

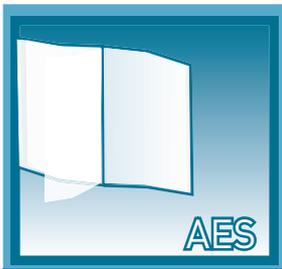
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First Name : _____

Interviewer nr.: _____



Adult Education Survey

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The FPS Economy organises a five-yearly survey among the Belgian population on training and continuing education. The survey not only includes school education, but also training at work or during spare time. Your participation in this survey is extremely important for the quality of our study. **To improve the reliability of the results, it is important that also people who have not participated in training or education in the past 12 months complete the questions below.**

Who in your household should answer the questions? Only the person selected by the interviewer is allowed to participate in the survey. To be precise, this person will be at least 25 years old and younger than 65 and will have had the most recent birthday in the household. This questionnaire assesses a personal situation. We would therefore like to ask that the questions are answered by the selected person only.

If you have additional questions, please call the **toll-free number 0800 92 502** Mondays to Fridays from 9:15 to 12:00 and from 14:00 to 16:00, or send us an e-mail at AES@economie.fgov.be.

Answering the questions is done by ticking the answer that best describes your situation. In most cases there is only one answer possible for each question. If there is more than one possible answer, this will be indicated in the question as follows: "You may tick more than one answer".

We kindly request that you answer all questions. If the reference mentions a question number (for example: " → Go to question A3"), immediately continue to this question. The questions in between do not need to be answered.

Please go through the enclosed brochure before you answer the questionnaire.

Thank you in advance for your kind cooperation!

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION



In this section we will ask questions about you and your parents.

A1 - What is your legal marital status ?

- 1 Married → go to question A3
- 2 Legally cohabiting with a partner (with a cohabitation agreement) → go to question A3
- 3 Unmarried (never married, never legally cohabited)
- 4 Widowed (from a marriage or legal cohabitation)
- 5 Divorced, ended legal cohabitation, separated, legally separated

A2 - Do you live together with a partner ?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

A3 - What is the highest level of education you have successfully completed ?

Successfully completing a level of education is in principle rewarded by a certificate that is officially recognised by the Ministry of Education or the Ministry of Defence (diploma, certificate,...). Certificates obtained through 'Promotion Sociale', 'Sociale Promotie' or 'Sozialpromotion' are also included.

If you obtained your diploma abroad, please indicate this in the list below. If this is not possible, please describe your diploma in the category 'Other'.

- 0 No diploma or certificate → go to question A9
- 1 Primary education (regular or special), adult basic education → go to question A5
- 2 Lower general secondary education/secondary education of the 1st stage or general secondary education of the 2nd stage → go to question A5
- 3 Lower technical or artistic secondary education / technical or artistic secondary education of the 2nd stage → go to question A5
- 4 Lower vocational secondary education / vocational secondary education of the 2nd stage → go to question A5
- 5 Higher general secondary education / general secondary education of the 3rd stage → go to question A5
- 6 Higher technical or artistic secondary education / technical or artistic secondary education of the 3rd stage
- 7 Higher vocational secondary education / vocational secondary education of the 3rd stage; CEFA; apprenticeship (entrepreneurship training SYNTRA, IFAPME/EFPME/Classes Moyennes)
- 8 Post-secondary education, not higher: Vocational secondary education of the 4th stage, 7th year (3rd year of the 3rd stage) general/technical/artistic/vocational secondary education; entrepreneurship training SYNTRA, IFAPME
- 9 Non-university tertiary education, 1-cycle-programme, graduate (A1), professional bachelor, associate degree/ higher vocational education (HB05), bridging programme
- 10 Academic bachelor at a college for higher education
- 11 Academic bachelor at a university
- 12 Advanced or additional education after graduate or bachelor (specialisation, advanced bachelor's programme,...)
- 13 Non-university higher education, 2-cycle-programme – master, engineer, in a college for higher education
- 14 University higher education - master, engineer, doctor of medicine licenciate
- 15 Advanced or additional education after master, engineer or doctor of medicine (specialisation, advanced master's programme, teacher training,...)
- 16 Doctorate with doctoral thesis
- 17 Other (*describe and specify the level, if known*): _____

A4 - What is the field of the highest level of education you have successfully completed ?

If you have majored in several fields on the same level, please only mention the first field.

