

yes [1] no [2]

Time span of variable

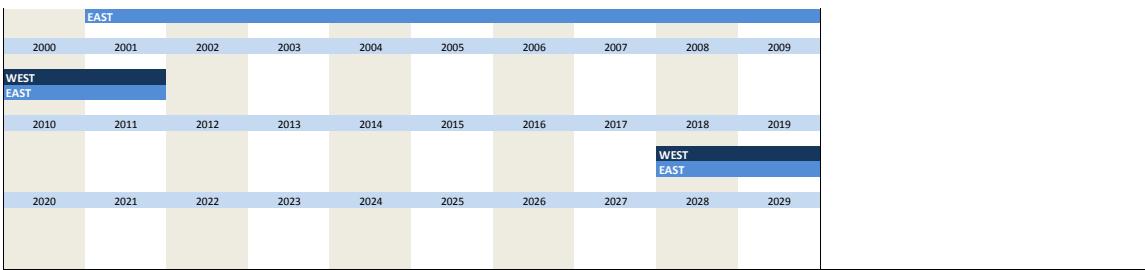
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| 3.5) | vg_ordlack | Lack of orders | West since 01/1980 East von 01/1991 to 12/2000 East since 01/2001 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct monthly survey Jan, Apr, Juli, Oct | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p>Further information Lack of orders *East 01/1991 to 12/2000 instead of "insufficient orders" "sales difficulties"</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 3.6) | vg_mplack | Lack of manpower | West 01/1980 to 10/2001 East 01/1991 to 12/2000 East 01/2001 to 10/2001 West and East since 07/2018 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct monthly survey Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2010 | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| WEST | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2020 | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | Light Blue | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Further information Lack of manpower</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|------------|------------------|--|--------------------|
| 3.7) | vg_matlack | lack of material | West since 01/1980 East since 01/2001 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

01/2001 to 10/2001
No questionnaires for the East available

01/1980 to 10/2001
Our domestic production of XY is currently constrained.
If yes, by following factors:

lack of raw materials or pre-materials [1]

Since 01/2002
Our domestic production is currently constrained.
If yes, by following factors:

lack of raw materials or pre-materials [1]

Time span of variable

| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|------------|--------------------|---|--|
| 3.8) | vg_techcap | technical capacity | West since 01/1980 East 01/1991 to 12/2000 East since 01/2001 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct monthly survey Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

01/1991 to 10/2001
No questionnaires for the East available

01/1980 to 10/2001
Our domestic production of XY is currently constrained.
If yes, by following factors:

insufficient technical capacity* [1]

since 01/2002
Our domestic production is currently constrained.
If yes, by following factors:

insufficient technical capacity [1]

Time span of variable

| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |

| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | | |
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| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3.9) | vg_bastlack | lack of back staff | West 10/1985 to 10/1995 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

| | |
|---|---|
| 10/1985 to 12/1995 Our domestic production of XY is currently constrained. If yes, by following factors: lack of manpower back staff [1] <input type="checkbox"/> | Further information Lack of back staff |
| Time span of variable | |
| | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 3.10) | vg_difffin | difficulties of financing | East 01/1991 to 12/2000 East and West since 01/2002 | monthly survey Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

| | |
|---|--|
| 01/1991 to 12/2000 No questionnaires for the East available since 01/2002 Our domestic production is currently constrained. If yes, by following factors: difficulties of financing [1] <input type="checkbox"/> | Further information Production constraints by difficulties of financing |
| Time span of variable | |
| | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 3.11) | vg_weather | weather conditions | East 02/1994 to 06/2000* | monthly survey |

Wording of question

| | |
|---|---|
| 01/1991 to 12/2000 There are no questionnaires for the East available. The following wording is taken from previous lists of variables | Further information Production constraints by weather conditions |
|---|---|

02/1994 to 06/2000

Our domestic production of XY is currently constrained.
If yes, by following factors:

unfavourable weather conditions [1]

Time span of variable

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

*since 01/1999 sind kein Werte mehr in dem Datensatz enthalten

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| 3.12) | vg_skillack | lack of skilled employees | West 01/1991 to 10/1995 East and West since 01/2002 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

since 01/2002

Our domestic production of XY is currently constrained.
If yes, by following factors:

Lack of skilled employees [1]

Time span of variable

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

Further information

Lack of skilled employees
* see variable 3.6) mplock

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-----------|---------------|---|--|
| 3.13) | vg_othrea | other reasons | West since 01/1996 East 01/1991 to 12/2000 East since 01/2001 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct monthly survey Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

01/1991 to 10/2001
No questionnaires for the East available

01/1996 to 10/2001

Our domestic production of XY is currently constrained.
If yes, by following factors:

other factors [1]

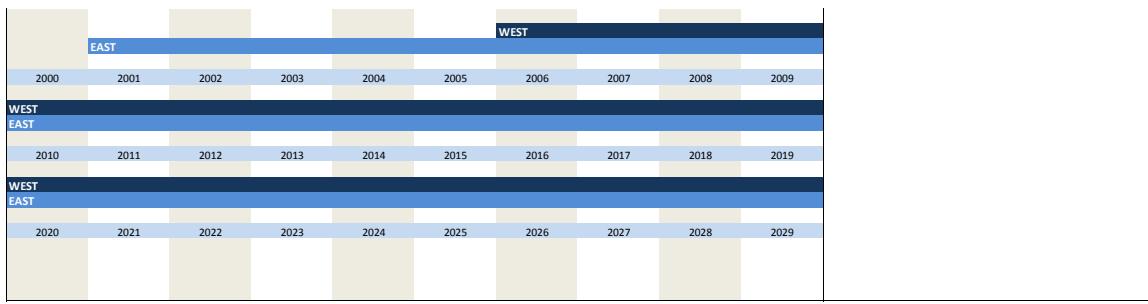
since 01/2002

Our domestic production is currently constrained.
If yes, by following factors:

other factors [1]

Time span of variable

| | | | | | | | | | |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| 3.14) | vg_proexpen | product too expensive | East 01/1991 to 12/2000 | monthly survey |

Wording of question

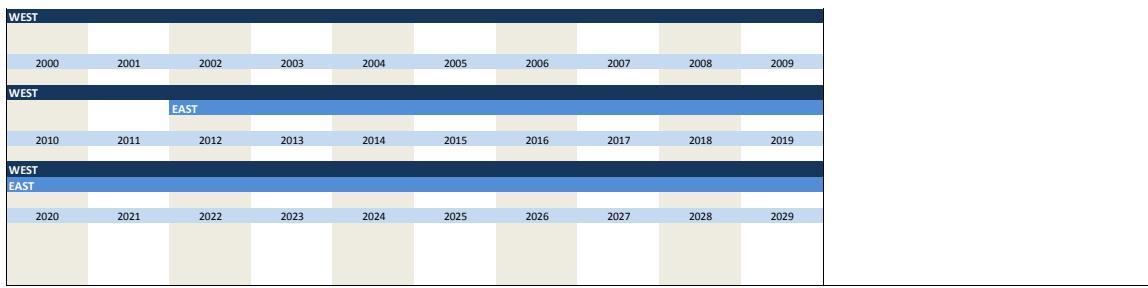
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| Time span of variable | |
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|-------|------------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| 3.15) | vg_proqual | quality of products | East 01/1991 to 12/2000 | monthly survey |

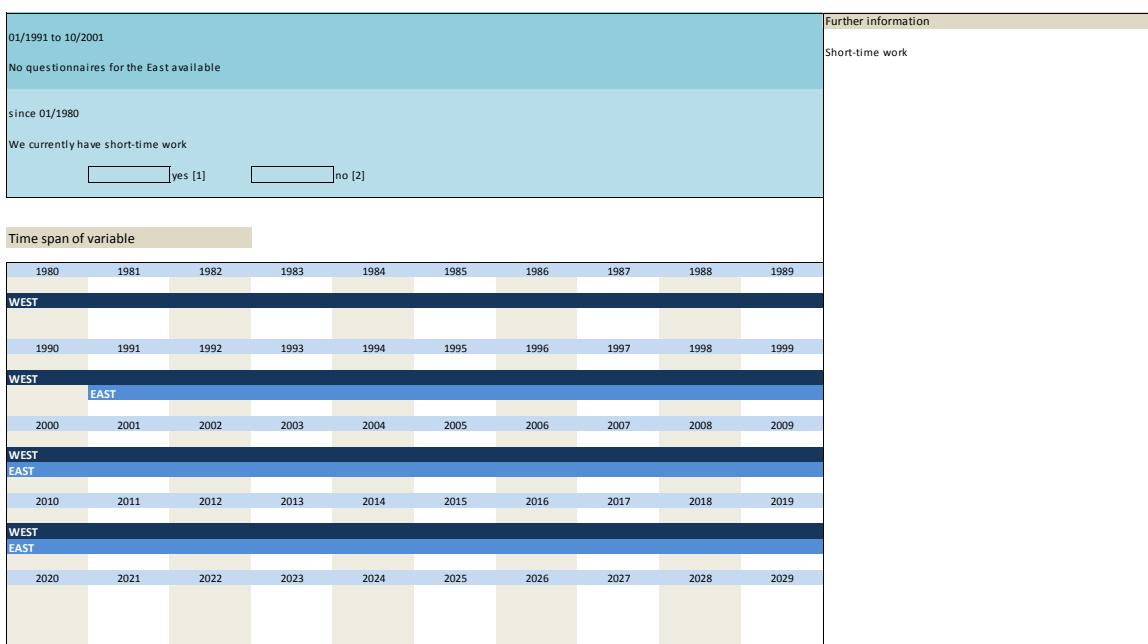
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| 01/1991 to 12/2000 There are no questionnaires for the East available. The following wording is taken from previous lists of variables 01/1991 to 12/2000 Our domestic production of XY is currently constrained. If yes, by following factors: sales difficulties, as quality of product insufficient [1] <input type="text"/> | Further information Quality of product |
| Time span of variable | |
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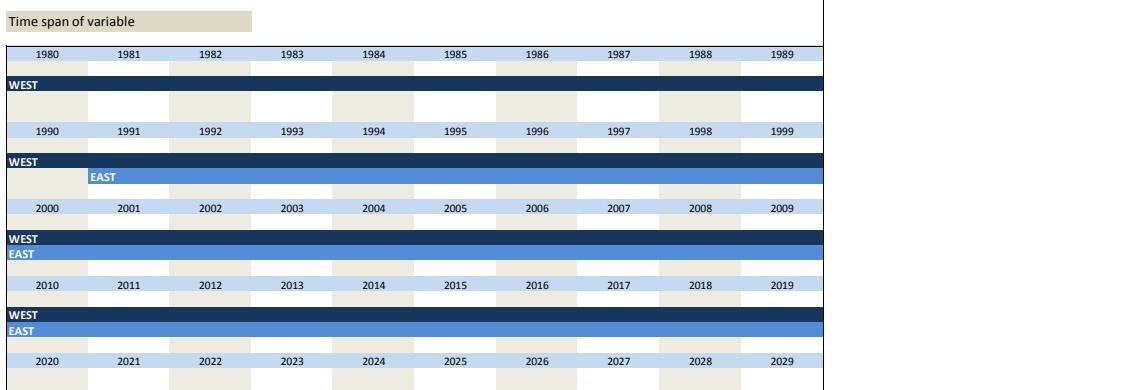
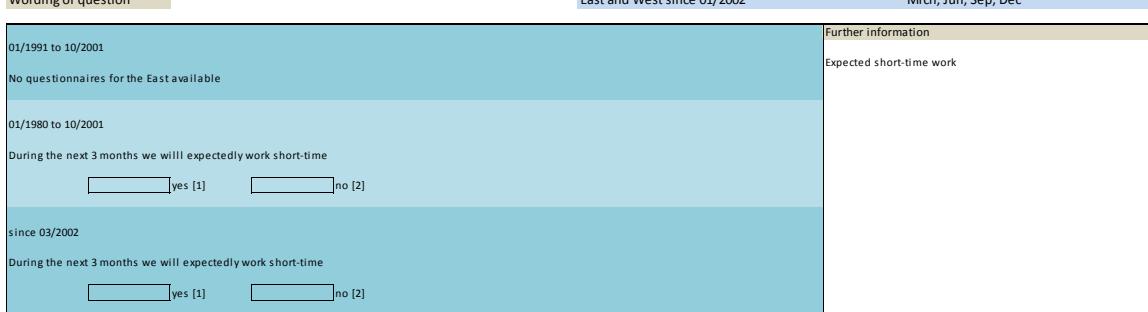
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| 3.16) | vg_propro | program of products | East 01/1991 to 12/2000 | monthly survey | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 01/1991 to 12/2000 There are no questionnaires for the East available. The following wording is taken from previous lists of variables | | | | Further information Program of products | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 01/1991 to 12/2000 Our domestic production of XY is currently constrained. If yes, by following factors: sales difficulties, as program of products insufficient [1] <input type="text"/> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.17) | vg_ovtime | overtime | West since 01/1980 to 10/2001 East and West since 03/2002 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct Mrch, Jun, Sep, Dec | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| since 01/1980 We currently work with overtime <input type="text"/> yes [1] <input type="text"/> no [2] | | | | Further information Overtime | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.18) | vg_ovtimemo | overtime more than customary | West since 01/1980 to 10/2001 East and West since 03/2002 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct Mrch, Jun, Sep, Dec | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| since 01/1980 We currently work with overtime If yes, more than customary <input type="text"/> yes [1] <input type="text"/> no [2] | | | | Further information Overtime more than customary 06/2012 - 03/2018: if vg_ovtime was answered with "no", vg_ovtimemo was set on "no [2]" automatically | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.19) | vg_stwork | short-time work | West 01/1980 to 10/2001 East 01/1991 to 12/2000 East 01/2001 to 10/2001 East and West since 01/2002 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct monthly survey Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct Mrch, Jun, Sep, Dec |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 3.20) | vg_stworkexp | expected short-time work | West 01/1980 to 10/2001 East 01/1991 to 12/2000 East 01/2001 to 10/2001 East and West since 01/2002 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct monthly survey Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct Mrch, Jun, Sep, Dec |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency | | |
|---|------------|--------------------|--|---|--|--|
| 3.21 | vg_emplexp | expected employees | West 01/1980 to 04/1997 and since 07/1997 East since 01/1991 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct* monthly survey monthly survey | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | |
| 01/1980 to 04/1997 | | | Further information Expected development of the number of total employees *10/1980 to 10/1993 the question for the West in October has the same structure as the question of the variable "empl". see 3.14) Standard question since 07/1997. see 2.14) | | | |
| Employees (domestic companies only) During the next 3 months the number of employees assigned to the production of XY will be ... in cyclical regards - therefor by eliminating purely seasonal fluctuations | | | | | | |
| increasing [1] <input type="checkbox"/> not changing [2] <input type="checkbox"/> decreasing [3] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| 07/1997 to 11/2001 | | | | | | |
| Employees (domestic companies only) During the next 3 months the number of employees assigned to the production of XY will be | | | | | | |
| increasing [1] <input type="checkbox"/> not changing [2] <input type="checkbox"/> decreasing [3] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| since 01/2002 | | | | | | |
| Expectations for the next 3 months Employees (domestic companies only) The number of employees assigned to the production of XY will be | | | | | | |
| increasing [1] <input type="checkbox"/> not changing [2] <input type="checkbox"/> decreasing [3] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 3.22 | vg_empl | employees 12 month | West 10/1980 to 10/1993 | annual survey * | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | |
| 10/1980 to 10/1993 | | | Further information Employees expectations *The expected occupation during the next 3 months is recorded by the variable "emplxp". see 3.19) | | | |
| Employees In cyclical regards - therefor by eliminating purely seasonal fluctuations - the number of employees assigned to the production of XY will be ... during the next... | | | 3 months* from month under report on** | | | |
| increasing [1] <input type="checkbox"/> not changing [2] <input type="checkbox"/> decreasing [3] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | 12 months from month under report on** 10/1990 to 10/1993 **additionally "from month under report on" * annual survey in October | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.23) | vg_prof | profit situation | West since 06/2002* East since 06/2002* | May, Sep May, Sep |

Wording of question

since 06/2002

Profit situation and development
[...]

We currently consider the profit situation of our company - measured by the operating results from customary business operations - to be

good [1]
satisfying [2]
bad [3]

Time span of variable

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|------------|----------------------------|--|----------------------|
| 3.24) | vg_profcch | change of profit situation | West since 06/2002* East since 06/2002* | May, Sep May, Sep |

Wording of question

since 06/2002

Profit situation and development
[...]

As compared to fall 20## the profit situation of our company - measured by the operating results from customary business operations -

improved [1]
did not change [2]
deteriorated [3]

Time span of variable

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| 3.25) | vg_hcount | headcount | West 03/2002 - 12/2015 East 09/1994 - 12/2015* | Mrch, Jun, Sep, Dec Mrch, Jun, Sep, Dec |

Wording of question

09/1994 to 12/2001

No questionnaires for the East available

since 03/2002

Further information

Development of the headcount
* no inquiry in Dec 2001 but in Nov 2001

We consider our head count with respect to the expected sales development of XY during the next 12 months to be

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| relatively high [1] (e.g. reduction of staff necessary) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| sufficient [2] | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| too low [3] (e.g. additional staff necessary) | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Time span of variable

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.26) | vg_fest | feedstock | West 02/1980 to 05/1994 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

Wording of question

since 02/1980

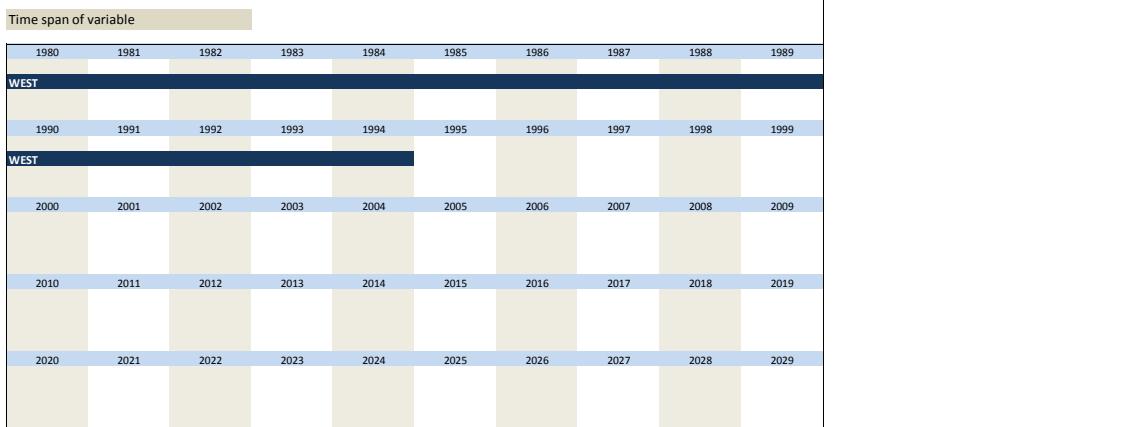
Feedstock
Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently

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|-----------------------------|
| relatively high [1] |
| normal [2] |
| relatively low [3] |
| stock-keeping not usual [4] |

Further information

feedstock

Not inquired in November 1981



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3.27) | vg_proenl | enlargement of production | West 08/1981 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

Wording of question

since 08/1981

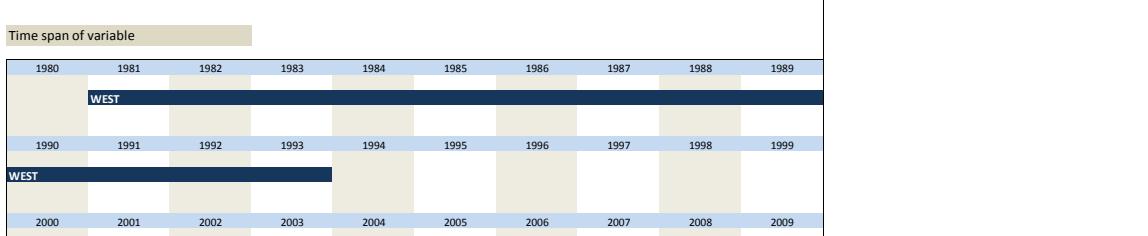
Feedstock
Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently [...] If relatively high:
We currently have a high stock because of

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| enlargement of production [1] | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|

Further information

enlargement of production

*"currently" since 02/1988



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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3.28) | vg_priceinc | Increase in price | West 08/1981 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

Wording of question

since 08/1981
Feedstock
Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently [...] If relatively high:
We currently have a high stock because of
expected increase in price [1]

Further information

Increase in price

**"currently" since 02/1988

Not inquired in November 1981

Time span of variable

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|-------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3.29) | vg_fincolow | low costs of financing | West 05/1982 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

Wording of question

since 05/1982
Feedstock
Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently [...] If relatively high:
We currently have a high stock because of
relatively low costs of financing [1]

Further information

low costs of financing

**"currently" since 02/1988

Time span of variable

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3.30) | vg_diffsup1 | difficulties of supply | West 08/1981 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

Wording of question

since 08/1981

| | |
|--|---|
| <p>Feedstock Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently [...]</p> <p>If relatively high: We currently have a high stock because of</p> <p style="text-align: center;">difficulties of supply [1] <input type="text"/></p> | <p>difficulties of supply</p> <p>**"currently" since 02/1988</p> <p>Not inquired in November 1981</p> |
| <p>Time span of variable</p> | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3.31) | vg_weaken | weakening | West 08/1981 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

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|---|--|
| <p>Wording of question</p> <p>since 08/1981</p> <p>Feedstock Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently [...]</p> <p>If relatively high: We currently have a high stock because of</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The feedstock increased due to a a weakening (in demand) [1] <input type="text"/></p> | <p>Further information</p> <p>weakening</p> <p>**"currently" since 02/1988</p> <p>Not inquired in November 1981</p> |
| <p>Time span of variable</p> | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.32) | vg_prored | reduction of production | West 08/1981 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

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| <p>Wording of question</p> <p>since 08/1981</p> <p>Feedstock Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently [...]</p> <p>If relatively low: We currently have a low stock on purpose because of</p> <p style="text-align: center;">reduction in production [1] <input type="text"/></p> | <p>Further information</p> <p>Reduction of production</p> <p>**"currently" since 02/1988</p> <p>Not inquired in November 1981</p> |
| <p>Time span of variable</p> | |

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.33) | vg_pricedec | price decrease | West 08/1981 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

Wording of question

since 08/1981

Feedstock
Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently
[...] If relatively low:
We currently have a low stock on purpose because of
expected price decline [1]

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Further information

price decrease
**"currently" since 02/1988
Not inquired in November 1981

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3.34) | vg_fincohi | high costs of financing | West 05/1982 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

Wording of question

since 05/1982

Feedstock
Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently
[...] If relatively low:
We currently have a low stock on purpose because of
unusual high costs of financing [1]

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Further information

high costs of financing
**"currently" since 02/1988

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.35) | vg_diffsup2 | difficulties of supply | West 08/1981 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

Wording of question

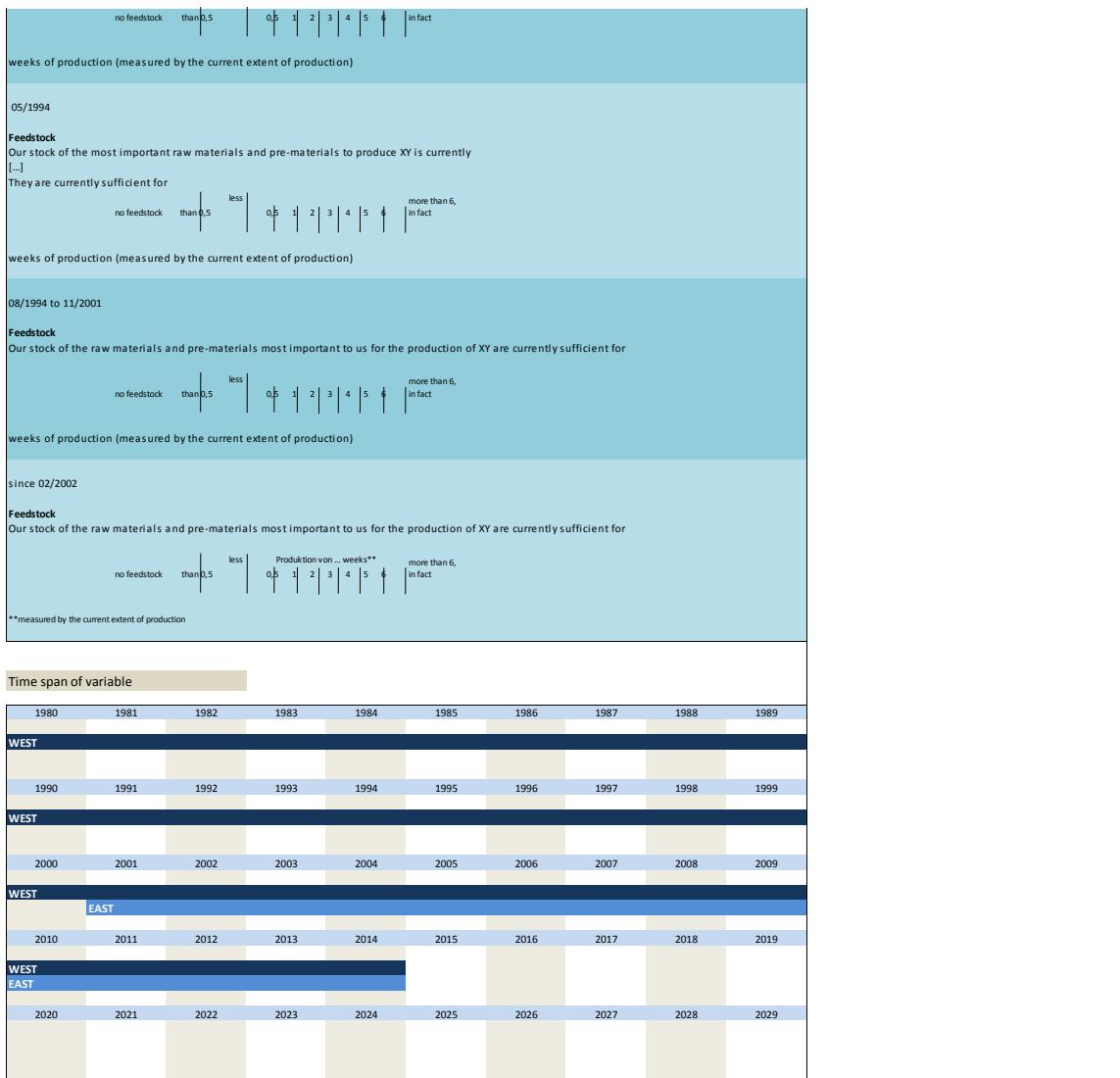
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| <p>since 08/1981</p> <p>Feedstock Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently [...] If relatively low: The feedstock became scarce due to difficulties of supply [1] <input type="text"/></p> | | | | | | | | | | | Further information | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | Difficulties of supply Not inquired in November 1981 | |
| <p>Time span of variable</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 3.36) | vg_strength | strengthening | West 08/1981 to 02/1993 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

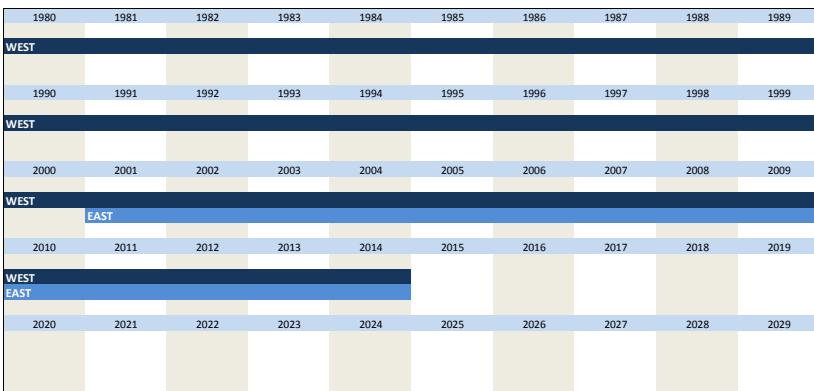
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| <p>Wording of question</p> <p>since 08/1981</p> <p>Feedstock Our stock of the most important raw materials and pre-materials to produce XY is currently [...] If relatively low: The feedstock became scarce due to strengthened production [1] <input type="text"/></p> | | | | | | | | | | | Further information | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | strengthened production Not inquired in November 1981 | |
| <p>Time span of variable</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-----------|--------------------|--|--|
| 3.37) | vg_festwe | feedstock in weeks | West 02/1980 - 11/2014 East 02/2001 - 11/2014 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov Feb, May, Aug, Nov |

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| <p>Wording of question</p> <p>02/2001 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available</p> <p>02/1980 to 08/1981</p> <p>Feedstock Our feedstock is currently sufficient for</p> | | | | | | | | | | | Further information | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | Feedstock in weeks meaning in dataset: "no feedstock" = 0 weeks "less than 1/2" = 0.3 weeks "more than 6, in fact", but just ticked = 8 weeks | |
| <p>weeks of production (measured by the current extent of production)</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>11/1981 to 02/1994</p> <p>Feedstock Our stock of the raw materials and pre-materials most important to us are currently sufficient for</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |

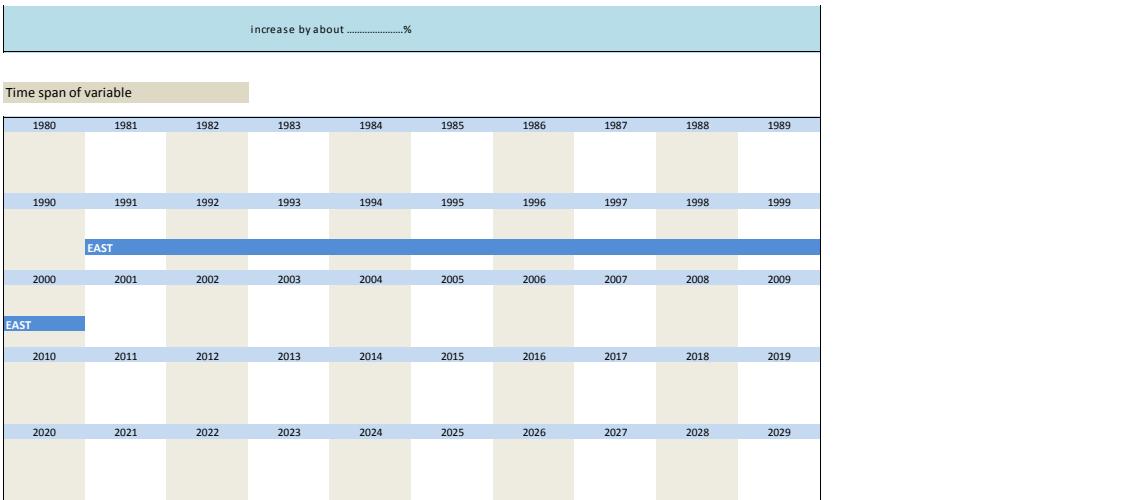


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.38) | vg_stinwe | stock of inventories in weeks | West 02/1980 - 11/2014 East 02/2001 - 11/2014 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov Feb, May, Aug, Nov |
| Wording of question | | | | |
| 02/2001 to 11/2001 | | | | |
| No questionnaires for the East available | | | | |
| 02/1980 to 08/1981 | | | | |
| Stock of inventories | | | | |
| Our stock of unsold finished goods of XY currently equates to | | | | |
| less than 0,5 0,5 1 2 3 4 5 6 more than 6, in fact | | | | |
| weeks of production (measured by the current extent of production) | | | | |
| 11/1981 to 11/2001 | | | | |
| Stock of inventories | | | | |
| Our stock of unsold finished goods of XY currently equates to | | | | |
| no inventories than 0,5 less 0,5 1 2 3 4 5 6 more than 6, in fact | | | | |
| weeks of production (measured by the current extent of production) | | | | |
| since 02/2002 | | | | |
| Stock of inventories | | | | |
| Our stock of unsold finished goods of XY currently equates to a | | | | |
| no inventories than 0,5 less 0,5 1 2 3 4 5 6 more than 6, in fact | | | | |
| **measured by the current extent of production | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.39) | vg_emppro2 | employees in production | West 09/1980 to 10/2001 East 01/1991 to 06/2001 East and West since 11/2001 | annual survey* monthly survey annual survey** |
| Wording of question | | | | Further information |
| 01/1991 to 11/2001 No questionnaires for the East available | | | | Employees in production for XY * annual survey 1980: inquiry in September 1981 - 2000: inquiry in October 1994: no inquiry |
| 09/1980 Number of employees (employees and workers, state September 1980) assigned to the production of XY about persons | | | | ** annual survey in November Note West: The data is only inquired annually but appears in the datasets monthly. This is due to the fact, that every month the data of the annual survey is transferred manually. The data of the current survey is normally transferred 2-3 months after the survey |
| 10/1981 to 10/1997 Number of employees State: End of [month] [year]*** We occupy [...] persons in the whole company (domestic companies only). Thereof are assigned to the production of XY. persons | | | | Example: For November, December 2002 the variable emppro2 contains the value of the survey from November 2001. Since January 2003 the variable emppro2 contains the value of the survey from Nov 02 ***West 10/1995 to 10/1997 Month and year of the previous reporting interval Example 10/1995: "State: End of September 1995" East 01/1991 to 06/2000 "State: End of month under reports" |
| 10/1998 Number of employees We occupy [...] persons in the whole company (domestic companies only). Thereof are assigned to the production of XY. persons since 10/1999 Number of employees We occupy [...] persons in the whole company (domestic companies only). Thereof are assigned to the production of XY. persons (possibly estimations by share of revenue) | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | |
| <p>The timeline chart shows survey periods for the West and East regions. The West region (yellow) includes surveys from 1980 to 1999, 2000 to 2009, and 2020 to 2029. The East region (blue) includes surveys from 2010 to 2019. Both regions are surveyed together from 2010 to 2019.</p> | | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|---|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| 3.40) | vg_emplinc | increase of employees in % | East 01/1991 to 12/2000 | monthly survey |
| Wording of question | | | | Further information |
| 01/1991 to 12/2000 There are no questionnaires for the East available. The following wording is taken from previous lists of variables | | | | Increase of employees for the production of XY in % |
| 01/1991 to 12/2000 During the next 3 months the number of employees assigned to the production of XY will [...] in cyclical regards - therefor by eliminating purely seasonal fluctuations | | | | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.41) | vg_empldec | decrease of employees in % | East 01/1991 to 12/2000 | monthly survey |

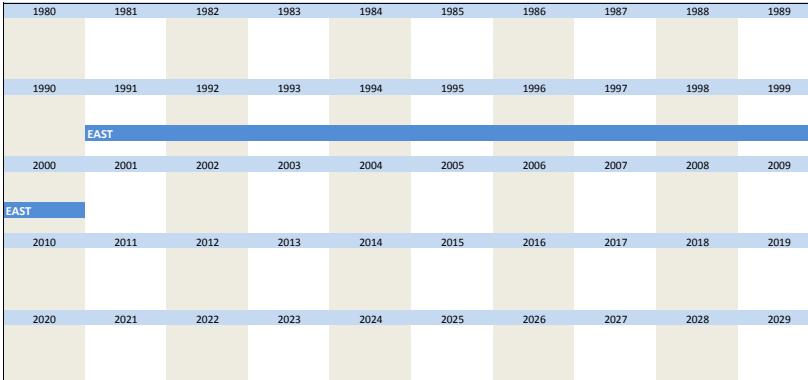
Wording of question

01/1991 to 12/2000
 There are no questionnaires for the East available. The following wording is taken from previous lists of variables
 01/1991 to 12/2000
 During the next 3 months the number of employees assigned to the production of XY will [...] in cyclical regards - therefor by eliminating purely seasonal fluctuations
 decrease by about%

Further information

Decrease of employees for the production in %

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------------|-------------------------------|---|--|
| 3.42) | vg_comppos1 | national competitive position | East and West 08/1994 to 11/2001 East and West since 01/2002 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

08/1994 to 11/2001
 No questionnaires for the East available

Further information

National competitive position

08/1994 to 05/2001 and

During the last 3 months our competitive position for XY on the **domestic market**

improved [1]
 has not changed [2]
 declined [3]

08/2001 to 06/2018

During the last 3 months our competitive position for XY on the **domestic market** [...] compared to the 3 prior months.

