Instructions to users: the numbering of the questions is not sequential, and openended questions are not part of the standard file due to space constraints. They are available upon request. For questions with sub-items, such as Q63, each sub-item is listed with a sequential underscore, e.g. Q63_1. Q63_2, Q63_3, etc.

Welcome to the party membership survey of the University of Gothenburg. This survey aims at discovering what party members in Sweden think about their engagement, Swedish politics and their political party. The survey will take about 25 minutes. The answers are anonymous and are only used for statistical analyses. Neither your party nor we as researchers can match the results with individual respondents. Thank you for your participation in the survey!

First we would like to ask you a few questions on your membership and your thoughts on [PARTY].

Q61

In what year did you first become a member of <PARTY> (if necessary approx.) In year _ _ _ _

• Don't know (anymore)

Q63

How important were the following reasons for enrolling in [PARTY]?

	Not	Not very	Somewha	Very	Don't
	importan	importan	t	importan	know/Won'
	t at all	t	important	t	t say
To meet interesting	0	0	0	0	0
people and extend my	-	_	_	-	_
social life / participate					
in social activities					
Customary in my	0	0	0	0	0
environment					
Continuation of other	0	0	0	0	0
engagements (trade					
union, association)					
Someone asked me to	0	0	0	0	0
(family/friend/colleague					
)					
To get a better	0	0	0	0	0
understanding of					
politics					
To meet politically like-	0	0	0	0	0
minded people					
A belief in what	0	0	0	0	0
<party> stands for</party>					
I wanted to influence	0	0	0	0	0
party policy on a					
particular issue at the					

local level					
I wanted to influence	0	0	0	0	0
party policy on a					
particular issue at the					
national level					
Because I had a great	0	0	0	0	0
appreciation of the					
leader of the party					
(national)					
Because I had a great	0	0	0	0	0
appreciation of the					
leader of the party					
(local)					
I wanted to pursue a	0	0	0	0	0
political career in the					
party					
I thought it would help	0	0	0	0	0
my career					

Political parties pursue particular goals and values. On this point there are differences among parties. Below is a list of goals.

- 1. Promote individual freedom
- 2. Constructing a multicultural society
- 3. The defence of social equality and social justice
- 4. The defence of the nation
- 5. Strive for clean and sustainable environment
- 6. Strive for more participation and democracy
- 7. Preserve the rule of law
- 8. Promote economic growth
- 9. Improving the country's economic competitiveness

Which of these goals should be the most important for <PARTY> in your opinion?

Goal 1:.... And which goal for <PARTY> should be in second place? Goal 2:... And which goal for <PARTY> should be in third place? Goal 3:...

Don't know/Won't say.

Q91

Generally speaking, how satisfied are you with the following aspects of your party?

Not at	Not	Neither	Somewhat	2	Don't Know/Wan't
all satisfied	satisfied	satisfied, nor	satisfied	satisfied	Know/Won't Say
		satisfied			-

	1	2	3	4	5	
Satisfaction	0	0	0	0	0	0
with						
ideological						
orientation /						
project of the						
party						
Satisfaction	0	0	0	0	0	0
with the						
leadership						
Satisfaction	0	0	0	0	0	0
with the						
functioning						
of the						
organization						
(role granted						
to members,						
rights &						
obligations)						

Q46.

Some people say that all political parties look after certain groups and are not so concerned about others. How closely do you think <PARTY> looks after the interests of ... (give your own opinion): Please tick one box only for each group

	Very closely	Fairly closely	Not very closely	Not at all closely	Don't Know/Won't say
Working class	0	0	0	0	0
Self-employed	0	0	0	0	0
Trade unions	0	0	0	0	0
Immigrants	0	0	0	0	0
Woman	0	0	0	0	0
Homosexuals, that is gays and lesbians	0	0	0	0	0
Seniors	0	0	0	0	0
Young people	0	0	0	0	0

Q65

In a broad sense, what do you gain from your party membership? (2: a lot; 1: a little; 0: not at all; 99: Don't Know/Won't say)

- 1. Money and material rewards____
- 2. Positions and honours____
- 3. Friends____
- 4. Interesting discussions____
- 5. The sense that you help others____
- 6. The satisfaction to influence the politics of your country____

- 7. The privilege of meeting interesting people____
- 8. The opportunity to become a politician____
- 9. The sense that your life has more meaning____
- 10. The sense that you are a good citizen____

Do you currently or have you in the past held any public office representing the party (e.g. local councillor, mayor, MP, etc.) or any position within the party organization (e.g. local branch treasurer/secretary, etc.)? If yes, please specify which and on which level.

