

### Information in other languages

This letter has also been translated into some other languages. Please see [www.scb.se/ulf-ulf](http://www.scb.se/ulf-ulf) for information in

العربية

فارسی

bosanski, hrvatski, srpski

español

français

polski

türkçe

### Book your interview yourself

Please call Statistics Sweden on 010-479 62 00 to book a telephone interview at a time that suits you.

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

**If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us**

### For queries related to survey participation

Service for respondents  
010-479 62 00  
[ulf@scb.se](mailto:ulf@scb.se)

Telephone hours,  
Service for respondents  
Monday–Thursday: 8:00–21:00  
Friday: 8:00–16:00  
Sunday: 16:00–21:00

### Postal address

Statistics Sweden,  
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171 54 Solna

### Results and information

[www.scb.se/ulf](http://www.scb.se/ulf)

### Statistics Sweden describes Sweden

Statistical agency Statistics Sweden provides society with statistics for decision-making, debate and research. We do so on behalf of the Government, authorities, researchers, and business and industry. Our statistics contribute to fact-based social debate and well-founded decisions.



# What are our living conditions?

Hello! You have been selected to participate in a survey on how we live in Sweden. It deals with aspects such as your employment, health, finances, how you spend your leisure time and your living conditions.

The survey has been conducted every year since the mid-1970s, following a Riksdag decision. This means that we can show differences over time. As it is a European survey, we can also make comparisons between different countries.

The results show differences in living conditions between various population groups and are for instance used to for the budget bill and to follow up on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

### You are important

You are one of around 20 000 randomly selected people aged 16 years and older. Together you constitute a miniature Sweden. You represent a group of people who, for example, are the same age as you and who live in the same region as you.

Each selected person is extremely important because everyone's answers, regardless of life situation, are needed to fairly describe how we live in Sweden today.

Participating in the survey is voluntary. We hope that you want to participate and contribute to the description of living conditions in Sweden for different population groups.

### This is the procedure

- You can respond in one of two ways – either online ([www.insamling.scb.se/ulf](http://www.insamling.scb.se/ulf)) or via a phone interview. The web survey is unfortunately only available in Swedish. To respond in another language, please answer the questions via a phone interview instead.
- If you do not answer the web survey an interviewer from Statistics Sweden will call you and book a time for a phone interview. The interview usually takes about 30 minutes. You can also book a time yourself.
- Over the next five years, we will contact you once a year and ask you to participate again. On each occasion, you choose whether or not you wish to participate.

**Many thanks in advance for taking part.**

Sincerely,

Eva-Lo Ighe

*Director-General, Statistics Sweden*

## **Do you need an interpreter or a sign-language interpreter?**

Please inform us if you need an interpreter or sign-language interpreter.

## **Who uses the answers and what are they used for?**

Once Statistics Sweden has collected the responses, we compile them into statistics in the form of tables and charts. We then use an anonymised data file. This means that it is not possible to see to whom the information refers – names, addresses and personal identification numbers have been removed. The statistics are used mainly by Statistics Sweden, the Government Office, various authorities and researchers to describe living conditions in Sweden.

Statistics Sweden may, in some cases, pass on data and other survey information to researchers or other statistics producers. Research and statistical activities in which Statistics Sweden's material is used are covered by statistical confidentiality, regardless of whether they take place at Statistics Sweden or another location. Statistics Sweden is very restrictive in handing out material.

## **Do we retrieve any advance information about you?**

So that you do not need to respond to information already available in Statistics Sweden's registers, we retrieve information regarding personal identification number, address, marital status, level of education, income, statement of earnings from workplace, information on the municipality you live in, country of birth, citizenship and any immigration information. The corresponding information for any household members is also retrieved from registers at Statistics Sweden.

Your answers and other information are saved at Statistics Sweden. The data is saved as long as required according to current legislation and decisions.

## **How are your responses protected?**

When the results are presented, it will not be possible to see any individual answers. Information regarding individuals' personal and financial circumstances is protected by confidentiality and everybody working with the survey must observe professional secrecy. Confidentiality applies pursuant to Chapter 24, Section 8 of the Public Access to Information and Secrecy Act (2009:400).

## **How is personal data processed?**

Statistics Sweden is the personal data controller for the processing of personal data conducted by Statistics Sweden. Regulations on the processing of personal data are found in the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), 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 General Data Protection Regulation (2018:218) and in regulations issued in association with the Act. Further information about how Statistics Sweden processes personal data is available at [www.scb.se/personuppgifter](http://www.scb.se/personuppgifter).

You have the right to receive a copy, free of charge, in the form of a register extract, of the personal data that is processed by Statistics Sweden in its capacity of personal data controller. More information is available at [www.scb.se/registerutdrag](http://www.scb.se/registerutdrag).

Should you find that Statistics Sweden has processed your personal data in a way that is in breach of the EU General Data Protection Regulation, you have the right to have the data deleted in certain conditions.

The interviews are recorded and, in some cases, a colleague listens into the interview, but only subject to your consent. We use listening-in as a way to help improve our questionnaires and interview methods. All interview recordings are deleted within four weeks. The recordings are protected by the Public Access to Information and Secrecy Act and the EU General Data Protection Regulation.

## **For questions regarding personal data**

Please contact Statistics Sweden's Data Protection Officer on 010-479 40 00, [dataskyddsbud@scb.se](mailto:dataskyddsbud@scb.se) or at SCB, 701 89 Örebro

## **Where are the results published?**

The results of the interviews are published each year in February on Statistics Sweden's website [www.scb.se/ulf](http://www.scb.se/ulf). More in-depth information is published in reports and articles that are also made available on the website.

## **Further information about how the results are used**

The results are important to the political debate, and to decisions regarding, and the planning of, healthcare, homes, employment, work environment, education, and so on.