

UK 1979 Election Study

Methodology:

Total Sample: 1172

Variables:

Variable Name:	Question Asked:	Coded As:
Postvote	Who did you vote for in the recent general election?	
	1 Labour 2 SDP-Liberal Party 3 Conservatives	
Retnat	How does the financial situation of your household now compare with what it was 12 months ago?	This variable is recoded so that there are three dummy variables representing:
	1 A lot better 2 A little better 3 About the same 4 A little worse 5 A lot worse	_Iretnat_1 – Got better _Iretnat_2 – Stayed the same _Iretnat_3 – Got worse
Working	Are you currently employed?	Recoded such that
	1 no 2 yes	0 no 1 yes
White	What is your ethnicity?	Recoded as a dummy variable:
		0 other 1 white
Age	What is your age?	Respondents Age in years is coded
Male	Respondents gender	0 female 1 male
Own	Do you own or rent your home?	Recoded such that
	1 own 2 rent 3 other	0 other 1 own home
Educat	What age were you when you finished full-time education?	Actual number of years is coded
Stheast Sthwest Midlands North Wales Scotland dsssoCON	In which region do you live?	Answers to this question are made into the six regional dummy variables listed here
	How do you feel about social issues?	This variable is created by taking the respondents position on the social issues from the position he believes the party has taken.
	1 Should be much more lenient 2 Should be more lenient 3 Should be more harsh	

	4 Should be much harsher	
	How do you believe the Conservative Party feels about social issues?	
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How do you believe the Labour
Party feels about taxation?

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- 2 Should be more
- 3 Should be less
- 4 Should be much less

Data Acknowledgements: