

Health in Sweden and Europe

You have received this letter because you have been selected to participate in the European Health Interview Survey (EHIS), conducted by the Public Health Agency of Sweden.

Your answers will provide data and contribute to decisions in Sweden and Europe on issues concerning your health and health of others, and on conditions for health. The collected responses are crucial so that the EU can design evidence-based policies and follow up on policy impact. By participating, you contribute to the EU's work on growth, equality, social cohesion and welfare.

This survey is conducted every six years by the Public Health Agency of Sweden together with the EU's statistical office, Eurostat. Statistics Sweden is responsible for sending out the survey and collecting responses.

Your answers are important and protected

You are one of 30 000 people aged 15 and older who have been randomly selected from the population register. Your answers cannot be replaced by anyone else's.

Participation in the survey is voluntary, but we hope that you choose to take part as your answers are very important. The more people who respond, the better the quality of the survey. A high quality provides a better basis for future decisions in health, well-being and the development of society. Your answers will be protected and it will not be possible to see what you specifically answered when the results of the survey are presented.

Here's what to do

Browse to www.insamling.scb.se/eleg and log in with your BankID or some other e-identification to answer the questions.

You can log in multiple times and save your answers between sessions.

Answer in English

You can answer in English on the web.

Do you have any questions? Feel free to contact us!

Questions about participating

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More about the survey

Who uses the answers and how?

The results of the survey are used to produce statistics of major public interest.

When the collection of data has been completed, Statistics Sweden will submit the data to the Public Health Agency of Sweden. After processing, they will forward the data to Eurostat. The Public Health Agency of Sweden may also use the data for its own analyses.

The data may be disclosed to researchers or others who produce statistics following a special review. Such research and statistical activities are also covered by confidentiality (see below).

To avoid asking more questions than necessary, we will supplement your answers with data already available at Statistics Sweden. This includes data concerning gender, age, type of housing and region, degree of urbanisation, type and size of household, number of children in the household, country of birth (your own and your parents, in groups of countries), level of education, professional field and household income. Any information about sick leave will be collected from the Swedish Social Insurance Agency, and any care needs, use of medication and future causes of death from the National Board of Health and Welfare's register. To enable follow-up using register data, Statistics Sweden will create serial numbers that are linked to the personal identity numbers of those who participate in the survey. This link will be saved separately from survey responses and register data, and will be delivered to the Public Health Agency of Sweden after processing at Statistics Sweden has been completed.

How are your answers protected?

It will not be possible to see what you specifically answered when the results of the survey are presented. Information about individuals' personal and financial circumstances is protected by confidentiality and everyone working with the survey has a duty of confidentiality. Confidentiality applies in accordance with Chapter 24, Section 8 of the Public Access to Information and Secrecy Act (2009:400). The same confidentiality protection applies at the Public Health Agency of Sweden.

How is personal data processed?

Statistics Sweden is the data controller for the processing of personal data carried out by Statistics Sweden. The Public Health Agency of Sweden is the data controller for the processing of personal data carried out by the Public Health Agency of Sweden.

Your personal data will be processed in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation, the Official Statistics Act (2001:99) and Ordinance (2001:100) and other applicable legislation.

The legal basis for Statistics Sweden and the Public Health Agency of Sweden processing your personal data is that this is necessary for the performance of a task in the public interest (producing statistics). More information about how Statistics Sweden and the Public Health Agency of Sweden process personal data is available at www.scb.se/personuppgifter and at www.folkhalsomyndigheten.se/gdpr.

You are entitled to receive a copy, an extract from the register, of the personal data processed about you by Statistics Sweden. Browse to www.scb.se/registerutdrag. In some cases, you are also entitled to have your data deleted. The same rights apply at the Public Health Agency of Sweden.

If you are dissatisfied with the way your personal data is processed, you are entitled to submit a complaint with the Swedish Authority for Privacy Protection.

Do you have any questions about personal data?

Contact Statistics Sweden's Data Protection Officer:

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Contact the Public Health Agency of Sweden:

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Where are the results published?

The results will be published on Eurostat's website

ec.europa.eu/eurostat. The results may also be presented on the

Public Health Agency of Sweden's website:

www.folkhalsomyndigheten.se
