

# Firm's Evaluation of Location Quality: Evidence from East Germany

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## Readme

The survey was conducted by the German Institute for Economic Research Berlin (DIW Berlin) on behalf of the Ministry of Education and Science in the autumn of 2004. The title of the survey was "Situation and perspectives of companies located in East Germany". It was sent out to about 29,000 companies active in manufacturing and selected production related services and about 6,000 companies responded. The survey provides information on the type of company (such as size, age, type of foundation, ownership), innovation activity (R\&D activity, patents, innovativeness of products), collaborative behavior, market orientation and position of the company, financial situation, investment, and relocation during the last two years. A description of the variables used for the study can be found in the article.

While the data is not uploaded in the archive (the survey was conducted under the premise of keeping the companies' responses confidential) it is made available to further research via remote computing. A request for remote computing should be sent to the corresponding author: [andreas.stephan@ju.se](mailto:andreas.stephan@ju.se). The questionnaire is also available upon request.