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1 Acknowledgement of Assistance

All manuscripts utilising the data documented in this codebook should identify the original collectors of the data. All users are urged to include some adaptation of the following sentence in their publication (the brackets indicate items which can be inserted or deleted as appropriate).

The data (and tabulations) utilised in this (publication) were originally collected for the Irish National Election Study research group led by Michael Marsh and Richard Sinnott. Fieldwork was carried out by the Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) Dublin. This study has been made possible by grants under the PRTLI of National Development Plan and the Irish Research Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences. The original collectors of the data do not bear any responsibility for the analysis or interpretations published here. The data is available via the Irish Social Science Data Archive and also from the Irish Election Study website at TCD: www.tcd.ie/ines

In order to provide funding agencies with essential information about the use of the data that have been collected with their assistance, each user of the data is expected to send a copy of each completed manuscript to:

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2 Introduction and Study Design

The general proposal for the study was explained in "Puzzles and priorities for an Irish election study" in Irish Political Studies, Vol 16, 2001, pp. 161-78.
A sample of 2663 people of voting age from across the country was interviewed after the 2002 election. Households were chosen at random and then a random respondent was selected within each household. The fieldwork was carried out by the ESRI. A draft questionnaire was piloted March 2002. This is in three versions because some questions were asked of smaller sub-samples.

The actual questionnaire was fielded after the election in May 2002. There are two versions (with a short split-half) and a drop-off. The main questionnaire typically took 60 minutes to administer, and the drop-off would typically have taken a further 15 minutes. The response rate for the main questionnaire was 60 percent, with over 85 percent of those completing the supplementary drop-off questionnaire (containing, amongst other things, a module of questions from the Comparative Election Systems project (CSES).

Following the 2002 study, respondents were sent mail questionnaires on several more occasions: in NovemberDecember 2003, in the summer of 2004 after the June 2004 local and EP elections, and in the first months of 2006. Response rates - measured against the 2002 baseline - were 45 percent, 41 percent and 40 percent respectively. In 2007, after the general election, a final wave of the study

was carried out face-to-face as in 2002. This last wave was topped up by a short mail questionnaire sent out late in 2007 to panel respondents who had not been interviewed successfully in 2007, and there were also interviews with a further 220 respondents to provide a more representative sample for 2007. The response rate for the panel element was 38 percent against a 2002 baseline, with a further 4 percent via the mail questionnaire. However, this was actually 54 percent of sought interviews completed, once deaths and changes of address without notification are taken into account. In all 518 respondents completed all five waves of the survey.

The largest wave in terms of items is the 2002 post electoral survey; the other four waves have broadly overlapping contents. Some of the questions have been included in two, three, four or all five of the interviews, thus offering opportunities for longitudinal comparison of vote behaviours and voter orientations. The five waves of interviews have been completed with the same respondents, apart from the relatively small number of new respondents were interviewed in 2007. Consequently, longitudinal comparisons can be made for aggregates as well as for individual respondents. The data is stored in both a wide and a long version to facilitate this.

2.1 Organisation

The Irish Election Study 2002 was funded by a grant to TCD/UCD under the PRTLI/National development Plan. The study was directed by a team led by Michael Marsh and Richard Sinnott as principal investigators, assisted by John Garry and Fiachra Kennedy who were post-doctoral students attached to the project, and a wider internal advisory group including Kenneth Benoit, John Coakley, Michael Laver, Michael Gallagher and Gail McElroy. John Curtice, Cees van der Eijk, Roger Jowell and Phil Shively attended a conference at TCD in 2001 and provided expert advice on the draft questionnaire. Later waves in 2003, 2004 and 2006 were also funded by that initial grant. An award to Michael Marsh under the IRCHSS infrastructure programme funded the 2007 study, and the consolidation of all five waves. Associate investigators were Kenneth Benoit, John Garry, Michael Laver, Michael Gallagher, Gail McElroy and Richard Sinnott. A preliminary meeting of the interested community of scholars took place in TCD in the Autumn of 2006 and financial assistance from with help from the Institute for International Integration Studies in TCD made it possible to invite several external advisors including Heinz Brandenburg, Wouter van der Brug, Ray Duch, Cees van der Eijk, David Farrell, Jeff Karp and Kathleen Knight. The final design work was done by Michael Marsh assisted by Jane Suiter and Zbyszek Zalinski.

Jane Suiter was the primary research officer for the final stage of this project, involving the 2007 questionnaire and integrating all five waves of the study; she also constructed the 2002-2007 data files. The codebook was developed by Laura Sudulich with assistance from Daniel Schultz and the web site was designed and implemented by Martin Prazak.

2.2 Fieldwork and Data processing

2.2.1 Fieldwork and initial coding

The fieldwork for the study and initial coding has been conducted by ESRI, Dublin. Details on sampling are provided in the section on sampling and response information "sampling information".

2.2.2 Cleaning and data preparation

The structure of the final datasets and the cleaning tasks were defined by Michael Marsh and Jane Suiter.

All variables names have been systemised and now have the same number across all waves. In the long dataset each variable is identified by its wave by an underscore. For example v0001_02 refers to the whether a candidate called to the home in 2002 whereas v0001_07 refers to the same question in 2007. In the wide dataset the wave identification variable "ines" has been included, which allows easy construction of multi-wave datasets, according to user specification.

To trace the location of each item in the original questionnaires we have included a chart showing the question number corresponding to each of the new variables in the 2002-2007 questionnaires (see p. 295). This shows us, for instance, that variable v0252 corresponds to question a12_4 in 2002, q12c in 2003, q25c in 2004, q14f in 2006 and a10_4 in 2007. The original questionnaires are also included here.

The variables have also been ordered into coherent blocks and the ordering of the variables has been arranged in such a way that identification of relevant information and navigation through the fields in greatly facilitated. Coding has been carried out so that where possible the same range of numerical values has been assigned to categories of different variables which have a similar meaning. In general, where question wording of coding has changed a different variable name has been used. Exceptions are indicated in the codebook along with full questionresponse wordings.

However, one major exception is vote choice. This stems from the fact that in 2002 and 2007 (reported) vote was measured using a mock ballot. While all data from these instruments is included in the data sets, a variable indicating first preference party has been constructed from the mock ballot for 2002 and 2007 and is included with vote intention responses in 2003, 2004 and 2006 as a general vote intention/report variable (v1095).

Quick reviews of the contents of the data files can be attained by scanning the VARIABLE DESCRIPTION LIST.

3 Variable Description List

The variable description list shows the contents of the fields of the INES 2002-2007 by listing for each variable its new name and the wording of the question. In the following section on documentation a shortened version of each question is given together with its original name and year in which it was asked.

Table 1: Variable Description List

ID	ID of respondent
INES	Year of survey
	CAMPAIGN
v0001	Looking back at the recent general election can you tell me if a candidate called to your home
v0002	During the election campaign in May and June did a candidate or anyone from a political party contact you in person to persuade you to vote for them
v0003	Code of Candidate who called - 1st mention
v0004	Party of Candidate who called - 1st mention
v0005	Code of Candidate who called - 2nd mention
v0006	Party of Candidate who called - 2nd mention
v0007	Code of Candidate who called - 3rd mention
v0008	Party of Candidate who called - 3rd mention
v0009	Code of Candidate who called - 4th mention
v0010	Party of Candidate who called - 4th mention
v0011	Code of Candidate who called - 5th mention
v0012	Party of Candidate who called - 5th mention
v0013	Code of Candidate who called - 6th mention
v0014	Party of Candidate who called - 6th mention
v0015	During the election campaign in May did a candidate or anyone from a political party contact you to persuade you to vote for them?
v0016	Number of Candidates who contacted respondent
v0017	Party of Partyworker who called - 1st mention
v0018	Party of Partyworker who called - 2nd mention
v0019	Party of Partyworker who called - 3rd mention
v0020	Party of Partyworker who called - 4th mention
v0021	Party of Partyworker who called - 5th mention
v0022	Party of Partyworker who called - 6th mention
v0023	Party of Partyworker who called - other, specify
v0024	Number of Parties that contacted respondent
v0025	Did a party worker (or representative of an independent candidate) phone your home
v0026	Party of Partyworker who phoned - 1st mention
v0027	Party of Partyworker who phoned - 2nd mention
v0028	Party of Partyworker who phoned - 3rd mention
v0029	Party of Partyworker who phoned - 4th mention
v0030	Party of Partyworker who phoned - 5th mention
v0031	Party of Partyworker who phoned - 6th mention
v0032	Party of Partyworker who phoned - other, specify
v0033	Number of Parties that phoned respondent
v0034	Did you read election leaflets put in your letterbox or given to you in the street/shopping centres etc
v0035	Did you look at advertisements in newspapers on behalf of candidates or parties

Table 1: (continued)

v0036	Did you attend public meetings related to the election
v0037	Did you look at candidates' posters
v0038	Did you see information about political parties and candidates on the Internet
v0039	Did you discuss the election with family, friends or acquaintances
v0040	In general do you think being contacted by candidates or party workers is helpful or unhelpful for people making up their minds how to vote
v0041	During the general election campaign in May of this year did you talk to other people to persuade them to vote for a particular party or candidate?
v0042	How often did you do this
v0043	During the election campaign in May of this year did you show your support for a particular party or candidate by, for example, attending a meeting, putting up a poster, or in some other way?
v0044	How often did you do this
v0048	How closely did you follow the election campaign
	INTEREST - MEDIA
v0049	Which of the following newspaper do you regularly use for political information? - Irish Times
v0050	Which of the following newspaper do you regularly use for political information? - Irish Independent
v0051	Which of the following newspaper do you regularly use for political information? - Irish Examiner
v0052	Which of the following newspaper do you regularly use for political information? - Irish Star
v0053	Which of the following newspaper do you regularly use for political information? - Evening Herald
v0054	Which of the following newspaper do you regularly use for political information? - Irish Sun
v0055	Which of the following newspaper do you regularly use for political information? - None of them
v0056	Which of the following newspaper do you regularly use for political information? - Other, specify
v0057	Other news sources, specify
v0058	On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - watch TV News
v0059	On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - read the newspaper
v0060	On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - listen to National Radio News
v0061	On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - listen to Local Radio News
v0062	On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - browse Online for News

Table 1: (continued)

v0063	On a scale 0 - 4, where 0 means never trust and 4 means always trust, how much do you trust political information from? - Newspaper
v0064	On a scale 0 - 4, where 0 means never trust and 4 means always trust, how much do you trust political information from? - TV News
v0065	On a scale 0 - 4, where 0 means never trust and 4 means always trust, how much do you trust political information from? - National Radio News
v0066	On a scale 0 - 4, where 0 means never trust and 4 means always trust, how much do you trust political information from? - Internet
	VOTE
v0070	What was the main reason you did not vote. Please describe as fully as possible
v0071	Other reason
v0072	As you may know, many people did not vote in the recent general election. How about you? Did you vote in the general election in May 2007?
v0072a	As you may know, many people did not vote in the recent general election. How about you? Did you vote in the general election in May 2002?
v0073	Did you vote in this constituency or in another constituency
v0074	If you had voted, in which constituency would you have voted?
v0074a	If you had voted, in which constituency would you have voted? - 2007
v0075	If other constituency - Which one
v0075a	If other constituency - Which one - 2007
v0076	Was ballot paper in the questionnaire completed?
v0077	Preference given to first candidate on ballot
v0078	Name of first candidate on ballot
v0079	ID of first candidate on ballot
v0080	Party of first candidate on ballot
v0081	Preference given to second candidate on ballot
v0082	Name of second candidate on ballot
v0083	ID of second candidate on ballot
v0084	Party of second candidate on ballot
v0085	Preference given to third candidate on ballot
v0086	Name of third candidate on ballot
v0087	ID of third candidate on ballot
v0088	Party of third candidate on ballot
v0089	Preference given to 4th candidate on ballot
v0090	Name of 4th candidate on ballot
v0091	ID of 4th candidate on ballot
v0092	Party of 4th candidate on ballot
v0093	Preference given to 5th candidate on ballot
v0094	Name of 5th candidate on ballot
v0095	ID of 5th candidate on ballot
v0096	Party of 5th candidate on ballot
v0097	Preference given to 6th candidate on ballot
v0098	Name of 6th candidate on ballot

Table 1: (continued)

v0099	ID of 6th candidate on ballot
v0100	Party of 6th candidate on ballot
v0101	Preference given to 7th candidate on ballot
v0102	Name of 7th candidate on ballot
v0103	ID of 7th candidate on ballot
v0104	Party of 7th candidate on ballot
v0105	Preference given to 8th candidate on ballot
v0106	Name of 8th candidate on ballot
v0107	ID of 8th candidate on ballot
v0108	Party of 8th candidate on ballot
v0109	Preference given to 9th candidate on ballot
v0110	Name of 9th candidate on ballot
v0111	ID of 9th candidate on ballot
v0112	Party of 9th candidate on ballot
v0113	Preference given to 10th candidate on ballot
v0114	Name of 10th candidate on ballot
v0115	ID of 10th candidate on ballot
v0116	Party of 10th candidate on ballot
v0117	Preference given to 11th candidate on ballot
v0118	Name of 11th candidate on ballot
v0119	ID of 11th candidate on ballot
v0120	Party of 11th candidate on ballot
v0121	Preference given to 12th candidate on ballot
v0122	Name of 12th candidate on ballot
v0123	ID of 12th candidate on ballot
v0124	Party of 12th candidate on ballot
v0125	Preference given to 13th candidate on ballot
v0126	Name of 13th candidate on ballot
v0127	ID of 13th candidate on ballot
v0128	Party of 13th candidate on ballot
v0129	Preference given to 14th candidate on ballot
v0130	Name of 14th candidate on ballot
v0131	ID of 14th candidate on ballot
v0132	Party of 14th candidate on ballot
v0133	Preference given to 15th candidate on ballot
v0134	Name of 15th candidate on ballot
v0135	ID of 15th candidate on ballot
v0136	Party of 15th candidate on ballot
v0137	Preference given to 16th candidate on ballot
v0138	Name of 16th candidate on ballot
v0139	ID of 16th candidate on ballot
v0140	Party of 16th candidate on ballot
v0141	Preference given to 17th candidate on ballot
v0142	Name of 17th candidate on ballot

Table 1: (continued)

v0143	ID of 17th candidate on ballot
v0144	Party of 17th candidate on ballot
v0145	Interviewer: Was ballot paper filled out
v0146	Was ballot paper not filled out on grounds of confidentiality or no interest in politics/doesn't vote?
v0147	If I gave you the ballot paper and asked you to fill it out and not show it to me but instead put it into a sealed envelope and give it back to me at the end of the interview would you be willing to fill it out
v0148	If ballot paper not filled out: Could I ask which party you gave your first preference vote to?
v0149	If ballot paper not filled out: Could I ask which party you gave your first preference vote to? - other
v0150	If you were voting today, would you give your first preference to the same party as you did in the election in May?
v0151	If you were voting today, which party would you give your first preference to?
v0152	If you were voting today, which party would you give your first preference to? - other
v0153	Did the political party to which you gave your first preference vote in the election ask people in this area to vote for their candidates in a particular order?
v0154	And did you vote for candidates in that order
v0155	Which would you say was more important in deciding how you cast your first preference vote in the general election in May of this year – the party or the candidate him/herself ?
v0156	When did you decide which PARTY to give your first preference vote to in the general election in May this year?
v0157a	Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously thought you might give your first preference vote to a different PARTY?
v0157b	Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously considered you might give your first preference vote to a different PARTY?
v0158	Which one
v0159	When did you decide which CANDIDATE to give your first preference vote to in the general election
v0160	Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously thought you might give your first preference vote to a different CANDIDATE
v0161	Thinking about the CANDIDATE you gave your first preference vote to, what was the MAIN reason you voted for that particular CANDIDATE rather than any other CANDIDATE
v0165	Main reason you voted for that candidate - code 1
v0166	Main reason you voted for that candidate - code 2
v0167	And what other reasons did you have for giving your first preference vote to that CANDIDATE
v0171	Main reason you voted for that candidate - code 1
v0172	Main reason you voted for that candidate - code 2
v0173	Main reason you voted for that candidate - code 3
v0174	If this candidate had been running for any of the other parties would you still have give a first preference vote to him/her

Table 1: (continued)

v0175	On the day of the election how likely did you think it was that the candidate you gave your first preference vote to would be elected
v0176	Thinking about the candidate whom you gave your first preference vote to, how often, if ever, have you spoken to the candidate
v0177	Main reason not to vote
v0178	Other reason not to vote
v0179	Did you vote in the previous general election in 1997
v0180	Which party did you give your first preference to in the 1997 general election
v0181	Which party did you give your first preference to in the 1997 general election, other
v0182	Did you vote in the referendum on the Treaty of Nice held in June of last year (2001)
v0183	Did you vote Yes, in favour or No, against the treaty
v0184	There will be another referendum on the Nice Treaty before the end of this year. Imagine that you are voting in that referendum. Would you definitely vote in favour of the Nice Treaty, probably vote in favour, not sure either way, probably vote against or definitely vote against the Nice Treaty
v0185	Did you vote in the recent Abortion referendum in March this year
v0186	Did you vote Yes, in favour or No, against the amendment
v0187	How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Fianna Fail
v0188	How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Fine Gael
v0189	How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Green Party
v0190	How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Labour Party
v0191	How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Progressive Democrats
v0192	How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Sinn Fein
v0193	How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Independent Candidate
v0194	Supposing a GENERAL ELECTION were being held tomorrow, can you indicate on a scale of 0 to 10 how likely it is that you would vote in that election? Please place yourself at a point on this scale where "0" indicates that you would definitely not vote, "10" indicates that you would definitely vote and the remaining numbers indicate something in between these two positions.
v0195	If there were to be a general election tomorrow to which party would you give your 1st preference vote
v0196	If there were to be a general election tomorrow to which party would you give your 1st preference vote, other

Table 1: (continued)

v0197	Suppose there was a EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ELECTION being held tomorrow, can you indicate on a scale of 0 to 10 how likely it is that you would vote in that election? Please place yourself at a point on this scale where "0" indicates that you would definitely not vote, "10" indicates that you would definitely vote and the remaining numbers indicate something in between these two positions.
v0198	Did you vote in the local elections last June
v0199	Which party did you give your first preference to in the June local elections
v0200	Which party did you give your first preference to in the June local elections, other
v0201	Which was the most important factor in deciding your first preference vote in the last local election in 2004?
v0202	What about the European Parliament election. Did you vote in that election
v0203	Could I ask which party did you give your first preference to in the European Parliament Election
v0204	Could I ask which party did you give your first preference to in the European Parliament Election - other
v0205	Which was more important in deciding how to cast your vote in European Parliament election in June of last year the party or the candidate
v0206	What about the Citizenship referendum. Did you vote in the referendum on June 11th
v0207	Could I ask whether you voted Yes or No in the Citizenship Referendum
v0208	How informed were you about candidates running for the local elections in 2004?
v0209	How informed were you about candidates running for the European elections?
v0210	Thinking about the different sorts of elections that take place in Ireland, local elections, elections to the Dáil and elections to the European Parliament, which of these is most important for you personally
v0211	And which is least important for you personally
v0300	During the election campaign, would you say there were major differences between the parties, minor differences or no differences at all?
v0374	How about the leaders of the largest political parties. Have you ever met Bertie Ahern or Enda Kenny
	ATTITUDES ENVIRONMENT
v0212	Many of the claims about environmental threats are exaggerated
v0213	I would be willing to pay much higher taxes in order to protect the environment
v0214	We should protect the environment even if it damages economic growth
v0215	How important is this issue of the balance between the environment and economic growth for you personally
v0216	I would be willing to accept a cut in my standard of living in order to protect the environment
v0217	My first priority is to provide for myself and my family, even if this means doing things that harm the environment
v0218	To what extent are you personally concerned about environmental issues
v0219	Are you a member of an environmental organisation or would you consider joining
v0220	In the past five years have you signed environmental petition
v0221	In the past five years have you give money to an environmental group

Table 1: (continued)

v0222	In the past five years have you taken part in an environmental demonstration
v0223	It is just too difficult for someone like me to do much about the environment
v0224	I do what is right for the environment, even when it costs more money or takes more time
v0225	There are more important things to do in life than protect the environment
v0226	There is no point in doing what I can for the environment unless others do the same
v0227	From what you know, what happens to the majority of household waste that is collected in your area?
v0228	What do you think SHOULD happen to the majority of household waste that is collected in your area?
	Please indicate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about the burning of household waste in incinerators:
v0229	Waste incinerators are essential for effective waste management in Ireland
v0230	Waste incinerators harm the environment
v0231	Waste incinerators are a threat to the health of people living nearby
v0232	Waste incinerators make local water and farm products unfit for human consumption
	A proposal has been made to build a waste incinerator in the Ringsend area of Dublin, to treat part of Dublin's household waste. Please describe how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about this:
v0233	A waste incinerator should be built in Ringsend to deal with part of Dublin's household waste
v0234	Building this waste incinerator should be a matter for the people who live close to it
v0235	I would be happy to see my household waste treated in a waste incinerator
v0236	I would oppose any plan to build a waste incinerator close to here I live
v0237	Stronger measures should be taken to protect the environment
	ATTITUDES EQUALITY LEFT/RIGHT
v0238	I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '10' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place yourself on this scale?
v0239	In Politics people sometimes talk of left and right. And Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where '0' means the left and '10' means the right? Please tick (a) one box.
v0240	Ordinary working people get their fair share of the nation's wealth
v0241	Income tax should be increased for people on higher than average incomes
v0242	There is one law for the rich and one for the poor
v0243	There is nothing wrong with s some people being a lot richer than others
v0244	Income and wealth should be redistributed towards ordinary people
	ATTITUDES IMMIGRATION
v0245	People should not have to put up with Travellers; halting sites in their neighbourhood
v0246	Asylum seekers should have the same rights to social services as Irish people

Table 1: (continued)

v0247 There should be very strict limits in the number of immigrants coming to Ireland
v0248 Foreign workers and immigrants living in Ireland should be allowed to preserve their own culture
v0249 Immigrants should be required to adapt to the custom of Ireland

ATTITUDES NORTHERN IRELAND

v0250 The British Government should continue to have a lot of say in the way Northern Ireland is run
v0251 The long term policy for Northern Ireland should be to reunify with the rest of Ireland
v0252 The British Government should declare its intention to withdraw from Northern Ireland at a fixed date in the future
v0253 With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place yourself on this scale?
v0260 How important is the issue of Northern Ireland for you personally? Is it:

ATTITUDES RELIGIOUS/SECULAR

v0261 It would be better if more people with strong religious beliefs held public office
v0262 Homosexuality is never justified
v0263 God definitely does not exist
v0264 Same sex marriages should be prohibited by law
v0265 How important would you say is this issue of abortion for you personally?
v0266 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

ATTITUDES STATE OWNERSHIP

v0270 On this card I have a number of opposing statements. People who agree fully with the statement on the left would give a score of '0'. People who agree fully with the statement on the right would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on these scales? The first scale is as follows Business and industry should be strictly regulated by the state..... Business and industry should be entirely free from regulation by the state
v0271 Public or semi state companies are the best way to provide the services people need.. Private enterprises are the best way of providing the services people need
v0272 Most of business and industry should be owned by the state... Most of business and industry should be privately owned

Table 1: (continued)

v0273	Politicians should not intervene in the economy
	ATTITUDES GLOBALISATION
v0275	The presence of large international companies is good for the Irish economy
v0276	Ireland should limit the import of foreign products in order to protect its national economy
	ATTITUDES EU
v0280	Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the EU
v0281	Ireland's membership of the European Union is a good thing
v0282	European Unification has already gone too far
v0283	How important is this issue of the European Union for you personally?
	ATTITUDES EFFICACY DEMOCRACY
v0290a	In today's world the Irish government can't really influence what happens in this country - 2002
v0290b	In today's world the Irish government can't really influence what happens in this country - 2007
v0291a	It doesn't really matter which political party is in power, in the end things go on much the same - 2002
v0291b	It doesn't really matter which political party is in power, in the end things go on much the same - 2007
v0292	On the whole are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied, or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Ireland?
v0293	Some people say it makes a big difference who is in power. Others say that it doesn't make any difference who is in power. Using the scale below – where ONE means that it MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE who is in power and FIVE means that it DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE who is in power – where would you place yourself?
v0294a	Some people say that no matter who people vote for it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the scale below – where ONE means that voting can make a big difference and FIVE means that voting won't make any difference to what happens, where would you place yourself? - 2002
v0294b	Some people say that no matter who people vote for it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the scale below – where ONE means that voting can make a big difference and FIVE means that voting won't make any difference to what happens, where would you place yourself? - 2007
v0295	Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: So many people vote, my vote doesn't make much difference to who is in government
v0296	Could you tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement: Democracy may have problems but it's better than any other form of government.
v0297	How much respect is there for individual freedom and human rights nowadays in Ireland? Do you feel there is...

Table 1: (continued)

v0298 How widespread do you think corruption such as bribe taking is amongst politicians in Ireland?

v0299 Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on

ATTITUDES EFFICACY INDIVIDUAL

There are different opinions about which people a TD should primarily represent. What is your opinion? Please rank all of the options below in importance. Mark the most important as 1, the next most important as 2 and so on.

v0301 All those in the constituency who voted for the TD

v0302 All those in the constituency who voted for the TDs party

v0303 All voters in the constituency

v0304 All those in the country who voted for the TDs party

v0305 Members of a particular social group

v0306 All voters in the country

v0308 Over the past 5 years or so, have you contacted a politician to express your views about something the government should or should not be doing?

v0309 Over the past 5 years or so, have you taken part in protest march/demonstration to express your views about something the government should or should not be doing?

v0310 Over the past 5 years or so, have you worked with people who are sharing the same concerns to express your views about something the government should or should not be doing?

v0311 Some people say it makes a big difference who is in power. Others say that it doesn't make any difference who is in power. Using the scale below - where ONE means that it MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE who is in power and FIVE means that it DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE who is in power - where would you place yourself?

v0311a The ordinary person has no influence on politics - 2002

v0311b The ordinary person has no influence on politics - 2007

v0312a I think I am better informed about politics and government than most people - 2002

v0312b I think I am better informed about politics and government than most people - 2007

v0313 Whatever I think about the parties and candidates, I really do think it is my duty to go our and vote in a general election

v0314 So many people vote, my vote does not make much difference to which candidates are elected

v0315 If you did not vote would you feel very guilty, fairly guilty, not very guilty, or not guilty at all

Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each of the following statements.

v0316 Compared to 10 years ago, Ireland is just as friendly a place now as it was then

v0317 There is a lot more stress in people's lives today than there was 10 years ago.

v0318 People don't have enough time to spend with their families these days

v0319 trust - religious leaders

v0320 trust - political parties

v0321 trust - gardai

v0322 trust - business leaders

Table 1: (continued)

v0323 Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: The media was wrong to question Ahern's financial affairs

ATTITUDES WOMEN/FAMILY

v0324 In general things would improve if there were more women in politics

v0325 A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who stays at home

v0326 What young people need most of all is strict discipline by their parents

v0327 A man's job is to get money; a woman's job is to look after the home and family

v0328 Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: In general things would improve if there were more women in politics

v0329 Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: People who break the law should face stiffer sentences

v0333 Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: Sometimes politics and government seems so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on

EVALUATIONS - CANDIDATE / LEADERS / PARTIES

v0350 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 1

v0351 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 2

v0352 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 3

Table 1: (continued)

v0353 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 4

v0360 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL DEBATE, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 1

v0361 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL DEBATE, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 2

v0362 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL DEBATE, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 3

v0363 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL DEBATE, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 4

Table 1: (continued)

v0370 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how CLOSE a candidate is to YOUR OWN POLIICAL VIEWS, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 1

v0371 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how CLOSE a candidate is to YOUR OWN POLIICAL VIEWS, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 2

v0372 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how CLOSE a candidate is to YOUR OWN POLIICAL VIEWS, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 3

v0373 Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how CLOSE a candidate is to YOUR OWN POLIICAL VIEWS, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 4

v0375 The assumption that TDs should provide a local service is a strength of the Irish political system

v0379 A constituency represented by a Cabinet minister will have more money spent in it by the government

v0380 Some things about a TD may be more important than others. On a scale of 0 – 10 where 0 means 'not very important' and 10 means 'very important' how important do you think it is that a TD should - Be good at working for THIS area

v0381 Some things about a TD may be more important than others. On a scale of 0 – 10 where 0 means 'not very important' and 10 means 'very important' how important do you think it is that a TD should - Be good at contributing to national political debate

v0382 Some things about a TD may be more important than others. On a scale of 0 – 10 where 0 means 'not very important' and 10 means 'very important' how important do you think it is that a TD should - Be close to your political views

v0383 Which of the qualities shown on this card would you say are particularly important for TDs to have? You may choose more than one, none or suggest others. - speak their own mind

Table 1: (continued)

v0384	Which of the qualities shown on this card would you say are particularly important for TDs to have? You may choose more than one, none or suggest others. - speak up for area they represent
v0385	Which of the qualities shown on this card would you say are particularly important for TDs to have? You may choose more than one, none or suggest others. - help individual voters sort problems
v0386	Which of the qualities shown on this card would you say are particularly important for TDs to have? You may choose more than one, none or suggest others. - be loyal to party they represent
v0387	Which of the qualities shown on this card would you say are particularly important for TDs to have? You may choose more than one, none or suggest others. - other
v0388	Which of the qualities shown on this card would you say are particularly important for TDs to have? You may choose more than one, none or suggest others. - don't know/ Refused
v0389	Which of the qualities shown on this card would you say are particularly important for TDs to have? You may choose more than one, none or suggest others. - other, specify
v0390	Constituency Code of ballot paper
v0391	Rating of first candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0392	Name of first candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0393	Candidate ID of first candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0394	Political Party of first candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0395	Rating of second candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0396	Name of second candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0397	Candidate ID of second candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0398	Political Party of second candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0399	Rating of third candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0400	Name of third candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0401	Candidate ID of third candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0402	Political Party of third candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0403	Rating of 4th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0404	Name of 4th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0405	Candidate ID of 4th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0406	Political Party of 4th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0407	Rating of 5th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0408	Name of 5th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0409	Candidate ID of 5th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0410	Political Party of 5th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0411	Rating of 6th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0412	Name of 6th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0413	Candidate ID of 6th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0414	Political Party of 6th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0415	Rating of 7th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0416	Name of 7th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0417	Candidate ID of 7th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0418	Political Party of 7th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

Table 1: (continued)

v0419	Rating of 8th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0420	Name of 8th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0421	Candidate ID of 8th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0422	Political Party of 8th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0423	Rating of 9th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0424	Name of 9th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0425	Candidate ID of 9th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0426	Political Party of 9th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0427	Rating of 10th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0428	Name of 10th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0429	Candidate ID of 10th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0430	Political Party of 10th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0431	Rating of 11th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0432	Name of 11th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0433	Candidate ID of 11th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0434	Political Party of 11th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0435	Rating of 12th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0436	Name of 12th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0437	Candidate ID of 12th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0438	Political Party of 12th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0439	Rating of 13th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0440	Name of 13th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0441	Candidate ID of 13th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0442	Political Party of 13th candidate on the list excluding independent/others
v0458	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 1
v0458a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 1
v0458b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 1
v0459	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 2

Table 1: (continued)

v0459a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 2
v0459b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 2
v0460	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 3
v0460a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 3
v0460b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 3
v0461	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 4
v0461a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 4
v0461b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 4

Table 1: (continued)

v0462	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 5
v0462a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 5
v0462b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 5
v0463	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 6
v0463a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 6
v0463b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 6
v0464	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 7
v0464a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 7

Table 1: (continued)

v0464b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 7
v0465	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 8
v0465a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 8
v0465b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 8
v0466	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 9
v0466a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 9
v0466b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 9
v0467	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 10

Table 1: (continued)

v0467a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 10
v0467b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 10
v0468	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 11
v0468a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 11
v0468b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 11
v0469	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 12
v0469a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 12
v0469b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 12

Table 1: (continued)

v0470	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 13
v0470a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 13
v0470b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 13
v0471	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 14
v0471a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 14
v0471b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 14
v0472	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 15
v0472a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 15

Table 1: (continued)

v0472b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 15
v0473	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 16
v0473a	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Candidate ID for candidate 16
v0473b	Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Party ID for candidate 16
v0480	How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? - Bertie Ahern
v0481	How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? - Michael Noonan
v0482	How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? - Ruairi Quinn
v0483	How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? - Enda Kenny
v0484	Thinking in general about the main political parties in Ireland, can you tell me what you think each of the parties stand for? - Fianna Fail
v0485	Thinking in general about the main political parties in Ireland, can you tell me what you think each of the parties stand for? - Fine Gael
v0486	Thinking in general about the main political parties in Ireland, can you tell me what you think each of the parties stand for? - Green Party
v0487	Thinking in general about the main political parties in Ireland, can you tell me what you think each of the parties stand for? - Labour Party
v0488	Thinking in general about the main political parties in Ireland, can you tell me what you think each of the parties stand for? - Progressive Democrats
v0489	Thinking in general about the main political parties in Ireland, can you tell me what you think each of the parties stand for? - Sinn Fein

Table 1: (continued)

	I'd now like to ask you how you feel about some Irish politicians, using what we call a feeling thermometer. The feeling thermometer works like this: If you have a favourable feeling (a warm feeling) towards a POLITICIAN you should place him/her somewhere between 50 and 100 degrees. If you have an unfavourable feeling (a cold feeling) towards a POLITICIAN you should place him/her somewhere between 0 and 50 degrees; and if you don't feel particularly warm or cold (have no feelings towards the politician at all) then you should place him/her at 50 degrees. Where would you place these Irish politicians
v0490	thermometer degree - Bertie Ahern
v0491	thermometer degree John Bruton
v0492	thermometer degree Mary Harney
v0493	thermometer degree Ruairi Quinn
v0493b	thermometer degree Pat Rabitte
v0494	thermometer degree Charlie McCreevy
v0495	thermometer degree Trevor Sergeant
v0496	thermometer degree Michael Martin
v0497	thermometer degree Michael Noonan
v0498	thermometer degree Gerry Adams
v0499	thermometer degree Michael McDowell
v0500	thermometer degree Brendan Howlin
v0501	thermometer degree Dana Rosemary Scanlon
v0502	How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 (0 to 100 in 2004/2006) where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country - Bertie Ahern
v0503	How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 (0 to 100 in 2004/2006) where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country - Michael Noonan
v0504	How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 (0 to 100 in 2004/2006) where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country - Ruairi Quinn
v0505	How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 (0 to 100 in 2004/2006) where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country - Enda Kenny
v0506	To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people - Bertie Ahern

Table 1: (continued)

v0507	To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people - Michael Noonan
v0508	To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people - Ruairi Quinn
v0509	To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people - Enda Kenny
v0510	Would you say that any of the party leaders in Ireland represents your views well?
v0511	Leader who represents your view well - 1st mention
v0512	Leader who represents your view well - 2nd mention
v0513	Leader who represents your view well - 3rd mention
v0514	Leader who represents your view well - 4th mention
v0515	Leader who represents your view well - 5th mention
v0518	Leader who represents your view well - other
v0521	And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Bertie Ahern
v0522	And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Enda Kenny
v0523	And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Trevor Sergeant
v0524	And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Pat Rabitte
v0525	And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Michael McDowell
v0526	And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Gerry Adams

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v0527	Thinking about the leaders of the two main parties at the general election in May of this year – Bertie Ahern and Michael Noonan. At the time, which of these two did you think would make the best Taoiseach?
v0528	Have you ever met Bertie Ahern or Enda Kenny?
v0529	And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Other, specify And where would you place the following political PARTIES
v0530	thermometer degree - Fianna Fail
v0531	thermometer degree - Fine Gael
v0532	thermometer degree - Green Party
v0533	thermometer degree - Labour Party
v0534	thermometer degree - Progressive Democrats
v0535	thermometer degree - Sinn Fein
v0540	Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Fianna Fail
v0541	Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Fine Gael
v0542	Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Green Party
v0543	Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Labour Party
v0544	Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Progressive Democrats

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v0545	Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Sinn Fein
v0550	Which do you think would be generally better for Ireland nowadays. To have a government formed by one party on its own or to have a government formed by two or more political parties together in a coalition
v0551	Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - party 1
v0552	Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - party 2
v0553	Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - party 3
v0554	Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - party 4
v0555	Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - number of parties mentioned
v0556	Please look at the following possible coalition governments. Of these coalitions which one would you most prefer
v0560	Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Fianna Fail
v0561	Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Fine Gael
v0562	Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Green Party
v0563	Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Labour Party
v0564	Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Progressive Democrats
v0565	Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Sinn Fein
v0566	And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place Fianna Fail on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

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v0567 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place Fine Gael on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

v0568 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place the Green Party on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

v0569 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place the Labour Party on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

v0570 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place the Progressive Democrats on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

v0571 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place Sinn Fein on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

v0575 How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Fianna Fail

v0576 How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Fine Gael

v0577 How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Green Party

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v0578 How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Labour Party

v0579 How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Progressive Democrats

v0580 How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Sinn Fein

v0590 To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Fianna Fail

v0591 To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Fine Gael

v0592 To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Green Party

v0593 To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Labour Party

v0594 To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Progressive Democrats

v0595 To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Sinn Fein

v0600 Now thinking in general about the performance of the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government which was in office over the past five years – 1997 to 2002. In general, how good or bad a job do you think it has done over the past five years? Has it done a (Note time period changes in each wave)

Table 1: (continued)

v0600b	Now thinking in general about the performance of the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government which was in office over the past five years – 2002 to 2007. In general, how good or bad a job do you think it has done over the past five years? Has it done a (Note time period changes in each wave)
v0601	Thinking back to the party you voted for in the 1997 General Election, do you feel that that party did a good or a bad job over the last five years?
v0611	Thinking about how elections in Ireland work in practice, how well do you think they ensure that the views of voters are represented by TDs – very well, quite well, not very well, or not well at all?
v0612	Would you say that any of the parties in Ireland represents your views reasonably well?
v0613	Which party represents your views best - 1st mention
v0614	Which party represents your views best - 2nd mention
v0615	Which party represents your views best - 3rd mention
v0616	Which party represents your views best - 4th mention
v0620	Which party represents your views best - other
v0621	During the election campaign, would you say there were major differences between the parties,minor differences or no differences at all?
v0622	And were there any parties you would never vote for?
v0623	And were there any parties you would never vote for? - Fianna Fail
v0624	And were there any parties you would never vote for? - Fine Gael
v0625	And were there any parties you would never vote for? - Green Party
v0626	And were there any parties you would never vote for? - Labour Party
v0627	And were there any parties you would never vote for? - Progressive Democrats
v0628	And were there any parties you would never vote for? - Sinn Fein
v0630	I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Fianna Fail
v0631	I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Fine Gael
v0632	I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Green Party
v0633	I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Labour Party
v0634	I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Progressive Democrats

Table 1: (continued)

v0635	I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Sinn Fein
v0640	With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place Fianna Fail on this scale?
v0641	With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place Fine Gael on this scale?
v0642	With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place the Green Party on this scale?
v0643	With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place the Labour Party on this scale?
v0644	With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place the Progressive Democrats on this scale?

Table 1: (continued)

v0645	With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place Sinn Fein on this scale?
v0650	Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place Fianna Fail on this scale?
v0651	Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place Fine Gael on this scale?
v0652	Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place the Green Party on this scale?
v0653	Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place the Labour Party on this scale?
v0654	Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place the Progressive Democrats on this scale?
v0655	Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place Sinn Fein on this scale?
v0662	Do you feel close to this party?
v0670	In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Fianna Fail
v0671	In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Fine Gael
v0672	In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Green Party
v0673	In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Labour Party
v0674	In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Progressive Democrats
v0675	In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Sinn Fein

Table 1: (continued)

v0680 Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party
v0681 Which party is that - 1st mention
v0682 Which party is that - 2nd mention
v0683 Which party is that - 3rd mention
v0684 Which party is that - other, specify
v0685 Which party do you feel closest to, specify
v0686 Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?
v0687 Do you feel a little closer to one of the political parties than the others
v0688 Which party do you feel a little closer to f
v0689 Which party do you feel a little closer to, other specify
v0690 Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close or not very close
v0691 Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Fianna Fail
v0692 Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Fine Gael
v0693 Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Green Party
v0694 Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Labour Party
v0695 Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Progressive Democrats
v0696 Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Sinn Fein

EVALUATION ECONOMY

v0700 Thinking back over the last five years – the lifetime of the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the ECONOMY in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse? (Note in other waves the time period changes from previous 12 months to previous five years)
v0700b Thinking about the economy in Ireland in the past twelve months, would you say that it has been ....

Table 1: (continued)

v0701	Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government
v0702	Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?
v0703	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the ECONOMY better? - 1st mention
v0704	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the ECONOMY better? - 2nd mention
v0705	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the ECONOMY better? - 3rd mention
v0706	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the ECONOMY better? - 4th mention
v0707	Thinking back over the last two years – the lifetime of the Fianna Fail Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the ECONOMY in Ireland over that period of time (2002 - 2004) got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse?
v0709	Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled the economy better?
v0720	How important is this issue of taxation and spending on health and social service TO YOU PERSONALLY
v0721	And how do you think the economy in Ireland will develop over the next 12 months? Will it....
v0722	How does the financial situation of your household compare now with what it was 12 months ago? Has it...
v0723	How do you think the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months? Will it....
	EVALUATIONS - HEALTH
v0730	Again thinking back to the last five years of the Fianna Fail - Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland over that period of time have got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period (note later waves have different time periods from 12 months to five years)
v0731	Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government
v0732	Was this due equally to both parties in government - Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats or mainly due to Fianna Fail
v0733	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the HEALTH SERVICES better - 1st mention
v0734	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the HEALTH SERVICES better - 2nd mention
v0735	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the HEALTH SERVICES better - 3rd mention
v0736	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the HEALTH SERVICES better - 4th mention
v0739	Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled the health services better

Table 1: (continued)

v0740	During the last 12 months, did you or a family member go on a waiting list for or receive hospital treatment
v0741	Generally speaking how satisfied was your experience of the medical services
v0742	During the last 12 months, did you or a family member have any contact with recent immigrants to Ireland
v0743	Generally speaking, how would you evaluate this contact
	EVALUATIONS - HOUSING
v0750	Again thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail - Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HOUSING SITUATION in Ireland over that period Fail time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period
v0751	Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government
v0752	Was this due equally to both parties in government - Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats or mainly due to Fianna Fail
v0753	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled HOUSING better - 1st mention
v0754	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled HOUSING better - 2nd mention
v0755	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled HOUSING better - 3rd mention
v0756	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled HOUSING better - 4th mention
v0757	Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handed the Housing Situation better
v0758	Do you think that house prices in Ireland will go up, stay the same or fall in the next year?
	EVALUATIONS - CRIME
v0770	Again thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail - Progressive Democrat government, would you say that CRIME in Ireland over that period of time increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; decreased a little; or decreased a lot over that time
v0771	Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government
v0772	Was this due equally to both parties in government - Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats or mainly due to Fianna Fail
v0773	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handed CRIME better - 1st mention
v0774	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handed CRIME better - 2nd mention
v0775	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handed CRIME better - 3rd mention
v0776	Which of the following parties, if any, would have handed CRIME better - 4th mention
v0777	Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handed crime better
v0778	During the last 12 months, did you or a family member seek assistance from the authorities over a crime committed in your home, in your neighbourhood, or at work?
v0779	Generally speaking, how satisfied were you with this assistance?

Table 1: (continued)

EVALUATIONS - UNEMPLOYMENT

v0780 Now turning to the problem of UNEMPLOYMENT. Thinking back over the last five years, the lifetime of the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that UNEMPLOYMENT in Ireland increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; fell a little or fell a lot over that period?

v0781 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

v0782 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

v0783 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled UNEMPLOYMENT better? - 1st mention

v0784 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled UNEMPLOYMENT better? - 2nd mention

v0785 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled UNEMPLOYMENT better? - 3rd mention

v0786 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled UNEMPLOYMENT better? - 4th mention

EVALUATIONS - COST OF LIVING

v0800 Again, thinking back over the last five years, during the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the COST OF LIVING in the country as a whole increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; fell a little or fell a lot over that period?

v0801 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

v0802 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

v0803 Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE COST OF LIVING? - 1st mention

v0804 Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE COST OF LIVING? - 2nd mention

v0805 Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE COST OF LIVING? - 3rd mention

v0806 Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE COST OF LIVING? - 4th mention

EVALUATIONS - TAXATION

v0810 Thinking back over the last five years, would you say that the LEVEL OF TAXATION in the country as a whole has increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; fell a little or fell a lot over that period?

v0811 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

Table 1: (continued)

v0812	Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?
v0813	Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE LEVEL OF TAXATION? - 1st mention
v0814	Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE LEVEL OF TAXATION? - 2nd mention
v0815	Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE LEVEL OF TAXATION? - 3rd mention
v0816	Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE LEVEL OF TAXATION? - 4th mention
	EVALUATIONS - TRAFFIC
v0820	Again, thinking back over the last five years, during the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government – would you say that TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT in Ireland got a lot worse; got a little worse; stayed the same; got a little better or got a lot better over that period?
v0821	Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?
v0822	Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?
v0823	Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT? - 1st mention
v0824	Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT? - 2nd mention
v0825	Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT? - 3rd mention
v0826	Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT? - 4th mention
	EVALUATIONS - ISSUES GENERAL
v0838	First, I'd like to ask you a general question. What do you think has been the single most important issue facing Ireland over the last five years?
v0838a	First, I'd like to ask you a general question. What do you think has been the single most important issue facing Ireland over the last five years? - 1st level coding
v0838b	First, I'd like to ask you a general question. What do you think has been the single most important issue facing Ireland over the last five years? - 2nd level coding
v0838c	First, I'd like to ask you a general question. What do you think has been the single most important issue facing Ireland over the last five years? - 3rd level coding
v0839	Finally, we'd like to ask you a general question. The next general election will take place within the next 12 months or so. What do you think will be the single most important issue that ill influences your vote at that election
v0840	What do you think is the most important political problem facing Ireland today?
v0840a	What do you think is the most important political problem facing Ireland today? - 1st level coding

Table 1: (continued)

v0840b	What do you think is the most important political problem facing Ireland today? - 2nd level coding
v0840c	What do you think is the most important political problem facing Ireland today? - 3rd level coding
v0841	What do you think is the second most important political problem facing Ireland today?
v0842	What has been the issue most important to you personally in this election?
v0842a	What has been the issue most important to you personally in this election? - 1st level coding
v0842b	What has been the issue most important to you personally in this election? - 2nd level coding
v0842c	What has been the issue most important to you personally in this election? - 3rd level coding
v0843	What has been the issue second most important to you personally in this election?
v0843a	What has been the issue second most important to you personally in this election? - 1st level coding
v0843b	What has been the issue second most important to you personally in this election? - 2nd level coding
v0843c	What has been the issue second most important to you personally in this election? - 3rd level coding
v0847	How good or bad a job do you think the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government did over the past five years in terms of _____ [the Main issue mentioned at v0838 above].
v0848	Thinking of the most important political problem facing Ireland which party do you think is best in dealing with it?
v0849	And the second most important political problem facing Ireland which party do you think is best in dealing with it
	PERFORMANCE - LOCAL
v0850	I would like to ask you about changes in the economy in the area around here since the general election 5 years ago in 1997. Do you think this area has been doing better than the rest of the country; the same as the rest of the country or worse than the rest of the country
v0851	Some people say that the government may spend money to improve local services or amenities in order to win additional support at the next election. How much sign have you seen of any additional spending in your local area. 5pt
v0852	Who is most responsible for any improvements in the economic situation around here over the last five years
v0853a	Which TD in particular - 1st mention
v0853c	Which TD in particular - 1st mention code
v0854a	Which TD in particular - 2nd mention
v0854c	Which TD in particular - 2nd mention code
v0855a	Which TD in particular - 3rd mention
v0855c	Which TD in particular - 3rd mention code
v0857a	Still thinking about the area around here, what is the most important problem for you personally - 1st coding level

Table 1: (continued)

v0857b	Still thinking about the area around here, what is the most important problem for you personally - 2nd coding level
v0857c	Still thinking about the area around here, what is the most important problem for you personally - 3rd coding level
v0858	Local problem - code
v0859	Is there any one party better able to deal with this problem than the others
v0860	Which party
v0861	Thinking about the CANDIDATES who ran in this constituency in the recent election of May of this year, which of them, if any, do you think is best able to deal with this problem PATRONAGE
v0867	Have you contacted any TDs from this constituency in the last 12 months
v0868	Did you contact just one TD or more than one
v0869	Thinking of the next general election, would your experience of this contact influence your decision as to how you cast your first preference vote
v0870	Have you contacted any TDs, Councillors or Senators from this constituency in the last 5 years
v0871	contact with TDs/councillors/senators - 1st mention
v0872	contact with TDs/councillors/senators - 2nd mention
v0873	contact with TDs/councillors/senators - 3rd mention
v0874	Was this contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person - 1st mention
v0875	Was this contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person - 2nd mention
v0876	Was this contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person - 3rd mention
v0877	Was this contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person - 4th mention
v0878	Was this contact on your own behalf; on behalf of a friend or family member; or on behalf of a committee or organisation to which you belong - 1st mention
v0879	Was this contact on your own behalf; on behalf of a friend or family member; or on behalf of a committee or organisation to which you belong - 2nd mention
v0880	Was this contact on your own behalf; on behalf of a friend or family member; or on behalf of a committee or organisation to which you belong - 3rd mention
v0881	What was the main reason for the contact. Please describe as fully as possible.
v0884	If similar circumstances arose in the future, you think you would approach them or not?
v0885	Before the 2002 General Election, the following promises were made by one or both of the parties who afterwards formed the government. For each of these, do you think the promise was fully met, partially met, or not met at all - A promise to increase the number of Gardai by 2000
v0886	Before the 2002 General Election, the following promises were made by one or both of the parties who afterwards formed the government. For each of these, do you think the promise was fully met, partially met, or not met at all - A promise to take those on the minimum wage out of the income tax net

Table 1: (continued)

v0887 Before the 2002 General Election, the following promises were made by one or both of the parties who afterwards formed the government. For each of these, do you think the promise was fully met, partially met, or not met at all - A promise to end waiting lists in hospitals

v0888 Before the 2002 General Election, the following promises were made by one or both of the parties who afterwards formed the government. For each of these, do you think the promise was fully met, partially met, or not met at all - A promise to ensure the average size of classes for children under 9 is less than 20

KNOWLEDGE

v0889 Interviewer judgement: How knowledgeable is the respondent about politics, on a scale of 1-5 where 1 is very little or no knowledge and 5 is very knowledgeable indeed?

v0890 Can you tell me who was the leader of Fianna Fail during recent general election campaign

v0891 The Green Party recently elected a leader. Who is it

v0892 Who was leader of Fine Gael during recent campaign

v0893 Who was the Ceann Comhairle of Dáil 1997-2002

v0894 Who is Ireland's EU Commissioner

v0895 Which Government Department received the most money in last year's budget

v0896 Who was the Minister for Finance when the last Dáil was dissolved

v0897 What was the approximate rate of consumer price inflation in Ireland at the end of 2006

v0898 Which was the first party to announce that it would cut the standard rate of tax in the 2007 campaign

v0899 What was the approximate percentage of women in the last Dáil

DEMOGRAPHICS

v0900 Sex of respondent

v0904 Date of birth - day

v0905 Date of birth - month

v0906 Date of birth - year

v0910 Since when have you lived in this constituency - month

v0911 Since when have you lived in this constituency - year

v0912 Since when have you lived at this address - month

v0913 Since when have you lived at this address - year

v0914 Are you registered to vote at this address

v0915 Are you registered to vote at another address

v0917 Could I ask about your marital status

v0918 Are you currently living with your husband/wife

v0919 Are you currently living with another partner

v0920 Are you currently living with a partner

v0921 Which of the following best describes the highest level of education you have completed to date.

v0922 During the last five years have you been unemployed and seeking work? By unemployed I mean available for and actively seeking work in contrast, for example, to someone who is engaged in home duties.

v0923 For how many months over the last five years were you unemployed

Table 1: (continued)

v0924	Which of the following best describes your employment situation
v0926	Did you ever work at any time in past, even if not currently working now
v0927	When did you give up this job - month
v0928	When did you give up this job - year
v0929	What is/was your occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc.
v0930	What is/was your occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc. - CSO
v0931	What is/was your occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc. - ISCO
v0932	Please describe the nature of business activity of your employer
v0933	Do/did you work in public or private sector
v0934	Are/were you self-employed or are you an employee
v0935	How many people do/did you employ, including yourself
v0936	Are/were you a member of any trade union at this time
v0937	Do/did you supervise any other workers in your job
v0938	Approximately how many do you supervise?
v0939	How worried are you that you might become unemployed in the next year
v0941a	When you were 16 what kind of work did your father do - CSO
v0941b	When you were 16 what kind of work did your father do - ISCO
v0942	Father's occupation code
v0943	With regard to your accommodation could you tell me if it is
v0944	With regard to your accommodation, could you tell me if it is, specify
v0945	During the last five years has your partner been unemployed and seeking work? By unemployed I mean available for and actively seeking work in contrast, for example, to someone who is engaged in home duties
v0946	For how many months over the past five years was he/she unemployed
v0947	Which of the following best describes your partner's present situation with regard to employment
v0948	Which of the following best describes your partner's present situation with regard to employment, other specify
v0949	Did you partner ever work at any time in the past, even if not currently now
v0950	When did you partner give up this job - month
v0951	When did you partner give up this job - year
v0954	What is/was your partner's occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc.
v0954a	What is/was your partner's occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc. - CSO

Table 1: (continued)

v0954b	What is/was your partner's occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc. - ISCO
v0955	Do/did your partner work in the public or private sector
v0956	Is was your partner self-employed (including farmer) or is/ was so/he an employee
v0957	How many people does/did your partner employ including him/herself
v0958	Is/was your partner a member of any trade union [at this time]?
v0959	Do/did you partner normally supervise any other workers in their job
v0960	Approximately how many does/die he/he supervise
v0961	Do you belong to any religious denomination
v0962	Which religious denomination?
v0963	Which religious denomination? - code
v0964	How often nowadays do you attend religious services
v0965	Have you ever lived outside the Republic of Ireland continuously for two years or more?
v0966	What year did you return
v0967a	Which party did your father vote for or did he vote for various different parties - 2002 - 2006
v0967b	Which party did your father vote for or did he vote for various different parties - 2007
v0968	Would you say he was a very strong supporter of this party
v0969	Was your father a strong supporter of this part, other specify?
v0970	Which party did your mother vote or did she vote for various different parties
v0971	Would you say she was a very strong supporter of this party
v0972	Are you a citizen of Ireland
v0973	Which country are you a citizen of
v0977	Are you or your partner the head of your household
v0978	What is/was occupation of the head of household
v0979a	What is/was occupation of the head of household - CSO
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v0981	How many people does she/he employ including yourself
v0982	Does he/she normally supervise any other workers in his/her job
v0983	Approximately how many do he/she supervise?
v0984	I would like to ask about the approximate level of net household income? This means the total income, after tax, PRSI and other statutory deductions, of all members of the household. It includes all types of income: income from employment, social welfare payments, child benefit, rents, interest, pensions etc. We would just like to know into which of four broad groups the total income of your household falls. I'd like to assure you once again that all information you give me is entirely confidential
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v0986	Income 241 - 450 Euro p/w
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v0990	Could you tell me how many persons living in the household are aged less than 14 years.