- 1 Teacher training & educational science
- 2 Arts, film, photography, graphic arts, music, artistic craft, performing arts, ...
- 3 Linguistics and literature (except foreign languages), philosophy, history, ...
- 4 Foreign languages
- 5 Psychology, sociology, political sciences, economic sciences, ...
- 6 Journalism, information, library, archive,...
- 7 Business, administration, management, accountancy, finance, insurance, marketing, secretarial work, ...
- 8 Law, notarial studies & criminology
- 9 Life sciences (biology, biochemistry, environmental sciences, ...)
- 10 Natural sciences (physics, chemistry, geology, geography, ...)
- 11 Mathematics & statistics
- 12 Computer science (development of computer systems and applications, programming, network management, ...)
- 13 Informatics (computer and software use)
- 14 Sciences (general, unless otherwise mentioned in the above entries)
- 15 Mechanics, electronics, electricity, engineer
- 16 Manufacturing industry: food, clothing, materials,...
- 17 Construction, architecture, land surveying, ...
- 18 Agriculture, forestry, fishery, veterinary sciences
- 19 Medical sciences, dentistry, nursing, pharmaceutical sciences, physiotherapy studies, ...

- 20 Social services: social worker, child care, applied social studies, ...
- 21 Personal services: hotel and catering, tourism, sports, hairdresser, beauty services, ...
- 22 Transport services
- 23 Other, please specify : _____

A5 - In which year did you successfully complete this highest level of education ?

Please give an estimation if you cannot remember the exact year.

A6 - After this highest level of education, did you receive and successfully complete additional education ?

This question refers to an additional, full diploma that is acknowledged by the Ministry of Education or Defence.

Short or modular training is not intended here (language courses, computer courses, etc.).

- 1 Yes
- 2 No → go to question A9

A7 - What is the level of the education/programme mentioned in A6 ?

Please note the level of education by using the answer options from question A3.

If you completed several additional education, please mention the most recent one.

A8 - What is the field of the education/programme mentioned in A6 ?

Please note the full name or field of the education/programme or describe its content.

If you completed several additional education/programmes, please mention the most recent one.

Uncompleted educations

A9 - For question A3 you mentioned the highest level of education you have successfully completed. Have you ever started education at a higher level than you mentioned in A3 that you did not finish ?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No → go to question A11

A10 - What level of education did you start ?

Please note the level of education by using the answer options from question A3.

Recognition of skills and competences

A11 - Have you ever started a procedure for recognition of prior learning (prior qualifications or competences) ?

Prior qualifications: every domestic or foreign proof of study that indicates that a formal learning pathway, educational or non-educational, has been successfully completed.

Prior competences: the collection of knowledge, insight, skills and attitudes gained through learning processes that were not confirmed by a proof of study.

- 1 Yes, I have already obtained my recognition of prior learning
- 2 Yes, the procedure is still ongoing
- 3 No → go to question A13

A12 - What were the most important reasons to start this accreditation procedure ?

You may tick more than one answer.

- 1 I have never followed education – this is my only proof of qualifications/competences
- 2 To receive access to formal education
- 3 To receive access to a higher level in formal education than my highest level of education (see question A3)
- 4 To receive exemption(s) for part of the education I have registered for/to shorten the duration of the studies
- 5 As added value in the search for a job
- 6 After demand by the (future) employer of proof of certain qualifications or competences
- 7 To increase my employability at work (professional mobility)
- 8 Other, please specify : _____

Parental education and occupation

A13 - What was the highest level of education that your father and mother (guardian(s)) had successfully completed when you were 16 years old ?

	Father	Mother
No education	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Primary education	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Lower secondary education	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Upper secondary education	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Higher non-university or university education	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Doctorate	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
Do not know	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>
No father/mother (or male/female legal guardian)	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>

A14 - What was the main occupation of your parents (guardian(s)) when you were 16 years old ?

If your parents (guardian(s)) had more than one occupation, please **describe in detail** the occupation they held the longest. Please note "no occupation" if they had no occupation at all when you were 16.

Occupation father (guardian): _____

Occupation mother (guardian): _____

B. LOOKING UP INFORMATION ON LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES



B1 - Have you looked up information on learning opportunities in the past 12 months ?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No → go to part C

B2 - Have you found this information ?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No → go to part C

B3 - Where or how have you found this information? You may tick more than one answer.

