

LIFE IN KYRGYZSTAN STUDY 2025 (Wave 7)

Questionnaire for Youth aged 14-17 years

Respondent's name

Individual code

Household Code

Interviewer code

SURVEY RESULTS

Visit No.	Date of visit	Time of interview		Other HH member(s) present?	Information Quality Assessment	Comments by the interviewer
		Start	Finish			
		(DD.MM)	(HH:MM)	(HH:MM)		
				1 Yes	On a scale from 1=Unreliable to – ► 5=Reliable	
				2 No		
1						
2						
3						

☐ The interview is fully completed

2. INDIVIDUAL WELL-BEING ASSESSMENT

I would like to start asking you about your satisfaction with different aspects of your life.

		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	90
Y200	Please rate from 0 (completely dissatisfied) to 10 (completely satisfied), how satisfied are you with your life, all things considered? Interviewer: SHOW THE SCALE Y200	0 (Completely dissatisfied) → 10 (Completely Satisfied)											Not applicable
Y201	How satisfied are you today with the following areas of your life? Please rate them from 0 (completely dissatisfied) to 10 (completely satisfied)? Interviewer: SHOW THE SCALE Y200												Not applicable (90)
1	Your health												
2	Your job (if working)												
3	Standard of living of your household												
4	The quality of education at educational												
5	Participation in solving problems at												
7	Prospects for the jobs for younger												
8	Your security												
9	Your community (aiyl, locality)												

2.B. RISK AVERSION

Now I would like to ask you about your risk taking attitudes.

		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	90
Y203	How do you see yourself, are you generally a person who is willing to take risks or do you avoid taking risks? Interviewer: SHOW THE SCALE Y203	(0) Completely unwilling to take risks → (10) Completely willing to take risks											Not applicable
Y204	How would you rate your willingness to take risks in the following areas? Interviewer: SHOW THE SCALE Y203												
1	During leisure and sport												
2	With your health												
3	Your faith in other people												

3.A. EDUCATION

I would like to ask you now about your education.

Y301	How many times in the last 12 months did you attend trainings, courses (language, subject, computer courses), seminars, or other activities that improve your knowledge and social skills?	Never	1
		1-3 times	2
		4-6 times	3
		7 times and more	4
Y302a	What educational institution are you currently attending?	School	1
		College, technical school, vocational school	<i>go to → Y304</i> 2
		University	<i>go to → Y304</i> 3
		Other	<i>go to → Y304</i> 4
		Not learning	5
Y302	Are you going to continue your education after school?	Yes	1
		No	<i>go to → Y305</i> 2
		Difficult to answer	<i>go to → Y305</i> 99
Y303	Where are you going to study?	College, technikum , PTU	1
		University	2
		Other	3
		Difficult to answer	99
Y304	What specialty are you going to enroll in OR on what specialty are you already studying?	Natural sciences	1
		Education	2
		Medicine/Dentistry	3
		Technical sciences/Engineering	4
		IT/Computer Sciences	5
		Agriculture/Veterinary services	6
		Economics/Finance/Business	7
		Law	8
		International relations/Other social sciences	9
		Languages/Arts	10
		Other	11
		Don't know	99
Y305	Do you read books for your leisure?	Yes, all the time	1
		Yes, sometimes	2
		No	<i>go to → 3.B</i> 3
Y306	What types of books do you read? <i>(Mark all that apply)</i>	Novels	1
		Scientific literature	2
		Fiction	3
		Children's literature	4
		Business books	5
		Other	6

3.B. LIFE SKILLS

Y307	Please, evaluate on a 5-point scale of the level of your possession of the following skills.	1-no skills	2	3	4	5-good skills	99-don't know
1	Oratory skills, public speaking						
2	Analytical and critical thinking						
3	Ability to lead a discussion, construct arguments						
4	Creative skills (media and drama clubs)						
5	Joining and active participation in team work						
6	Leadership in the team						
7	Self-confidence						
8	Ability to take an initiative						
9	Sociability						
10	Ability to make a decision						

3.C. HEALTHY LIFESTYLE AND NUTRITION

Now, I would like to ask some questions about healthy lifestyle and nutrition.

Y310	Do you do any sport or any health supporting exercises?	Yes	1
		No → go to Y312	2
Y311	How many times per week you do any sport or any health supporting exercises?	Every day	1
		3-4 times	2
		1-2 times	3
		No exercises	4

Now I would like to ask you some questions about your food consumption.

