VU22 CSES questionnaire

Society and politics

1. How interested would you say you are in politics?

Very interested	Somewhat interested	Not very interested	Not at all interested
☐	☐	☐	☐

2. During the recent election campaign, in a typical week, how many days did you:

	None	1 day	2 days	3 days	4 days	5 days	6 days	7 days
Watch the news on Swedish Television (SVT)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Watch the news on TV4	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Listen to the news Swedish Radio (SR)?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Read newspapers, regardless of whether you read them in print or online?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Visit online news sites?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Use social media such as Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

3. And how often during a typical day did you use social media such as Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter to follow news about parties and candidates?

☐ I do not use social media daily → *Go to question 4*

Only about once per day	Several times per day	At least ten times per day
☐	☐	☐

4. What is your opinion on the following statement?

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
You feel you understand the most important political issues of this country	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

5. And what is your opinion on the following statements?

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
Democracy is always and under all circumstances preferable to any other kind of government	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The courts should be able to stop the government acting beyond its authority	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Having a strong leader in government is good for Sweden even if the leader bends the rules to get things done.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Policies to increase the representation of women in politics have gone too far.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

6. Instead of elected politicians, the country would be run better if important political decisions were left up to:

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
…successful business leaders	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
…independent experts	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
…citizens in referendums	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

7. Where would you place Sweden on the following scale?

Sweden is not at all democratic

Sweden is completely democratic

0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐

8. How much trust do you have in the following institutions and groups?

	Trust a lot	Trust somewhat	Do not trust very much	Do not trust at all
Parliament	☐	☐	☐	☐
The government	☐	☐	☐	☐
The judiciary	☐	☐	☐	☐
Scientists	☐	☐	☐	☐
The political parties	☐	☐	☐	☐
Traditional news media, such as newspapers, television or radio?	☐	☐	☐	☐
Social media such as Facebook, Instagram & Twitter	☐	☐	☐	☐
Swedish Election Authority	☐	☐	☐	☐

9. How good or bad a job do you think the government did over the past four years?

Very good job	Good job	Bad job	Very bad job
☐	☐	☐	☐

10. How good or bad a job do you think the government has done in handling the consequences of the coronavirus pandemic?

Very good job	Good job	Bad job	Very bad job
☐	☐	☐	☐

The parliamentary election 2022

11. Are there any issues that are important to you when it comes to choosing which party to vote for/have you voted for in the parliamentary election on the 11th of September? Which issues?
State three questions at most.

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12. Did you vote in the parliamentary election this year?

☐ Yes → **Which party did you vote for?**
☐ No (*Go to question 13*)
☐ Do not want to answer

☐ Left Party (V)
☐ Social democrats (S)
☐ Centre Party (C)
☐ The Liberals (L)
☐ Moderate Party (M)
☐ Christian Democrats (KD)
☐ Green Party (MP)
☐ Sweden Democrats (SD)

☐ Other party *(State which):*

☐ Blank
☐ Do not want to answer

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13. It is possible to preference vote by putting a cross ahead of one of the candidates on the ballot. Did you use the opportunity to preference vote in the parliamentary election?

Yes	No	I did not vote in this year's parliamentary election
☐	☐	☐

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14. Are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied, or not at all satisfied with your decision to vote for the party you voted for in the last election?

If you voted blank or did not vote, mark how satisified you are with that decision

Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Not very satisfied	Not at all satisfied
☐	☐	☐	☐

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15. Are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied, or not at all satisfied with the variety of choice in the election?

Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Not very satisfied	Not at all satisfied
☐	☐	☐	☐

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16. When did you decide which party you would like to vote for in this year's parliamentary election?

☐ I decided during the last week before the election day
☐ I decided earlier, during the fall or summer
☐ I knew all along how I were to vote
☐ I did not vote in this year's parliamentary election

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17. Did you vote early in this year's parliamentary election? If you did vote early, did you do it during the last week before the election or did you vote even earlier during the election campaign?

☐ Yes, I voted early during the last week before the election day

☐ Yes, I voted early even earlier during the election campaign

☐ No, I voted in a polling station on the election day

☐ No, I did not vote in this year's parliamentary election

18. If you voted early in the election, did you vote in an early voting polling station in the municipality where you live or in another municipality?

☐ I voted early in the municipality where I live

☐ I voted early in another municipality than where I live (*State which*): ☐

☐ I voted in my polling station on election day

☐ I did not vote in this year's parliamentary election

19. Where did you get the ballot that you used when voting?

☐ I took the ballot at the polling station

☐ I got the ballot from a party representative outside the polling station/early voting polling station

☐ The ballot was sent to my home

☐ Different way: ☐

☐ Do not know/do not remember

20. When you think of your visit at the polling station or the early voting polling station, how well do these descriptions describe your visit?