O No

O Yes, I am/was____

O Don't remember/ won't say.

Q68

Have you ever been or tried to be nominated for office on the behalf of <PARTY>?

	Been	Tried to be	Neither been	Don't
	nominated	nominated	nominated nor tried	Know/Won't say
Local	0	0	0	0
level				
National	0	0	0	0
level				

Q70

If someone from the party asked you, would you then consider to get nominated as a candidate to

	Yes	Yes, maybe	No	Do not know/won't say
Local elections	0	0	0	0
Local party chapter functions	0	0	0	0
National elections	0	0	0	0
National party functions	0	0	0	0

Q72

Are you currently or have you ever been a member of any group within the party? (e.g. Youth, Women, Senior organizations) (Please tick one box in each row)

	I have	I have been a	I am	Don't			
	NEVER been	member of	CURRENTLY a	Know/Won't			
	a member of	this group in	member of this	say			
	such groups	the PAST	group				
Youth	0	0	0	0			
organization							
Women	0	0	0	0			
Organization							

Senior	0	0	0	0
Organization				
<other></other>	0	0	0	0

We are now interested in knowing your opinion on the importance of the following party goals. Please indicate how important you think each of the following goals are.

	Not important at all	Not very important	Somewhat important	Very important	Don't Know/Won't say
	1	2	3	4	
Maximize electoral support / win elections	0	0	0	0	0
Gain governmental office	0	0	0	0	0
Promote its programme and policies	0	0	0	0	0
Maintaining the party organization	0	0	0	0	0
Maintaining party unity	0	0	0	0	0
Solve public policy issues	0	0	0	0	0
Stick to the party's principles	0	0	0	0	0

In the following, we are asking you some questions on your political activism.

Q75

Would you call yourself a very strong, fairly strong, not very strong or not at all strong supporter of the <PARTY>

- o Very strong
- o Fairly strong
- Not very strong
- Not at all strong
- Don't know/won't say.

Q74

How much time do you devote to party activities in the average month? (if necessary approx.)

• No time at all

(approx.) _ _ hours per month o Don't know / Don't want to say

Q77

Did you vote in the last local election on 14 September 2014?

- Yes, and I voted for <PARTY>
- Yes, and I voted for another party
- Yes, but I don't remember for which party
- No, I did not vote
- I do not remember whether I voted or not

Q79

Did you vote in the last general election on 14 September 2014?

- Yes, and I voted for <PARTY>
- Yes, and I voted for another party
- Yes, but I don't remember for which party
- o No, I did not vote
- No, I didn't have the right to vote
- I do not remember whether I voted or not

Q81

There are different ways of trying to improve things in <COUNTRY> or help prevent things from going wrong. During the last 12 months, have you done any of the following?

	Yes	No	Don't
			know/Won't say
Contacted a politician, government or local	0	0	0
government official			
Signed a petition (online or offline)	0	0	0
Taken part in a lawful public demonstration	0	0	0
Boycotted certain products	0	0	0
Deliberately bought certain products for political,	0	0	0
ethical or environmental reasons			
Participated in illegal protest activities	0	0	0
Friended or liked a politician / political group on	0	0	0
Facebook, or followed them on twitter			

Q83

Could you please indicate whether you have participated in the following activities/events in the last 12 months?

	Not participated	Participated	Organized the activity/event	Don't Know/Won't say
Regular meeting of the party branch	0	0	0	0
Extraordinary meeting of the party branch	0	0	0	0

(selection of party officials, candidates,				
leaders, manifesto				
formulation)				
Political debate with	0	0	0	0
another party	0	0	0	
Discussion with				0
national/regional	0	0	0	
representatives				
Activities targeting				0
specific sub-groups of	0	0	0	
members (e.g.: women,	0	0	0	
youth, etc.)				
Information event on a	0	0	0	0
topical issue	0	0	0	
Other (specify):	0	0	0	0

Considering the campaign leading to the 2014 Riksdag election, could you please indicate whether you engaged in the following activities in the last month of the campaign?

	No	Yes	Don't
			Know/Won't say
Put an election poster up in the house	0	0	0
Persuaded others to vote for the party	0	0	0
Distributed flyers or other campaign material	0	0	0
Helped out in the organization of an electoral meeting	0	0	0
Posted comments of a political nature on a social	0	0	0
networking profile, blog or homepage (yours or			
someone else's)			
Forwarded campaign content to friends, family or	0	0	0
colleagues via email, Twitter or Facebook			

Q87

Did you take part to the following decision-making processes?

