## Donor Survey 201I <br> Wikimedia Germany

## I. detailed results

Questions I: How frequently do you visit Wikipedia on average?


Question 2: Have you ever created or changed content on Wikipedia (e.g. added information, improved the spelling)?


Filter: If yes, then question 3.I; if no, then question 3.2
Question 3. I: How often do you work on content on Wikipedia?


Question 3.2: Can you imagine yourself creating content for Wikipedia?


Question 4: Do you have a user account on Wikipedia?


In what follows, you will find two questions with statements about how Wikipedia works. We would like to ask you to choose the answer(s) that coincide(s) with your opinion.

Question 5: Which statement is true? (multiple answers are possible)
Wikipedia articles are written by:


Question 6: Which statement is true? (multiple answers are possible)
In order to work on an article,


Question 7: When you think about Wikipedia, what do you especially like about it? In what follows, you will find several statements about Wikipedia. Please indicate, whether you agree with them or not.

I especially like Wikipedia because...

|  | I totally agree | I agree | I somewhat agree | I somewhat do not agree | I do not agree | I totally <br> do <br> not agree |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ...thanks to Wikipedia I can satisfy my curiosity at any time. | 866 | 377 | 80 | 21 | 4 | 7 | Total: 1351 |
|  | 64.1 \% | 27.6 \% | 59\% | 1.6 \% | 0.3 \% | 0.5 \% | x: 1.49, std.: 0.77 |
| ....Wikipedia's information is reliable and is of good quality. | 313 | 758 | 273 | 7 | I | 0 | Total: 1352 |
|  | 23.2. \% | 56.1 \% | 20.2. \% | 0.5 \% | 0.1 \% | 0\% | x: 1.98 , std.: 0.68 |
| ...Wikipedia is free and does not cost any money | 1132 | 178 | 34 | 5 | 3 | 2 | Total: 1354 |
|  | 83.6 \% | 13.1 \% | 2.5 \% | 0.4 \% | 0.2 \% | 0.1 \% | x: 1.21, std.: 0.54 |
| ...Wikipedia is based on the voluntary work of volunteer authors. | 715 | 403 | 170 | 34 | 5 | 6 | Total: 1333 |
|  | 53.6 \% | 30.2 \% | $12.8 \%$ | 2.6 \% | 0.4 \% | 0.5 \% | x: 1.67, std.: 0.87 |
| ...Wikipedia stands for the common public interest and is against commercialization. | 959 | 280 | 89 | 13 | 7 | 2 | Total: 1350 |
|  | 71\% | 20.7 \% | 6.6 \% | 1\% | 0.5 \% | 0.1 \% | x: 1.4, std.: 0.72 |
| ...thanks to Wikipedia where you are from and how much money you have do not have any influence over whether you | 1049 | 225 | 51 | 16 | 5 | 2 | Total: 1348 |
|  | 77.8 \% | 16.7 \% | 3.8 \% | 1.2 \% | 0.4 \% | 0.1 \% | x: 1.3, std.: 0.66 |
| ...through Wikipedia it has become possible to collect and to store all of humanity's knowledge in a central place. | 722 | 318 | 207 | 75 | 15 | 15 | Total: 1352 |
|  | 53.4 \% | 23.5 \% | I5.3\% | 5.5 \% | 1.1 \% | 1.1 \% | x: 1.81, std.: 1.07 |

[^0]Question 8: Please put the following statements into order based on how much you agree with them.

Please give the statement you agree with most the number I. For the next statement that you agree with please assign it the number 2 . For the statement that you agree with the least, please give it the number 3.

For me, Wikipedia is


Question 9: If you had to describe Wikipedia with only one word, which of the following three adjectives would you use?


Questions 10: How often have you donated to Wikipedia?


Filter: if once \& if several times, then question II; otherwise question 12
Question II: Can you imagine setting up a regular donation to Wikipedia?


Question I2: In what follows, 6 reasons are given why people donate to Wikipedia. How do you rate the respective reasons? Please indicate whether you agree with them or not.

I donate.....

|  | I totally | I agree | I somewhat | 1 | I do not | I totally do |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ...so that there are no advertisements on Wikipedia. | 549 | 357 | 253 | 100 | 44 | 22 | Total: 1325 |
|  | 41.4 \% | 26.9 \% | 19.1 \% | 7.5 \% | 3.3 \% | 1.7 \% | x: 2.09, std.: 1.21 |
| ...to protect Wikipedia from being influenced and manipulated. | 706 | 337 | 171 | 77 | 26 |  | Total: 1324 |
|  | 53.3 \% | 25.5 \% | 12.9 \% | 5.8 \% | 2\% | 0.5 \% | x: 1.79, std.: 1.06 |
| ...because I expect that there will be improvements in Wikipedia. | 218 | 359 | 384 | 226 | 80 | 48 | Total: 1315 |
|  | 16.6 \% | 27.3 \% | 29.2 \% | 17.2 \% | 6.1 \% | 3.7 \% | x: 2.8, std.: 1. 28 |
| ...in order to ensure that people have access to 1 | 433 | 375 | 310 | 134 | 45 | 25 | Total: 1322 |
|  | 32.8 \% | 28.4 \% | 23.4 \% | 10.1 \% | 3.4 \% | 1.9 \% | x: 2.29, std.: 1.22 |
| ...in order to give something back, since I use | 876 | 315 | 96 | 33 | 10 |  | Total: 1336 |
| Wikipedia so frequently. | 65.6 \% | 23.6 \% | 7.2 \% | 2.5 \% | 0.7 \% | 0.4 \% | x: 1.51, std.: 0.85 |
| ...so that I can continue using Wikipedia for free | 727 | 362 | 161 | 57 | 10 | 15 | Total: 1332 |
|  | 54.6 \% | 27.2 \% | 12.1 \% | 4.3 \% | 0.8 \% | I. 1 \% | x: 1.73, std.: 1.01 |

$x=$ arithmetic mean, std. = standard deviation; Number of participants across all the rows (s): I343; Arithmetic mean of all mean values of the lines (entire spreadsheet question): 2.03

Question 13: Do you agree with the following statements or not?
(With) my donation....


Question 14: In what follows there are several fears listed concerning Wikipedia, which have been mentioned by donors. How worried are you about the following scenarios?

I am worried...

|  | I totally agree | I agree | I somewhat agree | somewhat do not agree | I do not agree | I totally do not agree |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ...that Wikipedia will be forced to permit advertisements in order to maintain itself. | 221 | 365 | 341 | 253 | 74 | 50 | Total: 1304 |
|  | 16.9 \% | 28\% | 26.2 \% | 19.4 \% | 5.7 \% | 3.8 \% | x: 2.8, std.: 1. 3 |
| ...that the volunteers who have created most of the content will stop doing work for Wikipedia. | 177 | 334 | 259 | 342 | 136 | 51 | Total: 1299 |
|  | 13.6 \% | 25.7 \% | 19.9 \% | 26.3 \% | 10.5 \% | 3.9 \% | x: 3.06, std. I. 35 |
| ...that Wikipedia will contain incomplete, biased or false information. | 247 | 289 | 278 | 320 | 117 | 53 | Total: I304 |
|  | 18.9 \% | 22.2 \% | 21.3 \% | 24.5 \% | 9\% | 4.1 \% | x. 2.95, std.: 1.4 |
| ...that Wikipedia will have to start charging money for access. | 248 | 343 | 291 | 257 | 103 | 60 | Total: 1302 |
|  | 19\% | 26.3 \% | 22.4 \% | 19.7 \% | 7.9 \% | 4.6 \% | x: 2.85, std.: 1. 39 |

[^1]Question 15: To support Wikipedia, Wikimedia Germany conducts various projects. In what follows six project areas are shortly presented. Do you find them worth supporting?