- 1 Internet
- 2 Family, neighbours, colleagues
- 3 Employer
- 4 Provider of career guidance services (including public employment agencies, e.g. VDAB, FOREM, ACTIRIS, ADG)
- 5 Educational or training institution (evening classes, university,...)
- 6 Mass media (e.g. TV, radio, newspapers, advertisements,...)
- 7 Books
- 8 Other, please specify: _____

C. PARTICIPATION IN EDUCATION AND TRAINING



This survey on adult education distinguishes between two types of learning: **formal learning** and **non-formal learning**. To find out whether your learning falls under formal or non-formal learning, please check against the following criteria :

FORMAL LEARNING	NON-FORMAL LEARNING
Diploma/certificate is always recognised by the Ministry of Education or the Ministry of Defence (Royal Military Academy)	Diploma/certificate is not necessarily granted and/or not recognised by a Ministry but may be required e.g. to practise a profession.
A teacher is always involved	
Offered by an institution/organisation (in Belgium or abroad)	
Full-time/part-time, evening/daytime, during/outside working hours, at own initiative or imposed (by someone else)	
Work-related / Personal interest or development / Spare time or hobby	
Training courses organised by formal educational institutions , for example by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adult Education/Education for Social Advancement (both secondary as well as higher education) in adult education centres/ Evening classes - 'Second chance' education - Schools, colleges for higher education - Open University - Basic adult education (for adults with a limited or unfinished educational career) - SYNTRA, IFAPME, EFPME, Classes Moyennes - RMA (Royal Military Academy) - Conservatory Following different trainings, courses, programmes, modules etc. are all possible.	Training courses that are usually organised outside the formal education system , for example by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - VDAB / FOREM / ACTIRIS / ADG - Employer (and/or his training unit) - Trade unions - Sectoral funds - Cultural and social organisations - Commercial organisations - Driving schools - Part-time artistic education (DKO), academy, etc. Following different trainings, courses, private tuition, seminars, workshops, on-the-job-training, vocational trainings (internal or external), correspondence courses, etc. are all possible.
Well-structured hierarchy of educational activities (ladder structure ¹ of educational activities).	Well-structured programme may exist, but no ladder structure
Usually long duration (several months)	Usually short duration (several hours or days)

¹This ladder structure means that moving up to a new level requires obtaining a diploma/certificate of the previous level.

*All questions in part C only refer to training you have followed in the **past 12 months!** It is possible that the training started before these past 12 months and/or still continue afterwards.*

FORMAL LEARNING

C1 - In the past 12 months, have you followed one or more formal education or training course(s) in one of the following institutions for formal education (for your work or for private purposes/hobby) ?

You may tick more than one answer.

- 1 School (primary or secondary)
- 2 College for higher education
- 3 University
- 4 Open University
- 5 Evening classes / adult education centre / Education for Social Advancement / 'Second chance' education
- 6 Centre for basic adult education
- 7 SYNTRA/IFAPME/EFPME/Classes Moyennes
- 8 Conservatory
- 9 Royal Military Academy (RMA)
- 10 Other institution for formal education, please specify: _____
- 11 I did not follow any formal education or training course → go to question C19

C2 - What is the full name and/or field of the education/programme(s) ?

If you followed more than 3 education/programme(s), please mention the 3 most recent ones.

1st education	_____
2nd education	_____
3rd education	_____

C3 - What are the start and end date of the complete education(s) ?

	Start date:	(Supposed) End date
1st education	___/___/_____	___/___/_____
2nd education	___/___/_____	___/___/_____
3rd education	___/___/_____	___/___/_____

C4/a - What is the total duration of the education(s) from start date to end date ?

If you cannot remember the total number of hours, please note the number of weeks and the number of hours per week.

Please give an estimation if you cannot remember the exact duration.

	Total duration	Duration per week
1st education	_____ hours	___ hours per week X ___ weeks
2nd education	_____ hours	___ hours per week X ___ weeks
3rd education	_____ hours	___ hours per week X ___ weeks

C4/b - If the education(s) was (were) on tertiary education level, for how many credits did you register ?

	Number of credits
1st education	_____ credits
2nd education	_____ credits
3rd education	_____ credits

C5 - Which of the educations you have listed is the most recent one ?

If you only followed one education, this will of course be the most recent one.

- 1 1st education 2 2nd education 3 3rd education

The following questions C6a to C18 only refer to the most recent formal education you followed.

C6/a - What is the level of education of this most recent education ?

If you cannot indicate the level, describe your education in the category 'Other' and note the exact name of the education provider.

- 1 Primary education, Adult Basic education
- 2 Secondary Education for Social Advancement, 'second chance' education, evening classes
- 3 Apprenticeship
- 4 Post-secondary education, not higher (the former 7th specialisation years)
- 5 Entrepreneurial training
- 6 Tertiary Education for Social Advancement
- 7 HBO5 (higher vocational education)
- 8 Professional bachelor
- 9 Academic bachelor (university college or university)
- 10 Master (university college or university)
- 11 Other, please specify : _____

→ If you have ticked answer 2, go to the next question. If not, go to question C7.

