

Code Schema for Probe “Patriotic Feelings”

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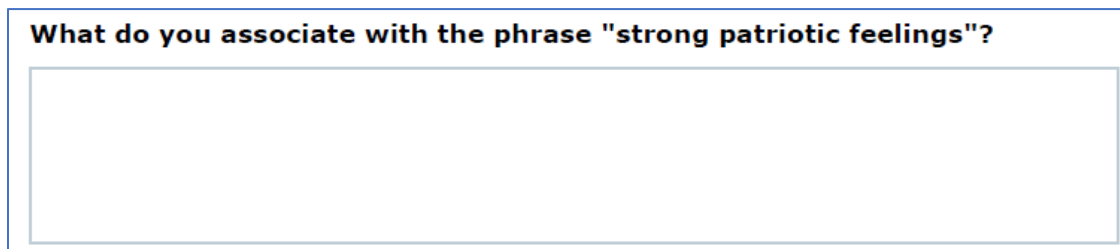
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Purpose: Probing of the key term “strong patriotic feelings”

Probe: “What do you associate with the phrase “strong patriotic feelings?”



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Figure 1. Screenshot of implementation of probe in web survey

General coding rules:

- Multiple coding of answers is possible
- One code can only be assigned once for each answer
- Substantive codes (11-727) always have priority in coding
- If code 9X (Non-response) or code 100 (Rest) applies, no other code can be coded.
- Code 8 (Problems with question) can be assigned together with substantive codes (11-727)

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Emotions

11 Identification

Description: Respondent identifies with or feels connected to his/her country. He /she thinks of it as “home” or has positive emotions towards the country.

Examples:

- **DE:**
 - *Heimat, Heimatland, Heimatgefühle, Gefühle für seine Heimat, Gefühl heimisch zu sein, Vaterland*
 - *Identität, Verbundenheit, Identifizierung, Zugehörigkeit zu meinem Land, Verbundenheit mit dem Heimatland; Deutscher zu sein*
 - Ich freue mich in Deutschland zu sein. Und bin zufrieden hier zu leben und zu arbeiten, *mit dem Land fühlen, Gefühl, froh sein, Gerne* in seinem Heimatland *zu leben, Gefühle* für das eigene Vaterland, *positiv eingestellt* zu sein für das eigene Land
- **GB & U.S.:**
 - Sense of/common *identity, belonging*
 - *Respect, empathy, feelings* towards the nations achievements
 - *feeling* British/American/for your country/close to your country/ part of our own country, have those *feelings*
 - *cherishing* this land we live in, *True to* your residence
 - *Being* British/*true to* your country
 - *Believe in* country
 - *Associate* with Britain/ *happy to be associated* with country
- **MX & SP:**
 - *sentirse* realmente *mexicano/ español, sentimiento*, sentirse ante el resto del mundo, *sentir que pertenezco* a un país grande, *Sentirse integrante* de mi país
 - *SER* 100% *MEXICANO/ español*

12 National Pride

Description: Respondent is/feels proud of his/her country.

Examples:

- **DE:** *Stolz, Vaterlandsstolz, stolz* ein deutscher zu sein, *stolz* auf seine Herkunft zu sein, National*stolz*
- **GB & U.S.:** national *pride*, feel *proud*, strong feeling of being *proud*
- **MX & SP:** sentirse *orgulloso/ orgullo* de ser mexicano/ español, Estar *orgullosos* de los logros de nuestro país, estar *orgulloso* de ser Mexicano/ español, *orgullo* por mexico/Espana

13 Love for country

Description: Respondent expresses love towards his/her country. Strong positive emotions are coded here as well (e.g. passionate, adore). Also, when respondents use quantifiers (e.g., stark, strong, really)

Caution: Although responses coded as code 13 can reflect very strong positive emotions towards one's nation, these emotions are not nationalistic in nature (code 14). The nation is not necessarily idealized, but is instead evaluated from the basis of **a critical conscience** and still allows for a **critical perception** of the country's history or national authorities.