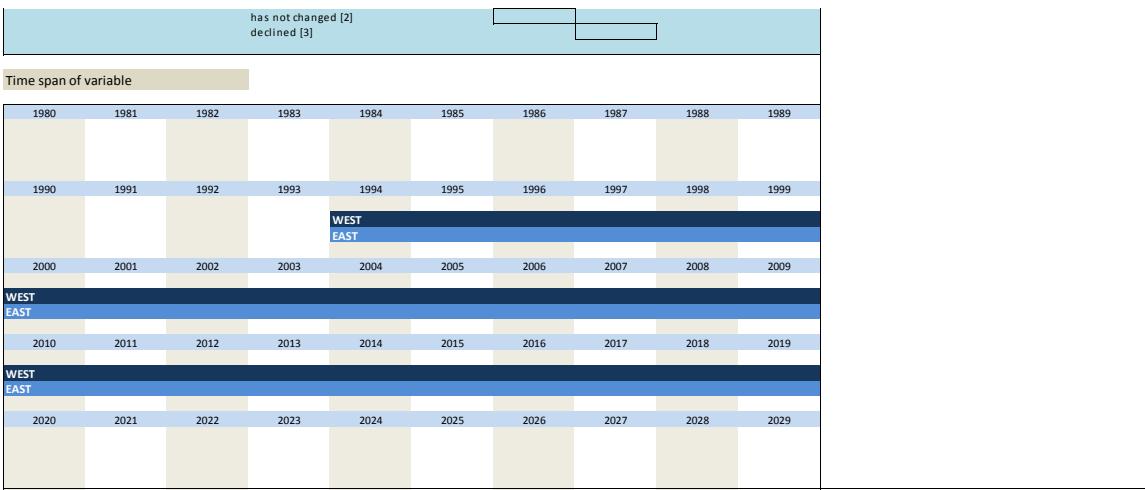
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Since 07/2018

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a) on the **domestic market**

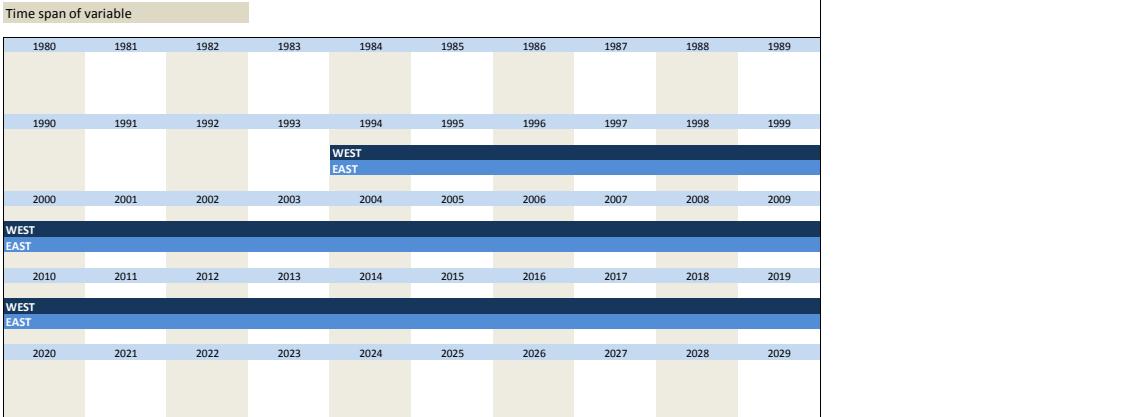
improved [1]



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------------|-------------------------|---|--|
| 3.43) | vg_comppos2 | EU competitive position | East and West 08/1994 to 11/2001 East and West since 01/2002 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

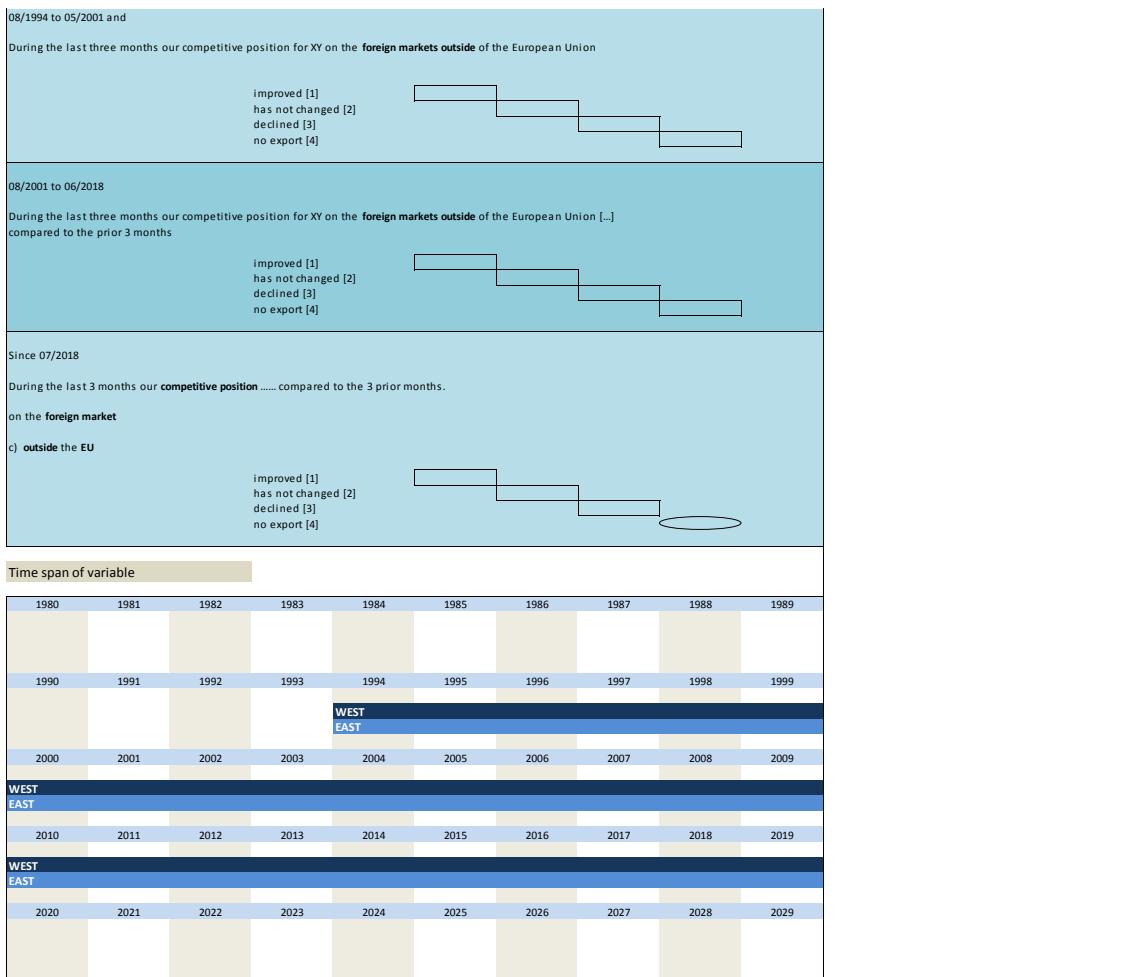
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| 08/1994 to 11/2001 | Further information |
| No questionnaires for the East available | EU competitive position |
| 08/1994 to 05/2001 and | |
| During the last three months our competitive position for XY on the foreign markets inside of the European Union | |
| improved [1] has not changed [2] declined [3] no export [4] | |
| 08/2001 to 06/2018 | |
| During the last three months our competitive position for XY on the foreign markets inside of the European Union [...] compared to the prior 3 months | |
| improved [1] has not changed [2] declined [3] no export [4] | |
| Since 07/2018 | |
| During the last 3 months our competitive position compared to the 3 prior months. | |
| on the foreign market | |
| b) within the EU | |
| improved [1] has not changed [2] declined [3] no export [4] | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------------|-----------------------------|---|--|
| 3.44) | vg_comppos3 | competitive position abroad | East and West 08/1994 to 11/2001 East and West since 01/2002 | Feb, May, Aug, Nov Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

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|--|-----------------------------|
| 08/1994 to 11/2001 | Further information |
| No questionnaires for the East available | Competitive position abroad |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 3.45) | vg_ranord2 | range of orders in months (end of prev. month) | East and West 01/2002 to 01/2008 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

01/2002 to 01/2008

Momentarily our range of orders for XY equates to a production duration up to about [...] months
At the end of previous month they reached

no orders up to about ... month(s) for more than 10, please state number of months

1/2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

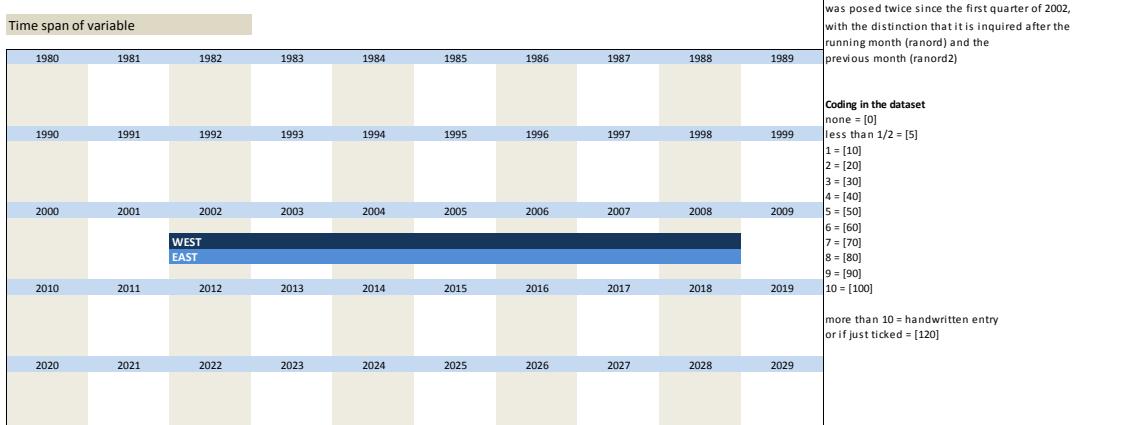
Further information

Range of orders in months (end of prev. Month)

Note

Due to the alignment of economic cycle surveys inside of the EU the wording of the questions was adapted to the survey periods of the countries. This would have caused the questions regarding the range of orders to be shifted by about one month.

That is why the question regarding the range of orders was posed twice since the first quarter of 2002, with the distinction that it is inquired after the running month (ranord) and the previous month (ranord2).



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 3.46) | vg_uticappc2 | capacity utilization in % (end of prev. month) | East and West 01/2002 to 01/2008 | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct |

Wording of question

01/2002 to 01/2008

No questionnaires for the East available

Further information

Capacity utilization in % (end of prev. Month)

Coding in the dataset

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| 01/2002 to 01/2008 | Number above the ticked box more than 100 % = handwritten entry or if just ticked = [120] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Currently the capacity utilization of our plant to produce XY (customary full capacity utilization = 100%) is up to [...]% in the previous month it was up to more than 100% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 30 40 50 60 70 75 80 85 90 95 100 | in fact: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.47) | vg_emppro | employees | West 01/1991 to 10/2001 East 01/1991 to 06/2001 East and West since 11/2001 | annual survey* monthly survey annual survey** |

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| Wording of question | |
| <p>01/1991 to 11/2001</p> <p>No questionnaires for the East available</p> <p>10/1991 to 10/1997</p> <p>Number of employees</p> <p>State: End [month] [year]***</p> <p>In the whole company (domestic companies only) we occupy</p> <p>..... persons</p> <p>since 10/1998</p> <p>Number of employees</p> <p>In the whole company (domestic companies only) we occupy</p> <p>..... persons</p> | |
| <p>Further information</p> <p>persons occupied in the company</p> <p>*1991 - 2000: inquiry in October 1994: no inquiry **annual survey in November</p> <p>Note West: The data is only inquired annually but appears in the datasets monthly. This is due to the fact, that every month the data of the annual survey is transferred manually. The data of the current survey is normally transferred 2-3 months after the survey</p> <p>Example: For November, December 2002 the variable emppro contains the value of the survey from November 2001. Since January 2003 the variable emppro contains the value of the survey from Nov 02</p> <p>***West 01/1994 to 10/1997 month and year of the previous reporting interval Example 10/1995: "State: End of September 1995" "East 01/1994 to 06/2000 "State: End of month under reports"</p> | |

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| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-----------|-------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 3.48) | vg_credit | credit allocation | West 06/2003 to 08/2008 and from 11/2008 to 12/2016 | Mrch, Aug monthly survey |

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| Wording of question | |
| <p>since 07/2003</p> <p>How do you evaluate the current willingness of banks to grant loans?</p> <p>accommodating [1] <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>normal [2] <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>reserved [3] <input type="checkbox"/></p> | |
| <p>Further information</p> <p>Credit allocation</p> <p>2003: June, August Standard question since 11/2008. see 2.19)</p> | |

Time span of variable

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.49) | vg_j1 | Japan crisis q1 | East and West 05/2011 | once |

Wording of question

05/2011

Are you currently directly or indirectly affected via other presuppliers by supply shortage resulting from the Japan crisis and/or will you be affected during the next 3 months?

currently:

yes [1]
 no [2]

Time span of variable

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

Further information

Japan crisis question 1

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.50) | vg_j2 | Japan crisis q2 | East and West 05/2011 | once |

Wording of question

05/2011

Are you currently directly or indirectly affected via other presuppliers by supply shortage resulting from the Japan crisis and/or will you be affected during the next 3 months?

currently:

If yes: (reference to question J1)
Our methods: Others suppliers

yes [1]
 no [2]

Further information

Japan crisis question 2

Time span of variable

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|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.51) | vg_j3 | Japan crisis q3 | East and West 05/2011 | once |

Wording of question

05/2011

Are you currently directly or indirectly affected via other presuppliers by supply shortage resulting from the Japan crisis and/or will you be affected during the next 3 months?

currently:

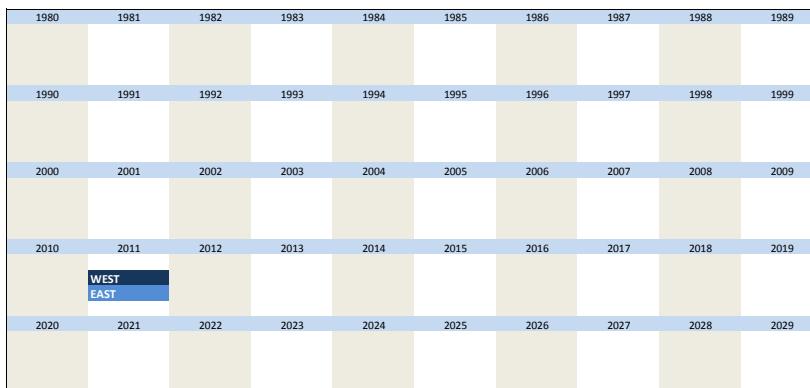
If yes: (reference to question J1)
Our methods: reduction of production

yes [1]
 no [2]

Further information

Japan crisis question 3

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.52) | vg_j4 | Japan crisis q4 | East and West 05/2011 | once |

Wording of question

05/2011

Are you currently directly or indirectly affected via other presuppliers by supply shortage resulting from the Japan crisis and/or will you be affected during the next 3 months?

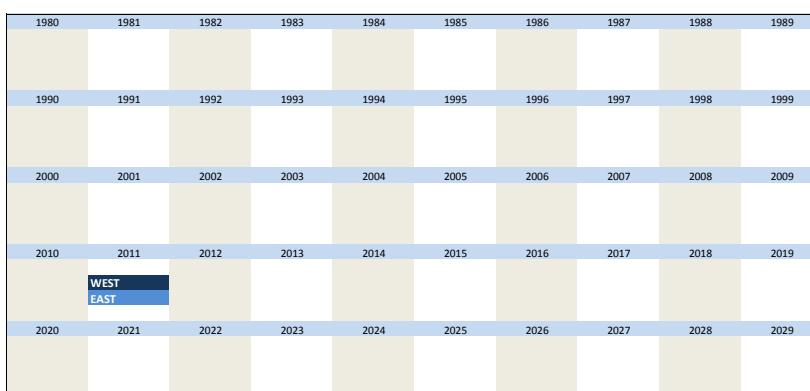
During the next 3 months:

yes [1]
 no [2]

Further information

Japan crisis question 4

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.53) | vg_j5 | Japan crisis q5 | East and West 05/2011 | once |

Wording of question

05/2011

Are you currently directly or indirectly affected via other presuppliers by supply shortage resulting from the Japan crisis and/or will you be affected during the next 3 months?

During the next 3 months: If yes: (reference to question J1)
Our methods: other suppliers

yes [1]
 no [2]

Further information

Japan crisis question 5

Time span of variable

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

No. Name Label Survey period Survey frequency

3.54) vg_j6 Japan crisis q6 East and West 05/2011 once

Wording of question

05/2011

Are you currently directly or indirectly affected via other presuppliers by supply shortage resulting from the Japan crisis and/or will you be affected during the next 3 months?

During the next 3 months: If yes: (reference to question J1)
Our methods: reduction of production

yes [1]
 no [2]

Further information

Japan crisis question 6

Time span of variable

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

No. Name Label Survey period Survey frequency

3.55) vg_fairxh exhibitor at an international specialized fair East and West since 06/2012 irregularly

Wording of question

06/2012

Is your company represented as an exhibitor at an international specialized fair?

yes [1] no [2]

Further information

Exhibitor at an international specialized fair

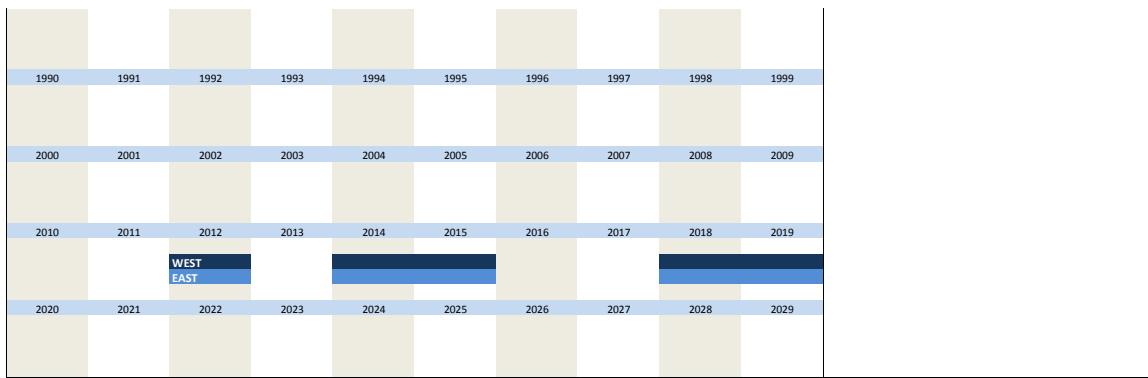
In June 2014 the question was posed online only and therefore does not appear in the print based questionnaires

Time span of variable

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST | EAST | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|---|--------------|--|-----------------------------|---|
| 3.56) | vg_fairxh_g | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in Germany | East and West since 06/2012 | irregularly |
| Wording of question | | | | |
| 06/2012 Is your company represented as an exhibitor at an international specialized fair? [...] If yes, international specialized fairs - in Germany [1] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | Further information Exhibitor at an international specialized fair in Germany In June 2014 the question was posed online only and therefore does not appear in the print based questionnaires |
| Time span of variable | | | | |
| | | | | |
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
| 3.57) | vg_fairxh_e | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a foreign European country | East and West since 06/2012 | irregularly |
| Wording of question | | | | |
| 06/2012 Is your company represented as an exhibitor at an international specialized fair? [...] If yes, international specialized fairs - in a foreign European country [1] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | Further information Exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a foreign European country In June 2014 the question was posed online only and therefore does not appear in the print based questionnaires |
| Time span of variable | | | | |
| | | | | |
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
| 3.58) | vg_fairxh_ne | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a country outside Europe | East and West since 06/2012 | irregularly |
| Wording of question | | | | |
| 06/2012 Is your company represented as an exhibitor at an international specialized fair? [...] If yes, international specialized fairs - in a country outside of Europe [1] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | Further information Exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a country outside of Europe In June 2014 the question was posed online only and therefore does not appear in the print based questionnaires |
| Time span of variable | | | | |
| | | | | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.59) | vg_fairxexp | exhibitor at an international specialized fair during next 2-3 years | East and West 06/2012 | once |

Wording of question

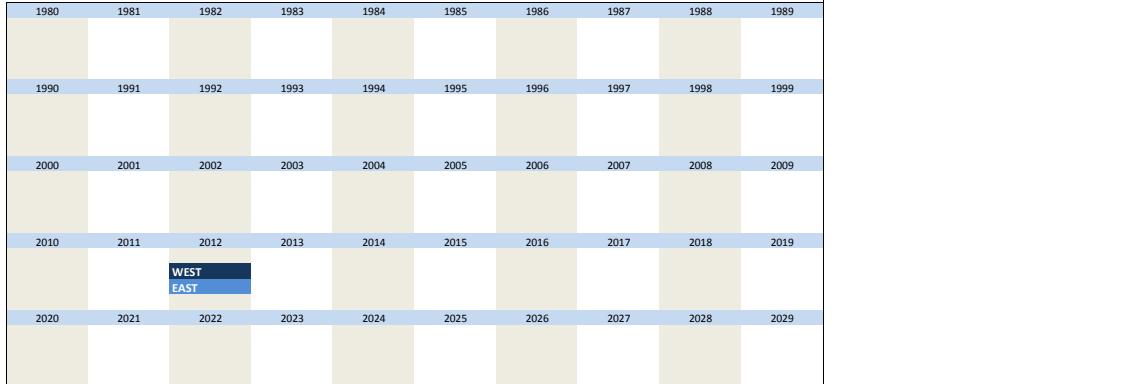
06/2012

Will your company be represented as an exhibitor at an international specialized fair during the next 2-3 years?

yes [1] no [2]

Further information
Exhibitor at an international specialized fair during the next 2-3 years

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|---------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.60) | vg_fairxexp_g | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in Germany during next 2-3 years | East and West 06/2012 | once |

Wording of question

06/2012

Will your company be represented as an exhibitor at an international specialized fair during the next 2-3 years?

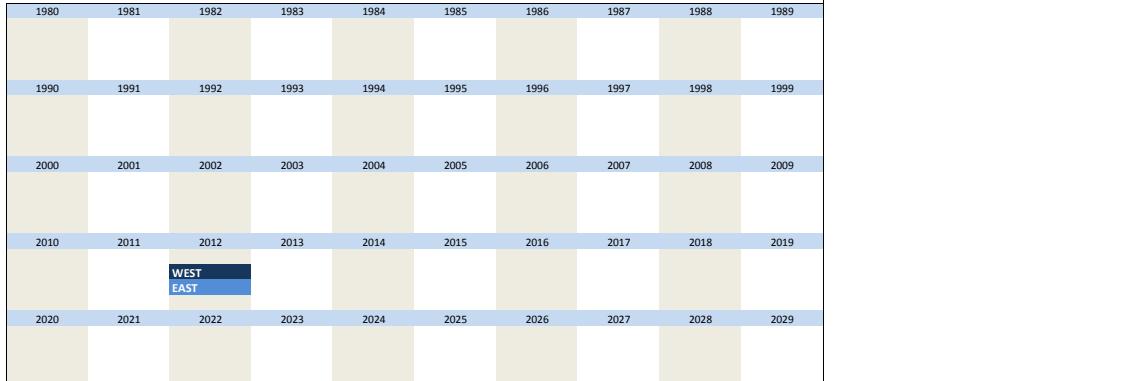
[...]

If yes, international specialized fairs

- in Germany [1]

Further information
Exhibitor at an international specialized fair in Germany during the next 2-3 years

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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3.61) **vg_fairxhexp_e** exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a foreign European country during next 2-3 years **East and West 06/2012** **once**

Wording of question

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 06/2012 | | Further information | | | | | | | |
| Will your company be represented as an exhibitor at an international specialized fair during the next 2-3 years? | | Exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a foreign European country during the next 2-3 years | | | | | | | |
| [...] | | | | | | | | | |
| If yes, international specialized fairs | | | | | | | | | |
| - in a foreign European country [1] | <input type="text"/> | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|-----------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.62) | vg_fairxhexp_ne | exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a country outside Germany, which is not a trade fair | East and West 06/2012 | once |

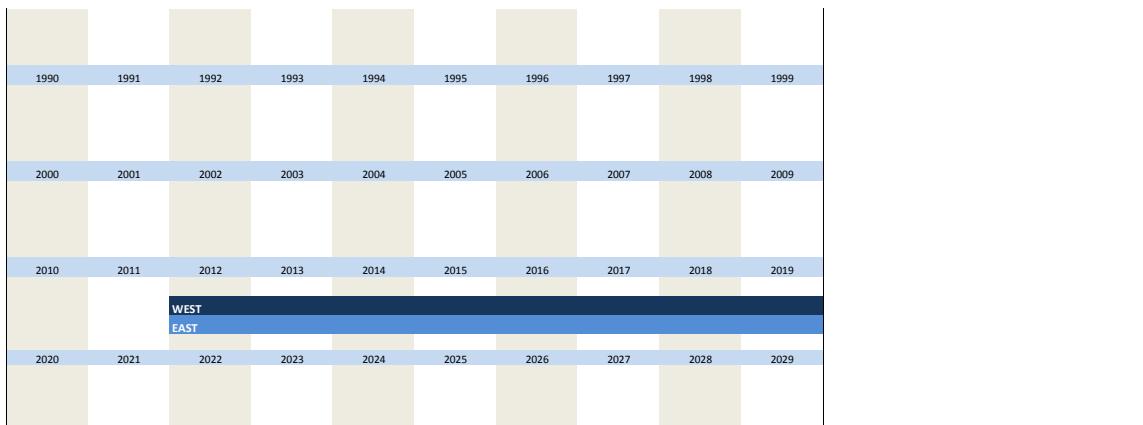
Wording of question

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|---|--|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| <p>06/2012</p> <p>Will your company be represented as an exhibitor at an international specialized fair during the next 2-3 years?</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>If yes, international specialized fairs</p> <p>- in a country outside of Europe [1] <input type="text"/></p> | <p>Further information</p> <p>Exhibitor at an international specialized fair in a country outside of Europe during the next 2-3 years</p> | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| | | WEST EAST | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 262 | vg_csal_1q | percentage change of sales in field xv - last quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

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| | Further information |
|---|--|
| since 12/2012 | Percentage change of sales in field XY - last quarter |
| By what percentage did your sales change in quartal "I"** | **"I" either denotes the previous quarter or the current quarter Example: |
| change by: <input type="text"/> % (please insert positive or negative integral numbers) [1] | If the question was posed at the beginning of the fourth |
| I don't know [3] <input type="text"/> | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.64) | vg_csal_lq_v | values: percentage change of sales in field XY - last quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

Since 12/2012

By what percentage did your sales change in quarter "l"**

change by: % (please insert positive or negative integral numbers)

Time span of variable

Further information

Values: percentage change of sales in field XY - last quarter

**"l" either denotes the previous quarter or the current quarter

Example:

If the question was posed at the beginning of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the previous third quarter. If it is posed at the end of the second quarter, it refers to the second quarter

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.65) | vg_csal_nqbc | best case//percentage change of sales in field XY - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

since 12/2012

By what percentage are your sales going to change in quarter "k"**?

best case: % (please insert positive or negative integral numbers) [1]

I don't know [3]

Time span of variable

Further information

Change of sales in field XY next quarter (best case)

**"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter

Example:

If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter

Further notes:

[1] = A value was stated
[3] = "I don't know" was stated

The figure is a horizontal timeline bar chart. It features a large, thin vertical bar spanning from year 2020 to 2029. The bar is divided into four color-coded segments: light blue for 2020-2024, light orange for 2025-2026, and light green for 2027-2029. Above the bar, there are two horizontal boxes: a dark blue box labeled 'WEST' and a light blue box labeled 'EAST'. Below the bar, the years are labeled sequentially from 2020 to 2029.

| Year |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|----------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.66) | vg_csal_nqbc_v | values: best case //percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

since 12/2012

By what percentage are your sales going to change in quarter "k"**?

best case: % (please insert positive or negative integral numbers)

Time span of variable

| | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

Further information

Denotation of values: Change of sales in field XY next quarter
(best case)

***"k"** either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter

If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter.

