

W-LEX Codebook

W-LEX Survey Questionnaire

Variable name (original)	Variable label	Type of variable	Answer option categories
wp5	Country	Categorical	- Bangladesh - Brazil - Nigeria
wgt	weight	Numerical	Survey weights
country_iso2	Country ISO alpha-2 code	Numerical	
country_iso3	Country ISO alpha-3 code	Numerical	
degurba	Degree of Urbanization	Categorical	- Rural areas - Towns and semi-dense areas - Cities
emp_2010	Employment Status	Categorical	- Employed full time for an - Employed full time for - Employed part time do not want full time - Unemployed - Employed part time want full time - Out of workforce
hhsz	Total Number Living in Household for Per Capita Income	Numerical	
income_1	Annual Household Income in Local Currency	Numerical	
income_2	Annual Household Income in International Dollars	Numerical	
income_3	Per Capita Annual Income in Local Currency	Numerical	
income_4	Per Capita Annual Income in International Dollars	Numerical	
income_5	Per Capita Income Quintiles	Numerical	
reg_global	Global Region	Categorical	- South Asia - Latin America and the - Sub-Saharan Africa
region_bgd	Region Bangladesh	Categorical	- Dhaka - Chittagong - Khulna - Rajshahi - Sylhet - Barisal - Rangpur - Mymensingh
region_bra	Region Brazil	Categorical	- Amazonas - Pará - Tocantins - Maranhão - Piauí - Ceará - Rio Grande do Norte - Pernambuco - Alagoas - Sergipe - Bahia - Minas Gerais

			• Rio de Janeiro • São Paulo • Paraná • Santa Catarina • Rio Grande do Sul • Goiás • Distrito Federal • Espirito Santo • Amapá • Rondonia
region_nga	Region Nigeria	Categorical	• Abia • Abuja • Akwa Ibom • Ananmbra • Bauchi • Bayelsa • Benue • Cross-River • Delta • Eboyin • Edo • Ekiti • Enugu • Gombe • Imo • Jigawa • Kaduna • Kano • Katsina • Kebbi • Kogi • Kwara • Lagos • Niger • Ogun • Ondo • Osun • Oyo • Plateau • Rivers • Sokoto • Taraba • Zamfara
region2_bra	Region 2 Brazil	Categorical	• South (SU) • Southeast (SE) • Central-West (CO) • North (NO) • Northeast (NE)
region2_nga	Region 2 Nigeria	Categorical	• North Central • North East • North West • South East • South South • South West
wp10200	Employed for Employer	Categorical	• Yes • No • (DK)
wp10202	Employed for Self	Categorical	• Yes • No • (DK) • Refused

wp10268	Major Cities	Categorical	• Nigeria - Kaduna • Nigeria - Kano • Nigeria - Lagos • Nigeria - Abuja • Brazil - Sao Paulo • Brazil - Rio de Janeiro • Bangladesh - Dhaka
wp12	Number of Residents 15+ in Household	Numerical	
wp1219	Gender	Categorical	• Male • Female
wp1220	Age	Numerical	
wp1223	Marital Status	Categorical	• Single/Never been married • Married • Separated • Divorced • Widowed • (DK) • (Refused) • Domestic partner
wp12258	Sampling Stratification	Numerical	
wp12258a	Sampling Stratification 2	Numerical	
wp12259	Sampling Stage 1 (PSU)	Numerical	
wp1230	Number of Children Under 15 in Household	Numerical	
wp1230recoded	Number of Children Under 15 in Household (yes/no)	Categorical	• Yes • No
wp1233	Religion (19 categories)	Categorical	• Christianity: Roman Catholic, Catholic • Christianity: Protestant, Anglican, Evangelical • Christianity: Eastern Orthodox, Orthodox • Islam/Muslim • Islam/Muslim (Shiite) • Islam/Muslim (Sunni) • Druze • Hinduism • Buddhism • Primal-indigenous/African Traditional a • Spiritism • Bahai • Unitarian-Universalism • Scientology • Secular/Nonreligious/Agnostic/Atheist • Christian (not specified) • Taoism/Daoism • (DK) • (Refused)
wp1233recoded	Religion (7 categories)	Categorical	• Christian • Islam • Hinduism • Buddhism • Secular/Non-religious • Other • DK/Refused

wp14	Urban/Rural	Categorical	• A rural area or on a farm • A small town or village • A large city • A suburb of a large city
wp7572 (not available for Nigeria)	Urban/Rural	Categorical	• Urban • Rural

W-LEX Survey Questionnaire (classified by WBL topics)

WBL TOPIC	Variable name	Text/Description (original)	Type of Answer (Sample) Answer categories
SAFETY	wp24145	Based on what you have seen or heard, how much of a problem is violence and harassment against women in the city or area where you live?	One answer (TOTAL sample)
			A major problem
			A minor problem
			Not a problem at all
			(DK)
	wp24146	Based on what you have seen or heard, how effective are the local authorities in the city or area where you live at preventing violence and harassment against women?	One answer (TOTAL sample)
			Very effective
			Somewhat effective
			Not effective at all
			(DK)
MOBILITY	Would you have to ask permission from someone in your family before doing each of the following?		Multiple sub questions, one answer each (TOTAL sample)
	wp24142	Taking a bus or train by yourself	Yes
			No
			(DK)
			(Refused)
	wp24143	Opening a bank account	Yes
			No
			(DK)
			(Refused)
	wp24144	Applying for or accepting a job	Yes
			No
			(DK)
(Refused)			
WORK	wp24111	Suppose you wanted to get a new, paid job, regardless of whether you are currently working or not. How likely do you think it is that you could get a new, paid job that requires your skills and experience within the next six months?	One answer (TOTAL sample)
			Verly likely
			Somewhat likely
			Not likely at all
			(DK)
	wp24112	Suppose you got the paid job that requires your skills and experience, and that you do high quality work at this job for several years.	One answer (TOTAL sample)
			Verly likely
			Somewhat likely

