

Support for Nazi policies – ‘Speed Dating’ Cards

Worker

- You are regularly praised by Nazi propaganda and feel an allegiance to Hitler
- Schemes such as **Strength Through Joy** give you cheap theatre and cinema tickets
- The **Beauty of Labour** movement has improved working conditions in your factory, including washing facilities and low-cost canteens

Worker

- You have been saving 5 marks a week in the state scheme to buy the **Volkswagen Beetle**, the “people’s car” but never received one because production was halted at the start of the war
- You used to be a member of a trade union, and are still bitter that they were banned by the Nazis in 1933
- You have been forced to join the **DAF (German Labour Front)** which controls your pay and working conditions

Worker

- You used to support the SDP political party, but it was banned after the Nazis came to power
- You were unemployed at the start of 1933, but have since got work building one of the new Autobahns as part of **Dr Hjalmar Schacht’s** public works projects
- Your standard of living is lower than it was before the Depression, and your wife has been unable to get a job because of discrimination against women going to work

Middle class

- You own a small engineering firm and have picked up lots of government orders as rearmament spending grew in the 1930s – more money for you!
- The Nazis have eliminated the Communist threat to your businesses and properties
- You like the way that the Nazis are bringing order to a previously chaotic country, as it has created a more settled economy

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- You run a corner store, and are struggling because the large department stores that emerged during the economic recovery of the 1930s are taking your business
- Hitler promised to close down, or limit, the department stores but has not done so

Farmer

- As an efficient and intelligent farmer, the **Reich Food Estate** has held you back as you are needing to work through the same processes as less efficient farmers
- Your bank is unwilling to lend you money to buy new land as the **Reich Entailed Farm Law** means they may not get back their money as it only protects the farmer
- Only your eldest child will inherit the farm, which has led to your younger children leaving the land to work for better pay in the city industries, creating **rural depopulation**

Farmer

- In 1933, Hitler introduced the **Reich Food Estate** which gives you a guaranteed market for your goods at guaranteed prices
- The **Reich Entailed Farm Law** gives you state protection of your farm: banks can't seize your land if you can't repay loans or mortgages
- The “**Blood and Soil**” philosophy of the Nazis protects your way of life, as you are seen as the basis of Germany's master race

Owner of big business

- Because the Nazis banned trade unions in 1933, you don't have to worry about troublesome trade unions and strikes in your factory
- You have gained huge government contracts to make explosives and fertilisers, which means more money for you!
- You like the way that the Nazis favour traditional German values – keep weak people out of government, and get a nice big army