

# List of Questions for the General Population

(Page numbers in brackets indicate where opinions and characteristics of various groups of population are presented)

9. What could you say about your mood in the recent days? 1) Excellent mood; 2) Normal, calm condition; 3) I experience strain, irritation; 4) I feel fear, distress; 5) Difficult to answer. (66, 73, 77, 81, 85, 90, 95)
- 9a. Speaking in general to what extent are you satisfied with the life you are leading now? 1) Quite satisfied; 2) Mainly satisfied; 3) Partly satisfied, partly not; 4) Mainly not satisfied; 5) Not satisfied at all; 6) Difficult to answer. (73, 77, 81, 85, 90, 95)
10. How would you evaluate the financial position of your family at present? 1) Very good; 2) Good; 3) Average; 4) Bad; 5) Very bad; 6) Difficult to answer. (66, 73, 77, 81, 85, 90, 95)
11. How would you evaluate the economic situation in your town, rural district? 1) Good; 2) Average; 3) Bad; 4) Very bad; 5) Difficult to answer. (67, 73, 77, 81, 85, 91, 96)
12. How would you evaluate the economic situation in Russia? 1) Good; 2) Average; 3) Bad; 4) Very bad; 5) Difficult to answer. (67, 73, 77, 81, 86, 91, 96)
13. What do you think, which of the statements given below describes better the situation having been developed? 1) Everything is not so bad and it's possible to live; 2) Life is difficult but it's possible to bear it; 3) It's impossible to bear our disastrous situation any longer; 4) Difficult to answer. (67, 74, 77, 81, 86, 91, 96)
- 13A. What do you think, will you (your family) live better or worse then now in a year? 1) Better to a great extent; 2) Somewhat better; 3) The same matter as now; 4) Somewhat worse; 5) Worse to a great extent; 6) Difficult to answer. (67, 74, 78, 82, 86, 91, 96)
- 13B. Which of the following statements most exactly describes your attitude to the present life? 1) "I simply can't adapt to the present life"; 2) "I've got accustomed to the fact that I had to refuse from customary way of life, to live, limiting myself in great and small"; 3) I have to "spin", seize upon any opportunity to earn only to provide a tolerable life for my family and me"; 4) "I succeeded in using new opportunities to achieve more in life"; 5) "I live in the same way as before: nothing has particularly changed for me in the recent years"; 6) Difficult to answer. (68, 74, 78, 82, 86, 91, 97)
14. What do you think, market reforms should be continued now or ceased? 1) Market reforms should be continued; 2) Market reforms should be ceased; 3) I don't know, it's difficult to answer. (68, 74, 78, 82, 86, 91, 97)
19. How would you evaluate the political situation in Russia in general? 1) Safe, good; 2) Calm; 3) Strained; 4) Critical, explosive; 5) Difficult to answer. (68, 74, 78, 82, 86, 91, 97)
20. Generally speaking, how much are you now satisfied with your life? 1) Quite satisfied; 2) Rather satisfied; 3) Partly satisfied, partly not; 4) Rather unsatisfied; 5) Not satisfied at all; 6) Don't know. (66)
22. What do you think, will our life improve more or less during the coming year or there will be no improvement? 1) Will improve; 2) There will be no improvement; 3) Difficult to answer. (69, 74, 78, 82, 87, 92, 97)
26. How would you evaluate from 1 to 10 the activity of V.Putin as the President of Russia? ( 74, 78, 82, 87, 92, 97)
- 26\*. How would you rate on a scale from 1 to 10 the performance of Boris Yeltsin as Russia's president/Vladimir Putin as acting president/Vladimir Putin as Russia's president? Average on the scale. (69)
27. How would you evaluate from 1 to 10 the activity of M.Kasyanov, the first deputy chairman of the minister cabinet? (69, 74, 78, 82, 87, 92, 97)
28. What do you think, what awaits Russia in the nearest months in the political life? 1) Considerable improvement of the situation; 2) Some improvement of the situation; 3) Some change of the situation to the worse; 4) Considerable change of the situation to the worse; 5) Difficult to answer. (70, 75, 78, 82, 87, 92, 97)
29. What do you think, what awaits Russia in the nearest months in the economic life? 1) Considerable improvement of the situation; 2) Some improvement of the situation; 3) Some change of the situation to the worse; 4) Considerable change of the situation to the worse; 5) Difficult to answer. (70, 75, 79, 83, 87, 92, 97)
32. What do you think, to what extent mass violence of the population against the decrease of the living standard and for the defense of their rights is possible now in your town/rural district? 1) Quite possible; 2) Hardly possible; 3) I don't know, difficult to answer. (70, 75, 79, 83, 87, 92, 97)