	No	Yes,	I don't remember/Won't say
Candidate selection for local elections	0	0	0
Candidate selection for national elections	0	0	0
Selection of local party officials	0	0	0
Selection of national party officials	0	0	0
Selection of national party leader	0	0	0
Membership referendum	0	0	0
Manifesto formulation for national elections	0	0	0

Now we are interested in your opinion on how [PARTY] works and party members' role within [PARTY].

Q111+Q113 (*separate questions in Swedish Party Membership Survey*) We would like to know who is influential in your party. Please indicate how much influence you think each of these people/groups have within <PARTY>

Indicate now now much influence you think they should have within [PARTY].																						
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Indicate now how much influence you think they should have within [PARTY].

Q115

What is your opinion about the following statements on how a party can organise and involve different groups in the decision-making process?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree, nor agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know/Won't say
It is a good idea that all members vote for the selection of the party leader	0	0	0	0	0	0
Regular members like me should play a greater role in developing the party's national	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Could you please give your opinion on the following statements?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree, nor agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know/Won't Say
The only way to be really educated about politics is to be a party member.	0	0	0	0	0	0
The amount of work done by	0	0	0	0	0	0

regular			
members is			
often			
unrecognized.			

In the following, we are asking some questions about how you see yourself in relation to [PARTY].

Q99

Could you give an opinion on the following statements?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree, nor agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know/Won't Say
It may be necessary to make some major reforms in our party organization	0	0	0	0	0	0
It often seems like our party is run by a few big interests looking out for themselves rather than being run for the benefit of all the party	Ο	0	0	0	0	0
Elected candidates usually try to keep the promises they have made	0	0	0	0	0	0

Q93

Here are some more statements. Could you give your opinion on the following?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree, nor agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know/Won't Say
When someone criticizes [party], it feels like a personal	0	0	0	0	0	0

insult						
When I talk						0
about [this						
party], I usually	0	0	0	0	0	
say 'we' rather						
than 'they'						
[Party]'s						0
successes are	0	0	0	0	0	
my successes						
I envision my						0
membership as	0	0	0	0	0	
a long term						
commitment						
My role as member is to						0
support decisions made	0	0	0	0	0	
by the party						
leadership						
If I feel that						0
another party						Ũ
better fits my						
policy views, I	0	0	0	0	0	
would feel it						
was right to						
leave my party						

Q95 Here are some more statements. Could you give an opinion on the following statements?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree, nor agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know/Won't Say
I consider myself well-qualified to participate in <party></party>	0	0	0	0	0	0
I feel that I have a pretty good understanding of the important political issues discussed in <party></party>	0	0	0	0	0	0
I often don't feel sure of myself when talking with other people about	0	0	0	0	0	0

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politics and						
government						_
There are many ways for party members like me to successfully influence what <party> does</party>	0	0	0	0	0	0
Under our internal organization, members have the final say about how the party is run	0	0	0	0	0	0
Most party representatives are truly interested in what members think	0	0	0	0	0	0
Candidates for nomination are most interested in members' votes, not in their opinions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Generally speaking, elected politicians lose touch with the grassroots members pretty quickly	0	0	0	0	0	0

Could you indicate how frequently you have:

	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Don't Know/Won't say.
Considered joining another party	0	0	0	0	0
Talked to or contacted a local party official to make suggestions / try and make things better	0	0	0	0	0
Talked to or contacted a national party official to make suggestions / try and	0	0	0	0	0

make things better					
Distanced yourself	0	0	0	0	0
emotionally from [PARTY]					

Now we would like to ask you for your opinion on Swedish politics generally.

Q34

Political opinions are often said to be left or right. When you think about our own opinions, where would you place them on the scale below?

All										All	Don't
the										the	Know
way	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	way	
to the										to the	
left										right	

Q35

And where would you place <PARTY>?

		2	1								
All										All	Don't
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left										right	

Q37

People hold different views on political issues. What do you think of the following? (Please tick one box in each row)

	Strongly		Neither agree		Strongly	Don't Know/Won't
	agree	Agree	nor	Disagree	disagree	say.
			disagree			-
Immigrants	0	0	0	0	0	0
should be						
required to adapt						
to the customs						
of [country].						
Politics should	0	0	0	0	0	0
abstain from						
intervening in						
the economy.						
Stronger	0	0	0	0	0	0
measures should						
be taken to						
protect the						
environment.						

