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SQ1 Gender (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Male	1	256	49.8	49.8
Female	2	258	50.2	50.2
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

SQ2 How old are you? (Numeric)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
20-29	1	206	40.1	40.1
30-39	2	204	39.7	39.7
40-59	3	104	20.2	20.2
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

SQ2A How old are you?

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
20	20	12	2.3	2.3
21	21	17	3.3	3.3
22	22	22	4.3	4.3
23	23	26	5.1	5.1
24	24	22	4.3	4.3
25	25	23	4.5	4.5
26	26	21	4.1	4.1
27	27	23	4.5	4.5
28	28	20	3.9	3.9
29	29	20	3.9	3.9
30	30	37	7.2	7.2
31	31	31	6.0	6.0
32	32	13	2.5	2.5
33	33	16	3.1	3.1
34	34	21	4.1	4.1
35	35	23	4.5	4.5
36	36	14	2.7	2.7
37	37	18	3.5	3.5
38	38	16	3.1	3.1
39	39	15	2.9	2.9

40	40	14	2.7	2.7
41	41	6	1.2	1.2
42	42	5	1.0	1.0
43	43	7	1.4	1.4
44	44	9	1.8	1.8
45	45	7	1.4	1.4
46	46	7	1.4	1.4
47	47	8	1.6	1.6
48	48	3	.6	.6
49	49	5	1.0	1.0
50	50	6	1.2	1.2
51	51	5	1.0	1.0
52	52	2	.4	.4
53	53	2	.4	.4
54	54	6	1.2	1.2
56	56	3	.6	.6
57	57	4	.8	.8
59	59	5	1.0	1.0
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q1 How happy are you? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Very happy	1	122	23.7	23.7
Somewhat happy	2	296	57.6	57.6
Not really happy	3	83	16.1	16.1
Not happy at all	4	7	1.4	1.4
Don t know	5	6	1.2	1.2
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q2_1 Have you ever been separated from your family against your will?

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Due to political, or diplomatic matters.	1	26	5.1	100.0
Missing Value	9	488	94.9	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q2_2 Have you ever been separated from your family against your will?

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Due to serious illness of a family member who had to be separated.	2	36	7.0	100.0
Missing Value	9	478	93.0	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q2_3 Have you ever been separated from your family against your will?

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Due to a runaway family member or parents' divorce or separation	3	28	5.4	100.0
Missing Value	9	486	94.6	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q2_4 Have you ever been separated from your family against your will?

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Due to business	4	122	23.7	100.0
Missing Value	9	392	76.3	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q2_5 Have you ever been separated from your family against your will?

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
I never was separated from my family.	5	329	64.0	100.0
Missing Value	9	185	36.0	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q3 Have you ever thought that nearby countries are a threat to your happiness? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Yes, very much.	1	26	5.1	5.1
Yes, a little bit.	2	150	29.2	29.2
Not really.	3	217	42.2	42.2
No, not at all.	4	108	21.0	21.0
Don't know	5	13	2.5	2.5