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v0991	Could you tell me how many persons living in the household are aged between 14 to less than 18 years.
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v0993	Total in the household (Sum of v0990 - v0992)
v0994	Total in the household (reported)
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Table 2: v0001 – Looking back at the recent general election can you tell me if a candidate called to your home

	YEAR			
v0001	**2002** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	55.7	72.4	54.7	59.4
no	44.3	27.6	45.3	40.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,347	1,083	1,158	4,588

Table 3: v0002 – During the election campaign in May and June did a candidate or anyone from a political party contact you in person to persuade you to vote for them

	YEAR		
v0002	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	57.9	57.0	57.6
no	34.9	38.2	36.0
dont know	7.3	4.8	6.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,659	1,432	4,091

Table 4: v0004 – Party of Candidate who called - 1st mention

	YEAR	
v0004	**2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
Fianna Fail	46.8	46.8
Fine Gael	23.8	23.8
Green	2.2	2.2
Labour	10.1	10.1
Progressive Democrat	2.9	2.9
Sinn Fein	4.1	4.1
Independent	9.1	9.1
Workers Party	0.2	0.2
Soc/SWP	0.9	0.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,431	1,431

Table 5: v0006 – Party of Candidate who called - 2nd mention

v0006	**YEAR** **2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
Fianna Fail	33.0	33.0
Fine Gael	30.1	30.1
Green	1.3	1.3
Labour	11.9	11.9
Progressive Democrat	5.4	5.4
Sinn Fein	7.2	7.2
Independent	9.5	9.5
Workers Party	0.5	0.5
Soc/SWP	1.1	1.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	755	755

Table 6: v0008 – Party of Candidate who called - 3rd mention

v0008	**YEAR** **2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
Fianna Fail	26.6	26.6
Fine Gael	24.4	24.4
Green	1.7	1.7
Labour	15.0	15.0
Progressive Democrat	7.6	7.6
Sinn Fein	9.6	9.6
Independent	14.4	14.4
Soc/SWP	0.6	0.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	353	353

Table 7: v0010 – Party of Candidate who called - 4th mention

v0010	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	33.1	33.1
Fine Gael	20.0	20.0
Green	2.3	2.3
Labour	13.8	13.8
Progressive Democrat	3.8	3.8
Sinn Fein	5.4	5.4
Independent	20.0	20.0
Soc/SWP	1.5	1.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	130	130

Table 8: v0012 – Party of Candidate who called - 5th mention

v0012	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	29.0	29.0
fine gael	16.1	16.1
green party	3.2	3.2
labour	16.1	16.1
progressive democrats	6.5	6.5
sinn fein	12.9	12.9
independent	16.1	16.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	31	31

Table 9: v0014 – Party of Candidate who called - 6th mention

v0014	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fine gael	28.6	28.6
green party	14.3	14.3
sinn fein	14.3	14.3
independent	42.9	42.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	7	7

Table 10: v0015 – During the election campaign in May did a candidate or anyone from a political party contact you to persuade you to vote for them?

	YEAR		
v0015	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	55.9	56.3	56.0
no	33.2	36.5	34.3
dont know	11.0	7.2	9.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,648	1,292	3,940

Table 11: v0016 – Number of Candidates who contacted respondent

	YEAR	
v0016	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
0	4.8	4.8
1	44.6	44.6
2	28.8	28.8
3	12.1	12.1
4	7.0	7.0
5	0.9	0.9
6	1.8	1.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	816	816

Table 12: v0017 – Party of Partyworker who called - 1st mention

	YEAR		
v0017	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
fianna fail	51.2	50.1	50.8
fine gael	14.9	21.0	16.9
green party	2.3	2.6	2.4
labour	7.4	8.8	7.8
progressive democrats	2.4	3.3	2.7
sinn fein	8.0	5.6	7.2
independent	11.8	7.9	10.5
other party	2.0	0.7	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,426	696	2,122

Table 13: v0018 – Party of Partyworker who called - 2nd mention

	YEAR		
v0018	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
fianna fail	18.3	19.2	18.6
fine gael	47.6	44.5	46.6
green party	2.1	2.6	2.3
labour	14.1	14.4	14.2
progressive democrats	4.2	3.1	3.8
sinn fein	6.2	8.9	7.1
independent	6.6	6.7	6.7
other party	0.9	0.5	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	859	416	1,275

Table 14: v0019 – Party of Partyworker who called - 3rd mention

	YEAR		
v0019	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
fianna fail	10.9	12.3	11.4
fine gael	20.9	20.0	20.6
green party	8.7	6.0	7.8
labour	26.8	28.9	27.5
progressive democrats	5.2	10.2	6.9
sinn fein	11.8	12.3	12.0
independent	14.6	9.4	12.8
other party	1.1	0.9	1.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	459	235	694

Table 15: v0020 – Party of Partyworker who called - 4th mention

	YEAR		
v0020	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
fianna fail	3.3	4.2	3.6
fine gael	15.8	10.0	13.7
green party	7.0	5.8	6.6
labour	21.4	22.5	21.8
progressive democrats	9.8	22.5	14.3
sinn fein	25.1	22.5	24.2
independent	16.7	10.8	14.6
other party	0.9	1.7	1.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	215	120	335

Table 16: v0021 – Party of Partyworker who called - 5th mention

	YEAR		
v0021	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
fianna fail	0.0	5.1	1.6
fine gael	2.3	5.1	3.2
green party	13.8	25.6	17.5
labour	8.0	7.7	7.9
progressive democrats	25.3	15.4	22.2
sinn fein	28.7	17.9	25.4
independent	19.5	23.1	20.6
other party	2.3	0.0	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	87	39	126

Table 17: v0022 – Party of Partyworker who called - 6th mention

	YEAR		
v0022	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
fine gael	4.0	0.0	2.7
green party	12.0	16.7	13.5
labour	4.0	16.7	8.1
progressive democrats	4.0	0.0	2.7
sinn fein	40.0	33.3	37.8
independent	36.0	25.0	32.4
other party	0.0	8.3	2.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	25	12	37

Table 18: v0024 – Number of Parties that contacted respondent

v0024	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
0	4.0	4.0
1	38.6	38.6
2	25.1	25.1
3	15.8	15.8
4	11.1	11.1
5	3.7	3.7
6	1.6	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	728	728

Table 19: v0025 – Did a party worker (or representative of an independent candidate) phone your home

v0025	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
yes	6.3	4.6	5.7
no	82.5	88.4	84.4
dont know	7.5	6.5	7.2
no phone	3.8	0.5	2.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,639	1,274	3,913

Table 20: v0026 – Party of Partyworker who phoned - 1st mention

v0026	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	38.4	46.0	40.3
fine gael	23.2	28.0	24.4
green party	3.3	0.0	2.5
labour	5.3	6.0	5.5
progressive democrats	7.9	0.0	6.0
sinn fein	4.0	0.0	3.0
independent	16.6	20.0	17.4
other party	1.3	0.0	1.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	151	50	201

Table 21: v0027 – Party of Partyworker who phoned - 2nd mention

	YEAR		
v0027	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
fine gael	33.3	60.0	45.5
green party	0.0	10.0	4.5
labour	33.3	10.0	22.7
progressive democrats	8.3	10.0	9.1
sinn fein	16.7	0.0	9.1
independent	8.3	10.0	9.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	12	10	22

Table 22: v0028 – Party of Partyworker who phoned - 3rd mention

	YEAR		
v0028	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
fine gael	50.0	100.0	57.1
green party	16.7	0.0	14.3
labour	16.7	0.0	14.3
sinn fein	16.7	0.0	14.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	6	1	7

Table 23: v0029 – Party of Partyworker who phoned - 4th mention

	YEAR		
v0029	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
green party	0.0	100.0	50.0
labour	100.0	0.0	50.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1	1	2

Table 24: v0033 – Number of Parties that phoned respondent

v0033	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
0	12.1	12.1
1	70.7	70.7
2	15.5	15.5
4	1.7	1.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	58	58

Table 25: v0034 – Did you read election leaflets put in your letterbox or given to you in the street/shopping centres etc

v0034	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
yes	64.8	64.8
no	35.0	35.0
dont know	0.2	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,655	2,655

Table 26: v0035 – Did you look at advertisements in newspapers on behalf of candidates or parties

v0035	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
yes	50.5	50.5
no	49.4	49.4
dont know	0.1	0.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,647	2,647

Table 27: v0036 – Did you attend public meetings related to the election

v0036	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
yes	4.0	4.0
no	95.9	95.9
dont know	0.1	0.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,642	2,642

Table 28: v0037 – Did you look at candidates' posters

v0037	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
yes	82.0	82.0
no	17.9	17.9
dont know	0.1	0.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,645	2,645

Table 29: v0038 – Did you see information about political parties and candidates on the Internet

v0038	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
yes	5.5	13.8	8.0
no	94.3	83.5	91.0
dont know	0.2	2.7	1.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,642	1,166	3,808

Table 30: v0039 – Did you discuss the election with family, friends or acquaintances

v0039	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
yes	74.3	77.2	75.2
no	25.5	22.0	24.4
dont know	0.2	0.9	0.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,651	1,165	3,816

Table 31: v0040 – In general do you think being contacted by candidates or party workers is helpful or unhelpful for people making up their minds how to vote

	YEAR		
v0040	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
helpful	60.6	60.9	60.7
unhelpful	39.4	39.1	39.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,545	1,247	3,792

Table 32: v0041 – During the general election campaign in May of this year did you talk to other people to persuade them to vote for a particular party or candidate?

	YEAR	
v0041	**2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	13.0	13.0
no	87.0	87.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,357	2,357

Table 33: v0042 – How often did you do this

	YEAR	
v0042	**2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
frequently	27.4	27.4
occasionally	54.8	54.8
rarely	17.8	17.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	303	303

Table 34: v0043 – During the election campaign in May of this year did you show your support for a particular party or candidate by, for example, attending a meeting, putting up a poster, or in some other way?

	YEAR	
v0043	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	8.6	8.6
no	91.4	91.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,354	2,354

Table 35: v0044 – How often did you do this

	YEAR	
v0044	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
frequently	32.0	32.0
occasionally	47.7	47.7
rarely	20.3	20.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	197	197

Table 36: v0048 – How closely did you follow the election campaign

	YEAR	
v0048	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
Very closely	25.2	25.2
Fairly closely	43.8	43.8
Not very closely	23.5	23.5
Not closely at all	7.5	7.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,287	1,287

Table 37: v0058 – On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - watch TV News

	YEAR	
v0058	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0	1.9	1.9
1	1.9	1.9
2	2.9	2.9
3	6.0	6.0
4	5.1	5.1
5	9.5	9.5
6	7.9	7.9
7	64.5	64.5
dont know	0.2	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,290	1,290

Table 38: v0059 – On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - read the newspaper

	YEAR	
v0059	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0	7.2	7.2
1	7.4	7.4
2	7.4	7.4
3	11.0	11.0
4	10.0	10.0
5	8.2	8.2
6	7.2	7.2
7	41.3	41.3
dont know	0.2	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,278	1,278

Table 39: v0060 – On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - listen to National Radio News

	YEAR	
v0060	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0	14.3	14.3
1	4.2	4.2
2	5.1	5.1
3	4.9	4.9
4	5.9	5.9
5	10.1	10.1
6	6.1	6.1
7	48.7	48.7
dont know	0.6	0.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,263	1,263

Table 40: v0061 – On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - listen to Local Radio News

	YEAR	
v0061	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0	26.4	26.4
1	6.8	6.8
2	7.8	7.8
3	7.5	7.5
4	6.1	6.1
5	8.5	8.5
6	4.8	4.8
7	31.1	31.1
dont know	0.8	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,241	1,241

Table 41: v0062 – On a scale 0 - 7, where 0 means never and 7 means every day, how often do you do the following? - browse Online for News

	YEAR	
v0062	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0	69.6	69.6
1	6.5	6.5
2	3.5	3.5
3	3.3	3.3
4	3.3	3.3
5	3.0	3.0
6	2.1	2.1
7	5.4	5.4
dont know	3.2	3.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,252	1,252

Table 42: v0063 – On a scale 0 - 4, where 0 means never trust and 4 means always trust, how much do you trust political information from? - Newspaper

	YEAR	
v0063	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0 - never trust	12.1	12.1
1	10.0	10.0
2	39.6	39.6
3	26.9	26.9
4 - always trust	8.9	8.9
Don't know	2.5	2.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,284	1,284

Table 43: v0064 – On a scale 0 - 4, where 0 means never trust and 4 means always trust, how much do you trust political information from? - TV News

	YEAR	
v0064	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0 - never trust	5.3	5.3
1	6.0	6.0
2	30.0	30.0
3	38.6	38.6
4 - always trust	18.7	18.7
Don't know	1.4	1.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,275	1,275

Table 44: v0065 – On a scale 0 - 4, where 0 means never trust and 4 means always trust, how much do you trust political information from? - National Radio News

	YEAR	
v0065	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0 - never trust	8.7	8.7
1	6.7	6.7
2	27.7	27.7
3	36.7	36.7
4 - always trust	17.5	17.5
Don't know	2.7	2.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,249	1,249

Table 45: v0066 – On a scale 0 - 4, where 0 means never trust and 4 means always trust, how much do you trust political information from? - Internet

	YEAR	
v0066	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0 - never trust	43.3	43.3
1	3.9	3.9
2	15.2	15.2
3	8.7	8.7
4 - always trust	3.3	3.3
Don't know	25.5	25.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,198	1,198

Table 46: v0072 – As you may know, many people did not vote in the recent general election. How about you? Did you vote in the general election in May 2007?

	YEAR	
v0072	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
I voted in the election	88.5	88.5
I did not vote in election	7.9	7.9
I thought about voting but didn't	0.8	0.8
I usually vote but didn't	2.9	2.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,426	1,426

Table 47: v0072a – As you may know, many people did not vote in the recent general election. How about you? Did you vote in the general election in May 2002?

	YEAR	
vote in general election may 2002	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes, voted	84.4	84.4
no did not vote	15.6	15.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,662	2,662

Table 48: v0073 – Did you vote in this constituency or in another constituency

	YEAR		
v0073	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
this constituency	98.9	98.0	98.6
another constituency	1.1	2.0	1.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,224	1,236	3,460

Table 49: v0074 – If you had voted, in which constituency would you have voted?

v0074	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
carlow-kilkenny	3.5	3.5
cavan - monaghan	1.3	1.3
clare	2.3	2.3
cork east	1.8	1.8
cork north-central	0.8	0.8
cork north-west	1.8	1.8
cork south-central	2.5	2.5
cork south-west	1.0	1.0
donegal north east	2.0	2.0
donegal south west	2.3	2.3
dublin central	1.5	1.5
dublin mid-west	1.8	1.8
dublin north	1.5	1.5
dublin north-east	0.5	0.5
dublin north-west	1.5	1.5
dublin north-central	1.5	1.5
dublin-south	4.0	4.0
dublin south-central	1.5	1.5
dublin south-east	3.3	3.3
dublin south-west	1.8	1.8
dublin west	4.5	4.5
dun laoghaire	2.5	2.5
galway east	3.5	3.5
galway west	3.3	3.3
kerry north	1.3	1.3
kildare north	1.5	1.5
kildare south	1.3	1.3
laois - offaly	4.0	4.0
limerick east	2.8	2.8
limerick west	2.8	2.8
longford-roscommon	1.8	1.8
louth	6.0	6.0
mayo	3.0	3.0
meath	3.5	3.5
sligo - leitrim	1.5	1.5
tipperary north	1.5	1.5
tipperary south	1.5	1.5
waterford	0.8	0.8
westmeath	1.3	1.3
wexford	2.8	2.8
wicklow	3.3	3.3
would not have voted	8.3	8.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	400	400

Table 50: v0074a – If you had voted, in which constituency would you have voted?

If you had voted which constituency - 07	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
Carlow kilkenny	4.3	4.3
cork north central	8.7	8.7
cork north west	4.3	4.3
dublin central	4.3	4.3
dublin south	4.3	4.3
dublin south central	26.1	26.1
dublin south east	8.7	8.7
dublin west	4.3	4.3
galway east	4.3	4.3
galway west	8.7	8.7
meath east	8.7	8.7
sligo leitrim north	8.7	8.7
wicklow	4.3	4.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	23	23

Table 51: v0075 – If other constituency - Which one

v0075	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
carlow-kilkenny	4.0	4.0
cork east	12.0	12.0
cork north-west	4.0	4.0
donegal north east	4.0	4.0
dublin north	4.0	4.0
dublin north-east	4.0	4.0
dublin north-west	4.0	4.0
dublin-south	8.0	8.0
dublin south-central	4.0	4.0
dublin south-east	4.0	4.0
dublin south-west	4.0	4.0
dublin west	4.0	4.0
dun laoghaire	4.0	4.0
galway east	8.0	8.0
galway west	4.0	4.0
kildare south	4.0	4.0
limerick east	4.0	4.0
longford-roscommon	4.0	4.0
meath	4.0	4.0
tipperary north	4.0	4.0
westmeath	4.0	4.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	25	25

Table 52: v0075a – If other constituency - Which one - 2007

If you had voted in another which constituency - 07	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
	4.6	4.6
Carlow kilkenny	11.8	11.8
cavan monaghan	2.6	2.6
clare	1.3	1.3
cork east	3.9	3.9
cork north west	2.6	2.6
cork south central	0.7	0.7
donegal north east	2.0	2.0
donegal south west	2.0	2.0
dublin central	2.0	2.0
dublin mid west	3.9	3.9
dublin north	1.3	1.3
dublin north central	2.0	2.0
dublin north east	2.6	2.6
dublin north west	0.7	0.7
dublin south	1.3	1.3
dublin south central	2.6	2.6
dublin south east	0.7	0.7
dublin south west	2.0	2.0
dublin west	1.3	1.3
dun laoghaire	3.3	3.3
galway east	1.3	1.3
galway west	2.0	2.0
kerry north	2.0	2.0
kerry south	0.7	0.7
kildare north	1.3	1.3
kildare south	3.3	3.3
laoighis offaly	2.0	2.0
limerick east	6.6	6.6
limerick west	2.0	2.0
longford westmeath	2.0	2.0
louth	2.6	2.6
mayo	3.9	3.9
meath east	0.7	0.7
meath west	2.0	2.0
sligo leitrim north	3.3	3.3
tipperary north	1.3	1.3
tipperary south	0.7	0.7
waterford	2.6	2.6
wexford	2.6	2.6
wicklow	2.0	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	152	152

Table 53: v0076 – Was ballot paper in the questionnaire completed?

	YEAR		
v0076	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	88.8	86.2	87.9
no	11.2	13.8	12.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,663	1,435	4,098

Table 54: v0080 – Party of first candidate on ballot

	YEAR		
v0080	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
Fianna Fail	38.9	45.0	41.2
Fine Gael	20.4	21.5	20.8
Green	14.4	8.1	12.0
Labour	3.6	4.4	3.9
Progressive Democrat	1.7	5.0	2.9
Sinn Fein	4.2	5.4	4.6
Independent	16.7	10.6	14.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,365	1,435	3,800

Table 55: v0084 – Party of second candidate on ballot

	YEAR		
v0084	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
Fianna Fail	24.6	29.9	26.5
Fine Gael	34.2	32.1	33.4
Green	0.0	4.2	1.6
Labour	9.2	5.7	7.9
Progressive Democrat	2.5	6.8	4.1
Sinn Fein	7.9	0.0	5.0
Independent	17.0	15.7	16.5
Workers Party	1.6	2.5	1.9
Socialist Party	3.1	3.2	3.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,365	1,406	3,771

Table 56: v0088 – Party of third candidate on ballot

v0088	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	21.6	15.4	19.3
Fine Gael	22.6	31.3	25.8
Green	4.3	3.5	4.0
Labour	13.3	6.6	10.9
Progressive Democrat	0.0	11.3	4.1
Sinn Fein	4.9	0.0	3.2
Independent	22.5	24.8	23.4
Christian Solidarity	8.5	0.0	5.4
Socialist Party	0.0	1.7	0.6
SWP	2.2	0.0	1.4
Immigration Control	0.0	2.2	0.8
Irish Socialist Network	0.0	3.2	1.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,365	1,342	3,707

Table 57: v0092 – Party of 4th candidate on ballot

v0092	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	36.2	26.6	32.5
Fine Gael	32.3	11.1	24.3
Green	0.0	6.6	2.5
Labour	10.4	10.9	10.6
Progressive Democrat	0.0	7.6	2.9
Sinn Fein	7.7	8.0	7.8
Independent	8.3	26.1	15.1
Socialist Party	2.2	0.0	1.4
SWP	2.8	0.0	1.8
People Before Profit	0.0	3.1	1.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,365	1,435	3,800

Table 58: v0096 – Party of 5th candidate on ballot

v0096	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	22.1	20.5	21.5
Fine Gael	14.7	28.6	20.0
Green	12.2	2.9	8.7
Labour	7.3	15.3	10.3
Progressive Democrat	1.9	8.5	4.4
Sinn Fein	15.3	11.2	13.8
Independent	17.7	11.4	15.3
Workers Party	1.7	0.9	1.4
Christian Solidarity	5.5	0.0	3.4
Socialist Party	1.6	0.0	1.0
People Before Profit	0.0	0.6	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,365	1,435	3,800

Table 59: v0100 – Party of 6th candidate on ballot

v0100	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	29.0	22.6	26.6
Fine Gael	17.7	10.8	15.1
Green	7.6	15.1	10.4
Labour	1.6	13.9	6.2
Progressive Democrat	4.0	17.9	9.2
Sinn Fein	3.0	6.1	4.2
Independent	28.8	8.0	20.9
Workers Party	3.6	2.9	3.3
Christian Solidarity	1.9	0.0	1.2
Socialist Party	2.9	1.8	2.5
Independent Labour	0.0	0.9	0.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,365	1,435	3,800

Table 60: v0104 – Party of 7th candidate on ballot

v0104	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	14.9	24.7	18.7
Fine Gael	14.0	12.1	13.3
Green	7.6	8.6	8.0
Labour	11.3	10.3	10.9
Progressive Democrat	7.9	5.4	6.9
Sinn Fein	11.0	2.6	7.7
Independent	27.5	33.9	30.0
Workers Party	1.3	0.0	0.8
Christian Solidarity	4.5	0.0	2.7
People Before Profit	0.0	2.4	1.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,235	1,435	3,670

Table 61: v0108 – Party of 8th candidate on ballot

v0108	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	24.7	24.1	24.5
Fine Gael	4.0	21.4	10.6
Green	12.1	16.4	13.7
Labour	19.5	2.9	13.2
Progressive Democrat	7.0	7.0	7.0
Sinn Fein	3.7	11.9	6.8
Independent	19.4	16.4	18.3
Christian Solidarity	7.4	0.0	4.6
SWP	2.1	0.0	1.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,068	1,246	3,314

Table 62: v0112 – Party of 9th candidate on ballot

v0112	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	19.0	16.4	18.0
Fine Gael	17.7	19.5	18.3
Green	5.5	13.3	8.5
Labour	13.4	8.6	11.5
Progressive Democrat	8.7	8.3	8.6
Sinn Fein	1.9	11.5	5.6
Independent	21.7	19.5	20.9
Christian Solidarity	8.2	0.0	5.0
SWP	4.0	0.0	2.5
People Before Profit	0.0	2.9	1.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,914	1,187	3,101

Table 63: v0116 – Party of 10th candidate on ballot

v0116	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	7.4	11.0	8.8
Fine Gael	18.3	21.7	19.6
Green	8.9	29.9	17.1
Labour	10.0	16.4	12.5
Progressive Democrat	4.0	6.3	4.9
Sinn Fein	4.8	4.5	4.7
Independent	36.4	7.0	24.8
Workers Party	2.5	3.2	2.8
Christian Solidarity	3.7	0.0	2.3
SWP	3.9	0.0	2.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,682	1,088	2,770

Table 64: v0120 – Party of 11th candidate on ballot

v0120	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	15.6	21.4	17.9
Fine Gael	7.6	25.0	14.5
Green	15.6	12.7	14.5
Labour	15.1	7.8	12.2
Progressive Democrat	0.0	6.8	2.7
Sinn Fein	5.0	8.9	6.5
Independent	16.8	17.4	17.1
Christian Solidarity	21.5	0.0	13.0
SWP	2.7	0.0	1.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,387	912	2,299

Table 65: v0124 – Party of 12th candidate on ballot

v0124	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	19.4	5.6	14.7
Fine Gael	28.9	24.7	27.4
Green	0.0	19.6	6.7
Progressive Democrat	8.3	16.2	11.0
Sinn Fein	24.5	10.1	19.6
Independent	15.8	14.4	15.3
Workers Party	3.1	9.5	5.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,195	624	1,819

Table 66: v0128 – Party of 13th candidate on ballot

	YEAR		
v0128	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
Fianna Fail	22.2	13.9	19.2
Fine Gael	17.6	6.7	13.7
Green	0.0	8.7	3.1
Labour	12.2	22.4	15.8
Progressive Democrat	10.4	6.5	9.0
Sinn Fein	0.0	7.4	2.7
Independent	27.3	31.4	28.8
Workers Party	0.0	3.0	1.1
Christian Solidarity	10.2	0.0	6.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	969	539	1,508

Table 67: v0132 – Party of 14th candidate on ballot

	YEAR		
v0132	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
Fianna Fail	13.5	55.7	23.1
Labour	10.9	0.0	8.4
Progressive Democrat	9.7	0.0	7.5
Sinn Fein	20.4	20.2	20.4
Independent	31.8	24.0	30.0
Christian Solidarity	9.1	0.0	7.0
SWP	4.6	0.0	3.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	890	262	1,152

Table 68: v0136 – Party of 15th candidate on ballot

v0136	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	14.0	0.0	10.4
Fine Gael	15.6	20.2	16.8
Green	12.3	0.0	9.2
Labour	8.4	0.0	6.3
Progressive Democrat	13.8	31.5	18.3
Sinn Fein	17.7	27.4	20.2
Workers Party	18.1	0.0	13.5
People Before Profit	0.0	20.8	5.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	486	168	654

Table 69: v0140 – Party of 16th candidate on ballot

v0140	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Green	0.0	100.0	40.9
Independent	47.2	0.0	27.9
Christian Solidarity	52.8	0.0	31.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	127	88	215

Table 70: v0144 – Party of 17th candidate on ballot

v0144	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
Independent	100.0	100.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	127	127

Table 71: v0145 – Interviewer: Was ballot paper filled out

	YEAR		
v0145	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
yes	88.9	83.4	87.1
no	11.1	16.6	12.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,655	1,285	3,940

Table 72: v0146 – Was ballot paper not filled out on grounds of confidentiality or no interest in politics/doesn't vote?

	YEAR	
v0146	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
refused on grounds of confidentiality	59.2	59.2
doesnt vote/no interest in politics	40.8	40.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	250	250

Table 73: v0147 – If I gave you the ballot paper and asked you to fill it out and not show it to me but instead put it into a sealed envelope and give it back to me at the end of the interview would you be willing to fill it out

	YEAR	
v0147	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	3.1	3.1
no	96.9	96.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	131	131

Table 74: v0148 – If ballot paper not filled out: Could I ask which party you gave your first preference vote to?

	YEAR		
v0148	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
fianna fail	14.5	27.9	22.3
fine gael	6.5	25.6	17.6
green party	0.0	4.7	2.7
labour	3.2	6.4	5.1
progressive democrats	0.0	0.6	0.3
sinn fein	3.2	3.5	3.4
independent	2.4	7.0	5.1
refused	70.2	24.4	43.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	124	172	296

Table 75: v0150 – If you were voting today, would you give your first preference to the same party as you did in the election in May?

	YEAR	
v0150	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	92.8	92.8
no	4.9	4.9
voted for independent	2.3	2.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,209	2,209

Table 76: v0151 – If you were voting today, which party would you give your first preference to?

	YEAR	
v0151	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
fianna fail	31.3	31.3
fine gael	15.0	15.0
green party	11.3	11.3
labour	16.3	16.3
progressive democrats	8.8	8.8
independent	16.3	16.3
other party	1.3	1.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	80	80

Table 77: v0153 – Did the political party to which you gave your first preference vote in the election ask people in this area to vote for their candidates in a particular order?

	YEAR		
v0153	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
yes	24.6	27.5	25.6
no	67.8	61.6	65.7
dont know	7.6	10.9	8.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,162	1,119	3,281

Table 78: v0154 – And did you vote for candidates in that order

	YEAR		
v0154	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
yes	36.4	55.2	43.0
no	63.6	44.8	57.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	495	268	763

Table 79: v0155 – Which would you say was more important in deciding how you cast your first preference vote in the general election in May of this year – the party or the candidate him/herself ?

	YEAR		
v0155	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
Party	30.4	40.0	33.5
Candidate	50.5	59.0	53.2
No Response	3.4	1.0	2.6
Not Applicable	15.7	0.0	10.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,665	1,250	3,915

Table 80: v0156 – When did you decide which PARTY to give your first preference vote to in the general election in May this year?

	YEAR		
v0156	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
before the election campaign	70.0	69.2	69.7
in the first 2wks of the campaign	12.5	11.8	12.2
in the last week of the campaign	10.7	13.2	11.5
on the day of the election	5.0	4.3	4.8
dontknow	1.7	0.8	1.4
not applicable	0.1	0.6	0.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,172	1,127	3,299

Table 81: v0158 – Which one

	YEAR	
v0158	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
fianna fail	33.6	33.6
fine gael	29.9	29.9
green party	13.8	13.8
labour	12.9	12.9
progressive democrats	5.0	5.0
sinn fein	4.7	4.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	318	318

Table 82: v0159 – When did you decide which CANDIDATE to give your first preference vote to in the general election

	YEAR		
v0159	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
before the election campaign	64.5	61.4	63.5
in the first 2wks of the campaign	14.2	15.3	14.6
in the last week of the campaign	13.8	15.7	14.4
on the day of the election	6.9	7.0	6.9
dontknow	0.6	0.5	0.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,222	1,095	3,317

Table 83: v0160 – Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously thought you might give your first preference vote to a different CANDIDATE

	YEAR		
v0160	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	15.9	17.8	16.5
no	81.8	81.0	81.6
dont know	2.2	1.3	1.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,137	1,036	3,173

Table 84: v0174 – If you were voting today, would you give your first preference to the same party as you did in the election in May

	YEAR		
v0174	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	47.4	40.7	45.1
no	36.1	46.5	39.6
depends on the other party	16.5	12.8	15.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,230	1,115	3,345

Table 85: v0175 – On the day of the election how likely did you think it was that the candidate you gave your first preference vote to would be elected

	YEAR		
v0175	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
definitely/very likely	46.0	45.0	45.6
quite likely	41.2	42.4	41.6
not very likely	11.6	11.0	11.4
definitely wouldn t	1.3	1.7	1.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,225	1,119	3,344

Table 86: v0176 – Thinking about the candidate whom you gave your first preference vote to, how often, if ever, have you spoken to the candidate

	YEAR		
v0176	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
often	20.5	21.0	20.6
occasionally	25.4	26.7	25.8
once or twice	25.6	23.4	24.9
never	28.5	28.8	28.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,566	1,126	3,692

Table 87: v0179 – Did you vote in the previous general election in 1997

	YEAR		
v0179	**2002** Col %	**2006** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	76.5	93.3	81.3
no	19.7	4.0	15.2
dont know/cant remember	3.7	2.7	3.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,648	1,051	3,699

Table 88: v0180 – Which party did you give your first preference to in the 1997 general election

	YEAR		
v0180	**2002** Col %	**2006** Col %	**Total** Col %
fianna fail	48.0	45.5	47.2
fine gael	20.7	20.1	20.5
green party	1.7	4.0	2.5
labour	8.2	9.6	8.7
progressive democrats	1.8	3.6	2.4
sinn fein	1.3	4.9	2.5
independent	3.4	4.9	3.9
other party	0.0	0.2	0.1
dont know/cant remember	14.8	7.3	12.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,969	961	2,930

Table 89: v0182 – Did you vote in the referendum on the Treaty of Nice held in June of last year (2001)

	YEAR	
v0182	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	60.8	60.8
no	34.7	34.7
dont know/cant remember	4.6	4.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,656	2,656

Table 90: v0183 – Did you vote Yes, in favour or No, against the treaty

	YEAR	
v0183	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes in favour of treaty	42.8	42.8
no, against the treaty	57.2	57.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,520	1,520

Table 91: v0184 – There will be another referendum on the Nice Treaty before the end of this year. Imagine that you are voting in that referendum. Would you definitely vote in favour of the Nice Treaty, probably vote in favour, not sure either way, probably vote against or definitely vote against the Nice Treaty

	YEAR	
v0184	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
definitely in favour of nice treaty	21.0	21.0
probably in favour of nice treaty	11.3	11.3
not sure either way	27.7	27.7
probably against nice treaty	8.9	8.9
definitely against nice treaty	9.7	9.7
dont know	21.4	21.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,598	2,598

Table 92: v0185 – Did you vote in the recent Abortion referendum in March this year

v0185	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
yes	69.3	69.3
no	30.7	30.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,654	2,654

Table 93: v0186 – Did you vote Yes, in favour or No, against the amendment

v0186	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
yes in favour of amendment	36.3	36.3
no, against amendment	54.5	54.5
dont know/refused	9.2	9.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,828	1,828

Table 94: v0187 – How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Fianna Fail

v0187	YEAR 2002 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
1	13.1	25.6	24.7	17.9	18.1
2	3.7	6.2	5.1	5.1	4.7
3	3.8	5.8	6.3	5.0	4.8
4	3.8	4.5	3.6	3.5	3.8
5	10.4	7.8	8.5	9.4	9.5
6	4.7	5.6	4.2	3.8	4.6
7	9.0	6.4	5.5	8.2	7.8
8	9.9	7.7	6.5	8.2	8.6
9	11.4	5.7	6.5	8.9	9.1
10	30.1	24.5	29.2	30.0	29.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,625	996	896	1,411	5,928

Table 95: v0188 – How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Fine Gael

	YEAR				
v0188	**2002** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
1	18.5	16.7	20.0	16.4	17.9
2	8.0	6.7	5.6	6.5	7.1
3	8.3	5.7	7.6	6.6	7.3
4	8.0	7.7	6.5	7.1	7.5
5	15.1	11.5	12.3	12.2	13.4
6	7.9	7.8	7.1	8.5	7.9
7	8.5	8.1	7.2	10.0	8.6
8	7.2	8.8	7.8	10.5	8.3
9	5.7	7.1	6.2	6.2	6.1
10	12.9	20.0	19.9	15.9	15.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,603	960	821	1,396	5,780

Table 96: v0189 – How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Green Party

	YEAR				
v0189	**2002** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
1	19.2	20.0	22.9	21.2	20.3
2	9.7	7.9	8.2	7.5	8.7
3	9.2	9.2	9.8	8.1	9.0
4	8.3	8.7	9.0	8.6	8.5
5	17.3	14.1	15.3	15.2	16.0
6	9.1	6.9	6.6	9.2	8.4
7	7.5	8.1	6.5	9.4	7.9
8	8.4	8.3	7.7	8.2	8.2
9	4.9	6.0	4.5	4.8	5.0
10	6.6	10.7	9.6	7.7	7.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,586	899	757	1,385	5,627

Table 97: v0190 – How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Labour Party

	YEAR				
v0190	**2002** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
1	17.5	15.8	18.1	17.6	17.3
2	8.2	5.2	5.6	7.2	7.1
3	9.7	7.3	7.8	9.0	8.9
4	10.4	7.5	10.1	8.0	9.3
5	16.5	15.6	16.0	15.4	16.0
6	9.0	8.2	5.6	10.3	8.7
7	8.7	9.5	9.2	10.2	9.3
8	7.5	8.2	8.4	7.6	7.7
9	5.5	7.9	6.5	5.1	5.9
10	7.0	14.6	12.9	9.4	9.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,602	915	774	1,382	5,673

Table 98: v0191 – How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Progressive Democrats

	YEAR				
v0191	**2002** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
1	18.9	28.9	28.7	32.0	25.0
2	8.4	8.6	5.3	12.0	8.9
3	7.9	9.0	7.4	11.1	8.8
4	9.8	9.0	9.2	6.4	8.8
5	16.3	13.4	15.6	12.8	14.9
6	9.2	7.1	7.5	6.7	8.0
7	10.8	6.9	7.5	6.3	8.6
8	8.4	7.6	6.1	4.9	7.1
9	4.9	3.0	5.1	3.6	4.3
10	5.4	6.4	7.4	4.3	5.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,592	896	769	1,380	5,637

Table 99: v0192 – How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Sinn Fein

	YEAR				
v0192	**2002** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
1	41.9	48.9	59.6	50.3	47.5
2	12.2	8.2	7.4	11.7	10.8
3	8.2	6.0	5.4	6.3	7.0
4	6.1	3.3	4.4	5.3	5.2
5	10.4	7.1	7.5	8.4	9.0
6	4.4	3.5	1.8	2.8	3.5
7	4.2	3.9	2.3	3.3	3.7
8	3.8	3.7	2.5	3.3	3.5
9	3.0	3.5	1.5	2.1	2.7
10	5.6	11.8	7.6	6.6	7.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,595	914	775	1,381	5,665

Table 100: v0193 – How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? - Independent Candidate

	YEAR				
v0193	**2002** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1	14.7	11.4	16.3	19.8	15.6
2	5.7	4.1	3.5	6.1	5.2
3	5.2	5.3	5.1	6.1	5.4
4	6.1	4.7	5.8	5.8	5.8
5	18.2	14.4	17.2	18.9	17.6
6	7.8	7.7	7.0	7.4	7.6
7	9.7	11.5	9.0	8.4	9.6
8	10.5	10.5	8.8	9.2	9.9
9	8.5	9.4	7.3	6.7	8.1
10	13.5	21.0	20.0	11.8	15.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,599	932	809	1,355	5,695

Table 101: v0194 – Supposing a GENERAL ELECTION were being held tomorrow, can you indicate on a scale of 0 to 10 how likely it is that you would vote in that election? Please place yourself at a point on this scale where "0" indicates that you would definitely not vote, "10" indicates that you would definitely vote and the remaining numbers indicate something in between these two positions.

	YEAR			
v0194	**2003**	**2004**	**2006**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
_0	3.4	0.7	3.0	2.4
_1	1.5	0.5	1.7	1.2
_2	1.6	0.4	1.7	1.2
_3	1.9	0.6	0.4	1.0
_4	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.8
_5	4.1	2.5	2.3	3.0
_6	2.2	1.4	1.1	1.6
_7	3.0	1.9	1.5	2.2
_8	6.2	4.4	3.4	4.7
_9	6.0	6.3	4.6	5.7
_10	66.9	78.7	77.6	74.2
dont know	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,177	1,089	1,035	3,301

Table 102: v0195 – If there were to be a general election tomorrow to which party would you give your 1st preference vote

	YEAR					
v0195	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2006**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Fianna Fail	44.7	32.0	30.6	39.5	43.0	38.8
Fine Gael	22.0	23.3	27.0	23.6	27.9	24.5
Green	4.4	9.4	4.9	5.3	4.3	5.5
Labour	9.4	19.9	13.8	10.4	11.4	12.7
Progressive Democrat	3.2	6.4	3.6	3.5	3.6	4.0
Sinn Fein	5.0	8.0	10.2	5.8	4.8	6.5
Independent	9.9	0.0	9.1	11.8	0.0	6.2
Others	1.4	0.9	0.8	0.3	5.1	1.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,837	1,119	1,047	780	1,145	5,928

Table 103: v0197 – Suppose there was a EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ELECTION being held tomorrow, can you indicate on a scale of 0 to 10 how likely it is that you would vote in that election? Please place yourself at a point on this scale where "0" indicates that you would definitely not vote, "10" indicates that you would definitely vote and the remaining numbers indicate something in between these two positions.

	YEAR	
v0197	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.9	4.9
_1	1.1	1.1
_2	1.9	1.9
_3	2.8	2.8
_4	2.1	2.1
_5	7.0	7.0
_6	5.5	5.5
_7	5.9	5.9
_8	6.1	6.1
_9	4.9	4.9
_10	52.5	52.5
dont know	5.1	5.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,173	1,173

Table 104: v0198 – Did you vote in the local elections last June

	YEAR	
v0198	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
Yes	86.4	86.4
No	13.6	13.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,086	1,086

Table 105: v0199 – Which party did you give your first preference to in the June local elections

v0199	YEAR 2004 Col %	Total Col %
Fianna Fail	29.2	29.2
Fine Gael	30.8	30.8
Green	3.7	3.7
Labour	14.6	14.6
Progressive Democrat	2.5	2.5
Sinn Fein	8.7	8.7
Other/Ind	10.4	10.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	863	863

Table 106: v0201 – Which was the most important factor in deciding your first preference vote in the last local election in 2004?

v0201	YEAR 2004 Col %	Total Col %
Party	28.6	28.6
Candidate	71.4	71.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	930	930

Table 107: v0202 – What about the European Parliament election. Did you vote in that election

v0202	YEAR 2004 Col %	Total Col %
yes	85.1	85.1
no	14.9	14.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,097	1,097

Table 108: v0203 – Could I ask which party did you give your first preference to in the European Parliament Election

	YEAR	
v0203	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
Fianna Fail	30.4	30.4
Fine Gael	31.2	31.2
Green	3.2	3.2
Labour	11.2	11.2
Progressive Democrat	0.1	0.1
Sinn Fein	9.3	9.3
Independent	11.6	11.6
Other	0.3	0.3
Don't Know	0.6	0.6
None	1.1	1.1
Refused	0.9	0.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	872	872

Table 109: v0205 – Which was more important in deciding how to cast your vote in European Parliament election in June of last year the party or the candidate

	YEAR	
v0205	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
Party	35.4	35.4
Candidate	64.6	64.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	918	918

Table 110: v0206 – What about the Citizenship referendum. Did you vote in the referendum on June 11th

	YEAR	
v0206	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	84.8	84.8
no	15.2	15.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,089	1,089

Table 111: v0207 – Could I ask whether you voted Yes or No in the Citizenship Referendum

	YEAR	
v0207	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes in favour	76.9	76.9
no against	23.1	23.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	914	914

Table 112: v0208 – How informed were you about candidates running for the local elections in 2004?

	YEAR	
v0208	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	5.6	5.6
_1	12.6	12.6
_2	7.7	7.7
_3	11.1	11.1
_4	7.5	7.5
_5	14.9	14.9
_6	8.8	8.8
_7	7.4	7.4
_8	9.2	9.2
_9	7.7	7.7
_10	5.4	5.4
dont know	2.1	2.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,084	1,084

Table 113: v0209 – How informed were you about candidates running for the European elections?

	YEAR	
v0209	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.0	4.0
_1	10.4	10.4
_2	7.7	7.7
_3	8.8	8.8
_4	8.5	8.5
_5	15.8	15.8
_6	6.3	6.3
_7	8.8	8.8
_8	11.1	11.1
_9	9.2	9.2
_10	7.2	7.2
dont know	2.3	2.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,085	1,085

Table 114: v0210 – Thinking about the different sorts of elections that take place in Ireland, local elections, elections to the Dáil and elections to the European Parliament, which of these is most important for you personally

	YEAR	
v0210	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
dail elections	57.0	57.0
local elections	38.5	38.5
european parliament elections	4.5	4.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,067	1,067

Table 115: v0211 – And which is least important for you personally

	YEAR	
v0211	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
dail elections	13.5	13.5
local elections	26.7	26.7
european parliament elections	59.8	59.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,064	1,064

Table 116: v0212 – Many of the claims about environmental threats are exaggerated

	YEAR					
v0212	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2006**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	8.8	15.6	17.6	21.7	9.8	13.2
disagree	36.4	24.9	25.7	27.5	28.1	30.1
slightly disagree	8.6	12.1	12.2	10.4	10.5	10.3
neither agree nor disagree	13.1	9.1	10.7	10.3	12.9	11.7
slightly agree	10.7	17.2	17.1	13.0	14.4	13.7
agree	19.7	15.8	12.0	10.9	19.7	16.7
strongly agree	2.7	5.3	4.7	6.1	4.6	4.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,654	1,183	1,078	1,046	1,427	7,388

Table 117: v0213 – I would be willing to pay much higher taxes in order to protect the environment

	YEAR		
v0213	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	9.7	11.2	10.2
disagree	35.2	29.5	33.4
slightly disagree	10.9	10.3	10.7
neither agree nor disagree	11.3	11.9	11.5
slightly agree	15.9	20.3	17.3
agree	15.6	13.8	15.0
strongly agree	1.4	3.1	1.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,651	1,287	3,938

Table 118: v0214 – We should protect the environment even if it damages economic growth

	YEAR		
v0214	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	12.1	11.4	11.9
_1	11.2	7.8	10.1
_2	11.5	11.4	11.5
_3	12.6	10.9	12.0
_4	7.8	9.8	8.5
_5	25.3	26.0	25.5
_6	5.0	6.0	5.3
_7	3.3	6.5	4.4
_8	3.5	2.7	3.2
_9	1.9	1.2	1.7
_10	2.4	2.4	2.4
dont know	3.4	4.0	3.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,655	1,290	3,945

Table 119: v0215 – How important is this issue of the balance between the environment and economic growth for you personally

	YEAR		
v0215	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
very important	36.8	29.4	34.4
fairly important	51.0	56.1	52.7
not very important	9.4	11.8	10.2
not important at all	2.8	2.7	2.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,588	1,280	3,868

Table 120: v0216 – I would be willing to accept a cut in my standard of living in order to protect the environment

	YEAR		
v0216	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	7.4	10.4	8.4
disagree	28.1	19.8	25.4
slightly disagree	8.6	7.4	8.2
neither agree nor disagree	9.8	11.6	10.4
slightly agree	16.2	23.1	18.5
agree	26.3	23.3	25.3
strongly agree	3.5	4.5	3.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,649	1,290	3,939

Table 121: v0217 – My first priority is to provide for myself and my family, even if this means doing things that harm the environment

	YEAR	
v0217	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	5.8	5.8
disagree	34.3	34.3
slightly disagree	10.7	10.7
neither agree nor disagree	13.1	13.1
slightly agree	10.3	10.3
agree	21.7	21.7
strongly agree	4.2	4.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,653	2,653

Table 122: v0218 – To what extent are you personally concerned about environmental issues

	YEAR	
v0218	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
very concerned	32.0	32.0
fairly concerned	58.1	58.1
not very concerned	9.3	9.3
not concerned at all	0.6	0.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,192	1,192

Table 123: v0219 – Are you a member of an environmental organisation or would you consider joining

v0219	YEAR 2003 Col %	Total Col %
am member of environmental organisation	3.6	3.6
not member,would consider joining one	40.8	40.8
not member,would not consider joining 1	55.6	55.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,173	1,173

Table 124: v0220 – In the past five years have you signed environmental petition

v0220	YEAR 2003 Col %	Total Col %
yes	34.3	34.3
no	65.7	65.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,142	1,142

Table 125: v0221 – In the past five years have you give money to an environmental group

v0221	YEAR 2003 Col %	Total Col %
yes	23.3	23.3
no	76.7	76.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,108	1,108

Table 126: v0222 – In the past five years have you taken part in an environmental demonstration

v0222	YEAR 2003 Col %	Total Col %
yes	5.9	5.9
no	94.1	94.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,130	1,130

Table 127: v0223 – It is just too difficult for someone like me to do much about the environment

	YEAR	
v0223	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	14.5	14.5
disagree	31.3	31.3
slightly disagree	12.7	12.7
neither agree nor disagree	10.7	10.7
slightly agree	12.3	12.3
agree	13.0	13.0
strongly agree	5.6	5.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,180	1,180

Table 128: v0224 – I do what is right for the environment, even when it costs more money or takes more time

	YEAR	
v0224	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	2.3	2.3
disagree	4.6	4.6
slightly disagree	6.1	6.1
neither agree nor disagree	10.0	10.0
slightly agree	18.1	18.1
agree	43.1	43.1
strongly agree	15.8	15.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,181	1,181

Table 129: v0225 – There are more important things to do in life than protect the environment

	YEAR	
v0225	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	24.6	24.6
disagree	33.5	33.5
slightly disagree	12.1	12.1
neither agree nor disagree	8.1	8.1
slightly agree	9.7	9.7
agree	8.5	8.5
strongly agree	3.5	3.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,179	1,179

Table 130: v0226 – There is no point in doing what I can for the environment unless others do the same

	YEAR	
v0226	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	22.3	22.3
disagree	30.1	30.1
slightly disagree	8.4	8.4
neither agree nor disagree	4.1	4.1
slightly agree	10.3	10.3
agree	16.2	16.2
strongly agree	8.6	8.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,182	1,182

Table 131: v0227 – From what you know, what happens to the majority of household waste that is collected in your area?

	YEAR	
v0227	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
it is buried in a landfill site	73.9	73.9
it is burned in an incinerator	1.0	1.0
it is recycled	14.9	14.9
dont know	10.3	10.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,144	1,144

Table 132: v0228 – What do you think SHOULD happen to the majority of household waste that is collected in your area?

	YEAR	
v0228	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
bury it in a landfill site	3.6	3.6
burn it in an incinerator	10.5	10.5
recycle it	83.3	83.3
dont know	2.6	2.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,167	1,167

Table 133: v0229 – Please indicate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about the burning of household waste in incinerators. - Waste incinerators are essential for effective waste management in Ireland

	YEAR		
v0229	**2003**	**2004**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	12.8	9.8	11.3
disagree	16.5	10.0	13.3
slightly disagree	7.3	5.7	6.5
neither agree nor disagree	12.0	14.3	13.1
slightly agree	16.5	15.9	16.2
agree	24.1	28.1	26.0
strongly agree	11.0	16.2	13.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,167	1,090	2,257

Table 134: v0230 – Please indicate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about the burning of household waste in incinerators. - Waste incinerators harm the environment

	YEAR	
v0230	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	4.0	4.0
disagree	13.8	13.8
slightly disagree	8.2	8.2
neither agree nor disagree	16.8	16.8
slightly agree	18.7	18.7
agree	25.1	25.1
strongly agree	13.5	13.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,161	1,161

Table 135: v0231 – Please indicate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about the burning of household waste in incinerators. - Waste incinerators are a threat to the health of people living nearby

	YEAR	
v0231	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	2.7	2.7
disagree	12.9	12.9
slightly disagree	7.9	7.9
neither agree nor disagree	15.7	15.7
slightly agree	14.8	14.8
agree	28.1	28.1
strongly agree	17.8	17.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,174	1,174

Table 136: v0232 – Please indicate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about the burning of household waste in incinerators. - Waste incinerators make local water and farm products unfit for human consumption

	YEAR	
v0232	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	4.5	4.5
disagree	18.8	18.8
slightly disagree	9.8	9.8
neither agree nor disagree	25.9	25.9
slightly agree	11.7	11.7
agree	17.2	17.2
strongly agree	12.2	12.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,167	1,167

Table 137: v0233 – A proposal has been made to build a waste incinerator in the Ringsend area of Dublin, to treat part of Dublin's household waste. Please describe how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about this. - A waste incinerator should be built in Ringsend to deal with part of Dublin's household waste

	YEAR		
v0233	**2003** Col %	**2004** Col %	**Total** Col %
strongly disagree	13.0	12.1	12.6
disagree	14.2	9.8	12.1
slightly disagree	4.3	4.4	4.4
neither agree nor disagree	25.8	29.3	27.5
slightly agree	12.3	10.4	11.4
agree	22.8	21.5	22.2
strongly agree	7.5	12.6	10.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,153	1,076	2,229

Table 138: v0234 – A proposal has been made to build a waste incinerator in the Ringsend area of Dublin, to treat part of Dublin's household waste. Please describe how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about this. - Building this waste incinerator should be a matter for the people who live close to it

	YEAR	
v0234	**2003** Col %	**Total** Col %
strongly disagree	5.3	5.3
disagree	10.3	10.3
slightly disagree	6.6	6.6
neither agree nor disagree	7.9	7.9
slightly agree	13.8	13.8
agree	33.9	33.9
strongly agree	22.2	22.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,172	1,172

Table 139: v0235 – A proposal has been made to build a waste incinerator in the Ringsend area of Dublin, to treat part of Dublin's household waste. Please describe how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about this. - I would be happy to see my household waste treated in a waste incinerator

	YEAR	
v0235	**2003**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	11.5	11.5
disagree	15.7	15.7
slightly disagree	7.1	7.1
neither agree nor disagree	16.6	16.6
slightly agree	12.9	12.9
agree	28.1	28.1
strongly agree	8.2	8.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,162	1,162

Table 140: v0236 – A proposal has been made to build a waste incinerator in the Ringsend area of Dublin, to treat part of Dublin's household waste. Please describe how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about this. - I would oppose any plan to build a waste incinerator close to here I live

	YEAR		
v0236	**2003**	**2006**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	8.0	25.3	16.2
disagree	13.9	31.2	22.1
slightly disagree	7.4	14.1	10.6
neither agree nor disagree	14.4	6.9	10.8
slightly agree	10.0	9.9	9.9
agree	18.7	6.4	12.9
strongly agree	27.5	6.3	17.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,169	1,055	2,224

Table 141: v0237 – Stronger measures should be taken to protect the environment

v0237	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	1.5	1.5
disagree	3.7	3.7
neither agree nor disagree	12.7	12.7
agree	57.1	57.1
strongly agree	25.0	25.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,167	1,167

Table 142: v0238 – I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '10' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place yourself on this scale?

v0238	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
_0	2.7	3.1	2.8
_1	1.2	1.3	1.2
_2	1.5	1.0	1.4
_3	1.3	1.6	1.4
_4	3.5	3.2	3.4
_5	28.7	27.4	28.3
_6	11.1	12.6	11.6
_7	11.3	15.4	12.6
_8	11.2	11.7	11.4
_9	6.3	5.9	6.2
_10	16.6	14.5	15.9
dont know	4.5	2.4	3.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,637	1,278	3,915

Table 143: v0239 – In Politics people sometimes talk of left and right. And Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where '0' means the left and '10' means the right? Please tick (a) one box

	YEAR				
v0239	**2002** Col %	**2003** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	1.2	2.4	0.8	1.2	1.3
_1	0.9	0.9	1.4	1.2	1.1
_2	2.2	2.0	2.4	2.0	2.2
_3	4.0	5.9	7.6	5.2	5.3
_4	6.0	5.8	9.1	8.1	7.0
_5	29.1	22.0	28.7	26.7	27.1
_6	8.7	12.2	9.6	9.0	9.6
_7	8.8	10.5	9.3	9.3	9.3
_8	9.4	7.0	7.3	8.1	8.2
_9	3.2	1.8	1.7	2.9	2.6
_10	5.3	10.9	5.4	6.9	6.8
dont know	21.2	18.6	16.8	19.3	19.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,341	1,127	1,057	1,128	5,653

Table 144: v0240 – Ordinary working people get their fair share of the nation's wealth

	YEAR		
v0240	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
strongly disagree	19.0	20.6	19.6
disagree	44.8	34.3	41.1
slightly disagree	8.9	13.3	10.4
neither agree nor disagree	4.8	6.9	5.5
slightly agree	6.7	9.4	7.6
agree	14.1	12.7	13.6
strongly agree	1.7	2.8	2.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,654	1,429	4,083

Table 145: v0241 – Income tax should be increased for people on higher than average incomes

	YEAR		
v0241	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	3.2	2.7	3.0
disagree	18.8	12.1	16.6
slightly disagree	5.8	5.8	5.8
neither agree nor disagree	8.1	7.8	8.0
slightly agree	10.5	12.7	11.2
agree	41.7	40.5	41.3
strongly agree	11.9	18.4	14.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,653	1,289	3,942

Table 146: v0242 – There is one law for the rich and one for the poor

	YEAR				
v0242	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2006**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	2.5	3.5	4.7	4.1	3.4
disagree	11.0	5.8	5.3	6.4	8.1
slightly disagree	2.6	4.0	4.9	4.5	3.7
neither agree nor disagree	6.4	4.7	5.1	5.4	5.6
slightly agree	10.2	19.1	20.2	17.4	15.0
agree	44.4	25.2	26.2	26.2	34.1
strongly agree	22.9	37.7	33.6	36.0	30.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,653	1,195	1,095	1,052	5,995

Table 147: v0243 – There is nothing wrong with s some people being a lot richer than others

	YEAR		
v0243	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	4.2	3.3	3.9
disagree	13.7	11.6	13.0
slightly disagree	4.2	5.5	4.6
neither agree nor disagree	10.1	11.6	10.6
slightly agree	11.1	15.4	12.5
agree	50.2	44.9	48.5
strongly agree	6.4	7.8	6.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,653	1,288	3,941

Table 148: v0244 – Income and wealth should be redistributed towards ordinary people

v0244	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	2.1	2.1
disagree	12.7	12.7
neither agree nor disagree	24.5	24.5
agree	42.0	42.0
strongly agree	18.7	18.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,166	1,166

Table 149: v0245 – People should not have to put up with Travellers; halting sites in their neighbourhood

v0245	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	2.6	2.7	2.7
disagree	16.0	13.9	15.3
slightly disagree	8.7	10.7	9.4
neither agree nor disagree	13.1	15.0	13.7
slightly agree	10.7	11.4	10.9
agree	35.3	30.6	33.8
strongly agree	13.5	15.6	14.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,644	1,284	3,928

Table 150: v0246 – Asylum seekers should have the same rights to social services as Irish people

v0246	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	8.6	9.3	8.8
disagree	24.4	25.0	24.6
slightly disagree	9.1	11.1	9.8
neither agree nor disagree	8.8	8.8	8.8
slightly agree	11.4	14.4	12.4
agree	33.8	26.9	31.5
strongly agree	4.0	4.5	4.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,651	1,288	3,939

Table 151: v0247 – There should be very strict limits in the number of immigrants coming to Ireland

	YEAR					
v0247	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2006**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	1.8	4.4	4.8	5.5	2.4	3.3
disagree	11.2	6.2	7.3	11.0	9.0	9.4
slightly disagree	5.3	6.0	7.5	6.3	5.3	5.9
neither agree nor disagree	5.3	5.6	6.1	6.0	6.5	5.8
slightly agree	12.9	15.2	15.0	17.3	18.0	15.1
agree	41.5	23.3	26.1	22.0	35.0	32.3
strongly agree	21.9	39.3	33.2	31.9	23.8	28.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,662	1,188	1,089	1,050	1,294	7,283

Table 152: v0248 – Foreign workers and immigrants living in Ireland should be allowed to preserve their own culture

	YEAR	
v0248	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	7.1	7.1
_1	5.9	5.9
_2	6.9	6.9
_3	8.9	8.9
_4	6.5	6.5
_5	20.1	20.1
_6	6.9	6.9
_7	9.5	9.5
_8	8.9	8.9
_9	5.7	5.7
_10	12.3	12.3
dont know	1.3	1.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,415	1,415

Table 153: v0249 – Immigrants should be required to adapt to the custom of Ireland

v0249	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	4.7	4.7
disagree	19.6	19.6
neither agree nor disagree	21.7	21.7
agree	39.8	39.8
strongly agree	14.2	14.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,171	1,171

Table 154: v0250 – The British Government should continue to have a lot of say in the way Northern Ireland is run

v0250	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	9.7	11.7	10.4
disagree	32.8	26.0	30.4
slightly disagree	8.3	10.5	9.1
neither agree nor disagree	14.6	16.5	15.3
slightly agree	9.6	11.5	10.3
agree	22.9	18.9	21.5
strongly agree	2.0	4.8	3.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,650	1,423	4,073

Table 155: v0251 – The long term policy for Northern Ireland should be to reunify with the rest of Ireland

v0251	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	1.4	2.3	1.7
disagree	8.0	7.2	7.8
slightly disagree	2.7	4.0	3.2
neither agree nor disagree	16.7	19.8	17.7
slightly agree	10.5	13.0	11.3
agree	48.2	39.7	45.4
strongly agree	12.5	14.0	13.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,647	1,287	3,934

Table 156: v0252 – The British Government should declare its intention to withdraw from Northern Ireland at a fixed date in the future

	YEAR					
v0252	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2006**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	1.7	5.6	5.6	7.2	3.0	3.9
disagree	13.2	7.8	7.8	10.9	13.3	11.2
slightly disagree	4.5	4.2	5.4	5.1	4.4	4.7
neither agree nor disagree	20.2	23.9	24.7	24.3	21.8	22.3
slightly agree	9.9	12.8	11.8	13.1	13.3	11.8
agree	39.7	20.1	22.5	20.6	31.7	29.8
strongly agree	10.8	25.6	22.2	18.7	12.5	16.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,647	1,186	1,090	1,053	1,418	7,394

Table 157: v0253 – With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place yourself on this scale?

	YEAR			
inst/abandon united irl-self	**2002**	**2006**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
_0	12.6	13.0	9.6	11.8
_1	6.4	4.5	4.5	5.5
_2	7.7	5.0	5.5	6.6
_3	9.6	6.7	8.6	8.7
_4	7.9	7.5	8.4	8.0
_5	30.8	19.4	32.4	28.9
_6	4.7	6.3	5.8	5.3
_7	4.0	5.4	5.5	4.7
_8	3.4	7.0	5.0	4.6
_9	1.9	3.3	2.1	2.2
_10	5.6	14.6	7.4	7.9
dont know	5.5	7.4	5.0	5.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,643	1,042	1,412	5,097

Table 158: v0260 – How important is the issue of Northern Ireland for you personally? Is it:

v0260	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
very important	20.8	11.5	17.8
fairly important	47.0	44.0	46.0
not very important	24.2	34.4	27.5
not important at all	8.1	10.0	8.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,645	1,258	3,903

Table 159: v0261 – It would be better if more people with strong religious beliefs held public office

v0261	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	14.6	15.7	15.0
disagree	36.4	27.8	33.6
slightly disagree	6.1	7.6	6.6
neither agree nor disagree	16.8	21.7	18.4
slightly agree	7.3	8.4	7.7
agree	15.0	13.3	14.4
strongly agree	3.8	5.4	4.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,656	1,290	3,946

Table 160: v0262 – Homosexuality is never justified

v0262	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
_0	9.7	8.7	9.4
_1	4.7	4.3	4.6
_2	4.5	3.8	4.3
_3	3.1	2.2	2.8
_4	3.3	3.3	3.3
_5	30.1	27.6	29.3
_6	5.2	6.2	5.5
_7	5.3	6.0	5.5
_8	6.2	8.6	7.0
_9	3.7	6.3	4.5
_10	12.2	14.7	13.0
dont know	12.1	8.3	10.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,638	1,259	3,897

Table 161: v0263 – God definitely does not exist

v0263	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
_0	2.5	2.2	2.4
_1	1.3	2.0	1.5
_2	0.5	0.8	0.6
_3	0.7	0.9	0.8
_4	0.7	1.0	0.8
_5	10.3	12.3	11.0
_6	3.0	3.0	3.0
_7	4.6	5.9	5.0
_8	7.9	9.1	8.3
_9	9.8	10.2	9.9
_10	55.1	50.4	53.6
dont know	3.7	2.3	3.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,653	1,281	3,934

Table 162: v0264 – Same sex marriages should be prohibited by law

v0264	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	14.9	14.9
disagree	18.6	18.6
neither agree nor disagree	32.0	32.0
agree	18.6	18.6
strongly agree	16.1	16.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,158	1,158

Table 163: v0265 – How important would you say is this issue of abortion for you personally?

v0265	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
very important	32.2	25.2	29.9
fairly important	40.8	38.2	40.0
not very important	20.7	26.7	22.7
not important at all	6.2	9.9	7.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,593	1,271	3,864

Table 164: v0266 – And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

	YEAR					
v0266	**2002** Col %	**2003** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	21.0	22.8	21.0	19.0	16.7	20.2
_1	5.9	6.2	6.9	7.0	4.9	6.1
_2	6.6	7.7	7.2	5.4	5.4	6.4
_3	4.4	3.9	5.6	3.7	4.4	4.4
_4	3.7	3.1	4.0	3.6	3.9	3.7
_5	18.1	13.9	14.5	12.6	19.4	16.4
_6	5.6	5.5	5.9	5.1	4.9	5.4
_7	6.4	5.8	5.7	6.8	8.2	6.6
_8	6.0	6.8	7.5	7.5	7.3	6.8
_9	3.4	3.7	3.9	3.3	2.6	3.3
_10	14.0	17.4	14.2	21.5	16.8	16.2
dont know	5.1	3.2	3.6	4.6	5.2	4.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,646	1,188	1,083	1,043	1,420	7,380

Table 165: v0270 – On this card I have a number of opposing statements. People who agree fully with the statement on the left would give a score of '0'. People who agree fully with the statement on the right would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on these scales? The first scale is as follows Business and industry should be strictly regulated by the state..... Business and industry should be entirely free from regulation by the state

	YEAR		
v0270	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	5.4	6.0	5.6
_1	4.1	4.2	4.1
_2	5.7	5.2	5.5
_3	6.0	7.1	6.4
_4	4.6	8.9	6.0
_5	28.0	26.6	27.5
_6	8.6	8.5	8.6
_7	8.4	9.3	8.7
_8	8.7	8.8	8.7
_9	4.7	4.6	4.7
_10	9.4	7.3	8.7
dont know	6.5	3.5	5.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,658	1,274	3,932

Table 166: v0271 – Public or semi state companies are the best way to provide the services people need.. Private enterprises are the best way of providing the services people need

	YEAR			
v0271	**2002** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	6.3	10.7	6.6	7.5
_1	6.4	4.2	2.9	5.7
_2	9.3	6.4	5.1	8.3
_3	6.9	6.7	4.4	6.8
_4	5.2	5.3	8.1	5.3
_5	23.9	17.0	15.4	21.8
_6	6.9	8.0	6.6	7.2
_7	7.6	8.0	8.1	7.7
_8	7.9	7.9	11.8	8.1
_9	6.1	3.3	6.6	5.3
_10	8.1	15.2	11.0	10.1
dont know	5.4	7.2	13.2	6.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,653	1,045	136	3,834

Table 167: v0272 – Most of business and industry should be owned by the state... Most of business and industry should be privately owned

	YEAR		
v0272	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	2.3	3.0	2.6
_1	2.7	1.9	2.4
_2	2.0	2.8	2.3
_3	3.1	1.3	2.5
_4	2.7	3.8	3.1
_5	21.9	22.6	22.1
_6	7.8	7.7	7.8
_7	11.2	10.8	11.1
_8	15.9	17.1	16.3
_9	10.0	12.2	10.7
_10	15.5	14.4	15.1
dont know	4.8	2.5	4.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,641	1,275	3,916

Table 168: v0273 – Politicians should not intervene in the economy

v0273	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	13.1	13.1
disagree	50.2	50.2
neither agree nor disagree	21.0	21.0
agree	12.9	12.9
strongly agree	2.9	2.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,148	1,148

Table 169: v0275 – The presence of large international companies is good for the Irish economy

v0275	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	0.5	0.5
disagree	3.9	3.9
slightly disagree	2.9	2.9
neither agree nor disagree	6.7	6.7
slightly agree	11.3	11.3
agree	53.0	53.0
strongly agree	21.8	21.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,286	1,286

Table 170: v0276 – Ireland should limit the import of foreign products in order to protect its national economy

v0276	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	5.1	5.1
disagree	18.8	18.8
slightly disagree	8.4	8.4
neither agree nor disagree	14.7	14.7
slightly agree	17.9	17.9
agree	26.9	26.9
strongly agree	8.2	8.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,287	1,287

Table 171: v0280 – Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the EU

irl:unite fully/protect dependence	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
_0	7.5	8.3	4.6	13.0	8.7	8.2
_1	7.8	5.8	7.5	3.6	5.6	6.4
_2	9.0	5.9	7.3	7.2	8.7	7.9
_3	7.9	8.1	9.7	7.6	7.0	8.0
_4	6.1	4.2	6.3	5.0	6.8	5.8
_5	20.6	13.2	18.8	15.7	20.1	18.4
_6	7.6	7.1	7.8	7.6	7.0	7.4
_7	7.6	6.6	5.3	6.5	10.3	7.5
_8	8.0	10.1	8.4	7.8	9.6	8.7
_9	5.1	2.8	3.6	2.3	3.8	3.9
_10	8.0	21.4	13.4	17.5	8.7	12.4
dont know	4.8	6.4	7.4	6.2	3.9	5.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,641	1,179	1,087	1,034	1,421	7,362

Table 172: v0281 – Ireland's membership of the European Union is a good thing

v0281	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
_0	1.8	1.6	1.8
_1	1.2	0.9	1.1
_2	1.2	1.6	1.3
_3	1.2	1.9	1.4
_4	1.6	2.6	1.9
_5	10.7	12.9	11.4
_6	5.7	6.3	5.9
_7	8.9	9.4	9.1
_8	19.7	19.1	19.5
_9	15.9	15.7	15.8
_10	28.7	26.5	27.9
dont know	3.6	1.4	2.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,656	1,284	3,940

Table 173: v0282 – European Unification has already gone too far

	YEAR		
v0282	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	3.7	5.3	4.2
_1	3.1	5.1	3.8
_2	3.8	6.9	4.8
_3	4.2	7.0	5.1
_4	4.5	6.6	5.2
_5	22.6	27.2	24.0
_6	9.1	10.9	9.7
_7	10.8	7.4	9.7
_8	12.1	9.2	11.2
_9	7.5	3.6	6.3
_10	10.9	6.3	9.4
dont know	7.5	4.6	6.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,650	1,267	3,917

Table 174: v0283 – How important is this issue of the European Union for you personally?

	YEAR				
v0283	**2002** Col %	**2003** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
very important	22.6	22.0	18.0	15.7	20.3
fairly important	53.6	49.7	51.0	56.0	52.9
not very important	19.2	24.4	26.1	23.8	22.3
not important at all	4.7	4.0	4.9	4.6	4.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,649	1,188	1,068	1,252	6,157

Table 175: v0290a – In today's world the Irish government can't really influence what happens in this country - 2002

irl govt cant influence what happens	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	10.3	10.3
disagree	46.3	46.3
slightly disagree	10.8	10.8
neither agree nor disagree	9.4	9.4
slightly agree	9.5	9.5
agree	12.0	12.0
strongly agree	1.6	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,650	2,650

Table 176: v0290b – In today's world the Irish government can't really influence what happens in this country - 2007

ir govt cant influence what happens	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	11.8	11.8
disagree	54.4	54.4
neither agree nor disagree	15.2	15.2
agree	15.3	15.3
strongly agree	3.3	3.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,156	1,156

Table 177: v0291a – It doesn't really matter which political party is in power, in the end things go on much the same - 2002

not matter which party in power	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	5.6	5.6
disagree	28.2	28.2
slightly disagree	10.1	10.1
neither agree nor disagree	7.1	7.1
slightly agree	13.5	13.5
agree	30.2	30.2
strongly agree	5.3	5.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,659	2,659

Table 178: v0291b – It doesn't really matter which political party is in power, in the end things go on much the same - 2007

not matter which politic party in power	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	7.9	7.9
disagree	37.6	37.6
neither agree nor disagree	15.9	15.9
agree	32.2	32.2
strongly agree	6.5	6.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,160	1,160

Table 179: v0292 – On the whole are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied, or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Ireland?

v0292	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
very satisfied	11.2	12.0	11.5
fairly satisfied	70.6	68.8	70.0
not very satisfied	15.1	14.9	15.0
not at all satisfied	3.1	4.2	3.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,347	1,162	3,509

Table 180: v0293 – Some people say it makes a big difference who is in power. Others say that it doesn't make any difference who is in power. Using the scale below – where ONE means that it MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE who is in power and FIVE means that it DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE who is in power – where would you place yourself?

v0293	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
_1	29.4	29.4
_2	23.2	23.2
_3	21.2	21.2
_4	9.9	9.9
_5	12.3	12.3
dont know	4.0	4.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,362	2,362

Table 181: v0294a – Some people say that no matter who people vote for it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the scale below – where ONE means that voting can make a big difference and FIVE means that voting won't make any difference to what happens, where would you place yourself? - 2002

who vote for can/wont make difference	**YEAR** **2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
_1	41.2	41.2
_2	25.9	25.9
_3	17.1	17.1
_4	5.6	5.6
_5	7.5	7.5
dont know	2.9	2.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,359	2,359

Table 182: v0294b – Some people say that no matter who people vote for it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the scale below – where ONE means that voting can make a big difference and FIVE means that voting won't make any difference to what happens, where would you place yourself? - 2007

my vote-no diff who in govt	**YEAR** **2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
strongly disagree	30.5	30.5
disagree	44.4	44.4
slightly disagree	6.2	6.2
neither agree nor disagree	2.6	2.6
slightly agree	3.8	3.8
agree	8.8	8.8
strongly agree	3.7	3.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,287	1,287

Table 183: v0295 – Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: So many people vote, my vote doesn't make much difference to who is in government

	YEAR		
v0295	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	25.3	51.1	33.0
disagree	47.9	21.2	39.9
slightly disagree	6.3	15.8	9.1
neither agree nor disagree	3.6	5.5	4.2
slightly agree	4.7	6.3	5.2
agree	9.9	0.0	7.0
strongly agree	2.3	0.0	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,660	1,137	3,797

Table 184: v0296 – Could you tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement: Democracy may have problems but it's better than any other form of government.

	YEAR	
v0296	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly agree	33.2	33.2
agree	52.7	52.7
disagree	4.5	4.5
strongly disagree	0.5	0.5
dont know	9.2	9.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,357	2,357

Table 185: v0297 – How much respect is there for individual freedom and human rights nowadays in Ireland? Do you feel there is...

	YEAR	
v0297	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
a lot of respect	15.7	15.7
some respect	55.1	55.1
not much respect	22.0	22.0
no respect at all	3.2	3.2
dont know	3.9	3.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,357	2,357

Table 186: v0298 – How widespread do you think corruption such as bribe taking is amongst politicians in Ireland?

v0298	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
very widespread	25.4	25.4
quite widespread	43.2	43.2
not very widespread	22.0	22.0
hardly happens at all	2.2	2.2
dont know	7.3	7.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,361	2,361

Table 187: v0299 – Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on

v0299	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	8.5	8.5
disagree	28.0	28.0
neither agree nor disagree	16.5	16.5
agree	39.3	39.3
strongly agree	7.8	7.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,158	1,158

Table 188: v0301 – There are different opinions about which people a TD should primarily represent. What is your opinion? Please rank all of the options below in importance. Mark the most important as 1, the next most important as 2 and so on. - All those in the constituency who voted for the TD

v0301	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
NotRanked	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	35.1	87.5
Rank 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	18.6	3.6
Rank 2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.7	2.4
Rank 3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.9	2.7
Rank 4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.3	1.8
Rank 5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.9	1.5
Rank 6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,665	1,197	1,102	1,056	1,435	7,455

Table 189: v0302 – All those in the constituency who voted for the TDs party

	YEAR					
v0302	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2006**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
NotRanked	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	37.3	87.9
Rank 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4	1.0
Rank 2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.6	3.0
Rank 3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	18.7	3.6
Rank 4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.5	3.0
Rank 5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.2	1.2
Rank 6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,665	1,197	1,102	1,056	1,435	7,455

Table 190: v0303 – There are different opinions about which people a TD should primarily represent. What is your opinion? Please rank all of the options below in importance. Mark the most important as 1, the next most important as 2 and so on. - All voters in the constituency

	YEAR					
v0303	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2006**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
NotRanked	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	29.4	86.4
Rank 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.3	6.4
Rank 2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.6	3.4
Rank 3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.9	2.1
Rank 4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.6	1.1
Rank 5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.4
Rank 6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,665	1,197	1,102	1,056	1,435	7,455

Table 191: v0304 – There are different opinions about which people a TD should primarily represent. What is your opinion? Please rank all of the options below in importance. Mark the most important as 1, the next most important as 2 and so on. - All those in the country who voted for the TDs party

	YEAR					
v0304	**2002** Col %	**2003** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
NotRanked	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	39.3	88.3
Rank 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	0.6
Rank 2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	1.2
Rank 3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.6	2.0
Rank 4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.0	3.6
Rank 5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.4	3.3
Rank 6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,665	1,197	1,102	1,056	1,435	7,455

Table 192: v0305 – There are different opinions about which people a TD should primarily represent. What is your opinion? Please rank all of the options below in importance. Mark the most important as 1, the next most important as 2 and so on. M- embers of a particular social group

	YEAR					
v0305	**2002** Col %	**2003** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
NotRanked	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	41.8	88.8
Rank 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.3
Rank 2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	0.5
Rank 3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.6
Rank 4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	0.8
Rank 5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.3	2.2
Rank 6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	35.4	6.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,665	1,197	1,102	1,056	1,435	7,455

Table 193: v0306 – There are different opinions about which people a TD should primarily represent. What is your opinion? Please rank all of the options below in importance. Mark the most important as 1, the next most important as 2 and so on. - All voters in the country

	YEAR					
v0306	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2006**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
NotRanked	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	35.7	87.6
Rank 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.4	3.3
Rank 2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.7	2.8
Rank 3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.9
Rank 4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.9
Rank 5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.4	2.4
Rank 6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.5	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,665	1,197	1,102	1,056	1,435	7,455

Table 194: v0308 – Over the past 5 years or so, have you contacted a politician to express your views about something the government should or should not be doing?

	YEAR	
v0308	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
Yes	23.1	23.1
No	76.9	76.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,334	2,334

Table 195: v0309 – Over the past 5 years or so, have you taken part in protest march/demonstration to express your views about something the government should or should not be doing?

	YEAR	
v0309	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	7.3	7.3
no	92.7	92.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,320	2,320

Table 196: v0310 – Over the past 5 years or so, have you worked with people who are sharing the same concerns to express your views about something the government should or should not be doing?

	YEAR	
v0310	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	19.5	19.5
no	80.5	80.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,322	2,322

Table 197: v0311 – Some people say it makes a big difference who is in power. Others say that it doesn't make any difference who is in power. Using the scale below - where ONE means that it MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE who is in power and FIVE means that it DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE who is in power - where would you place yourself?

	YEAR		
v0311	**2004**	**2006**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	8.8	8.2	8.5
disagree	20.4	16.5	18.5
slightly disagree	11.0	12.4	11.7
neither agree nor disagree	6.1	6.2	6.1
slightly agree	16.4	17.3	16.8
agree	23.7	23.0	23.3
strongly agree	13.7	16.5	15.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,090	1,049	2,139

Table 198: v0311a – The ordinary person has no influence on politics - 2002

	YEAR	
ord person has no influence on politics	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	7.3	7.3
disagree	33.2	33.2
slightly disagree	11.3	11.3
neither agree nor disagree	5.3	5.3
slightly agree	12.5	12.5
agree	25.3	25.3
strongly agree	5.0	5.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,655	2,655

Table 199: v0311b – The ordinary person has no influence on politics - 2007

ord person-no influence on politics	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	10.4	10.4
disagree	44.7	44.7
neither agree nor disagree	12.1	12.1
agree	25.9	25.9
strongly agree	6.8	6.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,158	1,158

Table 200: v0312a – I think I am better informed about politics and government than most people - 2002

I am better informed than most - 07	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	6.3	6.3
disagree	33.2	33.2
slightly disagree	11.1	11.1
neither agree nor disagree	22.9	22.9
slightly agree	11.7	11.7
agree	13.1	13.1
strongly agree	1.7	1.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,654	2,654

Table 201: v0312b – I think I am better informed about politics and government than most people - 2007

better informed re politics than most	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	4.6	4.6
disagree	28.1	28.1
neither agree nor disagree	42.9	42.9
agree	20.7	20.7
strongly agree	3.8	3.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,161	1,161

Table 202: v0313 – Whatever I think about the parties and candidates, I really do think it is my duty to go our and vote in a general election

	YEAR		
v0313	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
strongly disagree	3.1	2.8	3.0
disagree	3.7	2.2	3.2
slightly disagree	0.9	0.9	0.9
neither agree nor disagree	4.0	1.9	3.3
slightly agree	5.2	4.1	4.9
agree	42.1	36.6	40.3
strongly agree	40.9	51.4	44.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,660	1,285	3,945

Table 203: v0314 – Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each of the following statements. - So many people vote, my vote does not make much difference to which candidates are elected

	YEAR		
v0314	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
strongly disagree	25.8	29.9	27.1
disagree	49.9	48.2	49.4
slightly disagree	6.1	5.9	6.1
neither agree nor disagree	4.1	2.3	3.5
slightly agree	3.8	3.7	3.8
agree	7.6	6.9	7.3
strongly agree	2.6	3.0	2.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,655	1,283	3,938

Table 204: v0315 – If you did not vote would you feel very guilty, fairly guilty, not very guilty, or not guilty at all

	YEAR		
v0315	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
very guilty	30.2	37.2	32.5
fairly guilty	40.2	36.6	39.0
not very guilty	16.7	14.3	15.9
not guilty at all	12.9	11.8	12.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,545	1,262	3,807

Table 205: v0316 – Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each of the following statements. - Compared to 10 years ago, Ireland is just as friendly a place now as it was then

	YEAR	
v0316	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	11.3	11.3
disagree	33.3	33.3
slightly disagree	16.2	16.2
neither agree nor disagree	5.2	5.2
slightly agree	7.9	7.9
agree	21.5	21.5
strongly agree	4.5	4.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,357	2,357

Table 206: v0317 – Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each of the following statements. T- here is a lot more stress in people's lives today than there was 10 years ago.

	YEAR	
v0317	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	0.9	0.9
disagree	2.5	2.5
slightly disagree	1.1	1.1
neither agree nor disagree	2.9	2.9
slightly agree	9.3	9.3
agree	49.6	49.6
strongly agree	33.6	33.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,358	2,358

Table 207: v0318 – Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each of the following statements. - People don't have enough time to spend with their families these days

	YEAR	
v0318	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	1.0	1.0
disagree	3.7	3.7
slightly disagree	2.5	2.5
neither agree nor disagree	5.7	5.7
slightly agree	14.1	14.1
agree	49.5	49.5
strongly agree	23.5	23.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,357	2,357

Table 208: v0319 – trust - religious leaders

	YEAR	
v0319	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
0	10.9	10.9
1	5.2	5.2
2	7.2	7.2
3	7.5	7.5
4	8.4	8.4
5	20.8	20.8
6	10.1	10.1
7	10.2	10.2
8	8.9	8.9
9	4.3	4.3
10	6.5	6.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,348	2,348

Table 209: v0320 – trust - political parties

v0320	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
0	6.3	6.3
1	4.1	4.1
2	6.9	6.9
3	10.8	10.8
4	12.0	12.0
5	28.8	28.8
6	13.9	13.9
7	8.8	8.8
8	5.2	5.2
9	1.0	1.0
10	2.1	2.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,352	2,352

Table 210: v0321 – trust - gardai

v0321	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
0	3.5	3.5
1	1.9	1.9
2	3.9	3.9
3	4.4	4.4
4	8.1	8.1
5	15.0	15.0
6	12.6	12.6
7	16.9	16.9
8	16.7	16.7
9	8.9	8.9
10	8.1	8.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,352	2,352

Table 211: v0322 – trust - business leaders

v0322	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
0	6.5	6.5
1	5.2	5.2
2	8.5	8.5
3	9.8	9.8
4	13.9	13.9
5	24.8	24.8
6	14.3	14.3
7	10.1	10.1
8	4.5	4.5
9	1.1	1.1
10	1.2	1.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,337	2,337

Table 212: v0323 – Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: The media was wrong to question Ahern's financial affairs

v0323	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly disagree	20.2	20.2
disagree	20.7	20.7
slightly disagree	9.6	9.6
neither agree nor disagree	7.9	7.9
slightly agree	9.1	9.1
agree	18.0	18.0
strongly agree	14.6	14.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,024	1,024

Table 213: v0325 – A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who stays at home

v0325	**YEAR** **2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
strongly disagree	5.8	5.8
disagree	21.5	21.5
slightly disagree	11.7	11.7
neither agree nor disagree	8.5	8.5
slightly agree	8.0	8.0
agree	34.1	34.1
strongly agree	10.4	10.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,286	1,286

Table 214: v0326 – What young people need most of all is strict discipline by their parents

v0326	**YEAR** **2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
strongly disagree	1.5	1.5
disagree	6.8	6.8
neither agree nor disagree	15.6	15.6
agree	47.4	47.4
strongly agree	28.7	28.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,170	1,170

Table 215: v0327 – A man's job is to get money; a woman's job is to look after the home and family

v0327	**YEAR** **2006** Col %	**Total** Col %
strongly disagree	43.0	43.0
disagree	22.8	22.8
slightly disagree	5.5	5.5
neither agree nor disagree	10.9	10.9
slightly agree	6.3	6.3
agree	5.8	5.8
strongly agree	5.6	5.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,047	1,047

Table 216: v0328 – Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: In general things would improve if there were more women in politics

	YEAR	
v0328	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	1.5	1.5
disagree	6.4	6.4
slightly disagree	4.1	4.1
neither agree nor disagree	23.5	23.5
slightly agree	16.3	16.3
agree	32.6	32.6
strongly agree	15.5	15.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,291	1,291

Table 217: v0329 – Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: People who break the law should face stiffer sentences

	YEAR	
v0329	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	2.2	2.2
disagree	3.1	3.1
neither agree nor disagree	8.5	8.5
agree	45.4	45.4
strongly agree	40.8	40.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,168	1,168

Table 218: v0333 – Express the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: Sometimes politics and government seems so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on

	YEAR	
v0333	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	6.7	6.7
disagree	23.9	23.9
slightly disagree	7.4	7.4
neither agree nor disagree	6.9	6.9
slightly agree	15.6	15.6
agree	32.1	32.1
strongly agree	7.6	7.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,661	2,661

Table 219: v0350 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 1

	YEAR	
v0350	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.5	0.5
_1	0.6	0.6
_2	0.3	0.3
_3	1.2	1.2
_4	1.1	1.1
_5	5.7	5.7
_6	4.6	4.6
_7	9.3	9.3
_8	18.7	18.7
_9	13.2	13.2
_10	40.0	40.0
dont know	4.8	4.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,324	2,324

Table 220: v0351 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 2

	YEAR	
v0351	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.6	0.6
_1	0.7	0.7
_2	1.3	1.3
_3	2.3	2.3
_4	2.8	2.8
_5	9.7	9.7
_6	9.5	9.5
_7	13.9	13.9
_8	18.7	18.7
_9	11.5	11.5
_10	20.5	20.5
dont know	8.4	8.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,201	2,201

Table 221: v0352 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 3

	YEAR	
v0352	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.9	0.9
_1	1.0	1.0
_2	1.4	1.4
_3	3.9	3.9
_4	4.9	4.9
_5	13.0	13.0
_6	12.0	12.0
_7	13.2	13.2
_8	15.5	15.5
_9	8.4	8.4
_10	13.6	13.6
dont know	12.1	12.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,860	1,860

Table 222: v0353 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 4

	YEAR	
v0353	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	1.2	1.2
_1	2.0	2.0
_2	2.8	2.8
_3	4.1	4.1
_4	6.7	6.7
_5	15.1	15.1
_6	11.9	11.9
_7	13.0	13.0
_8	11.5	11.5
_9	8.8	8.8
_10	9.4	9.4
dont know	13.5	13.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,048	1,048

Table 223: v0360 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL DEBATE, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 1

	YEAR	
v0360	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.5	0.5
_1	0.6	0.6
_2	1.0	1.0
_3	1.8	1.8
_4	2.4	2.4
_5	6.9	6.9
_6	7.1	7.1
_7	11.0	11.0
_8	16.8	16.8
_9	13.3	13.3
_10	28.7	28.7
dont know	9.8	9.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,308	2,308

Table 224: v0361 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL DEBATE, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 2

	YEAR	
v0361	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.5	0.5
_1	0.4	0.4
_2	1.3	1.3
_3	2.2	2.2
_4	4.2	4.2
_5	10.1	10.1
_6	9.1	9.1
_7	12.7	12.7
_8	16.8	16.8
_9	10.3	10.3
_10	19.1	19.1
dont know	13.2	13.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,182	2,182

Table 225: v0362 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL DEBATE, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 3

	YEAR	
v0362	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.7	0.7
_1	0.8	0.8
_2	1.7	1.7
_3	3.5	3.5
_4	4.3	4.3
_5	12.6	12.6
_6	10.6	10.6
_7	13.8	13.8
_8	14.8	14.8
_9	8.3	8.3
_10	12.6	12.6
dont know	16.3	16.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,833	1,833

Table 226: v0363 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL DEBATE, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 4

	YEAR	
v0363	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	1.3	1.3
_1	1.4	1.4
_2	2.7	2.7
_3	3.8	3.8
_4	6.7	6.7
_5	14.7	14.7
_6	11.8	11.8
_7	11.3	11.3
_8	12.9	12.9
_9	7.2	7.2
_10	8.3	8.3
dont know	18.1	18.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,035	1,035

Table 227: v0370 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how CLOSE a candidate is to YOUR OWN POLIICAL VIEWS, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 1

	YEAR	
v0370	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.8	0.8
_1	0.5	0.5
_2	1.2	1.2
_3	1.0	1.0
_4	1.5	1.5
_5	7.1	7.1
_6	6.5	6.5
_7	11.7	11.7
_8	18.3	18.3
_9	14.1	14.1
_10	27.5	27.5
dont know	9.7	9.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,308	2,308

Table 228: v0371 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how CLOSE a candidate is to YOUR OWN POLIICAL VIEWS, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 2

	YEAR	
v0371	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.7	0.7
_1	0.8	0.8
_2	1.2	1.2
_3	1.9	1.9
_4	4.1	4.1
_5	11.2	11.2
_6	10.8	10.8
_7	14.3	14.3
_8	16.8	16.8
_9	10.2	10.2
_10	15.2	15.2
dont know	12.7	12.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,171	2,171

Table 229: v0372 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how CLOSE a candidate is to YOUR OWN POLIICAL VIEWS, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 3

	YEAR	
v0372	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	1.0	1.0
_1	0.7	0.7
_2	2.7	2.7
_3	2.9	2.9
_4	5.8	5.8
_5	14.5	14.5
_6	12.8	12.8
_7	14.4	14.4
_8	12.7	12.7
_9	7.6	7.6
_10	9.0	9.0
dont know	15.9	15.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,839	1,839

Table 230: v0373 – Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you think about the candidates whom you gave your 1sr, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on the card how CLOSE a candidate is to YOUR OWN POLIICAL VIEWS, where '0' means you think the candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '1-' means you think the candidate would be very good at working for this area. For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10. - candidate 4

	YEAR	
v0373	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	1.0	1.0
_1	1.3	1.3
_2	4.6	4.6
_3	3.8	3.8
_4	6.4	6.4
_5	18.7	18.7
_6	12.7	12.7
_7	11.5	11.5
_8	10.2	10.2
_9	5.7	5.7
_10	6.3	6.3
dont know	17.7	17.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,041	1,041

Table 231: v0375 – The assumption that TDs should provide a local service is a strength of the Irish political system

	YEAR	
v0375	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	2.3	2.3
disagree	5.2	5.2
slightly disagree	4.0	4.0
neither agree nor disagree	10.7	10.7
slightly agree	12.1	12.1
agree	51.5	51.5
strongly agree	14.2	14.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,273	1,273

Table 232: v0379 – A constituency represented by a Cabinet minister will have more money spent in it by the government

	YEAR	
v0379	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly disagree	1.2	1.2
disagree	3.8	3.8
slightly disagree	2.0	2.0
neither agree nor disagree	7.6	7.6
slightly agree	10.4	10.4
agree	46.9	46.9
strongly agree	28.2	28.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,280	1,280

Table 233: v0380 – Some things about a TD may be more important than others. On a scale of 0 – 10 where 0 means 'not very important' and 10 means 'very important' how important do you think it is that a TD should - Be good at working for THIS area

	YEAR	
v0380	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.6	0.6
_1	0.5	0.5
_2	0.4	0.4
_3	0.8	0.8
_4	0.7	0.7
_5	2.8	2.8
_6	2.3	2.3
_7	4.7	4.7
_8	12.2	12.2
_9	14.0	14.0
_10	59.2	59.2
dont know	1.7	1.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,637	2,637

Table 234: v0381 – Some things about a TD may be more important than others. On a scale of 0 – 10 where 0 means 'not very important' and 10 means 'very important' how important do you think it is that a TD should - Be good at contributing to national political debate

	YEAR	
v0381	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	0.4	0.4
_1	0.5	0.5
_2	0.6	0.6
_3	1.0	1.0
_4	1.8	1.8
_5	6.2	6.2
_6	6.2	6.2
_7	12.7	12.7
_8	16.7	16.7
_9	13.6	13.6
_10	38.0	38.0
dont know	2.4	2.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,626	2,626

Table 235: v0382 – Some things about a TD may be more important than others. On a scale of 0 – 10 where 0 means 'not very important' and 10 means 'very important' how important do you think it is that a TD should - Be close to your political views

	YEAR	
v0382	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	2.8	2.8
_1	1.4	1.4
_2	1.9	1.9
_3	3.6	3.6
_4	3.4	3.4
_5	14.0	14.0
_6	7.7	7.7
_7	10.6	10.6
_8	13.6	13.6
_9	10.5	10.5
_10	26.8	26.8
dont know	3.8	3.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,626	2,626

Table 236: v0394 – Political Party of first candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0394	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	48.0	48.0
fine gael	24.1	24.1
green party	17.0	17.0
labour	4.7	4.7
progressive democrats	1.7	1.7
sinn fein	4.5	4.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,663	2,663

Table 237: v0398 – Political Party of second candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0398	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	23.7	23.7
fine gael	43.3	43.3
labour	16.6	16.6
progressive democrats	2.4	2.4
sinn fein	13.9	13.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,663	2,663

Table 238: v0402 – Political Party of third candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0402	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	33.5	33.5
fine gael	37.2	37.2
green party	1.4	1.4
labour	18.4	18.4
sinn fein	9.5	9.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,663	2,663

