

Questionnaire (translated from the original Polish version by the authors)

I would like to talk about your relations with family, friends and acquaintances. As the term “acquaintance” may have different meanings to different people, I would like to adopt the following definition for the purposes of our conversation.

*[Interviewer: READ OUT the card with the definition of an **ACQUAINTANCE** and HAND IT to the respondent until the end of the interview. If needed, refer to the definition of an acquaintance during the interview.]*

An ACQUAINTANCE is a person whom you know (and who knows you) by the name and whom you contact in person, over the phone or over the Internet (e-mail, social media, etc.) at least once a month. Household and family members also are acquaintances.

P1. Acquaintances can be divided into various groups according to the place where you meet or the occasion at which you have first established your link. For a start, please think and name the groups which you would single out amongst your acquaintances. This card may help you in this task. If other groups come to your mind – please name them as well.

[Interviewer: show the list of groups to the respondent - ROTATION]

1. Acquaintances from family
2. Acquaintances from work (current or previous)
3. Acquaintances from school/college
4. Acquaintances from childhood (other than from school, e.g. from the neighborhood, common interests)
5. Acquaintances with similar interests and hobbies (sports club, gym, interests clubs, etc...)
6. Acquaintances from social, political and professional organizations (e.g., associations, scouting, local community movements, political parties, labor unions, etc...)
7. Acquaintances from the neighborhood (neighbors), from strolls (including walking the dog)
8. Acquaintances – parents of children (from kindergarten, school, playground, ...)
9. Acquaintances from church, church organizations
10. Acquaintances met via Internet, with whom we maintain regular contact (e-mail, social media, messengers, etc...)
11. Acquaintances met during excursions (excursions, pilgrimages, vacations, sanatoria)
12. Acquaintances from the military
13. Other acquaintances (*which groups?*).....

P2. Thinking about these groups of acquaintances [HIGHLIGHT THE GROUPS INDICATED BY THE RESPONDENT], please tell how many acquaintances did you contact in person, over the phone or Internet (e-mail, social media, messenger, skype, etc.) during the last week? Please assign each person to one selected category only, don't count anyone twice. Please give the number::

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[Interviewer: If the respondent cannot tell, ask:]

I know this is a very difficult task, but please give at least an estimate.
If the respondent still cannot provide a number, ask to pick an interval:

1. 1-4
2. 5-10
3. 11-20
4. 21-40
5. 41-80
6. 81-160
7. 161-320
8. 321-640
9. More than 640

P3. Now, thinking not just about the last week, but more generally – how many people make up each of the groups of acquaintances you indicated? Please recall **the definition of an acquaintance** provided at the beginning of the interview and remember to assign each person to one selected category only (no double counting):

[Interviewer: highlight the groups of acquaintances indicated by the respondent in questions P1/2]

1. Acquaintances from family |__|__|
2. Acquaintances from work (current or previous) |__|__|
3. Acquaintances from school/college |__|__|
4. Acquaintances from childhood (other than from school, e.g. from the neighborhood, common interests) |__|__|
5. Acquaintances with similar interests and hobbies (sports club, gym, interests clubs, etc...) |__|__|
6. Acquaintances from social, political and professional organizations (e.g., associations, scouting, local community movements, political parties, labor unions, etc...) |__|__|
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[Interviewer: ASK QUESTIONS P4a-P8a ONLY TO RESPONDENTS WHO IN P3, POINT 1) PROVIDED A NUMBER GREATER THAN 0]

Now I would like to you to think only about the group of ACQUAINTANCES FROM FAMILY.

P4a. How many persons from the group of **acquaintances from family** did you contact in person, over the phone or electronically (e-mail, social media, etc.):

1. Yesterday or today |_|_|
2. During the last 7 days |_|_|
3. During the last month |_|_|

P5a. Among the persons from the group of **acquaintances from family** whom you contacted during the last month, how many people have you contacted:

1. In person (meeting) |_|_|
2. Over the phone (sms, conversation) |_|_|
3. By writing letters |_|_|
4. By writing e-mails |_|_|
5. Through social media, messengers, web chats |_|_|
6. In other form – *write what form*.....

