

***WORLD  
VALUES  
SURVEY  
2005***

***Methodological questionnaire***

**PLEASE WRITE IN THE NAME OF YOUR COUNTRY: ITALY**

## Section 1: the questionnaire

1. Was the WVS questionnaire translated or adapted in any way from the English master questionnaire?

Yes ☒ → **ANSWER Q2**  
No ☐ → **GO TO Q3**

### IF QUESTIONNAIRE TRANSLATED/ADAPTED

2a. Who carried out the translation of the questionnaire?

A specialist translator ☐

A member of the research team ☐

Other (PLEASE WRITE DETAILS BELOW) ☒

Some members of the research team

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b. Was the translated questionnaire then back-translated into English?

Yes ☐

No ☒

c. Was the translated questionnaire pre-tested?

Yes ☒

→ **ANSWER d**

No ☐

→ **GO TO e**

d. **IF 'YES'**

How was the questionnaire pre-tested? How many pre-tests were carried out?

*PLEASE WRITE IN:*

e. Were there any questions or concepts that caused particular problems when being translated into your language?

Yes ☐

→ **ANSWER f**

No ☒

→ **GO TO Q3**

**IF 'YES'**

f. Which questions or concepts caused particular problems?

*PLEASE WRITE IN:*

- g. How were these problems solved?  
*PLEASE WRITE IN:*

**EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER**

3. Did you use other questionnaires to make the WVS questionnaire

the German questionnaire ☐

the French questionnaire ☐

Other (PLEASE WRITE IN BELOW ) ☒

NO \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Have any optional WVS questions and/or items been included?

No ☒

Yes (PLEASE WRITE IN QUESTION AND/OR ITEMNUMBERS BELOW ) ☐

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5. Were country-specific questions, and/or items i. e. neither compulsory nor optional WVS questions, or questions included in the survey?

No country-specific questions included ☐ —→ **GO TO Q7**

Country-specific questions were included ☒ —→ **ANSWER Q6**

**IF THERE WERE COUNTRY-SPECIFIC QUESTIONS**

6. Were country specific questions included at the end of the questionnaire, just before the demographics?

Yes ☐ —→ **GO TO Q7**

No ☒ —→ **GO TO Q6a**

6a Please indicate the location of the country-specific questions which were not at the end of the questionnaire  
WRITE IN BELOW  
59a; 59b; 130a; 130b; 197a; 203a; 214a; 214b; 214c.

**EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER**

7. Were all questions asked in the prescribed order?

Yes ☒

No ☐

8. Were all core WVS questions included in your questionnaire (by core we mean all items except those that were optional)?

No - some question(s) from WVS questionnaire not included ☒ → **ANSWER Q9**

No - some demographic question(s) not included ☐ → **ANSWER Q9**

Yes - all questions included ☐ → **SECTION 2**

**IF ANY CORE WVS QUESTIONS WERE NOT INCLUDED**

9. Please write in details of the items and the reasons why they were not included.

*WVS question number or description of question:*

V80-v89; v100-v103; v152-v161; v170-v176; v231-v233.

*Reason(s) not included:*

It is a long questionnaire

## Section 2: Sampling

10. Was your sample designed to be representative of the entire adult population, i. e. 18 years and older, of your country?

Yes ☐ → **GO TO Q12**

No ☒ → **ANSWER Q11**

### IF NOT DESIGNED TO BE REPRESENTATIVE

11. Which groups were excluded from, under-represented or over-represented in your sample design?

Excluded (PLEASE SPECIFY): Age 75 and over

Over-represented: (PLEASE SPECIFY):

Under-represented (PLEASE SPECIFY):

### EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

12. What was the lower age cut-off for your sample?

Yes - please write in cut-off

No cut-off

13. Was there any upper age cut-off for your sample?

Yes - please write in cut-off

No cut-off

14. What were the different stages in your sampling procedure?

*PLEASE WRITE IN:*

- 1) Classification of population by region, dimension of municipality (small. Medium, medium to large, large), geographical location (mountain or plain; cost or interior);
- 2) Selection of 80 municipalities, taking into account their characteristics as point 1);
- 3) Selection of a stratified sample of individuals within the 80 municipalities by systematic method; for large municipalities a preliminary chance selection of the electoral register was performed, stratified by location in center of the city, in the suburb and in the periphery. The stratification of the individuals sample was performed according to the nation-state strata dimensions. The population aged 18 to 74 was stratified by 20 regions, 2 genders and 3 age classes. In total the strata were 120.