SUM	514	100.0	100.0
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Q4 How worried are you about a nuclear attack or terrorism? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Very much worried	1	168	32.7	32.7
Somewhat worried	2	155	30.2	30.2
Not really worried	3	128	24.9	24.9
Not worried at all	4	56	10.9	10.9
Don t know	5	7	1.4	1.4
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q5 Have any of your family, close friends or yourself got hurt or experienced death caused by national conflicts? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Yes. My family, close friends or I was hurt by national conflicts.	1	18	3.5	3.5
There have been national conflicts, but none of my family or friends were hurt.	2	171	33.3	33.3
There have not been any national conflicts.	3	285	55.4	55.4
Don t know	4	40	7.8	7.8
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q6 How worried are you about someone's tapping your phone or peeping at your private life? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Very much worried.	1	212	41.2	41.2
Somewhat worried.	2	178	34.6	34.6
Not really worried.	3	99	19.3	19.3
Not worried at all.	4	25	4.9	4.9
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q7 If you imagine the last day of your life, what do you expect the reason of your death? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
By serious illness	1	64	12.5	12.5
By war, terrorism or other reasons that are related to national	2	17	3.3	3.3
By car accident or being murdered	3	24	4.7	4.7
I will get old and naturally die.	4	350	68.1	68.1
Don t know .	5	59	11.5	11.5
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q8 Have you ever had a fight with your family or friends due to political reasons? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Very frequently	1	7	1.4	1.4
Sometimes	2	52	10.1	10.1
Once or twice	3	90	17.5	17.5
Never	4	361	70.2	70.2
Don t know .	5	4	.8	.8
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q9 When you think about 'politicians', among below, what would be the most similar thought to yours? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
People who decide policies of a country	1	72	14.0	14.0
People who exploits people for his own benefit	2	165	32.1	32.1
People who fight against opponents to secure their positions	3	93	18.1	18.1
I sometimes dislike them, but recognize them because they were chosen by people.	4	157	30.5	30.5
Don t know	5	27	5.3	5.3
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q10 When you think about 'president', among below, what would be the most similar thought to yours? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
A just ruler who is chosen by his/her people	1	172	33.5	33.5
Someone who exploits people for his/her own benefit	2	49	9.5	9.5
Someone who uses his/her power to control his/her people	3	116	22.6	22.6
Someone who represents and only works for his/her party	4	139	27.0	27.0
Don t know	5	38	7.4	7.4
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q11 When you think about the relation between you and 'corruption', among below, what would be the most similar thought to yours? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
I once was a victim of corruption and I get upset about it.	1	107	20.8	20.8
I once was a victim of corruption but it can t helped.	2	89	17.3	17.3
I never was a victim of corruption but I get upset.	3	212	41.2	41.2
I never was a viction of corruption and I do not care about it.	4	67	13.0	13.0
Don t know	5	39	7.6	7.6
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q12_1 What do you think about 'the richest man in your country'? (MA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
He/she must be a lucky one who got his fortune from his/her parents.	1	174	33.9	100.0
Missing Value	9	340	66.1	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q12_2 What do you think about 'the richest man in your country'? (MA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
He/she probably worked hard to earn the money.	2	292	56.8	100.0
Missing Value	9	222	43.2	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q12_3 What do you think about 'the richest man in your country'? (MA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
He/she probably resorted to all sorts of trickery or was related to corruption to earn the money.	3	208	40.5	100.0
Missing Value	9	306	59.5	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q12_4 What do you think about 'the richest man in your country'? (MA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
He/she has a lot of money and contributes to society as much as he/she can	4	113	22.0	100.0
Missing Value	9	401	78.0	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q12_5 What do you think about 'the richest man in your country'? (MA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Don t know .	5	21	4.1	100.0
Missing Value	9	493	95.9	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q13 Among below, what would be the most favorable annual income that may make you happy? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Below 5,000 USD	1	8	1.6	1.6
5,000USD – 10,000USD	2	17	3.3	3.3
10,000USD – 20,000USD	3	27	5.3	5.3
20,000USD – 30,000USD	4	38	7.4	7.4
30,000USD – 40,000USD	5	25	4.9	4.9
40,000USD – 50,000USD	6	32	6.2	6.2
50,000USD – 60,000USD	7	51	9.9	9.9
60,000USD – 70,000USD	8	16	3.1	3.1
70,000USD – 80,000USD	9	21	4.1	4.1
80,000USD – 90,000USD	10	20	3.9	3.9
90,000USD – 100,000USD	11	22	4.3	4.3
Over 100,000USD	12	105	20.4	20.4
Money is not a factor of happiness	13	112	21.8	21.8
Don t know .	14	20	3.9	3.9
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q14 Have you ever had any concerns about your house? If so, what would be the most similar concern to yours among below? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
I do not have enough money to buy the house that I wish to live.	1	255	49.6	49.6
I am worried that I may make a loss when the price of my own house drop.	2	48	9.3	9.3
I am worried about the taxes I have to pay to live in the house	3	35	6.8	6.8
I am renting a house and am worried that I may have to move when the rent goes up.	4	27	5.3	5.3
I never had any concerns about house.	5	129	25.1	25.1
Don t know.	6	20	3.9	3.9