Y312	During the last 12 MONTHS, was there a time when:	Never	1-2 times	Often	Don't	Refused
		1	2	3	99	88
1	You were worried you would not have enough food to eat because of a lack of money or other resources?					
2	You were unable to eat healthy and nutritious food because of lack of money or other resources?					
3	You ate only a few kinds of foods because of lack of money or other resources?					
4	You had to skip a meal because there was not enough money or other resources to get food?					
5	You ate less than you thought you should because of lack of money or other resources?					
6	Your household ran out of food because of lack of money or other resources?					
7	You were hungry but did not eat because there was not enough money or other resources for food?					
8	You felt tired or weak because your family was short of food?					
9	You went without eating for a whole day because of lack of money or other resources? Not including sawm					
10	You felt embarrassed or ashamed because your family was short of food?					
11	You were sad or angry because your family was short of food?					
12	You were ashamed of what you or your family had to do to get enough food?					

4. SOCIAL NETWORKS AND CIVIC PARTICIPATION

4.A. SOCIAL NETWORKS

Now I would like to ask about your friends, sources of information and your views on public and community life.

Y401	How many friends do you have?	<input type="text"/> friends	If no friends → Y405																													
	How did you meet your friends? Please indicate the number of friends you made through each source.	Y402: Source 1. In education institution (kindergarten, school) 2. Relatives 3. Parent's friends 4. Neighborhood 5. Professional groups (clubs, courses, trainings, etc.)		Y402A: <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>																												
Y403	In which topic do you have most group discussions among your friends. Please, choose top 3 topics in each section. Interviewer: SHOW CARD Y403	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Economic (Y403a):</td> <td></td> <td>Non-Economic (Y403b):</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cost of living</td> <td>1</td> <td>Government</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Job</td> <td>2</td> <td>Civic participation</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Credits/loans</td> <td>3</td> <td>Municipality</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Exchange rates</td> <td>4</td> <td>Education</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Economic growth</td> <td>5</td> <td>None</td> <td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>None</td> <td>6</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>			Economic (Y403a):		Non-Economic (Y403b):		Cost of living	1	Government	2	Job	2	Civic participation	3	Credits/loans	3	Municipality	4	Exchange rates	4	Education	5	Economic growth	5	None	6	None	6		
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Y404	How do you communicate with your friends? Please, select 3 most important communication channels for you.	In person meetings 1 At birthday celebrations 2 Feasts and other community events 3 Social media (Whatsapp, Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, etc.) 4																														
Y405	Are you member of the following groups? (Choose all that that apply)	Sport clubs (football, volleyball, hiking, ect) 1 Book reading and discussion club 2 School parliament 3 Debate club 4 Working group to discuss local development plans 5 Charity, public organization 6 Ashar 7 Creative group (dance, art, theater, movie, "KVN") 8 Youth initiatives (AISEC, ENACTUS, etc) 9 Other 10 Do not participate in any group 11																														

4.B. CIVIC PARTICIPATION

Now I want to ask about your civic engagement.

Y407	How much impact do you think people like you can have in making your neighborhood or community a better place to live?	No impact 1	Big impact 3																					
		Some impact 2	Don't know 99																					
Y408	Have you taken part in any of the following activities in the past 12 months? (Please select all that apply)	Y408a: If any, how many hours per month did you spend with this group? <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Participated in community-based projects</td> <td>1</td> <td><input type="text"/> hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Volunteered for social service organization</td> <td>3</td> <td><input type="text"/> hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Contributed working in ashar</td> <td>4</td> <td><input type="text"/> hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Distributed information to raise public awareness</td> <td>5</td> <td><input type="text"/> hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Participated in public hearings of the village</td> <td>6</td> <td><input type="text"/> hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Participated in community development plannings</td> <td>7</td> <td><input type="text"/> hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No, I have not taken part in any of these activities</td> <td>9</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		Participated in community-based projects	1	<input type="text"/> hours	Volunteered for social service organization	3	<input type="text"/> hours	Contributed working in ashar	4	<input type="text"/> hours	Distributed information to raise public awareness	5	<input type="text"/> hours	Participated in public hearings of the village	6	<input type="text"/> hours	Participated in community development plannings	7	<input type="text"/> hours	No, I have not taken part in any of these activities	9	
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Y409	If you were asked to cooperate with other people in your community/neighborhood for social purposes, e.g. charity or fundraising, how likely would you cooperate?	Very unlikely 1 Rather unlikely 2 Rather likely 3 Very likely 4																						
Y410	Have you ever participated in youth-led initiative to address the community issues in the past 12 months?	Yes 1	No go to → Y412 2																					
Y411	In what role did you participate in youth-led initiatives in the past 12 months? (One answer)	Organizer 1 Assistant organizer 2 Participant 3	Volunteer 4 Member of Working Group 5 Other 6																					
Y412	How strongly do you agree that adults in your community support youth initiatives? (One answer)	Strongly disagree 1 Somewhat disagree 2 Somewhat agree 3	Strongly agree 4 Difficult to answer 99																					
Y413	Do you agree that adults take into consideration youth opinion in your community? (One answer)	Strongly disagree 1 Somewhat disagree 2 Somewhat agree 3	Strongly agree 4 Difficult to answer 99																					