Examples:

- **DE:**
 - Vaterlands*liebe*, Heimat*liebe*; wenn man sein Land *liebt*;
 - Sich *stark* zu einem Land *hingezogen zu fühlen*.
- **GB & U.S.:**
 - *love* for country, *country-loving*
 - *Strong/good feelings* towards your country, someone that *feels positively strongly*, a *feeling of warmth*; *feeling a strong kinship* with your country and other Americans
 - really *passionate* about what happens in the country; People who *adore* their country; *being really into* your country
- **MX & SP:**
 - *amor*, *amor a la patria*, el *amor hacia tu país*, *amor a nuestra tierra*, *amor por el país* donde se ha nacido, *amor por lo propio*
 - *querer a tu país*, querer vivir en el y *querer luchar por el*
 - *sentimientos de afecto*
 - Que nuestra España es *la mejor aunque cometa errores*

14 Nationalistic attitudes

Description: Responses that reflect a nationalistic attitude of the respondent are coded here. A response can be classified as nationalistic when response meets one of the following criteria (following Blank & Schmidt, 2003):

- Idealization of the nation, in the sense of a **generalized positive assessment of the nation** (Adorno, Frenkel-Brunswick, Levinson, & Sanford, 1950; Kosterman & Feshbach, 1989; Tajfel, 1969).
- The **idealization of the history** of one's own group.
- A feeling of **national superiority**: The feeling that one's people and country are superior to others/ preferring one's people and country over others (Hechter, 2000; Kosterman & Feshbach, 1989; Dekker et al., 2003).
- An **uncritical acceptance of national, state, and political authorities** (Adorno et al., 1950; Meloan, 1999; Schatz & Staub, 1997; Schatz, Staub, & Lavine, 1999).
- An overemphasis of **national affiliation in the individual's self-concept** (Adorno et al., 1950).
- The **suppression of ambivalent attitudes** toward the nation (Adorno et al., 1950; Rokeach, 1960).
- An inclination to define one's own group by **criteria of descent, race, or cultural affiliation** (Allport, 1954/1995; Evans, 1952; Dekker, 2003).
- An inclination to regard **one's own group as homogeneous** (Blank, 1997).

- A high relevance of **socially derogating comparisons** with groups not considered to be part of the nation (Schatz et al., 1999). Conceptual synonyms for this sort of nationalism include "blind patriotism" (Adorno et al., 1950) and chauvinism.

Caution: A critical perspective on nationalism is coded as code 724.

Examples:

- **DE:**
 - Sein Land zu lieben und *alles für dieses zu tun*
 - Deutsche sind die *Allerbesten*
 - das man dahinter steht *egal, ob das Land im recht oder im Unrecht ist*
- **GB & U.S.:**
 - To be proud of/ to love and serve your country and supporting your country *no matter what*; that you *support* your country and government *whether or not you agree with its policies and decisions/ even if they are wrong*
 - *Placing your country above all* other things; *doing anything* for your country
 - Being part of a country that's *knows wrong from right and never blurs the line between 'em; blind loyalty* to a country and government.
 - The fast disappearing bulldog spirit which is slowly but surely being made illegal by governments pandering to *so-called multi-culturalism and diversity by giving foreigners and minorities dictatorial powers*; Like I said, I live in NYC and have long directly seen that *these foreign people don't give a damn about this country!!*, *America for Americans*.

15 Irrelevance of such emotions

Description: Respondent perceives patriotic feelings as something irrelevant. He/she does not have/need them or classifies them as outdated or unimportant.

Examples:

- **DE:**
 - Solche Gefühle *habe ich nicht*
 - ich *bin nicht* patriotisch,
 - *nicht meins*, ich *brauche das nicht*
 - Wird *überbewertet*
- **GB & U.S.:**
 - *Don't have* them
 - I would *not call myself* a patriot
 - Something I *have no time for*
 - This is not a modern thing, it is something that *people used to feel* when Britain was great.
- **MX & SP:**
 - *no los tengo*
 - *no significan nada* para mi
 - atitudes *retrogradas*

Specific symbols

Description: Respondent thinks of specific symbols or events of the country. The symbols/events are coded here independently of the respondent's evaluation of them (positive, neutral, negative).