C6/b - If this most recent education is a modular education, which module, level or year did you follow (or are you following) and what is the total number of modules (levels or years) ?

If you cannot indicate the module, level or year or the total number of modules, describe your education in the category 'Other' and note the exact name of the education provider. Alternatively you can indicate if the education is at beginner or advanced level.

Current level/module/year	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>
Total number of modules/levels/years of the complete education	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other, please specify:	_____								
OR	<input type="checkbox"/> Beginner <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced								

C6/c - If this most recent education is a language course, which reference level did you follow or are you following ?

If you cannot indicate the level, describe your education in the category 'Other' and note the exact name of the education provider.

Reference level	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other, please specify:	_____			

C7 - Which teaching method is/was the predominant teaching method for this most recent education ?

- 1 Traditional education (face-to-face instruction e.g. in classrooms or in separate rooms functioning as classrooms)
- 2 Distance learning using computer/Internet
- 3 Distance learning using traditional teaching material (e.g. books)
- 4 Blended learning: face-to-face instruction + distance learning
- 5 Combined education: face-to-face instruction + practice
- 6 Other, please specify : _____

C8 - Can you indicate the reasons why you participated in this most recent education ?

You may tick more than one answer.

- 1 To perform better at work and/or improve career prospects
- 2 To minimise the risk of job loss
- 3 To improve chances of finding (or changing) a job/an occupation
- 4 To start my own business
- 5 I was obliged to participate
- 6 To acquire knowledge/skills that can be useful in my everyday life
- 7 To expand my knowledge/skills on a subject I am interested in
- 8 To obtain a certificate
- 9 To meet new people or for fun
- 10 Other, please specify : _____

C9 - Did this most recent education take place during paid working hours ?

Paid working hours include paid leave and recuperation.

- 1 Only during paid working hours
- 2 Usually during paid working hours
- 3 Usually outside paid working hours
- 4 Only outside paid working hours
- 5 I did not work during this period

C10 - How many hours have you actually attended this most recent education in the past 12 months ?

Try to exclude your absences.

hours → go to question C11b Do not know / Cannot remember → go to question C11a

C11/a - If you cannot remember the exact number of hours, what is the frequency of this most recent education and how many hours have you attended per week in the past 12 months ?

Please give an estimation if you cannot remember the exact frequency.

Duration of the education in number of weeks in the past 12 months : weeks

Number of attended hours per week : hours

C11/b - If this most recent education was on tertiary education level, for how many credits did you register ?

credits

C12 - Who paid for the tuition and examination fees, expenses for books or other material (computer, CDs, DVDs, software,...) of your most recent education ?

- 1 Fully paid by me → go to question C14
- 2 Partially paid by me and partially by somebody else → go to question C13
- 3 Fully paid by somebody else → go to question C13
- 4 I paid for the education but do not know if this was fully or partially and if somebody else also paid for this education (part or extra) → go to question C14

C13 - Who or what institution paid for the tuition and examination fees, expenses for books or other material (computer, CDs, DVDs, software,...), partially or entirely, of your most recent education ?

You may tick more than one answer.

- 1 Employer (or future employer)
- 2 Employment agency (VDAB, FOREM, ACTIRIS, ADG)
- 3 Other public service (e.g. training cheques or SME cheques issued by the Government,...)
- 4 Another household or family member
- 5 Do not know who paid
- 6 Other, please specify : _____

C14 - How much were the tuition and examination fees, expenses for books or other material (computer, CDs, DVDs, software,...) that you or another family member paid for your most recent education ?

_____ euro

C15 - To what extent have you used the acquired knowledge or skills from this most recent education and/or will you be using them (in your private life or at work) ?

- 1 A lot
- 2 A fair amount
- 3 Rather little
- 4 Not at all

C16 - Are you satisfied with this most recent education you have followed ?

- 1 Yes → go to question C18
- 2 No → go to question C17

C17 - What are the reasons why you are not satisfied with the most recent education you have followed ?

You may tick more than one answer.