Please rate the projects on a scale of I (very good) to 6 (very bad).

|  | I Very good | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Very bad | I don't know |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| People over 50 are less rarely represented as authors than younger age groups. In the project "Silver | 599 | 420 | 142 | 32 | 8 | 3 | 80 | Total: 1284 |
| Knowledge," older people are informed about Wikipedia in workshops and are encouraged to contribute their knowledge to Wikipedia. | 46.7 \% | 32.7 \% | 11.1 \% | 2.5 \% | 0.6 \% | 0.2 \% | 6.23 \% | x: 1.7, std.: 0.86 |
| Various projects serve to support the work of our volunteer authors. In the context of the project | 416 | 470 | 238 | 47 | 13 | 6 | 93 | Total:_ \| 283 |
| "Literature Stipends" specialist literature, for instance, is obtained and made available. | 32.4 \% | 36.6\% | 18.6 \% | 3.7 \% | 1\% | 0.5 \% | 7.24 \% | x: 1.98, std.: 0.94 |
| With the Wikipedia School Project , teachers and pupils learn media literacy skills and are taught to | 730 | 373 | 83 | 22 | 10 | 4 | 57 | Total: 1279 |
| information about how content is created, quality assurance and dealing with sources is passed along. | 57.1 \% | 29.2 \% | 6.5 \% | 1.7 \% | 0.8 \% | 0.3 \% | 4.45 \% | x: 1.54, std. 0.81 |
| In the area of technology, the software of Wikipedia is being developed. The goal is to improve the usability | 487 | 485 | 163 | 18 | 4 | 1 | 121 | Total: 1279 |
| For example, in the "Tool Server project" support tools for Wikipedia authors are being provided. | 38.1 \% | 37.9\% | 12.7 \% | 1.4 \% | 0.3 \% | 0.1 \% | 9.46 \% | x: 1.77, std.: 0.78 |
| The procurement of "free content" is being used to improve the quality of Wikipedia. Image archives and | 744 | 374 | 79 | 9 | I | 3 | 72 | Total: 1282 |
| available under a free license. Only then can they be used on Wikipedia. | 58\% | 29.2 \% | 6.2 \% | 0.7 \% | 0.1 \% | 0.2 \% | 5.61 \% | x: I. 48 , std.: 0.7 |
| Also people with handicaps should be able to use all the content. A project in the area accessibility | 729 | 344 | 114 | 27 | 6 | 6 | 58 | Total: 1284 |
| involves the professional recording of articles in order to allow blind people to use Wikipedia. | 56.8 \% | 26.8 \% | 8.9 \% | 2.1 \% | 0.5 \% | 0.5 \% | 4.51 \% | x: 1.58, std.: 0.85 |

[^2]Question 16: The donations are being used in different areas. How much, in your opinion, should be used for the following areas?


Question 17: Besides supporting Wikipedia, how often in 2010 did you donate to other organizations?


Filter: if "not once", then question 19; otherwise question I8
Question I8: Of course you consider all your donations to be important. Still, how important do you think your support for Wikipedia is compared to your other donations?


To conclude, we would like to ask you for some information about yourself.
Question 19: How old are you?


Question 20: What is your gender?


Question 21: What is your highest level of education?


Question 22: How high was your annual net income in 2010?



[^0]:    $x=$ arithmetic mean, std. $=$ standard deviation; Number of participants across all the rows (s): I362; Arithmetic mean of all mean values of the lines (entire spreadsheet question): I. 55

[^1]:    $x=$ arithmetic mean, std. = standard deviation; Number of participants across all the rows (s): 13 II ; Arithmetic mean of all mean values of the lines (entire spreadsheet question): 2.92

[^2]:    $x=$ arithmetic mean, std. = standard deviation; Number of participants across all the rows (s): I286; Arithmetic mean of all mean values of the lines (entire spreadsheet question): 1.67