P6a. How many hours do you spend, on average, per week on keeping social contacts with **acquaintances from family**? Please give the number of hours:

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P7a. Please think about the last month. How many people from the group of **acquaintances from family** did you do the following things with:

1. Talk about important personal issues |_|_|
2. Ask for financial help |_|_|
3. Ask for a major favor |_|_|
4. Ask for help with a work-related issue, unrelated to your day-to-day professional duties, or propose cooperation on a work-related issue |_|_|
5. Ask for a contact or arranging a meeting with a specialist (e.g., a physician, car mechanic, etc.) |_|_|

P8a. Please tell me to which extent you agree with the following statements. Please use the following scale:

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

Considering the group of **acquaintances from family**:

[Interviewer: ROTATION]

1. I am closely emotionally related to these persons
2. I know these persons for a long time
3. I always behave honestly with these persons
4. I am convinced that these persons always behave honestly with me
5. These persons can count on my help

6. These persons can count on my help even if this would require substantial sacrifice
7. I can always on these persons' help
8. I can forgive these persons a lot
9. I have full trust towards these persons
10. I am convinced that these persons have full trust towards me

[Interviewer: ASK QUESTIONS P4b-P8b ONLY TO RESPONDENTS WHO IN P3, POINT 2) PROVIDED A NUMBER GREATER THAN 0]

Now I would like to you to think only about the group of ACQUAINTANCES FROM WORK.

P4b. How many persons from the group of acquaintances from work did you contact in person, over the phone or electronically (e-mail, social media, etc.):

1. Yesterday or today |_|_|
2. During the last 7 days |_|_|
3. During the last month |_|_|

P5b. Among the persons from the group of acquaintances from work whom you contacted during the last month, how many people have you contacted:

1. In person (meeting) |_|_|
2. Over the phone (sms, conversation) |_|_|
3. By writing letters |_|_|
4. By writing e-mails |_|_|
5. Through social media, messengers, web chats |_|_|
6. In other form – *write what form*.....

P6b. How many hours do you spend, on average, per week on keeping social contacts with acquaintances from work? Please give the number of hours:

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P7b. Please think about the last month. How many people from the group of acquaintances from work did you do the following things with:

1. Talk about important personal issues |_|_|
2. Ask for financial help |_|_|
3. Ask for a major favor |_|_|
4. Ask for help with a work-related issue, unrelated to your day-to-day professional duties, or propose cooperation on a work-related issue |_|_|
5. Ask for a contact or arranging a meeting with a specialist (e.g., a physician, car mechanic, etc.) |_|_|

P8b. Please tell me to which extent you agree with the following statements. Please use the following scale:

- 1 – absolutely not
2 – rather not

- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

Considering the group of **acquaintances from work:**

[Interviewer: ROTATION]

1. I am closely emotionally related to these persons
2. I know these persons for a long time
3. I always behave honestly with these persons
4. I am convinced that these persons always behave honestly with me
5. These persons can count on my help
6. These persons can count on my help even if this would require substantial sacrifice
7. I can always on these persons' help
8. I can forgive these persons a lot
9. I have full trust towards these persons
10. I am convinced that these persons have full trust towards me

[Interviewer: ASK QUESTIONS P4c-P8c ONLY TO RESPONDENTS WHO IN P3, POINTS 3-16) PROVIDED A NUMBER GREATER THAN 0]

Now I would like to you to think about the group of ALL OTHER ACQUAINTANCES (NOT FROM FAMILY OR FROM WORK).

P4c. How many persons from the group of **other acquaintances** did you contact in person, over the phone or electronically (e-mail, social media, etc.):

1. Yesterday or today |_|_|
2. During the last 7 days |_|_|
3. During the last month |_|_|

P5c. Among the persons from the group of **other acquaintances** whom you contacted during the last month, how many people have you contacted:

1. In person (meeting) |_|_|
2. Over the phone (sms, conversation) |_|_|
3. By writing letters |_|_|
4. By writing e-mails |_|_|
5. Through social media, messengers, web chats |_|_|
6. In other form – *write what form*.....