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.67) | vg_csal_nqac | average case//percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

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By what percentage are your sales going to change in quarter "k"?²

average case: % (please insert positive or negative integral numbers) [1]

I don't know [3]

Time span of variable

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST EAST | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

Further information

Change of sales in field XY next quarter (average case)

*"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter

If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the

Further notes:

[1] = A value was stated

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|----------------|---|---|------------------|
| 3.68) | vg_csal_nqac_v | values: average case //percentage change of sales in field xy | East and West since 12/2012 next quarter | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Since 12/2012 By what percentage are your sales going to change in quarter "k"**? average case: <input type="text"/> % (please insert positive or negative integral numbers) | | | | | | | | | | Further information Denotion of values: Change of sales in field XY next quarter (average case) **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter Example: If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | |
| WEST EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.69) | vg_csal_nqwc | worst case//percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Since 12/2012 By what percentage are your sales going to change in quarter "k"**? worst case: <input type="text"/> % (please insert positive or negative integral numbers) [1] I don't know [3] <input type="text"/> | | | | | | | | | | Further information Change of sales in field XY next quarter (worst case) **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter Example: If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | |
| WEST EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|----------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.70) | vg_csal_nqwc_v | values: worst case//percentage change of sales in field xy - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

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| Since 12/2012 By what percentage are your sales going to change in quarter "k"**? worst case: <input type="text"/> % (please insert positive or negative integral numbers) | | | | | | | | | | Further information Denotion of values: Change of sales in field XY next quarter (worst case) **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter Example: If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter |
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| 3.71) | vg_psalinc | probability of sales increase - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

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| since 12/2012 | Further information |
| How do you evaluate the probability that the sales in your field increase in quarter "k"* | Probability of sales increase next quarter |
| probability is <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) [1] | *"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter |
| probability is between <input type="text"/> % and <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) [2] | Example: |
| I don't know [3] <input type="text"/> | If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter |

Time span of variable

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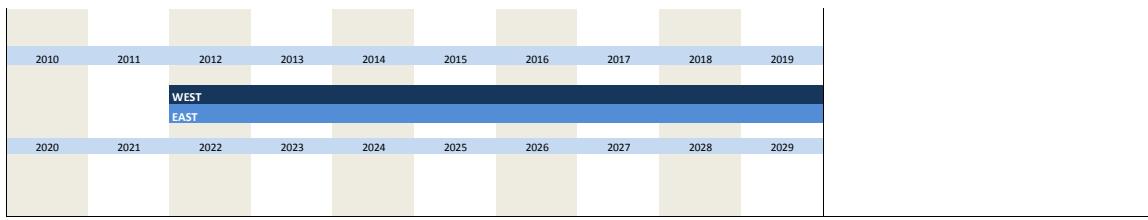
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| 3.72) | vg_psalinc_min | lower bound: probability of sales increase - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

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| since 12/2012 | Further information |
| How do you evaluate the probability that the sales in your field increase in quarter "k"* | Denoted lower bound: probability of sales increase next quarter |
| probability is between <input type="text"/> % and <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) | *"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter |

Time span of variable

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| 3.73) | vg_psalinc_max | upper bound: probability of sales increase - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

since 12/2012

How do you evaluate the probability that the sales in your field increase in quarter "k"?

probability is between % and % (please enter integral numbers)

Time span of variable

Further information
 Denoted upper bound: probability of sales increase next quarter
 **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter
Example:
 If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter
Further notes:
 The variable indicates the higher one of the two denoted values

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| 3.74) | vg_psalinc_sv | single value: probability of sales increase - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

since 12/2012

How do you evaluate the probability that the sales in your field increase in quarter "k"?

probability is % (please enter integral numbers)

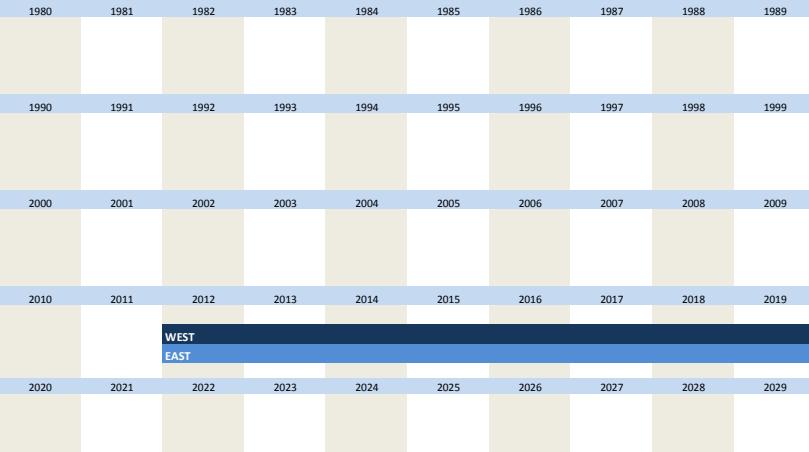
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Further information
 Single value: probability of sales increase next quarter
 **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter
Example:
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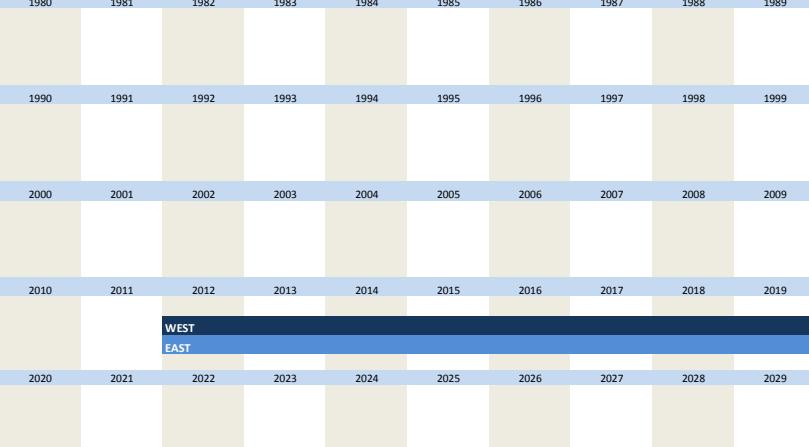
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| 3.75) | vg_psalstead | probability of steady sales - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |
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Wording of question

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| since 12/2012 | Further information |
| How do you evaluate the probability of steady sales in your field in quarter "k"**? | Probability of steady sales next quarter |
| probability is <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) [1] | **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter |
| probability is between <input type="text"/> % and <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) [2] | Example: |
| I don't know [3] <input type="text"/> | If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter |
| Time span of variable | Further notes: |
|  | [1] = A value was stated [2] = range of values was stated [3] = "I don't know" was stated |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.76) | vg_psalstead_min | lower bound: probability of steady sales - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

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| since 12/2012 | Further information |
| How do you evaluate the probability of steady sales in your field in quarter "k"**? | Denoted lower bound: Probability of steady sales next quarter |
| probability is between <input type="text"/> % and <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) | **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter |
| Time span of variable | Example: |
|  | If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter |
| | Further notes: The variable indicates the lower one of the two denoted values |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.77) | vg_psalstead_max | upper bound: probability of steady sales - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

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| since 12/2012 | Further information |
| How do you evaluate the probability of steady sales in your field in quarter "k"**? | Denoted upper bound: Probability of steady sales next quarter |
| probability is between <input type="text"/> % and <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) | **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter |
| | Example: |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | <p>If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter</p> <p>Further notes: The variable indicates the higher one of the two denoted values</p> | |
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| 3.78) | vg_psalstead_sv | single value: probability of steady sales - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

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| since 12/2012 | Further information |
| How do you evaluate the probability of steady sales in your field in quarter "k"? | Single value: Probability of steady sales next quarter |
| probability is <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) | **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter Example: If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter |

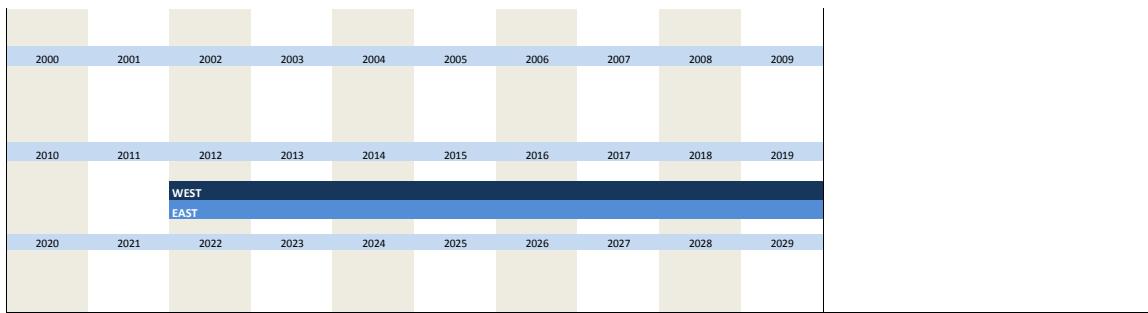
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| 3.79) | vg_psaldec | probability of sales decrease - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

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| since 12/2012 | Further information |
| How do you evaluate the probability that your sales decrease in quarter "k"? | Probability of sales decrease next quarter |
| probability is <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) [1] | **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter Example: If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter |
| probability is between <input type="text"/> % and <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) [2] | |
| I don't know [3] <input type="text"/> | |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | <p>Further notes: [1] = A value was stated [2] = range of values was stated [3] = "I don't know" was stated</p> | |
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| 3.80) | vg_psaldec_min | lower bound: probability of sales decrease - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

since 12/2012

How do you evaluate the probability that your sales decrease in quarter "k"*

probability is between % and % (please enter integral numbers)

Further information

Denoted lower bound: Probability of sales decrease next quarter

*"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter

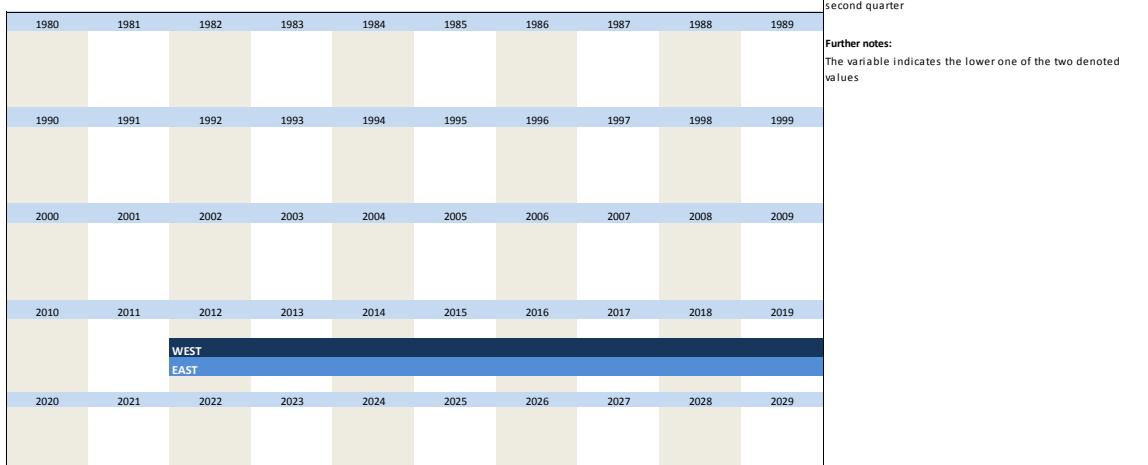
Example:

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Further notes:

The variable indicates the lower one of the two denoted values

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.81) | vg_psaldec_max | upper bound: probability of sales decrease - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

Wording of question

since 12/2012

How do you evaluate the probability that your sales decrease in quarter "k"*

probability is between % and % (please enter integral numbers)

Further information

Denoted upper bound: Probability of sales decrease next quarter

*"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter

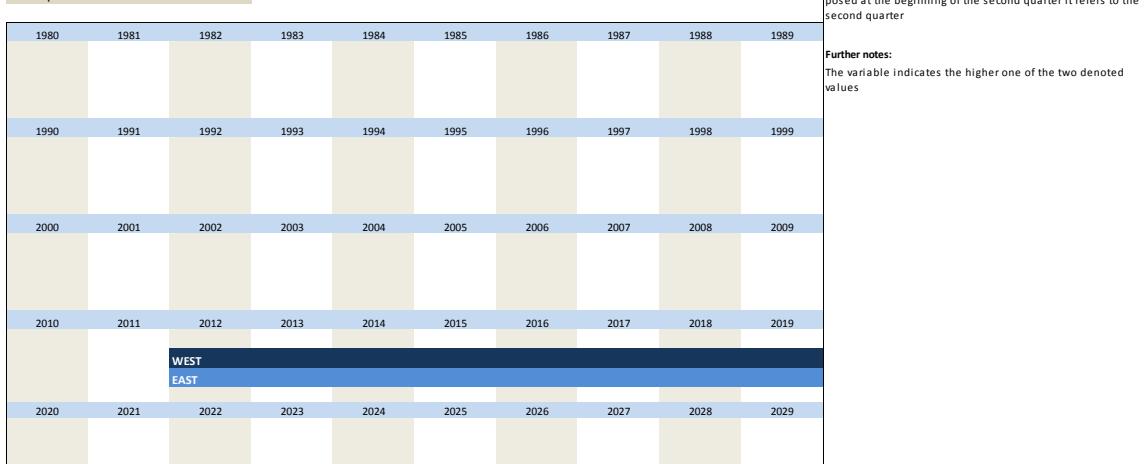
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Further notes:

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Time span of variable



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| 3.82) | vg_psaldec_sv | single value: probability of sales decrease - next quarter | East and West since 12/2012 | quarterly survey |

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| since 12/2012 | Further information |
| How do you evaluate the probability that your sales decrease in quarter "k"? | Single value: Probability of sales decrease next quarter |
| probability is <input type="text"/> % (please enter integral numbers) | **"k" either denotes the following quarter or the current quarter Example: If the question was posed at the end of the fourth quarter, the the question refers to the following first quarter. If it is posed at the beginning of the second quarter it refers to the second quarter |
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| 3.83) | vg_inf_heat | influence of heatwaves on value added | East and West 02/2013 | once |

Wording of question

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| 02/2013 | Further information |
| How did extreme weather conditions in the past influence the value added of your company? | Influence of heatwaves on the value added |
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| 3.84) | vg_inf_cold | influence of cold waves on value added | East and West 02/2013 | once |

Wording of question

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| 02/2013 | Further information |
| How did extreme weather conditions in the past influence the value added of your company? | Influence of cold waves (incl. ice and snow) on the value added |
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| positive influence [1] no influence [2] negative influence [3] not specified [4] | |

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| 3.85) | vg_inf_drou | influence of drought on value added | East and West 02/2013 | once |

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| 02/2013 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| How did extreme weather conditions in the past influence the value added of your company? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.86) | vg_inf_rain | influence of heavy rainfall on value added | East and West 02/2013 | once |

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| 02/2013 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| How did extreme weather conditions in the past influence the value added of your company? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.87) | vg_inf_storm | influence of storms on value added | East and West 02/2013 | once |

Wording of question

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| 02/2013 | How did extreme weather conditions in the past influence the value added of your company? | | | | | | | | | Further information | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.88) | vg_einf_pur | expected influence of climate change on purchases | East and West 02/2013 | once |

Wording of question

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| 02/2013 | How do you evaluate the influence of the forecasted climate change on following sectors of your company? | | | | | | | | | Further information | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.89) | vg_einf_prod | expected influence of climate change on production | East and West 02/2013 | once |

Wording of question

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| 02/2013 | How do you evaluate the influence of the forecasted climate change on following sectors of your company? | | | | | | | | | Further information | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.90) | vg_einf_sal | expected influence of climate change on sales | East and West 02/2013 | once |

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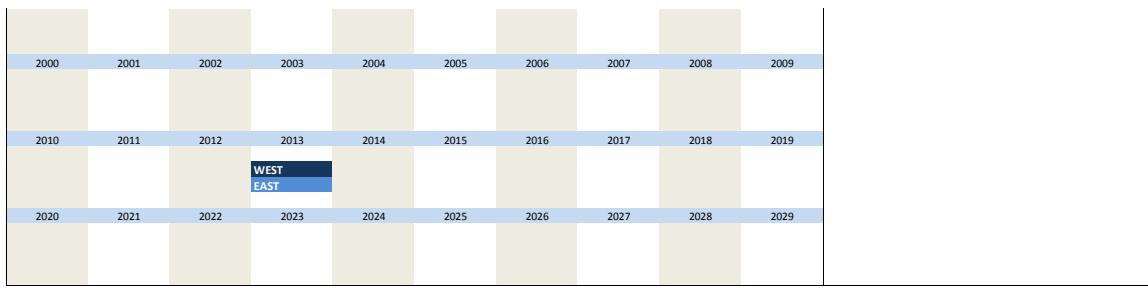
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| 3.91) | vg_einf_wast | expected influence of climate change on waste management | East and West 02/2013 | once |

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| 3.92) | vg_einf_log | expected influence of climate change on logistics | East and West 02/2013 | once | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.93) | vg_einf_inno | expected influence of climate change on innovations | East and West 02/2013 | once | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.94) | vg_einf_pers | expected influence of climate change on personnel | East and West 02/2013 | once | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.95) | vg_flight_ger | importance of flight connections in Germany | East and West 03/2013 | once |

Wording of question

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| 03/2013 | How important is a flight connection to destinations in [...] for your company? | | | | Further information | | | | | |
| | Germany | very important [1] | important [2] | less [3] | unimportant [4] | Importance of flight connections to destinations in Germany | | | | |
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| 3.96) | vg_flight_eur | importance of flight connections in Europe | East and West 03/2013 | once |

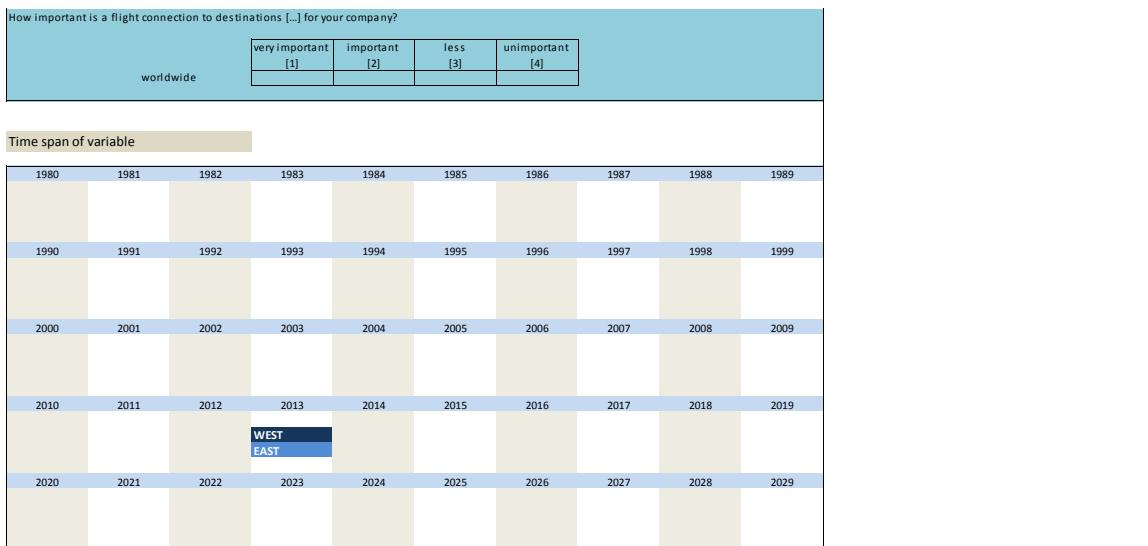
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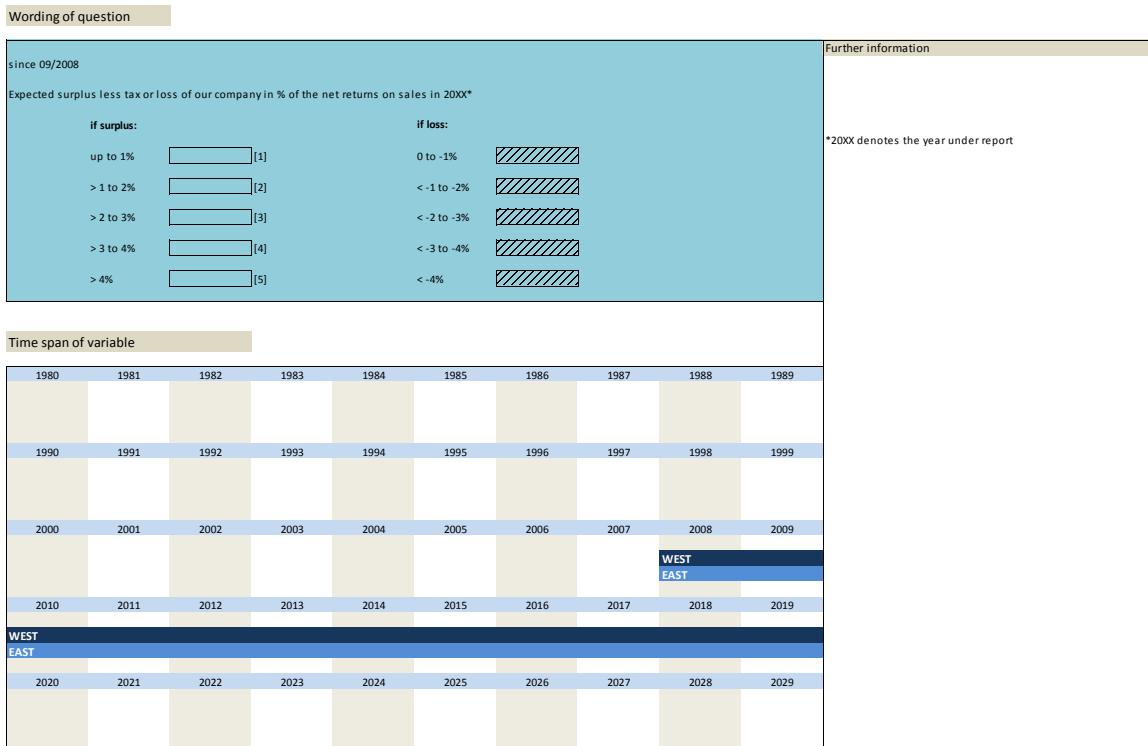
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| 3.97) | vg_flight_world | importance of flight connections worldwide | East and West 03/2013 | once |

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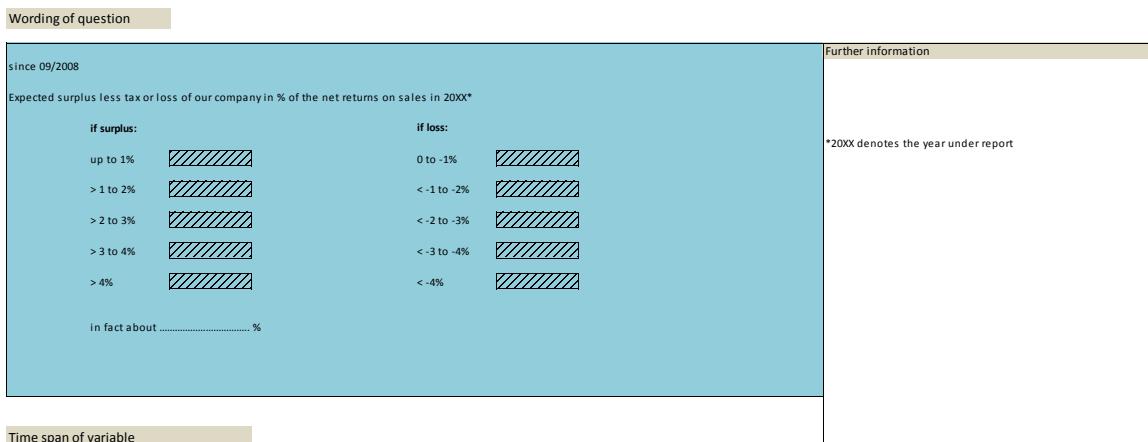
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| 3.98) | vg_surp_cat | return on sales: surplus (category) | East and West since 09/2008 | May,Sep |



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| 3.99) | vg_ros_surp | return on sales:surplus | East and West since 09/2008 | May,Sep |



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3.100) vg_loss_cat return on sales: loss (category) East and West since 09/2008 May,Sep

Wording of question

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| since 09/2008 | Further information |
| Expected surplus less tax or loss of our company in % of the net returns on sales in 20XX* | *20XX denotes the year under report |
| if surplus: up to 1% <input type="checkbox"/> > 1 to 2% <input type="checkbox"/> > 2 to 3% <input type="checkbox"/> > 3 to 4% <input type="checkbox"/> > 4% <input type="checkbox"/> | if loss: 0 to -1% <input type="checkbox"/> [1] < -1 to -2% <input type="checkbox"/> [2] < -2 to -3% <input type="checkbox"/> [3] < -3 to -4% <input type="checkbox"/> [4] < -4% <input type="checkbox"/> [5] |

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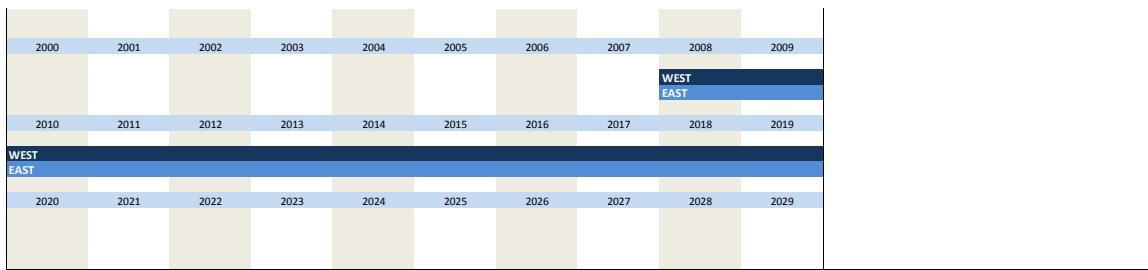
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| 3.102) | vg_russia1 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q1 | East and West 05/2014 and 06 2014 | once |

Wording of question

06/2014

D) Does your company have business connections to Russia?

yes[1] no[2]

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| 3.103) | vg_russia2 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q2 | East and West 05/2014 and 06 2014 | once |

Wording of question

06/2014

D) Does your company have business connections to Russia?

yes no

If yes:

imports from Russia [1]

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| 3.104) | vg_russia3 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q3 | East and West 05/2014 and 06 2014 | once |

Wording of question

Further Information

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D) Does your company have business connections to Russia?

yes no

If yes:

Exports to Russia [1]

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| 3.105) | vg_russia4 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q4 | East and West 05/2014 and 06 2014 | once |

Wording of question

06/2014

D) Does your company have business connections to Russia?

yes no

If yes:

Joint ventures with russian companies [1]

Time span of variable

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| 3.106) | vg_russia5 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q5 | East and West 05/2014 and 06 2014 | once |

Wording of question

06/2014

D) Does your company have business connections to Russia?

yes no

If yes:

own branches in Russia [1]

Time span of variable

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| 3.107) | vg_russia6 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q6 | East and West 05/2014 and 06 2014 | once |

Wording of question

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| 06/2014 | Further Information |
| D) Does your company have business connections to Russia? | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no | |
| If yes: | |
| <input type="text"/> via other companies [1] | |

Time span of variable

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| 3.108) | vg_russia7 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q7 | East and West 05/2014 and 06 2014 | once |

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| 06/2014 | Further Information |
| D) Did you already experience impairments due to the russian-ukrainian conflict? | |
| <input type="text"/> yes[1] <input type="text"/> no[2] | |

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| 3.109) | vg_russia8 | Russia/Ukraine conflict q8 | East and West 05/2014 and 06 2014 | once |

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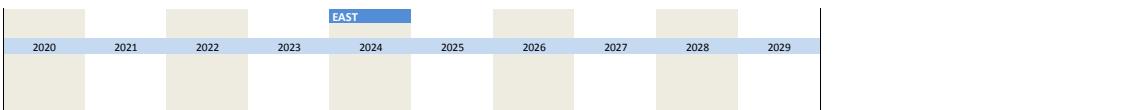
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| 06/2014 | | | | | | | | | | Further Information | |
| D) Are you expecting future impairments for your company? | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> yes[1] <input type="checkbox"/> no[2] | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.110) | vg_fambus | family business | East and West 02/2014 | once |

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| 02/2014 | | | | | | | | | | Further Information | |
| D) For research purposes? | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Do you envision yourself as a family business? (This means a company whose voting capital is held predominately by one or more families that are connected) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> yes[1] <input type="checkbox"/> no[2] | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.111) | vg_minim1 | minimum wage q1 | East and West 11/2014 | once |

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| 11/2014 | | | | | | | | | | Further information | |
| 1. 01/01/2015 the general minimum wage policy will be implemented. Is your company affected by this? | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> yes[1] <input type="checkbox"/> no[2] | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.112) | vg_minim2 | minimum wage q2 | East and West 11/2014 | once |

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| 11/2014 | Further information |
| 01/01/2015 the general minimum wage policy will be implemented. Is your company affected by this? | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no | |
| 2. If yes: With which measures will you likely react to the minimum wage? | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] No measures necessary or scheduled | |
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| 3.113) | vg_minim3 | minimum wage q3 | East and West 11/2014 | once |

Wording of question

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| 11/2014 | Further information |
| 01/01/2015 the general minimum wage policy will be implemented. Is your company affected by this? | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no | |
| 2. If yes: With which measures will you likely react to the minimum wage? | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] personnel cuts | |
| Time span of variable | |
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| 3.114) | vg_minim4 | minimum wage q4 | East and West 11/2014 | once |

Wording of question

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| 11/2014 | Further information |
| 01/01/2015 the general minimum wage policy will be implemented. | |

Is your company affected by this?

yes no

2. If yes: With which measures will you likely react to the minimum wage?

[1] reduction of working hours

Time span of variable

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| 3.115) | vg_minim5 | minimum wage q5 | East and West 11/2014 | once |

Wording of question

11/2014

01/01/2015 the general minimum wage policy will be implemented.
Is your company affected by this?

yes no

2. If yes: With which measures will you likely react to the minimum wage?

[1] increase in prices

Time span of variable

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| 3.116) | vg_minim6 | minimum wage q6 | East and West 11/2014 | once |

Wording of question

11/2014

01/01/2015 the general minimum wage policy will be implemented.
Is your company affected by this?

