

FRANCE 1985 Election Study

Methodology:

Each national survey was conducted by a professional polling agency. Representative samples of the total population of age fifteen years and older were drawn in each country. The sampling designs were either multi-stage national probability samples or national stratified quota samples. In the administration of the Euro-Barometers, samples of Great Britain and of Northern Ireland are drawn independently of each other. Thus, a weighting factor for the United Kingdom is necessary to maintain the representativeness of the United Kingdom sample. In all, Eurobarometer 24 interviewed 11,849 citizens of the 12 countries in the European Community. Respondents were aged 15 and over.

Total Sample: 547.

Variables:

Variable Name:	Question Asked:	Coded As:
Voteint2	If there were a "General Election" tomorrow (SAY IF CONTACT UNDER 18 YEARS: and you had a vote), which party would you vote for? 5. UNIFIED SOCIALISTS 10. COMMUNIST PARTY 20. SOCIALIST PARTY 30. LEFT RADICALS 50. ECOLOGISTS 60. RALLY FOR THE REPUBLIC/GAULLIST PARTY 70. UNION FOR FRENCH DEMOCRACY:REPUBLICAN 71. UNION FOR FRENCH DEMOCRACY:DEMOCRATIC 72. UNION FOR FRENCH DEMOCRACY:RADICAL 90. OTHER PARTY 99. DK; NA	Recoded such that: PS-MRG PCF-PSU Green RPR UDF 'Other', 'DK', and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing.
male	Sex of respondent 1 Male 2 Female	Recoded such that: 0 Female 1 Male
Age	Can you tell me your date of birth please?	Exact age in years is coded.
Urban	Would you say you live in a: 1 Rural area or village 2 Small or middle size town 3 Big town 0 DK; NA	
eduagerc	How old were you when you finished your full-time education? 01 Up to 14 years 02 15 years 03 16 years 04 17 years 05 18 years	This variable is constructed by making use of education and age variables. Recoded such that: 01 Up to 14 years 02 15 years 03 16 years 04 17 years 05 18 years

06 19 years
07 20 years
08 21 years
09 22 years
10 Still studying
00 DK; NA

06 19 years
07 20 years
08 21 years
09 22 years

For category 10, 'still studying',
the age of the respondent is
coded in.

Edulevel

edulevel=eduagerc

Recoded such that:

1 no HS (category 1)
2 some HS (categories 2 and 3)
3 HS (categories 4 and 5)
4 college (categories 6, 7 and 8)
5 post college or grad (category
9)

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And, how important is God in
your life? Please use the card to
indicate – 10 means very
important, and 1 means not at all
important:

Recoded such that:

1 Great importance
2 Some importance
3 Only of little importance

1 Not at all
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9

Categories 4 and 9 are recoded
as missing.

10 Very
00. DK/NA
OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF
HOUSEHOLD

Occrec

Recoded such that:

01 Farmers, fishermen
(Skippers)
02 Professional- lawyers,
accountants, etc.
03 Business –owners of shops,
craftsmen, proprietors
04 Manual worker
05 White collar – office worker
06 Executive, top management,

1 manual
2 nonmanual
3 inactive

	director 07 Retired 08 Housewife, not otherwise employed 09 Student, military service 10 Unemployed	
Occrec1		Coded such that 0 Other professions 1 Farmer or Fisherman
Occrec2		Coded such that 0 Other professions 1 Professional- lawyers, accountants, etc.
Occrec3		Coded such that 0 Other professions 1 Business –owners of shops, craftsmen, proprietors
Income	Family income in quartiles: 1 Lowest quartile 2 3 4 Highest quartile 0 NA	Recoded such that: 1 Lowest quartile 2 Second quartile 3 Third quartile 4 High quartile
retnat	How do you think the general economic situation has changed over the last twelve months 1 Got a lot better 2 Got a little better 3 Stayed the same 4 Got a little worse 5 Got a lot worse 0 DK; NA	This variable is recoded so that there are three dummy variables representing: _Iretnat_1 – Got better _Iretnat_2 – Stayed the same _Iretnat_3 – Got worse
Lrself	In political matters, people talk of “the Left” and “the Right”. How would you place your views on this scale? 01 Left 02 03	

04
05
06
07
08
09

10 Right

00 DK; NA

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On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works (in your country)?

1 Very satisfied

2 Fairly satisfied

3 Not very satisfied

4 Not at all satisfied

0 DK; NA

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1. LOW - CODED 2 AT Q.176 AND CODED 3 AT Q.240

2. CODED 0 OR 3 AT Q.176 AND 3 AT Q.240; OR 2 AT Q.176

AND 0 OR 2 AT Q.240

3. CODED 0 OR 3 AT Q.176 AND 0 OR 2 AT Q.240; OR 1 AT

Q.176 AND 3 AT Q.240; OR 2 ON Q.176 AND 1 AT Q.240

4. CODED 0 OR 3 AT Q.176 AND 1 AT Q.240; OR 1 AT Q.176

AND 0 OR 2 AT Q.240

5. HIGH - CODED 1 AT Q.176 AND 1 AT Q.240

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