P6c. How many hours do you spend, on average, per week on keeping social contacts with **other acquaintances**? Please give the number of hours:

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P7c. Please think about the last month. How many people from the group of **other acquaintances** did you do the following things with:

1. Talk about important personal issues |_|_|
2. Ask for financial help |_|_|
3. Ask for a major favor |_|_|
4. Ask for help with a work-related issue, unrelated to your day-to-day professional duties, or propose cooperation on a work-related issue |_|_|
5. Ask for a contact or arranging a meeting with a specialist (e.g., a physician, car mechanic, etc.) |_|_|

P8c. Please tell me to which extent you agree with the following statements. Please use the following scale:

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

Considering the group of **other acquaintances**:

[Interviewer: ROTATION]

1. I am closely emotionally related to these persons
2. I know these persons for a long time
3. I always behave honestly with these persons
4. I am convinced that these persons always behave honestly with me
5. These persons can count on my help
6. These persons can count on my help even if this would require substantial sacrifice
7. I can always on these persons' help
8. I can forgive these persons a lot
9. I have full trust towards these persons
10. I am convinced that these persons have full trust towards me

P9. Please compare the following diagrams of networks of acquaintances.

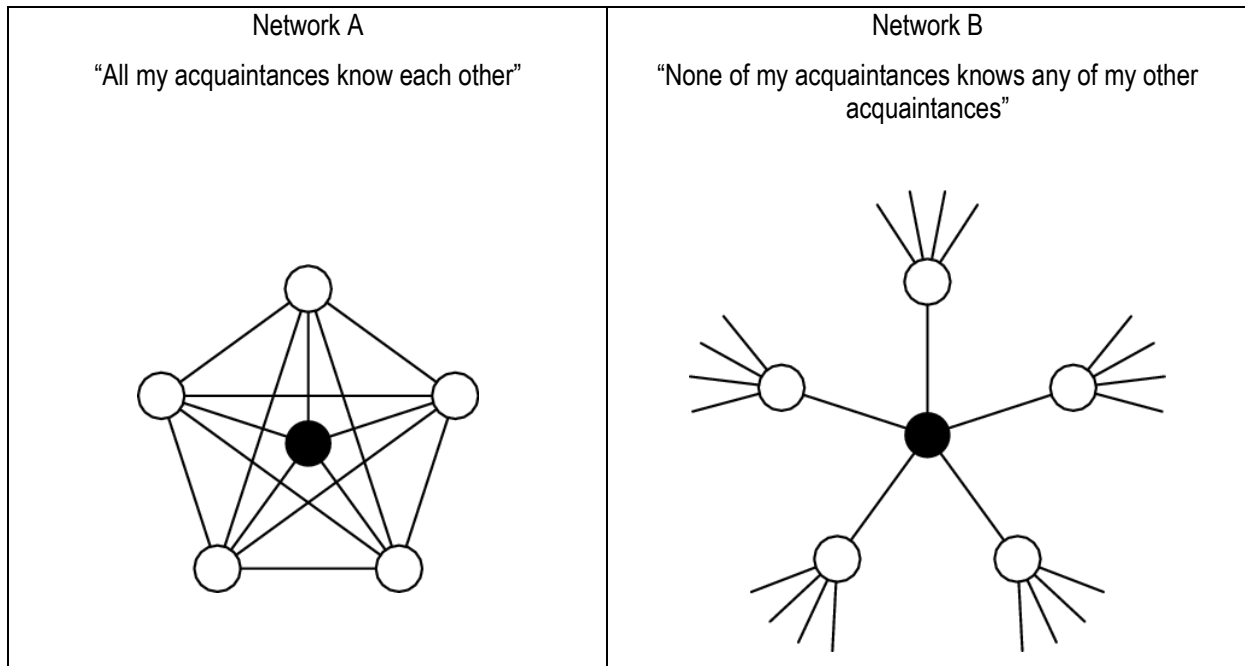
[Interviewer: please hand the cards with figures to the respondent.]

Please assess whether your network of acquaintances resembles rather network A or rather network B. In the figures, you are marked with the black dot, your acquaintances – with white dots, and the relationships – with lines.