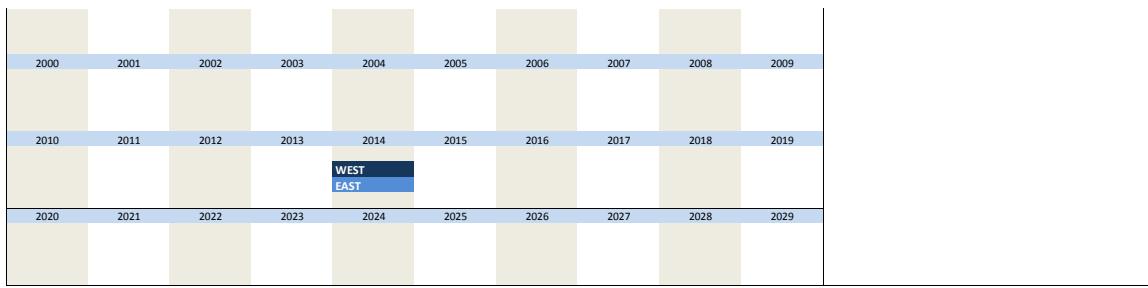
yes no

2. If yes: With which measures will you likely react to the minimum wage?

[1] reduction of investment

Time span of variable

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| 3.117) | vg_minim7 | minimum wage q7 | East and West 11/2014 | once |

Wording of question

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| 11/2014 | Further information |
| <p>01/01/2015 the general minimum wage policy will be implemented. Is your company affected by this?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no</p> <p>2. If yes: With which measures will you likely react to the minimum wage?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> [1] reduction of special payments</p> | |
| Time span of variable | |
| <p>The timeline diagram shows survey years from 1980 to 2029. The years are represented by colored bars: light blue for the West and dark blue for the East. The timeline is divided into several segments, with labels indicating the start and end of each segment. The segments are: 1980-1984 (West), 1985-1989 (West), 1990-1994 (West), 1995-1999 (West), 2000-2004 (West), 2005-2009 (West), 2010-2014 (West), 2015-2019 (West), 2020-2024 (West), 2025-2029 (West). The East phase is indicated by a dark blue bar between 1994 and 1995.</p> | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.118) | vg_minim8 | minimum wage q8 | East and West 11/2014 | once |

Wording of question

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| 11/2014 | Further information |
| <p>01/01/2015 the general minimum wage policy will be implemented. Is your company affected by this?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no</p> <p>2. If yes: With which measures will you likely react to the minimum wage?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> [1] other</p> | |
| Time span of variable | |
| <p>The timeline diagram shows survey years from 1980 to 2029. The years are represented by colored bars: light blue for the West and dark blue for the East. The timeline is divided into several segments, with labels indicating the start and end of each segment. The segments are: 1980-1984 (West), 1985-1989 (West), 1990-1994 (West), 1995-1999 (West), 2000-2004 (West), 2005-2009 (West), 2010-2014 (West), 2015-2019 (West), 2020-2024 (West), 2025-2029 (West). The East phase is indicated by a dark blue bar between 1994 and 1995.</p> | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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3.119) vg_invest_lj total investment last year East and West since 05/2015 annual survey

Wording of question

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| 05/2015 | | | | | | | | | | | Further information | |
| Investments | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1) Last year [20YY* compared to 20WW**] our investments were | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total investments | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| increased [1] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| not changed [2] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| decreased [3] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.120 | vg_invcap_li | investment in construction last year | East and West, since 05/2015 | annual survey |

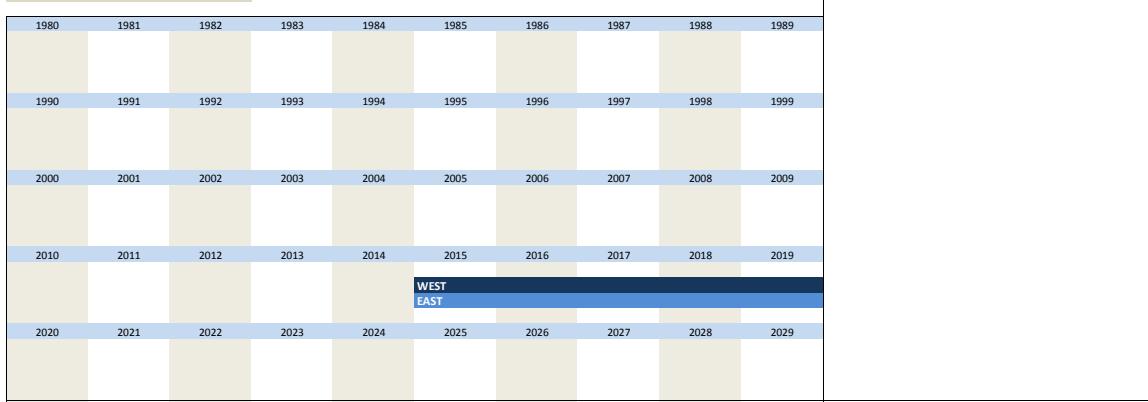
Wording of question

| <p>05/2015</p> <p>Investments</p> <p>1) Last year (20YY* compared to 20WW**) our investments were</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: center; width: 30%;">Total investments, thereof in construction</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">increased [1] </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">not changed [2] </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">decreased [3] </td> </tr> </table> | Total investments, thereof in construction | increased [1] | not changed [2] | decreased [3] | <p>Further information</p> <p>*20YY means last year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 20YY=2014</p> <p>**20WW means two years ago e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 20WW=2013</p> | | | | |
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| Total investments, thereof in construction | | | | | | | | | |
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| not changed [2] | | | | | | | | | |
| decreased [3] | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.121) | vg_inveq_lj | investment in equipment last year | East and West since 05/2015 | annual survey |

Wording of question

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| 05/2015 | | |
| Investments | | |
| 1) Last year (20YY* compared to 20WW**) our investments were | | *20YY means last year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 20YY=2014 |
| | Total investments, thereof in: equipment | |
| increased [1] | <input type="text"/> | *20WW means two years ago e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 20WW=2013 |
| not changed [2] | <input type="text"/> | |

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| decreased [3] | <input type="text"/> | | | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.122) | vg_invest_dj | total investment this year | East and West since 05/2015 | twice a year (May, Nov.) |

Wording of question

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| 05/2015 | Further information |
| Investments | |
| 1) In the current year (20XX* compared to 20YY**) our investments will likely | |
| Total investments | |
| increase [1] <input type="text"/> | *20XX means current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 20XX=2015 |
| not change [2] <input type="text"/> | **20YY means last year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 20YY=2014 |
| decrease [3] <input type="text"/> | |

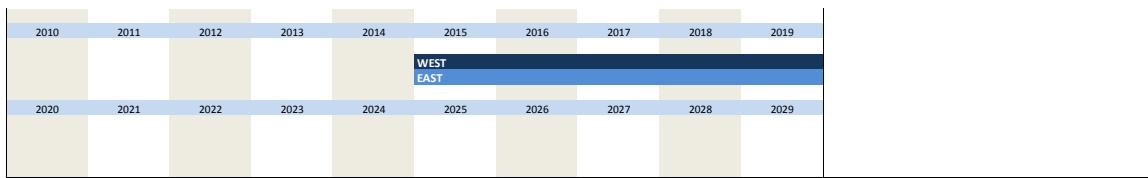
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| WEST EAST | | | | | | | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.123) | vg_invcon_dj | investment in construction this year | East and West since 05/2015 | twice a year (May, Nov.) |

Wording of question

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|---|---|
| 05/2015 | Further information |
| Investments | |
| 1) In the current year (20XX* compared to 20YY**) our investments will likely | |
| Total investments, thereof in: construction | |
| increase [1] <input type="text"/> | *20XX means current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 20XX=2015 |
| not change [2] <input type="text"/> | **20YY means last year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 20YY=2014 |
| decrease [3] <input type="text"/> | |

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| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.124) | vg_inveq_dj | investment in equipment this year | East and West since 05/2015 | twice a year (May, Nov.) |

Wording of question

05/2015

Investments

1) In the current year (20XX* compared to 20YY**) our investments will likely

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| Total investments, thereof in: equipment | | | |
| increase [1] | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| not change [2] | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| decrease [3] | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

***20XX means current year
e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015:
20XX=2015**

****20YY means last year
e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015:
20YY=2014**

Time span of variable

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| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
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| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| WEST EAST | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.125) | vg_invest_nj | total investment next year | East and West since 11/2015 | annual survey |

Wording of question

11/2015

Investments

1) In the next year (20ZZ* compared to 20XX**) our investments will likely

| | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| Total investments | | | |
| increase [1] | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| not change [2] | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| decrease [3] | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

***20ZZ means next year
e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015:
20ZZ=2016**

****20XX means current year
e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015:
20XX=2015**

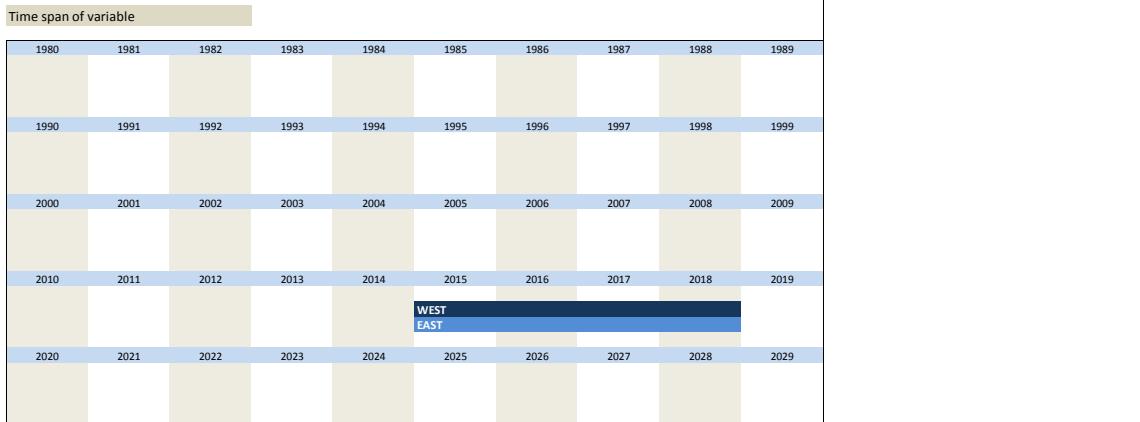
Time span of variable

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| WEST EAST | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.126) | vg_invcon_nj | investment in construction next year | East and West since 11/2015 | annual survey |

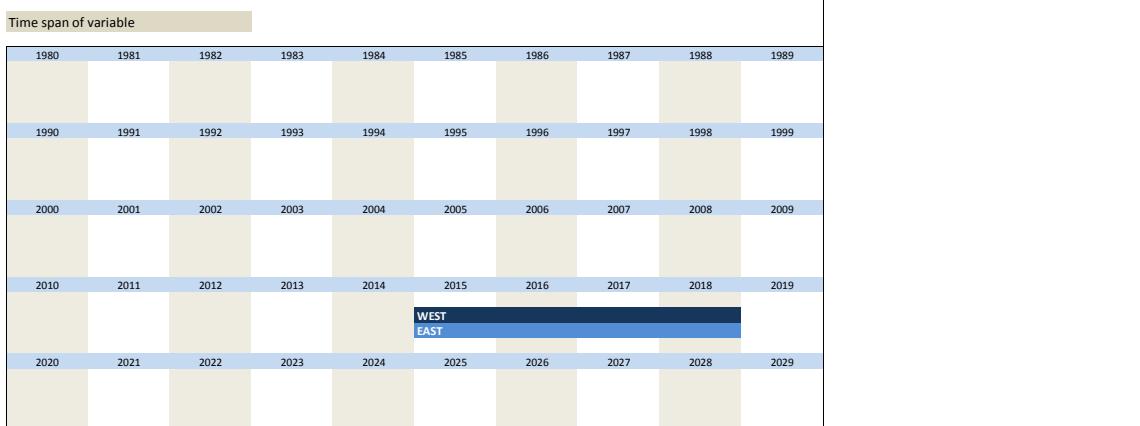
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| Investments | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1) In the next year (2022* compared to 20XX**) our investments will likely | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total investments, thereof in: construction | | | | | | | | | | | |
| increase [1] | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | *2022 means next year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 2022=2016 | |
| not change [2] | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | |
| decrease [3] | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | |



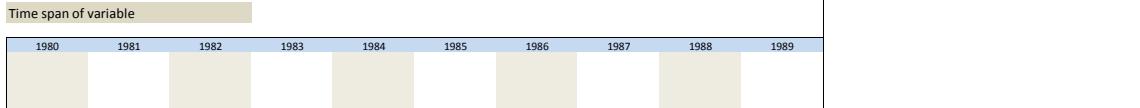
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| 3.127) | vg_inveq_nj | investment in equipment next year | East and West since 11/2015 | annual survey |

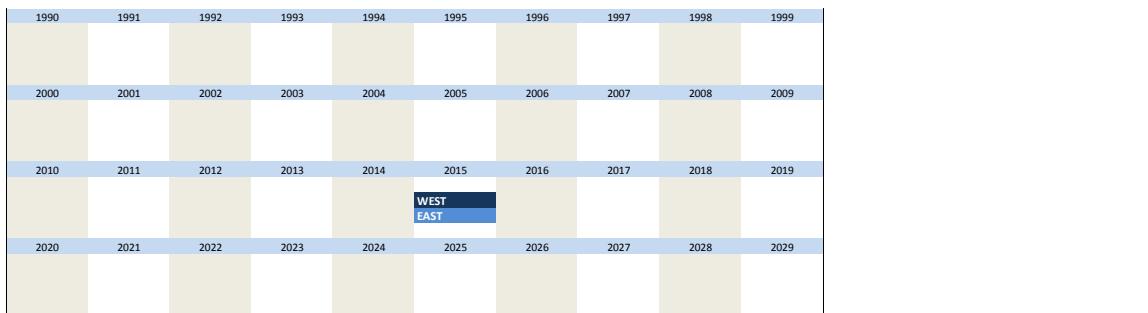
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| Investments | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1) In the next year (2022* compared to 20XX**) our investments will likely | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total investments, thereof in: equipment | | | | | | | | | | | |
| increase [1] | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | *2022 means next year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2015: 2022=2016 | |
| not change [2] | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | |
| decrease [3] | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | |



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| 3.128) | vg_ref1 | refugees question 1 | East and West 10/2015 | once |

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| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | | Further Information | |
| 10/2015 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. How large do you assess the potential of asylum seekers to be employed in the following positions? | | | | | | | | | | | |
| [1] small [2] large | | | | | | | | | | | |
| trainees | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | |





| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.129) | vg_ref2 | refugees question 2 | East and West 10/2015 | once |

Wording of question

10/2015

1. How large do you assess the potential of asylum seekers to be employed in the following positions?

[1] small [2] large

unskilled aid workers

Time span of variable

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.130) | vg_ref3 | refugees question 3 | East and West 10/2015 | once |

Wording of question

10/2015

1. How large do you assess the potential of asylum seekers to be employed in the following positions?

[1] small [2] large

skilled workers

Time span of variable

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.131) | vg_ref4 | refugees question 4 | East and West 10/2015 | once |

Wording of question

Further Information

10/2015

1. How large do you assess the potential of asylum seekers to be employed in the following positions?

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| [1] small | [2] large | |
| leading positions | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Time span of variable

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| 3.132) | vg_ref5 | refugees question 5 | East and West 10/2015 | once |

Wording of question

10/2015

1. How large do you assess the potential of asylum seekers to be employed in the following positions?

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| [1] small | [2] large | |
| other positions | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Time span of variable

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.133) | vg_ref6 | refugees question 6 | East and West 10/2015 | once |

Wording of question

10/2015

2. how much of an obstacle to employing asylum seekers do you consider the following factors to be in your branch:

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|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| [1] little | [2] much | |
| labor law-related provisions | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Time span of variable

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| 3.134) | vg_ref7 | refugees question 7 | East and West 10/2015 | once |

Wording of question

| 10/2015 | Further Information | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2. how much of an obstacle to employing asylum seekers do you consider the following factors to be in your branch: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | [1] little | | | | | | [2] much | | | |
| unfit level of qualification | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.135) | vg_ref8 | refugees question 8 | East and West 10/2015 | once |

Wording of question

| Further Information | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 10/2015 | 2. how much of an obstacle to employing asylum seekers do you consider the following factors to be in your branch: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | [1] little | [2] much | | | | |
| minimum wage | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | | |
| | | | | | WEST EAST | | | | | | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.136) | vg_ref9 | refugees question 9 | East and West 10/2015 | once |

Wording of question

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| <p>10/2015</p> <p>2. how much of an obstacle to employing asylum seekers do you consider the following factors to be in your branch:</p> <table style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">[1] little</td><td style="text-align: center;">[2] much</td></tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">lack of language skills</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> </table> | [1] little | [2] much | lack of language skills | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <p>Further Information</p> |
| [1] little | [2] much | | | | | |
| lack of language skills | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | |
| <p>Time span of variable</p> | <p>1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989</p> | | | | | |

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| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.137) | vg_minim_post1 | affected by minimum wage | East and West 03/2016 | once |

Wording of question

03/2016

01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation?

[1] yes [2] no

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

Further information

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.138) | vg_minim_post2 | no minimum wage measures | East and West 03/2016 | once |

Wording of question

03/2016

01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation?
If yes,
What measures did you utilize?

none [1]

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

Further information

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.139) | vg_minim_post3 | measures: employee reduction | East and West 03/2016 | once |

Wording of question

03/2016

01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation?

If yes,

What measures did you utilize?

employee reduction [1]

Further information

Time span of variable

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.140] | vg_minim_post4 | measures: working hour reduction | East and West 03/2016 | once |

Wording of question

03/2016

01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation?

If yes,

What measures did you utilize?

working hour reduction [1]

Further information

Time span of variable

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

WEST
EAST

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.141) | vg_minim_post5 | measures: increased prices | East and West 03/2016 | once |

Wording of question

03/2016

01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation?

If yes,

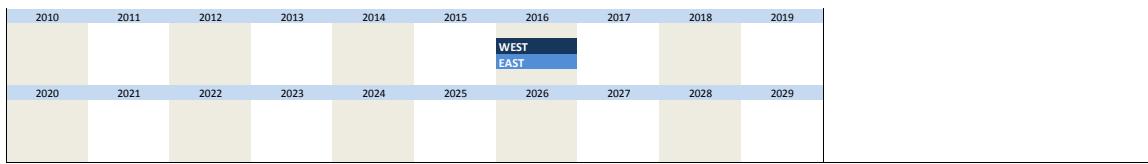
What measures did you utilize?

increased prices [1]

Further information

Time span of variable

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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3.142) **vg_minim_post6** measures: decreased investment East and West 03/2016 once

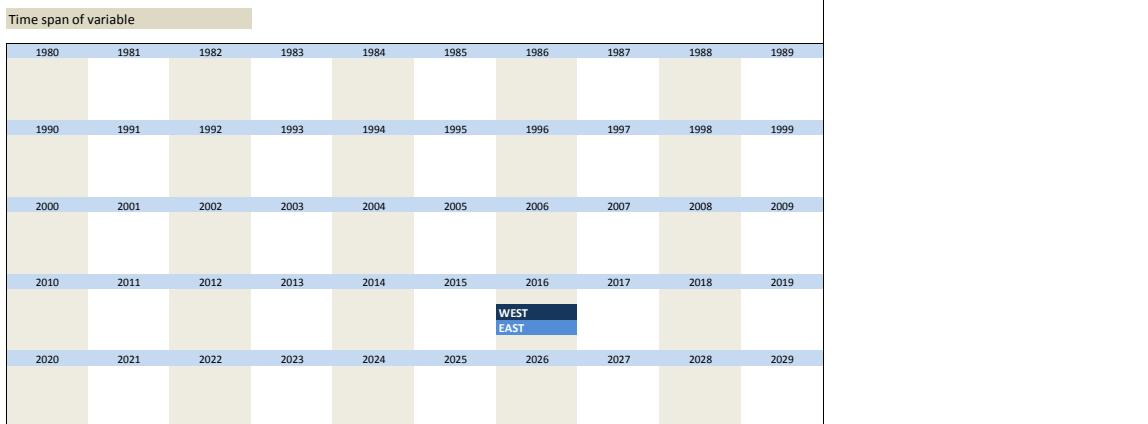
Wording of question

03/2016

01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation?
If yes,
What measures did you utilize?

decreased investment [1]

Further information



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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3.143) **vg_minim_post7** measures: decreased special payments East and West 03/2016 once

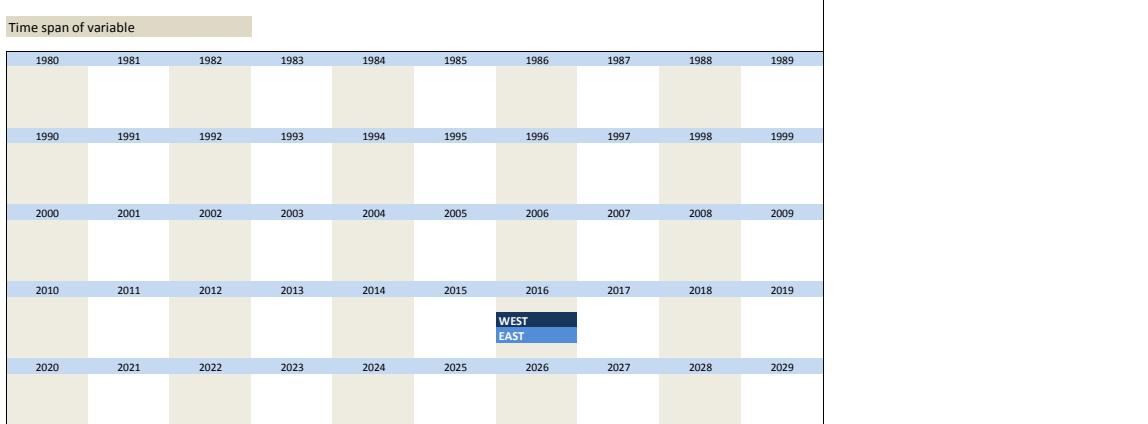
Wording of question

03/2016

01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation?
If yes,
What measures did you utilize?

decreased special payments [1]

Further information



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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3.144) **vg_minim_post8** less minijobs East and West 03/2016 once

Wording of question

03/2016

01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation?

Has there been a change in employment in your company?

less minijobs [1]

Further information

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |
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| 3.145) | vg_minim_post9 | minijobs transformed into insurable employment | East and West 03/2016 | once |

Wording of question

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| 03/2016 | Further information | | | | | | | | | |
| 01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation? | | | | | | | | | | |
| Has there been a change in employment in your company? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> minijobs were transformed into insurable employment [1] | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.146) | vg_minim_post10 | new insurable employment | East and West 03/2016 | once |

Wording of question

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| 03/2016 | Further information | | | | | | | | | |
| 01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation? | | | | | | | | | | |
| Has there been a change in employment in your company? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> new insurable employment was generated [1] | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency | | | | |
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| 3.147) | vg_minim_post11 | employment relationships did not change | East and West 03/2016 | once | | | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | | | |
| 03/2016 01.01.2015 the universal minimum wage was implemented. Is your company affected by this regulation? Has there been a change in employment in your company? | | | | Further information | | | | |
| <table border="1"> <tr> <td>employment relationships did not change</td> <td>[1]</td> </tr> </table> | | | | | employment relationships did not change | [1] | | |
| employment relationships did not change | [1] | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | |
| <p>The timeline grid shows the survey period for question 3.147. The grid spans from 1980 to 2029 in 1-year increments. The years 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029 are labeled. A small box in the center of the grid contains the text "WEST EAST".</p> | | | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency | | | | |
| 3.148) | vg_credityes | credit agreement signed | East and West 06/2016 | once | | | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | | | |
| 06/2016 Have you signed one or more credit agreements with banks during the last 12 months? (e.g. new credits, debt restructuring or prolongation of a credit/ line of credit) | | | | Further information | | | | |
| Yes: | | | | | | | | |
| <table border="1"> <tr><td>[1] amount and conditions as expected</td></tr> <tr><td>[2] amount as expected, worse conditions</td></tr> <tr><td>[3] conditions as expected, lower amount</td></tr> <tr><td>[4] lower amount and worse conditions than expected</td></tr> </table> | | | | [1] amount and conditions as expected | [2] amount as expected, worse conditions | [3] conditions as expected, lower amount | [4] lower amount and worse conditions than expected | |
| [1] amount and conditions as expected | | | | | | | | |
| [2] amount as expected, worse conditions | | | | | | | | |
| [3] conditions as expected, lower amount | | | | | | | | |
| [4] lower amount and worse conditions than expected | | | | | | | | |
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| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | |
| <p>The timeline grid shows the survey period for question 3.148. The grid spans from 1980 to 2029 in 1-year increments. The years 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029 are labeled. A small box in the center of the grid contains the text "WEST EAST".</p> | | | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency | | | | |
| 3.149) | vg_creditno | credit agreement not signed | East and West 06/2016 | once | | | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | | | |
| 06/2016 Have you signed one or more credit agreements with banks during the last 12 months? (e.g. new credits, debt restructuring or prolongation of a credit/ line of credit) | | | | Further information | | | | |
| no, because: | | | | | | | | |
| <table border="1"> <tr><td>[1] no need</td></tr> <tr><td>[2] unacceptable terms</td></tr> <tr><td>[3] denied by banks</td></tr> <tr><td>[4] no realistic prospect of a credit</td></tr> </table> | | | | [1] no need | [2] unacceptable terms | [3] denied by banks | [4] no realistic prospect of a credit | |
| [1] no need | | | | | | | | |
| [2] unacceptable terms | | | | | | | | |
| [3] denied by banks | | | | | | | | |
| [4] no realistic prospect of a credit | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.150) | vg_credituse1 | financing of ongoing operating resources | East and West 06/2016 | once |

| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 06/2016 | | | | | | | | | | Further information |
| What was the usage of your last negotiated credit? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> financing of ongoing operating resources [1] | | | | | | | | | | |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |
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| 3.151) | vg_credituse2 | financing of an investment | East and West 06/2016 | once |

| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 06/2016 | | | | | | | | | | Further information |
| What was the usage of your last negotiated credit? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> financing of an investment [1] | | | | | | | | | | |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
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| 3.152) | vg_credituse3 | other financing | East and West 06/2016 | once |
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Wording of question

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| 06/2016 | Further information | | | | | | | | |
| What was the usage of your last negotiated credit? | | | | | | | | | |
| others | [1] | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
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| 3.153) | vg_brexit | expected impact from brexit | East and West 06/2016 | once |
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Wording of question

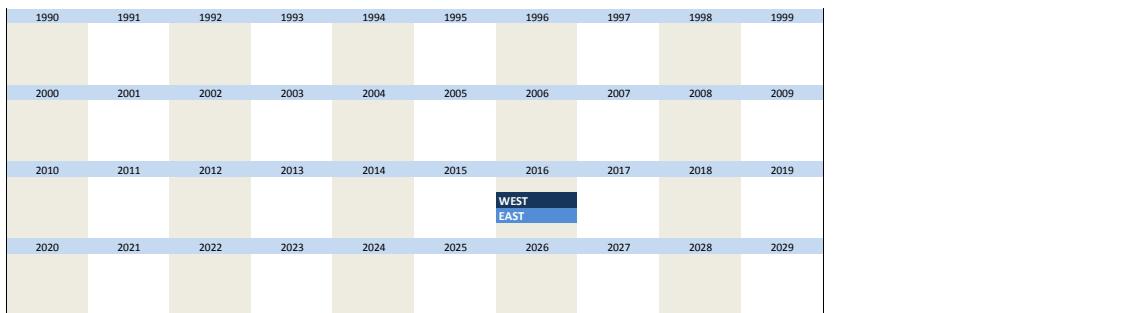
| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 06/2016 | Further information | | | | | | | | |
| What impact for your company do you expect from a possible Brexit? | | | | | | | | | |
| positive [1] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | | |
| negative [2] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | | |
| none [3] <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |
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| 3.154) | vg_midmanager | mid tier: more than 4 managers | East and West 08/2016 | once |
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Wording of question

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| 08/2016 | Further information | | | | | | | | |
| mid tier | | | | | | | | | |
| Does your company have more than 4 managers? | | | | | | | | | |
| yes [1] <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | |
| no [2] <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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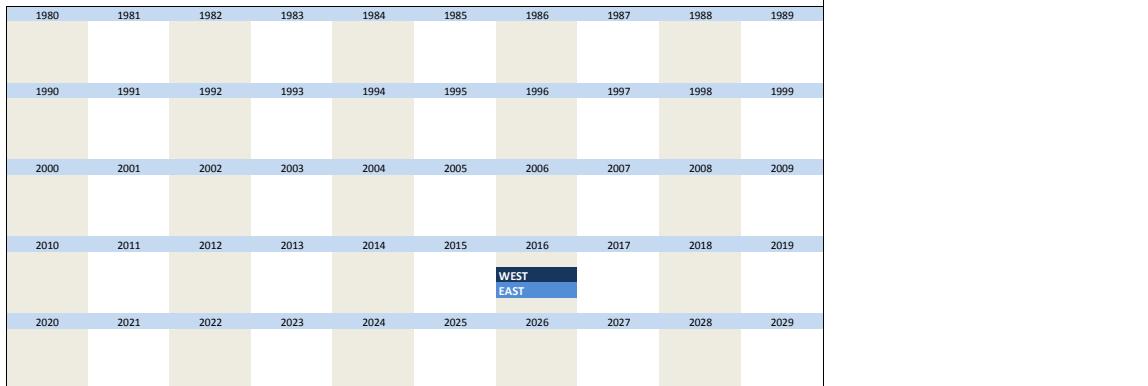


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| 3.155) | vg_midmanshare | mid tier: at least one manager has shares | East and West 08/2016 | once |

Wording of question

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| 08/2016 | Further information |
| mid tier Does at least one of your managers hold shares of your company | |
| yes [1] <input type="checkbox"/> no [2] <input type="checkbox"/> | |

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.156) | vg_midyes | mid tier: company rated as mid tier | East and West 08/2016 | once |

Wording of question

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| 08/2016 | Further information |
| mid tier Would you rate your company as a "mid tier" company? | |
| yes [1] <input type="checkbox"/> no [2] <input type="checkbox"/> | |

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.157) | vg_usgov_exp_1 | new US government: expect new customs | East and West 02/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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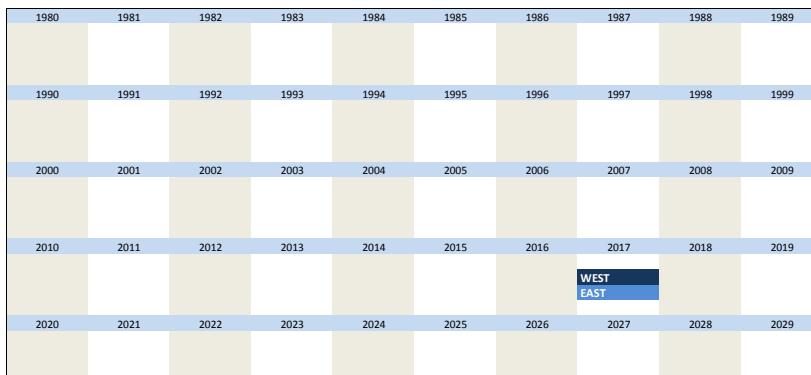
Special question regarding US trade policy

The new US government announced a more protective trade policy.