Table 239: v0406 – Political Party of 4th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0406	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	50.2	50.2
fine gael	18.2	18.2
green party	9.6	9.6
labour	8.7	8.7
sinn fein	13.3	13.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,663	2,663

Table 240: v0410 – Political Party of 5th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0410	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	27.0	27.0
fine gael	30.9	30.9
green party	18.9	18.9
labour	6.5	6.5
progressive democrats	6.3	6.3
sinn fein	10.3	10.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,663	2,663

Table 241: v0414 – Political Party of 6th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0414	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	26.2	26.2
fine gael	8.9	8.9
green party	18.7	18.7
labour	19.1	19.1
progressive democrats	22.3	22.3
sinn fein	4.8	4.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,351	2,351

Table 242: v0418 – Political Party of 7th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0418	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	29.6	29.6
fine gael	15.4	15.4
green party	8.5	8.5
labour	26.0	26.0
progressive democrats	1.4	1.4
sinn fein	19.1	19.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,096	2,096

Table 243: v0422 – Political Party of 8th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0422	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	36.7	36.7
fine gael	38.2	38.2
green party	2.7	2.7
labour	19.6	19.6
sinn fein	2.7	2.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,752	1,752

Table 244: v0426 – Political Party of 9th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0426	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	17.5	17.5
fine gael	16.8	16.8
green party	9.0	9.0
labour	11.0	11.0
progressive democrats	30.9	30.9
sinn fein	14.7	14.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,045	1,045

Table 245: v0430 – Political Party of 10th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0430	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	15.3	15.3
fine gael	28.4	28.4
labour	8.2	8.2
progressive democrats	13.9	13.9
sinn fein	34.2	34.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	582	582

Table 246: v0434 – Political Party of 11th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0434	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fine gael	46.1	46.1
sinn fein	53.9	53.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	165	165

Table 247: v0438 – Political Party of 12th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0438	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
progressive democrats	100.0	100.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	76	76

Table 248: v0442 – Political Party of 13th candidate on the list excluding independent/others

v0442	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
green party	100.0	100.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	76	76

Table 249: v0458 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 1

	YEAR	
v0458	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	7.2	7.2
_1	3.3	3.3
_2	6.5	6.5
_3	6.5	6.5
_4	6.1	6.1
_5	14.5	14.5
_6	10.9	10.9
_7	12.9	12.9
_8	12.8	12.8
_9	6.5	6.5
_10	12.7	12.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	874	874

Table 250: v0459 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 2

	YEAR	
v0459	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	8.3	8.3
_1	3.3	3.3
_2	9.5	9.5
_3	7.7	7.7
_4	7.9	7.9
_5	14.5	14.5
_6	10.1	10.1
_7	11.6	11.6
_8	11.6	11.6
_9	6.0	6.0
_10	9.7	9.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	822	822

Table 251: v0460 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 3

	YEAR	
v0460	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	10.6	10.6
_1	2.6	2.6
_2	7.8	7.8
_3	8.7	8.7
_4	9.7	9.7
_5	16.6	16.6
_6	11.4	11.4
_7	8.5	8.5
_8	10.1	10.1
_9	5.0	5.0
_10	9.1	9.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	773	773

Table 252: v0461 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 4

	YEAR	
v0461	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	12.6	12.6
_1	4.5	4.5
_2	6.0	6.0
_3	7.8	7.8
_4	9.5	9.5
_5	15.3	15.3
_6	9.9	9.9
_7	10.0	10.0
_8	10.7	10.7
_9	5.9	5.9
_10	7.8	7.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	779	779

Table 253: v0462 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 5

	YEAR	
v0462	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	11.6	11.6
_1	4.2	4.2
_2	6.9	6.9
_3	7.0	7.0
_4	9.0	9.0
_5	15.4	15.4
_6	11.4	11.4
_7	10.6	10.6
_8	13.0	13.0
_9	4.4	4.4
_10	6.5	6.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	837	837

Table 254: v0463 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 6

	YEAR	
v0463	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	10.4	10.4
_1	4.2	4.2
_2	9.4	9.4
_3	6.6	6.6
_4	8.2	8.2
_5	13.1	13.1
_6	10.5	10.5
_7	10.8	10.8
_8	11.9	11.9
_9	5.8	5.8
_10	9.3	9.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	809	809

Table 255: v0464 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 7

	YEAR	
v0464	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	9.6	9.6
_1	3.9	3.9
_2	7.3	7.3
_3	6.6	6.6
_4	9.7	9.7
_5	14.5	14.5
_6	13.3	13.3
_7	10.6	10.6
_8	9.8	9.8
_9	6.2	6.2
_10	8.4	8.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	772	772

Table 256: v0465 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 8

	YEAR	
v0465	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	11.2	11.2
_1	3.4	3.4
_2	8.8	8.8
_3	7.6	7.6
_4	8.3	8.3
_5	14.3	14.3
_6	10.7	10.7
_7	10.4	10.4
_8	10.7	10.7
_9	5.9	5.9
_10	8.7	8.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	712	712

Table 257: v0466 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 9

	YEAR	
v0466	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	8.5	8.5
_1	4.6	4.6
_2	9.4	9.4
_3	7.8	7.8
_4	11.0	11.0
_5	14.0	14.0
_6	12.1	12.1
_7	11.5	11.5
_8	9.9	9.9
_9	6.4	6.4
_10	4.9	4.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	637	637

Table 258: v0467 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 10

	YEAR	
v0467	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	11.7	11.7
_1	3.3	3.3
_2	7.9	7.9
_3	4.8	4.8
_4	8.1	8.1
_5	15.9	15.9
_6	9.7	9.7
_7	11.2	11.2
_8	13.4	13.4
_9	6.0	6.0
_10	7.9	7.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	580	580

Table 259: v0468 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 11

	YEAR	
v0468	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	9.8	9.8
_1	3.9	3.9
_2	7.7	7.7
_3	6.8	6.8
_4	9.2	9.2
_5	13.3	13.3
_6	12.5	12.5
_7	11.4	11.4
_8	13.1	13.1
_9	5.3	5.3
_10	7.0	7.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	543	543

Table 260: v0469 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 12

	YEAR	
v0469	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	12.7	12.7
_1	7.5	7.5
_2	12.0	12.0
_3	6.2	6.2
_4	11.0	11.0
_5	13.6	13.6
_6	7.1	7.1
_7	8.4	8.4
_8	8.1	8.1
_9	3.2	3.2
_10	10.1	10.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	308	308

Table 261: v0470 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 13

	YEAR	
v0470	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	13.2	13.2
_1	5.4	5.4
_2	11.7	11.7
_3	8.9	8.9
_4	7.8	7.8
_5	10.5	10.5
_6	5.8	5.8
_7	10.1	10.1
_8	12.5	12.5
_9	7.0	7.0
_10	7.0	7.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	257	257

Table 262: v0471 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 14

	YEAR	
v0471	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	10.7	10.7
_1	6.0	6.0
_2	10.0	10.0
_3	10.0	10.0
_4	11.3	11.3
_5	15.3	15.3
_6	8.0	8.0
_7	9.3	9.3
_8	9.3	9.3
_9	2.7	2.7
_10	7.3	7.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	150	150

Table 263: v0472 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 15

	YEAR	
v0472	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	9.5	9.5
_1	4.8	4.8
_2	5.7	5.7
_3	7.6	7.6
_4	11.4	11.4
_5	12.4	12.4
_6	16.2	16.2
_7	10.5	10.5
_8	5.7	5.7
_9	4.8	4.8
_10	11.4	11.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	105	105

Table 264: v0473 – Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - candidate 16

	YEAR	
v0473	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	11.1	11.1
_1	2.2	2.2
_2	8.9	8.9
_3	6.7	6.7
_4	13.3	13.3
_5	11.1	11.1
_6	2.2	2.2
_7	4.4	4.4
_8	11.1	11.1
_9	11.1	11.1
_10	17.8	17.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	45	45

Table 265: v0480 – How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? - Bertie Ahern

	YEAR		
v0480	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.4	9.3	6.0
_1	1.7	4.9	2.8
_2	4.3	8.1	5.5
_3	6.4	7.6	6.8
_4	5.8	9.5	7.0
_5	14.4	15.1	14.7
_6	8.7	9.6	9.0
_7	14.7	8.9	12.8
_8	14.8	12.9	14.2
_9	7.9	5.0	6.9
_10	10.8	5.6	9.1
dont know	5.9	3.5	5.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,343	1,165	3,508

Table 266: v0481 – How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? - Michael Noonan

	YEAR	
v0481	**2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.7	4.7
_1	1.9	1.9
_2	4.2	4.2
_3	5.7	5.7
_4	6.9	6.9
_5	18.1	18.1
_6	11.5	11.5
_7	13.3	13.3
_8	12.7	12.7
_9	4.3	4.3
_10	4.9	4.9
dont know	11.8	11.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,340	2,340

Table 267: v0482 – How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? - Ruairi Quinn

	YEAR	
v0482	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	3.2	3.2
_1	1.6	1.6
_2	3.3	3.3
_3	5.2	5.2
_4	7.2	7.2
_5	19.9	19.9
_6	12.1	12.1
_7	13.6	13.6
_8	12.1	12.1
_9	3.7	3.7
_10	3.2	3.2
dont know	14.8	14.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,341	2,341

Table 268: v0483 – How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? - Enda Kenny

	YEAR	
v0483	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	3.4	3.4
_1	1.7	1.7
_2	1.5	1.5
_3	3.0	3.0
_4	5.9	5.9
_5	16.3	16.3
_6	11.9	11.9
_7	14.5	14.5
_8	16.3	16.3
_9	10.3	10.3
_10	8.0	8.0
dont know	7.3	7.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,144	1,144

Table 269: v0490 – thermometer degree - Bertie Ahern

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	65.55	24.24
2004 (n=1,102)	47.91	30.30
2006 (n=1,056)	54.23	28.55
Total (n=7,455)	59.24	27.66

Table 270: v0491 – thermometer degree John Bruton

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	45.74	22.85
Total (n=7,455)	45.74	22.85

Table 271: v0492 – thermometer degree Mary Harney

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	51.07	23.54
2004 (n=1,102)	36.92	27.07
2006 (n=1,056)	41.60	27.02
Total (n=7,455)	45.95	25.83

Table 272: v0493 – thermometer degree Ruairi Quinn

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	42.87	20.71
Total (n=7,455)	42.87	20.71

Table 273: v0493b – thermometer degree Pat Rabitte

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2006 (n=1,056)	43.59	24.25
Total (n=7,455)	43.59	24.25

Table 274: v0494 – thermometer degree Charlie McCreevy

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	47.84	23.08
Total (n=7,455)	47.84	23.08

Table 275: v0495 – thermometer degree Trevor Sergeant

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	42.18	21.87
2006 (n=1,056)	35.62	23.41
Total (n=7,455)	40.39	22.49

Table 276: v0496 – thermometer degree Michael Martin

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	53.45	23.04
Total (n=7,455)	53.45	23.04

Table 277: v0497 – thermometer degree Michael Noonan

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	36.74	23.07
Total (n=7,455)	36.74	23.07

Table 278: v0498 – thermometer degree Gerry Adams

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2006 (n=1,056)	45.07	24.59
Total (n=7,455)	45.07	24.59

Table 279: v0499 – thermometer degree Michael McDowell

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	42.57	21.59
Total (n=7,455)	42.57	21.59

Table 280: v0500 – thermometer degree Brendan Howlin

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	40.34	20.46
Total (n=7,455)	40.34	20.46

Table 281: v0501 – thermometer degree Dana Rosemary Scanlon

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2004 (n=1,102)	30.39	30.74
2006 (n=1,056)	25.71	28.25
Total (n=7,455)	28.18	29.68

Table 282: v0502 – How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 (0 to 100 in 2004/2006) where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country - Bertie Ahern

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	7.39	2.44
2004 (n=1,102)	44.74	25.48
2007 (n=1,435)	6.84	2.70
Total (n=7,455)	15.74	20.00

Table 283: v0503 – How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 (0 to 100 in 2004/2006) where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country - Michael Noonan

YEAR	**Mean** Mean	**Sd** SD
2002 (n=2,665)	4.92	3.06
2004 (n=1,102)	45.57	27.08
Total (n=7,455)	17.34	24.10

Table 284: v0504 – How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 (0 to 100 in 2004/2006) where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country - Ruairi Quinn

YEAR	**Mean** Mean	**Sd** SD
2002 (n=2,665)	5.54	2.87
2004 (n=1,102)	35.47	24.69
Total (n=7,455)	14.62	19.49

Table 285: v0505 – How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 (0 to 100 in 2004/2006) where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country - Enda Kenny

YEAR	**Mean** Mean	**Sd** SD
2002 (n=2,665)		
2007 (n=1,435)	5.93	2.59
Total (n=7,455)	5.93	2.59

Table 286: v0506 – To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people - Bertie Ahern

	YEAR		
v0506	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	3.2	6.4	4.2
_1	1.3	3.4	2.0
_2	2.6	4.0	3.1
_3	4.6	5.5	4.9
_4	4.6	5.9	5.0
_5	10.1	11.0	10.4
_6	8.1	7.5	7.9
_7	13.0	12.4	12.8
_8	20.0	17.9	19.3
_9	12.5	12.0	12.3
_10	15.9	12.0	14.6
dont know	4.1	2.2	3.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,347	1,162	3,509

Table 287: v0507 – To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people - Michael Noonan

	YEAR	
v0507	**2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	7.8	7.8
_1	3.8	3.8
_2	7.5	7.5
_3	10.1	10.1
_4	11.7	11.7
_5	17.4	17.4
_6	12.8	12.8
_7	8.6	8.6
_8	7.5	7.5
_9	1.7	1.7
_10	2.5	2.5
dont know	8.6	8.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,345	2,345

Table 288: v0508 – To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people - Ruairi Quinn

	YEAR	
v0508	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.0	4.0
_1	2.0	2.0
_2	5.0	5.0
_3	7.8	7.8
_4	10.7	10.7
_5	21.2	21.2
_6	14.0	14.0
_7	10.5	10.5
_8	7.6	7.6
_9	2.0	2.0
_10	2.8	2.8
dont know	12.4	12.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,346	2,346

Table 289: v0509 – To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people - Enda Kenny

	YEAR	
v0509	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.8	4.8
_1	1.9	1.9
_2	3.0	3.0
_3	4.2	4.2
_4	8.8	8.8
_5	17.7	17.7
_6	14.3	14.3
_7	16.6	16.6
_8	12.6	12.6
_9	6.9	6.9
_10	4.3	4.3
dont know	4.8	4.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,143	1,143

Table 290: v0510 – Would you say that any of the party leaders in Ireland represents your views well?

	YEAR		
v0510	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	67.2	67.8	67.4
no	19.2	19.9	19.4
dont know	13.6	12.3	13.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,289	1,162	3,451

Table 291: v0511 – Leader who represents your view well - 1st mention

	YEAR		
v0511	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
bertie ahern	63.2	54.9	60.4
michael noonan	11.5	21.1	14.7
trevor sargent	5.4	4.9	5.3
ruairi quinn	6.9	12.0	8.6
mary harney	7.6	2.5	5.9
gerry adams	4.4	3.6	4.1
other	1.0	0.9	1.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,527	772	2,299

Table 292: v0512 – Leader who represents your view well - 2nd mention

	YEAR	
v0512	**2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
bertie ahern	0.7	0.7
michael noonan	9.6	9.6
trevor sargent	12.5	12.5
ruairi quinn	19.1	19.1
mary harney	41.9	41.9
gerry adams	16.2	16.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	136	136

Table 293: v0513 – Leader who represents your view well - 3rd mention

v0513	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
trevor sargent	3.8	3.8
ruairi quinn	15.4	15.4
mary harney	57.7	57.7
gerry adams	11.5	11.5
other	11.5	11.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	26	26

Table 294: v0514 – Leader who represents your view well - 4th mention

v0514	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
mary harney	80.0	80.0
gerry adams	20.0	20.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	5	5

Table 295: v0521 – And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Bertie Ahern

v0521	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
strongly dislike	9.4	9.4
_1	2.3	2.3
_2	4.3	4.3
_3	4.0	4.0
_4	4.1	4.1
_5	12.2	12.2
_6	6.8	6.8
_7	10.6	10.6
_8	14.5	14.5
_9	10.8	10.8
strongly like	19.9	19.9
dont know	1.1	1.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,412	1,412

Table 296: v0522 – And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Enda Kenny

	YEAR	
v0522	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly dislike	7.3	7.3
_1	4.8	4.8
_2	5.9	5.9
_3	5.9	5.9
_4	9.9	9.9
_5	17.3	17.3
_6	13.7	13.7
_7	12.1	12.1
_8	11.0	11.0
_9	3.9	3.9
strongly like	6.1	6.1
dont know	2.2	2.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,398	1,398

Table 297: v0523 – And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Trevor Sergeant

	YEAR	
v0523	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly dislike	7.1	7.1
_1	3.2	3.2
_2	6.7	6.7
_3	8.9	8.9
_4	10.7	10.7
_5	22.4	22.4
_6	10.3	10.3
_7	9.2	9.2
_8	6.7	6.7
_9	2.8	2.8
strongly like	2.9	2.9
dont know	9.2	9.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,344	1,344

Table 298: v0524 – And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Pat Rabitte

	YEAR	
v0524	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly dislike	6.9	6.9
_1	3.7	3.7
_2	6.5	6.5
_3	7.9	7.9
_4	10.0	10.0
_5	18.2	18.2
_6	12.0	12.0
_7	11.2	11.2
_8	9.7	9.7
_9	4.2	4.2
strongly like	5.0	5.0
dont know	4.6	4.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,369	1,369

Table 299: v0525 – And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Michael McDowell

	YEAR	
v0525	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly dislike	19.5	19.5
_1	9.0	9.0
_2	10.4	10.4
_3	9.2	9.2
_4	9.9	9.9
_5	14.0	14.0
_6	6.0	6.0
_7	5.6	5.6
_8	5.3	5.3
_9	2.6	2.6
strongly like	3.1	3.1
dont know	5.4	5.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,343	1,343

Table 300: v0526 – And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' - Gerry Adams

	YEAR	
v0526	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
strongly dislike	26.8	26.8
_1	10.5	10.5
_2	11.5	11.5
_3	7.4	7.4
_4	6.3	6.3
_5	12.9	12.9
_6	5.0	5.0
_7	6.3	6.3
_8	3.4	3.4
_9	2.6	2.6
strongly like	3.9	3.9
dont know	3.5	3.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,368	1,368

Table 301: v0527 – Thinking about the leaders of the two main parties at the general election in May of this year – Bertie Ahern and Michael Noonan. At the time, which of these two did you think would make the best Taoiseach?

	YEAR	
v0527	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
bertie ahern	87.8	87.8
michael noonan	12.2	12.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,549	2,549

Table 302: v0528 – Have you ever met Bertie Ahern or Enda Kenny?

v0528	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
Bertie Ahern	14.6	14.6
Enda Kenny	3.8	3.8
Both of them	3.2	3.2
Neither of them	78.4	78.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,287	1,287

Table 303: v0530 – thermometer degree - Fianna Fail

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	63.92	25.60
Total (n=7,455)	63.92	25.60

Table 304: v0531 – thermometer degree - Fine Gael

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	47.71	21.92
Total (n=7,455)	47.71	21.92

Table 305: v0532 – thermometer degree - Green Party

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	47.03	23.34
Total (n=7,455)	47.03	23.34

Table 306: v0533 – thermometer degree - Labour Party

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	45.29	20.97
Total (n=7,455)	45.29	20.97

Table 307: v0534 – thermometer degree - Progressive Democrats

YEAR	**Mean** Mean	**Sd** SD
2002 (n=2,665)	47.22	22.34
Total (n=7,455)	47.22	22.34

Table 308: v0535 – thermometer degree - Sinn Fein

YEAR	**Mean** Mean	**Sd** SD
2002 (n=2,665)	33.36	25.80
Total (n=7,455)	33.36	25.80

Table 309: v0540 – Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Fianna Fail

	YEAR		
v0540	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.5	9.6	6.4
_1	2.7	2.6	2.7
_2	2.9	4.5	3.5
_3	4.1	5.3	4.6
_4	4.4	5.1	4.6
_5	16.9	13.6	15.7
_6	8.7	7.1	8.1
_7	11.9	9.9	11.2
_8	14.7	13.0	14.1
_9	9.1	8.1	8.7
_10	16.8	20.1	18.1
dont know	3.3	1.1	2.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,290	1,403	3,693

Table 310: v0541 – Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Fine Gael

	YEAR		
v0541	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
_0	6.3	6.5	6.3
_1	3.1	3.7	3.3
_2	5.4	5.2	5.3
_3	8.7	5.0	7.3
_4	11.9	8.3	10.6
_5	22.8	21.0	22.1
_6	12.3	12.8	12.5
_7	9.2	10.8	9.8
_8	7.0	9.7	8.0
_9	3.5	5.5	4.2
_10	5.2	9.6	6.8
dont know	4.7	2.1	3.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,287	1,395	3,682

Table 311: v0542 – Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Green Party

	YEAR		
v0542	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
_0	4.7	7.5	5.7
_1	2.6	3.3	2.9
_2	5.3	6.2	5.6
_3	7.5	7.1	7.3
_4	9.9	9.6	9.8
_5	24.0	22.6	23.5
_6	12.6	12.2	12.4
_7	9.8	10.5	10.1
_8	5.9	8.7	6.9
_9	2.5	4.1	3.1
_10	2.2	3.8	2.8
dont know	13.1	4.3	9.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,288	1,375	3,663

Table 312: v0543 – Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Labour Party

	YEAR		
v0543	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.0	6.6	5.0
_1	2.6	3.3	2.9
_2	5.9	6.0	5.9
_3	8.9	8.4	8.7
_4	13.7	9.8	12.3
_5	24.0	21.6	23.1
_6	11.9	12.2	12.0
_7	8.5	10.6	9.3
_8	5.7	8.1	6.6
_9	2.6	4.6	3.4
_10	2.8	5.7	3.8
dont know	9.4	3.2	7.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,287	1,376	3,663

Table 313: v0544 – Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Progressive Democrats

	YEAR		
v0544	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	5.3	15.3	9.1
_1	3.1	8.1	5.0
_2	5.0	11.3	7.4
_3	6.1	9.3	7.3
_4	9.5	11.5	10.3
_5	19.8	14.4	17.8
_6	14.5	8.3	12.2
_7	11.4	6.1	9.5
_8	10.9	4.9	8.7
_9	3.0	3.1	3.0
_10	2.8	2.3	2.6
dont know	8.5	5.3	7.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,289	1,366	3,655

Table 314: v0545 – Next I'd like to know what you think about the parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, here 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you don't know enough about just say, 'Don't know" - Sinn Fein

	YEAR		
v0545	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	20.0	33.2	25.0
_1	9.3	11.6	10.2
_2	9.1	10.3	9.6
_3	7.5	7.1	7.4
_4	7.4	6.5	7.1
_5	13.2	9.8	11.9
_6	7.1	4.0	5.9
_7	4.9	3.0	4.2
_8	4.0	3.7	3.9
_9	2.1	2.3	2.2
_10	3.5	3.9	3.7
dont know	11.8	4.5	9.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,291	1,364	3,655

Table 315: v0550 – Which do you think would be generally better for Ireland nowadays. To have a government formed by one party on its own or to have a government formed by two or more political parties together in a coalition

	YEAR	
v0550	**2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
govt-by 1 political party on its own	18.3	18.3
govt-by 2/more parties(coalition)	81.7	81.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,550	2,550

Table 316: v0551 – Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - party 1

	YEAR	
v0551	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
dont know	1.1	1.1
refused	0.1	0.1
fianna fail	67.7	67.7
fine gael	17.0	17.0
green party	2.7	2.7
labour	6.6	6.6
progressive democrats	2.3	2.3
sinn fein	1.9	1.9
independent	0.4	0.4
none	0.2	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,476	2,476

Table 317: v0552 – Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - party 2

	YEAR	
v0552	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
dont know	0.2	0.2
refused	0.2	0.2
fianna fail	5.3	5.3
fine gael	8.6	8.6
green party	10.0	10.0
labour	18.5	18.5
progressive democrats	47.6	47.6
sinn fein	6.1	6.1
other	0.0	0.0
independent	3.5	3.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,403	2,403

Table 318: v0553 – Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - party 3

	YEAR	
v0553	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
dont know	0.4	0.4
fianna fail	8.6	8.6
fine gael	9.9	9.9
green party	28.0	28.0
labour	22.0	22.0
progressive democrats	15.4	15.4
sinn fein	8.9	8.9
other	0.6	0.6
independent	6.2	6.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	514	514

Table 319: v0554 – Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - party 4

	YEAR	
v0554	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
dont know	1.4	1.4
refused	2.1	2.1
fianna fail	9.2	9.2
fine gael	9.2	9.2
green party	15.5	15.5
labour	25.4	25.4
progressive democrats	19.0	19.0
sinn fein	4.2	4.2
other	0.7	0.7
independent	13.4	13.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	142	142

Table 320: v0555 – Looking at the parties listed on the card could you tell me if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer - number of parties mentioned

v0555	**YEAR** **2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
dont know	1.4	1.4
refused	78.9	78.9
fianna fail	15.6	15.6
fine gael	3.6	3.6
green party	0.4	0.4
labour	0.0	0.0
progressive democrats	0.0	0.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,433	2,433

Table 321: v0556 – Please look at the following possible coalition governments. Of these coalitions which one would you most prefer

v0556	**YEAR** **2002** Col %	**Total** Col %
fianna fail-greens	6.6	6.6
fianna fail-labour	9.5	9.5
fianna fail-progressive democrats	45.8	45.8
fianna fail-sinn fein	6.9	6.9
fianna fail-independents	4.3	4.3
fine gael-fianna fail	6.7	6.7
fine gael-labour-greens	20.2	20.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,538	2,538

Table 322: v0560 – Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Fianna Fail

	YEAR	
v0560	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	10.2	10.2
_1	5.9	5.9
_2	8.1	8.1
_3	8.4	8.4
_4	7.8	7.8
_5	19.8	19.8
_6	8.2	8.2
_7	10.4	10.4
_8	7.5	7.5
_9	3.3	3.3
_10	5.4	5.4
dont know	5.1	5.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,644	2,644

Table 323: v0561 – Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Fine Gael

	YEAR	
v0561	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	5.2	5.2
_1	2.3	2.3
_2	4.9	4.9
_3	7.5	7.5
_4	9.1	9.1
_5	21.8	21.8
_6	11.5	11.5
_7	12.7	12.7
_8	9.3	9.3
_9	4.1	4.1
_10	3.8	3.8
dont know	7.8	7.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,640	2,640

Table 324: v0562 – Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Green Party

	YEAR	
v0562	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.1	4.1
_1	1.7	1.7
_2	2.5	2.5
_3	3.8	3.8
_4	5.1	5.1
_5	19.5	19.5
_6	11.0	11.0
_7	13.7	13.7
_8	12.1	12.1
_9	5.7	5.7
_10	4.2	4.2
dont know	16.6	16.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,636	2,636

Table 325: v0563 – Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Labour Party

	YEAR	
v0563	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.6	4.6
_1	1.6	1.6
_2	3.5	3.5
_3	4.8	4.8
_4	6.6	6.6
_5	23.5	23.5
_6	13.7	13.7
_7	13.7	13.7
_8	9.9	9.9
_9	4.1	4.1
_10	2.6	2.6
dont know	11.5	11.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,637	2,637

Table 326: v0564 – Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Progressive Democrats

	YEAR	
v0564	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	6.0	6.0
_1	2.7	2.7
_2	4.1	4.1
_3	4.9	4.9
_4	6.0	6.0
_5	20.0	20.0
_6	10.6	10.6
_7	14.9	14.9
_8	10.9	10.9
_9	5.4	5.4
_10	4.1	4.1
dont know	10.3	10.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,639	2,639

Table 327: v0565 – Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that the party is not very honest and 10 means you think the party is very honest - Sinn Fein

	YEAR	
v0565	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	12.2	12.2
_1	6.4	6.4
_2	6.9	6.9
_3	6.8	6.8
_4	7.3	7.3
_5	19.1	19.1
_6	7.4	7.4
_7	7.1	7.1
_8	4.1	4.1
_9	1.7	1.7
_10	2.9	2.9
dont know	18.1	18.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,637	2,637

Table 328: v0566 – And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place Fianna Fail on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

	YEAR		
v0566	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	6.2	5.2	5.9
_1	3.5	3.6	3.6
_2	5.8	4.5	5.3
_3	6.9	7.1	7.0
_4	8.4	6.5	7.8
_5	22.5	23.6	22.8
_6	7.0	6.6	6.9
_7	6.1	4.9	5.7
_8	4.1	2.8	3.7
_9	1.3	0.6	1.1
_10	2.4	1.5	2.1
dont know	25.8	33.2	28.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,621	1,235	3,856

Table 329: v0567 – And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place Fine Gael on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

	YEAR		
v0567	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.0	3.7	3.9
_1	2.2	2.7	2.3
_2	4.0	5.2	4.4
_3	6.6	6.8	6.7
_4	9.9	6.2	8.7
_5	23.4	23.4	23.4
_6	7.7	7.5	7.6
_7	5.5	4.1	5.1
_8	3.6	2.8	3.4
_9	0.9	0.6	0.8
_10	1.6	1.1	1.5
dont know	30.5	35.8	32.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,613	1,236	3,849

Table 330: v0568 – And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place the Green Party on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

	YEAR		
v0568	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	3.9	4.1	3.9
_1	1.5	2.4	1.8
_2	3.3	3.3	3.3
_3	4.3	3.8	4.2
_4	6.9	5.4	6.5
_5	17.1	20.4	18.2
_6	5.3	5.7	5.4
_7	5.7	4.5	5.3
_8	3.5	2.8	3.3
_9	1.4	1.1	1.3
_10	1.5	1.5	1.5
dont know	45.6	45.2	45.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,610	1,233	3,843

Table 331: v0569 – And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place the Labour Party on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

	YEAR		
v0569	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	2.8	3.0	2.8
_1	1.0	2.0	1.3
_2	2.3	2.7	2.4
_3	3.3	4.9	3.9
_4	6.6	5.2	6.1
_5	19.0	21.8	19.9
_6	8.1	7.1	7.7
_7	7.9	5.4	7.1
_8	6.0	5.8	5.9
_9	2.8	1.0	2.2
_10	3.3	1.6	2.8
dont know	36.9	39.4	37.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,604	1,233	3,837

Table 332: v0570 – And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place the Progressive Democrats on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

	YEAR		
v0570	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	3.8	3.8	3.8
_1	1.7	2.4	1.9
_2	3.2	3.9	3.4
_3	5.3	5.4	5.3
_4	7.0	6.2	6.8
_5	21.1	21.0	21.1
_6	7.7	6.1	7.2
_7	7.3	4.8	6.5
_8	4.5	3.0	4.0
_9	1.2	1.1	1.2
_10	1.6	1.1	1.5
dont know	35.6	41.2	37.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,616	1,231	3,847

Table 333: v0571 – And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place Sinn Fein on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

	YEAR		
v0571	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.0	3.4	3.8
_1	1.4	2.3	1.7
_2	2.9	3.0	2.9
_3	3.7	4.0	3.8
_4	5.2	4.5	5.0
_5	16.0	18.3	16.7
_6	4.0	4.6	4.2
_7	3.2	4.1	3.5
_8	2.9	3.3	3.0
_9	2.2	1.9	2.1
_10	3.3	2.0	2.9
dont know	51.3	48.5	50.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,614	1,232	3,846

Table 334: v0575 – How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Fianna Fail

	YEAR	
v0575	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	3.2	3.2
_1	1.1	1.1
_2	2.5	2.5
_3	3.1	3.1
_4	3.5	3.5
_5	12.0	12.0
_6	9.4	9.4
_7	14.6	14.6
_8	18.9	18.9
_9	10.5	10.5
_10	17.0	17.0
dont know	4.2	4.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,650	2,650

Table 335: v0576 – How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Fine Gael

	YEAR	
v0576	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	5.0	5.0
_1	2.5	2.5
_2	4.5	4.5
_3	7.1	7.1
_4	9.6	9.6
_5	20.8	20.8
_6	15.2	15.2
_7	11.9	11.9
_8	9.2	9.2
_9	4.0	4.0
_10	3.7	3.7
dont know	6.4	6.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,645	2,645

Table 336: v0577 – How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Green Party

	YEAR	
v0577	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	8.2	8.2
_1	4.3	4.3
_2	7.9	7.9
_3	11.5	11.5
_4	11.9	11.9
_5	17.5	17.5
_6	9.0	9.0
_7	7.5	7.5
_8	3.8	3.8
_9	1.2	1.2
_10	0.7	0.7
dont know	16.6	16.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,646	2,646

Table 337: v0578 – How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Labour Party

	YEAR	
v0578	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.3	4.3
_1	2.7	2.7
_2	5.6	5.6
_3	8.8	8.8
_4	13.3	13.3
_5	21.5	21.5
_6	12.2	12.2
_7	10.3	10.3
_8	7.0	7.0
_9	2.3	2.3
_10	1.3	1.3
dont know	10.7	10.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,646	2,646

Table 338: v0579 – How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Progressive Democrats

	YEAR	
v0579	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.4	4.4
_1	1.9	1.9
_2	4.3	4.3
_3	5.5	5.5
_4	7.2	7.2
_5	18.9	18.9
_6	13.5	13.5
_7	14.7	14.7
_8	13.5	13.5
_9	3.3	3.3
_10	3.5	3.5
dont know	9.5	9.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,642	2,642

Table 339: v0580 – How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think the party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country - Sinn Fein

	YEAR	
v0580	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	20.5	20.5
_1	8.8	8.8
_2	9.8	9.8
_3	9.9	9.9
_4	7.8	7.8
_5	12.0	12.0
_6	5.7	5.7
_7	4.0	4.0
_8	2.4	2.4
_9	1.4	1.4
_10	1.3	1.3
dont know	16.3	16.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,640	2,640

Table 340: v0590 – To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Fianna Fail

	YEAR	
v0590	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.0	4.0
_1	1.8	1.8
_2	3.4	3.4
_3	5.2	5.2
_4	5.4	5.4
_5	14.2	14.2
_6	11.0	11.0
_7	15.0	15.0
_8	15.5	15.5
_9	7.9	7.9
_10	12.2	12.2
dont know	4.5	4.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,358	2,358

Table 341: v0591 – To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Fine Gael

	YEAR	
v0591	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	5.8	5.8
_1	2.6	2.6
_2	6.5	6.5
_3	8.9	8.9
_4	12.3	12.3
_5	20.2	20.2
_6	14.0	14.0
_7	9.7	9.7
_8	7.3	7.3
_9	2.0	2.0
_10	3.8	3.8
dont know	6.8	6.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,356	2,356

Table 342: v0592 – To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Green Party

	YEAR	
v0592	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	5.8	5.8
_1	2.3	2.3
_2	5.1	5.1
_3	9.2	9.2
_4	10.9	10.9
_5	20.2	20.2
_6	12.9	12.9
_7	9.2	9.2
_8	5.8	5.8
_9	1.4	1.4
_10	2.4	2.4
dont know	14.7	14.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,357	2,357

Table 343: v0593 – To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Labour Party

	YEAR	
v0593	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	4.2	4.2
_1	2.4	2.4
_2	4.3	4.3
_3	7.2	7.2
_4	11.4	11.4
_5	21.4	21.4
_6	14.0	14.0
_7	10.6	10.6
_8	6.9	6.9
_9	2.7	2.7
_10	3.4	3.4
dont know	11.4	11.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,354	2,354

Table 344: v0594 – To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Progressive Democrats

	YEAR	
v0594	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	5.4	5.4
_1	2.2	2.2
_2	5.4	5.4
_3	7.4	7.4
_4	8.8	8.8
_5	20.0	20.0
_6	13.2	13.2
_7	12.4	12.4
_8	8.7	8.7
_9	2.4	2.4
_10	3.4	3.4
dont know	10.7	10.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,355	2,355

Table 345: v0595 – To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. - Sinn Fein

	YEAR	
v0595	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
_0	10.5	10.5
_1	5.6	5.6
_2	8.2	8.2
_3	8.3	8.3
_4	7.9	7.9
_5	14.1	14.1
_6	8.2	8.2
_7	8.2	8.2
_8	6.1	6.1
_9	2.4	2.4
_10	4.0	4.0
dont know	16.7	16.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,354	2,354

Table 346: v0600 – Now thinking in general about the performance of the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government which was in office over the past five years – 1997 to 2002. In general, how good or bad a job do you think it has done over the past five years? Has it done a (Note time period changes in each wave)

	YEAR			
v0600	**2002**	**2006**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
very good job	12.8	7.1	9.2	10.6
good job	67.2	53.4	48.1	59.2
bad job	12.5	28.3	28.3	20.1
very bad job	5.1	7.7	10.5	7.1
dontknow	2.3	0.0	3.9	2.2
dontknow	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,355	1,049	1,147	4,551

Table 347: v0600b – Now thinking in general about the performance of the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government which was in office over the past five years – 2002 to 2007. In general, how good or bad a job do you think it has done over the past five years? Has it done a (Note time period changes in each wave)

	YEAR	
last 5yr,good/bad job-fianna fail/pd	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
very good job	5.8	5.8
good job	50.4	50.4
bad job	18.2	18.2
very bad job	21.2	21.2
dont know	4.4	4.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	137	137

Table 348: v0601 – Thinking back to the party you voted for in the 1997 General Election, do you feel that that party did a good or a bad job over the last five years?

	YEAR	
v0601	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
very good job	13.8	13.8
good job	52.1	52.1
bad job	9.3	9.3
very bad job	1.3	1.3
voted for independent in 1997	1.7	1.7
didnt vote in 1997	11.7	11.7
dontknow	10.2	10.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,330	2,330

Table 349: v0611 – Thinking about how elections in Ireland work in practice, how well do you think they ensure that the views of voters are represented by TDs – very well, quite well, not very well, or not well at all?

	YEAR	
v0611	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
very well	7.3	7.3
quite well	52.2	52.2
not very well	26.9	26.9
not well at all	5.9	5.9
dont know	7.6	7.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,358	2,358

Table 350: v0612 – Would you say that any of the parties in Ireland represents your views reasonably well?

	YEAR		
v0612	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
yes	68.7	65.7	67.7
no	19.2	21.0	19.8
dont know	12.0	13.3	12.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,361	1,166	3,527

Table 351: v0613 – Which party represents your views best - 1st mention

v0613	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	56.5	54.9	56.0
fine gael	18.3	22.1	19.5
green party	5.7	5.7	5.7
labour	8.3	10.6	9.0
progressive democrats	5.2	2.2	4.2
sinn fein	4.5	3.7	4.2
other party	1.5	0.9	1.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,606	739	2,345

Table 352: v0614 – Which party represents your views best - 2nd mention

v0614	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	0.7	0.7
fine gael	20.3	20.3
green party	15.9	15.9
labour	19.6	19.6
progressive democrats	31.2	31.2
sinn fein	8.0	8.0
other party	4.3	4.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	138	138

Table 353: v0615 – Which party represents your views best - 3rd mention

v0615	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
green party	2.7	2.7
labour	24.3	24.3
progressive democrats	51.4	51.4
sinn fein	18.9	18.9
other party	2.7	2.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	37	37

Table 354: v0621 – During the election campaign, would you say there were major differences between the parties,minor differences or no differences at all?

	YEAR	
v0621	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	23.3	23.3
no	67.2	67.2
dont know	9.4	9.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,148	1,148

Table 355: v0622 – And were there any parties you would never vote for?

	YEAR	
v0622	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	72.2	72.2
no	27.8	27.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,139	1,139

Table 356: v0630 – I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Fianna Fail

	YEAR		
v0630	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
_0	1.2	1.2	1.2
_1	0.8	1.1	0.9
_2	2.2	2.2	2.2
_3	3.6	4.4	3.9
_4	6.0	5.8	5.9
_5	26.3	27.7	26.8
_6	12.4	11.6	12.1
_7	11.0	9.8	10.6
_8	7.6	8.7	8.0
_9	3.4	2.9	3.2
_10	5.0	5.6	5.2
dont know	20.5	19.0	20.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,604	1,241	3,845

Table 357: v0631 – I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Fine Gael

	YEAR		
v0631	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	0.7	0.8	0.7
_1	0.6	0.8	0.7
_2	1.5	1.4	1.4
_3	2.4	3.2	2.7
_4	5.9	6.2	6.0
_5	24.5	25.2	24.7
_6	12.8	14.1	13.2
_7	12.3	9.5	11.4
_8	6.3	7.8	6.8
_9	3.7	3.7	3.7
_10	4.0	4.6	4.2
dont know	25.4	22.6	24.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,595	1,238	3,833

Table 358: v0632 – I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Green Party

	YEAR		
v0632	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	0.5	0.8	0.6
_1	0.5	1.1	0.7
_2	1.4	1.0	1.3
_3	1.7	2.8	2.1
_4	3.9	4.7	4.2
_5	21.2	21.2	21.2
_6	8.9	10.4	9.4
_7	9.8	11.4	10.3
_8	7.9	8.8	8.2
_9	3.6	3.3	3.5
_10	3.4	4.0	3.6
dont know	37.2	30.5	35.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,585	1,232	3,817

Table 359: v0633 – I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Labour Party

	YEAR		
v0633	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	0.5	0.7	0.6
_1	0.5	0.4	0.4
_2	1.4	1.6	1.4
_3	2.0	2.7	2.2
_4	4.1	5.3	4.5
_5	18.8	19.9	19.1
_6	8.7	10.9	9.4
_7	12.9	12.6	12.8
_8	11.2	10.5	11.0
_9	6.2	4.5	5.6
_10	5.2	4.9	5.1
dont know	28.7	25.9	27.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,585	1,234	3,819

Table 360: v0634 – I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Progressive Democrats

	YEAR		
v0634	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	1.2	2.4	1.6
_1	1.0	2.3	1.4
_2	3.4	4.1	3.6
_3	4.2	6.2	4.9
_4	7.3	7.6	7.4
_5	24.3	21.8	23.5
_6	10.0	7.4	9.1
_7	9.0	7.0	8.4
_8	6.3	6.3	6.3
_9	2.8	2.3	2.6
_10	3.4	3.8	3.6
dont know	27.1	28.6	27.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,590	1,236	3,826

Table 361: v0635 – I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '1-0' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services. Where would you place the political parties on this scale? - Sinn Fein

	YEAR		
v0635	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	1.3	1.6	1.4
_1	0.6	1.1	0.8
_2	1.1	1.4	1.2
_3	1.7	2.4	1.9
_4	3.3	4.0	3.5
_5	18.9	17.2	18.3
_6	6.1	5.7	6.0
_7	6.8	9.3	7.6
_8	7.2	8.9	7.7
_9	4.4	3.4	4.1
_10	4.4	5.6	4.8
dont know	44.3	39.3	42.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,584	1,235	3,819

Table 362: v0640 – With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place Fianna Fail on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0640	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	7.3	6.0	6.9
_1	6.6	6.0	6.4
_2	10.3	8.8	9.8
_3	11.2	9.0	10.5
_4	11.7	9.2	10.9
_5	22.9	23.1	22.9
_6	5.2	6.4	5.6
_7	4.3	5.6	4.7
_8	3.1	3.8	3.3
_9	1.1	1.8	1.3
_10	1.5	2.7	1.9
dont know	14.7	17.8	15.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,623	1,243	3,866

Table 363: v0641 – With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place Fine Gael on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0641	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	3.6	2.2	3.2
_1	3.1	3.7	3.3
_2	5.5	7.2	6.0
_3	7.0	8.4	7.5
_4	9.6	10.0	9.7
_5	28.1	25.2	27.2
_6	8.9	7.8	8.6
_7	6.5	5.2	6.1
_8	3.8	4.3	4.0
_9	1.6	2.1	1.8
_10	2.1	2.6	2.3
dont know	20.0	21.3	20.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,616	1,242	3,858

Table 364: v0642 – With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place the Green Party on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0642	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	2.8	1.8	2.5
_1	2.0	3.0	2.3
_2	3.1	4.1	3.4
_3	4.6	6.6	5.2
_4	7.8	8.7	8.1
_5	24.0	22.9	23.6
_6	6.5	5.1	6.0
_7	4.9	5.7	5.2
_8	3.3	3.4	3.4
_9	1.4	1.3	1.4
_10	1.7	1.9	1.8
dont know	37.8	35.5	37.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,604	1,231	3,835

Table 365: v0643 – With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place the Labour Party on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0643	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	3.1	1.6	2.6
_1	2.2	2.4	2.3
_2	4.1	4.9	4.3
_3	6.2	7.5	6.6
_4	10.1	9.9	10.0
_5	27.3	26.1	27.0
_6	8.3	7.0	7.9
_7	4.7	5.3	4.9
_8	3.1	3.2	3.2
_9	1.1	1.6	1.3
_10	1.4	1.9	1.6
dont know	28.4	28.5	28.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,607	1,233	3,840

Table 366: v0644 – With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place the Progressive Democrats on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0644	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.4	2.5	3.8
_1	3.8	3.8	3.8
_2	6.2	5.2	5.9
_3	7.9	6.9	7.6
_4	10.4	7.7	9.5
_5	24.9	22.4	24.1
_6	7.1	6.4	6.9
_7	5.1	5.8	5.3
_8	3.3	3.7	3.4
_9	1.5	2.3	1.7
_10	1.9	3.3	2.3
dont know	23.4	29.9	25.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,607	1,231	3,838

Table 367: v0645 – With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place Sinn Fein on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0259	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	47.4	40.1	45.1
_1	17.4	15.9	16.9
_2	6.7	6.6	6.7
_3	2.3	3.0	2.5
_4	1.4	2.2	1.7
_5	5.5	5.8	5.6
_6	0.6	0.7	0.6
_7	0.4	1.1	0.6
_8	0.5	1.5	0.9
_9	0.9	1.8	1.2
_10	3.5	5.3	4.1
dont know	13.3	15.9	14.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,622	1,238	3,860

Table 368: v0650 – Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place Fianna Fail on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0650	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	11.9	6.6	9.3
_1	9.7	8.4	9.1
_2	13.2	11.7	12.5
_3	7.1	9.1	8.1
_4	5.2	6.4	5.8
_5	11.5	15.1	13.2
_6	4.0	5.4	4.7
_7	5.0	5.3	5.2
_8	6.7	5.0	5.9
_9	3.9	2.6	3.3
_10	5.5	3.4	4.5
dont know	16.4	20.9	18.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,330	1,248	2,578

Table 369: v0651 – Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place Fine Gael on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0651	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	7.8	4.6	6.3
_1	5.4	6.3	5.8
_2	9.8	9.8	9.8
_3	8.7	9.2	8.9
_4	8.6	8.6	8.6
_5	14.9	17.9	16.3
_6	4.8	5.4	5.1
_7	6.8	5.0	5.9
_8	5.6	3.5	4.6
_9	2.6	2.3	2.5
_10	2.3	2.6	2.4
dont know	22.7	24.9	23.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,324	1,251	2,575

Table 370: v0652 – Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place the Green Party on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0652	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	3.6	2.8	3.2
_1	2.3	4.7	3.5
_2	4.3	5.9	5.1
_3	5.4	7.1	6.2
_4	6.9	8.0	7.4
_5	16.9	18.3	17.6
_6	6.1	5.5	5.8
_7	8.0	6.2	7.1
_8	6.8	4.9	5.9
_9	3.6	2.0	2.8
_10	4.2	2.9	3.5
dont know	31.9	31.5	31.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,321	1,245	2,566

Table 371: v0653 – Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place the Labour Party on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0653	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.4	3.1	3.8
_1	2.4	3.6	3.0
_2	6.7	7.3	7.0
_3	7.5	8.1	7.8
_4	8.3	8.0	8.1
_5	19.1	20.4	19.8
_6	6.8	6.3	6.6
_7	7.6	5.7	6.7
_8	4.3	4.3	4.3
_9	1.4	1.5	1.4
_10	1.9	2.0	2.0
dont know	29.6	29.6	29.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,317	1,245	2,562

Table 372: v0654 – Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place the Progressive Democrats on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0654	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	7.9	4.7	6.3
_1	6.1	5.2	5.7
_2	10.5	9.4	10.0
_3	9.0	7.0	8.0
_4	5.8	6.9	6.3
_5	12.3	17.0	14.6
_6	4.7	5.0	4.8
_7	5.2	4.0	4.6
_8	5.8	3.9	4.9
_9	3.0	2.3	2.7
_10	2.8	3.1	3.0
dont know	26.8	31.5	29.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,324	1,246	2,570

Table 373: v0655 – Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independent from the European Union. Where would you place Sinn Fein on this scale?