5. LOCAL GOVERNANCE

Now, I will ask you about local government, and about your participation in solving local issues.

Y501	How informed do you think you are about the work of your local administration (Aiyl Okmotu or city municipality)?	Very well					1
		Well					2
		Badly					3
		Absolutely not informed					4
Y503	How strongly you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? SHOW THE CARD Y503	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Not applicable	
		1	2	3	4	90	
		1.I can influence or participate in decisions affecting my local area					
		2.I think improving youth participation in community life will bring my community a good place to live					

6. EMPLOYMENT AND MIGRATION

6.A. EMPLOYMENT

Y601	Have you been working during last 90 days?	Yes						1
		No	go to → Y606					2
Y602	In which sector was your occupation?	_____ sector code (use a code from the list L6 below)						
Y603	In this work, what was your employment or wage status?	Entrepreneur						1
		Farmer						2
		Social entrepreneur						3
		Employee (clerk, worker)						4
		Contributing family worker (without pay)	→ go to Y606					5
		Other						6
Y604	What was your average monthly wage?	_____ Soms / month					Refused to answer	
Y606	Estimate the following statements on a 5 point scale.	Low					High	Don't know
		1	2	3	4	5	99	
1	Assess the employment opportunities of youth in							
2	Please rate the likelihood that you will leave and							
4	Please rate your confidence that you will be able to							
Y608	Would you like to open your own business in the future?	Yes						1
		No	go to → Y610					2
Y609	In which sector would you like to start a business?	_____ sector code (use a code from the list L6 below)						
Y610	Have you ever had an internship in an enterprise, firm, or any other institution?	Yes						1
		No						2

6.B. MIGRATION

Y612	Are you satisfied with the place where you live?	Very satisfied	1
		Somewhat satisfied	2
		Neutral	3
		Somewhat dissatisfied	4
		Very dissatisfied	5
Y614	Do you intend to move from your district / region / from the KR?	Yes	1
		No → <i>go to next section</i>	2
Y615	Where are you going to move?	To another oblast / to another district	1
		To Bishkek	2
		Abroad	3
Y616	What is the main reason you want to move? (One response)	Family offer	1
		Low economic development of the region	2
		Poor infrastructure	3
		Problems with employment	4
		Discover new/other environment	5
		Do not see personal opportunities in my local area	6
		Other reasons	7
		Study	8
		Difficult to answer	99

L6: List of Sectors

Agriculture and forestry	1
Mining	2
Manufacturing	3
Energy and water production and distribution	4
Construction	5
Trade; repair of cars, household goods	6
Hotels and restaurants	7
Transport and communications	8
Finance	9
Real estate, renting and business activities	10
Public administration	11
Education	12
Health and social work	13
Utilities, social and personal services	14
Private households with employed persons	15
Extra-territorial organizations (e.g. embassies)	16
Other	17

7. INTEREST IN POLITICS

7A. Interest in politics

Now I want to ask about your interest and participation in politics.

