



Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe

Self-Administered Questionnaire 2015

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Dear Respondent,

The introduction of long-term care for the elderly is one of the important issues in Slovenia today. Many people find themselves, in the course of everyday life owing to illness, disability, age or other reasons, over a longer period of time (permanently or repeatedly) dependent on assistance. They depend on another person to help them perform daily routines like eating, bathing, washing, dressing, getting in or out of bed, using the toilet and managing incontinence, taking medication and more. Similarly, they require help with instrumental activities of daily life like shopping, laundry, cooking, cleaning and other housework, managing finances or using the phone.

In the following, we (SHARE researchers) want to ask you a few questions about your attitudes towards the system of long-term care and its arrangements in Slovenia. When you finish the questionnaire, please put it in the enclosed envelope and send it to:

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For: ga. Mateja Mrkun

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1000 Ljubljana

Slovenia

We kindly thank you for your cooperation!

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The State wants to offer formal help with these activities to anyone who needs **assistance for more than half an hour a day**, which can be done in different ways. Below are some statements which describe the various options for providing assistance over a longer period of time. Please read them carefully and indicate to what extent you agree with them.

	1 Strongly disagree	2 Disagree a little	3 Neither agree nor disagree	4 Agree a little	5 Strongly agree
A dependent person who needs the assistance of another person should be in an institution (such as a nursing home or hospital care), where he/she can get the appropriate care.					
The best way that the State can help a dependent person is through family care and professional care (e.g. patronage nursing service, specialized social workers).					
The best way that the State can help a dependent person is only through professional care (e.g. patronage nursing service, specialized social workers).					
Dependent person will feel his/her best in the family home with family.					
The best way that the State can help a dependent person is to offer his/her family partial payment in cash (for example, 45% of the market value of the services, but not more than 420 EUR/month) and they can provide for their loved ones by themselves.					
People or family members who provide help for a dependent person must be properly trained.					

Here we list some statements that represent various situations that could happen to **you**. We are still talking about assistance **over an extended period (permanently or repeatedly)**; and ask you to indicate how you would likely decide in the situations as described in the following statements.

	1 Definitely not	2 Probably not	3 Probably yes	4 Definitely yes
If I were really sick and needed the help of another person permanently, I would like to be taken care of in a suitable institution (such as a nursing home or hospital care).				
If I were really sick and needed the help of another person permanently, I would like to be taken care of by family, relatives or by people who are close to me.				
If I were really sick and needed the help of another person permanently, I would like to have professional care provided and paid for by the state (e.g. patronage nursing service, specialized social workers) in my home.				
If I were really sick and needed the help of another person permanently, I would like to be taken care of by a professional care provider paid for by the state in my home, together with help from family, relatives or people who are close to me.				
I want to spend my old age years in a nursing home, or in an environment that will facilitate my everyday life.				
I want to spend my old age in my home in a familiar environment that I know very well.				
If there were the possibility of paid sick leave for employees for up to three months per year (for e.g. EUR 620/month, social contributions paid from your gross salary) in order to provide long-term care for a sick family member, I would use this option.				
If I found myself in a situation where someone close to me needed help with everyday routines, I would be prepared to attend special training to be able to provide the kind of assistance he/she needed.				

The State can provide various forms of assistance to families with members who need long-term care. Please indicate which of the following forms of assistance **YOU** would most likely choose **(Please choose only 1 response!)**.

If I needed to care for a dependent person, and this help required more than half-an-hour per day, I would like the State to:

- Provide me with a sum of money (in the amount of 45 % of the value of the service, but not more than EUR 420/month) and I would take care for this dependent person entirely by myself.
- Provide me with a sum of money (in the amount of 45 % of the value of the service, but not more than EUR 420/month) **AND** I would hire professional services to help.
- Provide me with professional services organized by the State (e.g. patronage nursing service, social care at home).
- Provide me with professional services organized by the State (e.g. patronage nursing service, social care at home) **AND** I would also help with the care.

Please, indicate your sex and birth year:

a) I am...

Male ₁

Female ₂

b) I was born in

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