	Completely accurate	Somewhat accurate	Somewhat inaccurate	Completey inaccurate	No opinion
The polling station was easy to find	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
I felt welcome at the polling station	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
There were long lines at the polling station	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The poll workers gave clear information	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The polling station was crowded	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Other voters acted threateningly or disturbing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The poll workers upheld good order inside the polling station	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It was possible to take ballot papers without others seeing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Ballot papers were missing for some parties	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
One person at a time went in behind the voting screens	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Other: ☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

21. About how long did your visit to the polling station/early voting polling station take?
Count from when you first got in line until you left the polling station

My visit to the polling station took about ☐ minutes

☐ Do not know/do not remember

22. How much trust do you have in democratic elections in Sweden being administered correctly?

Very high trust	Somewhat high trust	Neither high nor low trust	Somewhat low trust	Very low trust	No opinion
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

23. Did you vote in the 2018 parliamentary election?

☐ Yes → **Which party did you vote for in the 2018 parliamentary election?**

☐ No (*Go to question 24*)

☐ Do not remember

☐ Not eligible to vote in 2018

☐ Left Party
☐ Social Democrats
☐ Centre Party
☐ The Liberals
☐ Moderate Party
☐ Christian Democrats
☐ Green Party
☐ Sweden Democrats
☐ Other party (*State which*):

☐ Blank
☐ Do not remember
☐ Do not want to answer

24. Some people say that no matter who people vote for, it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the following scale, where would you place yourself?

Who people vote for won't make any difference to what happens				Who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens
1	2	3	4	5
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Parties and leaders

25. What do you think about the political parties? Where would you like to place the following parties on the scale below?

	Strongly dislike										Strongly like
	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3	+4	+5
Centre Party	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Moderate Party	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Left Party	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The Liberals	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Social Democrats	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Green Party	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Christian Democrats	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Sweden Democrats	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

26. Where on the same scale would you like to place the following party leaders?

	Strongly dislike -5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3	+4	Strongly like +5
Annie Lööf	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Ulf Kristersson	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Nooshi Dadgostar	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Johan Pehrson	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Magdalena Andersson	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Märta Stenevi	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Per Bolund	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Ebba Busch	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Jimmie Åkesson	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

27. In politics people sometimes refer to left and right. Where do you place the parties on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means the left and 10 means the right?

	Left 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Right 10
The Liberals	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Social Democrats	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Moderate Party	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Left Party	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Centre Party	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Green Party	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Christian Democrats	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Sweden Democrats	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Where would you place yourself on this scale?

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Covid-19

28. According to your assessment, how has the Covid-19 pandemic affected the following things?

	Very positively	Fairly positively	Neither positively nor negatively	Fairly negatively	Very negatively
The social cohesion in Sweden	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
How the Swedish democracy works	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Your personal economic situation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The health of your family, among your friends and colleagues	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The Swedish economy	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The image of Sweden in the rest of the world	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

29. Do you think that the restrictions employed by public agencies and politicians in Sweden because of Covid-19 have been too strict, appropriate, or insufficient? The restrictions have been…

Far too strict	Somewhat too strict	Appropriate	Somewhat insufficient	Far too insufficient
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

30. To the best of your knowledge, have you or anyone living with you been infected with the coronavirus?

Yes	No	Do not know	Do not want to answer
☐	☐	☐	☐

Partisanship

31. Do you usually think of yourself as close to any particular party?

☐ Yes (*Go to question 32*)
☐ No

32. Do you feel yourself a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?

☐ Yes (*Go to question 33*)
☐ No

33. Which party do you feel closest to?

☐ Left Party (V)
☐ Social Democrats (S)
☐ Centre Party (C)
☐ The Liberals (L)
☐ Moderate Party (M)
☐ Christian Democrats (KD)
☐ Green Party (MP)
☐ Sweden Democrats (SD)
☐ Other party: ☐

And do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?

☐ Very close
☐ Somewhat close
☐ Not very close

34. Are you a member of a political party or any other political organization?

☐ Yes (*state which*): ☐
☐ No

35. Is there any party that you would <u>never</u> vote for?

V	S	C	L	M	KD	MP	SD	
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐ Other party: ☐

☐ No
☐ Do not know

Elections and democracy

36. On the whole, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in Sweden?

Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Not very satisfied	Not at all satisfied
☐	☐	☐	☐

37. In some countries, people believe that the elections are conducted fairly. In other countries, people believe that elections are conducted unfairly. Thinking of the election that just occured in Sweden, where would you place it on the following scale?