Y701	In general, how interested in politics are you? (One answer)	Very interested	1
		Interested	2
		Little interested	3
		Not interested at all	4
Y702	Where do you seek information on issues related to politics, government and public administration? (Multiple answers are allowed)	Talking to family members	1
		Talking to neighbours or friends	2
		Local associations or NGOs	3
		Traditional sources (TV, radio, newspapers)	4
		Social media (Youtube, Whatsapp, Telegram, etc.)	5
		Internet	6
		Other sources	7
		Do not get any information	8
Y703	Do you plan to vote in national elections after 18?	Yes	1
		No	2
		Don't know	99
Y704	Do you plan to vote in the local elections after 18?	Yes	1
		No	2
		Don't know	99
Y708	In your view, how important is climate change for you? (One response)	Not at all important	1
		Slightly important	2
		Moderately important	3
		Very important	4
		Do not know	99

7.B. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND SOCIAL VIEWS

Interviewer: *SHOW CARD 7B*

List 1A

Y712	How many of these activities have you done in the past month? Insert number ____ Enumerator: Do not ask specifically for each activity. Just show the list and let the respondent to say the number	Had a meal with family members
		Watched a movie or TV show
		Received guests at home
		Felt tired during daytime
		Avoided interacting with people who don't observe Ramadan

List 1B

Y713	How many of these activities have you done in the past month? Insert number ____ Enumerator: Do not ask specifically for each activity. Just show the list and let the respondent to say the number	Played a game on your cell phone
		Had coffee/tea with friends or relatives
		Felt overwhelmed about something
		Changed plans unexpectedly
		Avoided discussing current issues with someone because of their political views

List 2A

Y714	How many of these activities have you done in the past month? Insert number ____ Enumerator: Do not ask specifically for each activity. Just show the list and let the respondent to say the number	Had coffee or tea with friends
		Chatted with a neighbor
		Gone shopping at local markets
		Used public transportation or taxi
		Walked away from or left a place where too many people who seem different from me were there

List 2B

Y715	I will read you a few statements. Please tell me how many of these statements you personally agree with (do not tell me which ones, just how many total) Insert number ____ Enumerator: Do not ask specifically for each activity. Just show the list and let the respondent to say the number	The government should invest more in infrastructure
		The education system in Kyrgyzstan needs significant improvement
		Healthcare services should be more affordable to everyone
		People of faith (religious people) should have a greater role in deciding the country's direction

8.A. VALUES AND ATTITUDES TOWARD WOMEN

Now I want to ask about your opinion about the role of females in the society.

Y801	On a scale from 1 to 4, how much do you agree with the following statements? Interviewer: Show the corresponding scale Y801.	Strongly disagree		Strongly agree		Don't know
		1	2	3	4	99
1	A university education is more important for a boy than for a girl.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	A man's job is to earn money; a woman's job is to look after the home and family.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	A working woman can establish just as warm and secure relationship with her children as a mother who does not work.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Being a housewife is just as fulfilling as working for pay.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	It is important for young women to abide by traditions, and behave like their mothers' generation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8.B. PERCEPTION OF SECURITY

Now, I will ask you how you feel about the security at your place of living.

Y802 How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements on a scale from 1 to 5?		Strongly disagree		Strongly agree		
		1	2	3	4	5
1	I feel safe when walking alone in the neighbourhood during the day.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	I feel safe when walking alone in the neighbourhood during the night.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	I avoid using certain ways and certain areas that I think are dangerous.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	My neighbourhood is overall peaceful.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8.C. TRUST LEVEL

Now I want to ask about your perception of the level of trust to people and institutions.

Y803	On a scale from 1 to 4, how much do you agree with the following statements? Interviewer: Show the corresponding scale Y803. Tick the respondent's answers.						
		Strongly disagree		Strongly agree	Don't know		
		1	2	3	4	99	
	1	In general, you can trust people.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	2	Most people who live in this community can be trusted.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Y804	3	Most people in this community are willing to help if you need it.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	On a scale from 1 to 4, how much do you generally trust the following? Interviewer: Show the respondent a scale for the answer						
		No trust at all		A lot of trust	Don't know		
		1	2	3	4	99	
	1	Family members	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	2	Neighbours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	3	People in your surrounding village/city	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	4	People who you do not know	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	5	People from your own ethnic or linguistic group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	6	People from other ethnic or linguistic groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	12	Police	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	13	Schools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	14	Universities and higher education institutions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	15	Health institutions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	17	Informal community leaders (aksakals, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	18	Traditional media	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	19	Internet (social networks)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>