In your assessment, please use the following scale:

- 1 – absolutely network A,
- 2 – rather network A,
- 3 – partly network A, partly network B,
- 4 – rather network B,
- 5 – absolutely network B

6 – *difficult to say*



Now we would like to know the degree to which your group of acquaintances is durable, and the degree to which it changes over time. We are interested in the acquaintances whom you learned to know relatively recently, and whom you contact at least once a month, and in the ones with whom you used to contact at least once a month but now the contact is broken.

P10. How many new acquaintances did you learn to know during the last:

1. 3 months
2. 1 year
3. 3 years

P11. The following questions pertain to your new acquaintances (contacts forged during the last 3 years). Please assess to which extent you agree with the following statements. Please use the following scale:

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

1. Contacting these people gives me pleasure, brings me in a good mood
2. Contacting these people may help me in my work-related issues
3. It was my initiative to forge these contacts
4. I was contacted with these people by third persons
5. Contacting these people may help me forge contacts with someone else.

P12. Using a scale where:

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no

- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

Please tell if forging new contacts, from your side:

1. Requires to give up some other activities (work, leisure)
2. Requires to neglect some of the earlier acquaintances
3. Is financially costly
4. Is the easier, the greater is the number of people with whom you have already known because it provides more opportunities for common contacts

P13. With how many persons have you lost contact during the last:

1. 3 months |__|__|
2. 1 year |__|__|
3. 3 years |__|__|

And now please think about yourself.

P14. Please tell to which extent the following statements refer to you. Please use the following scale in your assessment:

- 1 – absolutely does not refer to me
- 2 – rather does not refer to me
- 3 – neither refers nor does not refer to me
- 4 – rather refers to me
- 5 – absolutely refers to me

6 – *difficult to say*

1. I am a sociable person, I am glad to spend time with my acquaintances
2. I am an open person, curious of the world
3. I am valued at work
4. I know many persons who have useful skills
5. I know many persons who can help me “get things done”
6. I am a person who may help others find a job or solve a difficult work-related problem
7. I have helped (at least) one of my acquaintances find a job or solve a difficult work-related problem

P15. How often do the following events take place in your life? In your assessment please use the following scale:

- 1 – never,
- 2 – rarely,
- 3 – sometimes,
- 4 – often,
- 5 – very often

1. You arrange a contact between two people you know but who have not known each other before (e.g., contacting your acquaintances from work with your other acquaintances who may help them)?

2. You share information obtained from your acquaintances with your other acquaintances from a different group (e.g., passing the information you got from your colleagues at work to your family)?
3. You share information about persons looking for a job, job offers or business opportunities, with your acquaintances?

P16. How many times in your life have you changed:
Please name the number of such events.

[Interviewer: If the respondent has not worked yet, put a 0 in points 3 and 4]

1. Town of residence |_|_|
ASK IF THE ANSWER TO PT 1 IS ABOVE 0:
2. Town of residence, moving to a place more than 100 km away |_|_|
3. Workplace / employer |_|_|
4. Occupation |_|_|

P17. Using the scale where:

- 1 – never,
- 2 – rarely,
- 3 – sometimes,
- 4 – often,
- 5 – very often

In the case of acquaintances with whom you lost contact during the last 3 years please assess how often the respective situations took place:

[Interviewer: ROTATION]

1. Contact with these persons ceased to please me, started to bring me in a bad mood
2. These persons let down my trust
3. It was my own initiative to break these contacts
4. I regret that the contact was broken
5. I don't know why the contact was broken
6. Contact was broken because we had no time to sustain it
7. Contact was broken due to a change of place of residence
8. These were mostly short-lived, shallow contacts
9. Contact was broken with an acquaintance whom I knew since childhood
10. Contact was broken because these persons got ill
11. These persons died

P18. Do you think that you have:

1. Clearly too few acquaintances
2. Probably too few acquaintances
3. An adequate number of acquaintances
4. Probably too many acquaintances
5. Clearly too many acquaintances

P19. Using a scale where:

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not

- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

Do you think that keeping contacts with your acquaintances:

- 1. Is time-consuming
- 2. Lowers your engagement in work
- 3. Takes place at the cost of time which you would otherwise spend on leisure
- 4. Costs a lot of money
- 5. Is financially beneficial for you

P20. Have you ever **found a job** thanks to the intermediation of one of your acquaintances?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. *I don't know, difficult to say*

P21. Do you sometimes **save money** thanks to information obtained from your acquaintances (e.g., when making purchasing decisions)?