Election was conducted unfairly				Election was conducted fairly
1	2	3	4	5
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

38. Before the election this year:

	Yes, several times	Yes, a few times	No
Did you try to convince any member of your family, friend or other person to vote in this year's election?	☐	☐	☐
Did any member of your family or someone else in your immediate surrounding try to convince you to vote in this year's election?	☐	☐	☐

39. According to your assessment, how good is your knowledge of politics?

Very good	Quite good	Not very good	Not good at all
☐	☐	☐	☐

Values and ideology

40. What is your opinion on the following proposals?

	Very good proposal	Fairly good proposal	Neither good nor bad proposal	Fairly bad proposal	Very bad proposal
Lower the taxes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Reduce the income differences in society	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Increase the proportion of health care services run by private interest	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Significantly increase the severity of prison sentences for criminals	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Accept fewer refugees into Sweden	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Profiting should not be allowed within tax-financed healthcare, education nor social services	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Reduce defense expenditure	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Sweden should be a member in NATO	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

And what is your opinion on the following proposals?

	Very good proposal	Fairly good proposal	Neither good nor bad proposal	Fairly bad proposal	Very bad proposal
Sweden should adopt the Euro as currency	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Raise fuel taxes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Abolish the tax deduction for domestic and domestic-related services (RUT)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Sweden should abolish nuclear power in the long run	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Introduce school grades in discipline and conduct	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Redistribute more resources from rich to poor municipalities	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Introduce visitation zones in areas exposed to criminality	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Remove the qualifying day for sick pay (karensdagen)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

41. What is your attitude to EU in general?

Very positive	Fairly positive	Neither positive nor negative	Fairly negative	Very negative	No opinion
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

42. What is your attitude to NATO in general?

Very positive	Fairly positive	Neither positive nor negative	Fairly negative	Very negative	No opinion
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

43. Below is a list with proposals of different kinds of societies some people think we should aim for in the future in Sweden. What do you think about these proposals?

	Very bad proposal				Neither good nor bad proposal					Very good proposal	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Aim for an environmentally friendly society even if it means lowered material standard of living	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Aim for a multicultural society with a great tolerance towards people from other countries with other religions and ways of life	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Aim for a society where the rights of homo-, bi-and transsexuals are strengthened	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Aim for a society where power is reallocated from men as a group to women as a group	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Aim for a society where civic organizations and voluntary actions play a greater role	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

44. The percentage of women in parliament after the election 2018 is 46 percent. Thinking about this percentage, would you say that it is too high, too low or about right?

- ☐ Too high
- ☐ Too low
- ☐ About right

45. Who is better suited to lead the country during an economic crisis: male political leaders, female political leaders, or both equally?

- ☐ Always male political leaders
- ☐ Usually male political leaders
- ☐ Usually female political leaders
- ☐ Always female political leaders
- ☐ Male and female political leaders are equally suited

46. Who is better suited to lead the country during a public health crisis: male political leaders, female political leaders, or both equally?

- ☐ Always male political leaders
- ☐ Usually male political leaders
- ☐ Usually female political leaders
- ☐ Always female political leaders
- ☐ Male and female political leaders are equally suited

47. How fairly or not do you think that all groups in society are treated in Sweden?

Very fairly	Quite fairly	Not very fairly	Not at all fairly
☐	☐	☐	☐

48. How well do you think that our political system guarantees adequate healthcare for all citizens?

Very well	Quite well	Not very well	Not well at all
☐	☐	☐	☐

The economy

49. What is your view on the current economic situation in Sweden?

Very good	Fairly good	Neither good nor bad	Fairly bad	Very bad
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

50. Has the economic situation in Sweden improved, stayed the same or deteriorated, if you compare with the situation <u>12 months ago</u>?

Improved a lot	Somewhat improved	Neither improved nor deteriorated	Somewhat deteriorated	Deteriorated a lot
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

51. What is the rough estimate of the combined annual income before taxes of <u>all individuals in your household</u>? (pensions, student grants etc. included).

- ☐ 100 000 or less
- ☐ 100 001 – 200 000
- ☐ 200 001 – 300 000
- ☐ 300 001 – 400 000
- ☐ 400 001 – 500 000
- ☐ 500 001 – 600 000
- ☐ 600 001 – 700 000
- ☐ 700 001 – 800 000
- ☐ 800 001 – 900 000
- ☐ 900 001 – 1 000 000
- ☐ 1 000 001 – 1 100 000
- ☐ More than 1 100 000

Working life

52. Which of the groups do you currently belong to?
Multiple groups can be selected

- ☐ Gainfully employed (also on sick leave or parental leave)
- ☐ Work/training in employment policy measures
- ☐ Seeking work/unemployed
- ☐ Old age pensioner/retired/agreement pensioner
- ☐ Have sickness and activity compensation (former early retirement pension, sickness allowances)
- ☐ Student
- ☐ Other: ____