- 33.** If such rallies and protest demonstrations happen, will you personally take part in them? 1) Most probably yes; 2) Most probably no; 3) Don't know. (70, 75, 79, 83, 87, 92, 98)
- 33c.** Is the protest movement with political demands possible in your town/rural district? 1) Quite possible; 2) Hardly possible; 3) I don't know, difficult to answer. (70, 75, 79, 83, 87, 93, 98)
- 35.** How much money does your family need now per capita month to lead a normal, to your idea, life? (72, 76, 80, 84, 89, 94, 99)
- 37.** The income that would provide in respondent's opinion the "the minimum living standard"? (72, 76, 80, 84, 89, 94, 99)
- 42.** To speak of the major purchases for the family (such as furniture, refrigerator, household electronics, TV set) do you think this is on the whole a good or a bad time now for such purchases? 1) Good; 2) Neither good nor bad; 3) Bad; 4) Difficult to answer. (71, 76, 80, 84, 88, 93, 99)
- 43.** To speak in general, do you think this is a bad or a good time now to save up money? 1) Good; 2) Neither good nor bad; 3) Bad; 4) Difficult to answer. (71, 76, 80, 84, 88, 93, 99)
- L15.** How has the financial situation of your family changed during the last year? 1) Rather improved; 2) Remained the same; 3) Rather got worse; 4) Difficult to answer. (71, 75, 79, 83, 88, 93, 98)
- L16.** How do you think the financial situation of your family will change in the nearest year? 1) Rather will improve; 2) Will remain the same; 3) Rather will get worse; 4) Difficult to answer. (71, 75, 79, 83, 88, 93, 99)
- L33.** Which of the following population groups would you rather ascribe yourself to? 1) We hardly make both ends meet, there is not enough money even for food; 2) There is enough money for food but clothes buying causes serious difficulties; 3) There is enough money for food and clothes but buying the durable goods (TV-set, refrigerator, etc.) is difficult for us; 4) We can easily buy durable goods. To buy really expensive things is difficult for us; 5) We can afford rather expensive purchases apartments, dacha and many others. (69, 75, 79, 83, 87, 93, 98)
- L88.** To speak of the economical situation of the country on the whole, do you think the following 12 months will be a good or a bad time for the country economy? 1) Good; 2) Good, but not in everything; 3) Neither good, nor bad; 4) Bad, but not in everything; 5) Bad; 6) Difficult to answer. (71, 75, 79, 83, 88, 93, 99)
- L88a.** To speak of the following five years, will they be a good or a bad time for the country economy? 1) Good; 2) Neither good nor bad; 3) Bad; 4) Difficult to answer. (71, 76, 79, 83, 88, 93, 99)
- LL10.** What do you think, since what average monthly money income per capita a family may be considered a rich one? (72, 76, 80, 84, 89, 94, 99)
- LL11.** What do you think, with what average monthly money income at the rate for one person a family may be considered poor one? (72, 76, 80, 84, 89, 94, 99)
- O1f.** What stratum of the society would you rather ascribe yourself to? 1) To the lowest one; 2) To the workers; 3) To the lowest part of the middle stratum; 4) To the middle part of the middle strata; 5) To the higher stratum; 6) Difficult to answer. (67, 73, 77, 81, 85, 90, 95)
- O6+O10.** General respondent's earnings during the last month. (72, 76, 80, 84, 89, 94, 99)
- O10.** How much money did you personally earn for extra work during the last month? (72, 76, 80, 84, 89, 94, 99)
- O15b:5.** Average income per capita during the last month: (76, 80, 84, 89, 94, 99)
- O25:5.** Average per capita income: (72)

### QUESTIONS OF THE SURVEY "KURIER" (JULY, 2005)

- 1.** Is our country moving in the right direction or do you think the country is moving along the wrong path? 1) The country is moving in the right direction; 2) The country is moving in the wrong direction; 3) Difficult to answer. (100, 104, 108)
- 2A.** Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the activity of: V.Putin as the president of Russia? 1) Approve; 2) Do not approve no answer. (100, 104, 108)
- 2B.** Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the activity of: M.Fradkov as the prime minister of Russia? 1) Approve; 2) Do not approve no answer. (100, 104, 108)
- 2C.** Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the activity of: the government of Russia on the whole? 1) Approve; 2) Do not approve no answer. (100, 104, 108)
- 5A.** How much are you satisfied with what is happening in the country now? 1) Quite satisfied; 2) Mostly satisfied; 3) Not quite satisfied; 4) Not satisfied at all; 5) Difficult to answer no answer. (100, 104, 108)

