

NETHERLANDS 1987 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. Faits et Opinions developed equivalent French and English questionnaires for this Euro-Barometer. The questionnaires were translated into other languages by the professional polling agency.

Total Sample: 965.

Variables:

Variable Name:	Question Asked:	Coded As:
Voteint2	If there were a general election tomorrow, which party would you support? 10 Communist Party 15 Pacifist Socialist Party 16 Radicals 20 Labour Party 22 Democrats '66 63 Christian Democratic Appeal 70 Liberal Party 81 Calvinist State Party 82 Calvinist Political Alliance 84 RPF 85 Evangelische Volksparti 90 Other Party 95 Blank Ballot 96 No Party Preference 99 DK; NA	Recoded such that: 10 Communist, Pacifist Socialist, or Radical 20 Labour 22 Democrats '66 63 Christian Democratic Appeal 70 Liberal Party 80 BP 85 Calvinist, RPF or Evangelische Volksparti 95 abstain 96 nopref '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 06 19 years 07 20 years 08 21 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	09 22 years For category 10, 'still studying', the age of the respondent is coded in. Recorded such that:
Edulevel	edulevel=eduagerc	
		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)
relginx	Ideas or causes that would make me take action – my religious faith 0 Not mentioned 1 Mentioned	The religion index is generated by using these three variables. For each respondent, the values to these questions are added to create the index. Recorded such that:
	Qualities which Children can learn at home – religious faith 0 Not mentioned 1 Mentioned	0 low relg 1 2 3 high relg
	Groups or associations respondent belongs to – churches or religious organisations 0 Not mentioned 1 Mentioned	
Occrec	OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD 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, director 07 Retired	Recorded such that: 1 manual 2 nonmanual 3 inactive

	08 Housewife, not otherwise employed 09 Student, military service 10 Unemployed 00 DK/NA	
Occrec1		Coded such that
		0 Other professions 1 Farmer or Fisher
Occrec2		Coded such that
		0 Other professions 1 Professionals
Occrec3		Coded such that
		0 Other professions 1 Owner of a shop, craftsmen, other self employed position, Business proprietors, owner of a company
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 2 Got a little better 3 Stayed the same 4 Got a little worse 5 Got a lot worse 0 DK; NA	_Iretnat_1 – Got better _Iretnat_2 – Stayed the same _Iretnat_3 – Got worse
retper	How does the financial situation of your household now compare with what it was 12 months ago?	Recoded such that:
	1 Got a lot better 2 Got a little better 3 Stayed the same 4 Got a little worse 5 Got a lot of worse	1 Got a lot better 2 Got a little better 3 Stayed the same 4 Got a little worse 5 Got a lot of worse
	5 Got a lot worse 0 DK; NA	The 'DK' and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing.
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...?	Recoded such that:
		1 Get a lot better 2 Get a little better 3 Stayed the same 4 Get a little worse

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 Get a lot worse
Proper	<p>And over the next 12 months, do you expect that the financial situation of your household will...?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	<p>Recoded such that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Get a lot better 2 Get a little better 3 Stayed the same 4 Get a little worse 5 Get a lot worse
Lrself	<p>In political matters, people talk of “the Left” and “the Right”. How would you place your views on this scale?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 01 Left 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 Right 00 DK; NA 	<p>The ‘DK’ and ‘NA’ responses are recoded as missing.</p>
Eusup	<p>Support for Common Market Index</p> <p>Constructed from Q 242 and Q244</p>	<p>Coded so that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 low – 2 on Q242 and 3 on Q244 2 – 0 or 3 on Q242 and 3 on Q244 or 2 on Q42 and 0 or 2 on Q244 3 coded 0 or 3 on Q242 and 0 or 2 on Q244 or 1 on Q242 and 3

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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

on Q244 or 2 on Q242 and 1 on Q244
4 – coded 0 or 3 on Q242 and 1 on Q244 or 1 on Q242 and 0 or 2 on Q244
5 high – Coded 1 on Q242 and 1 on Q244

Recoded such that:

- 1 Very satisfied
- 2 Fairly satisfied
- 3 Not very satisfied
- 4 Not at all satisfied

The 'DK' and 'NA' responses are recoded as missing.

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