21 Flag

Examples:

- **DE:** Fahnen, Fahnen schwenken, Fähnchen
- **GB:** the union jack, union flag, Flying the flag, Flag waving, a flag in the garden, the flags of the union
Nicht: St George flag → Code37
- **U.S.:** star-spangled banner, red white and blue
- **MX:** la bandera, honores a la bandera
- **SP:** la bandera roja y gualda, nuestra bandera, la imagen de nuestra bandera, sacar la bandera

22 National anthem

Examples:

- **DE:** Nationalhymne
- **GB:** National Anthem
Nicht: Flower of Scotland → Code 37
- **U.S.:** God Bless America
- **MX:** himno, el himno nacional
- **SP:** escuchar respetuoso el himno espanol

23 National events

Examples:

- **GB:** supporting national events, Celebrating bank holidays
- **U.S.:** American/patriotic holidays, fireworks, 4th of July, Independence day, Memorial Day
- **SP:** fiestas nacionales

25 Sports

Examples:

- **DE:** sportlichen Ereignisse, sich für deutsche Sportler zu freuen, eigene Mannschaft, Fußballspiele, FB-WM, Sport
- **GB:** Three lions, Sport, getting behind your team and supporting them, football, Olympics

26 Further symbols

Examples:

- **DE:** Paraden
- **GB:** Pageantry
- **U.S.:** Pledge of Allegiance, One Nation under God, Eagle
- **MX:** El escudo (coat of arms)

Specific groups

Description: Respondent associates specific groups with patriotic feelings.

31 Army & veterans

Examples:

- **GB:** The Armed Forces, soldiers, military, royal forces; last post
- **U.S.:**
 - troops, armed forces, military, soldiers
 - we want to win wars, war
 - Those men like my dad who fought for America/for our freedom
 - Last post
- **MX:** ejército, armada, las fuerzas armadas, el desfile militar, los soldados
- **SP:** militar, armadan, a la brutalidad de las fuerzas armadas

32 National heroes

Examples:

- **MX:** los niños heroes, heroes nacionales, mis heroes de independencia,

34 Queen and royal family

Examples:

- **GB:** The Royal Family, the/HM queen, monarchy, royalty, British crown, the Royal wedding, birth of Prince George
- **SP:** Juan Carlos

35 The people of the country

Examples:

- **GB:** The people of Britain generally
- **MX:** gente, nuestros hombres

36 Other countries

Description: Respondent thinks of other nationalities than his/her own.

Caution: U.S. Americans mentioning the U.S. would not be coded here.

Examples:

- **DE:** Haben die US-Amerikaner, USA, Amerikaner
- **GB:** Being American, associate it with America, America, USA, Uncle Sam

37 Regional Identities

Examples:

- **DE:** Bayern
- **GB:** Wales/Welsh, Scottish/Scotland, Flower of Scotland

Values

Description: Respondent associates specific values with patriotic feelings.

41 Democracy

411 Freedom

Examples:

- **DE:** Meinungs*freiheit*
- **U.S.:** THE AMERICAN *FREEDOM*, live to be *free*, we have more *freedom* here than anywhere else, *freedom, free will, being free*
- **MX:** con la *liberta de exprecion* y *ser libres*, *la libertad* que nos dejaron

412 Respect country's laws

Examples:

- **GB & U.S.:**
 - *Respect rules, respect fundamentals* this country was founded on.
 - *sticking to the Constitution, civil rights*
- **SP:**
 - *Comulgar con los ideales* de tu país,
 - siempre que se *respeten derechos humanos* y *las leyes*; *respetar sus leyes*

42 Commitment & Support

Description: Respondent thinks about commitment and caring about and a willingness to work together and support his/her country. References to loyalty would be coded here as well.