1. We expect that...
(multiple answers possible)

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| new customs will be levied | [1] |
|----------------------------|-----|

Time span of variable



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3.158] **vg_usgov_exp_2** new US government: expect increased customs

East and West 02/2017

once

Wording of question

02/2017

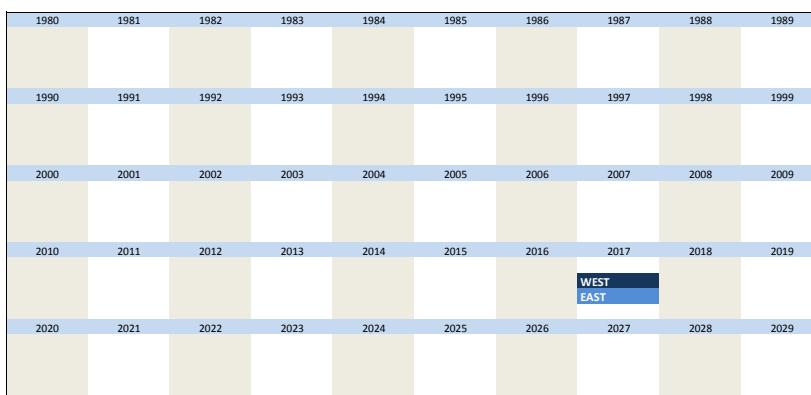
Special question regarding US trade policy

The new US government announced a more protective trade policy.

1. We expect that...
(multiple answers possible)

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| existing customs charges will be increased | [1] |
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Time span of variable



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3.159] **vg_usgov_exp_3** new US government: expect other barriers

East and West 02/2017

once

Wording of question

02/2017

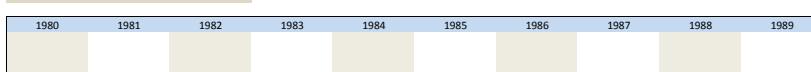
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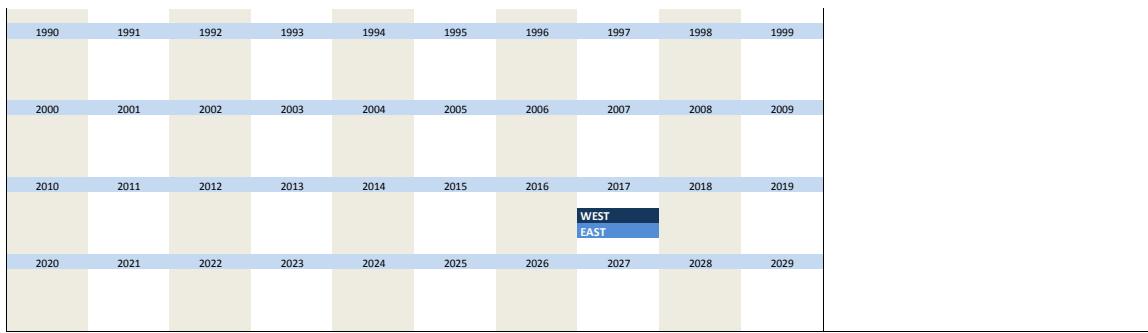
The new US government announced a more protective trade policy.

1. We expect that...
(multiple answers possible)

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| other trade barriers will be levied | [1] |
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Time span of variable





| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.160) | vg_usgov_exp_4 | new US government: expect no change | East and West 02/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| 02/2017 | Further information | | |
| <p>Special question regarding US trade policy</p> <p>The new US government announced a more protective trade policy.</p> <p>1. We expect that... (multiple answers possible)</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>there will be no changes</td> <td>[1]</td> </tr> </table> | there will be no changes | [1] | |
| there will be no changes | [1] | | |

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| Time span of variable | | | |
| <p>A horizontal timeline chart showing survey years from 1980 to 2029. The timeline is divided into West (blue) and East (orange) phases. The West phase covers years 1980-1989, 1990-1999, 2000-2009, 2010-2019, 2020-2029, and 2020-2029. The East phase covers years 1980-1989, 1990-1999, 2000-2009, 2010-2019, 2020-2029, and 2020-2029. A legend indicates 'WEST' for blue and 'EAST' for orange.</p> | | | |
| 02/2017 | Further information | | |
| <p>Special question regarding US trade policy</p> <p>The new US government announced a more protective trade policy.</p> <p>2. What will be the influence of this on your business in the USA? (multiple answers possible)</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Our company will produce (more) in the USA</td> <td>[1]</td> </tr> </table> | Our company will produce (more) in the USA | [1] | |
| Our company will produce (more) in the USA | [1] | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency | | |
|---|----------------|--|-----------------------|--|-----|--|
| 3.162) | vg_usgov_inf_2 | new US government influence: opening of new branches | East and West 02/2017 | once | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | |
| 02/2017 Special question regarding US trade policy The new US government announced a more protective trade policy. 2. What will be the influence of this on your business in the USA? (multiple answers possible) | | | | Further information | | |
| <table border="1"> <tr> <td>A new branch will be opened in the USA</td> <td>[1]</td> </tr> </table> | | | | A new branch will be opened in the USA | [1] | |
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| Time span of variable | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency | | |
| 3.163) | vg_usgov_inf_3 | new US government influence: no US exports | East and West 02/2017 | once | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | |
| 02/2017 Special question regarding US trade policy The new US government announced a more protective trade policy. 2. What will be the influence of this on your business in the USA? (multiple answers possible) | | | | Further information | | |
| <table border="1"> <tr> <td>We do not export to the USA</td> <td>[1]</td> </tr> </table> | | | | We do not export to the USA | [1] | |
| We do not export to the USA | [1] | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency | | |
| 3.164) | vg_usgov_rev | new US government: revenue expectations | East and West 02/2017 | once | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | |
| 02/2017 Special question regarding US trade policy The new US government announced a more protective trade policy. 3. The revenues from the US-business of our company will therefore presumably | | | | Further information | | |
| <table border="1"> <tr> <td>[1] increase</td> </tr> </table> | | | | [1] increase | | |
| [1] increase | | | | | | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> [2] stay the same |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [3] decrease |

Time span of variable

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
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WEST
EAST

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|---------------|--|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.165) | vg_usgov_dest | new US government: importance as destination | East and West 02/2017 | once |

Wording of question

02/2017

Importance of the USA as trading partner

Currently, as ... the USA are [...] to us

destination of our exports

| |
|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] very important |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [2] important |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [3] unimportant |

Further information

Time span of variable

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| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

WEST
EAST

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|---------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.166) | vg_usgov_orig | new US government: importance as origin | East and West 02/2017 | once |

Wording of question

02/2017

Importance of the USA as trading partner

Currently, as ... the USA are [...] to us

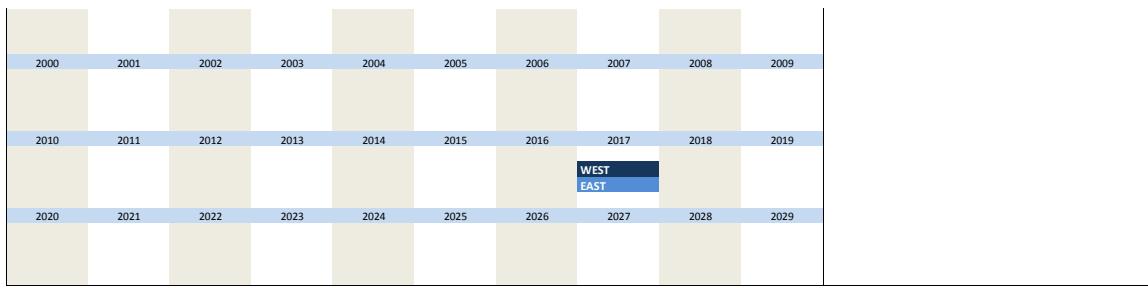
origin of our imports

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| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] very important |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> [3] unimportant |

Further information

Time span of variable

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| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.167) | vg_usgov_prod | new US government: importance as production location | East and West 02/2017 | once |

Wording of question

02/2017

Importance of the USA as trading partner

Currently, as ... the USA are [...] to us

production location

[] [1] very important
[] [2] important
[] [3] unimportant

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

Further information

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 3.168) | vg_credit2_1 | credit seeking | East and West since 03/2017 | March, June, September, December |

Wording of question

03/2017

credit allocation

We had credit talks with banks during the last 3 months

[] [1] yes [] [2] no

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

Further information

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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Wording of question

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| 03/2017 - 06/2018 | credit allocation We had credit talks with banks during the last 3 months | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes | Further information |
| Banks behaved ... in these | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] accomodating <input type="checkbox"/> [2] normal <input type="checkbox"/> [3] reserved | | | |
| Since 09/2018 | | | |
| credit allocation We had credit talks with banks during the last 3 months | | | |
| If yes, Banks behaved ... in these | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] accomodating <input type="checkbox"/> [2] normal <input type="checkbox"/> [3] reserved | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 3.170) | vg_credit2_3 | reasons for not credit seeking | East and West since 03/2017 | March, June, September, December |

Wording of question

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|---|---|--|---------------------|
| 03/2017 - 06/2018 | credit allocation We had credit talks with banks during the last 3 months | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no | Further information |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] no need <input type="checkbox"/> [2] other reasons | | | |
| Since 09/2018 | | | |
| credit allocation We had credit talks with banks during the last 3 months | | | |
| If no: | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] no need <input type="checkbox"/> [2] other reasons | | | |
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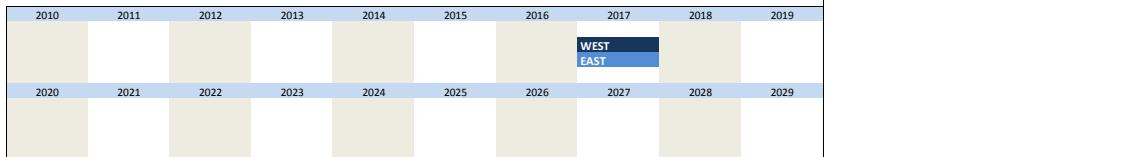
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-----------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.171) | vg_negint | confronted with negative interest rates | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Have you faced negative interest rates on capital contribution by at least one of your banks?</p> <table border="1" style="margin-top: 10px; width: 100px; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>Yes [1]</td> <td>No [2]</td> </tr> </table> | Yes [1] | No [2] | Further information online only |
| Yes [1] | No [2] | | |

Time span of variable

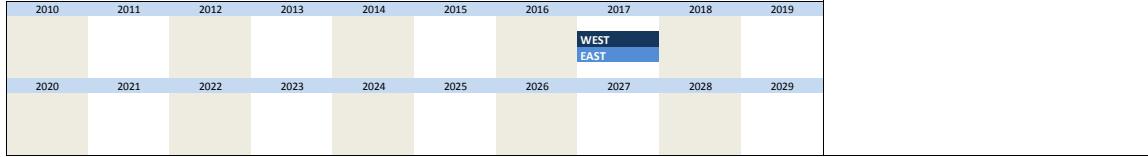


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.172) | vg_negint_noact | negative interest actions: none | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

Wording of question

| | | | |
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| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Have you faced negative interest rates on capital contribution by at least one of your banks?</p> <p>If Yes</p> <p>Which arrangements did you choose, to avoid payments of negative interest rates?</p> <table border="1" style="margin-top: 10px; width: 100px; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>no arrangements - negative interest rate accepted</td> <td>Yes [1]</td> </tr> </table> | no arrangements - negative interest rate accepted | Yes [1] | Further information multiple nominations are possible online only |
| no arrangements - negative interest rate accepted | Yes [1] | | |

Time span of variable

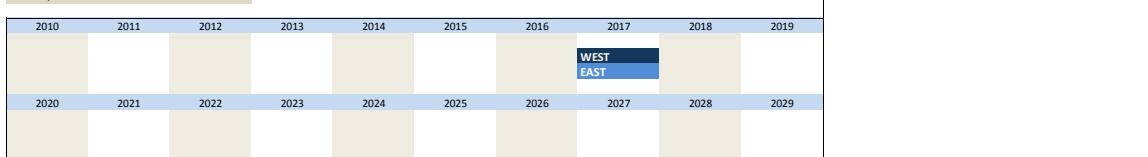


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.173) | vg_negint_agree | negative interest actions: bank agreements | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Have you faced negative interest rates on capital contribution by at least one of your banks?</p> <p>If Yes</p> <p>Which arrangements did you choose, to avoid payments of negative interest rates?</p> <table border="1" style="margin-top: 10px; width: 100px; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>Negotiation with bank</td> <td>Yes [1]</td> </tr> </table> | Negotiation with bank | Yes [1] | Further information multiple nominations are possible online only |
| Negotiation with bank | Yes [1] | | |

Time span of variable

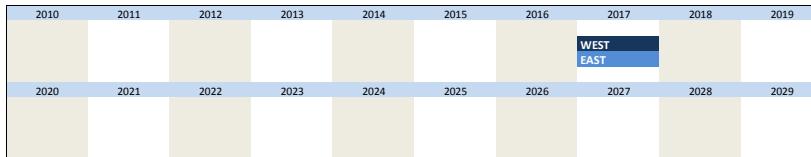


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.174) | vg_negint_change | negative interest actions: change of bank | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Have you faced negative interest rates on capital contribution by at least one of your banks?</p> <p>If Yes</p> <p>Which arrangements did you choose, to avoid payments of negative interest rates?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Change to another bank, which does not require negative interest rates (yet) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes [1]</p> | <p>Further information</p> <p>multiple nominations are possible online only</p> |
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Time span of variable

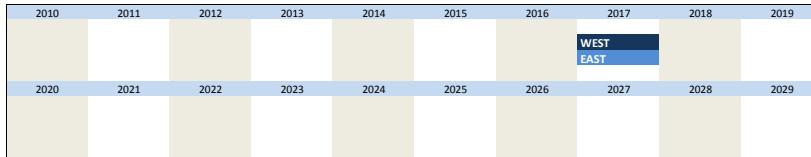


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| 3.175) | vg_negint_inc | negative interest actions: increase of cash | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Have you faced negative interest rates on capital contribution by at least one of your banks?</p> <p>If Yes</p> <p>Which arrangements did you choose, to avoid payments of negative interest rates?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Higher cash ratio <input type="checkbox"/> Yes [1]</p> | <p>Further information</p> <p>multiple nominations are possible online only</p> |
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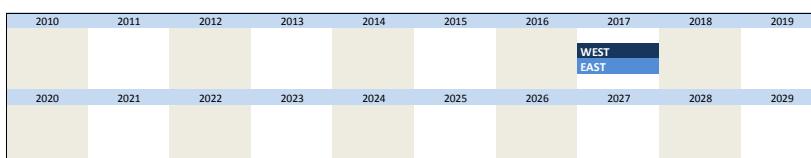


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| 3.176) | vg_negint_redas | negative interest actions: redeployment in other financial assets and settlement of | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Have you faced negative interest rates on capital contribution by at least one of your banks?</p> <p>If Yes</p> <p>Which arrangements did you choose, to avoid payments of negative interest rates?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Shift to other financial assets and prepayment credit <input type="checkbox"/> Yes [1]</p> | <p>Further information</p> <p>multiple nominations are possible online only</p> |
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Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.177) | vg_negint_redasint | negative interest actions: redeployment of assets within company | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Have you faced negative interest rates on capital contribution by at least one of your banks?</p> | <p>Further information</p> <p>multiple nominations are possible</p> |
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| If Yes | online only | | | | | | | | |
| Which arrangements did you choose, to avoid payments of negative interest rates? | | | | | | | | | |
| Rearrangements of funds to other segments of the company | Yes [1] | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>The timeline shows the survey period from 2010 to 2029. The first phase, labeled 'WEST', covers the years 2017 through 2019. The second phase, labeled 'EAST', covers the years 2020 through 2029. The timeline is represented by a series of colored bars: light beige for 2010-2016, dark blue for 2017-2019 (WEST), light blue for 2020-2022 (EAST), and white for 2023-2029.</p> | | | | | | | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|---------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.178) | vg_negint_inv | negative interest actions: investing or preponing (additional) investments | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

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| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Have you faced negative interest rates on capital contribution by at least one of your banks?</p> <p>If Yes</p> <p>Which arrangements did you choose, to avoid payments of negative interest rates?</p> <p>(Early) conducting (additional) investments Yes [1]</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>The timeline shows the survey period from 2010 to 2029. The first phase, labeled 'WEST', covers the years 2017 through 2019. The second phase, labeled 'EAST', covers the years 2020 through 2029. The timeline is represented by a series of colored bars: light beige for 2010-2016, dark blue for 2017-2019 (WEST), light blue for 2020-2022 (EAST), and white for 2023-2029.</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| Further information | | | | | | | | | |
| multiple nominations are possible | | | | | | | | | |
| online only | | | | | | | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.179) | vg_negint_oth | negative interest actions: other | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

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| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Have you faced negative interest rates on capital contribution by at least one of your banks?</p> <p>If Yes</p> <p>Which arrangements did you choose, to avoid payments of negative interest rates?</p> <p>Other: please specify Yes [1]</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>The timeline shows the survey period from 2010 to 2029. The first phase, labeled 'WEST', covers the years 2017 through 2019. The second phase, labeled 'EAST', covers the years 2020 through 2029. The timeline is represented by a series of colored bars: light beige for 2010-2016, dark blue for 2017-2019 (WEST), light blue for 2020-2022 (EAST), and white for 2023-2029.</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| Further information | | | | | | | | | |
| multiple nominations are possible | | | | | | | | | |
| online only | | | | | | | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.180) | vg_negint_burden | burden of negative interest rates on profit situation | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

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| Wording of question | |
| <p>Jun 17</p> <p>Negative interest rates have a negative impact on our revenues</p> <p>highly significantly negligible</p> | |
| Further information | |
| online only | |

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| | very significant [1] | significantly [2] | not at all [3] |
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Time span of variable

The timeline shows survey periods for the West (blue) and East (orange) from 2010 to 2029. The West period starts in 2017 and ends in 2019. The East period starts in 2017 and ends in 2029.

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.181) | vg_negint_banks | number of relationship banks | East and West since 06/2017 | once |

Wording of question

Jun 17
How many main banks do you use?
If No
How many banks do you name your main bank?

| | | | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|
| 0 [0] | 1 [1] | 2 [2] | 3 [3] | 4 [4] | More than 4 [5] |
| | | | | | |

Time span of variable

The timeline shows survey periods for the West (blue) and East (orange) from 2010 to 2029. The West period starts in 2017 and ends in 2019. The East period starts in 2017 and ends in 2029.

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.182) | vg_mercoex | export to Mercosur area | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

Aug 17
Free trade agreement with Mercosur
The members of this tariff union (mercosur) are Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay.

1.a) Does your company **export** in the mercosur area?

| | |
|---------|--------|
| Yes [1] | No [2] |
| | |

Time span of variable

The timeline shows survey periods for the West (blue) and East (orange) from 2010 to 2029. The West period starts in 2017 and ends in 2019. The East period starts in 2017 and ends in 2029.

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.183) | vg_mercoex_tariffs | export to Mercosur area if: trade tariffs decrease | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

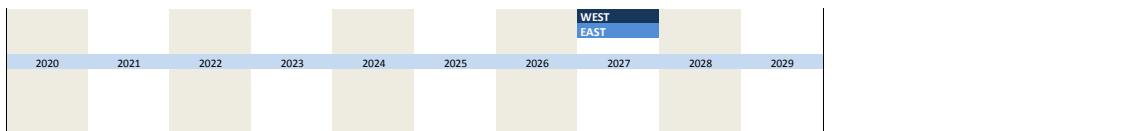
Aug 17
Free trade agreement with Mercosur
The members of this tariff union (mercosur) are Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay.

1.b) In the medium term our company will start to export/expand the exports into the mercosur area, if

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| trade tariffs decrease. | Yes [1] |
| | |

Time span of variable

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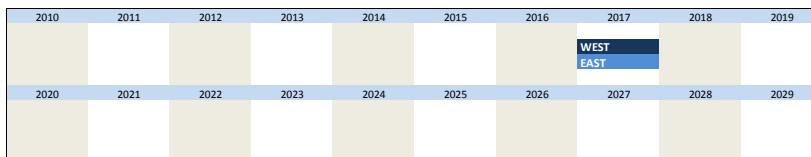


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.184) | vg_mercoex_transco | export to Mercosur area if: transport costs decrease | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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|---|--|---|---------|--|--|--|
| Aug 17 | Free trade agreement with Mercosur The members of this tariff union (mercosur) are Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay. | Further information | | | | |
| 1.b) In the medium term our company will start to export/expand the exports into the mercosur area, if | | | | | | |
| <table border="1"> <tr> <td>transport costs decrease (e.g. because of insurance).</td> <td>Yes [1]</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | transport costs decrease (e.g. because of insurance). | Yes [1] | | | |
| transport costs decrease (e.g. because of insurance). | Yes [1] | | | | | |
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Time span of variable

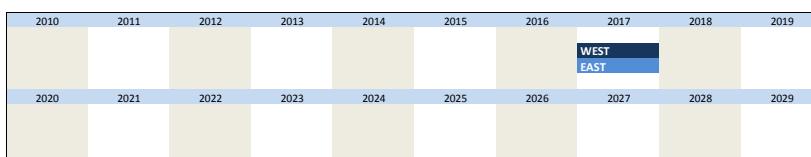


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| 3.185) | vg_mercoex_techsta | export to Mercosur area if: technical standards equalized | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| 1.b) In the medium term our company will start to export/expand the exports into the mercosur area, if | | | | | | |
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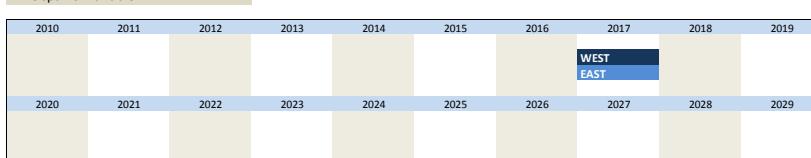


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| 3.186) | vg_mercoex_admin | export to Mercosur area if: administrative obstacles disappear | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| 3.187] | vg_mercoex_polrisk | export to Mercosur area if: political risks decrease | West and East since 8/2017 | once |
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Wording of question

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| <p>Aug 17</p> <p>Free trade agreement with Mercosur The members of this tariff union (mercousur) are Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay.</p> <p>1.b) In the medium term our company will start to export/expand the exports into the mercosur area, if</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto; width: fit-content; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">political risks decreases there.</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">Yes [1]</td> </tr> </table> | political risks decreases there. | Yes [1] | Further information |
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| <p>Time span of variable</p> | | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.188) | vg_mercoex_serv | export to Mercosur area if: access to service markets facilitated | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| <p>Time span of variable</p> | | | |

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| 3.189) | vg_mercoex_pubten | export to Mercosur area if: access to public tenders facilitated | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.190) | vg_mercoagree_ex | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: export more to M. | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| <p>Aug 17</p> <p>Free trade agreement with Mercosur The members of this tariff union (mercousur) are Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay.</p> | Further information |
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| 2) In a free trade union with mercosur our company would - in the medium term - | |
| start to export (more) in the mercosur area. | Yes [1] |
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Time span of variable

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| 3.191) | vg_mercoagree_im | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: import more from M. | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| Aug 17 | | |
| Free trade agreement with Mercosur The members of this tariff union (mercosur) are Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay. | | |
| 2) In a free trade union with mercosur our company would - in the medium term - | | |
| start to import (more) from the mercosur area. | | Yes [1] |
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Time span of variable

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.192) | vg_mercoagree_inv | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: invest more in M. | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| Aug 17 | | |
| Free trade agreement with Mercosur The members of this tariff union (mercosur) are Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay. | | |
| 2) In a free trade union with mercosur our company would - in the medium term - | | |
| Invest (more) in the mersosur area. | | Yes [1] |
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Time span of variable

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| 3.193) | vg_mercoagree_comp | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: more competition from M. | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

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| Aug 17 | | |
| Free trade agreement with Mercosur The members of this tariff union (mercosur) are Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay. | | |
| 2) In a free trade union with mercosur our company would - in the medium term - | | |
| face more competition (because of companies from the mercosur area). | | Yes [1] |
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| 3.194) | vg_mercoagree_no | If free trade agreement EU-Mercosur: no impact | West and East since 8/2017 | once |

Wording of question

Aug 17

Free trade agreement with Mercosur
The members of this tariff union (mercousur) are Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay.

2) In a free trade union with mercousur our company would - in the medium term -

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| not be affected. | Yes [1] |
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Further information

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| 3.195) | vg_ustax_sales | tax reform: percentage sales in US | East and West since 03/2018 | once |

Wording of question

Mrz 18

Tax reform in the USA

What percentage of your annual turnover comes from the USA?

_____ %

Further Information

Time span of variable

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.196) | vg_ustax_competition | tax reform: competition with US-companies | East and West since 03/2018 | once |

Wording of question

Mrz 18

Tax reform in the USA

How does your company compete with companies from the USA?

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| strong [1] | medium [2] | weak [3] | none [4] |
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Further Information

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| 3.197) | vg_ustax_shortterm | tax reform: tax burden short term | East and West since 03/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| Mrz 18 | Tax reform in the USA | | | | Further Information |
| Due to the tax reform the tax burden of your company will on the | | | | | |
| short term | | decrease [1] | stay the same [2] | increase [3] | |

Time span of variable

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| 3.198) | vg_ustax_longterm | tax reform: tax burden long term | East and West since 03/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| Mrz 18 | Tax reform in the USA | | | | Further Information |
| Due to the tax reform the tax burden of your company will on the | | | | | |
| long term | | decrease [1] | stay the same [2] | increase [3] | |

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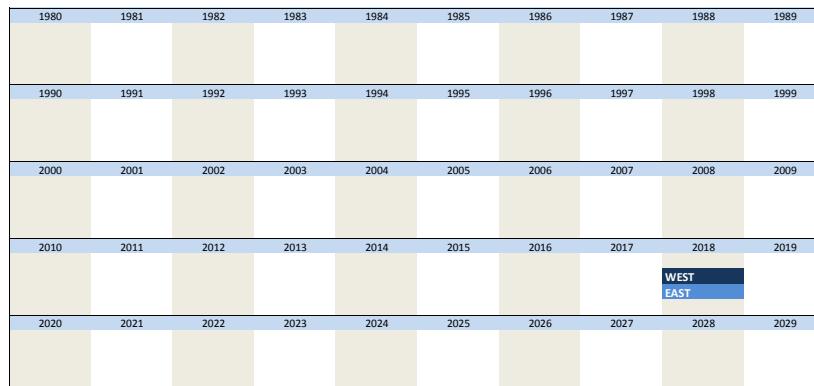
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| 3.199) | vg_ustax_export | tax reform: reaction export | East and West since 03/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| Mrz 18 | Tax reform in the USA | | | | Further Information |
| How will you (as a company) react to the US-tax reform? | | | | | |
| Exports to the USA | | decrease [1] | no change [2] | increase [3] | |

Time span of variable

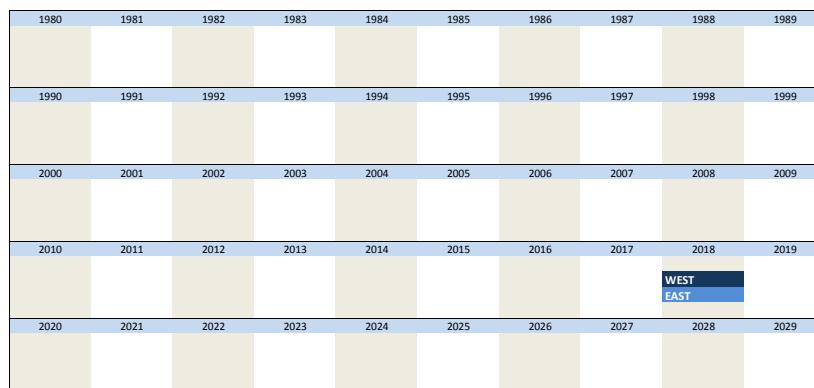


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| 3.200) | vg_ustax_import | tax reform: reaction import | East and West since 03/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| Mrz 18 | Tax reform in the USA | | | | Further Information |
| How will you (as a company) react to the US-tax reform? | | | | | |
| Imports from the USA | | decrease [1] | no change [2] | increase [3] | |

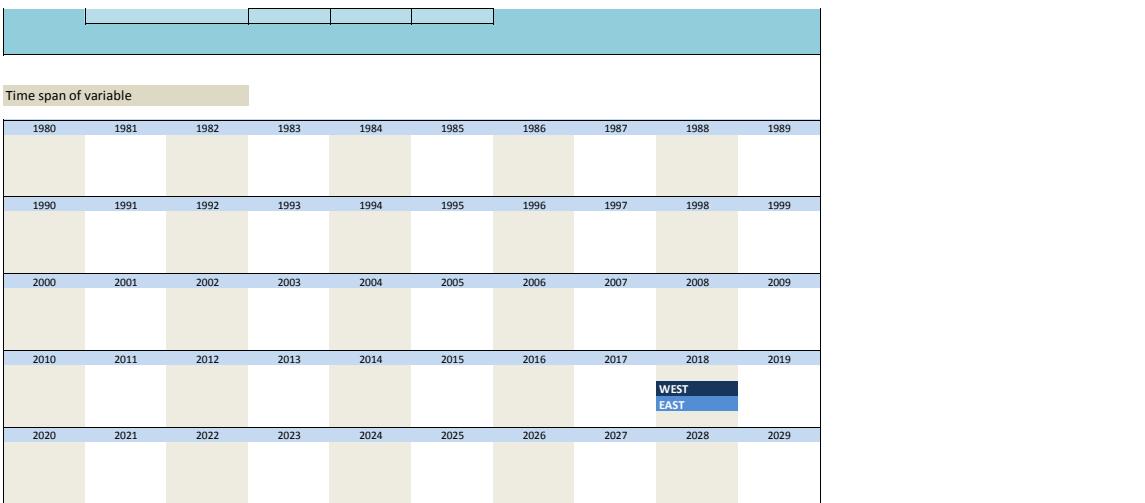
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| 3.201) | vg_ustax_invus | tax reform: reaction investment in US | East and West since 03/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| Mrz 18 | Tax reform in the USA | | | | Further Information |
| How will you (as a company) react to the US-tax reform? | | | | | |
| Investment in the US | | decrease [1] | no change [2] | increase [3] | |



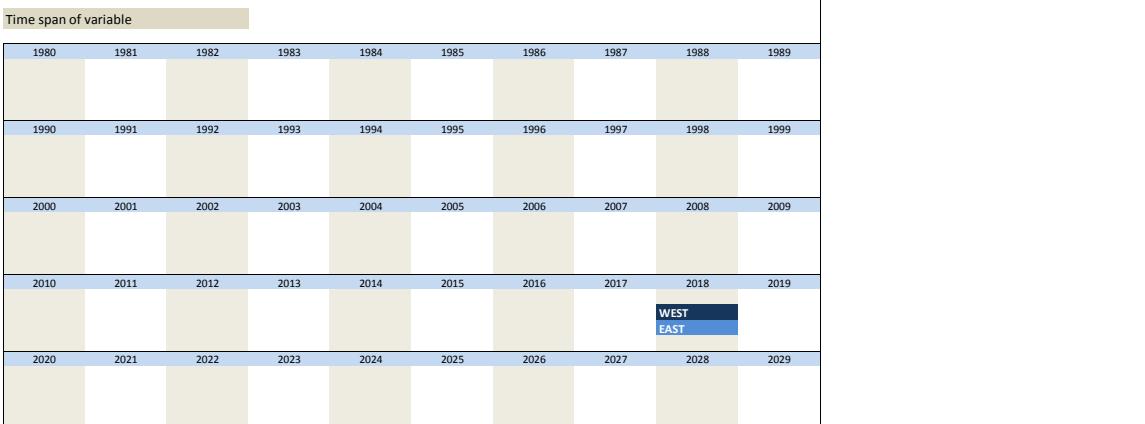
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| 3.202) | vg_ustax_invger | tax reform: reaction investment in Germany | East and West since 03/2018 | once |

Wording of question

Mrz 18
Tax reform in the USA
How will you (as a company) react to the US-tax reform?