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Same-sex	0	0	0	0	0	0
marriages						
should be						
prohibited by						
law.						
Women should	0	0	0	0	0	0
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preferential						
treatment when						
applying for						
jobs and						
promotions.	0	0	0	0	0	0
People who	0	0	0	0	0	0
break the law						
should be given						
stiffer sentences.					0	
Providing a	0	0	0	0	0	0
stable network						
of social						
security should						
be the prime						
goal of						
government.						
The state should	0	0	0	0	0	0
take measures to						
reduce income						
disparities.						
Immigrants are	0	0	0	0	0	0
good for						
[country's]						
economy.						
Women should	0	0	0	0	0	0
be free to decide						
on matters of						
abortion.						
Nuclear power	0	0	0	0	0	0
stations are the					~	-
solution for a						
shortage of						
energy in the						
future						
Censorship of	0	0	0	0	0	0
films and					0	
magazines is						
necessary to						
uphold moral standards						
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 $Q37a\ \mbox{ls}$ the Swedish EU-membership good or bad?

- Good (1)
- O Bad (2)
- O Neither, nor (3)
- Don't Know/Won't say (4)

Q37b Some think European integration should go further, others think it has already gone too far. What do you think?

• Has already gone too far (1)

- O 1 (2)
- **O** 2 (3)
- **O** 3 (4)
- **O** 4 (5)
- O 5(6)
- O 6(7)
- O 7(8)
- **O** 8 (9)
- **O** 9 (10)
- O Should go further (11)
- O Don't Know/Won't Say (12)

Q48

How interested would you say you are...

	Not at all interested	Not much interested	Quite interested	Very much interested	Don't Know/Won't Say
In politics	0	0	0	0	0

Q49

On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Sweden?

- o Very satisfied
- o Fairly satisfied
- Not very satisfied
- Not at all satisfied
- o Don't know/Won't say

Q44

In your opinion, what are the most important political problems facing <COUNTRY> today?

The most important problem is

The second most important problem is

The third most important problem is

QEE Below we have compiled a few opinions people sometimes have. To which	
extent do you agree with them?	

	Strongly disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Agree (3)	Strongly agree (4)	Don't know/won't say
Parties are only interested in people's votes but not in their opinions (1)	0	0	0	0	О
Parliamentarians do not care much about what ordinary people think and want (2)	0	0	0	O	Э

We would like to know more about your opinions on the process of political representation.

Q101

There are different views on which group representatives should be primarily representing. According to you, how important is it that MPs represent the following groups? (not important at all: 0; not very important: 1; relatively important: 2; very important: 3; extremely important: 4; Don't know/won't say: 5)

- Their own voters
- All people in the constituency
- All people in Sweden
- o Party members

q103

How should representatives vote in parliament if their voters in the constituency and the party hold different opinions?

- C Representatives should vote according to the party's opinion (1)
- Representatives should vote according to the voters' opinions (2)
- O Don't Know/Won't say. (3)

q105

How should representatives vote in parliament on a specific issue they do not agree with their voters' opinions?

- Representatives should vote according to their own opinion (1)
- Representatives should vote according to the voters' opinions (2)
- Don't Know/Won't say (3)

q107

How should representatives vote in parliament on a specific issue they do not agree with their party's opinions?

- **O** Representatives should vote according to their own opinion (1)
- Representatives should vote according to the party's opinion (2)
- Don't Know/Won't say (3)

Q109

How important do you find that the party's MPs reflect the composition of the citizenry with respect to:

	Very	Quite	Neither	Quite	Does	Don't
	important	important	/ Nor	unimportant	not	Know/won't
					matter	say.
					at all	
Gender	0	0	0	0	0	0
Origin / ethnicity	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occupation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Policy views	0	0	0	0	0	0

Finally, we would like to know a bit more about yourself.

Q1

In what year were you born?

Q2

Are you male or female? (PTOBO)

- o Male
- o Female
- o Won't say

Q3

What is your marital status? (PTOBO)o Singleo Separated / Divorcedo Widowedo Marriedo Common-law relationshipo Othero Won't say

Q5

Do you have any children under 18 in your care? Please indicate their ages from youngest to oldest:

o No

- Yes, namely:
 - (1) Child 1 (2) Child 2 (3) Child 3 (4) Child 4 (5) Child 5 (6) Child 6

Q142

What is the highest level of formal education you attained?