- 1 Relevance/use
- 2 Level of education or pace too low
- 3 Level of education or pace too high
- 4 Quality of the education
- 5 Organisation of the education (location, materials, classrooms,...)
- 6 Other, please specify : _____

C18 - How or with what have the acquired knowledge/skills of this most recent education helped you or will they help you (now or in the future) ? *You may tick more than one answer.*

- 1 Find a (new) job
- 2 Get promoted in the current job
- 3 Pay-rise
- 4 Receive new assignments
- 5 Achieve better in the current job
- 6 Personal development (e.g. meeting other people, refreshing skills in general fields,...)
- 7 No outcomes / concrete results / additional value yet
- 8 No outcomes expected
- 9 The education is not finished yet
- 10 Other, please specify : _____

NON-FORMAL LEARNING

For the definition of non-formal learning - see again the table under point C and the brochure.
Trainings or education you have already mentioned under formal learning cannot be mentioned here again!

Also self-directed learning, exercises, use of additional study materials, homework etc. in the context of formal training or education cannot be mentioned here.

C19 - Below is a summary of some types of non-formal educational activities.

In the past 12 months, have you participated in one or several of these activities with the intention to improve your knowledge or skills in a certain field (for your **work or for **private purposes/hobby**) ?**

Type		Yes	No
A	Courses / formations / (professional) trainings (theory) or combined courses / trainings (theory and practice)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
B	Workshops, seminars, conferences, congresses, lectures, speeches , etc.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
C	Guided on-the-job-training (learning at work) is always organised by the employer in the (immediate) working environment by using normal tools of work. This includes: trainings, instructions or practical experience undertaken in the work place (guidance, instructions etc. on the activities of your enterprise/organisation or specific regulations on safety, health, machines, programmes etc.). Guided on-the-job trainings can therefore never be considered as 'distance learning' (through mail or electronically). The teacher is not necessarily the employer.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
D	Private lessons (one single paid provider who teaches one student (or a small group of students))	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>

→ If you have answered the above question with «No» 4 times, go to part D.

C20 - What is the exact name of ALL non-formal educational activities you have followed in the past 12 months and what type of activities are they?

Please list a maximum of 10 activities.

This may include VDAB/FOREM/ACTIRIS/ADG trainings, IT courses (Word, Excel,...), professional trainings (accountancy, marketing,...), language courses, driving schools etc. organised **outside the formal education system**.

Number of the activity	Name of the educational activity Please describe, e.g. Excel course (A), Climate Change seminar (B), user safety of a new production machine (C) etc.	Type of activity (A, B, C ou D) (see question C19)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		

C21 - Are these non-formal educational activities work-related or not ?

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity	4th activity	5th activity	6th activity	7th activity	8th activity	9th activity	10th activity
Mainly work-related	1 <input type="checkbox"/>									
Mainly not work-related (personal interest/hobby)	2 <input type="checkbox"/>									

* Remark: a 'guided on-the-job-training' (type C) is always work-related.

C22 - Did these non-formal educational activities take place during or outside paid working hours ?

Paid working hours include paid leave and recuperation.

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity	4th activity	5th activity	6th activity	7th activity	8th activity	9th activity	10th activity
Only during paid working hours	1 <input type="checkbox"/>									
Usually during paid working hours	2 <input type="checkbox"/>									
Usually outside paid working hours	3 <input type="checkbox"/>									
Only outside paid working hours	4 <input type="checkbox"/>									
I did not work during this period	5 <input type="checkbox"/>									

* Remark: a 'guided on-the-job-training' (type C) by definition only takes place during paid working hours.

C23 - Did your employer fully or partially finance these educational activities ?

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity	4th activity	5th activity	6th activity	7th activity	8th activity	9th activity	10th activity
Yes	1 <input type="checkbox"/>									
No	2 <input type="checkbox"/>									
I did not work during this period	3 <input type="checkbox"/>									
Do not know	4 <input type="checkbox"/>									

C24 - Which are the three most recent educational activities on the list in C20? Please note their numbers (1 to 10 in the first column of C20).

1st educational activity :	2nd educational activity :	3rd educational activity :
Number <input type="text"/>	Number <input type="text"/>	Number <input type="text"/>

Questions C25 to C38 only refer to these three most recent educational activities you have listed for question C24 in the same order.

C25 - What is the content or main topic of these three most recent activities ?

(e.g. languages, IT, cooking, crafts, child care, meeting techniques, assertiveness training etc.)

1st educational activity	<input type="text"/>
2nd educational activity	<input type="text"/>
3rd educational activity	<input type="text"/>

C26 - Which of the following teaching methods was the predominant teaching method for each educational activity ?

This question does not need to be answered if you have listed a workshop/seminar or guided on-the-job-training for question C24.

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
Traditional education (face-to-face instruction e.g. in classrooms or in separate rooms functioning as classrooms)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Distance learning by using a computer/the Internet	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Distance learning by using traditional teaching material (e.g. books)	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Blended learning: face-to-face instruction + distance learning	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Combined education: face-to-face instruction + practice	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other, please specify:	_____	_____	_____

C27 - Can you indicate for each educational activity why you participated in this activity ?

