

IRELAND 1991 Election Study

Methodology:

Between October 15 and November 21, 1991, INRA, a European Network of Market and Public Opinion Research Agencies, carried out wave 36 of the Standard Eurobarometer.

The Eurobarometer 36 covers the population of the respective nationalities, aged 15 years and over, in each of the Member States of the European Community. In addition, a separate national survey was conducted independently in Norway. The basic sample design applied in all Member States is a multi-stage, random (probability) one. In each EC country, a number of sampling points were drawn with probability proportional to population size (for a total coverage of the country) and to population density.

Total Sample: 1005.

Variables:

Variable Name:	Question Asked:	Coded As:
Voteint	If there were a general election tomorrow, which party would you support? 20 Labour Party 21 Workers Party 22 Progressive Democratic Party 30 Fine Gael 50 Ecology Party 60 Fianna Fail 81 Sinn Fein 90 Other Party 95 Spoil Vote 99 DK; NA	Recoded such that: 20 labor (category 20) 21 workers (category 21) 22 progdem (category 22) 30 fg (category 30) 50 greens (category 50) 60 ff (category 60) 81 sf (category 81) 95 abstain (categories 95 and 98) 96 nopref (category 96) '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.
eduagerc	How old were you when you finished your education? 00 Still Studying 98 NA	Recoded such that: Actual number is coded For category 10, 'still studying', the age of the respondent is coded in.
Urban	Would you say you live in a...? 1 Rural area or village 2 Small or middle size town 3 Large town 4 DK 0 NA	Recoded such that: 1 Rural area or village 2 Small or middle size town 3 Large town The 'DK' and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing.
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)

notrelig	<p>Whether you do or you don't follow religious practices, would you say that you are...?</p> <p>1 Religious person 2 A non religious person 3 A confirmed atheist 0 DK/NA</p>	<p>Recoded such that:</p> <p>1 Religious 2 Not religious 3 An agnostic 4 An atheist</p> <p>The 'DK' and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing.</p>
Occrec	<p>Occupation:</p> <p>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>	<p>Recoded such that:</p> <p>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> <p>The 'INAP' and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing. Coded such that</p>
Occrec1		<p>0 Other professions 1 Farmer Fisherman Coded such that</p>
Occrec2		<p>0 Other professions 1 Professoanl Coded such that</p>
Occrec3		<p>0 Other professions 1 Shop/Company Owner</p>
Unionhld	<p>Are you yourself or is anyone else in your household a member of a trade union?</p> <p>Yes, respondent 0 Not Mentioned 1 Mentioned</p> <p>Yes, someone else in the</p>	<p>The Unionhld variable is generated using two other variables: var704, and var705. Recoded such that:</p> <p>0 No 1 Yes</p>

	household	
	0 Not Mentioned	
	1 Mentioned	
Pubhome	Do you live in a house or an apartment? And for you or for your family are you owners of where you live or do you rent it?	Recorded such that:
		0 Not Public Home (categories 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6)
		1 Public Home (category 5)
	1 Owners of the house	
	2 Renters of the house	
	3 Owners of an apartment	
	4 Renters of an apartment	
	5 Renters in Council or Municipal housing	
	6 Other (rent a room, live as a lodger, squatter, etc.)	
	0 DK/NA	The 'DK' and 'NA' responses are recorded as missing.
Ownhome	Do you live in a house or an apartment? And for you or for your family are you owners of where you live or do you rent it?	Recorded such that:
		0 Rent (categories 2, 4, 5, and 6)
		1 Own (categories 1 and 3)
	1 Owners of the house	
	2 Renters of the house	
	3 Owners of an apartment	
	4 Renters of an apartment	
	5 Renters in Council or Municipal housing	
	6 Other (rent a room, live as a lodger, squatter, etc.)	
	0 DK/NA	The 'DK' and 'NA' responses are recorded as missing.
retnat	How do you think the general economic situation has changed over the last twelve months	This variable is recoded so that there are three dummy variables representing:
	1 Got a lot better	<u>_Iretnat_1</u> – Got better
	2 Got a little better	<u>_Iretnat_2</u> – Stayed the same
	3 Stayed the same	<u>_Iretnat_3</u> – Got worse
	4 Got a little worse	
	5 Got a lot worse	
	0 DK; NA	
retper	How does the financial situation of your household now compare with what it was 12 months ago?	
	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

Pronat And over the next 12 months, how do you think the general economic situation in this country will be...? Would you say it will...?

- 1 Get a lot better
- 2 Get a little better
- 3 Stay the same
- 4 Get a little worse
- 5 Get a lot worse
- 6 DK
- 0 NA
- 9 Inap.

Proper And over the next 12 months, do you expect that the financial situation of your household will...?

- 1 Get a lot better
- 2 Get a little better
- 3 Stay the same
- 4 Get a little worse
- 5 Get a lot worse
- 6 DK
- 0 NA
- 9 Inap.

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	
Demsat	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)?	Recorded such that:
		1 Very satisfied
		2 Fairly satisfied
		3 Not very satisfied
		4 Not at all satisfied
	1 Very satisfied	
	2 Fairly satisfied	
	3 Not very satisfied	
	4 Not at all satisfied	
	0 DK/NA	
Eusup	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?" (Q.16 = UNIFICATION) and "Generally speaking, do you think that (your country's) membership of the European Community is: a good thing, a bad thing, or neither good nor bad?" (Q.17 = MEMBERSHIP). Positive attitudes: MEMBERSHIP "good" and UNIFICATION: "for...". Ambivalent attitudes: MEMBERSHIP "neither good nor bad" or MEMBERSHIP "good" and UNIFICATION: "against..." or MEMBERSHIP "bad" and UNIFICATION "for..." or DK/NA. Negative attitudes: MEMBERSHIP "bad" and UNIFICATION: "against..."	Recorded such that:
		1 Negative
		2 Ambivalent
		3 Positive
		The 'INAP' responses are recoded as missing.

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