

ITALY 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: 362.

Variables:

Variable Name:	Question Asked:	Coded As:
Voteint2	If there were a "General Election" tomorrow, which party would you vote for? 04. Proletarian Democracy and other left 05. PR Radical Party 10. Communist Refoundation 11. PDS Democratic Party of the Left 20. PSI Italian Socialist Party 30. PSDI Italian Social Democratic Party 40. PRI Italian Republican Party 50. Greens 55. Lombard League 56. SUP South-Tyrol Popular Party 57. PSdA 60. DC Christian Democrats 70. PLI Liberal Party 80. MSI Italian Social Movement - National Right 90. Other party 98. Will not vote 00. DK/NA	Recoded such that: PDS Socialist Green Lombardy DC '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	
eduagerc	0 DK; NA How old were you when you finished your full-time education?	This variable is constructed by making use of education and age variables. If the response was

	00 Still Studying	'still studying', then the age of the respondent is coded.
	98 NA	
	99 INAP	Actual number is coded.
Edulevel	edulevel=eduagerc	Categories 98 and 99 are recoded as missing. 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	Do you personally feel, irrespective of how often you go to church, that your religion is of great importance, some importance, or only of little importance in your life?	Recoded such that:
	1 Great importance 2 Some importance 3 Only of little importance	1 Great importance 2 Some importance 3 Only of little importance
	4 Don't know, no reply 9 Inap, no religious denomination	Categories 4 and 9 are recoded as missing.
Occrec	OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD	Recoded such that:
	01 Farmers, fishermen (Skippers)	1 manual 2 nonmanual 3 inactive
	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	
	08 Housewife, not otherwise employed	
	09 Student, military service	
	10 Unemployed	

Occrec1		Coded such that
		0 Other professions
		1 Farmer or Fisherman
Occrec2		Coded such that
		0 Other professions
		1 Professional- lawyers, accountants, etc.
Occrec3		Coded such that
		0 Other professions
		1 Business –owners of shops, craftsmen, proprietors
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	
	5 Got a lot worse	
	0 DK; NA	
Unionhld	Are you yourself or is anyone else in your household a member of a trade union?	The Unionhld variable is generated using two other variables: var704, and var705. Recoded such that:
	Yes, respondent	
	0 Not Mentioned	0 No
	1 Mentioned	1 Yes
	Yes, someone else in the household	
	0 Not Mentioned	
	1 Mentioned	
Proper	And over the next 12 months, do you expect that the financial situation of your household will...?	Recoded such that:
	1 Get a lot better	1 Get a lot better
	2 Get a little better	2 Get a little better
	3 Stay the same	3 Stayed the same
	4 Get a little worse	4 Get a little worse
	5 Get a lot worse	5 Get a lot worse

Lrself
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
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Demsat
10 Right
00 DK; NA
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

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TYPOLOGY OF SINGLE MARKET ATTITUDES
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

Recoded such that:

1 Negative
2 Ambivalent
3 Positive

The 'INAP' responses are recoded as missing.

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..."

- 1 Positive
- 2 Ambivalent
- 3 Negative
- 0 DK/NA

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