Non finished elementary school				
Elementary school				
Non finished high school				
High school				
Professional education				
Non finished university degree, specify:				
University degree, specify:				
PhD				
Don't Know/Won't say				

Q140

What is the highest level of formal education your father attained?

Non finished elementary school				
Elementary school				
Non finished high school				
High school				
Professional education				
Non finished university degree, specify:				
University degree, specify:				
PhD				
Don't Know/Won't say				

Q144

What is the highest level of formal education your mother attained?

Non finished elementary school
Elementary school
Non finished high school
High school

Professional education				
Non finished university degree, specify:				
University degree, specify:				
PhD				
Don't Know/Won't say				

What is your current employment status?

Self-employed	0	Student	0
Employed Full-Time	0	Retired, Pensioned	0
Employed Part-Time	0	Looking after the home full-time	0
Employed for less than 15 hours a week	0	Other	0
Unemployed	0	Don't know/won't say	

Q11a (*only if the first categories of the previous question were answered*) Which type of organization do you work for?

Public or municipal administration				
Public sector (for example schools or health care)	0			
Public company	0			
Private company	0			
Own company	0			
Other	0			
Won't say	0			

Q11b (only if the first categories of the previous question were answered) What is your current or latest job? Please name the title as precisely as possible, for example lab assistant, pre-school teacher or sales engineer)

Q17. Are you a member of one or more of the following organizations or groups?

	No	Yes	Won't say
Trade Union	0	0	0
Employer Union	0	0	0
Religious organization	0	0	0
Environmental movement	0	0	0
Humanitarian /Human rights / Peace organization	0	0	0
Sports club	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0

What is your total household income per year, before tax and deductions? 100 000 or less (1)

- 100 001 200 000 (2)
- 200 001 300 000 (3)
- 300 001 400 000 (4)
- 400 001 500 000 (5)
- 500 001 600 000 (6)
- 600 001 700 000 (7)
- 700 001 800 000 (8)
- 800 001 900 000 (9)
- **○** 900 001 − 1 000 000 (10)
- 1 000 001 1 100 000 (11)
- More than 1 100 000 (12)
- O Don't know/Don't want to answer (13)

Q21

Do you ever think of yourself as belonging to any particular social class, and if so, which one?

- o Working class
- o Service class
- o Higher service class/ academic home
- o Farmer's home
- o Business home
- Other, specify:
- o Don't Know/won't say.

Q23

 What is the zip code of your home address?

 And how many years have you lived there?

Q25

Genearly speaking, do you consider yourself as belonging to a particular religion?

- o Have no religious belief
- o Not especially religious
- Somewhat religious
- Very religious
- Don't want to answer

	No (1)	Yes but I didn't attend a service in the last 12 months (2)	Yes, and I attended services during the last 12 months (3)	Won't say (4)
Swedish church (1)	0	О	0	0
Other Christian organisation(2)	0	0	0	0
Muslim organisation (3)	0	О	Ο	0
Religious organization that is neither Christian nor Muslim (4)	0	О	О	0
	0	•	0	•

Q26 Do you belong to any of the following religious organization?

Q28

Are you a Swedish citizen?

- o Yes
- o No

q29

Were you born in Sweden?

- o Yes
- o No
- o No Answer

q31

Was your mother born in Sweden? • Yes • No • No • No Answer

q32

Was your father born in Sweden?

- o Yes
- o No
- o No Answer

Now for the final end, we would like to ask you some quiz questions on politics in Sweden and abroad.

q53 Who was the Finance Minister before the 2014 parliamentary election?

- O Carl Bildt (1)
- O Anders Borg (2)
- O Annie Lööf (3)
- O Beatrice Ask (4)
- O Don't know/don't want to answer (5)

q55 What was the unemployment rate in Sweden in March of 2015 (according to Statistics Sweden's Labour Force Survey)?

- O 6,0 procent (1)
- O 8,0 procent (2)
- O 10,0 procent (3)
- O 12,0 procent (4)
- O Don't know/don't want to answer (5)

q57 Which party became the second biggest in the 2014 parliamentary election?

- Folkpartiet (1)
- O Miljöpartiet (2)
- O Moderaterna (3)
- O Socialdemokraterna (4)
- O Don't know/don't want to answer (5)

q59 Who is the current Secretary General of the UN?

- O Kofi Annan (1)
- O Kurt Waldheim (2)
- O Ban Ki-moon (3)
- O Boutros Boutros-Ghali (4)
- O Don't know/don't want to answer (5)

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