

GERMANY 1994 Election Study

Methodology:

International Research Associates of Europe, INRA, carried out the fieldwork for this Eurobarometer from November 14 to December 31, 1994. INRA is a European network of market and public opinion research agencies, coordinated by the European Coordination Office. In all member states, fieldwork was conducted on the basis of detailed and uniform instructions prepared by the ECO. INRA developed equivalent French and English questionnaires for this Eurobarometer. These questionnaires were translated into other languages by the firms responsible for interviewing in each country. In all, Eurobarometer 42 interviewed 13,063 citizens of the 12 countries in the European Community (nationals and non-nationals but EU-citizens). Respondents were aged 15 and over. Separate samples were drawn for Northern Ireland and East Germany. In addition, 1,082 Austrian, 501 Swedish, 1,000 Finnish, and 1,031 Norwegian citizens aged 15 and over were interviewed with a subset of questions.

Total Sample: 596.

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? 10. COMMUNIST PARTY<DKP> 20. SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY<SPD> 40. FREE DEMOCRATIC PARTY<FDP> 50. GREEN LIST 54. ALTERNATIVE LIST 60. CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY<CDU/CSU> 80. NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY<NPD> 96. NO PARTY PREFERENCE 99. DK; NA	Recoded such that: SDP FDP Green CDU '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	Size of community: 01 less than 5.000 02 5.000 - less than 10.000 03 10.000 - less than 20.000 04 20.000 - less than 50.000 05 50.000 - less than 100.000 06 100.000 - less than 400.000 07 400.000 and more inhabitants	
eduagerc	How old were you when you stopped full-time education? 98 Still studying 00 NA 99 Inap.	Actual number is coded For category 98, 'still studying', the age of the respondent is coded in.
Edulevel	edulevel=eduagerc	Recoded such that:

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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)
notrelig	<p>Whether you do or you don't follow religious practices, would you say that you are...?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Religious person 2 A non religious person 3 A confirmed atheist 0 DK/NA 	<p>Recorded such that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Religious 2 Not religious 3 An agnostic 4 An atheist <p>The 'DK' and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing.</p>
Occrec	<p>Occupation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 01 Farmer & fisher 02 Professionals 03 Shops/company owners 04 Employed professionals 05 General management 06 Middle management 07 Other office employees 08 Non office employees 09 Supervisors 10 Skilled manuals 11 Other manuals 00 <NA> 99 <INAP> 	<p>Recorded such that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 manual (categories 10 and 11) 2 lower nonman (categories 6, 7, 8, and 9) 3 owners and higher nonman (categories 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5) <p>The 'INAP' and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing.</p>
Occrec1		<p>Coded such that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 Other professions 1 Farmer or Fisherman
Occrec2		<p>Coded such that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 Other professions 1 Professionals
Occrec3		<p>Coded such that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 Other professions 1 Shop/Company owner
retnat	<p>How do you think the general economic situation has changed over the last twelve months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Got a lot better 	<p>This variable is recoded so that there are three dummy variables representing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> _Iretnat_1 – Got better

	<p>2 Got a little better</p> <p>3 Stayed the same</p> <p>4 Got a little worse</p> <p>5 Got a lot worse</p> <p>0 DK; NA</p>	<p>_Iretnat_2 – Stayed the same</p> <p>_Iretnat_3 – Got worse</p>
Lrself	<p>In political matters, people talk of “the Left” and “the Right”. How would you place your views on this scale?</p>	<p>The ‘DK’ and ‘NA’ responses are recoded as missing.</p>
	<p>01 Left</p> <p>02</p> <p>03</p> <p>04</p> <p>05</p> <p>06</p> <p>07</p> <p>08</p> <p>09</p> <p>10 Right</p> <p>00 DK; NA</p>	
Demsat	<p>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)? Would you say you are...?</p>	<p>Recoded such that:</p> <p>1 Very satisfied</p> <p>2 Fairly satisfied</p> <p>3 Not very satisfied</p> <p>4 Not at all satisfied</p>
	<p>1 Very satisfied</p> <p>2 Fairly satisfied</p> <p>3 Not very satisfied</p> <p>4 Not at all satisfied</p> <p>5 DK</p> <p>0 NA</p>	<p>The ‘DK’ and ‘NA’ responses are recoded as missing.</p>
Eusup (v731)	<p>Typology of Single Market Attitudes</p> <p>The Typology of European attitudes is based upon answers to the following questions: "In general, are you for or against efforts being made to unify Western Europe? Are you for, very much; for, to some extent; against, to some extent; against, very much?" and "Generally speaking, do you think that (your country's)</p>	<p>Recoded such that:</p> <p>1 Negative</p> <p>2 Ambivalent</p> <p>3 Positive</p>

membership of the European
Community is: a good thing, a bad
thing, or neither good nor bad?"

1 Positive

2 Neither Good or Bad

3 Negative

0 DK/NA

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