53. What is your occupation?
If you are not currently working, the question is concerning your former main occupation

Occupation: ____

☐ Have never had an occupation → *Go to question 58*

54. Which of the following occupational groups do you belong/belonged to?

- ☐ White-collar worker
- ☐ White-collar worker with a leading organizational function
- ☐ White-collar worker with an executive function
- ☐ Blue-collar worker
- ☐ Blue-collar worker with a leading function
- ☐ Farmer
- ☐ Self-employed: no employees
- ☐ Self-employed: 1-9 employees
- ☐ Self-employed: 10 or more employees
- ☐ Other: ____

55. Is/was your employment for an indefinite or fixed term?

Permanently employment	Time-limited employment	I am self-employed
☐	☐	☐

56. On average, how many hours do/did you work per week?

Full time	Part time, at least 15 hours a week	Part time, less than 15 hours a week
☐	☐	☐

57. Do you work/ did you work in the public or private sector?

State service	Local government service	Regional government service	Private sector	Non-profit organization or foundation
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

58. Are you a member of any trade union or organization for entrepreneurs or any other professional organization?

☐ Yes (*state the entire name*):

☐ No

Finally, a few questions about yourself

59. Are you:

☐ Female ☐ Male

60. In which year where you born?

Year: ____

61. In which type of area do you live?

☐ Large city: city centre
☐ Large city: outer area/suburb
☐ City: city centre
☐ City: outer area/suburb
☐ Larger town
☐ Small town
☐ Countryside

62. Where have you, your father and your mother <u>primarily</u> grown up?

	You	Your father	Your mother
Countryside in Sweden	☐	☐	☐
Small town in Sweden	☐	☐	☐
City or larger town in Sweden	☐	☐	☐
Stockholm, Gothenburg or Malmö	☐	☐	☐
Another Nordic country	☐	☐	☐
Another country in Europe	☐	☐	☐
Country outside of Europe	☐	☐	☐

63. How do you currently live?

In a single-family home/townhouse	In an apartment/multi-dwelling building	Other accommodation
☐	☐	☐

64. Do you or someone else in your household, own or rent the property where you currently live?

Owned property	First hand rental contract	Second hand rental contract
☐	☐	☐

65. If you were to describe your current home, which of the categories below would you consider as the most appropriate?

☐ Working-class home
☐ Farmer home
☐ White-collar middle-class home
☐ White-collar higher middle-class home/academic home
☐ Entrepreneur home
☐ Other:

66. If you were to describe your current home, which of the alternatives below suits you the best?

☐ I live alone → *Go to question 67*

☐ I live with / regularly share my household with:

	Yes	No
One adult	☐	☐
Several adults	☐	☐
One or several children	☐	☐

If you regularly share your household with children, how many and in which ages are they?

Number of children: ☐	...aged:	0-3 years	4-6 years	7-15 years	16-18 years
		☐	☐	☐	☐

67. Which language is mainly spoken in your current home?

☐ Swedish ☐ Other language: ☐

68. What is your marital status?

Single	In a relationship	Cohabitant	Married/ partnership	Widow/widower
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

69. Are you currently studying for a degree or a vocational qualification?

Yes, full time	Yes, part time	No
☐	☐	☐

70. Which is your highest level of education?

☐ Primary school or equivalent, shorter than 9 years
☐ Primary school or equivalent, 9 years or longer
☐ Upper secondary school, folk high-school, junior secondary school (or equivalent), shorter than 3 years
☐ Upper secondary school, folk high-school, junior secondary school (or equivalent), 3 years or longer
☐ Tertiary education, not college/university, shorter than 3 years
☐ Tertiary education, not college/university, 3 years or longer
☐ College/university, shorter than 3 years
☐ College/university, 3 years or longer but shorter than 4 years
☐ College/university, 4 years or longer
☐ Postgraduate education

71. Do you have any religious belief or religious affiliation?

☐ Yes, (*state which*): ☐
☐ No

72. How often have you been doing the following activities during the past 12 months?

	Never	Some occasion during the past 12 months	Some occasion during the past 6 months	Some occasion during the past 3 months	Some occasion during the past month	Some occasion during the week	Several times a week
Attended worship or religious meeting	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Traded on the stock market	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Discussed politics	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Spent time with friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Driven a car	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Eaten meat	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Donated money to a humanitarian organization	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Taken part in a demonstration	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Traveled abroad	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Taken contact with a politician	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Used social media, for example Facebook, Twitter or Instagram	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Thank you for answering the survey!

By completing this survey, you are consenting to participate in the Swedish National Election Survey 2022 and to the processing of personal data as described in the research information.

Please do not forget to mail the survey.