	YEAR		
v0655	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.6	3.2	3.9
_1	2.9	3.3	3.1
_2	2.9	4.7	3.8
_3	4.4	4.5	4.5
_4	3.8	4.7	4.3
_5	12.2	13.4	12.8
_6	5.1	4.7	4.9
_7	5.6	4.9	5.3
_8	7.0	5.2	6.1
_9	4.8	5.6	5.2
_10	7.5	6.9	7.2
dont know	39.1	38.9	39.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,326	1,245	2,571

Table 374: v0670 – In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Fianna Fail

	YEAR		
v0670	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	0.9	1.4	1.1
_1	0.5	1.0	0.7
_2	0.7	1.3	0.9
_3	2.0	1.5	1.9
_4	4.1	3.2	3.8
_5	21.6	19.2	20.8
_6	10.3	9.6	10.1
_7	12.3	12.2	12.3
_8	11.3	12.3	11.6
_9	5.4	6.1	5.7
_10	7.4	9.0	7.9
dont know	23.3	23.1	23.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,351	1,145	3,496

Table 375: v0671 – In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Fine Gael

	YEAR		
v0671	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	1.6	1.1	1.4
_1	0.8	0.8	0.8
_2	1.4	1.9	1.6
_3	3.1	1.5	2.6
_4	5.1	5.3	5.2
_5	18.0	18.1	18.0
_6	13.3	12.9	13.2
_7	12.7	12.9	12.7
_8	10.1	10.8	10.3
_9	4.1	5.8	4.7
_10	4.0	4.7	4.2
dont know	25.8	24.2	25.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,350	1,119	3,469

Table 376: v0672 – In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Green Party

	YEAR		
v0672	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	2.3	2.0	2.2
_1	2.1	2.1	2.1
_2	6.0	6.1	6.0
_3	10.4	9.8	10.2
_4	10.8	16.7	12.7
_5	20.7	18.2	19.9
_6	5.8	7.5	6.4
_7	4.4	4.8	4.5
_8	2.1	2.9	2.4
_9	0.7	1.4	0.9
_10	0.7	1.4	0.9
dont know	34.0	27.2	31.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,346	1,110	3,456

Table 377: v0673 – In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Labour Party

	YEAR		
v0673	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.3	2.9	3.9
_1	4.9	3.6	4.5
_2	10.3	9.9	10.1
_3	16.2	14.5	15.7
_4	15.1	15.8	15.3
_5	13.1	14.4	13.5
_6	3.4	4.5	3.8
_7	2.3	4.5	3.0
_8	1.6	2.5	1.9
_9	0.5	0.8	0.6
_10	0.8	0.9	0.8
dont know	27.6	25.6	26.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,347	1,103	3,450

Table 378: v0674 – In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Progressive Democrats

	YEAR		
v0674	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	1.1	1.9	1.4
_1	0.9	1.2	1.0
_2	1.3	2.6	1.7
_3	2.9	2.9	2.9
_4	3.9	4.8	4.2
_5	16.7	11.1	14.9
_6	9.7	7.2	8.9
_7	13.8	11.2	13.0
_8	12.7	13.3	12.9
_9	4.9	8.7	6.1
_10	4.5	8.7	5.8
dont know	27.8	26.4	27.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,347	1,104	3,451

Table 379: v0675 – In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? - Sinn Fein

	YEAR		
v0675	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	10.4	9.6	10.1
_1	9.6	11.7	10.2
_2	11.6	14.7	12.6
_3	8.6	8.5	8.5
_4	5.7	7.3	6.2
_5	9.7	7.9	9.1
_6	2.6	2.0	2.4
_7	2.3	2.4	2.3
_8	1.3	2.0	1.5
_9	0.7	1.5	1.0
_10	1.9	2.6	2.1
dont know	35.7	29.8	33.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,348	1,106	3,454

Table 380: v0680 – Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party

	YEAR					
v0680	**2002** Col %	**2003** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	27.7	31.8	35.9	29.5	30.9	30.4
no	70.4	63.3	58.8	67.3	67.6	66.5
dont know	1.9	4.9	5.3	3.2	1.5	3.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,651	1,186	1,091	1,054	1,422	7,404

Table 381: v0681 – Which party is that - 1st mention

v0681	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	57.7	59.9	52.2	58.4	56.9
fine gael	23.3	22.6	26.2	23.3	23.9
green party	3.2	6.2	2.3	2.8	3.2
labour	7.1	10.2	9.5	9.2	8.5
progressive democrats	2.1	0.0	2.3	1.4	1.7
sinn fein	5.7	1.1	6.9	4.6	5.2
independent	0.6	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.3
other party	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	717	177	389	433	1,716

Table 382: v0682 – Which party is that - 2nd mention

v0682	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	18.0	12.5	15.8
fine gael	6.6	25.0	13.9
green party	11.5	12.5	11.9
labour	11.5	22.5	15.8
progressive democrats	24.6	15.0	20.8
sinn fein	19.7	10.0	15.8
independent	4.9	2.5	4.0
other party	3.3	0.0	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	61	40	101

Table 383: v0683 – Which party is that - 3rd mention

v0683	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
fine gael	0.0	22.2	12.5
green party	71.4	33.3	50.0
labour	28.6	22.2	25.0
sinn fein	0.0	22.2	12.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	7	9	16

Table 384: v0685 – Which party do you feel closest to, specify

v0685	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	26.7	0.0	16.2
fine gael	25.0	41.0	31.3
green party	6.7	20.5	12.1
labour	8.3	10.3	9.1
progressive democrats	10.0	15.4	12.1
sinn fein	18.3	10.3	15.2
independent	0.0	2.6	1.0
other party	5.0	0.0	3.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	60	39	99

Table 385: v0686 – Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?

v0686	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
very close	33.6	18.1	24.2	16.9	19.5	22.8
somewhat close	58.0	58.0	66.0	54.7	59.1	58.7
not very close	8.3	24.0	9.8	28.4	21.4	18.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	684	371	388	616	766	2,825

Table 386: v0687 – Do you feel a little closer to one of the political parties than the others

v0687	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Close	37.7	43.5	42.8	42.2	42.2	40.3
Somewhat close	56.3	51.6	50.9	24.5	57.8	52.8
Not very close	6.0	4.9	6.3	33.3	2.1	6.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,831	797	696	306	910	4,540

Table 387: v0688 – Which party do you feel a little closer to

v0688	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	55.3	36.0	25.0	56.5	47.5	46.2
fine gael	18.0	20.5	29.1	23.1	23.9	21.9
green party	7.3	9.4	8.1	2.9	9.6	7.5
labour	9.5	21.9	20.9	8.1	12.1	13.6
progressive democrats	5.0	7.6	4.1	2.6	1.6	4.4
sinn fein	3.7	4.4	11.1	6.8	5.0	5.6
independent	0.4	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.4
other party	0.9	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	684	342	296	308	322	1,952

Table 388: v0691 – Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Fianna Fail

v0691	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
_0	2.9	1.3	2.1
_1	1.9	1.5	1.7
_2	4.4	3.4	3.9
_3	3.7	5.4	4.5
_4	6.2	7.1	6.6
_5	24.6	20.7	22.7
_6	8.6	9.6	9.1
_7	10.7	12.9	11.8
_8	10.0	10.4	10.2
_9	3.8	3.8	3.8
_10	4.7	3.9	4.3
dont know	18.6	19.8	19.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,331	1,255	2,586

Table 389: v0692 – Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Fine Gael

	YEAR		
v0692	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	2.5	1.1	1.8
_1	1.6	1.4	1.5
_2	3.3	3.2	3.3
_3	4.2	5.7	4.9
_4	7.0	7.7	7.3
_5	25.9	21.4	23.7
_6	8.8	11.4	10.0
_7	10.5	12.7	11.6
_8	6.4	7.4	6.9
_9	2.5	2.2	2.4
_10	2.3	2.2	2.2
dont know	25.0	23.6	24.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,321	1,249	2,570

Table 390: v0693 – Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Green Party

	YEAR		
v0693	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	24.4	19.5	22.0
_1	15.3	18.3	16.8
_2	11.0	13.6	12.3
_3	6.4	6.1	6.3
_4	2.5	5.0	3.7
_5	8.9	8.1	8.5
_6	2.0	1.3	1.6
_7	2.3	2.7	2.5
_8	3.3	2.6	3.0
_9	2.7	2.4	2.6
_10	4.6	4.8	4.7
dont know	16.5	15.5	16.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,319	1,254	2,573

Table 391: v0694 – Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Labour Party

	YEAR		
v0694	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	2.3	1.3	1.8
_1	1.8	2.0	1.9
_2	3.3	5.2	4.2
_3	6.3	9.5	7.9
_4	9.9	11.5	10.7
_5	27.2	24.8	26.0
_6	8.3	6.8	7.6
_7	5.8	7.4	6.6
_8	5.0	3.8	4.4
_9	1.2	1.4	1.3
_10	1.6	1.4	1.5
dont know	27.2	24.9	26.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,318	1,251	2,569

Table 392: v0695 – Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Progressive Democrats

	YEAR		
v0695	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	3.1	1.4	2.3
_1	1.9	1.8	1.8
_2	3.6	4.1	3.8
_3	4.7	5.4	5.1
_4	6.6	7.3	6.9
_5	23.8	20.5	22.2
_6	8.7	5.4	7.1
_7	9.1	8.4	8.7
_8	7.0	8.1	7.5
_9	3.3	5.1	4.2
_10	2.6	4.6	3.6
dont know	25.8	27.9	26.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,322	1,252	2,574

Table 393: v0696 – Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES - Sinn Fein

	YEAR		
v0696	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_0	4.2	3.1	3.7
_1	2.8	2.6	2.7
_2	4.5	4.6	4.6
_3	5.4	7.4	6.4
_4	5.7	7.0	6.3
_5	20.7	20.1	20.4
_6	4.8	5.2	5.0
_7	3.9	5.0	4.4
_8	4.1	3.1	3.6
_9	1.4	1.7	1.5
_10	2.4	2.3	2.4
dont know	40.1	37.8	39.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,321	1,249	2,570

Table 394: v0700 – Thinking back over the last five years – the lifetime of the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the ECONOMY in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse? (Note in other waves the time period changes from previous 12 months to previous five years)

	YEAR					
v0700	**2002** Col %	**2003** Col %	**2004** Col %	**2006** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
got a lot better	42.9	1.8	6.2	24.1	31.3	26.0
got a little better	39.3	6.4	30.0	42.3	41.6	33.5
stayed the same	7.6	9.1	26.1	19.1	15.0	13.6
got a little worse	6.8	39.2	26.8	10.1	8.2	15.7
got a lot worse	2.3	43.2	10.4	3.9	3.2	10.5
dont know	1.2	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,657	1,189	1,100	1,052	1,431	7,429

Table 395: v0700b – Thinking about the economy in Ireland in the past twelve months, would you say that it has been ....

economy in ireland last 12mths	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
very good	12.4	12.4
good	52.2	52.2
neither good nor bad	24.3	24.3
bad	7.7	7.7
very bad	1.2	1.2
dont know	2.3	2.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,346	2,346

Table 396: v0701 – Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government

v0701	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
mainly due to policies of that govt	64.3	66.2	65.9	60.2	66.8	64.7
not mainly due to policies of that govt	35.7	33.8	34.1	39.8	33.2	35.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,618	1,185	1,093	1,033	1,401	7,330

Table 397: v0702 – Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

v0702	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
due equally to both parties	84.7	84.7
due mainly to the progressive democrats	2.8	2.8
due mainly to fianna fail	12.5	12.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,641	1,641

Table 398: v0703 – Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the ECONOMY better? - 1st mention

v0703	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
no other party	79.1	79.1
fine gael	12.3	12.3
labour	6.1	6.1
greens	0.9	0.9
sinn fein	1.6	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,558	2,558

Table 399: v0707 – Thinking back over the last two years – the lifetime of the Fianna Fail Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the ECONOMY in Ireland over that period of time (2002 - 2004) got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse?

v0707	YEAR 2004 Col %	Total Col %
got a lot better	2.8	2.8
got a little better	40.1	40.1
stayed the same	38.9	38.9
got a little worse	17.7	17.7
got a lot worse	0.5	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,090	1,090

Table 400: v0709 – Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled the economy better?

v0709	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
better	11.8	11.8
much the same	61.1	61.1
worse	27.1	27.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,248	1,248

Table 401: v0720 – How important is this issue of taxation and spending on health and social service TO YOU PERSONALLY

	YEAR		
v0720	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
very important	42.8	41.9	42.5
fairly important	47.9	47.9	47.9
not very important	7.2	8.3	7.5
not important at all	2.1	1.9	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,638	1,273	3,911

Table 402: v0721 – And how do you think the economy in Ireland will develop over the next 12 months? Will it....

	YEAR	
v0721	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
get a lot better	1.7	1.7
get a little better	16.9	16.9
stayed the same	29.6	29.6
get a little worse	36.7	36.7
get a lot worse	7.9	7.9
dont know	7.2	7.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,345	2,345

Table 403: v0722 – How does the financial situation of your household compare now with what it was 12 months ago? Has it...

	YEAR	
v0722	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
got a lot better	3.3	3.3
got a little better	27.5	27.5
stayed the same	43.1	43.1
got a little worse	19.9	19.9
got a lot worse	4.8	4.8
dont know	1.4	1.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,350	2,350

Table 404: v0723 – How do you think the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months? Will it....

v0723	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
get a lot better	2.0	2.0
get a little better	14.5	14.5
stayed the same	49.4	49.4
get a little worse	22.0	22.0
get a lot worse	4.1	4.1
dont know	8.1	8.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,350	2,350

Table 405: v0730 – Again thinking back to the last five years of the Fianna Fail - Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland over that period of time have got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period (note later waves have different time periods from 12 months to five years)

v0730	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
got a lot better	3.9	0.9	1.2	2.0	1.8	2.3
got a little better	23.3	7.1	10.2	9.8	22.0	16.6
stayed the same	21.9	18.4	18.8	18.0	18.1	19.6
got a little worse	23.1	24.9	25.6	24.7	23.4	24.1
got a lot worse	25.8	47.2	42.9	45.0	33.0	35.9
dont know	2.1	1.4	1.4	0.5	1.7	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,655	1,192	1,102	1,055	1,429	7,433

Table 406: v0731 – Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government

v0731	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
mainly due to policies of that govt	79.3	85.4	88.7	84.5	81.5	82.9
not mainly due to policies of that govt	20.7	14.6	11.3	15.5	18.5	17.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,589	1,174	1,091	1,046	1,395	7,295

Table 407: v0732 – Was this due equally to both parties in government - Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats or mainly due to Fianna Fail

	YEAR	
v0732	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
due equally to both parties	88.4	88.4
due mainly to the progressive democrats	1.8	1.8
due mainly to fianna fail	9.8	9.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,996	1,996

Table 408: v0733 – Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the HEALTH SERVICES better - 1st mention

	YEAR	
v0733	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
no other party	69.8	69.8
fine gael	13.4	13.4
labour	13.4	13.4
greens	1.4	1.4
sinn fein	2.0	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,524	2,524

Table 409: v0739 – Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled the health services better

	YEAR	
v0739	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
better	20.8	20.8
worse	62.7	62.7
same	16.5	16.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,254	1,254

Table 410: v0740 – During the last 12 months, did you or a family member go on a waiting list for or receive hospital treatment

v0740	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
due equally to both parties	39.5	39.5
due mainly to the progressive democrats	60.1	60.1
due mainly to fianna fail	0.5	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,292	1,292

Table 411: v0741 – Generally speaking how satisfied was your experience of the medical services

v0741	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
very satisfied	27.1	27.1
fairly satisfied	30.4	30.4
a little dissatisfied	13.7	13.7
very dissatisfied	28.2	28.2
dont know	0.6	0.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	510	510

Table 412: v0742 – During the last 12 months, did you or a family member have any contact with recent immigrants to Ireland

v0742	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
yes	41.0	41.0
no	58.2	58.2
dont know	0.8	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,291	1,291

Table 413: v0743 – Generally speaking, how would you evaluate this contact

v0743	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
very positively	36.3	36.3
fairly positively	47.6	47.6
a little negatively	9.1	9.1
very negatively	4.7	4.7
dont know	2.3	2.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	529	529

Table 414: v0750 – Again thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail - Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HOUSING SITUATION in Ireland over that period Fail time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period

v0750	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
got a lot better	12.8	17.0	14.2
got a little better	32.3	33.5	32.7
stayed the same	12.0	13.4	12.4
got a little worse	18.6	17.7	18.3
got a lot worse	20.4	14.2	18.4
dont know	4.0	4.2	4.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,651	1,289	3,940

Table 415: v0751 – Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government

v0751	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
mainly due to policies of that govt	72.8	75.2	73.6
not mainly due to policies of that govt	27.2	24.8	26.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,556	1,223	3,779

Table 416: v0752 – Was this due equally to both parties in government - Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats or mainly due to Fianna Fail

	YEAR	
v0752	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
due equally to both parties	90.2	90.2
due mainly to the progressive democrats	2.1	2.1
due mainly to fianna fail	7.7	7.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,797	1,797

Table 417: v0753 – Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled HOUSING better - 1st mention

	YEAR	
v0753	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
no other party	73.0	73.0
fine gael	10.8	10.8
labour	12.5	12.5
greens	1.7	1.7
sinn fein	2.0	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,492	2,492

Table 418: v0757 – Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handed the Housing Situation better

	YEAR	
v0757	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
got a lot better	16.5	16.5
got a little better	68.0	68.0
stayed the same	15.5	15.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,241	1,241

Table 419: v0758 – Do you think that house prices in Ireland will go up, stay the same or fall in the next year?

	YEAR	
v0758	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
will go up	15.2	15.2
stay the same	26.6	26.6
will fall	53.1	53.1
don't know	5.0	5.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,150	1,150

Table 420: v0770 – Again thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail - Progressive Democrat government, would you say that CRIME in Ireland over that period of time increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; decreased a little; or decreased a lot over that time

	YEAR		
v0770	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
increased a lot	56.0	55.0	55.6
increased a little	28.1	22.2	26.0
stayed the same	9.0	10.0	9.4
decreased a little	4.0	5.5	4.5
decreased a lot	0.9	6.4	2.8
dont know	2.0	0.9	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,648	1,424	4,072

Table 421: v0771 – Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government

	YEAR		
v0771	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
mainly due to policies of that govt	45.6	53.1	48.2
not mainly due to policies of that govt	54.4	46.9	51.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,588	1,388	3,976

Table 422: v0772 – Was this due equally to both parties in government - Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats or mainly due to Fianna Fail

	YEAR	
v0772	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
due equally to both parties	90.8	90.8
due mainly to the progressive democrats	1.6	1.6
due mainly to fianna fail	7.7	7.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,147	1,147

Table 423: v0773 – Which of the following parties, if any, would have handed CRIME better - 1st mention

	YEAR	
v0773	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
no other party	76.2	76.2
fine gael	13.0	13.0
labour	4.8	4.8
greens	0.8	0.8
sinn fein	5.1	5.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,487	2,487

Table 424: v0777 – Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handed crime better

	YEAR	
v0777	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
better	17.6	17.6
much the same	72.1	72.1
worse	10.3	10.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,252	1,252

Table 425: v0778 – During the last 12 months, did you or a family member seek assistance from the authorities over a crime committed in your home, in your neighbourhood, or at work?

	YEAR	
v0778	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
very important	13.2	13.2
fairly important	86.5	86.5
not very important	0.2	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,292	1,292

Table 426: v0779 – Generally speaking, how satisfied were you with this assistance?

	YEAR	
v0779	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
very satisfied	18.3	18.3
fairly satisfied	33.7	33.7
a little dissatisfied	15.4	15.4
very dissatisfied	32.0	32.0
dont know	0.6	0.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	169	169

Table 427: v0780 – Now turning to the problem of UNEMPLOYMENT. Thinking back over the last five years, the lifetime of the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that UNEMPLOYMENT in Ireland increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; fell a little or fell a lot over that period?

	YEAR	
v0780	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
increased a lot	5.5	5.5
increased a little	14.7	14.7
stayed the same	10.5	10.5
fell a little	28.5	28.5
fell a lot	38.6	38.6
dont know	2.2	2.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,360	2,360

Table 428: v0781 – Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

v0781	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
mainly due to the policies of that govt	64.7	64.7
not mainly due to policies of govt	35.3	35.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,315	2,315

Table 429: v0782 – Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

v0782	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
due equally to both parties	88.4	88.4
due mainly to the progessive democrats	4.2	4.2
due mainly to fianna fail	7.4	7.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,460	1,460

Table 430: v0783 – Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled UNEMPLOYMENT better? - 1st mention

v0783	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
no other party	76.0	76.0
fine gael	9.6	9.6
labour	11.6	11.6
greens	0.7	0.7
sinn fein	2.0	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,263	2,263

Table 431: v0800 – Again, thinking back over the last five years, during the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the COST OF LIVING in the country as a whole increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; fell a little or fell a lot over that period?

	YEAR	
v0800	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
increased a lot	72.6	72.6
increased a little	23.6	23.6
stayed the same	2.1	2.1
fell a little	0.6	0.6
fell a lot	0.0	0.0
dont know	1.0	1.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,360	2,360

Table 432: v0801 – Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

	YEAR	
v0801	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
mainly due to the policies of that govt	63.7	63.7
not mainly due to policies of govt	36.3	36.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,320	2,320

Table 433: v0802 – Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

	YEAR	
v0802	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
due equally to both parties	93.1	93.1
due mainly to the progessive democrats	1.2	1.2
due mainly to fianna fail	5.7	5.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,427	1,427

Table 434: v0803 – Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE COST OF LIVING? - 1st mention

	YEAR	
v0803	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
no other party	73.9	73.9
fine gael	10.9	10.9
labour	11.7	11.7
greens	1.4	1.4
sinn fein	2.0	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,251	2,251

Table 435: v0810 – Thinking back over the last five years, would you say that the LEVEL OF TAXATION in the country as a whole has increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; fell a little or fell a lot over that period?

	YEAR	
v0810	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
increased a lot	11.8	11.8
increased a little	20.7	20.7
stayed the same	11.9	11.9
fell a little	39.9	39.9
fell a lot	9.4	9.4
dont know	6.3	6.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,356	2,356

Table 436: v0811 – Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

	YEAR	
v0811	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
mainly due to the policies of that govt	88.8	88.8
not mainly due to policies of govt	11.2	11.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,251	2,251

Table 437: v0812 – Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

	YEAR	
v0812	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
due equally to both parties	81.8	81.8
due mainly to the progessive democrats	10.3	10.3
due mainly to fianna fail	7.8	7.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,915	1,915

Table 438: v0813 – Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE LEVEL OF TAXATION? - 1st mention

	YEAR	
v0813	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
no other party	79.0	79.0
fine gael	9.9	9.9
labour	8.6	8.6
green	0.8	0.8
sinn fein	1.8	1.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,222	2,222

Table 439: v0820 – Again, thinking back over the last five years, during the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government – would you say that TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT in Ireland got a lot worse; got a little worse; stayed the same; got a little better or got a lot better over that period?

	YEAR	
v0820	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
got a lot worse	70.3	70.3
got a little worse	20.4	20.4
stayed the same	3.5	3.5
got a little better	2.7	2.7
got a lot better	0.3	0.3
dont know	2.8	2.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,353	2,353

Table 440: v0821 – Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

v0821	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
mainly due to the policies of that govt	50.4	50.4
not mainly due to policies of govt	49.6	49.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,287	2,287

Table 441: v0822 – Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

v0822	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
due equally to both parties	92.7	92.7
due mainly to the progessive democrats	1.0	1.0
due mainly to fianna fail	6.3	6.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,110	1,110

Table 442: v0823 – Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT? - 1st mention

v0823	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
no other party	72.4	72.4
fine gael	9.1	9.1
labour	5.7	5.7
green	11.7	11.7
sinn fein	1.2	1.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,247	2,247

Table 443: v0840a – What do you think is the most important political problem facing Ireland today? - 1st level coding

most important issue facing Ireland 1	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
crime	16.5	16.5
NI	0.9	0.9
corruption	2.6	2.6
infrastructure	1.5	1.5
health	25.8	25.8
inflation	2.0	2.0
unemployment	5.8	5.8
taxes	0.6	0.6
environment	2.6	2.6
EU	0.6	0.6
immigration	8.6	8.6
economy	10.4	10.4
policy	2.1	2.1
rural	0.2	0.2
education	0.3	0.3
political	0.9	0.9
none	1.4	1.4
Other	7.3	7.3
missing	9.8	9.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,173	1,173

Table 444: v0840b – What do you think is the most important political problem facing Ireland today? - 2nd level coding

most important issue facing Ireland 2	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
crime - Drugs	30.1	30.1
crime - anti-Social	6.3	6.3
crime - Traffic	1.4	1.4
corruption - Tribunals	2.1	2.1
corruption - Planning	0.7	0.7
infrastructure - Roads	2.1	2.1
infrastructure - Transport	4.9	4.9
health - Hospitals	3.5	3.5
health - waiting times	1.4	1.4
inflation - living	9.1	9.1
taxes - stamp duty	0.7	0.7
env. - global warming	2.8	2.8
env. - water	0.7	0.7
immigration - jobs	1.4	1.4
immigration - people	4.2	4.2
economy - growth	7.7	7.7
policy - housing	14.7	14.7
policy - poverty	1.4	1.4
policy - welfare	0.7	0.7
political - parties	1.4	1.4
political - candidates	0.7	0.7
political stability	2.1	2.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	143	143

Table 445: v0840c – What do you think is the most important political problem facing Ireland today? - 3rd level coding

most important issue facing Ireland 3	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
crime - anti-Social - youth	5.3	5.3
crime - anti-Social - violence	26.3	26.3
crime - anti-Social - vandalism	5.3	5.3
corruption - Tribunals - anti	10.5	10.5
health - Hospitals - beds	5.3	5.3
health - waiting times	10.5	10.5
immigration - people - anti	21.1	21.1
political - parties -FF	10.5	10.5
political - candidates	5.3	5.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	19	19

Table 446: v0847 – How good or bad a job do you think the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government did over the past five years in terms of ____ [the Main issue mentioned at v0838 above].

v0847	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
very good job	11.9	11.9
good job	50.0	50.0
bad job	23.7	23.7
very bad job	9.6	9.6
dontknow	4.8	4.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,625	2,625

Table 447: v0848 – Thinking of the most important political problem facing Ireland which party do you think is best in dealing with it?

v0848	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	59.7	59.7
fine gael	21.2	21.2
green party	9.6	9.6
labour	4.4	4.4
progressive democrats	2.1	2.1
sinn fein	3.0	3.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,065	1,065

Table 448: v0849 – And the second most important political problem facing Ireland which party do you think is best in dealing with it

v0849	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	47.0	47.0
fine gael	26.3	26.3
green party	13.1	13.1
labour	6.8	6.8
progressive democrats	3.8	3.8
sinn fein	3.0	3.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,028	1,028

Table 449: v0850 – I would like to ask you about changes in the economy in the area around here since the general election 5 years ago in 1997. Do you think this area has been doing better than the rest of the country; the same as the rest of the country or worse than the rest of the country

	YEAR		
v0850	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
Better than rest of country	17.9	15.3	17.1
Same as rest of country	57.7	59.9	58.5
Worse than rest of country	24.4	24.8	24.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,631	1,280	3,911

Table 450: v0851 – Some people say that the government may spend money to improve local services or amenities in order to win additional support at the next election. How much sign have you seen of any additional spending in your local area. 5pt

	YEAR	
v0851	**2006**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
A great deal	4.9	4.9
Some signs	23.3	23.3
Not Much	40.2	40.2
None at All	29.0	29.0
Dont Know	2.7	2.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,049	1,049

Table 451: v0852 – Who is most responsible for any improvements in the economic situation around here over the last five years

	YEAR		
v0852	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
government policies in general	34.0	30.0	32.7
efforts of local tds	24.4	28.6	25.8
neither	23.2	21.5	22.6
have been no improvements around here	18.5	19.9	18.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,606	1,265	3,871

Table 452: **??**

	YEAR	
v0853	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
	7.1	7.1
	15.9	15.9
	11.5	11.5
	10.6	10.6
	12.4	12.4
	7.1	7.1
	17.7	17.7
	5.3	5.3
	3.5	3.5
	2.7	2.7
	4.4	4.4
	1.8	1.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	113	113

Table 453: **??**

	YEAR	
v0855	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
	50.0	50.0
	50.0	50.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2	2

Table 454: v0857b – Still thinking about the area around here, what is the most important problem for you personally - 2nd coding level

most important local issue - 2nd level coding	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Crime - Drugs	8.5	4.0	6.9
Crime - anti-Social	5.2	10.8	7.2
Crime - Police	1.2	2.5	1.7
Crime - Traffic	1.3	0.8	1.1
NI - Peace Process	0.1	0.0	0.1
Infrastructure - Roads	26.0	19.9	23.8
Infrastructure - Traffic	15.8	16.6	16.1
Infrastructure - Public Buildings	0.1	0.4	0.2
Infrastructure - Public Amenities	8.7	9.1	8.8
Infrastructure - Transport	6.6	8.7	7.4
Health - Hospitals	4.3	5.0	4.6
health - special treatments	0.0	0.6	0.2
inflation - housing	0.9	0.8	0.9
inflation - living	0.2	0.1	0.2
unemployment - jobs	0.0	2.8	1.0
unemployment - local industry	0.0	1.5	0.6
taxes - levels	0.0	0.3	0.1
env. - incinerators	2.1	0.3	1.4
env. - dumping	3.1	0.3	2.1
env. - water	3.3	3.6	3.4
env. - sewage	1.0	1.5	1.2
immigration - jobs	0.1	1.2	0.5
immigration - people	1.3	0.7	1.1
immigration - racism	0.0	0.1	0.1
policy - pensions	0.1	0.1	0.1
policy - housing	7.1	6.1	6.7
policy - childcare	0.8	0.6	0.7
policy - poverty	0.2	0.1	0.2
policy - welfare	0.2	0.1	0.2
rural - agriculture	1.2	0.1	0.8
rural - isolation	0.2	0.3	0.2
education - primary schools	0.1	0.1	0.1
education - secondary schools	0.1	0.1	0.1
education - third level	0.1	0.3	0.2
political - candidates	0.4	0.1	0.3
EU-euro	0.1	0.0	0.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,267	722	1,989

Table 455: v0857c – Still thinking about the area around here, what is the most important problem for you personally - 3rd coding level

most important local issue - 3rd level coding	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
Crime - anti-Social - youth	0.0	5.1	1.9
Crime - anti-Social - violence	1.8	0.6	1.4
Crime - anti-Social - vandalism	11.3	11.5	11.3
Crime - anti-Social - graffiti	0.4	3.8	1.6
Crime - Police - levels	0.0	7.6	2.8
Crime - Police - quality	0.0	0.6	0.2
Crime - Traffic - speed	1.1	1.3	1.2
Crime - Traffic - drink and drive	0.7	0.6	0.7
Infrastructure - Traffic -planning	1.5	0.0	0.9
Infrastructure - Traffic -congestion	22.9	0.0	14.6
Infrastructure - Public Buildings - schools	0.0	1.9	0.7
Infrastructure - Public Buildings - general	0.7	0.0	0.5
Infrastructure - Public Amenities - youth	22.5	27.4	24.3
Infrastructure - Public Amenities - shop/retail	1.8	1.9	1.9
Infrastructure - Public Amenities - green spaces	4.0	1.3	3.0
Infrastructure - Public Amenities - community centres	1.5	1.9	1.6
Infrastructure - Transport -air	0.4	0.0	0.2
Infrastructure - Transport - rail	0.4	0.6	0.5
Infrastructure - Transport - buses/metro	5.1	7.0	5.8
Infrastructure - Transport - light rail	0.4	0.0	0.2
Health - Hospitals - beds	0.0	0.6	0.2
Health - Hospitals - local closures	4.7	8.3	6.0
Health - Hospitals - A and E	1.1	0.6	0.9
Health - waiting times	0.7	1.3	0.9
health - special treatments - children	0.0	0.6	0.2
health - special treatments - others	0.0	1.3	0.5
unemployment - jobs - security	0.0	0.6	0.2
env. - incinerators - local	5.5	1.3	3.9
env. - water - drinking	0.0	5.1	1.9
env. - water - quality	5.5	4.5	5.1
immigration - people - anti	0.4	0.0	0.2
policy - pensions - public	0.0	0.6	0.2
education - primary schools - kids number	0.0	1.9	0.7
education - third level - IT	0.4	0.0	0.2
	5.5	0.0	3.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	275	157	432

Table 456: v0858 – Local problem - code

v0858	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
abortion	0.0	0.2	0.1
crime	7.4	9.4	8.1
drugs	3.7	2.3	3.2
northern ireland peace process	0.0	0.1	0.1
corruption & dishonesty in politics	0.0	0.0	0.0
traffic	8.7	10.2	9.2
health	3.4	9.5	5.4
inflation/rising prices	0.5	0.4	0.5
unemployment	9.0	6.3	8.1
taxes	0.0	0.1	0.1
environment	4.2	2.7	3.7
public transport	3.4	4.8	3.9
immigration	0.6	0.7	0.6
other	39.1	39.8	39.3
none/nothing(stated on q aire)	19.3	13.4	17.4
blank	0.5	0.2	0.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,650	1,282	3,932

Table 457: v0859 – Is there any one party better able to deal with this problem than the others

v0859	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
yes	25.7	30.0	27.2
no	74.3	70.0	72.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,086	1,080	3,166

Table 458: v0860 – Which party

v0860	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
fianna fail	47.0	50.3	48.2
fine gael	15.6	16.8	16.0
green party	13.3	9.5	11.9
labour	9.1	14.2	11.0
progressive democrats	2.7	1.6	2.3
sinn fein	8.4	6.3	7.6
independent	2.7	1.3	2.1
other party	1.3	0.0	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	526	316	842

Table 459: v0867 – Have you contacted any TDs from this constituency in the last 12 months

v0867	YEAR 2006 Col %	Total Col %
yes	17.5	17.5
no	82.5	82.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,056	1,056

Table 460: v0868 – Did you contact just one TD or more than one

v0868	YEAR 2006 Col %	Total Col %
just one	70.1	70.1
more than 1,all from same party	9.8	9.8
more than 1,are from different parties	20.1	20.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	184	184

Table 461: v0869 – Thinking of the next general election, would your experience of this contact influence your decision as to how you cast your first preference vote

	YEAR	
v0869	**2006**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
male	71.9	71.9
female	28.1	28.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	185	185

Table 462: v0870 – Have you contacted any TDs, Councillors or Senators from this constituency in the last 5 years

	YEAR	
v0870	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	30.3	30.3
no	68.7	68.7
dont know	1.0	1.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,651	2,651

Table 463: v0871 – contact with TDs/councillors/senators - 1st mention

	YEAR	
v0871	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
td	75.4	75.4
councillors	20.9	20.9
senators	3.7	3.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	790	790

Table 464: v0874 – Was this contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person - 1st mention

	YEAR	
v0874	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
letter	24.0	24.0
phone	33.1	33.1
clinic	36.7	36.7
through another person	6.3	6.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	780	780

Table 465: v0875 – Was this contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person - 2nd mention

	YEAR	
v0875	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
phone	57.9	57.9
clinic	36.5	36.5
through another person	5.7	5.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	159	159

Table 466: v0876 – Was this contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person - 3rd mention

	YEAR	
v0876	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
clinic	92.3	92.3
through another person	7.7	7.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	39	39

Table 467: v0877 – Was this contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person - 4th mention

v0877	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
through another person	100.0	100.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	9	9

Table 468: v0878 – Was this contact on your own behalf; on behalf of a friend or family member; or on behalf of a committee or organisation to which you belong - 1st mention

v0878	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
self	59.7	59.7
family/friend	23.1	23.1
committee/organisation	17.2	17.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	787	787

Table 469: v0879 – Was this contact on your own behalf; on behalf of a friend or family member; or on behalf of a committee or organisation to which you belong - 2nd mention

v0879	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
family/friend	46.9	46.9
committee/organisation	53.1	53.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	49	49

Table 470: v0880 – Was this contact on your own behalf; on behalf of a friend or family member; or on behalf of a committee or organisation to which you belong - 3rd mention

v0880	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
committee/organisation	100.0	100.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	5	5

Table 471: v0884 – If similar circumstances arose in the future, you think you would approach them or not?

	YEAR	
v0884	**2002**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	86.9	86.9
no	9.9	9.9
dont know	3.2	3.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	785	785

Table 472: v0885 – Before the 2002 General Election, the following promises were made by one or both of the parties who afterwards formed the government. For each of these, do you think the promise was fully met, partially met, or not met at all - A promise to increase the number of Gardai by 2000

	YEAR	
v0885	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
fully met	9.3	9.3
partially met	64.0	64.0
not met at all	20.4	20.4
dont know	6.4	6.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,163	1,163

Table 473: v0886 – Before the 2002 General Election, the following promises were made by one or both of the parties who afterwards formed the government. For each of these, do you think the promise was fully met, partially met, or not met at all - A promise to take those on the minimum wage out of the income tax net

	YEAR	
v0886	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
fully met	25.1	25.1
partially met	50.0	50.0
not met at all	15.5	15.5
dont know	9.5	9.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,153	1,153

Table 474: v0887 – Before the 2002 General Election, the following promises were made by one or both of the parties who afterwards formed the government. For each of these, do you think the promise was fully met, partially met, or not met at all - A promise to end waiting lists in hospitals

	YEAR	
v0887	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
fully met	1.2	1.2
partially met	25.4	25.4
not met at all	70.9	70.9
dont know	2.6	2.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,163	1,163

Table 475: v0888 – Before the 2002 General Election, the following promises were made by one or both of the parties who afterwards formed the government. For each of these, do you think the promise was fully met, partially met, or not met at all - A promise to ensure the average size of classes for children under 9 is less than 20

	YEAR	
v0888	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
fully met	1.0	1.0
partially met	24.8	24.8
not met at all	63.8	63.8
dont know	10.3	10.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,161	1,161

Table 476: v0889 – Interviewer judgement: How knowledgeable is the respondent about politics, on a scale of 1-5 where 1 is very little or no knowledge and 5 is very knowledgeable indeed?

	YEAR	
v0889	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
1	6.7	6.7
2	16.2	16.2
3	29.8	29.8
4	26.9	26.9
5	20.3	20.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,233	1,233

Table 477: v0890 – Can you tell me who was the leader of Fianna Fail during recent general election campaign

v0890	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
charlie mcreevy	0.9	0.9
brian cowen	0.1	0.1
charlie haughey	0.4	0.4
bertie ahern	98.6	98.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,598	2,598

Table 478: v0891 – The Green Party recently elected a leader. Who is it

v0891	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
patricia mckenna	2.9	2.9
john gormley	8.4	8.4
trevor sargent	85.6	85.6
roger garland	3.1	3.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,121	2,121

Table 479: v0892 – Who was leader of Fine Gael during recent campaign

v0892	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
jim mitchell	0.4	0.4
john bruton	3.4	3.4
michael noonan	95.9	95.9
alan dukes	0.3	0.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,505	2,505

Table 480: v0893 – Who was the Ceann Comhairle of Dáil 1997-2002

v0893	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
sean tracey	35.5	35.5
des o malley	5.4	5.4
sean doherty	9.5	9.5
seamus pattisson	49.6	49.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,847	1,847

Table 481: v0894 – Who is Ireland's EU Commissioner

v0894	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
david byrne	67.0	67.0
maire geoghan quinn	7.0	7.0
barry desmond	4.1	4.1
padraig flynn	22.0	22.0
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,997	1,997

Table 482: v0895 – Which Government Department received the most money in last year's budget

v0895	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
health	59.3	59.3
social welfare	29.0	29.0
foreign affairs	3.1	3.1
transport	8.5	8.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,219	1,219

Table 483: v0896 – Who was the Minister for Finance when the last Dáil was dissolved

v0896	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
charlie mccreevy	8.4	8.4
michael mcdowell	6.7	6.7
brian cowen	83.3	83.3
martin cullen	1.6	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,239	1,239

Table 484: v0897 – What was the approximate rate of consumer price inflation in Ireland at the end of 2006

v0897	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
1%	5.6	5.6
5%	83.0	83.0
15%	9.8	9.8
20%	1.6	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,176	1,176

Table 485: v0898 – Which was the first party to announce that it would cut the standard rate of tax in the 2007 campaign

v0898	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
pds	14.9	14.9
fine gael	42.6	42.6
fianna fail	17.9	17.9
labour	24.7	24.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,148	1,148

Table 486: v0899 – What was the approximate percentage of women in the last Dáil

	YEAR	
v0899	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
13%	82.8	82.8
21%	14.0	14.0
32%	2.7	2.7
40%	0.5	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,224	1,224

Table 487: v0900 – Sex of respondent

	YEAR		
v0900	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
male	47.2	49.3	47.9
female	52.8	50.7	52.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,367	1,167	3,534

Table 488: v0914 – Are you registered to vote at this address

	YEAR		
v0914	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
yes	95.6	93.9	95.1
no	3.9	5.7	4.5
dont know	0.5	0.0	0.3
dontknow	0.0	0.4	0.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,647	1,273	3,920

Table 489: v0915 – Are you registered to vote at another address

	YEAR		
v0915	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	80.6	70.6	76.6
no	16.5	25.0	19.9
dont know	2.9	0.0	1.8
dontknow	0.0	4.4	1.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	103	68	171

Table 490: v0917 – Could I ask about your marital status

	YEAR		
v0917	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
married	58.9	62.7	60.1
separated	3.3	4.3	3.6
divorced	0.8	2.3	1.3
widowed	7.7	6.6	7.4
never married	29.3	24.1	27.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,653	1,290	3,943

Table 491: v0918 – Are you currently living with your husband/wife

	YEAR		
v0918	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	97.2	97.7	97.4
no	2.8	2.3	2.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,522	798	2,320

Table 492: v0919 – Are you currently living with another partner

	YEAR		
v0919	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	11.5	20.0	13.9
no	88.5	80.0	86.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	26	10	36

Table 493: v0920 – Are you currently living with a partner

	YEAR		
v0920	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	8.6	10.7	9.3
no	91.4	89.3	90.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	985	458	1,443

Table 494: v0921 – Which of the following best describes the highest level of education you have completed to date.

	YEAR		
v0921	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
none	0.9	1.2	1.0
completed primary	20.6	19.9	20.4
junior/inter group or eqiv	19.9	18.4	19.4
leaving cert or equiv	26.2	24.1	25.5
diploma or certificate	16.7	16.2	16.5
university degree of equivalent	15.7	20.1	17.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,654	1,285	3,939

Table 495: v0922 – During the last five years have you been unemployed and seeking work? By unemployed I mean available for and actively seeking work in contrast, for example, to someone who is engaged in home duties.

	YEAR		
v0922	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	12.6	11.3	12.2
no	87.4	88.7	87.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,528	1,265	3,793

Table 496: v0924 – Which of the following best describes your employment situation

	YEAR		
v0924	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
at work full-time(30+ hrs)	46.9	45.7	46.5
at work part-time(<30hrs)	11.3	13.4	12.0
relative assisting/unpaid family worker	0.6	0.5	0.5
unemployed and seeking work	3.5	3.0	3.3
student	4.2	0.9	3.2
retired	14.4	17.7	15.5
engaged in home duties	15.6	13.4	14.9
long term sick or disabled	2.9	4.2	3.3
other	0.5	1.3	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,646	1,286	3,932

Table 497: v0926 – Did you ever work at any time in past, even if not currently working now

	YEAR		
v0926	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	77.6	83.2	79.4
no	22.4	16.8	20.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	1,029	489	1,518

Table 498: v0933 – Do/did you work in public or private sector

v0933	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
civil service	9.1	9.8	9.4
local authority health board or vec	11.3	12.7	11.8
non-commercial semi-state body	3.0	3.6	3.2
commercial semi-state body	4.5	4.0	4.3
private sector	72.1	70.0	71.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,287	1,113	3,400

Table 499: v0934 – Are/were you self-employed or are you an employee

v0934	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
self employed	17.1	19.1	17.7
employee	82.9	80.9	82.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,300	1,122	3,422

Table 500: v0935 – How many people do/did you employ, including yourself

YEAR	Mean Mean	Sd SD
2002 (n=2,665)	10.16	87.84
2007 (n=1,435)	21.36	239.15
Total (n=7,455)	13.98	156.64

Table 501: v0936 – Are/were you a member of any trade union at this time

v0936	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
yes	34.9	37.5	35.7
no	65.1	62.5	64.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,326	1,149	3,475

Table 502: v0937 – Do/did you supervise any other workers in your job

	YEAR		
v0937	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	32.7	36.1	33.9
no	67.3	63.9	66.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,269	1,142	3,411

Table 503: v0938 – Approximately how many do you supervise?

YEAR	**Mean** Mean	**Sd** SD
2002 (n=2,665)	17.85	69.36
2007 (n=1,435)	17.42	51.13
Total (n=7,455)	17.70	63.38

Table 504: v0939 – How worried are you that you might become unemployed in the next year

	YEAR		
v0939	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
very worried	4.2	2.7	3.7
somewhat worried	6.7	5.4	6.2
a little worried	10.5	9.1	10.0
not at all worried	78.6	82.9	80.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,108	1,157	3,265

Table 505: v0942 – Father's occupation code

v0942	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
higher service	10.6	10.6
lo service	22.9	22.9
routine nonmanual	16.2	16.2
sempl with empl	3.8	3.8
sempl no empl	2.7	2.7
manual supervis	3.4	3.4
skilled manual	7.4	7.4
semi-unskilld manual	22.1	22.1
farm labor	1.8	1.8
selfempl farm	8.9	8.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,498	2,498

Table 506: v0943 – With regard to your accommodation could you tell me if it is

v0943	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
owner without a mortagage or loan	49.9	49.5	49.8
owner with a mortage or loan	33.2	32.7	33.0
local authority tenant	5.7	5.5	5.6
private tenant	6.6	7.2	6.8
other	4.6	5.1	4.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,607	1,270	3,877

Table 507: v0945 – During the last five years has your partner been unemployed and seeking work? By unemployed I mean available for and actively seeking work in contrast, for example, to someone who is engaged in home duties

v0945	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
yes	9.8	9.8
no	90.2	90.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	803	803

Table 508: v0947 – Which of the following best describes your partner's present situation with regard to employment

v0947	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
at work full-time(30+ hrs)	48.0	48.0
at work part-time(<30hrs)	11.0	11.0
relative assisting/unpaid family worker	0.8	0.8
unemployed and seeking work	1.6	1.6
student	0.5	0.5
retired	15.6	15.6
engaged in home duties	17.7	17.7
long term sick or disabled	3.4	3.4
other	1.3	1.3
Total	100.0	100.0
N	825	825

Table 509: v0949 – Did you partner ever work at any time in the past, even if not currently now

v0949	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
yes	78.8	78.8
no	21.2	21.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	302	302

Table 510: v0955 – Do/did your partner work in the public or private sector

v0955	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
several times a week	10.6	10.6
once a week	11.2	11.2
2 or 3 times a month	3.8	3.8
once a month	4.8	4.8
several times a year	69.6	69.6
Total	100.0	100.0
N	708	708

Table 511: v0956 – Is was your partner self-employed (including farmer) or is/ was so/he an employee

	YEAR	
v0956	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
self employed	17.9	17.9
employee	82.1	82.1
Total	100.0	100.0
N	700	700

Table 512: v0957 – How many people does/did your partner employ including him/herself

YEAR	**Mean**	**Sd**
	Mean	SD
2007 (n=1,435)	4.22	10.58
Total (n=7,455)	4.22	10.58

Table 513: v0958 – Is/was your partner a member of any trade union [at this time]?

	YEAR	
v0958	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	37.8	37.8
no	62.2	62.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	670	670

Table 514: v0959 – Do/did you partner normally supervise any other workers in their job

	YEAR	
v0959	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %
yes	33.6	33.6
no	66.4	66.4
Total	100.0	100.0
N	675	675

Table 515: v0960 – Approximately how many does/die he/he supervise

YEAR	**Mean** Mean	**Sd** SD
2007 (n=1,435)	13.70	23.85
Total (n=7,455)	13.70	23.85

Table 516: v0961 – Do you belong to any religious denomination

	YEAR		
v0961	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	91.6	87.2	90.1
no	8.1	12.2	9.5
dont know	0.3	0.6	0.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,642	1,288	3,930

Table 517: v0963 – Which religious denomination? - code

	YEAR		
v0963	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
catholic	95.3	94.0	94.9
protestant	3.9	5.0	4.3
muslim	0.3	0.1	0.2
	0.0	0.4	0.1
other	0.5	0.6	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,334	1,087	3,421

Table 518: v0964 – How often nowadays do you attend religious services

v0964	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
several times a week	9.1	10.0	9.4
once a week	51.1	47.9	50.1
2 or 3 times a month	8.5	9.1	8.7
once a month	5.6	5.1	5.4
several times a year	12.1	14.3	12.8
once a year	5.3	5.1	5.2
less frequently	4.3	4.0	4.2
never	3.1	2.8	3.0
refused	0.2	0.0	0.1
dont know	0.2	0.1	0.2
no answer	0.4	1.6	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,414	1,120	3,534

Table 519: v0965 – Have you ever lived outside the Republic of Ireland continuously for two years or more?

v0965	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
no	79.1	78.2	78.8
yes	20.9	21.8	21.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,638	1,278	3,916

Table 520: v0967a – Which party did your father vote for or did he vote for various different parties - 2002 - 2006

how did you father vote 02-06	YEAR 2002 Col %	2003 Col %	2004 Col %	2006 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
dont know	27.7	16.6	19.3	19.2	19.9	21.9
fianna fail	40.5	43.2	40.6	40.5	43.2	41.5
fine gael	18.4	19.0	20.1	20.6	19.2	19.2
labour	5.8	6.4	6.3	8.9	7.9	6.8
progressive democrats	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
sinn fein	1.3	1.3	1.6	1.3	1.1	1.3
workers party/democratic left	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2
clann na poblachta	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3
clann na talmhan	0.2	0.3	1.4	1.5	0.3	0.6
voted for different parties	2.4	10.5	0.1	0.4	3.9	3.4
other	1.1	0.6	9.1	6.0	2.2	3.1
did not vote	2.0	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.6	1.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,582	1,180	1,074	1,049	1,388	7,273

Table 521: v0967b – Which party did your father vote for or did he vote for various different parties - 2007

how did you father vote 07	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
dont know	12.5	12.5
fianna fail	45.6	45.6
fine gael	18.4	18.4
labour	11.8	11.8
clann na poblachta	0.7	0.7
clann na talmhan	0.7	0.7
voted for different parties	6.6	6.6
other	2.2	2.2
did not vote	1.5	1.5
Total	100.0	100.0
N	136	136

Table 522: v0968 – Would you say he was a very strong supporter of this party

v0968	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
yes	65.2	65.2
no	34.8	34.8
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,600	1,600

Table 523: v0970 – Which party did your mother vote or did she vote for various different parties

v0970	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
dont know	29.6	29.6
fianna fail	39.5	39.5
fine gael	19.1	19.1
labour	4.3	4.3
progressive democrats	0.1	0.1
sinn fein	0.7	0.7
workers party/democratic left	0.1	0.1
clann na poblachta	0.1	0.1
clann na talmhan	0.2	0.2
voted for different parties	2.9	2.9
other	1.1	1.1
did not vote	2.2	2.2
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,570	2,570

Table 524: v0971 – Would you say she was a very strong supporter of this party

v0971	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
yes	57.1	57.1
no	42.9	42.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	1,557	1,557

Table 525: v0972 – Are you a citizen of Ireland

	YEAR		
v0972	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
yes	98.6	98.4	98.5
no	1.4	1.6	1.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,647	1,277	3,924

Table 526: v0977 – Are you or your partner the head of your household

	YEAR		
v0977	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
head	56.9	64.9	59.4
partner head	41.7	18.7	34.4
joint head	1.4	9.4	3.9
other head	0.0	7.0	2.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,635	1,228	3,863

Table 527: v0980 – Is he/she self employed

	YEAR		
v0980	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
self-employed	38.4	37.5	38.3
employee	61.6	62.5	61.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	988	80	1,068

Table 528: v0981 – How many people does she/he employ including yourself

YEAR	**Mean** Mean	**Sd** SD
2002 (n=2,665)	3.53	8.91
2007 (n=1,435)	2.79	5.45
Total (n=7,455)	3.47	8.70

Table 529: v0982 – Does he/she normally supervise any other workers in his/her job

	YEAR		
v0982	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
yes	31.3	35.5	31.6
no	68.7	64.5	68.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	933	62	995

Table 530: v0983 – Approximately how many do he/she supervise?