SUM	514	100.0	100.0
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Q15 When you think about your loan, what would be the most similar situation to yours among below? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
I am worried about the interest on a loan.	1	264	51.4	51.4
I loaned money, but do not worry too much.	2	116	22.6	22.6
I am worried because banks do not allow me to loan money.	3	35	6.8	6.8
I do not have a loan.	4	84	16.3	16.3
Don t know .	5	15	2.9	2.9
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q16 Countries around the world are cutting their budget sharply. How positive or negative is the effect of cutting the budget to your happiness? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Very positive	1	30	5.8	5.8
Somewhat positive	2	119	23.2	23.2
Somewhat negative	3	215	41.8	41.8
Very negative	4	37	7.2	7.2
No effects	5	82	16.0	16.0
Don t know .	6	31	6.0	6.0
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q17 How trustful is your country's middle and high school education? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Very trustful	1	74	14.4	14.4
Somewhat trustful	2	221	43.0	43.0
Not so trustful	3	164	31.9	31.9
Not trustful at all.	4	45	8.8	8.8
Don t know	5	10	1.9	1.9
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q18 Have you ever thought about giving a birth in a foreign? If so, what would be the most similar thought to yours among below? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
I have thought about it to give my child a foreign country's citizenship.	1	123	23.9	23.9
I have thought about it because of inadequate medical condition of my country.	2	30	5.8	5.8
If I am in a situation that I cannot help, I think it is not a bad choice.	3	149	29.0	29.0
I really want to give birth in my country.	4	146	28.4	28.4
Don t know .	5	66	12.8	12.8
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q19 What do you think is the biggest threat to your child or future generation? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Lack of money(may become poor and have nothing to do to live)	1	125	24.3	24.3
Security risk(Neighboring country s provocation, terrorism or national conflicts)	2	116	22.6	22.6
Environmental problems(may get damaged due to climatic change and etc.)	3	169	32.9	32.9
Health problems(may get damaged due to new virus or infectious diseases)	4	76	14.8	14.8
Don t know .	5	28	5.4	5.4
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q20 If you or your relatives do not want to have a child, what would be the biggest reason? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
To live freely with someone you love	1	95	18.5	18.5
Cannot afford to raise a child	2	126	24.5	24.5
Do not want the child to live in this complicated and suffering world	3	138	26.8	26.8
Cannot manage both work and raising a child	4	86	16.7	16.7
Don t know .	5	69	13.4	13.4
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q21 Have you heard of 'Liu Xiaobo'? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
I know who he is.	1	84	16.3	16.3
I know who he is but do not know in detail.	2	84	16.3	16.3
I think I have heard of his name.	3	125	24.3	24.3
Do not know about him at all	4	221	43.0	43.0
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q22 When you think about 'family', what would be the most similar thought to yours among below? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
People who I love the most	1	293	57.0	57.0
People who are related by blood	2	156	30.4	30.4
Burden of my life	3	2	.4	.4
People who live together to fulfill each others needs	4	56	10.9	10.9
Don t know	5	7	1.4	1.4
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q23 When you think about 'religion', what would be the most similar thought to yours among below? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
The reason I live and exist	1	174	33.9	33.9
The practice to improve my inner being	2	208	40.5	40.5
A part of social activity to maintain relationships	3	45	8.8	8.8
A kind of insurance for the afterlife	4	44	8.6	8.6
I do not like religions and people who believe in them.	5	19	3.7	3.7
Don t know .	6	24	4.7	4.7
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q24 Do you want to keep on living in the country you are living now? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Yes, I would like to live here and am very satisfied	1	178	34.6	34.6
I am not really satisfied but still prefer to live in my country	2	182	35.4	35.4
If I get a chance I would like to live in another country.	3	145	28.2	28.2
Don t know	4	9	1.8	1.8
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q25 Who do you think is the happiest person? Please pick one. (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Bill Gates	1	120	23.3	23.3
Barack Obama	2	10	1.9	1.9
Angelina Jolie	3	28	5.4	5.4
Dalai Lama	4	63	12.3	12.3
Myself	5	201	39.1	39.1
Don t know .	6	92	17.9	17.9
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q26A Do you know Korea?

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Yes	1	501	97.5	97.5
No	2	13	2.5	2.5
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

Q26B How happy do Koreans look? (SA)

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Very happy	1	35	6.8	7.0
Somewhat happy	2	247	48.1	49.3
Not really happy	3	154	30.0	30.7
Not happy at all	4	13	2.5	2.6
Don t know .	5	52	10.1	10.4
Missing Value	9	13	2.5	
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

D1 Employment: Which of the following best describes your own present employment status?

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Working full or part time (include self-employed)	1	402	78.2	78.2
Unemployed	2	25	4.9	4.9
Not working (student, housewife)	3	81	15.8	15.8
Retired	4	6	1.2	1.2
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

D2 Settlement type : Which area do you live ?

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Rural	1	106	20.6	20.6
Urban	2	408	79.4	79.4
SUM		514	100.0	100.0

D3 Assuming that people's standard of living in your country can be classified into 5 levels
 – Top, Upper–middle, Middle,

RESPONSE	PUNCH	FRE.	PERCENT	VALID
Top	1	11	2.1	2.1
Upper–middle	2	79	15.4	15.4
Middle	3	331	64.4	64.4
Lower–middle	4	89	17.3	17.3
Bottom	5	4	.8	.8
SUM		514	100.0	100.0