- 5B.** How much are you satisfied with the current economic course of the government of the country? 1) Quite satisfied; 2) Mostly satisfied; 3) Not quite satisfied; 4) Not satisfied at all; 5) Difficult to answer no answer. (100, 104, 108)
- 5C.** How much are you satisfied with the state of morales in the country? 1) Quite satisfied; 2) Mostly satisfied; 3) Not quite satisfied; 4) Not satisfied at all; 5) Difficult to answer no answer. (100, 104, 109)
- 9.** Which of the following opinions about the current acts of the law enforcement bodies with regard to big business, the "oligarchs" would you be more likely to share? 1) They are introducing order in the economy, cleansing it from the criminal element; 2) They are getting the "oligarchs" to pay money to replenish the treasury; 3) They are demonstrating the strength of the current government, strengthening the "vertical of power"; 4) They are settling scores with those who do not show obedience to the current government; 5) They are continuing the "redistribution of property" in the country; 6) Difficult to answer no answer. (101, 105, 109)
- 10.** Which of the following opinions about the revision of the results of privatization in the 1990s do you share? 1) The state should get back all the property that it lost in those years ; 2) It can be done only in some cases, if it is proved that the act of privatization was not within the law; 3) This question should not be raised at all now; 4) Difficult to answer no answer. (101, 105, 109)
- 13.** Have there been any acts of protest (meetings, pickets, leaflets, posters) against the replacement of state benefits with cash payments over the past 30 days? 1) Yes; 2) No; 3) Don't know anything about it; 4) Difficult to answer no answer. (101, 105, 109)
- 14.** What is your attitude to the acts of protest against the replacement of state benefits with cash payments? 1) Support these acts; 2) With understanding, but do not support; 3) Am absolutely against such acts; 4) Difficult to answer no answer. (101, 105, 109)
- 15A.** What is your opinion about the upcoming reform of the housing and communal services? 1) It is a necessary and useful measure; 2) It is a measure that has not been carefully worked out and it will make the situation of people like myself worse; 3) Difficult to answer no answer. (101, 105, 109)
- 15B.** Are you prepared to take part in acts of protest against the reform of housing and communal services (meetings, pickets, marches) if they take place in your city, region? 1) Definitely yes; 2) Yes, rather than no; 3) No, rather than yes; 4) Definitely no; 5) Difficult to answer no answer. (101, 105, 109)
- 24A.** Is there a political opposition to the government in Russia now? 1) Definitely yes; 2) Yes, rather than no; 3) No, rather than yes; 4) Definitely no; 5) Difficult to answer no answer. (101, 105, 110)
- 24B.** Does Russia need a political opposition to the government now? 1) Definitely yes; 2) Yes, rather than no; 3) No, rather than yes; 4) Definitely no; 5) Difficult to answer no answer. (102, 105, 110)
- 27.** Thinking about the next presidential election in Russia in 2008, in which, under the constitution, V.Putin will not be able to run, would you be more likely to vote for the candidate proposed by V.Putin or would you vote for another candidate on principle? 1) For the candidate proposed by V.Putin; 2) For another candidate on principle; 3) Depends on the circumstances; 4) Difficult to answer no answer. (102, 106, 110)
- 30A.** Would you be for or against it if the next president of Russia were a politician who nobody knows now and who V.Putin proposes for election as his successor? 1) Definitely for; 2) For, rather than against; 3) Does not matter; 4) Against, rather than for; 5) Definitely against; 6) Difficult to answer no answer. (102, 106, 110)
- 30B.** Would you be for or against it if the next president of Russia were a well-known politician? 1) Definitely for; 2) For, rather than against; 3) Does not matter; 4) Against, rather than for; 5) Definitely against; 6) Difficult to answer no answer. (102, 106, 111)
- 30C.** Would you be for or against it if the next president of Russia were a successful entrepreneur, businessman? 1) Definitely for; 2) For, rather than against; 3) Does not matter; 4) Against, rather than for; 5) Definitely against; 6) Difficult to answer no answer. (102, 106, 111)
- 30E.** Would you be for or against it if the next president of Russia were someone with a special service background? 1) Definitely for; 2) For, rather than against; 3) Does not matter; 4) Against, rather than for; 5) Definitely against; 6) Difficult to answer no answer. (102, 106, 111)
- 30F.** Would you be for or against it if the next president of Russia were a woman? 1) Definitely for; 2) For, rather than against; 3) Does not matter; 4) Against, rather than for; 5) Definitely against; 6) Difficult to answer no answer. (103, 106, 111)

- 30G.** Would you be for or against it if the next president of Russia were not an ethnic Russian? 1) Definitely for; 2) For, rather than against; 3) Does not matter; 4) Against, rather than for; 5) Definitely against; 6) Difficult to answer no answer. (103, 107, 111)
- 30H.** Would you be for or against it if the next president of Russia were a young man of 30-35 years old? 1) Definitely for; 2) For, rather than against; 3) Does not matter; 4) Against, rather than for; 5) Definitely against; 6) Difficult to answer no answer. (103, 107, 111)
- 34B.** Thinking about the activity of V.Putin as president of Russia, do you support it or do you not support it in general? 1) Support in general; 2) Do not support in general; 3) Do not know enough about it; 4) Difficult to answer no answer. (103, 107, 111)
- 36.** Why do many people tend to trust V.Putin? 1) People have come to the conclusion that V.Putin is dealing with the problems of the country successfully and decently; 2) People hope that V.Putin will be able to cope with the problems of the country in future; 3) People do not see who else they could rely on; 4) Difficult to answer no answer. (103, 107, 112)
- 38.** If V.Putin keeps the post of the president after 2008, will it be good or bad for Russia? 1) It'll be extremely useful, it'll save Russia; 2) Useful for Russia, rather than not useful; 3) It will hardly change anything; 4) It's more likely to be harmful for Russia; 5) It'll be very harmful, disastrous for Russia; 6) Difficult to answer no answer. (103, 107, 112)