Examples:

- **DE:**
 - *Zusammenhalt; Zusammengehörigkeitsgefühl*, Dass alle *zusammenstehen* wenn es nötig wird *Gegenseitige Unterstützung; Engagement für die Heimat* nicht nur auf die eigenen Vorteile, sondern auch *auf die Allgemeinheit im Land zu achten* (z.B. auch im Bereich Steuerabgaben)
 - *voll und ganz hinter* einem Land oder einer Person zu *stehen*/ Dass man sich zu Deutschland *bekennt; dazu zu stehen* aus dem Land zu kommen, jemand der *zu seinem Land hält*;
 - für sein Land *eintreten/einsetzen/einstehen*.
- **GB & U.S.:**
 - Being *committed to /caring about* your country/ Having a *strong desire for you country to do well/Desire to see us succeed* and act honorably
 - *Standing together, working for the common good, Sense of unity* with my fellow American's, *being helpful* with our elderly folk
 - *Feel supportive/prepared to support* the country in any way/ when it needs you; *support for* the nation/country/president/government/people
 - the idea that *together we are stronger*
 - *loyal /dedicated/devoted* to the country/ sense of *duty*
 - Being a *good American citizen, buying American products*
 - *Strong allegiance* to your country

- **MX & SP:**

- gente *muy dedicada* a su país
- *Lealtad, Lealtad al país; Lealtad hacia el país*, hacia los ciudadanos
- *espectativas comunes*
- *ayudar* a todos para que estemos unidos
- de *colaborar juntos* para mejorar el futuro
- *malinchism*

44 Defend & fight for the country

Description: Respondent associates the willingness to actively defend and standing up for the country.

Caution: Where code 43 focuses on the idea of commitment and mutual support, code 44 has a harder edge on it. Responses coded as 44 reflect the willingness to fight for the country which is not necessarily implied in code 43.

Examples:

- **DE:**
 - Sein Land *verteidigen/schützen/wehren*
 - *Kampfgeist, kämpferisch, kämpferisch/kämpfen* für das eigene Land
- **GB:**
 - *Sticking/standing up for* your country/ *Willingness to prevent* your own nation suffering at the hands of others
 - Someone who *would give their life* for queen and country. *ready to defend* the representation of Britain *with force if needed, Sacrifice & honor/ willing to give my life* for this country.
 - *Willing to serve/Enlist*/when you are *needed to serve* you go no matter what the outcome
- **MX & SP:** *defender* tu país por encima de todo, sentimientos de orgullo y *defensa* de tu país; querer el país donde tu vives y *defenderlo* sobre todas las cosas, *defender* España

45 Other values

Examples:

- **DE:** *Respekt* gegenüber anderen, Gewissen haben
 - **GB:** *respect* each other, *fair play*
 - **U.S.:** *god, liberty*
 - **MX:** la celebración de la *independencia*
 - **SP:** *unidad, Unidad* de nación, Simplemente querer *estar todos unidos*, sentimiento de *unidad, Unidad* de las comunidades
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Characteristics of country

51 Culture & Tradition

Description: Respondent associates the country's culture and tradition with patriotic feelings.

Examples:

- **DE:** typische, regionale Feste, Gebräuche,
- **GB:** the arts, tea time, last night of the proms, proms, going to the pub, dressing to our culture, our ways
- **U.S.:** apple pie, Miley Cyrus' song Party in the USA, the American way of life
- **MX & SP:** Nuestras *costumbres* y *tradiciones*, *Cultura*, pero que no debemos olvidar nuestra *cultura*, a actos muy *arraigados* en el país

52 History/ ancestors

Examples:

- **DE:** Nationalsozialismus, Hitler, deutsche Geschichte
- **GB:** the 19th century, heritage, history
- **U.S.:** World War II, revolution, our country has overcome war
- **MX & SP:** *historia*, respeto a la *historia*, *Orígenes*, mis/nuestros *antepasados* (indígenas), el recuerdo de mis *ancestros*

53 Languages

Examples:

- **SP:** lengua e idioma propio

54 Nature & Landscape

Examples:

- **DE:** Landschaft, Natur
- **GB & U.S.:** Green and pleasant land, view, wonderful country
- **MX & SP:** sitios, nuestras tierras

6 Political orientations

Description: Respondent associates political orientations, such as extreme right or far right, or specific right wing/conservative parties with patriotic feelings. He/she refers in this context to other people that hold these orientations.

