

Abstract

Nonresponse has long been a cause of concern in surveys, in particular in those used for production of official statistics. Nonresponse rates have attained levels that many consider to be "critical". During 2015, the problem received much attention in Swedish media. In the debate, both Statistics Sweden (SCB) and the private survey institutes played a role. In this seminar I comment on the debate, from a theoretician's point of view, and I discuss future prospects of data collection in surveys.