## Questionnaire about the social contacts of elderly Study on Healthy Aging

What is your date of birth? day (131) month (112) year 19
What is your official marital status?  ☐ unmarried/never married  ☐ married  ☐ divorced  ☐ widowed
How many persons are in your household? persons
Is one of the persons in your household your spouse of partner? $\;\square$ no $\;\square$ yes
Are there children in your household?  □ no □ yes ⇒ If yes, how many? ⇒ If yes, what are their ages?
What is the highest level of education that you completed?  □ Elementary education □ Lower vocational education □ General intermediate education □ Intermediate vocational education □ General secondary education □ Higher vocational education □ College / University education □ Other, please describe:
Are you currently employed?  □ no □ yes⇒ If yes, how many hours a week do you work? hours
If you have a spouse or a partner, is he/she currently employed?  ☐ no ☐ yes⇒ If yes, how many hours a week does he/she work? hours
How many hours a week do you work in your household? hours

I am going to name four activities that are difficult for some people. Please tell me whether you can perform the activities ?									
Can you walk up and down stairs? $\square$ not at all $\square$ only with help $\square$ with many difficulties $\square$ with some difficulties $\square$ no difficulties									
Can you walk for 5 minutes outdoors without resting?  ☐ not at all ☐ only with help ☐ with many difficulties ☐ with some difficulties ☐ no difficulties									
Can you get up from and sit down in a chair?  ☐ not at all ☐ only with help ☐ with many difficulties ☐ with some difficulties ☐ no difficulties									
Can you dress and undress yourself?  ☐ not at all ☐ only with help ☐ with many difficulties ☐ with some difficulties ☐ no difficulties									
In the next section we will ask your opinion about giving help, relationships.	support and	/or care within three	types of						
When an older parent requires help, support and/or care, what	is your opin	ion about the role of (	adult) children?						
Children and parents ought to support each other	□ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes						
Because parents have also done much in the past, children show	ıld give sup □ no	port now.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes						
The older parent $now$ also is important to the children, and for them.		deserves to receive su  ☐ more-or-less	pport from □ yes						
In a good relationship it goes without saying that (adult) children and the control of the contr		nuch for their parent(s more-or-less	). □ yes						
When a husband/wife/partner requires help, support and/or car <u>husband/wife/partner</u> ?	e, what is yo	our opinion about the	role of the other						
Spouses ought to support each other	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes						
Because one spouse has also done much in the past, the other s	•	d give support now.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes						
A spouse now also gives support, and for that reason deserves		ipport from the other ☐ more-or-less	spouse. □ yes						
In a good relationship it goes without saying that spouses will o	do much for □ no	each other.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes						

When a friend requires help, support and	d/or care	, what is your o	opinion abo	out the role of the oth	ner <u>friend?</u>
Friends ought to support each other			□ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes
Because one friend has also done much	st, the other fri	end should	l give support now.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes	
A friend now also gives support, and for	that rea	son deserves to	receive su	apport from the other  ☐ more-or-less	friend.
In a good relationship it goes without sa	ying that	t friends will do	o much for no	each other.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes
The next questions are about your conta (The questions are not always asked about Mr. J. Jones (Amsterdam) Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson (Amsterdam) Mr. B. Jones (Amsterdam) Mr. D. Jones (Amsterdam) Mr. R. Merchant (Amsterdam) Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot (Rotterdam)	out each	of the persons.			
What is your relationship with the follow	wing pers	sons?			
Mr. J. Jones	is my		ather-in-la n-in-law brother-in	w -law □ other relativ □ acquaintance □ co	
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	is my		mother-in- ☐ daughter ister-in-law		olleague
Mr. B. Jones	is my		ather-in-la n-in-law brother-in	w -law □ other relativ □ acquaintance □ co	
Mr. D. Jones	is my		ather-in-la n-in-law brother-in	w -law □ other relativ □ acquaintance □ co	

Mr. R. Merchant	is my □ spouse/partner □ father □ father-in-law □ son □ son-in-law □ brother □ brother-in-law □ other relative □ neighbor □ friend □ acquaintance □ colleague □ other
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	is my □ spouse/partner □ mother □ mother-in-law □ daughter □ daughter-in-law □ sister □ sister-in-law □ other relative □ neighbor □ friend □ acquaintance □ colleague □ other
How often are you in touch with?	
Mr. J. Jones	☐ daily ☐ weekly ☐ about twice a month ☐ once a month ☐ less often than once a month
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	☐ daily ☐ weekly ☐ about twice a month ☐ once a month ☐ less often than once a month
Mr. B. Jones	☐ daily ☐ weekly ☐ about twice a month ☐ once a month ☐ less often than once a month
Mr. D. Jones	☐ daily ☐ weekly ☐ about twice a month ☐ once a month ☐ less often than once a month
Mr. R. Merchant	☐ daily ☐ weekly ☐ about twice a month ☐ once a month ☐ less often than once a month
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	☐ daily ☐ weekly ☐ about twice a month ☐ once a month ☐ less often than once a month