Examples:

- **Political orientation:**
 - **GB & U.S.:** extreme *right*, far *right*
 - **MX & SP:** personas de *derecha* o *ultra derecha*, a la *extrema derecha*, apoyar ideas políticas de *extrema derecha*
- **Specific right wing/conservative parties:**
 - **GB:** British National Party, BNP, UKIP English Defence League (EDL)
 - **US:** conservatives, conservatism, republican

Negative Associations

70 General negative statements

Description: Respondent makes a very general negative statement without characterizing people (code 71) or referring to “-isms” (codes 721-727).

Examples:

- **DE:** Wenig/nichts Gutes, Unsinn, nur Negatives.
 - **MX:** Asocio Tristeza, Dolor
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71 Negative characteristics of people showing patriotic feelings

Description: Respondents think about specific negative characteristics that they associate with people showing patriotic feelings, such as ignorance, stupidity or narrow mindedness.

Examples:

- **DE:** *Dumpfbacken* Oftmals wissen die Menschen gar nicht warum und weshalb sie urplötzlich patriotisch sind. die meisten sind nur *Mitläufer*,
 - **GB & U.S.:**
 - *Idiots, silly/stupid* people, *Unintelligent*, People who *don't understand what's going on, Primitive tribal emotions*.
 - *Ignorance, uneducatedness, lack of culture*
 - *Easily influenced, prejudiced*, but most of the people with this *can't think for themselves*, get *brainwashed*, are *worse than sheep*, are *so dumb* they'd attack walls with their heads.
 - *Bigotry, stubbornness, narrow mindedness*
 - **MX & SP:**
 - *Ignorancia*
 - a gente que le han *lavado el cerebro*
 - *rigidez de pensamiento*, Gente de *mente cerrada*
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72 -isms

721 Fascismos, fachas, fascista

Examples:

- **DE:** Faschismus
- **GB & U.S.:** Fascists, Right wing *fascists*
- **SP:** *Fascismo*, la gente *fascista*, los *fachas*, se asocia a *fascistas*, fanatismo *fascista*

722 Extremism, Radicalism, & Fanatism

Examples:

- **DE:** Extreme, Extremismus, Rechtsextremismus
- **GB & U.S.:** Fanaticism, Skinheads, Extremism
- **MX & SP:** es como ser un *fanatico*, Parece una idea un tanto *extremista* los radicales, *grupos ultras, Radicalismo, Muy extremista*, Los sentimientos *extremistas*, a *extremismo, fanatismo*

724 Nationalism

Description: Respondent is not nationalistic but associates nationalism with the term patriotic feelings. Nationalism in this context is perceived as something negative.

Examples:

- **DE:**
 - Nationalismus.
 - *Auf Teufel komm raus alles mit zu tragen* was unsere Obrigkeit sich ausdenkt und *uneingeschränkt stolz auf alles zu sein* was der Deutsche tut. (critical tone)
 - aber oft auch *abneigend anderen Ländern gegenüber*, dann sehr negativ; Liebe zum einen Land mit einem bitteren Nachgeschmack von '*die-anderen sich schlechter*'.
 - Heimatliebe, die *etwas übertrieben* ist; Verblendete Euphorie fürs Vaterland. Leute, die *unbedingt immer gegen andere sinnlosen Krieg führen*
- **GB & U.S.:**
 - Nationalism, The road to nationalism.
 - People who are very proud to be American, but are also *ignorant of other cultures*.
 - People believing that America is *greater than it really is*; having an *overly inflated sense of country*
 - *Overly obsessive, Over the top reaction* to being a brit
 - *Jingoism*, jingoistic people, *Leading to war*
- **MX & SP:**
 - Sentimientos *nacionalistas, nacionalismo, Nacionalismo* extremado, *Nacionalismos* irracionales los extremos peligrosos
 - Creer que *ser español es mejor que ser de otro país*
 - *estar como obsesionado* con tu país

