

How do we live in Sweden?

Book a time for an interview

You are welcome to call SCB on 010-479 62 00 if you want to book a time for an interview.

You can also send a text to 010-479 62 00.

If you have questions about participation in ULF/SILC

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If you have questions about the purpose or content of ULF/SILC

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Results & information

www.scb.se/ulf
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Your daughter/son has been chosen to take part in the Living Conditions Survey (ULF/SILC) that will provide a picture of our daily lives and our living conditions. The questions deal with leisure time, studies and health, among other things.

We are sending this letter to you because your daughter/son is under age 18. As legal guardian of your child, you have the right to be informed about the survey, and it is you who gives consent for your child to take part in the survey by passing the information on to your child. We hope that you as legal guardian think the survey is important and that you approve of your child's participation.

The survey has been conducted every year since the middle of the 1970s, and has been a part of a European survey for a few years now.

The results are an important source of knowledge for decision-makers, researchers, journalists and the general public. You can read more about the survey here: www.scb.se/ulf.

Your child's answers are important

Your daughter/son is one of about 20 000 persons aged 16 or older who have been randomly selected from the Population Register. Perhaps she/he is only age 15 today, but has been selected because she/he will be age 16 during the year.

Participation is voluntary, but the cooperation of your daughter/son is important. With your daughter's/son's help, the results will be more accurate. Your child's answers cannot be replaced by anyone else's answers.

Your daughter's/son's answers are protected.

How the survey works

Your daughter/son will receive a phone call from one of our interviewers at Statistics Sweden, who will make an appointment for a telephone interview. The interview usually takes about 15–20 minutes.

Thank you in advance for the participation of your daughter/son.

Sincerely,



Alexandra Kopf Axelman
Head of Unit

How the submitted information will be used

In order to avoid asking unnecessary questions, we have supplemented your daughter's/son's answers with information that is already available at Statistics Sweden. This information regards personal identification number, address, civil status, level of education, income, statement of earnings from workplace, information on the municipality she/he lives in, country of birth, citizenship and information about migration, if any. The corresponding information for any household members is also collected from registers at Statistics Sweden. Your daughter's/son's answers and other information are saved at SCB.

When we compile the results and make analyses, we use an anonymised data file. This means that it is not possible to see who the data is referring to, i.e. name, address and personal identification number have been removed.

The survey is analysed by Statistics Sweden, and also by organisations for research and investigative activities. However, analysis is only made by access to the information in tables or other formats that do not include identifying information. These types of research and statistics operations are also covered by statistical confidentiality.

The results of the survey are only presented as statistics, that is, in the form of tables and graphs in reports and articles, for example.

Protection of submitted information

When the results are presented, it is not possible to see your daughter's/son's own answers.

The information your daughter/son submit is protected according to Chapter 24, Section 8 of the Public Access to Information and Secrecy Act (2009:400). Those who work with the survey at Statistics Sweden are required to follow the regulations concerning confidentiality. The same regulations for confidentiality apply to other government agencies, universities and institutes of higher education that handle data material that is anonymised.

Rules on handling personal data are contained in the EU's General Data Protection Regulation, the Official Statistics Act (2001:99) and the Official Statistics Ordinance (2001:100). In addition, there are rules in the Act on supplementary provisions to the EU's General Data Protection Regulation (2018:218) and in regulations issued in association with the Act.

You will find more information on www.scb.se/personuppgifter

Information about personal data

Statistics Sweden is responsible for the handling of personal data in connection with this survey.

Everyone has the right to obtain one copy free of charge, in the form of a register extract, of the personal data processed by Statistics Sweden in its capacity as the party responsible for personal data. If you make your request electronically, you also have the right to obtain the register extract by electronic means. If someone believes that Statistics Sweden has handled your personal data in a manner that infringes the EU's General Data Protection Regulation, you have the right, under certain conditions, to have your personal data erased.

Results

The results of the interviews are published every year in April or May on the survey's websites www.se/ulf and www.scb.se/barnulf. More in-depth information is published in reports that are also published on the website of the survey. We also write articles in Statistics Sweden's periodical "Välfärd" (Welfare) at www.scb.se/valfard.