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| Investment in Germany | decrease [1] | no change [2] | increase [3] |
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Further Information



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| 3.203) | vg_ustax_intelprop | tax reform: relocation of intellectual property | East and West since 03/2018 | once |

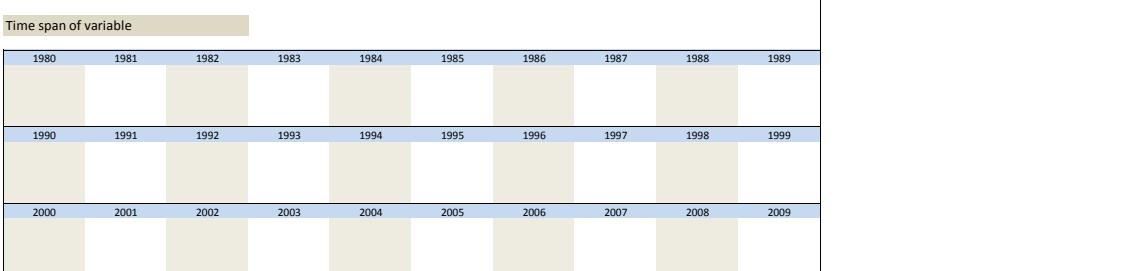
Wording of question

Mrz 18
Tax reform in the USA
Will your company shift intellectual property (patents, brands, copyrights etc.) in the USA due to the US-Tax reform?

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| Yes [1] | No [2] |
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Further Information

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| 3.204) | vg_gdp1 | real gdp: % change comp. last year | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| Aug 18 | By how many percent do you think the real GDP in Germany will change in 20XX compared to the previous year (20YY)? _____% | Further information | | | | | | | |
| | | XX= current year YY= previous year e.g. in 2018: 20XX=2018, 20YY=2017 related to gdp3 gdp4 | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.205) | vg_gdp2 | impact economic development on business situation | West and East 08/2018 | once |

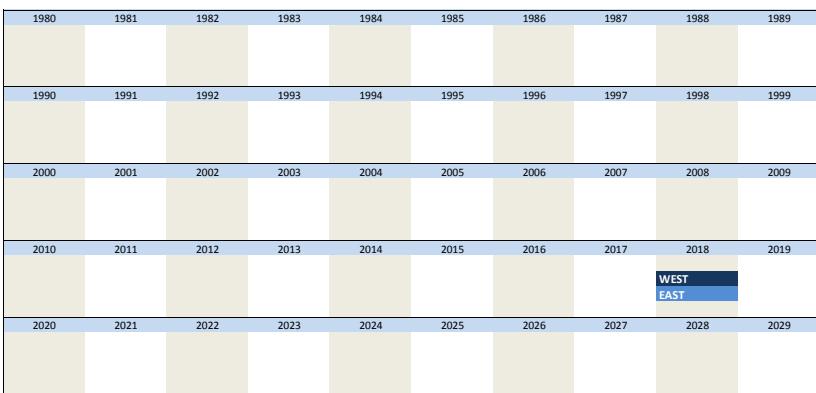
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| Aug 18 | How important is the general economic development in Germany for your business situation? | Further information | | | | | | | |
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| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3.206) | vg_extserv_it | business processes by external service provider: IT | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| Aug 18 | Do external service provider render business processes in your company? Please base your informations on the overall budget of the relevant division. | Further information | | | | | |
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| | | WEST | | EAST | | |

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| 3.207) | vg_extserv_rd | business processes by external service provider: R&D | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| Aug 18 | <p>Do external service provider render business processes in your company? Please base your informations on the overall budget of the relevant division.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-top: 10px;"> <tr> <td></td> <td>to 25% [1]</td> <td>to 50% [2]</td> <td>to 75% [3]</td> <td>to 100% [4]</td> <td>No [5]</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R & D</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | | | | | to 25% [1] | to 50% [2] | to 75% [3] | to 100% [4] | No [5] | R & D | | | | | | Further information |
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| R & D | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.208) | vg_extserv_pur | business processes by external service provider: purchase | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.209) | vg_extserv_mark | business processes by external service provider: marketing | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.210) | vg_extserv_fin | business processes by external service provider: finance | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.211) | vg_extserv_empl | business processes by external service provider: employees | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.212) | vg_extserv_log | business processes by external service provider: logistics | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.213) | vg_extserv_py_it | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope past 5 years: IT | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.214) | vg_extserv_py_rd | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope past 5 years: R&D | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| 3.215) | vg_extserv_py_pur | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope past 5 years: purchase | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| 3.216] | vg_extserv_py_mark | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope past 5 years: marketing | West and East 08/2018 | once |
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| 3.217) | vg_extserv_py_fin | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope past 5 years: finance | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.218) | vg_extserv_py_empl | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope past 5 years: employees | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.219) | vg_extserv_py_log | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope past 5 years:logistics | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.220) | vg_extserv_ny_it | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope next 5 years:IT | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.221) | vg_extserv_ny_rd | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope next 5 years: R&D | West and East 08/2018 | once |

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| 3.222) | vg_extserv_ny_pur | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope next 5 years: purchase | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| 3.223) | vg_extserv_ny_mark | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope next 5 years: marketing | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| Aug 18 | How did/will the scope of externally rendered business processes change? | | | Further information | | | | | | |
| | <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="text-align: center;">in the next 5 years</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | | in the next 5 years | | | | | | |
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| | plus (+) [1] | equal [2] | minus (-) [3] | |
| Marketing | | | | |

Time span of variable

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|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.224) | vg_extserv_ny_fin | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope next 5 years: finance | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

Aug 18
How did/will the scope of externally rendered business processes change?

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| | in the next 5 years | | |
| | plus (+) [1] | equal [2] | minus (-) [3] |
| Finance | | | |

Time span of variable

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| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.225) | vg_extserv_ny_empl | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope next 5 years: employees | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

Aug 18
How did/will the scope of externally rendered business processes change?

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|-----------|---------------------|-----------|---------------|
| | in the next 5 years | | |
| | plus (+) [1] | equal [2] | minus (-) [3] |
| Employees | | | |

Time span of variable

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| | | | | | | | | WEST EAST | |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.226] | vg_extserv_ny_log | business proc. by external serv. prov.-scope next 5 years: logistics | West and East 08/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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|------------------------------|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------|
| Aug 18 | How did/will the scope of externally rendered business processes change? | | | | | | | | | Further information |
| | in the next 5 years | | | | | | | | | |
| | plus (+) [1] equal [2] minus (-) [3] | | | | | | | | | |
| | Logistics | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | WEST EAST |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.227] | vg_found | founding year | West and East 09/2018 | once |

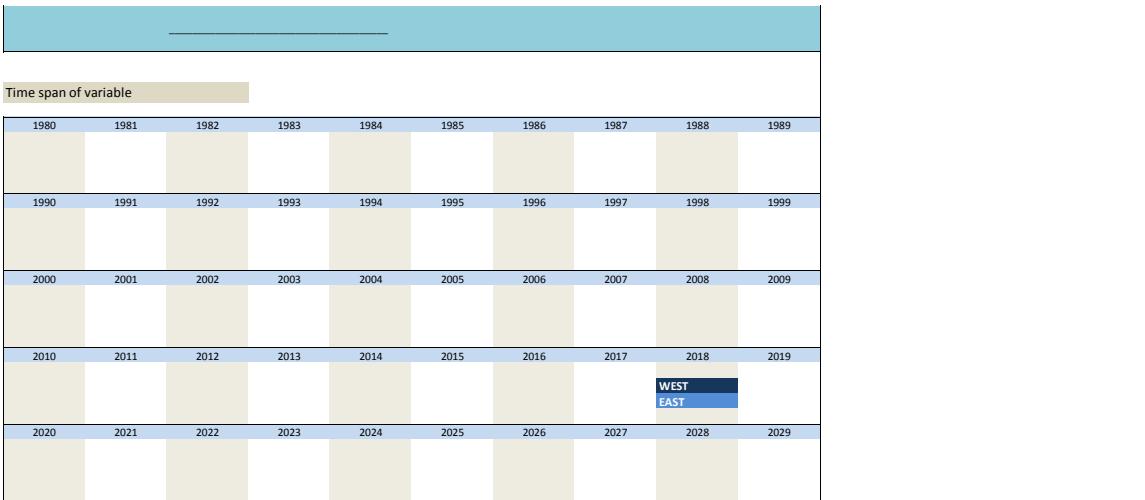
Wording of question

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|------------------------------|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------|
| Sep 18 | In which year was your company / business founded? | | | | | | | | | Further information |
| | _____ | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | |
| 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | |
| 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | WEST EAST |
| 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.228] | vg_forsales | sales: % in foreign country | West and East 09/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---------------------|
| Sep 18 | How many percent of your sales does your company / business make abroad? | | | | | | | | | Further information |
| | _____ | | | | | | | | | |

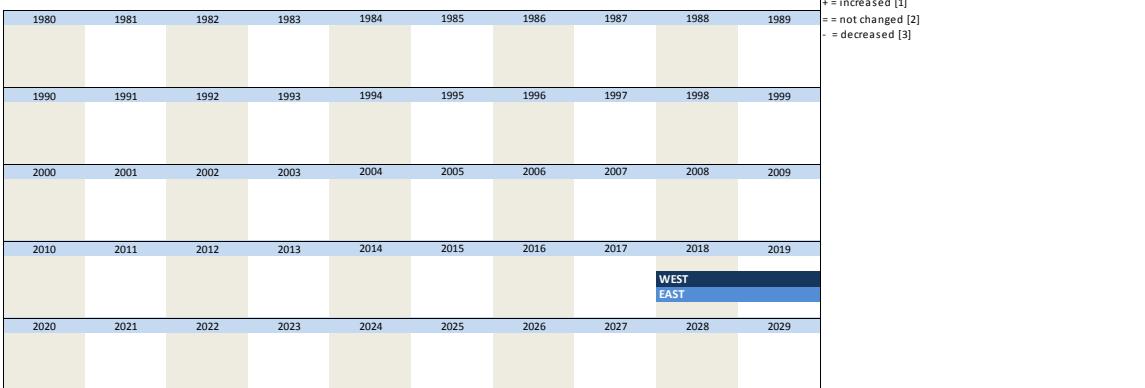


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.229) | vg_invit_dj | investment in Software/database this year | West and east since 11/2018 | May, Nov. |

Wording of question

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| <p>Nov 18</p> <p>Special question investments (only in May and November)</p> <p>In the current year our investments (20WW** compared to 20XX**) Total investments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Software/ Datenbases + [1] = [2] - [3] | <p>Further information</p> <p>20XX = last year 20WW = this year</p> <p>3.119) vg_invest_lj 3.120) vg_invcon_lj 3.121) vg_inveq_lj 3.122) vg_invest_dj 3.123) vg_invcon_dj 3.124) vg_inveq_dj 3.125) vg_invest_nj 3.126) vg_invcon_nj 3.127) vg_inveq_nj 3.275) vg_invit_lj</p> <p>Label in data set: + = increased [1] = = not changed [2] - = decreased [3]</p> |
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Time span of variable



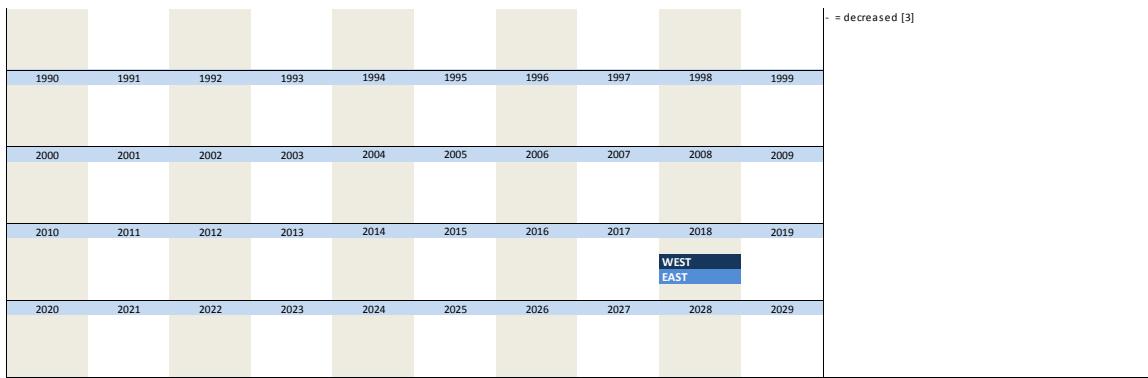
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.230) | vg_invit_nj | investment in Software/database next year | West and east since 11/2018 | Nov. |

Wording of question

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|--|---|
| <p>Nov 18</p> <p>Special question investments (only in May and November)</p> <p>Next year our investments will likely be (20YY** compared to 20WW**) Total investments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Software/ Datenbases + [1] = [2] - [3] | <p>Further information</p> <p>20YY = next 20WW = this year</p> <p>3.119) vg_invest_lj 3.120) vg_invcon_lj 3.121) vg_inveq_lj 3.122) vg_invest_dj 3.123) vg_invcon_dj 3.124) vg_inveq_dj 3.125) vg_invest_nj 3.126) vg_invcon_nj 3.127) vg_inveq_nj 3.275) vg_invit_lj</p> <p>Label in data set: + = increased [1] = = not changed [2]</p> |
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Time span of variable





| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.231) | vg_sec_management | sector - questionnaire completed in: management | West East 11/2018 | once |

Wording of question

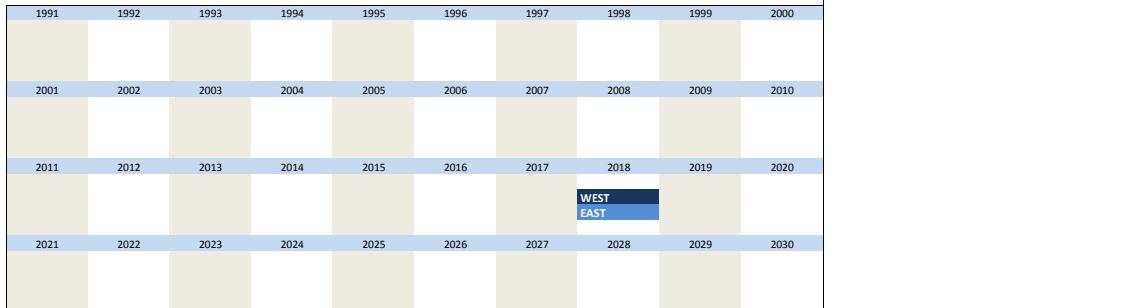
Since 11/2018

In which **sector** of your company/enterprise the questionnaire of the ifo Business Survey will be completed?

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| management | [1] |
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Further information

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.232) | vg_sec_controlling | sector - questionnaire completed in: controlling | West East 11/2018 | once |

Wording of question

Since 11/2018

In which **sector** of your company/enterprise the questionnaire of the ifo Business Survey will be completed?

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|------------------------------------|-----|
| Finance / Controlling / Accounting | [1] |
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Further information

Time span of variable

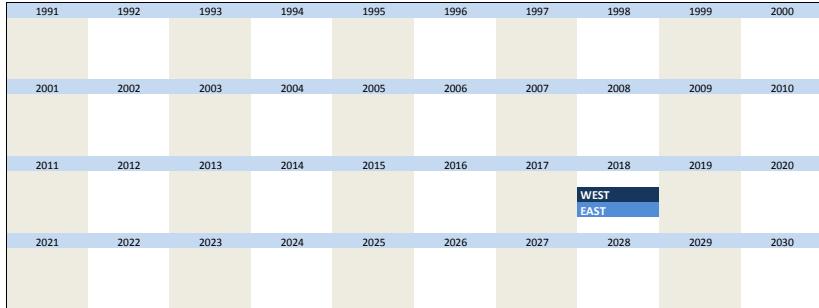
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.233) | vg_sec_marketing | sector - questionnaire completed in: marketing | West East 11/2018 | once |

Wording of question

Since 11/2018

In which **sector** of your company/enterprise the questionnaire of the ifo Business Survey will be completed?

Further information

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| Sale / Marketing | [1] | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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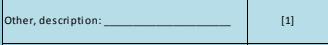
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.234) | vg_sec_production | sector - questionnaire completed in: production | West East 11/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| since 11/2018 In which sector of your company/enterprise the questionnaire of the ifo Business Survey will be completed? | Further information | | | | | | | | |
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| Production | [1] | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.235) | vg_sec_other | sector - questionnaire completed in: other | West East 11/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| since 11/2018 In which sector of your company/enterprise the questionnaire of the ifo Business Survey will be completed? | Further information | | | | | | | | |
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| Other, description: _____ | [1] | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.236) | vg_sec_other_descr | sector - questionnaire completed in: other description | West East 11/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| since 11/2018 | | | | | | | | | | Further information | |
| In which sector of your company/enterprise the questionnaire of the ifo Business Survey will be completed? | | | | | | | | | | These comments are not part of the KT-Dataset. For access they have to be requested at EBDC, separately. | |
| Other, description: _____ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | | |
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| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-----------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.237) | vg_pos_director | position - questionnaire completed by director | West East 11/2018 | once |

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| since 11/2018 | | | | | | | | | | Further information | |
| Which name most likely applies to the position of the usually completing (the questionnaire) person? | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Owner / Director / Authorised officer / Board member [1] | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | | |
| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | | |
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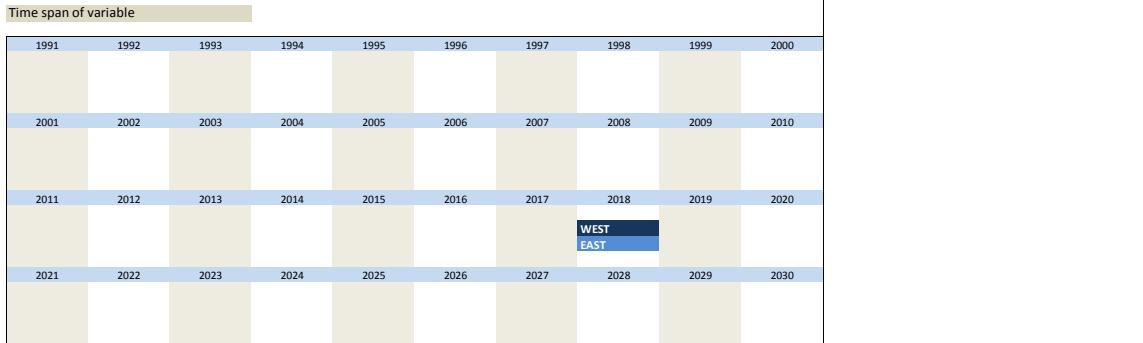
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|----------------|---|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.238) | vg_pos_manager | position - questionnaire completed by manager | West East 11/2018 | once |

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|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------|--|
| since 11/2018 | | | | | | | | | | Further information | |
| Which name most likely applies to the position of the usually completing (the questionnaire) person? | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> manager / head of department [1] | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | | |
| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | | |
| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | WEST EAST | |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------------|---|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.239) | vg_pos_teamleader | position - questionnaire completed by team leader | West East 11/2018 | once |

Wording of question

| | | | |
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| since 11/2018 | | Further information | |
| Which name most likely applies to the position of the usually completing (the questionnaire) person? | | | |
| Team leader | [1] | | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------|---|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.240) | vg_pos_clerk | position - questionnaire completed by clerk | West East 11/2018 | once |

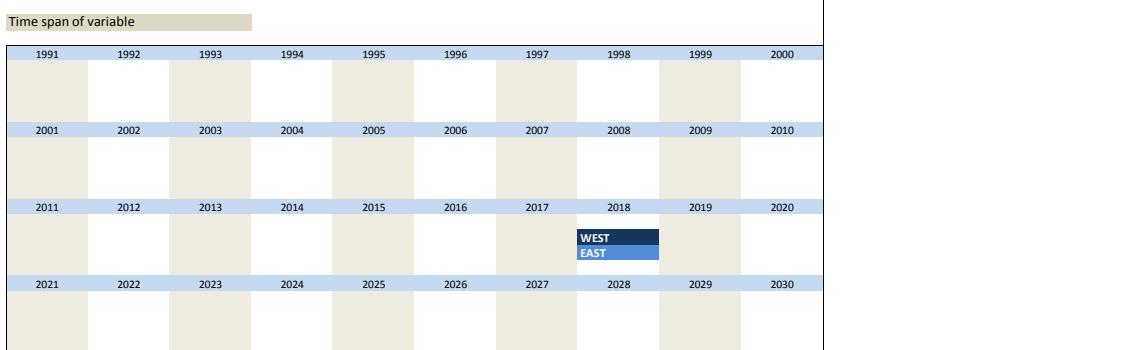
Wording of question

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| since 11/2018 | | Further information | |
| Which name most likely applies to the position of the usually completing (the questionnaire) person? | | | |
| Clerk | [1] | | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------|---|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.241) | vg_pos_other | position - questionnaire completed by other | West East 11/2018 | once |

Wording of question

| | | | |
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| since 11/2018 | | Further information | |
| Which name most likely applies to the position of the usually completing (the questionnaire) person? | | | |
| Other, description: _____ | [1] | | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.242) | vg_pos_other_descr | position - questionnaire completed by other description | West East 11/2018 | once |

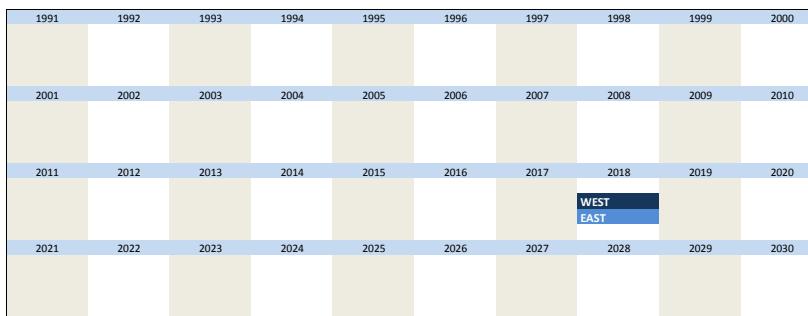
Wording of question

Since 11/2018
Which name most likely applies to the **position** of the usually completing (the questionnaire) person?
Other, description: _____

Further information

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Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.243) | vg_brexit_prob | hard brexit - probability | West East 12/2018 | once |

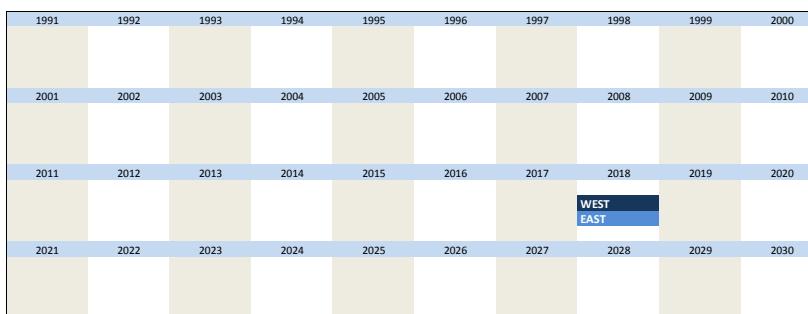
Wording of question

since 12/2018
Brexit
In this question you can either state a **probability** or a **probability range**
How likely do you think that a hard brexit will occur, viz. Without a comprehensive deal between EU and UK:
 The probability is _____ % (please state integers)
 the probability lies between _____ % and _____ % (please state integers)

Further information

This variable states the probability

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.244) | vg_brexit_problb | hard brexit - probability lower bound | West East 12/2018 | once |

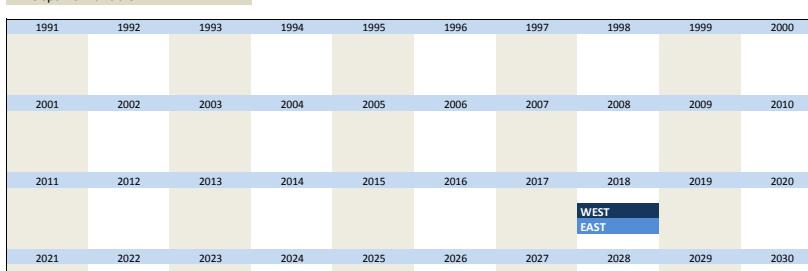
Wording of question

since 12/2018
Brexit
In this question you can either state a **probability** or a **probability range**
How likely do you think that a hard brexit will occur, viz. Without a comprehensive deal between EU and UK:
 The probability is _____ % (please state integers)
 the probability lies between _____ % and _____ % (please state integers)

Further information

This variable states the lower bound of the probability range

Time span of variable



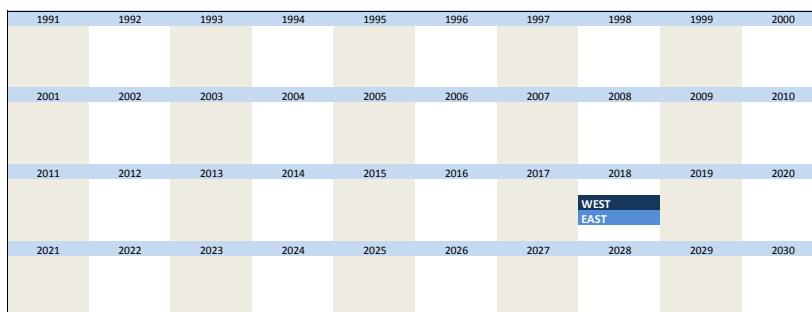
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.245) | vg_brexit_probub | hard brexit - probability upper bound | West East 12/2018 | once |

Wording of question

| | | | |
|--|--------|--|---|
| since 12/2018 | Brexit | In this question you can either state a probability or a probability range | Further information |
| How likely do you think that a hard brexit will occur, viz. Without a comprehensive deal between EU and UK: | | | This variable states the upper bound of the probability range |
| <input type="text"/> The probability is _____ % (please state integers) <input type="text"/> the probability lies between _____ % and _____ % (please state integers) | | | |

Time span of variable

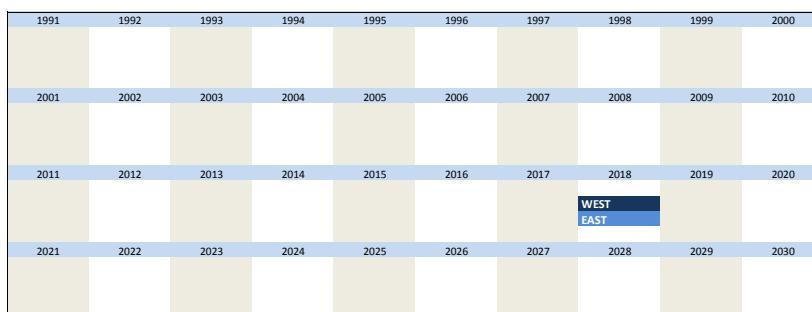


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| 3.246) | vg_brexit_rev | hard brexit - affected revenue share | West East 12/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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| since 12/2018 | Brexit | What is the share of your turnover that would be affected by a hard brexit? | Further information |
| <input type="text"/> % | | | |

Time span of variable

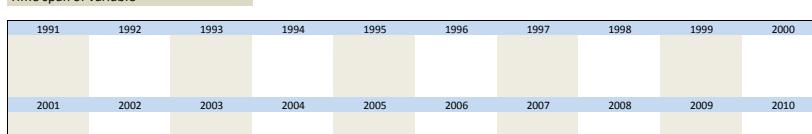


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 3.247) | vg_brexit_impact | hard brexit - impact | West East 12/2018 | once |

Wording of question

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|---|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| since 12/2018 | Brexit | What impact would a hard brexit have on this share of your company? | Further information | | | | | | | | | | |
| <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td>[1] significant positive</td> <td>[2] somewhat positive</td> <td>[3] none</td> <td>[4] somewhat negative</td> <td>[5] significant negative</td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </table> | | | [1] significant positive | [2] somewhat positive | [3] none | [4] somewhat negative | [5] significant negative | | | | | | |
| [1] significant positive | [2] somewhat positive | [3] none | [4] somewhat negative | [5] significant negative | | | | | | | | | |
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Time span of variable



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| | | | | | | WEST EAST | | | |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 3.248) | vg_uticapaa | capacity utilization (annual average) | West East 1/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| since 1/2019 | Further information |
| The utilization of our facilities (in the event of a normal economic situation without congestion or under-utilization) is on annual average up to _____ % | belongs to vg_uticappc and vg_uticapap |
| Zeitverlauf der Variable | |
| 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 | |
| 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 | |
| 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 | WEST EAST |
| 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030 | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|---------|---|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 3.249) | vg_gdp3 | real gdp: % change comp. last year (2019 vs 2018) | West and East 03/2019 | 03/2019 and 08/2019 |

Wording of question

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|---|----------------------|
| since 3/2019 | Further information |
| By how many percent do you think the real GDP in Germany will change in the year listed below compared to the respective previous year? (percentage indication with one decimal possible) | |
| 2019: _____ % | related to gdp1 gdp4 |
| Time span of variable | |
| 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 | |
| 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 | |
| 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 | WEST EAST |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|---------|---|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 3.250) | vg_gdp4 | real gdp: % change comp. last year (2020 vs 2019) | West and East 03/2019 | 03/2019 and 08/2019 |

Wording of question

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|---|----------------------|
| since 3/2019 | Further information |
| By how many percent do you think the real GDP in Germany will change in the year listed below compared to the respective previous year? (percentage indication with one decimal possible) | |
| 2020: _____ % | related to gdp1 gdp3 |
| Time span of variable | |
| 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 | |

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.251) | vg_heat_occ | weather - occurrence: heat wave | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Where there any incidents of **extrem weather conditions** in the **region**, where your firm is settled, in the last **10 years**?

| | | | |
|-----------|--|---------|--------|
| | | Yes [1] | No [2] |
| Heat wave | | | |

Further information

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.252) | vg_cold_occ | weather - occurrence: cold wave | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Where there any incidents of **extrem weather conditions** in the **region**, where your firm is settled, in the last **10 years**?

| | | | |
|-----------|--|---------|--------|
| | | Yes [1] | No [2] |
| Cold wave | | | |

Further information

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.253) | vg_drought_occ | weather - occurrence: Drought | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Further information

Where there any incidents of **extrem weather conditions** in the **region**, where your firm is settled, in the last **10 years** ?

| | | |
|---------|---------|--------|
| | Yes [1] | No [2] |
| Drought | | |

Time span of variable

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.254) | vg_rain_occ | weather - occurrence: heavy rain | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Where there any incidents of **extrem weather conditions** in the **region**, where your firm is settled, in the last **10 years** ?

| | | |
|------------|---------|--------|
| | Yes [1] | No [2] |
| Heavy rain | | |

Time span of variable

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| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
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Further information

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.255) | vg_storm_occ | weather - occurrence: storms | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Where there any incidents of **extrem weather conditions** in the **region**, where your firm is settled, in the last **10 years** ?

| | | |
|--------|---------|--------|
| | Yes [1] | No [2] |
| Storms | | |

Time span of variable

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|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
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Further information

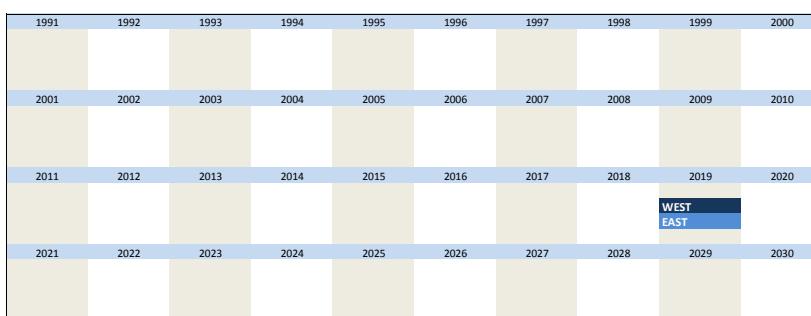
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.256) | vg_heat_imp | weather - impact: heatwaves | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

| | | |
|--|--|---------------------|
| since 5/2019 Did these extreme weather conditions have an impact on the value added of your firm? | Positive [1] None [2] Negative [3] | Further information |
| Heatwaves | | |