You may tick more than one answer.

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
To perform better at work and/or improve career prospects	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
To minimise the risk of job loss	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
To improve chances of finding (or changing) a job/an occupation	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
To start my own business	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
I was obliged to participate	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
To acquire knowledge/skills that can be useful in my everyday life	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
To expand my knowledge/skills on a subject I am interested in	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>
To obtain a certificate	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>
To meet new people or for fun	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other, please specify:	_____	_____	_____

C28 - How many hours have you actually attended each educational activity in the past 12 months ?

Try to exclude your absences.

1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
<input type="text" value=" _ _ _ "/> hours	<input type="text" value=" _ _ _ "/> hours	<input type="text" value=" _ _ _ "/> hours
<input type="checkbox"/> Do not know / Cannot remember	<input type="checkbox"/> Do not know / Cannot remember	<input type="checkbox"/> Do not know / Cannot remember

→ go to question C30

C29 - If you cannot remember the exact number of hours, please indicate the frequency of the followed educational activities and the number of hours attended per week in the past 12 months.

Please give an estimation if you cannot remember the exact frequency.

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
Duration of the activity in <u>number of weeks</u> in the past 12 months.	<input type="text" value=" _ _ "/> weeks	<input type="text" value=" _ _ "/> weeks	<input type="text" value=" _ _ "/> weeks
Number of <u>attended hours per week</u> :	<input type="text" value=" _ _ "/> hours	<input type="text" value=" _ _ "/> hours	<input type="text" value=" _ _ "/> hours

C30 - Who was the provider of each educational activity ?

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
Institution for formal education (e.g. a school, university college, university, adult education centre/Education for Social Advancement, basic education,...)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Educational institution that offers non-formal educations (e.g. academy, part-time artistic education, NHA or NTI home education,...)	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Private institution that does not have education and training as its main activity (e.g. supplier of equipment,...)	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Employer and/or his training unit	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Employer association, Chamber of Commerce	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Trade union	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
Non-profit organisation e.g. vzw/asbl, cultural organisation, political party, regional/local government,...	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>
Individuals (e.g. students/teachers offering private tuition)	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>
Non-commercial institution that does not have education and training as its main activity (e.g. libraries, museums, ministries, VDAB/FOREM/ACTIRIS/ADG,...)	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other, please specify:	_____	_____	_____

C31 - Did (or will) the educational activities lead to a certificate that is required by law, the professional organisation or the employer to carry out your current or future activities ?

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
Yes, required by the employer or the professional organisation or the law	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, but not required by the employer or the professional organisation or the law	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
No	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>

C32 - Who paid for the tuition and examination fees, expenses for books or other material (computer, CDs, DVDs, software,...) of the educational activities ?

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
Fully paid by me	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Partially paid by me and partially by somebody else	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Fully paid by somebody else (or free)	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
I paid for the educational activity but do not know if this was fully or partially and if somebody else also paid for this education (part or extra)	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>

→ If you answered «Fully paid by me» or «I paid for the educational activity but do not know...» to question C32, go to question C34 for the activities in question.

C33 - Who or what institution paid for the tuition and examination fees, expenses for books or other material (computer, CDs, DVDs, software,...), partially or entirely, of the educational activities ?

You may tick more than one answer.

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
Employer (or future employer)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Employment agency (VDAB, FOREM, ACTIRIS, ADG)	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other public service (e.g. training cheques or SME cheques issued by the Government,...)	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Another household or family member	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Do not know who paid	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other, please specify:	_____	_____	_____

* Remark: a guided on-the-job-training (type C) is normally paid entirely by the employer.

C34 - How much were the tuition and examination fees, expenses for books or other material (computer, CDs, DVDs, software,...) that you or another family member paid for these educational activities ?

1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
 euro	 euro	 euro

C35 - To what extent have you used the acquired knowledge or skills from these educational activities and/or will you be using them (in your private life or at work) ?

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
A lot	1 	1 	1 
A fair amount	2 	2 	2 
Rather little	3 	3 	3 
Not at all	4 	4 	4 

C36 - Are you satisfied with the educational activities you participated in ?

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
Yes	1 	1 	1 
No	2 	2 	2 

C37 - If 'No', what are the reasons why you are not satisfied with the activities you participated in ?

You may tick more than one answer.