726 Franco/franquismo

Examples:

- **SP:** *Franco, franquismo*, a tiempos *franquistas*

727 Racism

Examples:

- **GB & U.S.:**
 - racism, xenophobic groups, racist groups
 - *Intolerance, Excluding* certain groups, People feeling *very anti-immigration*
 - *Violence/aggression* against people of *other race/ from other countries* and cultures, kkk (Ku Klux Klan)
 - **MX & SP:** al *odio racial*, ver al *inmigrante como amenaza, Razismo, intolerancia*, Los sentimientos que *excluyen a otras culturas*, al *desprecio a los inmigrantes, Odio interracial*
-

8 Problems with words

Description: Respondent has problem with the term “patriotic feelings.” He/she considers it either as socially undesirable to express these feelings or he/she is unfamiliar with this term.

Examples:

- **DE:**
 - schwierig, da dies ein in Deutschland *verbranntes Gefühl* ist; in Deutschland immer *neg. Beigeschmack*; Den Begriff patriotisch sollte man auch *mit aller Vorsicht benutzen. Schlechten Beigeschmack* à la Drittes Reich o.ä. (→ zusätzlich unter History codieren)
 - Für mich ist der Begriff *negativ besetzt, gefährlicher Begriff!*, Naja ist mir zu theatralisch, Und ich verbinde *Vorsicht mit diesem Begriff*
 - *darf man* im eigenen Land noch Patriot sein ?, Als Deutscher *darf man ja keine patriotischen Gefühle haben*, *Wie* soll das denn in Deutschland *möglich sein?????*
 - *Ich weiß leider nicht, was* patriotisch genau *bedeutet*; den Begriff *kenn ich nicht*, Was soll die Frage? was ist das, *sagt mir nix, kenn ich nicht*, kann ich *nichts mit anfangen*
 - **GB & U.S.:**
 - that’s a *tough question/ question confuses*. Sorry
 - I *don't understand that phrase...*; I’m *not familiar with* that phrase.
 - **MX:** *No se mucho del tema*
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9 Non-Response

90 Nonsense & Unintelligible answers

- -99
- -, ++, ??????,
- Fghfg, xxxxxx, t, kp, jk, WERGBN
- **DE:** nein, ka, herzlich, halt so
- **GB & U.S.:** yes ok na, test tes test, I am definitely this. somewhat patriotic
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91 Refusal of question

- **DE:** kein kommentar
- **GB & U.S.:** no comment, prefer not to say, no response

92 Don’t know

- **DE:** weiß nicht, keine Ahnung
- **GB & U.S.:** unsure, not really sure, I don't know, Don't really know to be honest, dk, i have no idea, don’t have an answer
- **MX & SP:** no se, no lo se

94 Nothing

- **DE:** nix, nichts, Nichts im Besonderen/bestimmtes, nicht viel, keine, gar nichts/keine
- **GB & U.S.:** none, nothing, not any, not much, with nothing
- **MX & SP:** nada, con nada

Nicht mehr:

nichts, solche Gefühle hab ich nicht → Code 15

nichts, ich bin kein Patriot → Code 15

100 Rest

- **DE:** gut fürs Land, Erfindung des Kapitals!!!! ... nicht alles, was in Deutschland passierte, schlecht zu machen ... Burschenschaften
- **GB & U.S.:** between my two nationalities, I am definitely strongly patriotic, Britain, segregation, aggression, anger, There will always be an England, I would like to think we do the right things, I feel that thing will get better, depends the subjects