Time span of variable

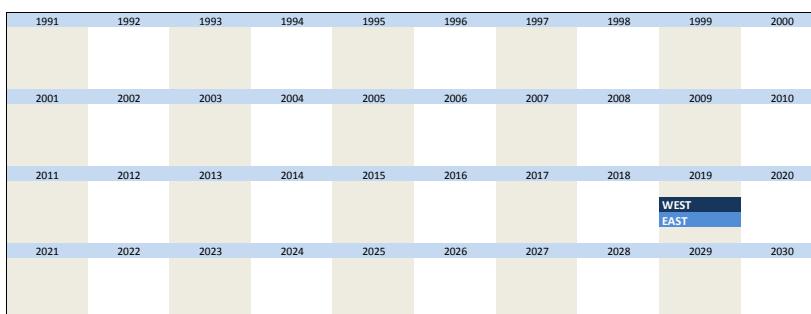


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.257) | vg_cold_imp | weather - impact: coldwaves | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

| | | |
|--|--|---------------------|
| since 5/2019 Did these extreme weather conditions have an impact on the value added of your firm? | Positive [1] None [2] Negative [3] | Further information |
| Coldwaves | | |

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.258) | vg_drought_imp | weather - impact: drought | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

| | | |
|--|--|---------------------|
| since 5/2019 Did these extreme weather conditions have an impact on the value added of your firm? | Positive [1] None [2] Negative [3] | Further information |
| Drought | | |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
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| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.259) | vg_rain_imp | weather - impact: heavy rain | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--------------|----------|--------------|------------|--|--|
| since 5/2019 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Did these extreme weather conditions have an impact on the value added of your firm? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Positive [1]</td> <td>None [2]</td> <td>Negative [3]</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Heavy rain</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | | | | | | | | | Positive [1] | None [2] | Negative [3] | Heavy rain | | |
| Positive [1] | None [2] | Negative [3] | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Heavy rain | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.260) | vg_storm_imp | weather - impact: storms | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| since 5/2019 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Did these extreme weather conditions have an impact on the value added of your firm? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Positive [1]</td> <td>None [2]</td> <td>Negative [3]</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Storms</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | | | | | | | | | Positive [1] | None [2] | Negative [3] | Storms | | |
| Positive [1] | None [2] | Negative [3] | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Storms | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.261) | vg_heat_inc | weather - incidence and intensity: heatwaves | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

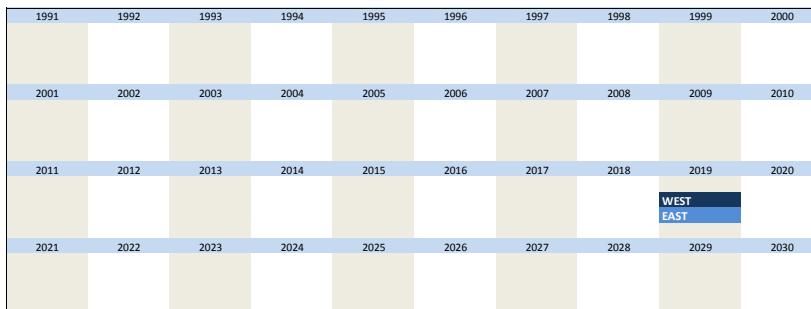
since 5/2019

Does your firm expect any **change** in the frequency or intensity of **certain extreme weather conditions**?

| | Increase [1] | No change [2] | Decrease [3] |
|-----------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Heatwaves | | | |

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Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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3.262) **vg_cold_inc** weather - incidence and intensity:coldwaves West and East 05/2019

once

Wording of question

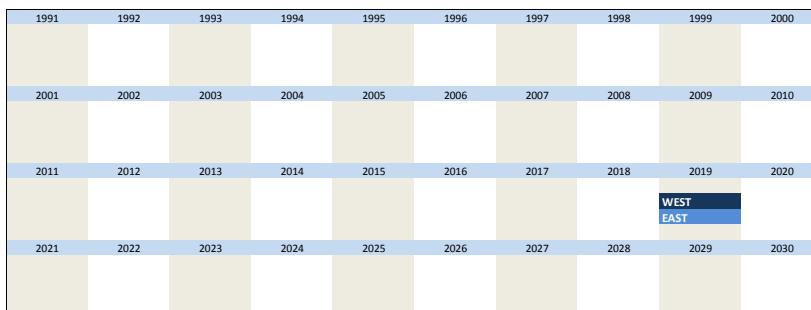
since 5/2019

Does your firm expect any **change** in the frequency or intensity of **certain extreme weather conditions**?

| | Increase [1] | No change [2] | Decrease [3] |
|-----------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Coldwaves | | | |

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Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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3.263) **vg_drought_inc** weather - incidence and intensity:drought West and East 05/2019

once

Wording of question

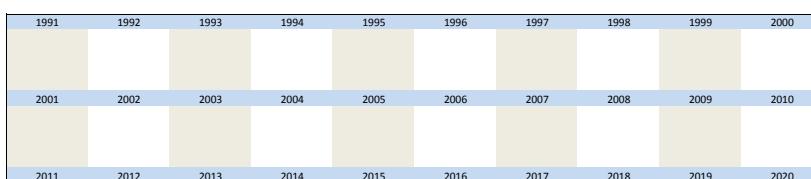
since 5/2019

Does your firm expect any **change** in the frequency or intensity of **certain extreme weather conditions**?

| | Increase [1] | No change [2] | Decrease [3] |
|---------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Drought | | | |

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Time span of variable



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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.264) | vg_rain_inc | weather - incidence and intensity: heavy rain | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Does your firm expect any **change** in the frequency or intensity of **certain extreme weather conditions**?

| | | | |
|------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Increase [1] | No change [2] | Decrease [3] |
| Heavy rain | | | |

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Time span of variable

| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
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| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.265) | vg_storm_inc | weather - incidence and intensity: storms | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Does your firm expect any **change** in the frequency or intensity of **certain extreme weather conditions**?

| | | | |
|--------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Increase [1] | No change [2] | Decrease [3] |
| Storms | | | |

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Time span of variable

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.266) | vg_heat_prep | weather - prepared: heatwaves | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Is your firm **currently prepared** for possibly **negative consequences** of extreme weather conditions (e.g., by supplementary insurances, reserves, technical arrangements, other measures)?

| | | |
|---------|--------|-------------------|
| Yes [1] | No [2] | Not necessary [3] |
|---------|--------|-------------------|

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| Heatwaves | | | | | | | | | |
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| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.267) | vg_cold_prep | weather - prepared:coldwaves | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Is your firm **currently prepared** for possibly **negative consequences** of extreme weather conditions (e.g., by supplementary insurances, reserves, technical arrangements, other measures)?

| | | | |
|-----------|---------|--------|-------------------|
| Coldwaves | Yes [1] | No [2] | Not necessary [3] |
|-----------|---------|--------|-------------------|

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| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.268) | vg_drought_prep | weather - prepared:drought | West and East 05/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 5/2019

Is your firm **currently prepared** for possibly **negative consequences** of extreme weather conditions (e.g., by supplementary insurances, reserves, technical arrangements, other measures)?

| | | | |
|---------|---------|--------|-------------------|
| Drought | Yes [1] | No [2] | Not necessary [3] |
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| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|--|-----------------------|------------------|--|---------|--------|-------------------|------------|--|--|--|
| 3.269) | vg_rain_prep | weather - prepared: Heavy rain | West and East 05/2019 | once | | | | | | | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>since 5/2019</p> <p>Is your firm currently prepared for possibly negative consequences of extreme weather conditions (e.g., by supplementary insurances, reserves, technical arrangements, other measures)?</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td></td> <td>Yes [1]</td> <td>No [2]</td> <td>Not necessary [3]</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Heavy rain</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | | | | | Yes [1] | No [2] | Not necessary [3] | Heavy rain | | | |
| | Yes [1] | No [2] | Not necessary [3] | | | | | | | | | |
| Heavy rain | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.270) | vg_storm_prep | weather - prepared: storms | West and East 05/2019 | once | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.271) | vg_log_services_avail | business activities hindered by logistics services: availability | West and East 06/2019 | once | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
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| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
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| | | | | | | | | WEST EAST | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey Period | Survey Frequency |
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| 3.272) | vg_log_services_prices | business activities hindered by logistics services: prices | West and East 06/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 6/2019

How strongly was your **business activity hindered** by the following characteristics of **logistics services** in the last 12 month?
(1=not at all, 2=very little, 3=little, 4=strong, 5=very strong)

| | | | | | |
|--------|----------------|-----------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| | not at all [1] | very little [2] | little [3] | strong [4] | very strong [5] |
| Prices | | | | | |

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| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
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| | | | | | | | | WEST EAST | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey Period | Survey Frequency |
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| 3.273) | vg_log_services_punct | business activities hindered by logistics services: punctuality | West and East 06/2019 | once |

Wording of question

since 6/2019

How strongly was your **business activity hindered** by the following characteristics of **logistics services** in the last 12 month?
(1=not at all, 2=very little, 3=little, 4=strong, 5=very strong)

| | | | | | |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| | not at all [1] | very little [2] | little [3] | strong [4] | very strong [5] |
| Punctuality | | | | | |

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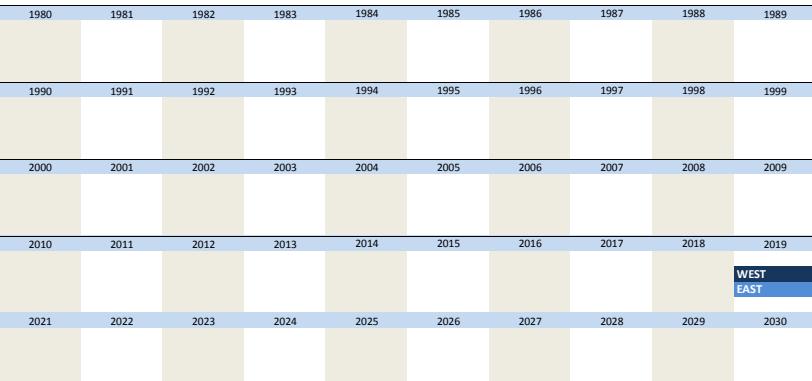
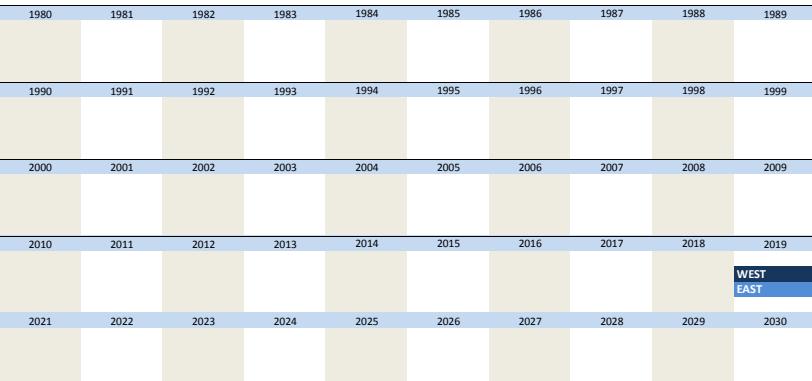
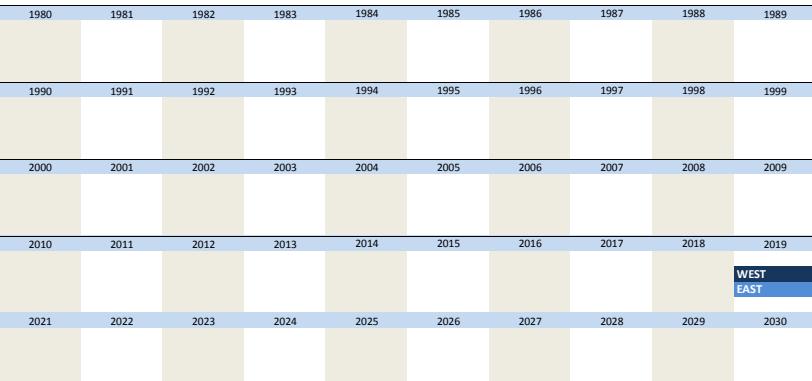
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| | | | | | | | | WEST EAST | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey Period | Survey Frequency |
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| 3.274) | vg_log_services_qual | business activities hindered by logistics services: quality | West and East 06/2019 | once |

Wording of question

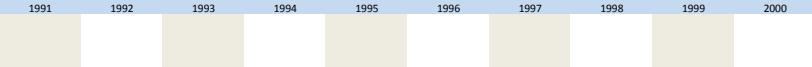
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| Since 6/2019 | | | | | | | | | | Further information only online | | |
| How strongly was your business activity hindered by the following characteristics of logistics services in the last 12 month? (1=not at all, 2=very little, 3=little, 4=strong, 5=very strong) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | not at all [1] | very little [2] | little [3] | strong [4] | very strong [5] | | | | | | |
| Quality | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.275) | vg_invit_lj | investment in Software/database last year | West and east since 05/2019 | once |

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| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | | Further information | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | - [3] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | | | <p>20YY = previous year 20WW = preprevious year e.g. if question was in 2019: 20YY=2018 and 20WW=2017</p> <p>3.119) vg_invest_lj 3.120) vg_invcon_lj 3.121) vg_inveq_lj 3.122) vg_invest_dj 3.123) vg_invcon_dj 3.124) vg_inveq_dj 3.125) vg_invest_nj 3.126) vg_invcon_nj 3.127) vg_inveq_lj 3.229) vg_invit_dj 3.330) vg_invit_nj</p> <p>Label in data set: + = increased [1] = = not changed [2] - = decreased [3]</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.276) | vg_rd_pers | share of research and development personnel: | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

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| Wording of question | | | | | | | | | | Further information | |
| Sep 19 | | | | | | | | | | only online | |
| <p>How large is the share of the following positions of your research and development spendings? (number of percent possible with one decimal digit)</p> <p>Personnel:</p> <p>_____ %</p> | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.277) | vg_rd_inst | share of research and developement: research by universities and institutes | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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|------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Sep 19 | How large is the share of the following positions of your research and developement spendings? (number of percent possible with one decimal digit) Contract research by universities and research institutes (e.g. Fraunhofer): _____ % | Further information only online | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.278) | vg_rd_comp | share of research and developement: other companies | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| Sep 19 | How large is the share of the following positions of your research and developement spendings? (number of percent possible with one decimal digit) Contract research by other companies: _____ % | Further information only online | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.279) | vg_support_eu | rd support by: EU | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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|--------|---|------------------------------------|
| Sep 19 | In the last three years, from which of the following institutions did your company receive R&D support? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes [1] <input type="checkbox"/> EU Institutions | Further information only online |
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Time span of variable

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| | | | | | | | | | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.280) | vg_support_fmer | R&D support by: Federal Ministry for Education and Research | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| Sep 19 | In the last three years, from which of the following institutions did your company receive R&D support? | Yes [1] | Further information only online |
| | Federal Ministry for Education and Research | | |

Time span of variable

| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
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| | | | | | | | | WEST EAST | |
| | | | | | | | | | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.281) | vg_support_fmeae | R&D support by: Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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|--------|---|---------|---------------------------------|
| Sep 19 | In the last three years, from which of the following institutions did your company receive R&D support? | Yes [1] | Further information only online |
| | Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy | | |

Time span of variable

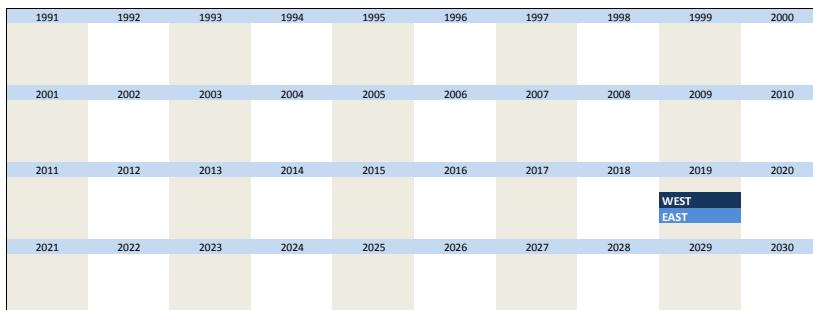
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| | | | | | | | | WEST EAST | |
| | | | | | | | | | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.282) | vg_support_fed | R&D support by: Federal State | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| Sep 19 | In the last three years, from which of the following institutions did your company receive R&D support? | | | | | | | | | | Further information only online |
| Yes [1] | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Federal State | | | | | | | | | | | |

Time span of variable

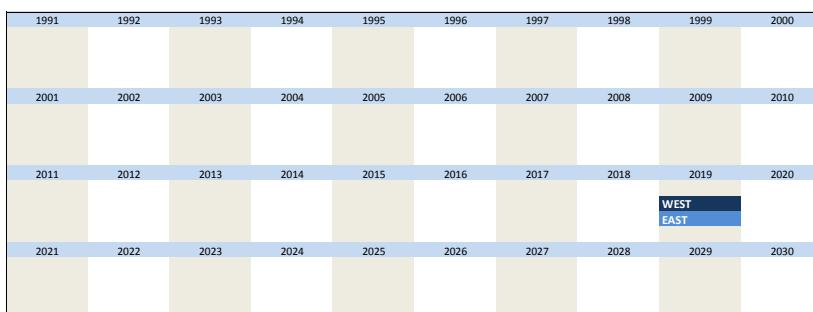


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| 3.283) | vg_support_other | rd support by: other | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| Sep 19 | In the last three years, from which of the following institutions did your company receive R&D support? | | | | | | | | | | Further information only online |
| Yes [1] | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other | | | | | | | | | | | |

Time span of variable

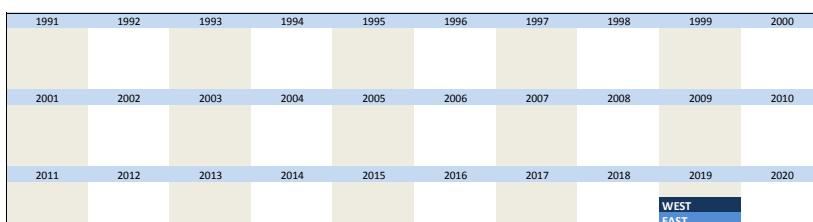


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.284) | vg_support_none | rd support by: none | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| Sep 19 | In the last three years, from which of the following institutions did your company receive R&D support? | | | | | | | | | | Further information only online |
| Yes [1] | | | | | | | | | | | |
| None | | | | | | | | | | | |

Time span of variable



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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 3.285) | vg_use_rdsup | use of public rd support | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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|--------|---|--------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sep 19 | The German government plans the introduction of public support of research. Would your company use such support? | | | Further information only online |
| | Yes [1] | No [2] | I don't know [3] | |
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Time span of variable

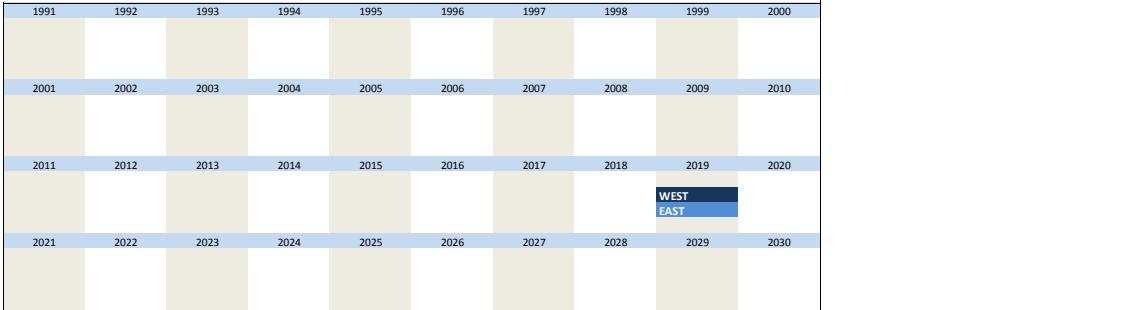


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| 3.286) | vg_effect_sp | effect of rd support: spendings | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| Sep 19 | How would such support affect your company's research and development? | | | | Further information only online |
| | Increase [1] | No change [2] | Decrease [3] | I don't know [4] | |
| | Spending on research and development | | | | |

Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.287) | vg_effect_pr | effect of rd support: projects | West and east since 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| Sep 19 | How would such support affect your company's research and development? | | | | Further information only online |
| | Increase [1] | No change [2] | Decrease [3] | I don't know [4] | |
| | Number of research and development projects | | | | |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.288) | vg_uncert_tax | uncertainty in future demand due to: tax | West and east 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| Dez 19 | Demand in your products depends on multiple factors. Please evaluate to which extent uncertainties regarding the following matter make it difficult to estimate future demand: | | | | | Further information only online |
| | no relevance [1] | | | | high relevance [5] | |
| Tax | | | | | | |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 3.289) | vg_uncert_trade | uncertainty in future demand due to: trade war | West and east 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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|-----------|--|--|--|--|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Dez 19 | Demand in your products depends on multiple factors. Please evaluate to which extent uncertainties regarding the following matter make it difficult to estimate future demand: | | | | | Further information only online |
| | no relevance [1] | | | | high relevance [5] | |
| Trade war | | | | | | |

| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.290) | vg_uncert_exc | uncertainty in future demand due to: | West and east 09/2019 | once |

exchange rate

Wording of question

| | | | | | | |
|---------------|--|--|--|--|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Dez 19 | Demand in your products depends on multiple factors. Please evaluate to which extent uncertainties regarding the following matter make it difficult to estimate future demand: | | | | | Further information only online |
| | no relevance [1] | | | | high relevance [5] | |
| Exchange rate | | | | | | |

Time span of variable

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| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|----------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.291) | vg_uncert_econ | uncertainty in future demand due to: general economic development | West and east 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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| Dez 19 | Demand in your products depends on multiple factors. Please evaluate to which extent uncertainties regarding the following matter make it difficult to estimate future demand: | | | | | Further information only online |
| | no relevance [1] | | | | high relevance [5] | |
| General economic development | | | | | | |

Time span of variable

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| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.292) | vg_uncert_unempl | uncertainty in future demand due to: unemployment rate | West and east 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

| | | | | | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Dez 19 | Demand in your products depends on multiple factors. Please evaluate to which extent uncertainties regarding the following matter make it difficult to estimate future demand: | | | | | Further information only online |
| | no relevance [1] | | | | high relevance [5] | |
| Unemployment rate | | | | | | |

Time span of variable

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| | | | | | | | | WEST EAST | |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|---------------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.293) | vg_uncert_inflation | uncertainty in future demand due to: inflation | West and east 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

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|-----------|--|--|--|--|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Dez 19 | Demand in your products depends on multiple factors. Please evaluate to which extent uncertainties regarding the following matter make it difficult to estimate future demand: | | | | | Further information only online |
| Inflation | no relevance [1] | | | | high relevance [5] | |

Time span of variable

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| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
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| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|--------|------------------|--|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3.294) | vg_uncert_inrate | uncertainty in future demand due to: interest rate and monetary policy | West and east 09/2019 | once |

Wording of question

| | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Dez 19 | Demand in your products depends on multiple factors. Please evaluate to which extent uncertainties regarding the following matter make it difficult to estimate future demand: | | | | | Further information only online |
| Interest rate/EZB monetary policy | no relevance [1] | | | | high relevance [5] | |

Time span of variable

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| 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
| 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
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4. Special question Innovation

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|----------------------|--|------------------------|------------------|
| 4.1) | vg_market_national_1 | development of national markets in next 5 years | West 12/1981 - 12/1982 | annual |

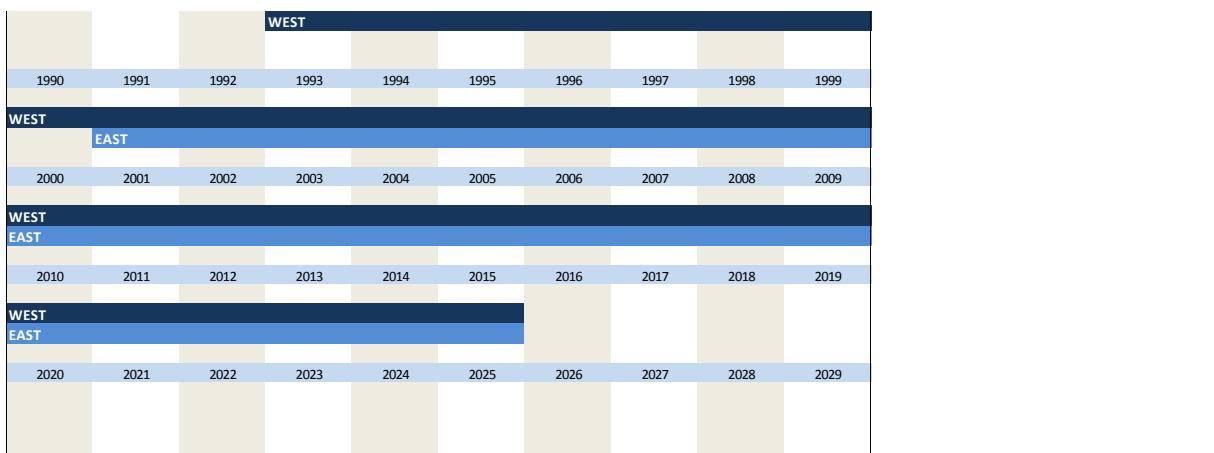
Wording of question

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| 1981 & 1982 Innovations In our opinion the market for XY is [...] in the medium term (about 5 years) therefor under elimination of purely cyclical fluctuations domestic growing [] [1] stagnating [] [2] shrinking [] [3] | Further information |
| Time span of variable | |
| | |

| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|----------------------|--|--|------------------|
| 4.2) | vg_market_national_2 | development of national markets in next 5 years | West since 12/1983 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| since 1983 Innovations In our opinion the market for XY is [...] in the medium term (about 5 years) therefor under elimination of purely cyclical fluctuations domestic significantly growing [] [1] growing [] [2] stagnating [] [3] shrinking [] [4] significantly shrinking [] [5] | Further information |
| Time span of variable | |
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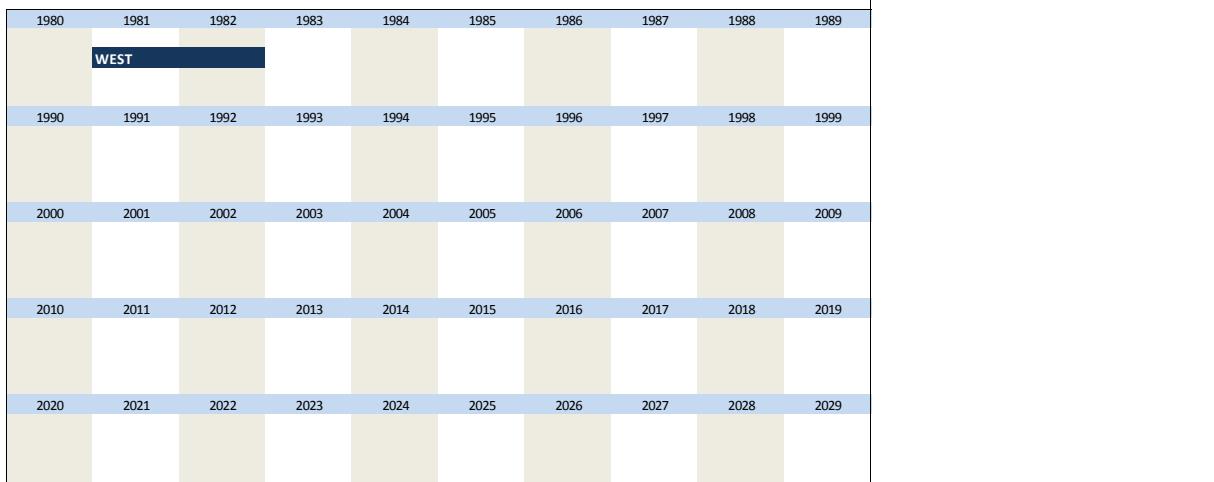


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| 4.3) | vg_market_abroad_1 | development of foreign markets in next 5 years | West 12/1981 - 12/1982 | annual |

Wording of question

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| 1981 & 1982 Innovations In our opinion the market for XY is [...] in the medium term (about 5 years) therefor under elimination of purely cyclical fluctuations abroad growing [] [1] stagnating [] [2] shrinking [] [3] | Further information |
|--|---------------------|

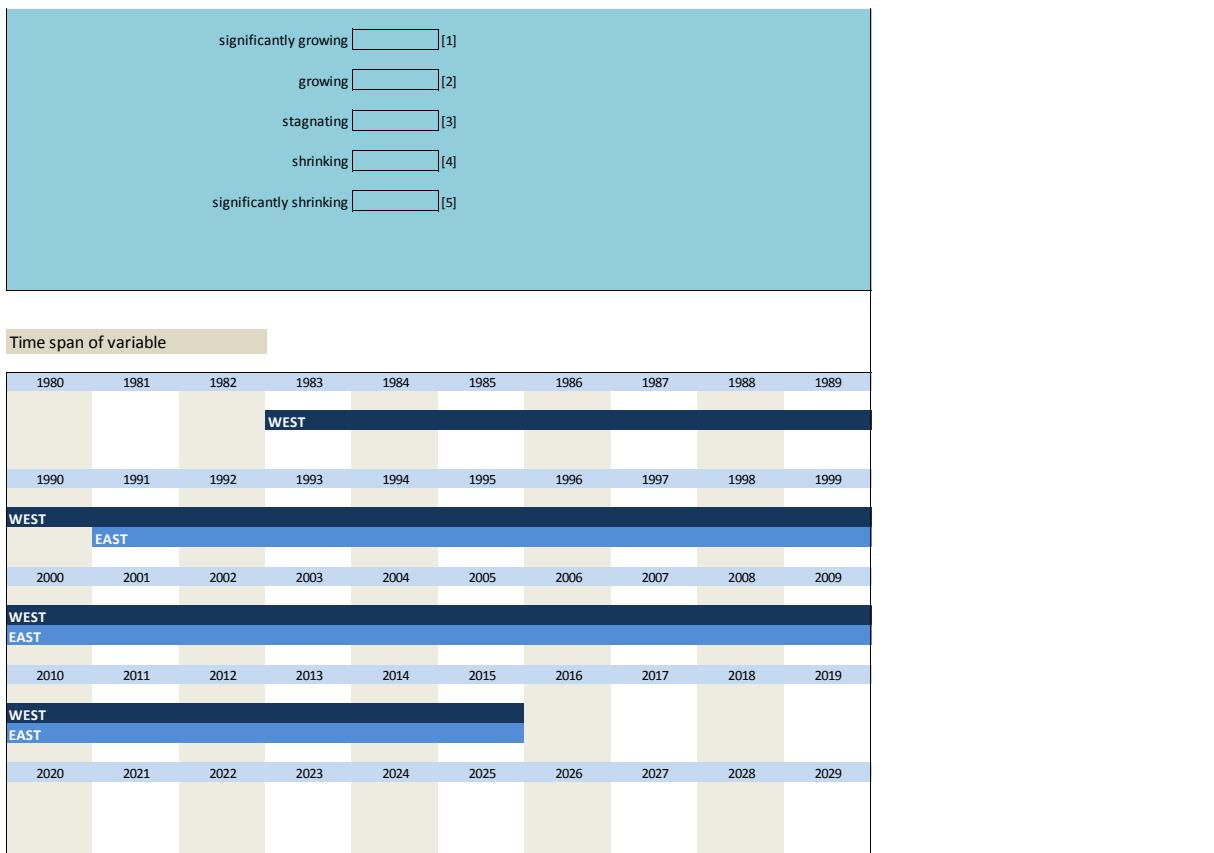
Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.4) | vg_market_abroad_2 | development of foreign markets in next 5 years | West since 12/1983 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