YEAR	**Mean**	**Sd**
	Mean	SD
2002 (n=2,665)	16.29	40.22
2007 (n=1,435)	17.07	24.99
Total (n=7,455)	16.34	39.50

Table 531: v0984 – I would like to ask about the approximate level of net household income? This means the total income, after tax, PRSI and other statutory deductions, of all members of the household. It includes all types of income: income from employment, social welfare payments, child benefit, rents, interest, pensions etc. We would just like to know into which of four broad groups the total income of your household falls. I'd like to assure you once again that all information you give me is entirely confidential

	YEAR		
v0984	**2002**	**2007**	**Total**
	Col %	Col %	Col %
a:under _240 p/w	16.7	10.7	14.7
b:_241-_450 p/w	30.8	21.3	27.7
c:_'451-_700 p/w	26.3	23.7	25.4
d:_701 or more p/w	26.2	22.2	24.9
'1,000 or more p/w	0.0	22.1	7.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,334	1,142	3,476

Table 532: v0985 – Income under 240 Euro p/w

	YEAR		
v0985	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
under _100 p/w	6.2	9.5	7.0
_100-_150 p/w	26.8	10.3	22.9
_151-_200 p/w	31.6	35.3	32.5
_201-_240 p/w	35.4	44.8	37.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	373	116	489

Table 533: v0986 – Income 241 - 450 Euro p/w

	YEAR		
v0986	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_241-_280 p/w	23.7	21.6	23.2
_281-_350 p/w	29.7	24.7	28.5
_351-_400 p/w	23.1	23.8	23.3
_401-_450 p/w	23.5	29.9	25.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	693	231	924

Table 534: v0987 – Income 451 - 700 Euro p/w

	YEAR		
v0987	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
_451-_500 p/w	24.7	20.2	23.3
_501-_570 p/w	22.4	24.1	23.0
_571-_630 p/w	23.5	28.8	25.1
_631-_700 p/w	29.4	26.8	28.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	588	257	845

Table 535: v0988 – Income over 701 Euro p/w

v0988	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
_701-_825 p/w	28.7	28.9	28.8
_826-_950 p/w	21.0	23.0	21.6
_951-_1200 p/w	23.5	24.7	23.8
_1201 or more p/w	26.8	23.4	25.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	571	235	806

Table 536: v0989 – Income over 800 Euro p/w

v0989	YEAR 2007 Col %	Total Col %
1001-1394 p/w	44.5	44.5
1395-1730 p/w	22.9	22.9
1731-1923 p/w	12.7	12.7
1924 or more p/w	19.9	19.9
Total	100.0	100.0
N	236	236

Table 537: v0990 – Could you tell me how many persons living in the household are aged less than 14 years.

v0990	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
0	68.6	73.1	70.1
1	13.8	10.7	12.8
2	11.0	9.5	10.5
3	5.0	4.9	4.9
4	1.1	1.4	1.2
5	0.3	0.3	0.3
6	0.2	0.0	0.1
7	0.0	0.1	0.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,644	1,250	3,894

Table 538: v0991 – Could you tell me how many persons living in the household are aged between 14 to less than 18 years.

	YEAR		
v0991	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
0	78.6	84.9	80.6
1	15.3	10.3	13.7
2	5.7	4.2	5.2
3	0.3	0.6	0.4
4	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,646	1,248	3,894

Table 539: v0992 – Could you tell me how many persons living in the household are aged 18 years or more.

	YEAR		
v0992	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
0	0.7	0.3	0.6
1	11.6	15.4	12.9
2	45.0	52.2	47.4
3	21.4	17.6	20.1
4	13.1	9.5	11.9
5	5.4	4.0	4.9
6	1.9	0.7	1.5
7	0.6	0.1	0.4
8	0.2	0.1	0.2
10	0.0	0.1	0.1
13	0.0	0.1	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.1	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,649	1,280	3,929

Table 540: v0993 – Total in the household (Sum of v0990 - v0992)

	YEAR		
v0993	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
0	0.2	0.0	0.1
1	9.5	12.7	10.5
2	23.7	32.2	26.4
3	19.4	18.8	19.2
4	22.0	19.0	21.0
5	14.0	10.1	12.7
6	6.3	4.4	5.7
7	3.0	1.5	2.5
8	1.5	1.0	1.3
9	0.2	0.2	0.2
10	0.2	0.0	0.1
11	0.1	0.0	0.1
12	0.0	0.1	0.0
13	0.0	0.1	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.1	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,650	1,280	3,930

Table 541: v0994 – Total in the household (reported)

	YEAR		
v0994	**2002** Col %	**2007** Col %	**Total** Col %
0	0.3	0.0	0.2
1	9.5	12.6	10.5
2	23.6	32.3	26.4
3	19.3	18.7	19.1
4	21.9	18.8	20.9
5	14.0	10.3	12.8
6	6.3	4.4	5.7
7	3.0	1.5	2.5
8	1.5	1.0	1.4
9	0.2	0.2	0.2
10	0.2	0.0	0.1
11	0.1	0.0	0.1
12	0.0	0.1	0.0
13	0.0	0.1	0.1
19	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.1	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,647	1,249	3,896

Table 542: v0995 – Size of location in which household is situated

v0995	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
open country	39.2	36.8	38.4
village (200-1499)	8.4	7.4	8.1
town (1500-2999)	3.2	3.0	3.2
town (3000-4999)	1.7	2.6	2.0
town (5000-9999)	5.4	4.1	5.0
town (10000 or more)	13.5	15.5	14.1
waterford city	0.6	0.8	0.7
galway city	1.0	1.2	1.0
limerick city	2.8	3.6	3.1
cork city	2.1	2.0	2.1
dublin city	16.6	20.5	17.9
dublin county	5.6	2.4	4.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,592	1,281	3,873

Table 543: v0996 – Are you a member of the GAA

v0996	YEAR 2002 Col %	Total Col %
yes	17.3	17.3
no	82.7	82.7
Total	100.0	100.0
N	2,631	2,631

Table 544: v1001 – Number of FF candidates in the constituency

number,fianna fail candids-constituency	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
2	44.2	46.4	44.9
3	48.4	49.9	48.9
4	7.4	3.7	6.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,663	1,435	4,098

Table 545: v1002 – Number of FG candidates in the constituency

number,fine gael candids-constituency	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
1	14.8	24.7	18.3
2	59.3	30.7	49.3
3	22.6	37.1	27.6
4	3.3	7.5	4.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,663	1,435	4,098

Table 546: v1003 – Number of Green candidates in the constituency

number,green party candids-constituency	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
1	100.0	98.0	99.2
2s	0.0	2.0	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,087	1,435	3,522

Table 547: v1004 – Number of Labour candidates in the constituency

number,labour candids-constituency	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
1	81.8	83.6	82.4
2	14.7	16.4	15.3
3	3.6	0.0	2.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,434	1,435	3,869

Table 548: v1006 – Number of SF candidates in the constituency

number,sinn fein candids-constituency	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
0	0.0	6.4	2.5
1	93.2	90.3	92.1
2	6.8	3.3	5.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,222	1,435	3,657

Table 549: v1007 – Number independent candidates

number,independent candids-constituency	YEAR 2002 Col %	2007 Col %	Total Col %
0	0.0	20.9	7.8
1	30.7	22.2	27.5
2	12.6	24.7	17.1
3	29.0	23.9	27.1
4	13.7	7.7	11.4
5	10.9	0.6	7.1
6	3.1	0.0	1.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
N	2,420	1,435	3,855

5 Variable Detail List

Table 550: Variable Detail List

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
id	Respondent ID						id
ines	Year of survey						ines
v0001	Candidate call to your home	a3_1a				a1a	v0001
v0002	Candidate or Party contact you	do7					v0002
v0003	Which candidate	a3_1b1				a1b1	v0003
v0004	party	a3_1c1					v0004
v0005	Which candidate	a3_1b2				a1b2	v0005
v0006	party	a3_1c2					v0006
v0007	Which candidate	a3_1b3				a1b3	v0007
v0008	party	a3_1c3					v0008
v0009	Which candidate	a13_1b4				a1b4	v0009
v0010	party	a3_1c4					v0010
v0011	Which candidate	a3_1b5				a1b5	v0011
v0012	party	a3_1c5					v0012
v0013	Which candidate	a3_1b6				a1b6	v0013
v0014	party	a3_1c6					v0014
v0015	Did party worker or rep of independent candidate contact	a3_2a				a2a	v0015
v0017	From which parties	a3_2b1				a2b1	v0017

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0018	From which parties	a3_2b2				a2b2	v0018
v0019	From which parties	a3_2b3				a2b3	v0019
v0020	From which parties	a3_2b4				a2b4	v0020
v0021	From which parties	a3_2b5				a2b5	v0021
v0022	From which parties	a3_2b6				a2b6	v0022
v0023	From which parties - other	a3_2bot				a2bot	v0023
v0024	Number of parties contacted you					a2b	v0024
v0025	Did party worker or rep of independent phone	a3_3a				a3a	v0025
v0026	From which parties	a3_3b1				a3b1	v0026
v0027	From which parties	a3_3b2				a3b2	v0027
v0028	From which parties	a3_3b3				a3b3	v0028
v0029	From which parties	a3_3b4				a3b4	v0029

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0030	From which parties	a3_3b5				a3b5	v0030
v0031	From which parties	a3_3b6				a3b6	v0031
v0032	From which parties	a3_3bot				a3bot	v0032
v0034	Did you read election leaflets	a4					v0034
v0035	Did you look at ads	a5					v0035
v0036	Did you attend public meetings	a6					v0036
v0037	Did you look at candi-dates' posters	a7					v0037
v0038	Did you see infor-mation on the internet	a8					v0038
v0039	Did you discuss with fam-ily/friends	a9					v0039
v0040	Is being contacted helpful	a10					v0040
v0041	Did you persuade others	do3					v0041

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0042	How often did you persuade	do4					v0042
v0043	Did you show your support	do5					v0043
v0044	How often did you do this	do6					v0044
v0048	How closely did you follow					a4	v0048
v0049	Which newspapers for political information - IT					a5_1	v0049
v0050	Which newspapers for political information - Indo					a5_2	v0050
v0051	Which newspapers for political information Examiner					a5_3	v0051
v0052	Which newspapers for political information - Star					a5_4	v0052

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0053	Which newspapers for political information Herald					a5_5	v0053
v0054	Which newspapers for political information - Sun					a5_6	v0054
v0055	Which newspapers for political information - None					a5_7	v0055
v0056	Which newspapers for political information - Other					a5_8	v0056
v0057	Which newspapers for political information - Other specify					a5_8sp	v0057
v0058	How often do you watch TV news					a6_1	v0058

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0059	How often do you read a newspaper					a6_2	v0059
v0060	How often do you listen national radio news					a6_3	v0060
v0061	How often do you listen local radio news					a6_4	v0061
v0062	How often do you browse online for news					a6_5	v0062
v0063	Do you trust political information - newspaper					a7_1	v0063
v0064	Do you trust political information - TV					a7_2	v0064
v0065	Do you trust political information - radio					a7_3	v0065
v0066	Do you trust political information - internet					a7_4	v0066

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0070	Main reason you did not vote - code	b22mrnvt					v0070
v0071	Other reason did not vote - code	b23ornvt					v0071
v0072	Did you vote in the general election					b1	v0072
v0072a	Did you vote in the general election	b1					v0072a
v0073	Did you vote in this constituency or another	b2a				b2a	v0073
v0074	Which constituency did you vote -02	b3					v0074
v0074a	If other which one - 02	b2b					v0074a
v0074b	If other which one - 07					b2b	v0074b
v0075	If had voted which one					b3	v0075
v0076	Please fill in ballot paper	ballotq				ballotq	v0076

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0077	Preference given to first name on ballot	bp1a				pref1	v0077
v0078	First name on ballot	bp1b				name1	v0078
v0079	Candidate code of first name on ballot	bp1c				candcodex1	v0079
v0080	Party of first name on ballot	bp1d				party1	v0080
v0081	Preference given to second name on ballot	bp2a				pref2	v0081
v0082	second name on ballot	bp2b				name2	v0082
v0083	Candidate code of second name on ballot	bp2c				candcodex2	v0083
v0084	Party of second name on ballot	bp2d				party2	v0084
v0085	Preferrence given to third name on ballot	bp3a				pref3	v0085
v0086	third name on ballot	bp3b				name3	v0086

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0087	Candidate code of third name on ballot	bp3c				candcodex3	v0087
v0088	Party of third name on ballot	bp3d				party3	v0088
v0089	Preference given to fourth name on ballot	bp4a				pref4	v0089
v0090	fourth name on ballot	bp4b				name4	v0090
v0091	Candidate code of fourth name on ballot	bp4c				candcodex4	v0091
v0092	Party of fourth name on ballot	bp4d				party4	v0092
v0093	Preference given to fifth name on ballot	bp5a				pref5	v0093
v0094	fifth name on ballot	bp5b				name5	v0094
v0095	Candidate code of fifth name on ballot	bp5c				candcodex5	v0095
v0096	Party of fifth name on ballot	bp5d				party5	v0096

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0097	Preference given to sixth name on ballot	bp6a				pref6	v0097
v0098	sixth name on ballot	bp6b				name6	v0098
v0099	Candidate code of sixth name on ballot	bp6c				candcodex6	v0099
v0100	Party of sixth name on ballot	bp6d				party6	v0100
v0101	Preference given to seventh name on ballot	bp7a				pref7	v0101
v0102	seventh name on ballot	bp7b				name7	v0102
v0103	Candidate code of seventh name on ballot	bp7c				candcodex7	v0103
v0104	Party of seventh name on ballot	bp7d				party7	v0104
v0105	Preference given to eighth name on ballot	bp8a				pref8	v0105

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0106	eighth name on ballot	bp8b				name8	v0106
v0107	Candidate code of eighth name on ballot	bp8c				candcodex8	v0107
v0108	Party of eighth name on ballot	bp8d				party8	v0108
v0109	Preference given to ninth name on ballot	bp9a				pref9	v0109
v0110	ninth name on ballot	bp9b				name9	v0110
v0111	Candidate code of ninth name on ballot	bp9c				candcodex9	v0111
v0112	Party of ninth name on ballot	bp9d				party9	v0112
v0113	Preference given to tenth name on ballot	bp10a				pref10	v0113
v0114	tenth name on ballot	bp10b				name10	v0114

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0115	Candidate code of second name on ballot	bp10c				candcodex10	v0115
v0116	Party of tenth name on ballot	bp10d				party10	v0116
v0117	Preference given to eleventh name on ballot	bp11a				pref11	v0117
v0119	Candidate code of eleventh name on ballot	bp11c				cancodex11	v0119
v0119	Name of eleventh name on ballot	bp11b				name11	v0119
v0120	Party of eleventh name on ballot	bp11d				party11	v0120
v0121	Preference given to twelvth name on ballot	bp12a				pref12	v0121
v0122	twelvth name on ballot	bp12b				name12	v0122
v0123	Candidate code of twelvth name on ballot	bp12c				candcodex12	v0123

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0124	Party of twelvth name on ballot	bp12d				party12	v0124
v0125	Preference given to thirteenth name on ballot	bp13a				pref13	v0125
v0126	thirteenth name on ballot	bp13b				name13	v0126
v0127	Candidate code of thirteenth name on ballot	bp13c				candcodex13	v0127
v0128	Party of thirteenth name on ballot	bp13d				party13	v0128
v0129	Preference given to fourteenth name on ballot	bp14a				pref14	v0129
v0130	fourteenth name on ballot	bp14b				name14	v0130
v0131	Candidate code of fourteenth name on ballot	bp14c				candcodex14	v0131
v0132	Party of fourteenth name on ballot	bp14d				party14	v0132

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0133	Preference given to fifteenth name on ballot	bp15a				pref15	v0133
v0134	fifteenth name on ballot	bp15b				name15	v0134
v0135	Candidate code of fifteenth name on ballot	bp15c				candcodex15	v0135
v0136	Party of fifteenth name on ballot	bp15d				party15	v0136
v0137	Preference given to sixteenth name on ballot	bp16a				pref16	v0137
v0138	sixteenth name on ballot	bp16b				name16	v0138
v0139	Candidate code of sixteenth name on ballot	bp16c				candcodex16	v0139
v0140	Party of sixteenth name on ballot	bp16d				party16	v0140
v0141	Preference given to seven-teenth name on ballot	bp17a					v0141

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0142	seventeenth name on ballot	bp17b					v0142
v0143	Candidate code of seventeenth name on ballot	bp17c					v0143
v0144	Party of seventeenth name on ballot	bp17d					v0144
v0145	Was ballot paper filled out	b5				b5	v0145
v0146	Ballot not filled out on grounds confidentiality	b6					v0146
v0147	Fill out ballot if in sealed envelope	b7					v0147
v0148	Which party first preference	b8				b6	v0148
v0149	Other party please specify	b8ot					v0149
v0150	If today give the same first preference	b9					v0150

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0151	Which party first preference today	b10					v0151
v0152	Which party first preference today - other	b10ot					v0152
v0153	Did parties ask for candidates in order	b11				b7a	v0153
v0154	Did you vote in that order	b12				b7b	v0154
v0155	Candidate or party more important	b13				b8	v0155
v0156	When did you decide which party	b14				b9	v0156
v0157a	Consider any other party	b15				b10	v0157a
v0157b	Thought any other party					q22	v0157b
v0159	When decide which candidate	b16				b11	v0159
v0160	Any time thought different candidate	b17				b12	v0160
v0161	Main reason voted for candidate	b18					v0161

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0162	Main reason voted for candidate - code	b18c1					v0162
v0163	Main reason voted for candidate - code	b18c2					v0163
v0164	Main reason voted for candidate - code	b18c3					v0164
v0165	Main reason voted for candidate - code	b18_cod1					v0165
v0166	Main reason voted for candidate - code	b18_cod2					v0166
v0166	Main reason voted for candidate - code	b18_cod3					v0166
v0167	Other reasons	b19					v0167
v0168	Other reasons - code	b19c1					v0168
v0169	Other reasons - code	b19c2					v0169
v0170	Other reasons - code	b19c3					v0170
v0171	Other reasons - code	b19_cod1					v0171
v0172	Other reasons - code	b19_cod2					v0172
v0173	Other reasons - code	b19_cod3					v0173

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0174	If running other party still given first pref	b20				b13	v0174
v0175	How likely think elected	b21				b14	v0175
v0176	How often spoken to candidate	b34				b15	v0176
v0177	Main reason you did not vote	b22					v0177
v0178	Other reason did not vote	b23					v0178
v0179	Vote in last (1997/2002) election	b24			w4q15		v0179
v0180	Which party 1st pref 1997 /2002	b25			w4q16		v0180
v0181	Which party 1st pref 1997 /2002 – Other	b25ot			w4q16ot		v0181
v0182	Vote on Treaty of Nice	b26					v0182
v0183	Vote Yes or No on Nice	b27					v0183
v0184	Another vote on Nice, how vote	b28					v0184

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0185	Vote on abortion	b29					v0185
v0186	Vote yes or no - abortion	b30					v0186
v0187	How probable ever give 1st pref to - FF	b55_1		q26a	w4q19a	b25_1	v0187
v0188	How probable ever give 1st pref to - FG	b55_2		q26b	w4q19b	b25_2	v0188
v0189	How probable ever give 1st pref to - Green	b55_3		q26c	w4q19c	b25_3	v0189
v0190	How probable ever give 1st pref to - Labour	b55_4		q26d	w4q19d	b25_4	v0190
v0191	How probable ever give 1st pref to - PD	b55_5		q26e	w4q19e	b25_5	v0191
v0192	How probable ever give 1st pref to - Sinn Fein	b55_6		q26f	w4q19f	b25_6	v0192
v0193	How probable ever give 1st pref to - Ind	b55_7		q26g	w4q19g	b25_7	v0193

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0194	How likely vote if general election tomorrow		q5	q27	w4q17		v0194
v0195	If election tomorrow who give 1st pref to		q6	q28	w4q18		v0195
v0196	If election tomorrow who give 1st pref to - other		q6ot	q28ot	w4q18ot		v0196
v0197	If there was an EP election tomorrow how likely you be to vote		q7				v0197
v0198	Did you vote in local elections			q9			v0198
v0199	Which party first pref in local elections			q10			v0199
v0200	Which party first pref in local elections - other			q10ot			v0200
v0201	Candidate or party more important			q11			v0201

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0202	Did you vote in European elections			q12			v0202
v0203	Which party first pref in European elections			q13			v0203
v0204	Which party first pref in European elections - other			q13ot			v0204
v0205	Candidate or party more important - EP			q14			v0205
v0206	Citizenship referendum			q15			v0206
v0207	Vote yes or no - citizenship			q16			v0207
v0208	Informed about local candidates			q17			v0208
v0209	Informed about European candidates			q18			v0209
v0210	Which election most important, local, Dail, Europe			q19			v0210

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0211	Which least important for you			q20			v0211
v0212	Claims about environmental threats exaggerated	a11_7	q12b	q25b	w4q14e	a9_7	v0212
v0213	Pay higher taxes to protect environment	a12_8				a10_8	v0213
v0214	Protect environment even if damages economic growth - slef	b44_8a				b21_1	v0214
v0215	How important balance economic growth / environment	b44_8b				b22	v0215
v0216	Happy cut in standard of living to protect environment	a11_2				a9_2	v0216
v0217	First provide family even if harm environment	a12_7					v0217

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0218	Personally concerned about environmental issues		q13				v0218
v0219	Member env org		q14				v0219
v0220	Signed env petition		q15a				v0220
v0221	money to env org		q15b				v0221
v0222	env protest		q15c				v0222
v0223	too difficult do much env		q16a				v0223
v0224	do what right for env even if cost		q16b				v0224
v0225	more imp things than env		q16c				v0225
v0226	no point env unless others too		q16d				v0226
v0227	what happens your waste		q17				v0227
v0228	what should happen your waste		q18				v0228
v0229	incinerators essential		q19a	q25g			v0229
v0230	incinerators harm		q19b				v0230
v0231	incinerators threat health		q19c				v0231

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0232	make local products unfit		q19d				v0232
v0233	build incinerator in Ringsend		q20a				v0233
v0234	matter for people live close by		q20b				v0234
v0235	happy my waste incinerated		q20c				v0235
v0236	Stronger measures to protect environment					q26_3	v0236
v0237	oppose incinerator near me		q20d				v0237
v0238	cut taxes a lot and spend less on services - self	c27_1				c20_1	v0238
v0239	Left and right - self	do24	q24	q21			v0239
v0240	ordinary people get fair share	a11_3			w4q14g	a9_3	v0240
v0241	Income tax increase for higher incomes	a11_4				a9_4	v0241
v0242	One law for rich and one law for poor	a11_5	q12a	q25a	w4q14c		v0242

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0243	Nothing wrong with some much richer	a11_6				a9_6	v0243
v0244	Income and wealth should be redistributed					q26_6	v0244
v0245	Should not have to put up with halting sites	a12_5				a10_5	v0245
v0246	Asylum seekers same rights	a12_6				a10_6	v0246
v0247	Strict limits on no of immigrants	a12_1	q12d	q25d	w4q14b	a10_1	v0247
v0248	Foreign workers preserve own culture					b20_3	v0248
v0249	Immigrants should adopt to Irish customs					q26_1	v0249
v0250	British Gov lot of say in Northern Ireland	a12_2				a10_2	v0250

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0251	Long term NI should reunify	a12_3				a10_3	v0251
v0252	British Govt should declare intention to withdraw	a12_4	q12c	q25c	w4q14f	a10_4	v0252
v0253	Insist on a United Ireland now - self	c6_1		q22	w4q11	c16_1	v0253
v0260	How important is issue of Northern Ireland you personally	c7				c17	v0260
v0261	Better if more people with religious beliefs held office	a11_1				a9_1	v0261
v0262	Homosexuality never justified	b44_5				b20_5	v0262
v0263	God does not exist	b44_7				b20_7	v0263
v0264	Same sex marriages should be prohibited					q26_4	v0264
v0265	How important issue of abortion for you	c26				c19	v0265

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0266	total ban on abortion - self	c25_1	q11	q24	w4q12	c18_1	v0266
v0270	Most business and industry should be strictly regulated by state	b44_1				b20_1	v0270
v0271	Public best way to provide services	b44_3			w4q13		v0271
v0272	Business state/private owned	b44_4				b20_4	v0272
v0273	Politicians should not intervene in economy					q26_2	v0273
v0275	Large international companies good for economy					b18_6	v0275
v0276	Should limit imports to protect					b18_7	v0276
v0280	Ireland should unite with EU - self	b44_9a	q9		w4q10	b23_1	v0280
v0281	membership of EU a good thing	b44_2				b20_2	v0281

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0282	European unification has already gone too far	b44_6				b20_6	v0282
v0283	How important issue of EU for you personally	a2	q10	q23		b24	v0283
v0284	How interested would you say you are in politics	b41				b17	v0284
v0290	The Irish government can't influence what happens	b54_4				q27_4	v0290
v0291	It doesn't matter which political party is in power	b54_5		q25f		q27_5	v0291
v0292	Are you satisfied with how democracy works	do9				q10	v0292
v0293	It makes a big difference who is in power	do10					v0293

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0294	Who you vote for makes much difference	do11				b18_1	v0294
v0296	Democracy may have problems but better	do12					v0296
v0297	How much respect is there for human rights	do22					v0297
v0298	How widespread is corruption among politicians	do23					v0298
v0299	Politics so complicated cannot understand					q22_1	v0299
v0300	Major, minor or no differences between parties					q24	v0300
v0301	All those in the constituency who voted for the TD					q25_1	v0301
v0302	All those who voted for the TDs party					q25_2	v0302

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0303	All voters in the constituency					q25_3	v0303
v0304	All in the country who voted for the TDs party					q25_4	v0304
v0305	Members of a particular social group					q25_5	v0305
v0306	All voters in the country					q25_6	v0306
v0308	Over the past 5 years contacted politician or official	do21_1					v0308
v0309	Taken part in portest march or demonstartion	do21_2					v0309
v0310	Worked with people who share same concern	do21_3					v0310
v0311	The ordinary person has no influence on politics	b54_2		q25e	w4q14a		v0311

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0312	I think I am better informed about politics	b54_3					v0312
v0313	It is my duty to go out and vote	b42_2				b18_2	v0313
v0314	My vote does not make much difference to candidates	b42_3				b18_3	v0314
v0315	If you did not vote would you feel very guilty	b43				b19	v0315
v0316	Ireland just as friendly as 10 years ago	do2_1					v0316
v0317	A lot more stress than 10 years ago	do2_2					v0317
v0318	Not enough time to spend with families	do2_3					v0318
v0319	trust - religious leaders	do46_1					v0319
v0320	trust - political parties	do46_2					v0320

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0321	trust - gardai	do46_3					v0321
v0322	trust - business leaders	do46_4					v0322
v0323	Media wrong,q-Ahern financial affair,90s					q32	v0323
v0324	Things improve if more women					a9_5	v0324
v0325	Working mothers just as warm with kids					a10_7	v0325
v0326	What young people need most of all is strict discipline					q26_7	v0326
v0327	A man get money, women at home				w4q14c		v0327
v0329	People who break law-stiffer sentences					q26_5	v0329
v0333	Cannot really understand what is going on	b54_1					v0333

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0350	TD - be good at working for THIS area-cand1	b53_1				b31_1	v0350
v0351	TD - be good at working for THIS area - cand2					b31_2	v0351
v0352	TD - be good at working for THIS area - cand3					b31_3	v0352
v0353	TD - be good at working for THIS area - cand4					b31_4	v0353
v0360	TD - be good at contribution to national debate	b53_2				b32_1	v0360
v0361	TD - be good at contribution to national debate					b32_2	v0361
v0362	TD - be good at contribution to national debate					b32_3	v0362

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0363	TD - be good at contribution to national debate					b32_4	v0363
v0370	TD - close to own political views	b53_3				b33_1	v0370
v0371	TD - close to own political views					b33_2	v0371
v0372	TD - close to own political views					b33_3	v0372
v0373	TD - close to own political views					b33_4	v0373
v0375	TDs local service is a strength of the Irish system					b18_4	v0375
v0379	Cabinet minister constituency will have more money					b18_5	v0379
v0380	TD - be good at working for THIS area	b53_1					v0380

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0381	TD - be good at contribution to national debate	b53_2					v0381
v0382	TD - close to own political views	b53_3					v0382
v0383	TDs - Imp speak their own mind					b32_1	v0383
v0384	TDs - Speak up for the area they represent					b32_2	v0384
v0385	TDs help individual voters sort out their problems					b32_3	v0385
v0386	TDs Be loyal to the party they represent					b32_4	v0386
v0387	TDs other					b32_5	v0387
v0388	TDs don't know					b32_6	v0388
v0389	TDs other specify					b32_5sp	v0389
v0390	constituency name	c2a					v0390
v0391	order of preferences	c2_1a2					v0391
v0392	name of candidate	c2_1b2					v0392

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0393	candidate id	c2_1c2					v0393
v0394	candidate political party id	c2_1d2					v0394
v0395	order of preferences	c2_2a2					v0395
v0396	name of candidate	c2_2b2					v0396
v0397	candidate id	c2_2c2					v0397
v0398	candidate political party id	c2_2d2					v0398
v0399	order of preferences	c2_3a2					v0399
v0400	name of candidate	c2_3b2					v0400
v0401	candidate id	c2_3c2					v0401
v0402	candidate political party id	c2_3d2					v0402
v0403	order of preferences	c2_4a2					v0403
v0404	name of candidate	c2_4b2					v0404
v0405	candidate id	c2_4c2					v0405
v0406	candidate political party id	c2_4d2					v0406
v0407	order of preferences	c2_5a2					v0407
v0408	name of candidate	c2_5b2					v0408

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0409	candidate id	c2_5c2					v0409
v0410	candidate political party id	c2_5d2					v0410
v0411	order of preferences	c2_6a2					v0411
v0412	name of candidate	c2_6b2					v0412
v0413	candidate id	c2_6c2					v0413
v0414	candidate political party id	c2_6d2					v0414
v0415	order of preferences	c2_7a2					v0415
v0416	name of candidate	c2_7b2					v0416
v0417	candidate id	c2_7c2					v0417
v0418	candidate political party id	c2_7d2					v0418
v0419	order of preferences	c2_8a2					v0419
v0420	name of candidate	c2_8b2					v0420
v0421	candidate id	c2_8c2					v0421
v0422	candidate political party id	c2_8d2					v0422
v0423	order of preferences	c2_9a2					v0423
v0424	name of candidate	c2_9b2					v0424

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0425	candidate id	c2_9c2					v0425
v0426	candidate political party id	c2_9d2					v0426
v0427	order of preferences	c2_10a2					v0427
v0428	name of candidate	c2_10b2					v0428
v0429	candidate id	c2_10c2					v0429
v0430	candidate political party id	c2_10d2					v0430
v0431	order of preferences	c2_11a2					v0431
v0432	name of candidate	c2_11b2					v0432
v0433	candidate id	c2_11c2					v0433
v0434	candidate political party id	c2_11d2					v0434
v0435	order of preferences	c2_12a2					v0435
v0436	name of candidate	c2_12b2					v0436
v0437	candidate id	c2_12c2					v0437
v0438	candidate political party id	c2_12d2					v0438
v0439	order of preferences	c2_13a2					v0439
v0440	name of candidate	c2_13b2					v0440

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0441	candidate id	c2_13c2					v0441
v0442	candidate political party id	c2_13d2					v0442
v0460	dislike/like: candidate 1					c3_1a	v0460
v0460a	dislike/like: candidate 1 - cand code					c3_1a	v0460a
v0460b	dislike/like: candidate 1 - party code					c3_1a	v0460b
v0461	dislike/like: candidate 2					c3_2a	v0461
v0461a	dislike/like: candidate 2 - cand code					c3_2a	v0461a
v0461b	dislike/like: candidate 2 - party code					c3_2a	v0461b
v0462	dislike/like: candidate 3					c3_3a	v0462
v0462a	dislike/like: candidate 3 - cand code					c3_3a	v0462a
v0462b	dislike/like: candidate 3 - party code					c3_3a	v0462b
v0463	dislike/like: candidate 4					c3_4a	v0463
v0463a	dislike/like: candidate 4 - cand code					c3_4a	v0463a
v0463b	dislike/like: candidate 4 - party code					c3_4a	v0463b
v0464	dislike/like: candidate 5					c3_5a	v0464

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0464a	dislike/like:candidate 5 - cand code					c3_5a	v0464a
v0464b	dislike/like:candidate 5 - party code					c3_5a	v0464b
v0465	dislike/like:candidate 6					c3_6a	v0465
v0465a	dislike/like:candidate 6 - cand code					c3_6a	v0465a
v0465b	dislike/like:candidate 6 - party code					c3_6a	v0465b
v0466	dislike/like:candidate 7					c3_7a	v0466
v0466a	dislike/like:candidate 7 - cand code					c3_7a	v0466a
v0466b	dislike/like:candidate 7 - party code					c3_7a	v0466b
v0467	dislike/like:candidate 8					c3_8a	v0467
v0467a	dislike/like:candidate 8 - cand code					c3_8a	v0467a
v0467b	dislike/like:candidate 8 - party code					c3_8a	v0467b
v0468	dislike/like:candidate 9					c3_9a	v0468
v0468a	dislike/like:candidate 9 - cand code					c3_9a	v0468a
v0468b	dislike/like:candidate 9 - party code					c3_9a	v0468b
v0469	dislike/like:candidate 10					c3_10a	v0469

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0469a	dislike/like:candidate 10 - cand code					c3_10a	v0469a
v0469b	dislike/like:candidate 10 - party code					c3_10a	v0469b
v0470	dislike/like:candidate 11					c3_11a	v0470
v0470a	dislike/like:candidate 11 - cand code					c3_11a	v0470a
v0470b	dislike/like:candidate 11 - party code					c3_11a	v0470b
v0471	dislike/like:candidate 12					c3_12a	v0471
v0471a	dislike/like:candidate 12 - cand code					c3_12a	v0471a
v0471b	dislike/like:candidate 12 - party code					c3_12a	v0471b
v0472	dislike/like:candidate 13					c3_13a	v0472
v0472a	dislike/like:candidate 13 - cand code					c3_13a	v0472a
v0472b	dislike/like:candidate 13 - party code					c3_13a	v0472b
v0473	dislike/like:candidate 14					c3_14a	v0473
v0473a	dislike/like:candidate 14 - cand code					c3_14a	v0473a
v0473b	dislike/like:candidate 14 - party code					c3_14a	v0473b
v0474	dislike/like:candidate 15					c3_15a	v0474

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0474a	dislike/like: candidate 15 - cand code					c3_15a	v0474a
v0474b	dislike/like: candidate 15 - party code					c3_15a	v0474b
v0475	dislike/like: candidate 16					c3_16a	v0475
v0475a	dislike/like: candidate 16 - cand code					c3_16a	v0475a
v0475b	dislike/like: candidate 16 - party code					c3_16a	v0475b
v0480	How honest each of these politicians - Ahern	do43_1				q19_1	v0480
v0481	How honest each of these politicians - Noonan	do43_2					v0481
v0482	How honest each of these politicians - Quinn	do43_3					v0482
v0483	How honest each of these politicians - Kenny					q19_2	v0483
v0484	Party stands for - FF	b56_1					v0484
v0485	Party stands for - FG	b56_2					v0485

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0486	Party stands for - Green	b56_3					v0486
v0487	Party stands for - Labour	b56_4					v0487
v0488	Party stands for - PD	b56_5					v0488
v0489	Party stands for - Sinn Fein	b56_6					v0489
v0490	thermometer degree - Bertie Ahern	c1a1		q34_1	w4q25_1		v0490
v0491	thermometer degree John Bruton	c1a2					v0491
v0492	thermometer degree Mary Harney	c1a3		q34_3	w4q25_3		v0492
v0493	thermometer degree Ruari Quinn	c1a4					v0493
v0493b	thermometer degree Pat Rabbitte			q34_4	w4q25_4		v0493b
v0494	thermometer degree Charlie McCreevy	c1a5					v0494
v0495	thermometer degree Trevor Sargeant	c1a6					v0495

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0496	thermometer degree Michael Martin	c1a7					v0496
v0497	Thermometer degree Michael Noonan	c1a8					v0497
v0498	thermometer degree Gerry Adams	c1a9					v0498
v0498	thermometer degree Enda Kenny			q34_2	w4q25_2		v0498
v0499	thermometer degree Michael McDowell	c1a10					v0499
v0500	thermometer degree Brendan howlin	c1a11					v0500
v0501	thermometer degree Gerry Adams			q34_6	w4q25_6		v0501
v0501a	thermometer degree Rosemary Scanlon	c1a12					v0501a
v0502	good at running country Bertie Ahern	do45_1				q21_1	v0502

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0503	good at running country Michael Noonan	do45_2					v0503
v0504	good at running country Ruari Quinn	do45_3					v0504
v0505	good at running country Enda Kenny					q21_2	v0505
v0506	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people - Ahern	do44_1				q20_1	v0506
v0507	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people - Noonan	do44_2					v0507
v0508	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people - Quinn	do44_3					v0508

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0509	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people -Kenny					q20_2	v0509
v0510	Parties leaders represent your views reasonably well	do15				q13	v0510
v0511	Which leader -1st mention	do18_1				q16	v0511
v0512	Which leader - 2nd mention	do18_2					v0512
v0513	Which leader - 3rd mention	do18_3					v0513
v0514	Which leader - 4th mention	do18_4					v0514
v0515	Which leader - 5th mention	do18_5					v0515
v0516	Which leader - 6th mention	do18_6					v0516
v0518	Which leader - other	do18ot				q16ot	v0518

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0521	dislike/like-Bertie Ahern					c2_1	v0521
v0522	dislike/like-Enda Kenny					c2_2	v0522
v0523	dislike/like-Trevor Sargeant					c2_3	v0523
v0524	dislike/like-Pat Rabbitte					c2_4	v0524
v0525	dislike/like-Michael McDowell					c2_5	v0525
v0526	dislike/like-Gerry Adams					c2_6	v0526
v0527	Two leaders Ahern and Noonan, which best Taoiseach	b45					v0527
v0528	Ever met Bertie Ahern Enda Kenny					b16	v0528
v0530	thermometer degree FF	c1b1					v0530
v0531	thermometer degree Green	c1b2					v0531
v0532	thermometer degree FG	c1b3					v0532
v0533	thermometer degree Labour	c1b4					v0533
v0534	thermometer degree PD	c1b5					v0534

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0535	thermometer degree Sinn Fein	c1b6					v0535
v0540	dislike/like-Fianna Fail					c1_1	v0540
v0541	dislike/like-Fine Gael					c1_2	v0541
v0542	dislike/like-Green party					c1_3	v0542
v0543	dislike/like-Labour party					c1_4	v0543
v0544	dislike/like-PDs					c1_5	v0544
v0545	dislike/like-Sinn Fein					c1_6	v0545
v0550	which better for Ireland nowadays	c3					v0550
v0551	combination of parties - party 1	c4_1					v0551
v0552	combination of parties - party 2	c4_2					v0552
v0553	combination of parties - party 3	c4_3					v0553
v0554	combination of parties - party 4	c4_4					v0554
v0555	number of parties	c4_no					v0555
v0556	which coalition would you prefer	c5					v0556

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0560	Honest parties - FF	c24_1					v0560
v0561	Honest parties - FG	c24_2					v0561
v0562	Honest parties - Green	c24_3					v0562
v0563	Honest parties - Labour	c24_4					v0563
v0564	Honest parties - PD	c24_5					v0564
v0565	Honest parties - Sinn Fein	c24_6					v0565
v0566	total ban on abortion - FF	c25_2				c18_2	v0566
v0567	total ban on abortion - FG	c25_3				c18_3	v0567
v0568	total ban on abortion - Green	c25_4				c18_4	v0568
v0569	total ban on abortion - Labour	c25_5				c18_5	v0569
v0570	total ban on abortion - PD	c25_6				c18_6	v0570

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0571	total ban on abortion - Sinn Fein	c25_7				c18_7	v0571
v0575	not good/good run country FF	c29_1					v0575
v0576	not good/good run country FG	c29_2					v0576
v0577	not good/good run country Green	c29_3					v0577
v0578	not good/good run country Labour	c29_4					v0578
v0579	not good/good run country PD	c29_5					v0579
v0580	not good/good run country SF	c29_6					v0580
v0590	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people - FF	do1_1					v0590

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0591	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people - FG	do1_2					v0591
v0592	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people - Green	do1_3					v0592
v0593	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people - Labour	do1_4					v0593
v0594	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people - PD	do1_5					v0594
v0595	These politicians are in touch with ordinary people - Sinn Fein	do1_6					v0595
v0600	FF/PD good job last five/two years	do8		q7	w4q1	pq10	v0600

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0600b	Good or bad a job Government over the past years				w4q1		v0600b
v0601	The party voted for in 1997 did it do a good or bad job	do13					v0601
v0611	How well are views of voters represent by TDs	do14					v0611
v0613	Which party represents your views best - 1st	do16_1					v0613
v0614	Which party represents your views best - 2nd	do16_2					v0614
v0615	Which party represents your views best - 3rd	do16_3					v0615
v0616	Which party represents your views best - 4th	do16_4					v0616
v0617	Which party represents your views best - 5th	do16_5					v0617

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0618	Which party represents your views best - 6th	do16_6					v0618
v0619	Which party represents your views best - 7th	do16_7					v0619
v0620	Which party represents your views best - Other	do16ot				q14ot	v0620
v0621	Election campaign maj differences between parties	do17				q15	v0621
v0622	Is there any party you would never vote for						
v0623	Is there any party you would never vote for - FF						
v0624	Is there any party you would never vote for - FG						
v0625	Is there any party you would never vote for - Green						

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0626	Is there any party you would never vote for - Labour						
v0627	Is there any party you would never vote for - PD						
v0628	Is there any party you would never vote for - Sinn Fein						
v0630	cut taxes a lot and spend less on services - FF	c27_2				c20_2	v0630
v0631	cut taxes a lot and spend less on services - FG	c27_3				c20_3	v0631
v0632	cut taxes a lot and spend less on services - Green	c27_4				c20_4	v0632
v0633	cut taxes a lot and spend less on services - Labour	c27_5				c20_5	v0633
v0634	cut taxes a lot and spend less on services - PD	c27_6				c20_6	v0634

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0635	cut taxes a lot and spend less on services - Sinn Fein	c27_7				c20_7	v0635
v0640	Insist on a United Ireland now - FF	c6_2				c16_2	v0650
v0642	Insist on a United Ireland now - Green	c6_4				c16_4	v0652
v0643	Insist on a United Ireland now - Labour	c6_5				c16_5	v0653
v0644	Insist on a United Ireland now - PD	c6_6				c16_6	v0654
v0645	Insist on a United Ireland now - Sinn Fein	c6_7				c16_7	v0655
v0650	Ireland should unite with EU - FF	b58_1				b23_2	v0650
v0641	Insist on a United Ireland now - FG	c6_3				c16_3	v0651
v0651	Ireland should unite with EU - FG	b58_2				b23_3	v0651

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0652	Ireland should unite with EU - Green	b58_3				b23_4	v0652
v0653	Ireland should unite with EU - Labour	b58_4				b23_5	v0653
v0654	Ireland should unite with EU - PD	b58_5				b23_6	v0654
v0655	Ireland should unite with EU - Sinn Fein	b58_6				b23_7	v0655
v0670	Left and right parties - FF	q20				q17_1	v0670
v0671	Left and right parties - FG	q20				q17_2	v0671
v0672	Left and right parties - Green	q20				q17_3	v0672
v0673	Left and right parties - Labour	q20				q17_4	v0673
v0674	Left and right parties - PD	Q20				q17_5	v0674

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0675	Left and right parties - Sinn Fein	Q20				q17_6	v0675
v0680	Close to any political party	e28	q21	q29	w4q20	e37	v0680
v0681	Which party is that - 1st party	e29_1	q22	q30		e38_1	v0681
v0682	Which party is that - 2nd party	e29_2				e38_2	v0682
v0683	Which party is that - 3rd party	e29_3				e38_3	v0683
v0684	Which party is that - other	e29ot	q22ot			e38ot	v0684
v0685	Other party do you feel closest to	e30				e39	v0685
v0686	How close do you feel to that party	e30ot				e39ot	v0686
v0687	Do you feel a little closer to one of the political party	e31	q24	q32	w4q21	e40	v0687

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0688	Which party do you feel a little closer to	e32	q25	q33	w4q22	e41	v0688
v0689	Which party do you feel a little closer to - other		q25ot	q33ot			v0689
v0690	Do you feel very somewhat or not very close	e33				e42	v0690
v0691	Protect environment even if damages economic growth - FF	b57_1				b21_2	v0691
v0692	Protect environment even if damages economic growth - FG	b57_2				b21_3	v0692
v0693	Protect environment even if damages economic growth - Green	b57_3				b21_4	v0693

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0694	Protect environment even if damages economic growth - Labour	b57_4				b21_5	v0694
v0695	Protect environment even if damages economic growth - PD	b57_5				b21_6	v0695
v0696	Protect environment even if damages economic growth - Sinn Fein	b57_6				b21_7	v0696
v0700	ECONOMY in Ireland over that period got a lot better	c8	q1	q2	w4q2	c4	v0700
v0700b	ECONOMY in Ireland over that period got a lot better - do	do39					v0700b
v0701	MAINLY due to the policies of that government	c9	q2	q3	w4q3	c5	v0701

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0702	Due equally to both parties in government	c10					v0702
v0703	Which would have handled the ECONOMY better - 1	c11_1					v0703
v0704	Which would have handled the ECONOMY better - 2	c11_2					v0704
v0705	Which would have handled the ECONOMY better - 3	c11_3					v0705
v0706	Which would have handled the ECONOMY better - 4	c11_4					v0706
v0707	Last 2yr,good/bad job-Fianna Fail/PD						v0707

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0709	Fine Gael/:Labour have handled the economy better					c6	v0709
v0720	How important is taxation and spending - self	c28				c21	v0720
v0721	Economy will develop over the next 12 months?	do40					v0721
v0722	Financial situation of household versus 12 months ago	do41					v0722
v0723	Financial situation of household will change next 12 months?	do42					v0723
v0730	HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland have got a lot better	c12	q3	q3	w4q4	c7	v0730

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0731	MAINLY due to the policies of that government	c13	q4	q4	w4q5	c8	v0731
v0732	Due equally to both parties in Government	c14					v0732
v0733	Which of the following would have handled health better - 1	c15_1					v0733
v0734	Which of the following would have handled health better - 2	c15_2					v0734
v0735	Which of the following would have handled health better - 3	c15_3					v0735
v0736	Which of the following would have handled health better - 4	c15_4					v0736
v0739	FG/Labour better					c9	v0739

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0740	Go on a waiting list for or receive hospital treatment					c22	v0740
v0741	How satisfied was your experience of the medical services					c23	v0741
v0742	Any contact with recent immigrants to Ireland					c24	v0742
v0743	How would you evaluate this contact					c25	v0743
v0750	HOUSING in Ireland over that period got a lot better	c16				c10	v0750
v0751	MAINLY due to the policies of that government	c17				c11	v0751
v0752	Due equally to both parties in government	c18					v0752

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0753	Which would have handled HOUSING better - 1	c19_1					v0753
v0754	Which would have handled HOUSING better - 2	c19_2					v0754
v0755	Which would have handled HOUSING better - 3	c19_3					v0755
v0756	Which would have handled HOUSING better - 4	c19_4					v0756
v0757	FG/Labour better					c12	v0757
v0758	House prices - next 12 months					q29	v0758
v0770	CRIME in Ireland over that period got a lot better	c20		q5	w4q6	c13	v0770

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0771	MAINLY due to the policies of that government	c21		q6	w4q7	c14	v0771
v0772	Due equally to both parties in government	c22					v0772
v0773	Which would have handled CRIME better - 1	c23_1					v0773
v0774	Which would have handled CRIME better - 2	c23_2					v0774
v0775	Which would have handled CRIME better - 3	c23_3					v0775
v0776	Which would have handled CRIME better - 4	c23_4					v0776
v0777	Fine Gael/:Labour have handled crime better					c15	v0777