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
Relevance/use	1 	1 	1 
Level of education/pace too low	2 	2 	2 
Level of education/pace too high	3 	3 	3 
Quality of the education	4 	4 	4 
Organisation of the education (location, materials, classrooms,...)	5 	5 	5 
Other, please specify:			

C38 - How or with what have the acquired knowledge/skills of these educational activities helped you or will they help you (now or in the future) ?

You may tick more than one answer.

	1st activity	2nd activity	3rd activity
Find a (new) job	1 	1 	1 
Get promoted in the current job	2 	2 	2 
Receive new assignments	3 	3 	3 
Achieve better in the current job	4 	4 	4 
Personal development (e.g. meeting other people, leisure, refreshing skills in general fields,...)	5 	5 	5 
No outcomes / concrete results / additional value yet	6 	6 	6 
No outcomes expected	7 	7 	7 
The education/activity is not finished yet	8 	8 	8 
Other, please specify:			

D. DIFFICULTIES RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN EDUCATION AND TRAINING



The following questions refer to formal and non-formal educations.

D1 - Are you satisfied with the extent to which you participated in education and training in the past 12 months ?

- 1 I did not participate in any education or training, but I would have wanted to. → go to question D3
- 2 I did not participate in any education or training, but I would not have wanted to. → go to question D2
- 3 I did participate in education or training, but I would have wanted to do more. → go to question D3
- 4 I did participate in education or training, but I would not have wanted to do more. → go to question D2

D2 - Were there specific reasons why you could/would not participate in (more) education or training (anymore) ?

- 1 No, there were no reasons that complicated my participation. → go to question E1
- 2 No, I do not need (additional) education or training. → go to question E1
- 3 Yes, certain reasons complicated my participation. → go to question D3

D3 - Which of the following reasons explain why you could/would not participate in (more) education or training (anymore)? Use column A to answer. You may tick more than one answer.

	A	B
I did not meet the requirements/have the required prior knowledge	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
The education was too expensive/I could not pay the costs	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of support from the employer or from the public services (e.g. employment agencies (VDAB, FOREM, ACTIRIS, ADG) etc.)	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
The education conflicted with my work schedule/was organised at an inconvenient time	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
There was no education offered at close proximity	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
No access to the Internet or to a computer for distance learning	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
I did not have time due to family responsibilities	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>
My health or age	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other personal reasons	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of suitable educational or training activity	10 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>
None of the above	11 <input type="checkbox"/>	11 <input type="checkbox"/>
Other, please specify :	_____	_____

D4 - If you have indicated more than one reason in column A, which is the most important reason? Please use column B of D3.

E. INFORMAL LEARNING



Next to formal and non-formal learning, there is also informal learning. This can be guided as well as independent. This type of learning is not as organised as formal and non-formal learning, but happens **intentionally and planned**. People can learn from colleagues, in the family, from experts (at work) or independently. Informal learning, then, is **not** offered by an institution or organisation.

Educations or activities you have already mentioned under formal and non-formal learning cannot be mentioned here again!

Also self-directed learning, repetition of previous courses, use of additional study material and homework for a formal or non-formal education cannot be mentioned here!

E1 - In the past 12 months and except for the activities mentioned already, have you intentionally tried to learn something yourself with the aim of improving or expanding your knowledge or skills? If yes, please indicate the predominant learning method for the two most recent activities or topics you have learned. These may be both work-related learning activities as well as learning activities undertaken in your spare time or as a hobby.

There is only one answer possible for each activity.

Careful: it should be an intentional and planned learning process (and not random learning)! This means that the intention to learn something must be present beforehand (before the learning process started). Simply surfing the internet in an unstructured way should for example be excluded.

	1st activity	2nd activity
Yes, learning from a family member, friend or colleague/boss (coaching)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, by using books, specialist magazines,...	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, by using a computer/the Internet	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, from TV/radio/video/DVD	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, from guided visits to museums, historical, industrial or nature landscapes	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, by visiting libraries, learning centres, multimedia libraries, fairs,...	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, by using another method, please specify:	_____	_____
	go to question E2 ←	
No, I did not learn anything by using the above methods	8 <input type="checkbox"/> → go to question F1	

E2 - Please describe these (two) most recent activities or topics you have learned.

(e.g. health, computers, languages, agriculture, etc.)

1st most recent activity (or topic) learned by informal learning:

2nd most recent activity (or topic) learned by informal learning:

E3 - For each educational activity, please indicate if it is work-related or not.

	1st activity	2nd activity
Mainly work-related	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Mainly not work-related (personal interest/hobby)	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>

F1 - Which of the following computer-related activities have you already done ?