- 1. never,
- 2. rarely,
- 3. sometimes,
- 4. often,
- 5. very often

P22. Do you sometimes **save time** thanks to information obtained from your acquaintances?

- 1. never,
- 2. rarely,
- 3. sometimes,
- 4. often,
- 5. very often

P23. Are you engage in the activities of some organization or association? Please assess your engagement:

- 1. no membership
- 2. membership only
- 3. small engagement
- 4. large engagement
- 5. very large engagement

P24. Using a scale where:

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

Please tell if among your acquaintances with whom you keep most frequent contact (excluding your partner, parents and children) there are many:

1. persons of opposite gender than you
2. persons of a very different age than you
3. persons of a different level of educational attainment than you
4. persons with different interests than you
5. persons with a different worldview than you
6. persons living far from you
7. persons who are substantially richer or poorer than you
8. persons from a distant family

P25. Are you disabled?

[Interviewer: We ask for respondents' own assessment, we do not expect any formal confirmation of disability].

1. Yes
2. No

P26. Are you chronically ill which makes professional work difficult or impossible?

1. Yes
2. No

P27. What is the character of your current work?

1. Physical, blue-collar work
2. White-collar work
3. *I am not employed -> pass to question P32*

[Interviewer: Questions P28, P29, P30, P31 should be asked only to respondents who are professionally active, i.e. the ones who picked 1 or 2 in question P27]

P28. How many years have you been professionally active?

[Interviewer: please provide the number of years]

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P29. How many years have you been working at your current occupation?

[Interviewer: please provide the number of years]

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P30. Does your work require intensive cooperation with other people?

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

P31. Do you think your material situation is satisfactory?

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

P32. Do you think your material situation is above or below the average standard of living of your peers in Poland?

- 1. Clearly below
- 2. Rather below
- 3. Neither above nor below
- 4. Rather above
- 5. Clearly above

P33. Do you think your incomes are satisfactory?

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

P34. Do you think your incomes are above or below the average income of your peers in Poland?

- 1. Clearly below
- 2. Rather below
- 3. Neither above nor below
- 4. Rather above
- 5. Clearly above

P35. Please place your incomes at the scale from 1 to 10 where 1 denotes lowest incomes, 5 – average incomes, and 10 – highest incomes.

[Commentary for the interviewer: this question has a scale from 1 to 10 because we intend to capture the deciles of the income distribution]

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Lowest incomes				Average incomes					Highest incomes

P36. Do you feel that you have the choice and control over your life?

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

P37. Do you think that most people could be trusted, or one couldn't be too careful with other people?

1. Clearly one couldn't be too careful with other people,
2. One should rather be careful with other people,
3. It's difficult to say,
4. One should rather trust other people,
5. Clearly most people could be trusted

P38. To which extent are you satisfied with your current life? Please make an assessment on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means "very dissatisfied" and 10 – "very satisfied".

0 I am very dissatisfied	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 I am very satisfied
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P39. To which extent would you call yourself a happy person? Please make an assessment on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means "very unhappy" and 10 – "very happy".

0 I am very unhappy	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 I am very happy
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P40. Please tell me to which extent you agree with the following statements. Please use the following scale:

- 1 – absolutely not
- 2 – rather not
- 3 – neither yes nor no
- 4 – rather yes
- 5 – absolutely yes

1. I behave honestly with strangers
2. I am convinced that strangers behave honestly with me
3. I am convinced that strangers are typically honest with themselves
4. Rules are for people to break them
5. Rules may be broken when no one controls if they are obeyed
6. Rules may be broken when it does not harm others
7. All rules should be obeyed
8. To achieve success in life, one has to bend the rules
9. Big money cannot be earned honestly