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0778	Seek assistance from the authorities over a crime					c26	v0778
v0779	How satisfied were you with this assistance					c27	v0779
v0780	Unemployment in Ireland increased past 5 years	do25					v0780
v0781	Mainly due to policies of Government	do26					v0781
v0782	Was it due equally to FF/PD, Mainly PD, Mainly FF	do27					v0782
v0783	Which would have handled unemployment better - 1st	do28_1					v0783

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0784	Which would have handled unemployment better - 2nd	do28_2					v0784
v0785	Which would have handled unemployment better - 3rd	do28_3					v0785
v0786	Which would have handled unemployment better - 4th	do28_4					v0786
v0800	Cost of living in Ireland increased past 5 years	do29					v0800
v0801	Mainly due to policies of Government	do30					v0801
v0802	Was it due equally to FF/PD, Mainly PD, Mainly FF	do31					v0802

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0803	Which would have handled cost of living better - 1st mention	do32_1					v0803
v0804	Which would have handled cost of living better - 2ns mention	do32_2					v0804
v0805	Which would have handled cost of living better - 3rd mention	do32_3					v0805
v0806	Which would have handled cost of living better - 4th mention	do32_4					v0806
v0810	Taxation in Ireland increased past 5 years	do33a					v0810
v0811	Mainly due to policies of Government	do33b					v0811

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0812	Was it due equally to FF/PD, Mainly PD, Mainly FF	do34					v0812
v0813	Which would have handled taxation better - 1st mention	do35_1					v0813
v0814	Which would have handled taxation better - 2ns mention	do35_2					v0814
v0815	Which would have handled taxation better - 3rd mention	do35_3					v0815
v0816	Which would have handled taxation better - 4th mention	do35_4					v0816

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0820	Traffic in Ireland increased past 5 years	do36					v0820
v0821	Mainly due to policies of Government	do37					v0821
v0822	Was it due equally to FF/PD, Mainly PD, Mainly FF	do37b					v0822
v0823	Which would have handled traffic better - 1st	do38_1					v0823
v0824	Which would have handled traffic better - 2nd	do38_2					v0824
v0825	Which would have handled traffic better - 3rd	do38_3					v0825
v0826	Which would have handled traffic better - 4th	do38_4					v0826

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0838	Single most important issues in past 5 years - name	a1					v0838
v0839	What will be the single most important issue next election				w4q31		v0839
v0840	Most important political problem this election					q3	v0840
v0840a	code - 1st mentioned issue	a1c1			w4q31c1		v0840a
v0840b	code - 2nd mentioned issue	a1c2			w4q31c2		v0840b
v0840c	code - 3rd mentioned issue	a1c3			w4q31c3		v0840c
v0841	2nd most important political problem this election					q4	v0841
v0842	Most important issue personally this election					q1	v0842

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0843	2nd most important issue personally this election					q2	v0843
v0848	Most important problem party best deal with it	a2				q5	v0848
v0849	2nd most important problem party the best to deal					q6	v0849
v0850	Economy in this area has been doing						v0850
v0850	This area has been doing better than the rest of the country	b46				b26	v0850
v0850a	The economy in your area in last 12 months				w4q8		v0850a
v0851	Have you seen additional spending in your local area				w4q9		v0851

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0851	Significant addit spending in your area						v0851
v0852	Who is most responsible for any improvements						v0852
v0852	Who is most responsible for any improvements in economy	b47				b27	v0852
v0853	Who is most responsible for any improvements - TD1	b48_1				b27b1	v0853
v0853a	Which TD in particular - code TD 1	b48c1				b27bc1	v0853a
V0853a	which TD responsible improvements local - 1						V0853a
v0853c	which TD in particular - 1						v0853c

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Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0854	Who is most responsible for any improvements - TD2	b48_2				b27b2	v0854
v0854a	Which TD in particular - code TD 2	b48c2				b27bc2	v0854a
v0854a	which TD responsible improvements local - 2						v0854a
v0854c	which TD in particular - 2						v0854c
v0855a	Which TD in particular - code TD 3	b48c3				b27bc3	v0855a
v0855a	which TD responsible improvements local - 3						v0855a
v0855a	Who is most responsible for any improvements - TD3	b48_3				b27b3	v0855a
v0855c	which TD in particular - 3						v0855c

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Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0857	Area around here, most important problem for you	b49				b28	v0857
v0858	Area around here, most important problem for you - code	b49c1				b28c1	v0858
v0859	Any one party better able to deal with this	b50				b29	v0859
v0860	Which party	b51				b30	v0860
v0861	Which candidate best able to deal	b52				b31	v0861
v0867	Have you contacted any TDs from this constituency in the last 12 months				w4q26		v0867
v0868	Did you contact just one TD or more than one				w4q27		v0868

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Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0868	Did you contact just one TD or more than one				w4q27		v0868
v0869	Influence your decision as to how you vote				w4q28		v0869
v0869	Thinking of the next general election, would your experience of this contact influence your decision as to how you cast your first preference vote				w4q28		v0869
v0870	You contacted any TDS, Councillors or Senators	b35					v0870
v0871	contact with TDs/Councillors/senators	b36_1					v0871
v0872	contact with TDs/senators/senators	b36_2					v0872

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0873	contact with TDs/senators/senators	b36_3					v0873
v0874	Contact - letter	b37_1					v0874
v0875	Contact - phone	b37_2					v0875
v0876	Contact - clinic	b37_3					v0876
v0877	Contact - through another	b37_4					v0877
v0878	Contact - own behalf	b38_1					v0878
v0879	Contact - family or friend	b38_2					v0879
v0880	Contact - committee or organisation	b38_3					v0880
v0881	Main reason contact	b39					v0881
v0882	Main reason contact	b39c1					v0882
v0883	Main reason contact	b39c2					v0883
v0884	Approach again in future	b40					v0884
v0885	A promise to increase the number of Gardai by 2000					q28_1	v0885

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0886	A promise to take those on the minimum wage out of tax					q28_2	v0886
v0887	A promise to end waiting lists in hospitals					q28_3	v0887
v0888	A promise to ensure the average size of classes less than 20					q28_4	v0888
v0889	Is respondent knowledgeable re politics					e57	v0889
v0890	Leader of FF during recent general election	e39_1					v0890
v0891	The Green Party recently elected a leader. Who is it	e39_2					v0891
v0892	Who was leader of FG during recent campaign	e39_3					v0892

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0893	Who was the Ceann Comhairle of Dail 1997-2002	e39_4					v0893
v0894	Who is Ireland's EU Commissioner	e39_5					v0894
v0895	Which Department received the most money in budget					e45_1	v0895
v0896	Who was the last Minister for Finance					e45_2	v0896
v0897	What was CPI in Ireland at the end of 2006					e45_3	v0897
v0898	First party to announce would cut the standard rate of tax					e45_4	v0898
v0899	Approximate percentage of women in the last Dail					e45b	v0899
v0900	Sex of respondent drop off	do48			q31		v0900

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0904	Could I ask for your date of birth - day	e5day	q27day	q36day	w4q29day	e5day	v0904
v0905	date of birth month	e5mo	q27mo	q36mo	w4q29mo	e5mo	v0905
v0906	date of birth year	e5yr	q27yr	q36yr	w4q29yr	e5yr	v0906
v0910	Since when have you lived in this constituency - month	e1a	q27mo	q36mo		e1a	v0910
v0911	Since when have you lived in this constituency - year	e1b	q27yr	q36yr		e1b	v0911
v0912	Since when have you lived at this address - month	e2a				e2a	v0912
v0913	Since when have you lived at this address - year	e2b				e2b	v0913
v0914	Are you registered to vote at this address	e3a				e3a	v0914

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0915	Are you registered to vote at another address	e3b				e3b	v0915
v0917	Could I ask about your marital status	e6a				e6a	v0917
v0918	Are you currently living with your husband/wife	e6b				e6b	v0918
v0919	Are you currently living with another partner	e6c				e6c	v0919
v0920	Are you currently living with a partner	e6d				e6d	v0920
v0921	Which of the following best describes highest level of education to date 6pt	e7				e7	v0921
v0922	During the last five years have you been unemployed	e8				e8	v0922

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0923	For how many months were you unemployed	e9				e9	v0923
v0924	Which best describes your employment situation	e10				e10	v0924
v0925	Other situation re employment - specify	e10ot				e10ot	v0925
v0926	Did you ever work at any time in past	e11				e11	v0926
v0927	When did you give up this job - month	e12a				e12a	v0927
v0928	When did you give up this job - year	e12b				e12b	v0928
v0929	Your occuPation					e13	v0929
v0930	What is/was your occuPation - cso	e13cso				e13cso	v0930

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Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0931	What is/was your occu-Pation - icso	e13isco				e13isco	v0931
v0932	Nature of business activity of your employer	e14					v0932
v0933	Do/did you work in public or private sector	e15				e14	v0933
v0934	Are/were you self-employed or are you an employee	e16				e15	v0934
v0935	How many people do/did you em-ploy	e17				e16	v0935
v0936	Are/were you a member of any trade union	e18				e17	v0936
v0937	Do/did you su-pervise any other workers in your job	e19				e18	v0937
v0938	Approx how many do you supervise	e20				e19	v0938

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Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0939	How worried that you might become unemployed	e21				e32	v0939
v0940a	Fathers occuPation when you were 16 - cso	e22cso					v0940a
v0940b	Fathers occuPation when you were 16 - isco	e22isco					v0940b
v0941a	What is/was your father's occuPation - cso					e25cso	v0941a
v0941b	What is/was your father's occuPation - isco					e25isco	v0941b
v0943	OccuPation code - self	egp10					v0943
v0943	With regard to your accommodation could you tell me if it is	e24				e33	v0943

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0944	Is your accommodation	e24				e33	v0944
v0945	Last five years has your partner been unemployed					e20a	v0945
v0946	For how many months was he/she unemployed					e21	v0946
v0947	Your partner's present situation re employment					e22	v0947
v0948	e22 other please specify: PARTNER					e22ot	v0948
v0949	Did you partner ever work at any time in the past					e23	v0949
v0950	When did you partner give up this job - month					e24a	v0950

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0951	When did you partner give up this job - year					e24b	v0951
v0952	What is/was your partner's occupation					e25	v0952
v0954a	What is/was your partner's occupation - cso					e25cso	v0954a
v0954b	What is/was your partner's occupation - isco					e25isco	v0954b
v0955	Do/did your partner work in the pubic or private sector					e26	v0955
v0956	Is was your partner self-employed					e27	v0956

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0957	How many people does/did your partner employ I					e28	v0957
v0958	Is/was your partner a member of any trade unions					e29	v0958
v0959	Do/did you partner supervise any other workers					e30	v0959
v0960	Approximately how many does/die he/he supervise					e31	v0960
v0961	Do you belong to any religious denomination	e25b				e34a	v0961
v0962	Which one					e34b	v0962
v0963	code for religion	e25co				e34co	v0963
v0964	How often nowadays do you attend religious services	e26				e35	v0964

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0965	Have you ever lived outside ROI for 2 years or more	e27a				e36a	v0965
v0966	What year did you return	e27a2					v0966
v0967a	Which party did your father vote for	e34	q26	q35	w4q24	e43	v0967a
v0967b	Which party did your father vote for					pq21	v0967b
v0968	Would you say he was a very strong supporter of this party	e35					v0968
v0969	Which party did your father vote for - Other		q26ot	q35ot	w4q24ot		v0969
v0970	Which party did your mother vote for	e36					v0970
v0971	Was she a very strong supporter of this party	e37					v0971

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0972	Are you a citizen of Ireland	e38_1				e44_1	v0972
v0973	Which country are you a citizen of	e38_2				e44_2	v0973
v0977	Are you head of your household	e40				e46	v0977
v0978	occuPation head of household					e47	v0978
v0979a	What is/was occuPation of the head of household - cso	e41cso				e47cso	v0979a
v0979b	What is/was occuPation of the head of household - isco	e41isco				e47isco	v0979b
v0980	is head of household self employed	e42				e48	v0980
v0981	how many does he/she employ	e43				e49	v0981
v0982	he/she supervise other workers in the job	e44				e50	v0982

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0983	How many does he/she supervise	e45				e51	v0983
v0983	How many does he/she supervise	e45				e51	v0983
v0984	level of net household income	e46a				e52a	v0984
v0985	would that be	e46b_a				e52b_a	v0985
v0986	would that be	e46b_b				e52b_b	v0986
v0987	would that be	e46b_c				e52b_c	v0987
v0988	would that be	e46b_d				e52b_d	v0988
v0989	would that be					e52b_e	v0989
v0990	How many people in house less than 14	e47a				e54a	v0990
v0991	How many 14-18	e47b				e54b	v0991
v0992	How many 18 years or more	e47c				e54c	v0992
v0993	total in household is	e47d				e54d	v0993
v0994	total in household is	e47tot				e54tot	v0994
v0995	Size of location in which household situated	e48				e55	v0995

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v0996	Are you a member of the GAA	e27b					v0996
v0997	SSIA account-rasp					e53a	v0997
v0998	SSIA account-partner					e53b	v0998
v0999	SSIA account-neither					e53c	v0999
v1000	no candidates in constituency - bp	bpnocand					v1000
v1000	number of candidate in constit	c2cand					v1000
v1001	no FF cands constituency	bpff					v1001
v1001	number FF cands in constituency	c2ff					v1001
v1002	no FG cands constituency	bpfg					v1002
v1002	number FG cands in constituency	c2fg					v1002
v1003	no Green cands constit	bpgreen					v1003

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v1003	number Green cands in constituency	c2green					v1003
v1004	no Labour cands consit	bpLabour					v1004
v1004	number Labour cands in constituency	c2Labour					v1004
v1005	No PD cands constit	bppd					v1005
v1005	number PD cands in constituency	c2pd					v1005
v1006	No SF cands constit	bpsFein					v1006
v1006	number SF cands in constituency	c2sFein					v1006
v1007	no of independent cands	bpindep					v1007
v1008	no workers party	bpworker					v1008
v1009	no csp cands	bpcsp					v1009
v1010	no sp cands	bpsp					v1010
v1011	no swp cands	bpswp					v1011
v1011b	no indep Labour						v1011b
v1011c	no frr						v1011c

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v1011d	no people before profit						v1011d
v1011e	Immigrtaion control						v1011e
v1011f	Irish socilaist network						v1011f
v1012	self completion	selfcomp					v1012
v1013	constituency code -lives 02-06	const				const	v1013
v1013a	constituency code - 07	cons4				a1b0	v1013a
v1014	constituency code for drop oFF 02	docons2					v1014
v1014a	constituency code for drop oFF 07						v1014a
v1015	constituency code - resp home if cand called	cons5					v1015
v1016	constituency code - strg	constit					v1016
v1017	constituency code - resp lives 2007						v1017
v1017a	constituency code - vote 07						v1017a
v1019	area code	area					v1019
v1023	respondent code	resp				resp	v1023

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v1023a	respondent code 2 - 2003						v1023a
v1029	constituency code	mconst					v1029
v1030	constituency code - which cand deal	cons6					v1030
v1049	date of interview - day 2007					dayint	v1049
v1050	date of interview - month 2007						v1050
v1051	date of interview 02 and 03	date	datent				v1051
v1052	Drop off date of interview - day						v1052
v1053	Drop off date of interview - month					mthint	v1053
v1056	interview no	intno					v1056
v1092	validated and recorded turnout	vvote					v1092
v1125	Interviewer record time	e49					v1125
v1125	time	time					v1125
v1126	new address provided						v1126

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v1157	questionnaire type	qtype					v1157
v1161	weight	wgall					v1161
v1161	wgblu blue and self completion cases	wgblu					v1161
v1162	wgyel yellow and self completion cases	wgyel					v1162
v1163	weight for education						v1163
v1170	wgall - rev for party of vvoters	wgall					v1170
v1171	weight for vote						v1171
v1172	cluster code						v1172
v1173	class in five groups						v1173
v1175	Proportional weight 03						v1175
v1178	Proportional weight 06						v1178
v1179	Proportional weight 04						v1179
v1180	2007 longitudional weight						v1180
v1181	2007 cross sectional weight						v1181

Table 550: (continued)

Variable	Brief Question	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	Variable
v1182	2007 weight longitudional sample with supplement						v1182
v1183	type of sample						v1183
v1184	mode of questionnaire						v1184
v1185	was supplement completed						v1185

Table 551: Coding for Issues in Variables v0840 and v0857

coding for issue 1	
1	abortion
2	crime
3	Ni
4	corruption
5	infrastructure
6	health
7	inflation
8	unemployment
9	taxes
10	environment
11	EU
12	immigration
13	economy
14	policy
15	rural
16	education
17	political
18	none
19	other
20	missing
coding for issue 2	
1	abortion - attitude
2	abortion - referendum
3	crime - drugs
4	crime - anti-social
5	crime - police
6	crime - traffic
7	NI - peace process
8	NI - terrorism
9	corruption - politicians
10	corruption - tribunals
11	corruption - planning
12	infrastructure - NDP
13	infrastructure - roads
14	infrastructure - traffic
15	infrastructure - public buildings
16	infrastructure - public amenities
17	infrastructure - transport
18	health - hospitals
19	health - waiting times

Table 551: (continued)

20	health - special treatments
21	inflation - housing
22	inflation - living
23	unemployment - jobs
24	unemployment - local industry
25	unemployment - globalisation
26	taxes - evasion
27	taxes - stamp duty
28	taxes - levels
29	env. - incinerators
30	env. - global warming
31	env. - dumping
32	env. - water
33	env. - sewage
34	EU - referendum
35	EU - commission
36	EU - parliament
37	EU - enlargement
38	immigration - jobs
39	immigration - people
40	immigration - racism
41	economy - growth
42	economy - pensions
43	policy - pensions
44	policy - housing
45	policy - childcare
46	policy - poverty
47	policy - welfare
48	rural - agriculture
49	rural - local roads
50	rural - local pubs
51	rural - isolation
52	education - primary schools
53	education - secondary schools
54	education - third level
55	political - parties
56	political - candidates
57	political stability
58	EU-euro
coding for issue 3	
1	abortion - attitude -yes
2	abortion - attitude - no
3	abortion - Referendum

Table 551: (continued)

4	crime - drugs - dealing
5	crime - drugs - use
6	crime - anti-social - youth
7	crime - anti-social - violence
8	crime - anti-social - vandalism
9	crime - anti-social - graffiti
10	crime - police - levels
11	crime - police - quality
12	crime - traffic - speed
13	crime - traffic - drink and drive
14	NI - peace process
15	NI - terrorism -IRA
16	NI - terrorism - UVF/UDA
17	corruption - politicians
18	corruption - tribunals - pro
19	corruption - tribunals - anti
20	corruption - planning
21	infrastructure - NDP
22	infrastructure - roads - planning
23	infrastructure - roads- development
24	infrastructure - traffic -planning
25	infrastructure - traffic -congestion
26	infrastructure - public buildings - schools
27	infrastructure - public buildings- hospitals
28	infrastructure - public buildings - general
29	infrastructure - public amenities - youth
30	infrastructure - public amenities - shop/retail
31	infrastructure - public amenities - green spaces
32	infrastructure - public amenities - community centres
33	infrastructure - transport -air
34	infrastructure - transport - rail
35	infrastructure - transport - buses/metro
36	infrastructure - transport - light rail
37	health - hospitals - beds
38	health - hospitals - local closures
39	health - hospitals - A and E
40	health - waiting times
41	health - special treatments - mental
42	health - special treatments - children
43	health - special treatments - others
44	inflation - housing
45	inflation - living - food
46	inflation - living - childcare
47	unemployment - jobs - security

Table 551: (continued)

48	unemployment - jobs - loss
49	unemployment - local industry - new
50	unemployment - local industry - loss
51	unemployment - local industry - protection
52	unemployment - globalisation
53	taxes - evasion
54	taxes - stamp duty - cut
55	taxes - stamp duty - status quo
56	taxes - stamp duty - increase
57	taxes - levels - personal
58	taxes - levels - coporate
59	taxes - levels - VAT
60	taxes - levels - VRT
61	env. - incinerators -general
62	env. - incinerators - local
63	env. - global warming
64	env. - dumping
65	env. - water - drinking
66	env. - water - quality
67	env. - sewage
68	EU - referendum - pro
69	EU - referendum - anti
70	EU - commission
71	EU - parliament
72	EU - enlargement
73	immigration - jobs
74	immigration - people - pro
75	immigration - people - anti
76	immigration - racism
77	economy - growth -growing
78	economy - growth - maintaining
79	economy - growth - falling
80	economy - pensions
81	policy - pensions - public
82	policy - pensions - private
83	policy - housing - planning
84	policy - housing - social housing
85	policy - housing - more
86	policy - housing - less
87	policy - childcare
88	policy - poverty - rich/poor
89	policy - poverty - homeless
90	policy - welfare - level
91	policy - welfare - benefit

Table 551: (continued)

92	rural - agriculture - way of life
93	rural - agriculture - WTO
94	rural - agriculture - subsidies
95	rural - local roads
96	rural - local pubs
97	rural - isolation
98	education - primary schools - teacher numbers
99	education - primary schools - kids number
100	education - primary schools - funding
101	education - secondary schools - teacher number
102	education - secondary schools - student number
103	education - secondary schools - funding
104	education - third level - funding
105	education - third level - fees
106	education - third level - IT
107	education - third level - university
108	political - parties -FF
109	political - parties - FG
110	political - parties - LAB
111	political - parties - GREENS
112	political - parties - PD
113	political - parties -SF
114	political - parties - Other
115	political - candidates
116	political stability

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IRISH ELECTION SURVEY, SUMMER 2002

Interviewer's Name _____ Interviewer's Number

Constituency Code Area Code Respondent Code

Date of Interview: Day Month Time Interview Began (24hr clock)

Introduction (Ask for named respondent)

Good morning/afternoon/evening. I am from the Economic and Social Research Institute in Dublin. We have been commissioned by a team of researchers from Trinity College Dublin and University College Dublin to carry out a survey into the way people voted in the recent general election. You have been selected at random from the Electoral Register to participate in the survey. The interview will take about 60 minutes to complete and all information provided will be treated in the strictest confidence by the Economic and Social Research Institute. It will not be possible for anyone to identify your individual views or attitudes from the analysis undertaken on the data.

SECTION A

A1 First, I'd like to ask you a general question. What do you think has been the single most important issue facing Ireland over the last five years?

_____

_____

A2 How good or bad a job do you think the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government did over the past five years in terms of _____ [the Main issue mentioned at A1 above]. Did they do a:

Very Good Job..... 1 Good Job..... 2 Bad Job.... 3 Very Bad Job……4 Don't know 5

A3.1a Looking back on the recent general election campaign in May of this year, could you tell me if a candidate called to your home?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't know 3

A3.1b Which candidates? 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

A3.2a Did a party worker (or representative of an independent candidate) call to your home?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't know 3

A3.2b From which party(ies)? 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

A3.3a Did a party worker (or representative of an independent candidate) phone your home?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't know.... 3 No phone..... 4

A3.3b From which party(ies)? 1. _____ 2. _____3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____6. _____

A4.Did you read election leaflets put in your letterbox or given to you on the street/shopping centres etc?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3.....

A5.Did you look at advertisements in newspapers on behalf of the candidates or parties?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A6.Did you attend public meetings related to the election? Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A7.Did you look at candidates' election posters?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A8.Did you see information about political parties and candidates on the Internet?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A9.Did you discuss the election with family, friends or acquaintances?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A10 In general, do you think that being contacted by candidates or party workers is helpful or unhelpful for people making up their minds how to vote?

Helpful..... 1 Unhelpful.. 2

A11 I will now read out a series of statements. These cover a range of different areas and topics and I would like you to tell me how strongly you Disagree or Agree with each. For each statement I read please tell me whether or not you Strongly Disagree; Disagree; Slightly Disagree; Neither Agree nor Disagree; Slightly Agree; Agree; or Strongly Agree. [Int. Show Card A1]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. It would be better if more people with strong religious beliefs held public office..	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2. I would be willing to accept a cut in my standard of living in order to protect the environment	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3. Ordinary working people get their fair share of the nation's wealth.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4. Income tax should be increased for people on higher than average incomes.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6. There is nothing wrong with some people being a lot richer than others.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

7. **Many of the claims about environmental threats are exaggerated.....** 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6 7

A12 I will now read out some more statements. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement [Int. Show Card A2]

Strongly Disagree Slightly Neither Slightly Agree Strongly Disagree Disagree Agree nor Agree Agree Disagree

1. **There should be very strict limits on the number of immigrants coming to live in Ireland…...** 1…… 2…… 3…… 4…… 5…….. 6…….. 7

2. **The British Government should continue to have a lot of say in the way Northern Ireland is run.....** 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

3. **The long term policy for Northern Ireland should be to reunify with the rest of Ireland** 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

4. **The British government should declare its intention to withdraw from Northern Ireland at a fixed date in the future.....** 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6 7

5. **People should not have to put up with Travellers' halting sites in their neighbourhood.....** 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

6. **Asylum seekers should have the same rights to social services as Irish people.....** 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

7. **My first priority is to provide for myself and my family, even if this means doing things that harm the environment.....** 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

8. **I would be willing to pay much higher taxes in order to protect the environment.....** 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

SECTION B

B1 As you may know, many people did not vote in the recent general election. How about you? Did you vote in the general election in May?

Yes, Voted…….1

No, did not vote……2

B2a Did you vote in this constituency or in another constituency?

This constituency……..1

Another constituency……2

B2b If other constituency – Which one?

_____

Go to B4

B3 If you had voted, in which constituency would you have voted? _____

Would not have voted……2

Go to B4

B4 BALLOT PAPER

I have a ballot paper here for this [or the _____] constituency.

Int. *If respondent voted in May 2002 ask:* Please fill it in as you did on polling day – as best you can remember.

Int. *If respondent did not vote in May 2002 ask:* Suppose you had voted in the May 2002 election, how would you have filled in the ballot paper on election day?

INT: B5 AND B6 TO BE FILLED OUT BY INTERVIEWER

B5 Interviewer: Was ballot paper filled out?

Yes……1→go to B9 No……2

Int: B6 Was ballot paper not filled out on grounds of confidentiality or no interest in politics/doesn't vote?

Refused on grounds of confidentiality ……1 Doesn't vote/No interest in politics.2→go to B9

Int ask: B7 If I gave you the ballot paper and asked you to fill it out and not show it to me but instead put it into a sealed envelope and give it back to me at the end of the interview would you be willing to fill it out?

Yes……1→give ballot and go B9 No……2 →go to B8

B8 Could I ask which party you gave your first preference vote to?

_____ (party vote) Refused……9

Go to B9

B9 INT. ASK B9 TO B21 ONLY IF RESPONDENT VOTED IN GENERAL ELECTION IN MAY THIS YEAR (Yes at B1) - IF RESPONDENT DID NOT VOTE (NO AT B1) GO TO B22

If you were voting today, would you give your first preference to the same party as you did in the election in May?

Yes……1→go to B11 No……2 Voted for Independent……3→go to B16

B10 Which party would you give your first preference to today? [Record name of party] _____

Go to B11

B11 Did the political party to which you gave your first preference vote in the election ask people in this area to vote for their candidates in a particular order?

Yes……1 No……2 Don't know……2

B12 And did you vote for the candidates in that order? Yes…2 No…2

B13 Which would you say was more important in deciding how you cast your first preference vote in the general election in May of this year – the party or the candidate him/herself ?

Party……1 Candidate……2

B14 When did you decide which PARTY to give your first preference vote to in the general election in May this year?

1. Before the election campaign..... 1
2. In the first two weeks of the campaign.. 2
3. In the last week of the campaign..... 3
4. On the day of the election…… 4
5. Don't know 5

B15 Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously thought you might give your first preference vote to a different PARTY?

Yes……..1→go to B16 No……..2→go to B16 Don't know……3→go to B16

B16 When did you decide which CANDIDATE to give your first preference vote to in the general election in May this year?

1. Before the election campaign..... 1
2. In the first two weeks of the campaign.. 2
3. In the last week of the campaign..... 3
4. On the day of the election…… 4
5. Don't know..... 4

B17 Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously thought you might give your first preference vote to a different CANDIDATE?

Yes……..1 No……..2 Don't know……3

B18 Thinking about the CANDIDATE you gave your first preference vote to, what was the MAIN reason you voted for that particular CANDIDATE rather than any other CANDIDATE? [Int. Please record MAIN reason only. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK]

_____
_____

B19 And what other reasons did you have for giving your first preference vote to that CANDIDATE? [Int. If none write NONE. Do not leave blank]

_____
_____

B20 If this candidate had been running for any of the other parties would you still have given a first preference vote to him/her?

Yes……..1 No……2 Depends on the other party……3

B21 On the day of the election how likely did you think it was that the candidate you gave your first preference vote to would be elected? Was it: [Int. Show Card B1]

Definitely/Very Likely.... 1 Quite likely..... 2 Not very likely..... 3..... Definitely wouldn't……4

[Now go to Q24]

INT. ASK B22 AND B23 ONLY IF RESPONDENT DID <u>NOT</u> VOTE IN GENERAL ELECTION IN MAY (No at B1)

B22 What was the MAIN reason why you did not vote? Please describe as fully as possible. [Int. Please record MAIN reason only. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK]

_____
_____

B23 Any other reasons why you did not vote? [Int. If none, write NONE. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK]_____

_____

[INT. MAKE SURE <u>ALL</u> RESPONDENTS FROM B24 ON]

B24 Did you vote in the previous general election in 1997?

Yes……..1 No……..2 Don't know/Can't remember……3

B25 Which party did you give your first preference vote to in the 1997 general election? _____

Don't know/Can't remember..... 9

B26 Did you vote in the referendum on the Treaty of Nice held in June of last year (2001)?

Yes……1 No……2 → go to B28 Don't know/Can't remember……3 → go to B28

B27 Did you vote Yes, in favour or No, against the treaty? Yes, in favour of treaty…1 No, against the treaty… 2

B 28 There will be another referendum on the Nice Treaty before the end of this year. Imagine that you are voting in that referendum. Would you definitely vote in favour of the Nice Treaty, probably vote in favour, not sure either way, probably vote against or definitely vote against the Nice Treaty? [Int. Show Card B2]

Definitely in favour of the Nice Treaty..... 1
Probably in favour of the Nice Treaty..... 2
Not sure either way..... 3
Probably against the Nice Treaty..... 4
Definitely against the Nice Treaty..... 5
Don't know..... 6

B29 Did you vote in the recent Abortion referendum in March this year?
Yes……1 No……2 → go to B31

B30 Did you vote Yes, in favour or No, against the amendment?
Yes, in favour of amendment……1 No, against the amendment…2 Don't know/Refused ….3

B31 [Int. If ballot paper HAS been filled out ask B31, B32 and B33. If ballot paper HAS NOT been filled out skip to B34]

Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you to think about the candidates whom you gave your 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out for me a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on this card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think that candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '10' means you think that candidate would be very good at working for this area. [Show Card B3 and write in candidates names] For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10.

	NOT VERY GOOD at working for this area										VERY GOOD at working for this area			
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	na
Candidate 1														
Candidate 2														
Candidate 3														
Candidate 4														

B32 And how good do you think each candidate would be in terms of contributing to national political debate? [Card B4]

	NOT VERY GOOD at contributing to national political debate										VERY GOOD at contributing to national political debate			
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	na
Candidate 1														
Candidate 2														
Candidate 3														
Candidate 4														

B33 And how close do you think that each of these 4 candidates' political views are to your own? [Int. Show Card B5 write in candidate's names].

	Political views are NOT VERY CLOSE to my own										Political views are VERY CLOSE to my own			
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	na
Candidate 1														
Candidate 2														
Candidate 3														
Candidate 4														

B34 Thinking about the candidate whom you gave your first preference vote to, how often, if ever, have you spoken to the candidate? [Int. Tick (3) one box only]

Often..... 1 Occasionally..... 2 Once or Twice……3 Never..... 4

B35 Have you contacted any TDs, Councillors or Senators from this constituency, in the last 5 years?

Yes……..1 No……..2 Don't know……..3

B36 Was this contact with TDs, Councillors or Senators? [Int. Tick (3) all that apply]
TDs……..1 Councillors……..2 Senators……..3

B37 Was the contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person?[Int. Tick (3) all that apply]

Letter……..1 Phone……..2 Visit to a clinic……3 Through another person……4

B38 Was this contact on your own behalf; on behalf of a friend or family member; or on behalf of a committee or organisation to which you belong? [Int. Tick (3) all that apply]

Self……..1 Family/Friend……..2 Committee/Organisation……..3

B39 What was the main reason for the contact? Please describe as fully as possible.

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B40 Thinking in general of the contact you had with these representatives, if similar circumstances arose in the future, do you think you would you approach them or not?
Yes……..1 No……..2 Don't know……..3

B41 How interested would you say you are in politics – are you: [Int. please tick (3) one box only]
Very Interested 1 Somewhat Interested 2 Not Very Interested…..3 Not at all Interested……4

B42 I will now read out some more statements. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement [Int. Show Card B6]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. So many people vote, my vote does not make much difference <u>to who is in government</u>.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2.Whatever I think about the parties and candidates, I really do think it is my duty to go out and vote in a general election.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3. So many people vote, my vote does not make much difference <u>to which candidates are elected</u>.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

B43 If you did not vote would you feel very guilty, fairly guilty, not very guilty or not guilty at all?
Very guilty 1 Fairly guilty 2 Not very guilty 3 Not guilty at all……4

B44 On this card I have a number of opposing statements. People who agree fully with the statement on the left would give a score of '0'. People who agree fully with the statement on the right would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on these scales? The first scale is as follows: [Int. Show Card B7, and tick (✓) one box on each line]

B44.1. Business and industry should be <u>strictly regulated</u> by the State	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	*Business and industry should be <u>entirely free from regulation</u> by the State*

B44.2. Ireland's membership of the European Union is a <u>bad</u> thing	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	*Ireland's membership of the European Union is a <u>good</u> thing*

B44.3. Public or semi-state companies are the best way to provide the services people need — *Private enterprises are the best way of providing the services people need*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.4. Most of business and industry should be owned by the State — *Most of business and industry should be privately owned*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.5. Homosexuality is never j u s t i f i e d — *Homosexuality is always justified*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.6. European unification has already gone too far — *European unification should be pushed further*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.7 God definitely does not exist — *God definitely does exist*

0 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.8a. We should protect the environment even if t h i s d a m a g e s e c o n o m i c g r o w t h — *We should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.8b How important is this issue of the balance between the environment and economic growth for you personally?

Very Important..... 1 — Fairly Important..... 2 — Not very Important..... 3 — Not Important At all…… 4

B44.9a. Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union — *Ireland should do all it can to protect its independence from the European Union*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.9b How important is this issue of the European Union for you personally?

Very Important..... 1 — Fairly Important..... 2 — Not very Important..... 3 — Not Important At all…… 4

B45 Thinking about the leaders of the two main parties at the general election in May of this year – Bertie Ahern and Michael Noonan. At the time, which of these two did you think would make the best Taoiseach? [Int. Tick (3) one only]

Bertie Ahern..... 1 — Michael Noonan..... 2

B46 I would like you to think about changes in the economy in the area around here since the general election 5 years ago in 1997. Do you think this area has been doing better than the rest of the country; the same as the rest of the country or worse than the rest of the country?

Better than the Rest of the country..... 1 — Same as rest of the country..... 2 — Worse than rest of the country ..... 3.....

B47 Who is most responsible for any improvements in the economic situation around here over the last five years?
[Int. Tick (3) one box only]

Government policies in general……. 1 — There have been The efforts of Local TDs……2 — Neither……3 — no improvements around here 4

B48 Which TD in particular? _____

B49 Still thinking about the area around here, what is the most important local problem for you personally? [Int: If none write NONE and go to B53 below]

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B50 Is there any one party better able to deal with this problem than the others?

Yes……..1→ **B51 Which party? _____** No……..2

B52 Thinking about all the CANDIDATES who ran in this constituency in the recent election in May of this year, which of them, if any, do you think is best able to deal with this problem?

_____ None of the candidates……..1

B53 Some things about a TD may be more important than others. On a scale of 0 – 10 where 0 means 'not very important' and 10 means 'very important' how important do you think it is that a TD should : [Int. Show Card B8]

	Not very important 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	very important 10		DK
1. Be good at working for THIS area													
2. Be good at contributing to national political debate													
3. Be close to your political views													

B54 I will now read out some more statements. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement [Int. Show Card B9]

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor disagree	Slightly agree	Agree	Strongly
1. Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on……..	1	2	…….	3	4	5	6 …… 7
2. The ordinary person has no influence on politics.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3. I think I am better informed about politics and government than most people.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4. In today's world, an Irish government can't really influence what happens in this country.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5. It doesn't really matter which political party is in power, in the end things go on much the same	1	2	3	4	5 ……..	6	7

B55 We have a number of political parties in Ireland each of which would like to get your vote. How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? Please use the numbers on this scale to indicate your views, where '1'means 'not at all probable' and '10' means 'very probable' [Int. Show Card B10 and tick (✓) one box on each line]

How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to…

	Not at all Probable 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Very Probable 10
Fianna Fáil	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fine Gael	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Green Party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Labour	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Progressive Democrats	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sinn Féin	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
An Independent Candidate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

B56 Thinking in general about the main political parties in Ireland, can you tell me what you think each of the parties stand for. [Int. Show Card B11]. Take Fianna Fáil first. What do you think Fianna Fáil stands for. Anything else? And what do you think Fine Gael stands for?

1. Fianna Fáil	_____
2. Fine Gael	_____
3. Green Party	_____
4. Labour Party	_____
5. Progressive Democrats _____	
6. Sinn Féin	_____

B57 OMIT
B58 OMIT

SECTION C

C1a I'd now like to ask you how you feel about some Irish politicians, using what we call the "feeling thermometer". The feeling thermometer works like this: [Int. Show Card C1]

If you have a *favourable feeling* (a warm feeling) towards a POLITICIAN you should place him/her somewhere between 50 and 100 degrees;
If you have an *unfavourable feeling* (a cold feeling) towards a POLITICIAN, you should place him/her somewhere between 0 and 50 degrees; and
If you *don't feel particularly warm or cold* (have no feeling towards the politician at all) then you should place him/her at 50 degrees

where would you place these Irish politicians?

	Thermometer Degree		Thermometer Degree
1. AHERN, Bertie	_____	7. MARTIN, Michael	_____
2. BRUTON, John	_____	8. NOONAN, Michael	_____
3. HARNEY, Mary	_____	9. ADAMS, Gerry	_____
4. QUINN, Ruairi	_____	10. MacDOWELL, Michael	_____
5. McCREEVY, Charlie	_____	11. HOWLIN, Brendan	_____
6. SARGENT, Trevor	_____	12. "DANA" Rosemary Scalon	_____

C1.b And where would you place each of the following political PARTIES? [Show Card C2]

	Thermometer Degree		Thermometer Degree
Fianna Fáil	_____	Labour	_____
Green Party	_____	Progressive Democrats	_____
Fine Gael	_____	Sinn Fein	_____

C2 And where would you place these CANDIDATES who ran in your constituency in the general election in May? [Show Card C3]

Interviewer. You MUST write name of constituency from prompt card here _____

[Int. If respondent voted in general election in May (Yes at B1, pg3) show card for appropriate constituency.
If respondent did NOT vote in general election in May (No at B1, pg3) but gave a constituency at B3 show appropriate constituency card. [Yellow reference card or from list of all candidates]
If respondent did NOT vote in general election in May (No at B1, pg3) and did NOT give a constituency at B3 show card for constituency in which interview is taking place. Show yellow reference card]
[Int. Please write in surname from card and record degree]

Candidate	Degree	Candidate	Degree	Candidate	Degree
Candidate 1 _____	_____	Candidate 5 _____	_____	Candidate 9 _____	_____
Candidate 2 _____	_____	Candidate 6 _____	_____	Candidate 10 _____	_____
Candidate 3 _____	_____	Candidate 7 _____	_____	Candidate 11 _____	_____
Candidate 4 _____	_____	Candidate 8 _____	_____	Candidate12 _____	_____
				Candidate 13 _____	_____

C3 Which do you think would generally be better for Ireland nowadays?
[Int. Read out and tick (3) one box only]

1. To have a government formed by one political party on its own, or 1
2. To have a government formed by two or more political parties together in a coalition..... 2

C4 Looking at the parties listed on this card could you tell me, if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer: [Int. Write in each party of the parties mentioned on a separate line below and also number of parties mentioned]. [Show Card C4]

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____ No. of Parties _____

C5 Please look at the following possible coalition governments. Of these coalitions which one would you most prefer? [Int. Show Card C5 and tick (3) one box only to indicate which coalition the respondent would prefer]

1 Fianna Fail-Greens 1
2 Fianna Fail-Labour…… 2
3 Fianna Fail-Progressive Democrats..... 3
4 Fianna Fail-Sinn Fein..... 4
5 Fianna Fail-Independents……..…5
6 Fine Gael-Fianna Fail. ……..6
7 Fine Gael-Labour-Greens…… ……7

C6 With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place yourself on this scale?

And what about the political parties? Where would you place the parties on the card in terms of their views on Northern Ireland? [Int Show Card C6]

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Insist on a United Ireland now **Abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether** **DK**

1. Self	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
2. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
3. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
4. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
5. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
6. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
7. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11

C7 How important is the issue of Northern Ireland for you personally? Is it:

Very Important 1 Fairly Important 2 Not very Important ..... 3 Not Important At all 4

C8 Thinking back over the last five years – the lifetime of the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the ECONOMY in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse?

Got A Lot Better 1 Got a Little Better 2 Stayed the same 3 Got a little worse 4 Got a lot worse 5 Don't know 6

C9 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

Mainly due to the policies of that government..... 1 Not mainly due to the policies of that government..... 2

C10 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... 1 due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... 2 due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... 3

C11 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the ECONOMY better?

No other party….1 Fine Gael ….2 Labour….3 Greens….4 Sinn Fein….5

C12 Again, thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period?

Got A Lot Better 1	Got a Little Better 2	Stayed the same 3	Got a little worse 4	Got a lot worse 5	Don't know 6

C13 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

Mainly due to the policies of that government..... 1 Not mainly due to the policies of that government..... 2

C10 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... 1 due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... 2 due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... 3

C15 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the HEALTH SERVICES better?

No other party….1 Fine Gael ….2 Labour….3 Greens….4 Sinn Fein….5

C16 Again, thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HOUSING SITUATION in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period?

Got A Lot Better 1	Got a Little Better 2	Stayed the same 3	Got a little worse 4	Got a lot worse 5	Don't know 6

C17 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

Mainly due to the policies of that government..... 1 Not mainly due to the policies of that government..... 2

C10 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... 1 due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... 2 due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... 3

C19 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled HOUSING better?

No other party….1 Fine Gael ….2 Labour….3 Greens….4 Sinn Fein….5

C20 Again, thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that CRIME in Ireland over that period of time increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; decreased a little; or decreased a lot over that period?

Increased A Lot 1	Increased a Little 2	Stayed the same 3	Decreased a little 4	Decreased a lot 5	Don't know 6

C21 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

Mainly due to

the policies of that government..... 1 Not mainly due to the policies of that government..... 2

C10 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... 1 due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... 2 due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... 3

C23 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled CRIME better?

No other party….1 Fine Gael ….2 Labour….3 Greens….4 Sinn Fein….5

C24 Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that party is not very honest and 10 means you think that party is very honest? [Int. Show Card C7 and tick (✓) one box on each line]

	Not very honest									very honest	DK
1. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
2. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
3. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
4. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
5. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
6. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11

C25 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

And what about the political parties? Where would you place the parties on the card in terms of their views on abortion?

	There should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland									Abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one		DK
1. Self	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
2. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
3. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
4. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
5. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
6. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
7. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11

C26 How important would you say is this issue of abortion for you personally?

Very Important..... 1 Fairly Important..... 2 Not very Important..... 3 Not Important At all…… 4

C27 I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card [Int. show Card C9]. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '10' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services.

(a) where would you place yourself in terms of this scale;

(b) and where would you place the political parties on this scale

	Government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services									Government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services		DK
1. Self	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11

2. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
3. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
4. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
5. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
6. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
7. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11

C28 How important is this issue of taxation and spending on health and social services FOR YOU PERSONALLY?

Very Important……1 Fairly Important……..2 Not very Important……..3 Not Important At all……..4

C29. How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country. Put a tick (✔) in one box on each line

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
FIANNA FAIL 11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
FINE GAEL 11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
GREEN PARTY 11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
LABOUR PARTY 11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country									WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
11 **PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS**	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country									WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
11 **SINN FEIN**	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

SECTION E SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS

E1 Since when have you lived in this constituency? _____ month _____ year

E2 Since when have you lived at this address? _____ month _____ year

E3a Are you registered to vote at this address? Yes……1 No……2 Don't know……9

E3b Are you registered to vote at another address?
Yes……1 No……2 Don't know……9

E4 Sex of respondent Male..... 1 Female..... 2

E5 Could I ask for your date of birth Day Month Year

E6a Could I ask about your current marital status? Are you:

Married…..1 Separated ….. 2 Divorced…..3 Widowed….. 4 Never married…..5

E6b Are you currently living with your husband/wife? **E6d Are you currently living with a partner?** Yes…1 No…2

Yes…1 No…2

E6c Are you currently living with another partner? Yes…1 No…2

E7 Which of the following best describes the highest level of education you have completed to date.
[Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]
None..... 1
Completed Primary..... 2
Junior/Inter Group or equivalent..... 3
Leaving Cert. or equivalent 4
Diploma or Certificate 5
University Degree or equivalent 6

E8 During the last five years have you been unemployed and seeking work? By unemployed I mean available for and actively seeking work in contrast, for example, to someone who is engaged in home duties.

Yes……$_1$→go to E9 No……..$_2$→go to E10

E9 For how many months, over the last five years were you unemployed?_____

E10 Which of the following best describes your present situation with regard to employment: [Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

At work full-time (30 hrs or more)..... 1→ **Go to E13**

At work part-time (less than 30 hrs weekly)..... 2→ **Go to E13**

At work as relative assisting/unpaid family worker..... 3→ **Go to E13**

Unemployed and seeking work..... 4→ **Go to E11**

Student..... 5→ **Go to E11**

Retired..... 6→ **Go to E11**

Engaged in home duties..... 7→ **Go to E11**

Long term sick or disabled..... 8→ **Go to E11**

Other, specify_____..... 9→ **Go to E11**

E11 [Int: For people who are unemployed or coded 4-9 in question F7] **Did you ever work at any time in the past, even if not currently working now?**

Yes 1 No 2 →go to E22

E12 When did you give up this job?_____month _____year →go to E13

E13 What is/was your occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc.

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_____

E14 Please describe as fully as possible the nature of the business activity of your employer.

_____

_____

E15 Do/did you work in the public or private sector? [PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY]

Civil Service..... 1 Commercial Semi-state body..... 4

Local Authority Health Board or VEC..... 2 Private sector..... 5

Non-commercial semi-state body..... 3

E16 Are/were you self employed (including farmer) or are you an employee?

Self employed..... 1 Employee..... 2

E17 How many people do/did you employ, including yourself? _____

E18 Are/were you a member of any trade union at this time? Yes 1 No 2

E19 Do/did you normally supervise any other workers in your job?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 → **Go to E21**

E20 Approximately how many do you supervise? _____ → **Go to E21**

E21 How worried are you that you might become unemployed in the next year?

Very worried…..$_1$ Somewhat worried…..$_2$ A little worried…..$_3$ Not at all worried…..$_4$

E22 When you were 16 what kind of work did your father do- what was his occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc

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_____

E23 What were some of your father's main duties at work? Please write in a description of his duties.

_____

_____

E24 With regard to your accommodation, could you tell me if it is…. Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

Owner without a mortgage or loan (incl LA tenant purchase)..... 1
Owner with a mortgage or loan (incl. LA tenant purchase)..... 2
Local Authority tenant 3
Private tenant 4
Other, please specify ..... 5_____

E25 Do you belong to any religious denomination?

Yes…..1→Which one? _____→go to E26 No….2→go to E27 Don't Know….3→go to E27

E26 How often nowadays do you attend religious services? [Int: Show Card E1 and tick (✓) one box only]

Several times a week..... 1
Once a week..... 2
2 or 3 times a month..... 3
Once a month..... 4
Several times a year..... 5
Once a year..... 6
Less Frequently..... 7
Never..... 8
Refused..... 9
Don't Know..... 10
No Answer..... 11

E27a Have you ever lived outside the Republic of Ireland continuously for two years or more? [Int. Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

No…..…1 Yes…….2……→…**What year did you return?** _____

E27b Are you a member of the GAA? Yes…..…1 No…….2

E28 Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party? Yes..... **1** (go to E29)
No. **2** (go to E31)
Don't know ..... **3** (go to E31)

E29 Which party is that? Record all parties

First PARTY mentioned: IF ONLY ONE PARTY MENTIONED _____(go to E33)
Second PARTY (if volunteered): IF MORE THAN ONE PARTY MENTIONED _____(go to E30)
Third PARTY (if volunteered): IF MORE THAN TWO PARTIES MENTIONED _____(go to E30)

E30 Which party do you feel closest to _____(go to E33) ..... no party identified**1**(go to E34)

E31 Do you feel yourself a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?

Yes**1** (go to E32) no **2**(go to E34)..... don't know**3**(go to E34)

E32 Which party is that _____ (go to E34)

E33 Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?