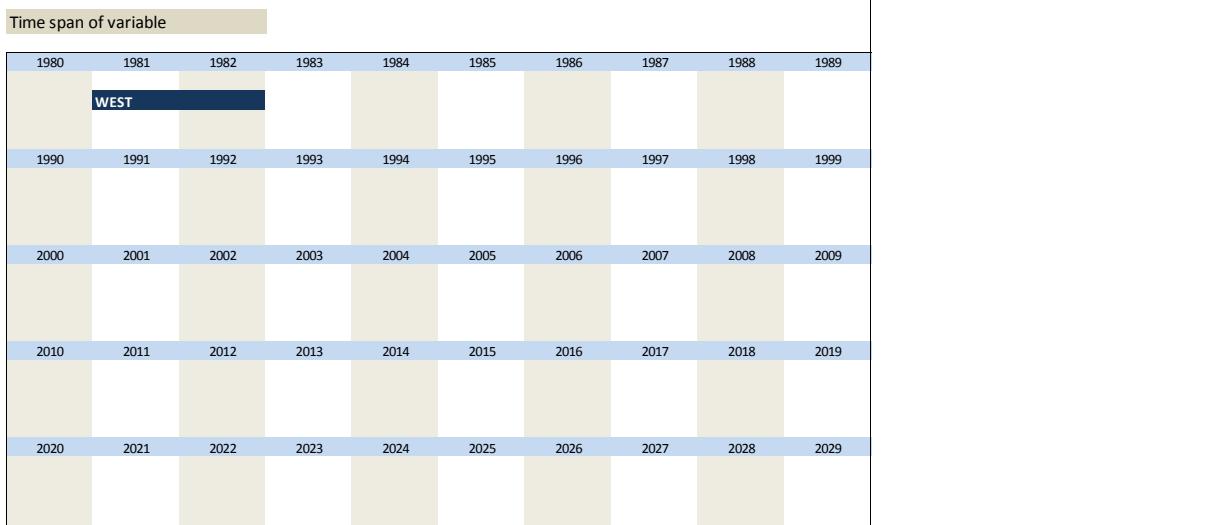
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| since 1983 Innovations In our opinion the market for XY is [...] in the medium term (about 5 years) therefor under elimination of purely cyclical fluctuations abroad | Further information |
|---|---------------------|



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|-------------------|--|------------------------|------------------|
| 4.5) | vg_market_total_1 | development of markets in general in next 5 years | West 12/1981 - 12/1982 | annual |

Wording of question

| | |
|---|----------------------------|
| <p>1981 & 1982</p> <p>Innovations</p> <p>In our opinion the market for XY is [...] in the medium term (about 5 years) therefor under elimination of purely cyclical fluctuations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">total</p> <p>growing [] [1]</p> <p>stagnating [] [2]</p> <p>shrinking [] [3]</p> | Further information |
|---|----------------------------|

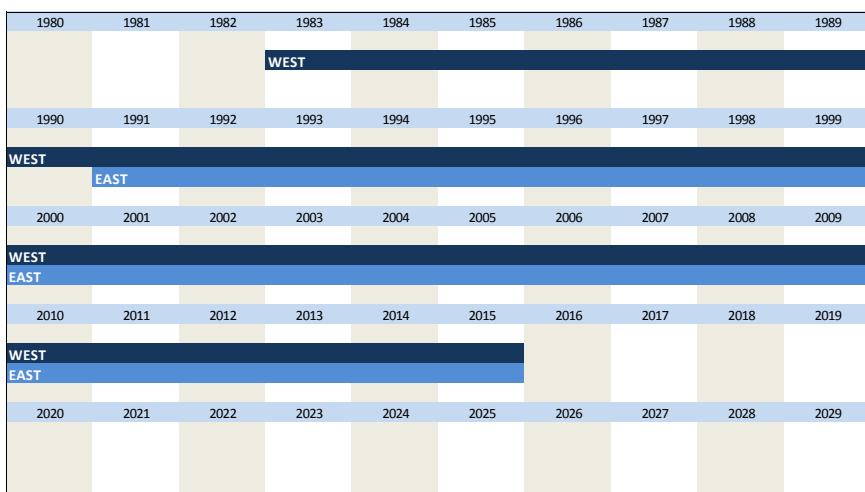


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.6) | vg_market_total_2 | development of markets in general in next 5 years | West since 12/1983 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 1983 Innovations In our opinion the market for XY is [...] in the medium term (about 5 years) therefor under elimination of purely cyclical fluctuations total significantly growing [] [1] growing [] [2] stagnating [] [3] shrinking [] [4] significantly shrinking [] [5] | Further information |
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Time span of variable

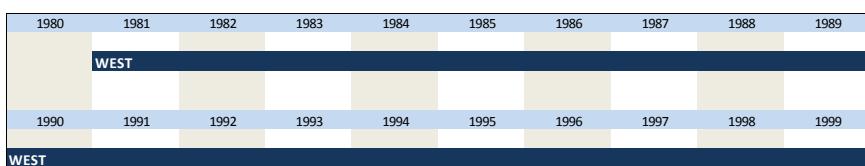


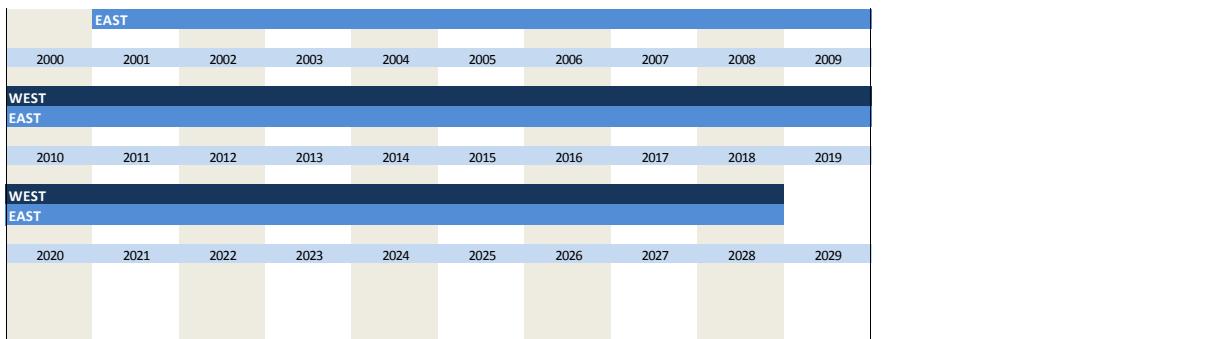
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.7) | vg_prod_inno_realized | product innovation realized this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 1981 Innovations In 19XX/20XX* in the [...] innovations have been [...] by us product field [] (1) realized | Further information *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2005: 20XX=2005 |
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Time span of variable



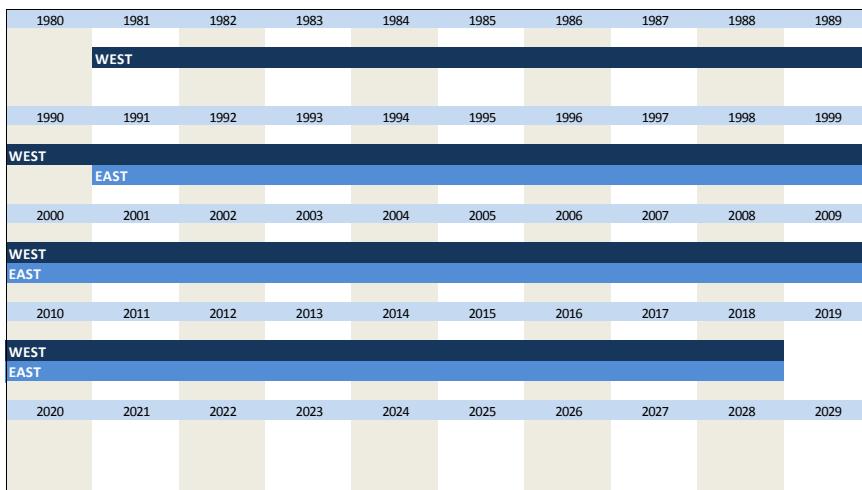


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.8) | vg_prod_inno_aborted | product innovation aborted this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 1981 | Further information |
| Innovations | |
| In 19XX/20XX* in the [...] innovations have been [...] by us | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2005: 20XX=2005 |
| product field | |
| [] [1] aborted | |

Time span of variable

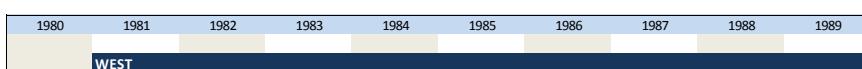


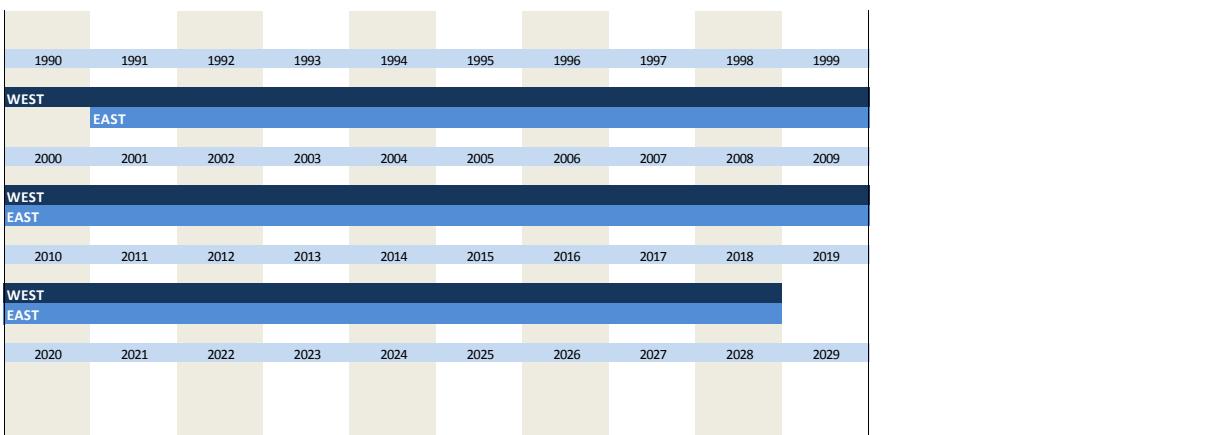
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|------|-----------------------------|---|--|------------------|
| 4.9) | vg_prod_inno_plan_completed | product innovation planning completed this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 1981 | Further information |
| Innovations | |
| In 19XX/20XX* in the [...] innovations have been [...] by us | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2005: 20XX=2005 |
| product field | |
| [] [1] planning completed | |

Time span of variable



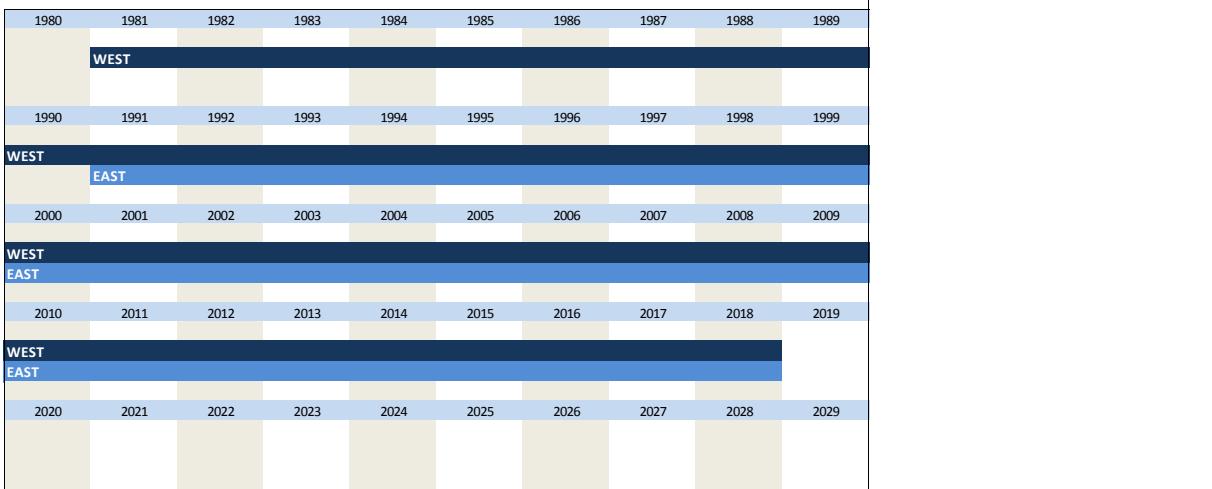


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.10) | vg_prod_inno_in_planning | product innovation still in planning stage this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 1981 | Further information |
| Innovations | |
| In 19XX/20XX* in the [...] innovations have been [...] by us | |
| product field | |
| [] [1] still in planning stage | |

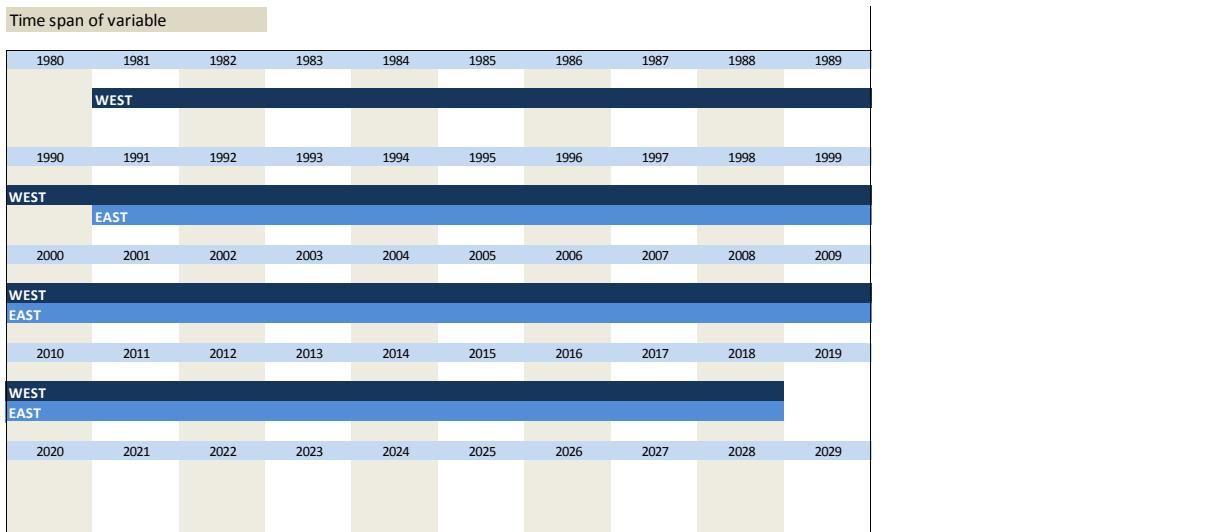
Time span of variable



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.11) | vg_prod_inno_np | product innovation not planned this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 1981 | Further information |
| Innovations | |
| In 19XX/20XX* in the [...] innovations have been [...] by us | |
| product field | |
| [] [1] not planned | |

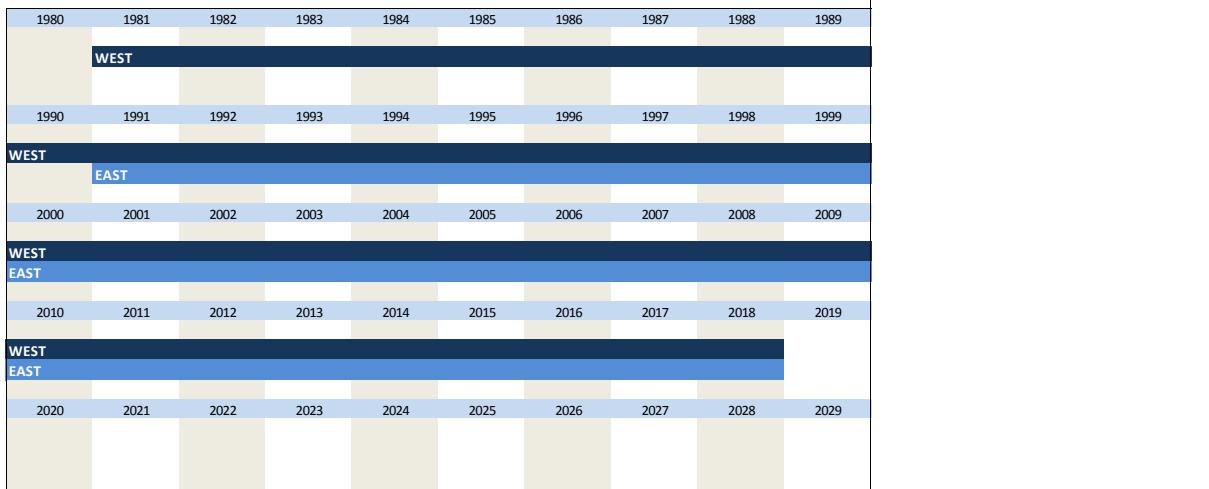


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
|-------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| 4.12) | vg_process_inno_realized | process innovation realized this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 1981 | Further information |
| Innovations | |
| In 19XX/20XX* in the [...] innovations have been [...] by us | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2005: 20XX=2005 |
| process field | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] realized | |

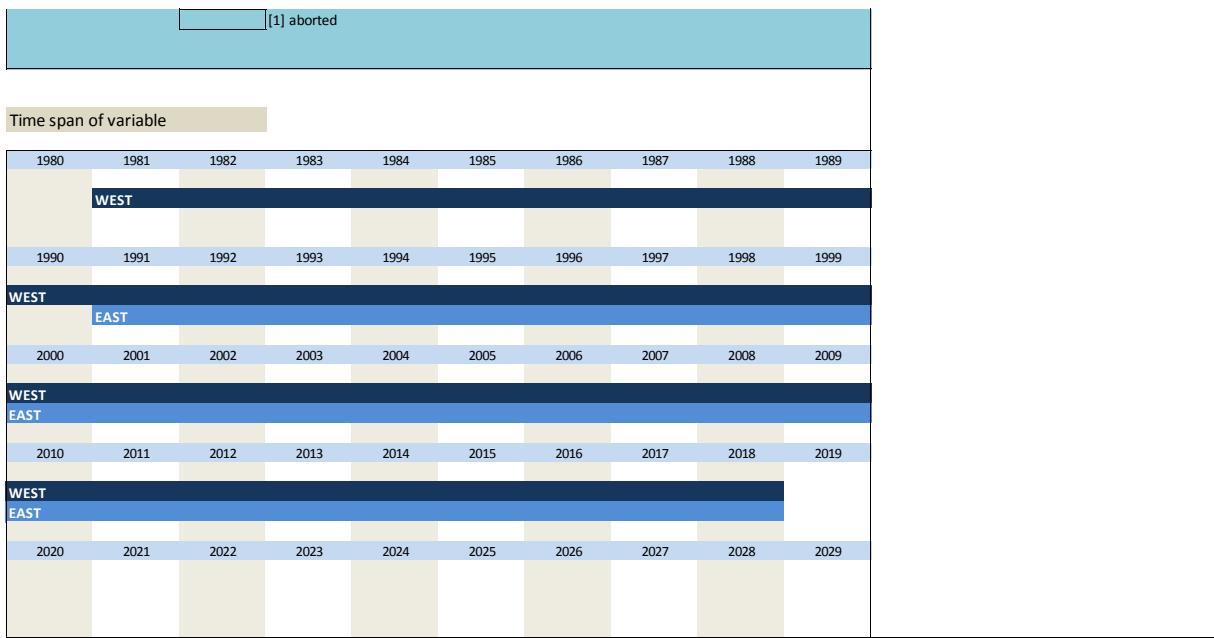
Time span of variable



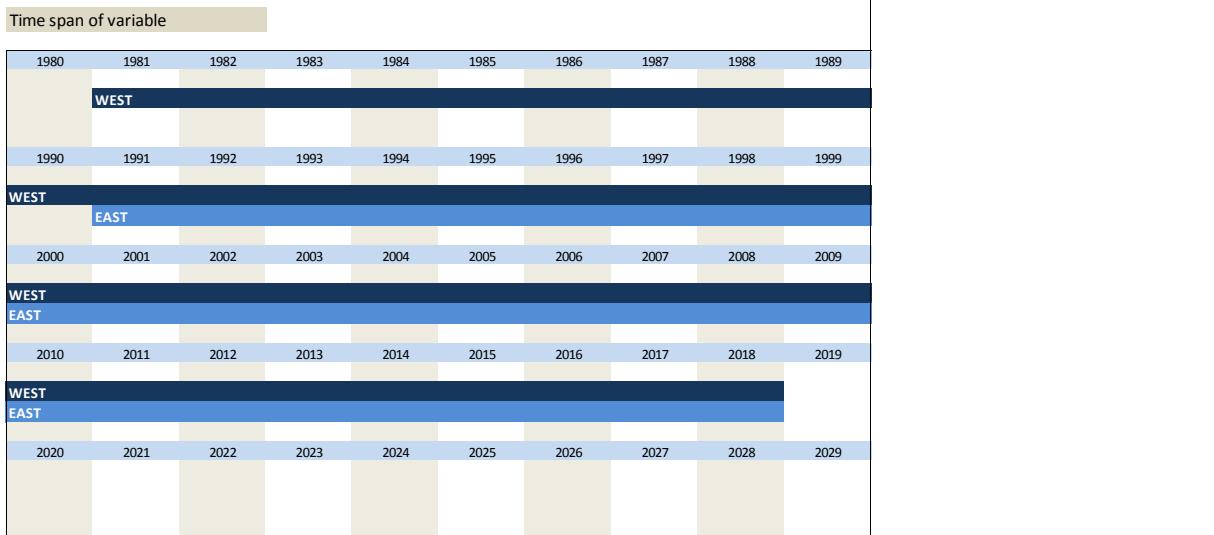
| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.13) | vg_process_inno_aborted | process innovation aborted this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 1981 | Further information |
| Innovations | |
| In 19XX/20XX* in the [...] innovations have been [...] by us | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2005: 20XX=2005 |
| process field | |

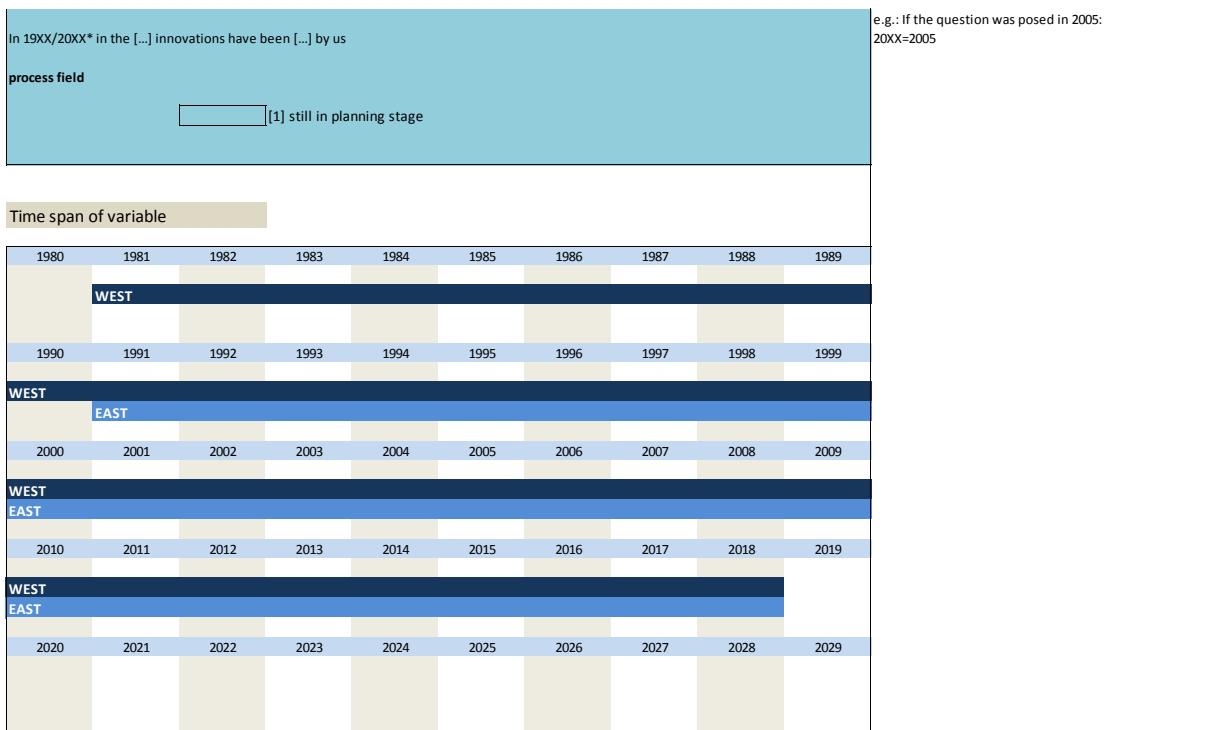


| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.14) | vg_process_inno_plan_completed | process innovation planning completed this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.15) | vg_process_inno_in_planning | process innovation still in planning stage this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |





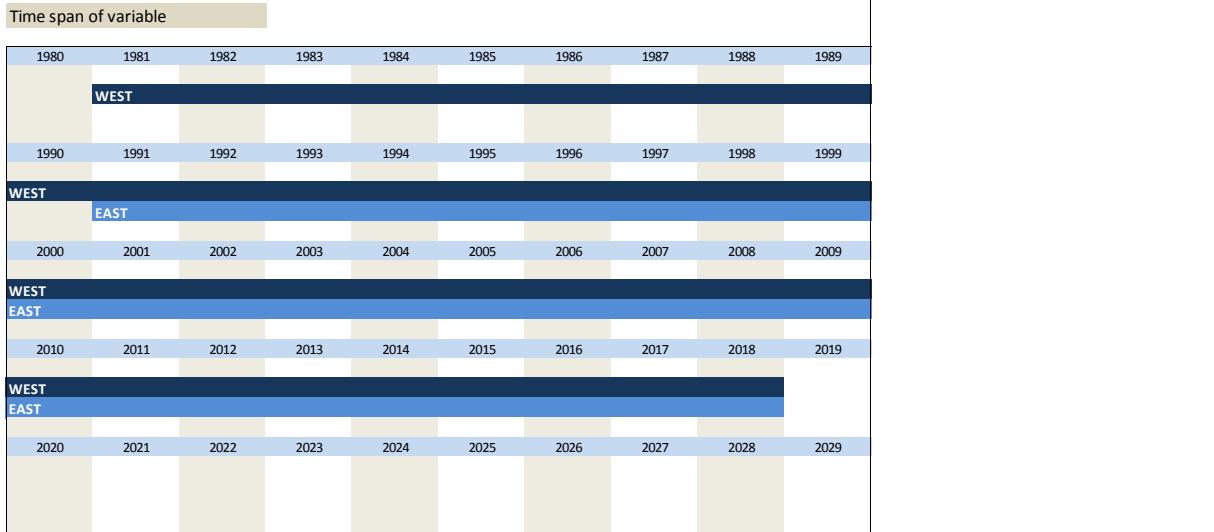
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| 4.16) | vg_process_inno_np | process innovation not planned this year | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.17) | vg_share_inno_phase | share of turnover in stage of product launch | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

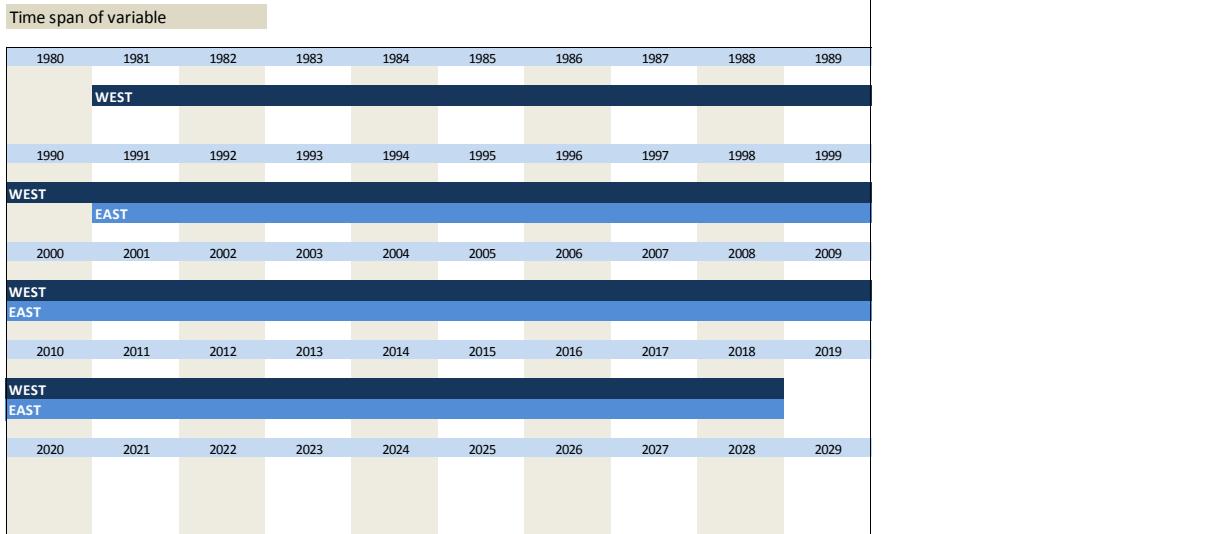
| since 1981 | | | | | | | | | | Further information |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Innovations | | | | | | | | | | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2005: 20XX=2005 |
| In 20XX* our products of product line XY - measured as their share of total turnover - have been in the following stages (estimates are sufficient): | | | | | | | | | | |
| _____ % product launch stage (Innovation) | | | | | | | | | | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.18) | vg_share_growth_phase | share of turnover in stage of positive growth | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

| since 1981 | | | | | | | | | | Further information |
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| Innovations | | | | | | | | | | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2005: 20XX=2005 |
| In 20XX* our products of product line XY - measured as their share of total turnover - have been in the following stages (estimates are sufficient): | | | | | | | | | | |
| _____ % stage of positive growth | | | | | | | | | | |



| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.19) | vg_share_stagnation_phase | share of turnover in stage of stagnation | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |
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Wording of question

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| since 1981 | Innovations | Further information | | | | | | | |
| In 20XX*our products of product line XY - measured as their share of total turnover - have been in the following stages (estimates are sufficient): | | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2005: 20XX=2005 | | | | | | | |
| _____ % stage of stagnation | | | | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Label | Survey period | Survey frequency |
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| 4.20) | vg_share_negative_growth | share of turnover in stage of negative growth | West since 12/1981 East since 12/1991 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 1981 | Innovations | Further information | | | | | | | |
| In 20XX*our products of product line XY - measured as their share of total turnover - have been in the following stages (estimates are sufficient): | | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2005: 20XX=2005 | | | | | | | |
| _____ % stage of negative growth | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | |
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| 4.21) | vg_rd_activity | R&D activity | West since 12/2016 Ost since 12/2016 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 2016 | Further information | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Innovations | Datan available since 12/2017 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Did you conduct any R&D Activity in the year 20XX? | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2017: 20XX=2017 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [1] Yes <input type="checkbox"/> [2] No | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time span of variable | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 4.22) | vg_rd_employee_share | share of employees R&D | West since 12/2016 Ost since 12/2016 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 2016 | Further information | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Innovations | Datan available since 12/2017 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Did you conduct any R&D Activity in the year 20XX? | *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2017: 20XX=2017 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| a) Based on the employees of the product group the percentage of R&D personnel was: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| _____ % | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 4.23) | vg_rd_expen_share | share of R&D expenditures | West since 12/2016 Ost since 12/2016 | annual annual |

Wording of question

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| since 2016 Innovations Did you conduct any R&D Activity in the year 20XX ? Based on the turnover of the product group the percentage of R&D expenses was: _____ % | Further information Data available since 12/2017 *20XX refers to the current year e.g.: If the question was posed in 2017: 20XX=2017 |
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Time span of variable

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