		- How likely do you think it is that you could get a promotion with this job within 3 years?	- Not likely at all (DK) (Refused)
PAY	wp24113	Based on what you have seen or heard, do you think working women in the city or area where you live are paid the same wages as their male coworkers when they do the same job equally well?	One answer (TOTAL sample) - Yes - No - Does not apply/Men and Women don't work together in this city or area (DK) (Refused)
	Now, please tell me whether you think each of the following reasons may explain why working women may sometimes make less money than working men		Multiple sub questions - one answer each (TOTAL sample)
	wp24114	Women work in lower-paying jobs	- Yes - No - Women don't make less money than men (DK) (Refused)
	wp24115	Women are paid less because they are women, even if they do the same job equally well as men	- Yes - No - Women don't make less money than men (DK) (Refused)
	wp24116	Women have a different set of skills and qualifications than men	- Yes - No - Women don't make less money than men (DK) (Refused)
MARRIAGE	wp24141	In the city or area where you live, who typically has more power in making major decisions during marriage? The husband or the wife?	One answer (TOTAL sample) - Husband - Wife (Both have equal power) (DK) (Refused)
	What do most working women in the city or area where you live typically do after having a baby? Do they typically...?		Multiple sub questions - one answer each (TOTAL sample)
	wp24117	Completely quit their job and stop working	- Yes - No (DK) (Refused)
	wp24118	Keep their job, but take PAID leave	- Yes - No (DK) (Refused)
	wp24119	Keep their job, but take UNPAID leave	- Yes - No (DK) (Refused)
PARENTHOOD	wp24120	Keep working without taking any time off	- Yes - No (DK) (Refused)

	wp24121	Work less hours than they did before having a baby	• Yes • No • (DK) • (Refused)
CHILD CARE	wp24122	What is the PRIMARY method of childcare used by most women with at least one child under 5 years old in the city or area where you live? Do they...?	One answer (TOTAL sample)
		• Stay at home to care for the child • Have a family member or neighbor help care for the child • Hire someone to care for the child at home • Send the child to a childcare or daycare • (Some other method) • (DK) • (Refused)	
ENTREPRENEURSHIP	wp24127	Do you currently run your own business?	One answer (TOTAL sample) • Yes • No • (DK) • (Refused)
	wp24128	Do you want to start a new business in the next 12 months?	One answer (Sample: If WP24127 = 2, 8, 9 (No, DK, Refused)) • Yes • No • (DK) • (Refused)
	Please tell me whether each of the following issues is a MAJOR challenge you experience with running your business .		Multiple sub questions - one answer each (Sample: If WP24127 = 1 (Yes))
	wp24129	Lack of time due to household responsibilities	• Yes • No • (Does not apply) • (DK) • (Refused)
	wp24130	Lack of finance or capital	• Yes • No • (Does not apply) • (DK) • (Refused)
	wp24131	Lack of training and knowledge	• Yes • No • (Does not apply) • (DK) • (Refused)
	wp24132	Lack of government support	• Yes • No • (Does not apply) • (DK) • (Refused)
	wp24133	Business regulations being too costly and complicated	• Yes • No • (Does not apply) • (DK) • (Refused)
	Please tell me whether you think each of the following issues would be a MAJOR challenge that you experience when starting your business		Multiple sub questions - one answer each (Sample if WP24128 = 1 (Yes))
	wp24134	Lack of time due to household responsibilities	• Yes

			No	
			(Does not apply)	
			(DK)	
			(Refused)	
	wp24135	Lack of finance or capital	Yes	
			No	
			(Does not apply)	
			(DK)	
		(Refused)		
			Yes	
			No	
			(Does not apply)	
	wp24136	Lack of training and knowledge	(DK)	
			(Refused)	
			Yes	
			No	
		(Does not apply)		
			(DK)	
			(Refused)	
			Yes	
wp24137	Lack of government support	No		
		(Does not apply)		
		(DK)		
		(Refused)		
	(Refused)			
		Yes		
		No		
		(Does not apply)		
wp24138	Business regulations being too costly and complicated	(DK)		
		(Refused)		
		Yes		
		No		
ASSETS	In your family, please tell me who is more able to do each of the following - men or women? What about...?		Multiple sub questions - one answer each (TOTAL sample)	
	wp24139	Own, buy, or sell private property	Men	
			Women	
			(Men and Women are equally able)	
			(DK)	
		(Refused)		
			Men	
			Women	
			(Men and Women are equally able)	
	wp24140	Inherit private property:	(DK)	
			(Refused)	
			Men	
			Women	
	PENSION	Do you think you will rely on any of the following methods to support yourself financially in old age, or not? (INTERVIEWER: If a respondent says they are already in old age, READ: Do you rely on any of the following to support yourself financially?)		Multiple sub questions - one answer each (TOTAL sample)
		wp24123	Employer pension or retirement benefits	Yes
				No
				(DK)
				(Refused)
			(Refused)	
				Yes
No				
(DK)				
wp24124		Government benefits or assistance	(Refused)	
			Yes	
			No	
			(DK)	
		(Refused)		
			Yes	
			No	
			(DK)	
wp24125		Working while in old age	(Refused)	
			Yes	
			No	
	(DK)			
	(Refused)			
		Yes		
		No		
		(DK)		
wp24126	Household savings or family support	(Refused)		