When you look back on your ties with the f keep in touch?	Collowing pe	rsons in the	e last months	s, have yo	u made a lot	of efforts to	
Mr. R. Merchant	☐ I made a lot of efforts to keep in touch ☐ I made some efforts to keep in touch ☐ I made no efforts ☐ I made some efforts to break the contact off ☐ I made a lot of efforts to break the contact off						
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	☐ I made a lot of efforts to keep in touch ☐ I made some efforts to keep in touch ☐ I made no efforts ☐ I made some efforts to break the contact off ☐ I made a lot of efforts to break the contact off						
Has the frequency of contact, compared wi Mr. R. Merchant Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	th a year ago increas increas	ed	□ equal □ equal	□ deci			
Do you want to continue your relationship  Mr. R. Merchant  Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	with the nex  ☐ yes! ☐ yes!	t persons? □ yes □ yes	□ ? □ ?	□ no	□ no! □ no!		
If you compare your relationship with the rethe next persons in general better, about the Mr. R. Merchant Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	•	•		nships, is	your relation	ship with	
How long does it take you to travel to, by Mr. J. Jones Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson Mr. B. Jones Mr. D. Jones Mr. R. Merchant Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	hours hours hours hours hours	he way you and m and m and m and m and m	inutes inutes inutes inutes inutes	rel?			

The next questions are about the support you receive.

How often during the past year did it occur that the following persons helped you with daily household tasks							
(e.g. preparing meals, cleaning the house,	transport, a c	chore)?					
Mr. J. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. B. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. D. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. R. Merchant	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	$\square$ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
How often during the past year did it occu decision or on filling out forms)?	r that the fol	lowing perso	ons gave you adv	ice (e.g. on an important			
Mr. J. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. B. Jones	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. D. Jones	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. R. Merchant	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
How often during the past year did it occu when you were ill?	r that the fol	lowing perso	ons gave your hel	p when you needed it, e.g.			
Mr. J. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. B. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. D. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. R. Merchant	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
How often during the past year did it occu	r that the fol	lowing pers	ons gave you a pr	esent?			
Mr. J. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. B. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
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Mr. J. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
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Mr. D. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. R. Merchant	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	often			
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			

How often during the past year did it occur that you showed the following persons you cared for them?							
Mr. J. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	□ never	☐ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. B. Jones	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. D. Jones	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. R. Merchant	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
How often during the past year did it occur	r that the foll	lowing pers	ons told you abo	ut their personal feelings?			
Mr. J. Jones	$\square$ never	☐ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	□ never	$\square$ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. B. Jones	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. D. Jones	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mr. R. Merchant	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	□ never	□ rarely	□ sometimes	□ often			
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To close the section about the mutual supp	ort, two que	stions follo	<u>W.</u>				
Do you think that the following persons ne	ed social su	pport?					
Mr. J. Jones	□ yes, ve	ry much	□ yes, some	□ scarcely			
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	□ yes, ve	ry much	□ yes, some	□ scarcely			
Mr. B. Jones	□ yes, ve	ry much	□ yes, some	□ scarcely			
Mr. D. Jones	□ yes, ve	•	☐ yes, some	□ scarcely			
Mr. R. Merchant	□ yes, ve	-	□ yes, some	□ scarcely			
Mrs. Y. Doll-Boot	□ yes, ve	-	□ yes, some	□ scarcely			
If you gave support in the last twelve mont	ths, did they	ask for it, o	r was is it your ii	nitiative?			
Mr. J. Jones	☐ I did no	ot gave supp	ort				
	☐ predom	ninantly on 1	request of him				
	□ predom	ninantly on 1	ny initiative				
	☐ sometii	mes on requ	est, sometimes o	n my initiative			
Mrs. A. Jones-Robertson	□ I did no	ot gave supp	ort				
			request of her				
			my initiative				
	•	•	est, sometimes o	n my initiative			
Mr. B. Jones		ot gave supp		•			
mr. b. sones			equest of him				
	_	-	my initiative				
	•	•	est, sometimes o	n my initiative			
		_					
Mr. D. Jones		ot gave supp					
			request of him				
			my initiative				
	□ sometii	mes on requ	est, sometimes o	n my initiative			

