

Understanding Society User Support - Support #1960

EU referendum questions

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| Hi, | | | |
| I have a couple of questions about the EU referendum questions in the survey: | | | |
| 1. The variable j_euref (wave 10) is mostly missing and does not appear in the questionnaire. Why is this? | | | |
| 2. For euref in waves 11 and 12 I see this text in the questionnaire 'This module was included for certain dates only, please see User Guide for details.' But can't find any details of this in the user guide. Why wasn't it presented to all respondents? Apologies if I'm missing something here? | | | |
| Many thanks, Albert | | | |

History

#1 - 08/17/2023 02:12 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Category set to Data documentation
- Status changed from New to In Progress
- % Done changed from 0 to 10
- Private changed from Yes to No

Many thanks for your enquiry. The Understanding Society team is looking into it and we will get back to you as soon as we can. We aim to respond to simple queries within 48 hours and more complex issues within 7 working days.

Best wishes,
Understanding Society User Support Team

#2 - 08/21/2023 02:20 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from In Progress to Feedback
- % Done changed from 10 to 50

Hello Albert,

You can review the questionnaire in the questionnaire module section at

<https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/questionnaire-modules>

Here is the link for wave 10:

https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/10/questionnaire-module/scaeureferendum_w10

Although the self-completion EU referendum module was originally intended for Waves 11 and 12, as outlined in the long-term content plan available at <https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/sites/default/files/downloads/general/long-term-content-plan.pdf>, it was ultimately included in Wave 10. However, it's important to note that the module questionnaire wasn't administered during interviews in year 1 sample (2018), accounting for the observed missing observations.

Regarding your second question, at the end of the user guides, specifically, where the content highlights are shown you will find the following information:

*EU Referendum

Wave 12 - * NOTE: Political behaviour content was included for part of Wave 12 to capture the European Elections in May 2019 and the General election in December 2019.

Wave 11 - * NOTE: Political behaviour content was added mid-way in Wave 11 to capture the European Elections in May 2019 and the General election in December 2019.

These dates correspond to the details mentioned in "This module was included for certain dates only, please see User Guide for details."

I hope this information is helpful.

Best wishes,
Roberto Cavazos
Understanding Society User Support Team

#3 - 08/21/2023 03:17 PM - Albert Ward

Hi Roberto,

Thank you, that's very helpful.

It's a bit odd that the survey would only ask a question about past voting choice when another election is held, but I guess there's nothing I can do about that.

By the way, the `j_euref` variable isn't visible on the pdf questionnaires supplied with the data from UKDS, in case you want to update that.

Thanks again,
Albert

#4 - 11/30/2023 01:25 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- *Status changed from Feedback to Resolved*

- *% Done changed from 50 to 100*