You may tick more than one answer.

- 0 I have never used a computer

- 1 Copying or moving a file or folder
- 2 Copying and moving a text in a document with 'copy+paste'
- 3 Using simple formulas in a spreadsheet
- 4 Compressing (or zipping) files
- 5 Connecting and installing new hardware (e.g. modem)
- 6 Writing a computer programme using a programming language
- 7 Transferring files between the computer and other devices (e.g. from a digital camera, from/to a mobile phone, mp3/mp4 player, ...)
- 8 Editing or checking configuration parameters of software appliances (except for Internet browsers)
- 9 Creating electronic presentations using presentation software (e.g. slides) and adding images, sound, video or graphs
- 10 Installing a new or replacing an old operating system (e.g. Windows, UNIX, Mac OS, etc.)
- 11 Other, please specify : _____

F2 - Which of the following Internet-related activities have you already done?

You may tick more than one answer.

- 0 I have never used the Internet

- 1 Searching for information using a search engine (e.g. Google, Altavista, Yahoo, ...)
- 2 Sending e-mails with attachments (documents, pictures,...)
- 3 Posting messages in chat rooms, news groups or online discussion forums (e.g. MSN, YouTube, Twitter, Facebook,...)
- 4 Making telephone calls over the Internet (e.g. Skype, JustVoip, ...)
- 5 Exchanging files, music etc. over a peer-to-peer exchange network (e.g. BitTorrent, Gnutella, Napster, FastTrack, ...)
- 6 Creating a website
- 7 Uploading text, games, images, movies or music to a website
- 8 Changing the security settings of Internet browsers
- 9 Other, please specify : _____

G. KNOWLEDGE OF LANGUAGES



G1 - What is your mother tongue ?

'Mother tongue' refers to the first language learned at home during childhood and that is still understood or used (the mother tongue is not necessarily the same as the 'language of the mother'). The mother tongue is rather the language that has been (since childhood) and is still used to communicate (with each other at home). The 'language of the father' may also be the most used language in the family. There are also cases where both languages are used equally (i.e. two mother tongues, e.g. a Belgian mother and English father).

Mother tongue: _____ (possible 2nd mother tongue): _____

→ If you only speak your mother tongue, go to question H1.

G2 - What other languages do you know (except the mother tongue) ? Start with the languages you know best :

1st language: _____ 5th language: _____
 2nd language: _____ 6th language: _____
 3rd language: _____ 7th language: _____
 4th language: _____

G3 - To what level do you master the two best known languages (except the mother tongue)?

This refers to the 1st and 2nd language from question G2.

You can only tick one answer per language.

Level		1st language	2nd language
I	I can understand and use the most frequent common expressions. I use this language in familiar topics and circumstances.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
II	I can understand the gist of a clear language and I can produce simple texts. I can describe experiences and events and communicate rather fluently.	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
III	I can understand complicated texts and I can use the language fluently. I have mastered the language almost completely (on native level).	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>

H. INCOME



H1 - What is the net monthly income of your household (the collective income of all household members) ?

Household members are all people whose regular residence is the address of this household and who have stayed (or have the intention of staying) at least 1 year in this household. Additionally these people must also contribute to the expenses of this household and/or make use of them.

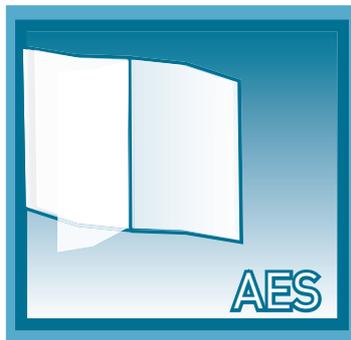
If you do not know the exact amount, please give an estimate. If the income varies between months, please give an average. The following sources of income are among others included:

- wages, salaries, operating income (including bonuses for overtime hours, night or weekend shifts, tips, commission,...)
- social benefits or replacement incomes (unemployment, retirement, illness, child allowance, scholarships, living wage, housing benefit, career break/parental leave,...)
- revenue from capital, income from investments (letting of property, shares, savings,...)

_____ euro per month

H2 - If you cannot mention an amount, can you indicate the net monthly income of your household in the below income range overview ?

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Less than € 250 | 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 2.000 – € 2.499 |
| 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 250 – € 499 | 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 2.500 – € 2.999 |
| 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 500 – € 999 | 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 3.000 – € 3.999 |
| 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 1.000 – € 1.499 | 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 4.000 – € 4.999 |
| 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 1.500 – € 1.999 | 10 <input type="checkbox"/> € 5.000 or more |



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