15. What was the final number of clusters or sampling points?

No clusters ☐

WRITE IN: 

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16. What was the sampled unit you got from office sampling?

Address ☐

Household ☐

Named individual ☒

Other (PLEASE WRITE IN DETAILS BELOW) ☐

→ ANSWER Q17

→ ANSWER Q17

→ GO TO Q18

→ ANSWER Q17

**IF NAMED INDIVIDUAL WAS NOT THE SAMPLED UNIT**

17. What selection method was used to identify a respondent?  
PLEASE SPECIFY:

18. Were there any quota-controls on the type of individual selected to take part in the survey (for example, age or sex controls)?

Yes ☒ → **ANSWER Q19**

No ☐ → **GO TO Q20**

**IF QUOTA CONTROLS**

19. In what way were quota controls used?

*PLEASE WRITE IN:*

The chance selection of the individuals by systematic method was performed in order to complete each of the 120 strata.

**EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER**

20. Was substitution permitted at any stage of your selection process or during fieldwork?

Yes ☒ → **ANSWER Q21**

No ☐ → **GO TO Q22**

**IF 'YES'**

21. In what way was substitution permitted?

*PLEASE WRITE IN:*

Substitutions was permitted for the following cases:

- |                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| - refusal             | 15,3% |
| - person untraceable  | 9,4%  |
| - away from home      | 2,6%  |
| - sick or in hospital | 2,2%  |
| - wrong address       | 1,7%  |
| - other reason        | 3,1%  |

**EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER**

22. Did you use any stratification factors when drawing your sample?

Yes ☒ → **ANSWER Q23**

No ☐ → **GO TO Q24**

**IF STRATIFICATION FACTORS USED**

23. What stratification factors were used, and at what stage(s) of selection?

*PLEASE WRITE IN:*

See Question14

## EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

24. All in all, what are the known limitations of your realized sample?

For example: non-response rate; is there differential coverage of particular groups, either because of sample design or response differences?

PLEASE WRITE IN: 34,3% substitution rate

No stratification by education was possible; therefore after the interview campaign we realized that the people with lower education were under-represented and people with higher education were over-represented.

25. Please fill in the following details about your sample. If some categories do not apply, please complete to the highest level of detail possible and use the 'other' box to give more information.

Total number of <u>starting</u> names/addresses	1	0	0	0
- addresses which could not be traced at all				
- addresses established as empty, demolished or containing no private dwellings			1	7
- selected respondent too sick/incapacitated to participate			2	2
- selected respondent away during survey period			2	6
- selected respondent had inadequate understanding of language of survey				
- no contact at selected address				
- no contact with selected person			9	4
- refusal at selected address				
- proxy refusal (on behalf of selected respondent)				
- personal refusal by selected respondent		1	5	3
- other type of unproductive (please write in full details in the box below)			3	1
- full productive interview		6	5	7
- partial productive interview				

### IF 'OTHER' CATEGORY USED

26. Please specify

NO information

### Section 3: Fieldwork

27.If interviews were not face-to-face, please specify the way of interviewing:

28. The next group of questions are about interviewers.

If no interviewers were used at any point in the WVS survey, please go to Q32.

#### IF INTERVIEWERS USED

- a. Were interviewers paid according to performance (for example, according to the number of interviews they obtained)?  
with a maximum number of interviews pro capite of 10

Yes ☒

No ☐

- b. Which, if any, of these rules governed how an interviewer approached an address/household?  
*PLEASE TICK THOSE THAT APPLY*

Calls must be made at different times of day ☒

Calls must be made on different days of week ☒

Neither of the above ☐

- c. Were interviewers required to make a certain number of re-calls before they stopped approaching an address or household?

