

IRELAND 1993 Election Study

Methodology:

From October 18 to November 5, 1993, International Research Associates of Europe, INRA, carried out the fieldwork for this Eurobarometer. INRA is a European network of market and public opinion research agencies, coordinated by the European Coordination Office (ECO). In all member states, fieldwork was conducted on the basis of detailed and uniform instructions prepared by the ECO.

INRA (Europe) developed equivalent French and English questionnaires for this Euro-Barometer. These questionnaires were translated into other languages by the firms responsible for interviewing in each country. In all, Euro-Barometer 40 interviewed 13,073 citizens of the 12 countries in the European Community. Respondents were aged 15 and over. Separate samples were drawn for Northern Ireland and East Germany. In addition, 1011 Norwegian and 995 Finnish citizens aged 15 and over were interviewed with a subset of questions.

Total Sample: 1000.

Variables:

Variable Name:	Question Asked:	Coded As:
Voteint	<p>If there were a general election tomorrow, which party would you support?</p> <p>15 Democratic Left 20 The Labour Party 21 (WP) The Workers' Party 22 (PD) Progressive Democrats 30 (FG) Fine Gael <United Ireland Party> 50 The Green Party 59 Independents 60 (FF) Fianna Fail <Soldiers of Destiny - Republican Party> 81 (SF) Sinn Fein <Political wing of Irish Republican Army> 90 Other party 95 Would vote blank 96 Would not vote 98 DK 00 No answer</p>	<p>Recoded such that:</p> <p>15 demleft (category 15) 20 labor (category 20) 21 workers (category 21) 22 progdem (category 22) 30 fg (category 30) 50 greens (category 50) 59 indep (category 59) 60 ff (category 60) 81 sf (category 81) 95 abstain (categories 95 and 98) 96 nopref (category 96)</p> <p>'Other', 'DK', and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing.</p>
male	<p>Sex of respondent</p> <p>1. Male 2. Female</p>	<p>Recoded such that:</p> <p>0 Female 1 Male</p>
Age	<p>Can you tell me your date of birth please?</p>	<p>Exact age in years is coded.</p>
Urban	<p>Would you say you live in a...?</p> <p>1 Rural area or village 2 Small or middle size town 3 Large town 4 DK 0 NA</p>	<p>Recoded such that:</p> <p>1 Rural area or village 2 Small or middle size town 3 Large town</p> <p>The 'DK' and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing.</p>
eduagerc	<p>How old were you when you finished your education?</p> <p>00 Still Studying 98 NA</p>	<p>Recoded such that:</p> <p>Actual number is coded</p> <p>For category 10, 'still studying', the</p>

Edulevel	edulevel=eduagerc	age of the respondent is coded in. Recorded 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	Whether you do or you don't follow religious practices, would you say that you are...?	Recorded such that:
	1 Religious person 2 A non religious person 3 A confirmed atheist 0 DK/NA	1 Religious 2 Not religious 3 An agnostic 4 An atheist
Occrec	Occupation:	The 'DK' and 'NA' responses are recorded as missing. Recorded such that:
	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	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)
Occrec1		The 'INAP' and 'NA' responses are recorded as missing. Coded such that
Occrec2		0 Other professions 1 Farmer Fisherman Coded such that
Occrec3		0 Other professions 1 Professionl Coded such that
Unionhld	Are you yourself or is anyone else in	0 Other professions 1 Shop/Company Owner The Unionhld variable is generated

	your household a member of a trade union?	using two other variables: var704, and var705. Recoded such that:
	Yes, respondent	0 No
	0 Not Mentioned	1 Yes
	1 Mentioned	
	Yes, someone else in the 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?	Recoded 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 recoded 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?	Recoded 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 recoded 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	_Iretnat_1 – Got better
	2 Got a little better	_Iretnat_2 – Stayed the same
	3 Stayed the same	_Iretnat_3 – Got worse
	4 Got a little worse	

- retper 5 Got a lot worse
0 DK; NA
How does the financial situation of your household now compare with what it was 12 months ago?
- Pronat 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
And over the next 12 months, how do you think the general economic situation in this country will be...?
Would you say it will...?
- Proper 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.
And over the next 12 months, do you expect that the financial situation of your household will...?
- Lrself 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.
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

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TYPOLOGY OF SINGLE
MARKET ATTITUDES

Recorded such that:

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.28 = UNIFICATION)

1 Negative
2 Ambivalent
3 Positive

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.29 = MEMBERSHIP). Positive attitudes: MEMBERSHIP "good" and UNIFICATION: "for...".

The 'INAP' responses are recorded as missing.

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...".

1. Positive

2. Ambivalent
3. Negative
0. DK/NA

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