Mr. R. Merchant  ☐ I did not gave support ☐ predominantly on request of him ☐ predominantly on my initiative ☐ sometimes on request, sometimes on my initiative									
Mrs. Y. Do	oll-Boot	☐ I did not gave support ☐ predominantly on request of her ☐ predominantly on my initiative ☐ sometimes on request, sometimes on my initiative							
The next questions are about you	our situation.								
Did you experience a life event  movement birth (grand)child retirement new job severe illness/hospitaliza severe illness/hospital of severe illness/hospital of death a marriage (e.g. of childr a divorce other  If an event happened, please de the event happened?	ation of you partner kin en)			I the event, a	and in which month				
Please indicate for each of the tyou feel nowadays.	following stat	tements, the	e extent to which they a	pply to you	r situation, the way				
There is always someone that I	can talk to al □ no!	bout my day □ no	to day problems.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!				
I miss having a really close frie	end. □ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!				
I experience a general sense of	emptiness.  ☐ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!				
There are plenty of people that	I can lean on □ no!	in case of t □ no	rouble. □ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!				
I miss the pleasure of company	of others.  □ no!	□ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!				

I feel my circle of friends and a	cquaintances  no!	s is too limit	ted. □ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
There are many people that I ca	n count on c □ no!	ompletely.	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
There are enough people that I	feel close to. □ no!	□ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
I miss having people around.	□ no!	□ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
Often, I feel rejected.	□ no!	□ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
I can call on my friends whenever	ver I need the	em. □ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
Please indicate for each of the t	Collowing sta	tements, the	e extent to which they a	pply to you	
It bothers me when other peopl	e neglect my □ no!	needs. □ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
When making a decision, I take	other people on!	e's needs and □ no	d feelings into account.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
I think people should feel oblig	ated to repay  ☐ no!	others for t	favors.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
I would feel exploited if someo	ne failed to r □ no!	repay me for	a favor.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
I bother to keep track of benefit	ts I have give □ no!	en others.	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
I expect people I know to be re-	sponsive to n	ny needs and □ no	d feelings.  ☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!
It's best to make sure things are	always kept □ no!	'even' betwe	een two people in a rela	ationship.  □ yes	□ yes!

When someone I know helps me out on a project, I feel I have to pay them back.							
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	$\square$ yes	□ yes!		
When I have a need that others	ignore I'm h	mrt					
when I have a need that others	□ no!	no no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
				J	<b>,</b>		
The next statements are about	your family i	n general.					
When you think about you and	your parent(	s) (among M		her(s) and s	ister(s), that is your		
family, what is your opinion ab	out the follow	wing statem	ents?				
We really get along well togeth	ner						
we really get along went togeth	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
				•	•		
In our family we are very open							
	□ no!	□ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
We always quickly come to an	agreement al	bout what w	e are expected to do.				
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
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We try to avoid interfering in e	ach others liv	ves as much  no	as possible.   more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
	□ no:		inore-or-ress	□ yes	□ yes:		
We are all rather solitary being	s.						
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
W							
We can work together well.	□ no!	□ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
	<b>–</b> no.	<b>—</b> 110	inore or less	<b>—</b> yes	<b>—</b> yes.		
We are cautious what we tell ea	ach other.						
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	$\square$ yes	□ yes!		
When we criticize each other, v	wa alwawa sa	ttle the dien	uto by tolking				
when we chucize each other,	me aiways se  no!	no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
				<i>J</i> = 2	just		
We are strongly attached to each		_	_	_	_		
	□ no!	□ no	□ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
We surprise each other regular	ly with a sma	ıll gift of a r	nostcard				
we surprise each other regular.	no!	$\square$ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
				•	•		
We criticize each other if neces	•	_		_			
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
We regularly have minor quarr	els in our fan	nilv.					
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
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In our family it is considered a		-			□al		
	$\square$ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		

We go through considerable efforts to see and talk to each other.							
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	$\square$ yes!		
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At times we hug or kiss each ot	_	-		_			
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
When we disapprove of a famil	v mambar'a l	achavior w	e cay comething about i	t			
when we disapprove of a famili	•		•		П		
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
During a family gathering we h	ave to be ver	v careful of	one another's feelings				
Daning a ranning gamering we in	□ no!	no no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
	<b>–</b> no.	<b>—</b> 110	inore-or-ress	- yes	□ yes.		
In our family it is easy to make	plans and ar	rangements.					
211 0 ur 1021111 y 10 10 0 us y 10 1110210	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
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We like to tease and play aroun	d.						
1 2	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	□ yes!		
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You can count on us to meet ag	reements.						
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	$\square$ yes!		
				•			
There is always a relaxed atmos	sphere when	we are toge	ther.				
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	□ yes	$\square$ yes!		
Anything that has to be done al	ways works	out in our fa	amily.				
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	$\square$ yes	$\square$ yes!		
We are very concerned about ea		_	_				
	□ no!	□ no	☐ more-or-less	$\square$ yes	$\square$ yes!		
This is the and of the questionn	oiro						

This is the end of the questionnaire.

If you want to tell something, or if you missed something in the questionnaire, please describe it below.

Thank you for your cooperation.

You will receive a summary of results.