Minimum number of re-calls required - please write in number

No minimum re-call requirement ☐

- d. Were any interviews supervised?

Yes - please write in approximate proportion  %

No ☐

- e. Were any interviews back-checked?

Yes - please write in approximate proportion  %

No ☐

**EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER**

29. Please write in the approximate start and end dates of fieldwork.

	D	D	M	M	Y	Y
Start date	1	0	1	0	0	5
End date	2	0	1	1	0	5

30. Please write in the name of the institute which has done the fieldwork.

Centro Ricerche Sociali (C.R.S) Milano (Italy)\_\_\_\_\_

#### Section 4: Data

31. Were any measures of coding reliability employed?

Yes ☒ → **ANSWER Q31a**  
No ☐

31a. Which one? Please specify

Control of non admissible codes

32. Were the data from the questionnaire keyed subsequent to the interview (that is, non-CAPI surveys)?

Yes ☒ → **ANSWER Q33**  
No ☐ → **GO TO Q34**

#### IF DATA KEYED

33. Was keying verified?

Yes - please write in approximate level of verification  %  
No ☐

#### EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

34. Were any reliability checks made on derived variables?

Yes ☐  
No ☒

35. Were data checked/edited to ensure that filter instructions were followed correctly?

Yes ☒  
No ☐

36. Were data checked/edited for logic or consistency?

Yes ☐  
No ☒

37. Were data checked/edited to ensure they fell within permitted coding ranges?

Yes ☒  
No ☐

38. Have you answered 'yes' on any or all of questions 32 to 34 above?

Yes ☐ → **ANSWER Q39**  
No ☒ → **GO TO Q40**

**IF DATA CHECKED/EDITED**

39. Were errors corrected individually or automatically (through, for example, a 'forced' edit)?

Yes - individual correction ☒

Yes - automatic correction ☐

No - not corrected ☐

**EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER**

40. Did you add a weight variable?

Yes ☒ → **ANSWER Q.41**

No ☐ → **SECTION 5**

**IF WEIGHT VARIABLE ADDED**

41. Please describe the weighting or post-stratification strategy used.

## Section 5: Characteristics of National Population

45. Each WVS member is asked to provide information on known characteristics of its national population, from census or the best available estimates from government surveys or other high-quality data-sources:

- sex distribution of the population
- age distribution of the population
- education (years of schooling) of the population
- other characteristics (PLEASE SPECIFY)

Please specify also the sources which have been used. Please note that the number of characteristics is what is minimal required. You can add as many characteristics as you like, but do not forget to specify them.

In the table below please present the information from census or from other government surveys or other high-quality data (column SOURCE 1) and the proportions obtained in your data, before and after weighting

	Source:	Unweighted data	Weighted data
	ISTAT 1/1/2005		
<b>Gender (Age 18-74)</b>			
Female	% 50,66	% 50,10	
Male	% 49,34	% 49,90	
<b>Age Groups</b>			
18-29	% 19,23	% 19,07	
30-59	% 59,03	% 57,60	
60-74	% 21,74	% 23,32	
	%	%	
	%	%	
	%	%	
	%	%	
	%	%	
	%	%	
<b>Years/Schooling Groups</b>	ISTAT 2004		
5 or less	% 17,0	% 14,0	17,0
6-8	% 34,2	% 20,1	34,2
9-11	% 6,3	% 6,0	6,3
9-13 (high school)	% 32,9	% 38,4	32,9
Over 13	% 9,6	% 21,5	9,6
	%	%	
	%	%	
	%	%	
	%	%	
	%	%	
	%	%	
<b>Other characteristics</b> Please specify			
North-West Italy	% 26,86	% 26,09	
North-East Italy	% 19,00	% 19,57	
Central Italy	% 19,35	% 19,17	
South and Islands	% 34,79	% 35,18	

THANK YOU VERY MUCH !

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