Very close..... 1 somewhat close..... 2 not very close..... 3

E34 And now a couple of questions about how your parents voted when you were growing up; some people know about this while others do not. First your father, which party did he usually vote for or did he vote for various different parties [Int. Show Card E2 and tick (3) one box only]

Don't know..... 1
Fianna Fail..... 2
Fine Gael..... 3
Labour..... 4
Progressive Democrats..... 5
Sinn Fein 6
Workers' Party/Democratic Left 7
Clann na Poblachta..... 8
Clann na Talmhan..... 9
Voted for different parties..... 10
Other..... 11
Did not vote..... 13

E35 Int ask if 2-9 ticked in E34 would you say that he was a very strong supporter of this party? Yes 1 **No**2

E36 And now your mother, which party did she usually vote for or did she vote for various different parties [Int. Show Card E2 and tick (3) one box only]

Don't know..... 1
Fianna Fail..... 2
Fine Gael..... 3
Labour..... 4
Progressive Democrats..... 5
Sinn Fein..... 6
Workers' Party/Democratic Left 7
Clann na Poblachta..... 8
Clann na Talmhan..... 9
Voted for different parties 10
Other 11
Did not vote..... 12

E37 Int ask if 2-9 ticked in E36 would you say that she was a very strong supporter of this party? Yes 1 **No**2

E38.1 Are you a citizen of Ireland?

Yes, citizen of Ireland……..1 No……..2

E38.2 Which country are you a citizen of? _____(please specify)

E39.1 Can you tell me who was the leader of Fianna Fail during the recent general election campaign?
Charlie McCreevy…1 Brian Cowen…2 Charlie Haughey…3 Bertie Ahern…4

E39.2 The Green Party recently elected a leader for the first time. Could you tell me who that is?
Patricia McKenna…1 John Gormley…2 Trevor Sargent…3 Roger Garland…4

E39.3 Who was the leader of Fine Gael during the recent general election campaign?
Jim Mitchell…1 John Bruton…2 Michael Noonan…3 Alan Dukes…4

E39.4 Who was the Ceann Comhairle in the Dail (Speaker of the Dail) during the last Dail 1997-2002?
Sean Tracey…1 Des O'Malley…2 Sean Doherty…3 Seamus Pattisson…4

E39.5 Who is Ireland's European Commissioner?
David Byrne…1 Maire Geoghan Quinn…2 Barry Desmond…3 Padraig Flynn…4

E40 Are you the head of your household? Yes 1→**go to E46a** No 2

E41 What is/was occupation of the head of the household? Please describe as fully as possible. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc

_____

_____

E42 Is he/she self employed (including farmer) or are you an employee?

Self employed..... 1 Employee..... 2

E43 How many people does he/she employ, including yourself? _____

E44 Does he/she normally supervise any other workers in his/her job?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 → **Go to E46a**

E45 Approximately how many do he/she supervise? _____ → **Go to E46a**

E46a I would like to ask about the approximate level of net household income? This means the total income, after tax, PRSI and other statutory deductions, of *all* members of the household. It includes all types of income: income from employment, social welfare payments, child benefit, rents, interest, pensions etc. We would just like to know into which of four broad groups the total income of your household falls. I'd like to assure you once again that all information you give me is entirely confidential [Int. Show Card E3 and tick (3) one box below]

Per week	*Per Month*	*Per Year*	
A. Under €240	**Under €1050**	**Under €12,500** 1	⇒ **Go to Q.A below, Show Card A**
. Under £190	*Under £825*	*Under £10,000*	
B. €241 - €450	**€1051 - €2000**	**€12,501 - €24,000** 2	⇒ **Go to Q.B below, Show Card B**
£191 - £360	*£826 - £1570*	*£10,001 - £19,000*	
C. €451 - €700	**€2001 - €3000**	**€24,001 - €36,000** 3	⇒ **Go to Q.C below, Show Card C**
£361 - £570	*£1571 - £2475*	*£19,001 - £30,000*	
D. €701 or more	**€3000 or more**	**€36,000 or more** 4	⇒ **Go to Q.D below, Show Card D**
£571 or more	*£2476 or more*	*£30,001 or more*	

E46b [INT: Show Card A, B, C or D from the yellow cards as appropriate. Tick ONE Box only below]

A Would that be:	(per week)	**Under €100** *Under £85*	1	**€100 - €150** *£86 - £110*	2	**€151 - €200** *£111 - £150*	3	**€201 - €240** *£151 - £190*	4
	(per month)	**Under €430** *Under £370*	1	**€431 - €650** *£371 - £475*	2	**€651 - €850** *£476-£650*	3	**€851 - €1050** *£651-£825*	4
	(per year)	**Under €5150** *Under£4500*	1	**€5151 - €7800** *£4501-£5700*	2	**€7801 - €10500** *£5701-£8000*	3	**€10201 - €12500** *£8001-£10,000*	4
B Would that be:	(per week)	**€241 - €280** *£191-£220*	1	**€281 - €350** *£221-£270*	2	**€351 - €400** *£271-£320*	3	**€401 - €450** *£321-£360*	4
	(per month)	**€1051 - €1200** *£826-£950*	1	**€1201 - €1500** *£951-£1150*	2	**€1501 €1700** *£1151-£1400*	3	**€1701 - €2000** *£1401-£1570*	4
	(per year)	**€12501 - €14400** *£10001-£11500*	1	**€14401 - €18000** *£11501-£14000*	2	**€18801 -€20400** *£14001-£16500*	3	**€20401 - €24000** *£16501-£19000*	4
C Would that be:	(per week)	**€451 - €500** *£361-£400*	1	**€501 - €570** *£401-£450*	2	**€571 - €630** *£451-£500*	3	**€631 - €700** *£501-£570*	4
	(per month)	**€2001 - €2150** *£1571-£1750*	1	**€2151 €2475** *£1751-£2000*	2	**€2476 - €2700** *£2001-£2200*	3	**€2701 - €3000** *£2201-£2475*	4
	(per year)	**€24001 - €25800** *£19001-£21000*	1	**€25801 - €29700** *£21001-£24000*	2	**€29701 - €32400** *£24001-£26000*	3	**€32401 - €36000** *£26001-£30000*	4
D Would that be:	(per week)	**€701 - €825** *£571-£650*	1	**€826 €950** *£651-£750*	2	**€951 €1200** *£751-£950*	3	**€1201 or more** *£951 or more*	4
	(per month)	**€3001 - €3575** *£2476-£2800*	1	**€3576 - €4100** *£2801-£3200*	2	**€4401 -€5200** *£3201-£4100*	3	**€5201 or more** *£4101 or more*	4
	(per year)	**€36001 - €42900** *£30001-£33500*	1	**€42901 - €49000** *£33501-£38500*	2	**€49001 - €62500** *£38501-£49000*	3	**€62501 or more** *£49001 or more*	4

E47 Could you tell me (a) how many persons living in the household are aged less than 14 years; (b) 14 to less than 18 years; (c) 18 years or more.

(a) Less than 14 years_____

(b) 14 to less than 18 years _____

(c) 18 years or more _____

Total _____

[Int. Say so that means there are _____ persons in the household. Amend if necessary]

E48 Size of location in which household is situated:

Open Country 1	Waterford City 7
Village (200-1,499) 2	Galway City 8
Town (1,500-2,999) 3	Limerick City 9
Town (3,000-4,999) 4	Cork City 10
Town (5,000-9,999) 5	Dublin City (incl. Dun Laoghaire) 11
Town (10,000 or more) 6	Dublin County (outside Dublin city) 12

E49 Interviewer Record Time (24 hour clock)

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IRISH ELECTION SURVEY, SUMMER 2002

Interviewer's Name _____ Interviewer's Number

Constituency Code Area Code Respondent Code

Date of Interview: Day Month Time Interview Began (24hr clock)

Introduction (Ask for named respondent)

Good morning/afternoon/evening. I am from the Economic and Social Research Institute in Dublin. We have been commissioned by a team of researchers from Trinity College Dublin and University College Dublin to carry out a survey into the way people voted in the recent general election. You have been selected at random from the Electoral Register to participate in the survey. The interview will take about 60 minutes to complete and all information provided will be treated in the strictest confidence by the Economic and Social Research Institute. It will not be possible for anyone to identify your individual views or attitudes from the analysis undertaken on the data.

SECTION A

A1 First, I'd like to ask you a general question. What do you think has been the single most important issue facing Ireland over the last five years?

_____

_____

A2 How good or bad a job do you think the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government did over the past five years in terms of _____ [the Main issue mentioned at A1 above]. Did they do a:

Very Good Job..... 1 Good Job..... 2 Bad Job.... 3 Very Bad Job……4 Don't know 5

A3.1a Looking back on the recent general election campaign in May of this year, could you tell me if a candidate called to your home?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't know 3

A3.1b Which candidates? 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

A3.2a Did a party worker (or representative of an independent candidate) call to your home?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't know 3

A3.2b From which party(ies)? 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

A3.3a Did a party worker (or representative of an independent candidate) phone your home?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't know.... 3 No phone..... 4

A3.3b From which party(ies)? 1. _____ 2. _____3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____6. _____

A4.Did you read election leaflets put in your letterbox or given to you on the street/shopping centres etc?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3.....

A5.Did you look at advertisements in newspapers on behalf of the candidates or parties?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A6.Did you attend public meetings related to the election? Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A7.Did you look at candidates' election posters?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A8.Did you see information about political parties and candidates on the Internet?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A9.Did you discuss the election with family, friends or acquaintances?..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Don't Know..... 3

A10 In general, do you think that being contacted by candidates or party workers is helpful or unhelpful for people making up their minds how to vote?

Helpful..... 1 Unhelpful.. 2

A11 I will now read out a series of statements. These cover a range of different areas and topics and I would like you to tell me how strongly you Disagree or Agree with each. For each statement I read please tell me whether or not you Strongly Disagree; Disagree; Slightly Disagree; Neither Agree nor Disagree; Slightly Agree; Agree; or Strongly Agree. [Int. Show Card A1]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. It would be better if more people with strong religious beliefs held public office..	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2. I would be willing to accept a cut in my standard of living in order to protect the environment	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3. Ordinary working people get their fair share of the nation's wealth.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4. Income tax should be increased for people on higher than average incomes.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6. There is nothing wrong with some people being a lot richer than others.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

7. Many of the claims about environmental threats are exaggerated..... 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6 7

A12 I will now read out some more statements. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement [Int. Show Card A2]

Strongly Disagree Slightly Neither Slightly Agree Strongly Disagree Disagree Agree nor Agree Agree Disagree

1. There should be very strict limits on the number of immigrants coming to live in Ireland…... 1…… 2…… 3…… 4…… 5…….. 6…….. 7

2. The British Government should continue to have a lot of say in the way Northern Ireland is run..... 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

3. The long term policy for Northern Ireland should be to reunify with the rest of Ireland 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

4. The British government should declare its intention to withdraw from Northern Ireland at a fixed date in the future..... 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6 7

5. People should not have to put up with Travellers' halting sites in their neighbourhood..... 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

6. Asylum seekers should have the same rights to social services as Irish people..... 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

7. My first priority is to provide for myself and my family, even if this means doing things that harm the environment..... 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

8. I would be willing to pay much higher taxes in order to protect the environment..... 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7

SECTION B

B1 As you may know, many people did not vote in the recent general election. How about you? Did you vote in the general election in May?

Yes, Voted…….1

No, did not vote……2

B2a Did you vote in this constituency or in another constituency?

This constituency……..1

Another constituency……2

B2b If other constituency – Which one?

_____

Go to B4

B3 If you had voted, in which constituency would you have voted? _____

Would not have voted……2

Go to B4

B4 BALLOT PAPER

I have a ballot paper here for this [or the _____] constituency.

Int. *If respondent voted in May 2002 ask:* Please fill it in as you did on polling day – as best you can remember.

Int. *If respondent did not vote in May 2002 ask:* Suppose you had voted in the May 2002 election, how would you have filled in the ballot paper on election day?

INT: B5 AND B6 TO BE FILLED OUT BY INTERVIEWER

B5 Interviewer: Was ballot paper filled out?

Yes……..1→go to B9 No……2

Int: B6 Was ballot paper not filled out on grounds of confidentiality or no interest in politics/doesn't vote?

Refused on grounds of confidentiality ……..1 Doesn't vote/No interest in politics.2→go to B9

Int ask: B7 If I gave you the ballot paper and asked you to fill it out and not show it to me but instead put it into a sealed envelope and give it back to me at the end of the interview would you be willing to fill it out?

Yes……..1→give ballot and go B9 No……..2 →go to B8

B8 Could I ask which party you gave your first preference vote to?

_____ (party vote) Refused……..9

Go to B9

B9 INT. ASK B9 TO B21 ONLY IF RESPONDENT VOTED IN GENERAL ELECTION IN MAY THIS YEAR (Yes at B1) - IF RESPONDENT DID NOT VOTE (NO AT B1) GO TO B22

If you were voting today, would you give your first preference to the same party as you did in the election in May?

Yes……..1→go to B11 No……2 Voted for Independent……..3→go to B16

B10 Which party would you give your first preference to today? [Record name of party] _____

Go to B11

B11 Did the political party to which you gave your first preference vote in the election ask people in this area to vote for their candidates in a particular order?

Yes……..1 No……..2 Don't know……2

B12 And did you vote for the candidates in that order? Yes…2 No…2

B13 Which would you say was more important in deciding how you cast your first preference vote in the general election in May of this year – the party or the candidate him/herself ?

Party……..1 Candidate……..2

B14 When did you decide which PARTY to give your first preference vote to in the general election in May this year?

1. Before the election campaign..... 1
2. In the first two weeks of the campaign.. 2
3. In the last week of the campaign..... 3
4. On the day of the election…… 4
5. Don't know 5

B15 Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously thought you might give your first preference vote to a different PARTY?

Yes……..1→go to B16 No……..2→go to B16 Don't know……3→go to B16

B16 When did you decide which CANDIDATE to give your first preference vote to in the general election in May this year?

1. Before the election campaign..... 1
2. In the first two weeks of the campaign.. 2
3. In the last week of the campaign..... 3
4. On the day of the election…… 4
5. Don't know..... 4

B17 Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously thought you might give your first preference vote to a different CANDIDATE?

Yes……..1 No……..2 Don't know……3

B18 Thinking about the CANDIDATE you gave your first preference vote to, what was the MAIN reason you voted for that particular CANDIDATE rather than any other CANDIDATE? [Int. Please record MAIN reason only. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK]

_____
_____

B19 And what other reasons did you have for giving your first preference vote to that CANDIDATE? [Int. If none write NONE. Do not leave blank]

_____
_____

B20 If this candidate had been running for any of the other parties would you still have given a first preference vote to him/her?

Yes……..1 No……2 Depends on the other party……3

B21 On the day of the election how likely did you think it was that the candidate you gave your first preference vote to would be elected? Was it: [Int. Show Card B1]

Definitely/Very Likely.... 1 Quite likely..... 2 Not very likely..... 3..... Definitely wouldn't……4

[Now go to Q24]

INT. ASK B22 AND B23 ONLY IF RESPONDENT DID <u>NOT</u> VOTE IN GENERAL ELECTION IN MAY (No at B1)

B22 What was the MAIN reason why you did not vote? Please describe as fully as possible. [Int. Please record MAIN reason only. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK.]

_____
_____

B23 Any other reasons why you did not vote? [Int. If none, write NONE. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK]_____

_____

[INT. MAKE SURE <u>ALL</u> RESPONDENTS FROM B24 ON]

B24 Did you vote in the previous general election in 1997?

Yes……..1 No……..2 Don't know/Can't remember……3

B25 Which party did you give your first preference vote to in the 1997 general election? _____

Don't know/Can't remember..... 9

B26 Did you vote in the referendum on the Treaty of Nice held in June of last year (2001)?

Yes……1 No……2 → go to B28 Don't know/Can't remember……3 → go to B28

B27 Did you vote Yes, in favour or No, against the treaty? Yes, in favour of treaty…1 No, against the treaty… 2

B 28 There will be another referendum on the Nice Treaty before the end of this year. Imagine that you are voting in that referendum. Would you definitely vote in favour of the Nice Treaty, probably vote in favour, not sure either way, probably vote against or definitely vote against the Nice Treaty? [Int. Show Card B2]

Definitely in favour of the Nice Treaty..... 1
Probably in favour of the Nice Treaty..... 2
Not sure either way..... 3
Probably against the Nice Treaty..... 4
Definitely against the Nice Treaty..... 5
Don't know..... 6

B29 Did you vote in the recent Abortion referendum in March this year?
Yes……1 No……2 → go to B31

B30 Did you vote Yes, in favour or No, against the amendment?
Yes, in favour of amendment……1 No, against the amendment…2 Don't know/Refused ….3

B31 [Int. If ballot paper HAS been filled out ask B31, B32 and B33. If ballot paper HAS NOT been filled out skip to B34]

Candidates have different strengths and weaknesses. I would like you to think about the candidates whom you gave your 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th preference votes to on the ballot paper you have filled out for me a few moments ago. For each of these candidates I would like you to indicate on the scale on this card how good you think each candidate would be in terms of WORKING FOR THIS AREA, where '0' means you think that candidate would not be very good at working for this area and '10' means you think that candidate would be very good at working for this area. [Show Card B3 and write in candidates names] For each candidate you may indicate any number between 0 and 10.

	NOT VERY GOOD at working for this area										VERY GOOD at working for this area			
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	na
Candidate 1														
Candidate 2														
Candidate 3														
Candidate 4														

B32 And how good do you think each candidate would be in terms of contributing to national political debate? [Card B4]

	NOT VERY GOOD at contributing to national political debate										VERY GOOD at contributing to national political debate			
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	na
Candidate 1														
Candidate 2														
Candidate 3														
Candidate 4														

B33 And how close do you think that each of these 4 candidates' political views are to your own? [Int. Show Card B5 write in candidate's names].

	Political views are NOT VERY CLOSE to my own										Political views are VERY CLOSE to my own			
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	na
Candidate 1														
Candidate 2														
Candidate 3														
Candidate 4														

B34 Thinking about the candidate whom you gave your first preference vote to, how often, if ever, have you spoken to the candidate? [Int. Tick (3) one box only]

Often..... 1 Occasionally..... 2 Once or Twice……3 Never..... 4

B35 Have you contacted any TDs, Councillors or Senators from this constituency, in the last 5 years?

Yes……1 No……2 Don't know……3

B36 Was this contact with TDs, Councillors or Senators? [Int. Tick (3) all that apply]
TDs……1 Councillors……2 Senators……3

B37 Was the contact made by letter; phone; a visit to a clinic; or through another person?[Int. Tick (3) all that apply]

Letter……1 Phone……2 Visit to a clinic……3 Through another person……4

B38 Was this contact on your own behalf; on behalf of a friend or family member; or on behalf of a committee or organisation to which you belong? [Int. Tick (3) all that apply]

Self……1 Family/Friend……2 Committee/Organisation……3

B39 What was the main reason for the contact? Please describe as fully as possible.

_____

_____

B40 Thinking in general of the contact you had with these representatives, if similar circumstances arose in the future, do you think you would you approach them or not?

Yes……1 No……2 Don't know……3

B41 How interested would you say you are in politics – are you: [Int. please tick (3) one box only]

Very Interested 1 Somewhat Interested 2 Not Very Interested…3 Not at all Interested……4

B42 I will now read out some more statements. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement [Int. Show Card B6]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. So many people vote, my vote does not make much difference <u>to who is in government</u>.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2.Whatever I think about the parties and candidates, I really do think it is my duty to go out and vote in a general election.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3. So many people vote, my vote does not make much difference <u>to which candidates are elected</u>.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

B43 If you did not vote would you feel very guilty, fairly guilty, not very guilty or not guilty at all?

Very guilty 1 Fairly guilty 2 Not very guilty 3 Not guilty at all……4

B44 On this card I have a number of opposing statements. People who agree fully with the statement on the left would give a score of '0'. People who agree fully with the statement on the right would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on these scales? The first scale is as follows: [Int. Show Card B7, and tick (✓) one box on each line]

B44.1. Business and industry should be <u>strictly regulated</u> by the State	0 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	*Business and industry should be <u>entirely free from regulation</u> by the State*

B44.2. Ireland's membership of the European Union is a <u>bad</u> thing	0 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK	*Ireland's membership of the European Union is a <u>good</u> thing*

B44.3. *Public or semi-state companies are the best way to provide the services people need* — *Private enterprises are the best way of providing the services people need*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.4. *Most of business and industry should be owned by the State* — *Most of business and industry should be privately owned*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.5. *Homosexuality is never justified* — *Homosexuality is always justified*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.6. *European unification has already gone too far* — *European unification should be pushed further*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.7 *God definitely does not exist* — *God definitely does exist*

0 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.8a. *We should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth* — *We should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.8b How important is this issue of the balance between the environment and economic growth for you personally?

Very Important..... 1 — Fairly Important..... 2 — Not very Important..... 3 — Not Important At all…… 4

B44.9a. *Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union* — *Ireland should do all it can to protect its independence from the European Union*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B44.9b How important is this issue of the European Union for you personally?

Very Important..... 1 — Fairly Important..... 2 — Not very Important..... 3 — Not Important At all…… 4

B45 Thinking about the leaders of the two main parties at the general election in May of this year – Bertie Ahern and Michael Noonan. At the time, which of these two did you think would make the best Taoiseach? [Int. Tick (3) one only]

Bertie Ahern..... 1 — Michael Noonan..... 2

B46 I would like you to think about changes in the economy in the area around here since the general election 5 years ago in 1997. Do you think this area has been doing better than the rest of the country; the same as the rest of the country or worse than the rest of the country?

Better than the Rest of the country..... 1 — Same as rest of the country..... 2 — Worse than rest of the country ..... 3.....

B47 Who is most responsible for any improvements in the economic situation around here over the last five years?
[Int. Tick (3) one box only]

Government policies in general……. 1 — There have been The efforts of Local TDs……2 — Neither……3 — no improvements around here 4

B48 Which TD in particular? _____

B49 Still thinking about the area around here, what is the most important local problem for you personally? [Int: If none write NONE and go to B53 below]

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_____

B50 Is there any one party better able to deal with this problem than the others?

Yes……..1 → **B51 Which party? _____** No……..2

B52 Thinking about all the CANDIDATES who ran in this constituency in the recent election in May of this year, which of them, if any, do you think is best able to deal with this problem?

_____ None of the candidates……..1

B53 Some things about a TD may be more important than others. On a scale of 0 – 10 where 0 means 'not very important' and 10 means 'very important' how important do you think it is that a TD should : [Int. Show Card B8]

	Not very important 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	very important 10		DK
1. Be good at working for THIS area													
2. Be good at contributing to national political debate													
3. Be close to your political views													

B54 I will now read out some more statements. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement [Int. Show Card B9]

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor disagree	Slightly agree	Agree	Strongly
1. Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on……..	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2. The ordinary person has no influence on politics.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3. I think I am better informed about politics and government than most people.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4. In today's world, an Irish government can't really influence what happens in this country.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5. It doesn't really matter which political party is in power, in the end things go on much the same	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

B55 We have a number of political parties in Ireland each of which would like to get your vote. How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? Please use the numbers on this scale to indicate your views, where '1'means 'not at all probable' and '10' means 'very probable' [Int. Show Card B10 and tick (✓) one box on each line]

How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to…

	Not at all Probable									Very Probable
Fianna Fáil	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fine Gael	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Green Party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Labour	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Progressive Democrats	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sinn Féin	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
An Independent Candidate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

B56 OMIT

B57 Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of each of the following PARTIES. [Put a tick (✔) in one box on each line. Show Card B12]

	We should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth										**We should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment**	**dk**	
1. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
2. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
3. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
4. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
5. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
6. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11

B58 Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independence from the European Union. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place the views of the following PARTIES. [Put a tick (✔) in one box on each line. Show Card B13]

	Ireland should do to unite fully with the European Union										**all it can protect our independence from the European Union**	**Ireland should do all it can to don't know**	
1. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
2. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
3. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
4. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
5. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
6. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11

SECTION C

C1a I'd now like to ask you how you feel about some Irish politicians, using what we call the "feeling thermometer". The feeling thermometer works like this: [Int. Show Card C1]

If you have a*favourable feeling* (a warm feeling) towards a POLITICIAN you should place him/her somewhere between 50 and 100 degrees;

If you have an *unfavourable feeling* (a cold feeling) towards a POLITICIAN, you should place him/her somewhere between 0 and 50 degrees; and

If you *don't feel particularly warm or cold* (have no feeling towards the politician at all) then you should place him/her at 50 degrees

where would you place these Irish politicians?

	Thermometer Degree		Thermometer Degree
1. AHERN, Bertie	_____	7. MARTIN, Michael	_____
2. BRUTON, John	_____	8. NOONAN, Michael	_____
3. HARNEY, Mary	_____	9. ADAMS, Gerry	_____
4. QUINN, Ruairi	_____	10. MacDOWELL, Michael	_____
5. McCREEVY, Charlie	_____	11. HOWLIN, Brendan	_____
6. SARGENT, Trevor	_____	12. "DANA" Rosemary Scalon	_____

C1.b And where would you place each of the following political PARTIES? [Show Card C2]

	Thermometer Degree		Thermometer Degree
Fianna Fáil	_____	Labour	_____
Green Party	_____	Progressive Democrats	_____
Fine Gael	_____	Sinn Fein	_____

C2 And where would you place these CANDIDATES who ran in your constituency in the general election in May? [Show Card C3]

Interviewer. You MUST write name of constituency from prompt card here _____

[Int. If respondent voted in general election in May (Yes at B1, pg3) show card for appropriate constituency.

If respondent did NOT vote in general election in May (No at B1, pg3) but gave a constituency at B3 show appropriate constituency card. [Yellow reference card or from list of all candidates]

If respondent did NOT vote in general election in May (No at B1, pg3) and did NOT give a constituency at B3 show card for constituency in which interview is taking place. Show yellow reference card]

[Int. Please write in surname from card and record degree]

Candidate	Degree	Candidate	Degree	Candidate	Degree
Candidate 1 _____	_____	Candidate 5 _____	_____	Candidate 9 _____	_____
Candidate 2 _____	_____	Candidate 6 _____	_____	Candidate 10 _____	_____
Candidate 3 _____	_____	Candidate 7 _____	_____	Candidate 11 _____	_____
Candidate 4 _____	_____	Candidate 8 _____	_____	Candidate12 _____	_____
				Candidate 13 _____	_____

C3 Which do you think would generally be better for Ireland nowadays?
[Int. Read out and tick (3) one box only]

1. To have a government formed by one political party on its own, or 1
2. To have a government formed by two or more political parties together in a coalition..... 2

C4 Looking at the parties listed on this card could you tell me, if there had to be a coalition government, which combination of two or more parties would you most prefer: [Int. Write in each party of the parties mentioned on a separate line below and also number of parties mentioned]. [Show Card C4]

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____ No. of Parties _____

C5 Please look at the following possible coalition governments. Of these coalitions which one would you most prefer? [Int. Show Card C5 and tick (3) one box only to indicate which coalition the respondent would prefer]

1 Fianna Fail-Greens 1
2 Fianna Fail-Labour…… 2
3 Fianna Fail-Progressive Democrats..... 3
4 Fianna Fail-Sinn Fein..... 4
5 Fianna Fail-Independents……..…5
6 Fine Gael-Fianna Fail. ……..…….6
7 Fine Gael-Labour-Greens…….…..…7

C6 With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place yourself on this scale?

And what about the political parties? Where would you place the parties on the card in terms of their views on Northern Ireland? [Int Show Card C6]

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	Insist on a United Ireland now										Abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether	DK
1. Self	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
4. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
5. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
6. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
7. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

C7 How important is the issue of Northern Ireland for you personally? Is it:

Very Important 1 Fairly Important 2 Not very Important ..... 3 Not Important At all 4

C8 Thinking back over the last five years – the lifetime of the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the ECONOMY in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot

worse?

Got A Lot Better $_1$	Got a Little Better $_2$	Stayed the same$_3$	Got a little worse $_4$	Got a lot worse $_5$	Don't know$_6$

C9 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

Mainly due to the policies of that government..... $_1$ Not mainly due to the policies of that government..... $_2$

C10 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... $_1$ due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... $_2$ due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... $_3$

C11 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the ECONOMY better?

No other party…$_1$ Fine Gael …$_2$ Labour…$_3$ Greens…$_4$ Sinn Fein…$_5$

C12 Again, thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period?

Got A Lot Better $_1$	Got a Little Better $_2$	Stayed the same$_3$	Got a little worse $_4$	Got a lot worse $_5$	Don't know$_6$

C13 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

Mainly due to the policies of that government..... $_1$ Not mainly due to the policies of that government..... $_2$

C10 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... $_1$ due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... $_2$ due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... $_3$

C15 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled the HEALTH SERVICES better?

No other party…$_1$ Fine Gael …$_2$ Labour…$_3$ Greens…$_4$ Sinn Fein…$_5$

C16 Again, thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HOUSING SITUATION in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period?

Got A Lot Better $_1$	Got a Little Better $_2$	Stayed the same$_3$	Got a little worse $_4$	Got a lot worse $_5$	Don't know$_6$

C17 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of the government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of the government?

Mainly due to the policies of that government..... $_1$ Not mainly due to the policies of that government..... $_2$

C10 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... $_1$ due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... $_2$ due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... $_3$

C19 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled HOUSING better?

No other party…$_1$ Fine Gael …$_2$ Labour…$_3$ Greens…$_4$ Sinn Fein…$_5$

C20 Again, thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that CRIME in

Ireland over that period of time increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; decreased a little; or decreased a lot over that period?

Increased A Lot 1	Increased a Little 2	Stayed the same 3	Decreased a little 4	Decreased a lot 5	Don't know 6

C21 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of the government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of the government?

Mainly due to the policies of that government..... 1 Not mainly due to the policies of that government..... 2

C10 Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats, mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... 1 due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... 2 due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... 3

C23 Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled CRIME better?

No other party….1 Fine Gael ….2 Labour….3 Greens….4 Sinn Fein….5

C24 Could you tell me how honest you think each of the political parties is using the 0-10 scale on this card where 0 means you think that party is not very honest and 10 means you think that party is very honest? [Int. Show Card C7 and tick (✓) one box on each line]

	Not very honest 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	very honest 10	DK	11
1. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
2. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
3. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
4. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
5. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
6. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11

C25 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on this scale? [Int. Show Card C8].

And what about the political parties? Where would you place the parties on the card in terms of their views on abortion?

	There should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one 10	DK	11
1. Self	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
2. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
3. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
4. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
5. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
6. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11
7. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11

C26 How important would you say is this issue of abortion for you personally?

Very Important..... 1	Fairly Important..... 2	Not very Important..... 3	Not Important At all…… 4

C27 I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card [Int. show Card C9]. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '10' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services.

(a) where would you place yourself in terms of this scale;

(b) and where would you place the political parties on this scale

	Government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services										Government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services	DK
1. Self	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2. Fianna Fail	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3. Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
4. Green Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
5. Labour Party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
6. Progressive Democrats	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
7. Sinn Fein	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

C28 How important is this issue of taxation and spending on health and social services FOR YOU PERSONALLY?

Very Important……1 Fairly Important……..2 Not very Important……..3 Not Important At all……..4

C29. How good do you think each of the political parties would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country and 10 means that you think that party WOULD BE very good at running the country. Put a tick (✔) in one box on each line

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
FIANNA FAIL 11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
FINE GAEL 11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
GREEN PARTY 11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
LABOUR PARTY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country										WOULD BE very good at running the country	*don't know*
SINN FEIN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

SECTION E SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS

E1 Since when have you lived in this constituency? _____ month _____ year

E2 Since when have you lived at this address? _____ month _____ year

E3a Are you registered to vote at this address? Yes……1 No……2 Don't know……9

E3b Are you registered to vote at another address?
Yes……1 No……2 Don't know……9

E4 Sex of respondent Male..... 1 Female..... 2

E5 Could I ask for your date of birth Day Month Year

E6a Could I ask about your current marital status? Are you:

Married…..1 Separated ….. 2 Divorced…..3 Widowed….. 4 Never married…..5

E6b Are you currently living with your husband/wife? Yes…1 No…2

E6d Are you currently living with a partner? Yes…1 No…2

Yes…1 No…2

E6c Are you currently living with another partner? Yes…1 No…2

E7 Which of the following best describes the highest level of education you have completed to date.
[Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]
None..... 1
Completed Primary..... 2
Junior/Inter Group or equivalent..... 3
Leaving Cert. or equivalent 4

Diploma or Certificate 5

University Degree or equivalent 6

E8 During the last five years have you been unemployed and seeking work? By unemployed I mean available for and actively seeking work in contrast, for example, to someone who is engaged in home duties.

Yes……..1→go to E9 No……..2→go to E10

E9 For how many months, over the last five years were you unemployed?_____

E10 Which of the following best describes your present situation with regard to employment: [Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

At work full-time (30 hrs or more)..... 1→ **Go to E13**

At work part-time (less than 30 hrs weekly)..... 2→ **Go to E13**

At work as relative assisting/unpaid family worker..... 3→ **Go to E13**

Unemployed and seeking work..... 4→ **Go to E11**

Student..... 5→ **Go to E11**

Retired..... 6→ **Go to E11**

Engaged in home duties..... 7→ **Go to E11**

Long term sick or disabled..... 8→ **Go to E11**

Other, specify_____..... 9→ **Go to E11**

E11 [Int: For people who are unemployed or coded 4-9 in question F7] **Did you ever work at any time in the past, even if not currently working now?**

Yes 1 No 2 →go to E22

E12 When did you give up this job?_____month _____year →go to E13

E13 What is/was your occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc.

_____

_____

E14 Please describe as fully as possible the nature of the business activity of your employer.

_____

_____

E15 Do/did you work in the public or private sector? [PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY]

Civil Service..... 1

Local Authority Health Board or VEC..... 2

Non-commercial semi-state body..... 3

Commercial Semi-state body..... 4

Private sector..... 5

E16 Are/were you self employed (including farmer) or are you an employee?

Self employed..... 1 Employee..... 2

E17 How many people do/did you employ, including yourself? _____

E18 Are/were you a member of any trade union at this time? Yes 1 No 2

E19 Do/did you normally supervise any other workers in your job?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 → **Go to E21**

E20 Approximately how many do you supervise? _____ → Go to E21

E21 How worried are you that you might become unemployed in the next year?

Very worried…..1 Somewhat worried…..2 A little worried…..3 Not at all worried…..4

E22 When you were 16 what kind of work did your father do- what was his occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc

_____ __

_____

E23 What were some of your father's main duties at work? Please write in a description of his duties.

_____

_____

E24 With regard to your accommodation, could you tell me if it is…. Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

Owner without a mortgage or loan (incl LA tenant purchase)..... 1
Owner with a mortgage or loan (incl. LA tenant purchase)..... 2
Local Authority tenant 3
Private tenant 4
Other, please specify ..... 5_____ _____ _____

E25 Do you belong to any religious denomination?

Yes…..1→Which one? _____→go to E26 No….2→go to E27 Don't Know….3→go to E27

E26 How often nowadays do you attend religious services? [Int: Show Card E1 and tick (✓) one box only]

Several times a week..... 1 Less Frequently..... 7
Once a week..... 2 Never..... 8
2 or 3 times a month..... 3 Refused..... 9
Once a month..... 4 Don't Know..... 10
Several times a year..... 5 No Answer..... 11
Once a year..... 6

E27a Have you ever lived outside the Republic of Ireland continuously for two years or more? [Int. Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

No…..…1 Yes…….2……→…**What year did you return?** _____

E27b Are you a member of the GAA? Yes…..…1 No…….2

E28 Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party? Yes..... **1** (go to E29)
No. **2** (go to E31)
Don't know ..... **3** (go to E31)

E29 Which party is that? Record all parties

First PARTY mentioned: IF ONLY ONE PARTY MENTIONED _____(go to E33)
Second PARTY (if volunteered): IF MORE THAN ONE PARTY MENTIONED _____(go to E30)
Third PARTY (if volunteered): IF MORE THAN TWO PARTIES MENTIONED _____(go to E30)

E30 Which party do you feel closest to _____(go to E33) ..... no party identified**1**(go to E34)

E31 Do you feel yourself a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?

Yes**1** (go to E32) no **2**(go to E34)..... don't know**3**(go to E34)

E32 Which party is that _____ (go to E34)

E33 Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?

Very close..... 1 somewhat close..... 2 not very close..... 3

E34 And now a couple of questions about how your parents voted when you were growing up; some people know about this while others do not. First your father, which party did he usually vote for or did he vote for various different parties [Int. Show Card E2 and tick (3) one box only]

Don't know..... 1 Workers' Party/Democratic Left 7
Fianna Fail..... 2 Clann na Poblachta..... 8
Fine Gael..... 3 Clann na Talmhan..... 9

Labour..... 4 Voted for different parties..... 10
Progressive Democrats..... 5 Other..... 11
Sinn Fein 6 Did not vote..... 13

E35 Int ask if 2-9 ticked in E34 would you say that he was a very strong supporter of this party? Yes 1 **No**2

E36 And now your mother, which party did she usually vote for or did she vote for various different parties [Int. Show Card E2 and tick (3) one box only]

Don't know..... 1 Workers' Party/Democratic Left 7
Fianna Fail..... 2 Clann na Poblachta..... 8
Fine Gael..... 3 Clann na Talmhan..... 9
Labour..... 4 Voted for different parties 10
Progressive Democrats..... 5 Other 11
Sinn Fein..... 6 Did not vote..... 12

E37 Int ask if 2-9 ticked in E36 would you say that she was a very strong supporter of this party? Yes 1 **No**2

E38.1 Are you a citizen of Ireland?

Yes, citizen of Ireland……..1 No…...2

E38.2 Which country are you a citizen of? _____(please specify)

E39.1 Can you tell me who was the leader of Fianna Fail during the recent general election campaign?
Charlie McCreevy…1 Brian Cowen…2 Charlie Haughey…3 Bertie Ahern…4

E39.2 The Green Party recently elected a leader for the first time. Could you tell me who that is?
Patricia McKenna…1 John Gormley…2 Trevor Sargent…3 Roger Garland…4

E39.3 Who was the leader of Fine Gael during the recent general election campaign?
Jim Mitchell…1 John Bruton…2 Michael Noonan…3 Alan Dukes…4

E39.4 Who was the Ceann Comhairle in the Dail (Speaker of the Dail) during the last Dail 1997-2002?
Sean Tracey…1 Des O'Malley…2 Sean Doherty…3 Seamus Pattisson…4

E39.5 Who is Ireland's European Commissioner?
David Byrne…1 Maire Geoghan Quinn…2 Barry Desmond…3 Padraig Flynn…4

E40 Are you the head of your household? Yes 1→**go to E46a** No 2

E41 What is/was occupation of the head of the household? Please describe as fully as possible. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc

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E42 Is he/she self employed (including farmer) or are you an employee?

Self employed..... 1 Employee..... 2

E43 How many people does he/she employ, including yourself? _____

E44 Does he/she normally supervise any other workers in his/her job?

Yes..... 1 No..... 2 → **Go to E46a**

E45 Approximately how many do he/she supervise? _____ → **Go to E46a**

E46a I would like to ask about the approximate level of net household income? This means the total income, after tax, PRSI and other statutory deductions, of *all* members of the household. It includes all types of income: income from employment, social welfare payments, child benefit, rents, interest, pensions etc. We would just like to know into which of four broad groups the total income of your household falls. I'd like to assure you once again that all information you give me is entirely confidential [Int. Show Card F4 and tick (3) one box below]

	Per week	*Per Month*	*Per Year*	
A.	**Under €240** *. Under £190*	**Under €1050** *Under £825*	**Under €12,500**..... 1 *Under £10,000*	⇒**Go to Q.A below, Show Card A**
B.	**€241 - €450** *£191 - £360*	**€1051 - €2000** *£826 - £1570*	**€12,501 - €24,000**..... 2 *£10,001 - £19,000*.....	⇒**Go to Q.B below, Show Card B**
C.	**€451 - €700** *£361 - £570*	**€2001 - €3000** *£1571 - £2475*	**€24,001 - €36,000**..... 3 *£19,001 - £30,000*.....	⇒**Go to Q.C below, Show Card C**
D.	**€701 or more** *£571 or more*	**€3000 or more** *£2476 or more*	**€36,000 or more**..... 4 *£30,001 or more*	⇒**Go to Q.D below, Show Card D**

E46b [INT: Show Card A, B, C or D from the yellow cards as appropriate. Tick ONE Box only below]

A Would that be:	(per week)	**Under €100** *Under £85*	1	**€100 - €150** *£86 - £110*	2	**€151 - €200** *£111 - £150*	3	**€201 - €240** *£151 - £190*	4
	(per month)	**Under €430** *Under £370*	1	**€431 - €650** *£371 - £475*	2	**€651 - €850** *£476-£650*	3	**€851 - €1050** *£651-£825*	4
	(per year)	**Under €5150** *Under£4500*	1	**€5151 - €7800** *£4501-£5700*	2	**€7801 - €10500** *£5701-£8000*	3	**€10201 - €12500** *£8001-£10,000*	4
B Would that be:	(per week)	**€241 - €280** *£191-£220*	1	**€281 - €350** *£221-£270*	2	**€351 - €400** *£271-£320*	3	**€401 - €450** *£321-£360*	4
	(per month)	**€1051 - €1200** *£826-£950*	1	**€1201 - €1500** *£951-£1150*	2	**€1501 €1700** *£1151-£1400*	3	**€1701 - €2000** *£1401-£1570*	4
	(per year)	**€12501 - €14400** *£10001-£11500*	1	**€14401 - €***18000* **£11501-£14000**	2	**€18801 -€20400** *£14001-£16500*	3	**€20401 - €24000** *£16501-£19000*	4
C Would that be:	(per week)	**€451 - €500** *£361-£400*	1	**€501 - €570** *£401-£450*	2	**€571 - €630** *£451-£500*	3	**€631 - €700** *£501-£570*	4
	(per month)	**€2001 - €2150** *£1571-£1750*	1	**€2151 €2475** *£1751-£2000*	2	**€2476 - €2700** *£2001-£2200*	3	**€2701 - €3000** *£2201-£2475*	4
	(per year)	**€24001 - €25800** *£19001-£21000*	1	**€25801 - €29700** *£21001-£24000*	2	**€29701 - €32400** *£24001-£26000*	3	**€32401 - €36000** *£26001-£30000*	4
D Would that be:	(per week)	**€701 - €825** *£571-£650*	1	**€826 €950** *£651-£750*	2	**€951 €1200** *£751-£950*	3	**€1201 or more** *£951 or more*	4
	(per month)	**€3051 - €3575** *£2476-£2800*	1	**€3576 - €4100** *£2801-£3200*	2	**€4401 -€5200** *£3201-£4100*	3	**€5201 or more** *£4101 or more*	4
	(per year)	**€36001 - €42900** *£30001-£33500*	1	**€42901 - €49000** *£33501-£38500*	2	**€49001 - €62500** *£38501-£49000*	3	**€62501 or more** *£49001 or more*	4

E47 Could you tell me (a) how many persons living in the household are aged less than 14 years; (b) 14 to less than 18 years; (c) 18 years or more.

(a) Less than 14 years_____

(b) 14 to less than 18 years _____

(c) 18 years or more _____

Total _____

[Int. Say so that means there are _____ persons in the household. Amend if necessary]

E48 Size of location in which household is situated:

Open Country..... 1
Village (200-1,499)..... 2
Town (1,500-2,999)..... 3
Town (3,000-4,999)..... 4
Town (5,000-9,999)..... 5
Waterford City..... 7
Galway City..... 8
Limerick City..... 9
Cork City..... 10
Dublin City (incl. Dun Laoghaire)..... 11

Town (10,000 or more)..... 6 Dublin County (outside Dublin city)..... 12

E49 Interviewer Record Time (24 hour clock)

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IRISH ELECTION SURVEY, SUMMER 2002

Interviewer's Number

Constituency Area Code Respondent Code

Date of Interview: Day Month

Self-Completion Questionnaire

Thank you for having completed the Irish Election Survey, 2002. We would now ask you to please complete this final section of the questionnaire and return it, as soon as possible, in the pre-paid envelope provided to The Economic and Social Research Institute.

Most questions will require you to put a tick (✓) in a single box or series of boxes. For example:

Very Satisfied..... 1	Fairly Satisfied..... 2	Not very Satisfied..... 3	Not at all Satisfied……4.....

Please complete using a blue or black pen and mark your answers as clearly as possible. Only you should fill in the questionnaire, and not anyone else at your address. ALL ANSWERS WILL BE TREATED AS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.

EVERYONE WHO COMPLETES AND RETURNS THIS FINAL SECTION OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE WILL BE ENTERED INTO A LOTTERY, WITH A FIRST PRIZE OF £1,000; A SECOND PRIZE OF £500; FOUR £100 PRIZES; AND FOUR £50 PRIZES. MANY THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

Q1. To what extent do you think the following political parties are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that party is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that party IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. Put a tick (✔) in one box on each line

	NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people									IN TOUCH with ordinary people		*don't know*
FIANNA FAIL	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

	NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people									IN TOUCH with ordinary people		*don't know*
FINE GAEL	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

	NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people									IN TOUCH with ordinary people		*don't know*
GREEN PARTY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

	NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people									IN TOUCH with ordinary people		*don't know*
LABOUR PARTY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

	NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people									IN TOUCH with ordinary people		*don't know*
PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

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	NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people								IN TOUCH with ordinary people		*don't know*
SINN FEIN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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Q2. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each of the following statements. Put a tic (✓) in one box on each line

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Compared to 10 years ago, Ireland is just as friendly a place now as it was then	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
There is a lot more stress in people's lives today than there was 10 years ago	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
People don't have enough time to spend with their families these days	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Q3. During the general election campaign in May of this year did you talk to other people to persuade the to vote for a particular party or candidate?

Yes ….1 No……2 → go to Q5

Q4. How often did you do this? Was it:

Frequently…….1 Occasionally…2 Rarely…3

Q5. During the election campaign in May of this year did you show your support for a particular party candidate by, for example, attending a meeting, putting up a poster, or in some other way?

Yes… 1 No……2 →go to Q7

Q6. How often did you do this? Was it:

Frequently…….1 Occasionally…2 Rarely…3

Q7. During the election campaign in May did a candidate or anyone from a political party contact you to persuade you to vote for them?

Yes…….1 No……2

Q8. Now thinking in general about the performance of the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government which was in office over the past five years – 1997 to 2002. *In general,* how good or bad a job do you think it has done over the past five years? Has it done a

Very Good Job... 1 Good Job. 2 Bad Job 3..... Very Bad Job…4 Don't Know…4

Q9. On the whole are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied, or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Ireland?

Very Satisfied..... 1 Fairly Satisfied..... 2 Not very Satisfied..... 3 Not at all Satisfied……4.....

Q10. Some people say it makes a big difference who is in power. Others say that it doesn't make any difference who is in power. Using the scale below – where ONE means that it MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE who is in power and FIVE means that it DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE who is in power – where would you place yourself? Put a tick (✓) in one box

IT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE who is in power				IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE who is in power	*don't know*
1	2	3	4	5	

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Q11. Some people say that no matter who people vote for it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the scale below – where ONE means that voting can make a big difference and FIVE means that voting won't make any difference to what happens, where would you place yourself? Put a tick (✓) in one box

Who people vote for CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE — who people vote for WON'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE — *don't know*

1	2	3	4	5

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Q12. Could you tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement: Democracy may have problems but it's better than any other form of government.

Strongly Agree.... 1 Agree.... 2 Disagree..... 3 Strongly Disagree……4 Don't Know.... 5

Q13. Thinking back to the party you voted for in the 1997 General Election, do you feel that that party did a good or a bad job over the last five years?

Very Good Job..... 1
Good Job..... 2
Bad Job..... 3
Very Bad Job……4
Voted for independent in 1997..... 5
Didn't vote in 1997..... 6
Don't know..... 7

Q14. Thinking about how elections in Ireland work in practice, how well do you think they ensure that the views of voters are represented by TDs – very well, quite well, not very well, or not well at all?

Very Well 1 Quite Well 2 Not very Well 3 Not Well At all……4 Don't Know……5

Q15. Would you say that any of the parties in Ireland represents your views reasonably well?

Yes…….1 No……2 →go to Q18 don't know 3→go to Q17

Q16. Which party represents your views best?

Fianna Fail..... 1 Green Party..... 3 Progressive Democrats 5
Fine Gael..... 2 Labour..... 4 Sinn Fein..... 6
Other (specify) _____ 7

Q17. Regardless of how you feel about the parties, would you say that any of the individual party leaders at the election in May of this year represents your views reasonably well?

Yes…….1 No……2 →go to Q20 don't know 3→go to Q19

Q18. Which leader?

Bertie Ahern..... 1 Trevor Sargent..... 3 Mary Harney..... 5
Michael Noonan..... 2 Ruairi Quinn..... 4 Gerry Adams..... 6
Other (specify) _____ 7

Q19 I'd like to know what you think about each of our political parties. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means that you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just put a tick (✓) in the 'Don't know' box on the right. Put a tick (✓) in one box on each line

	STRONGLY DISLIKE										STRONGLY LIKE	*don't k*
FIANNA	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

FAIL											

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STRONGLY DISLIKE STRONGLY LIKE *don't k*

FINE GAEL	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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STRONGLY DISLIKE STRONGLY LIKE *don't k*

GREEN PARTY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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STRONGLY DISLIKE STRONGLY LIKE *don't k*

LABOUR PARTY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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STRONGLY DISLIKE STRONGLY LIKE *don't k*

PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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STRONGLY DISLIKE STRONGLY LIKE *don't k*

SINN FEIN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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Q20. In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place Fianna Fáil on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? Please tick (✔) one box.

	LEFT						RIGHT				*don't know*
FIANNA FAIL	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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And where would you place Fine Gael from 0 to 10 in terms of left and right? Please tick (✔) one box.

	LEFT						RIGHT				*don't know*
FINE GAEL	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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And where would you place the Green Party from 0 to 10 in terms of left and right? Please tick (✔) one box.

	LEFT						RIGHT				*don't know*
GREEN PARTY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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And where would you place the Labour Party from 0 to 10 in terms of left and right? Please tick (✔) one box.

	LEFT						RIGHT				*don't know*
LABOUR PARTY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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And where would you place the Progressive Democrats from 0 to 10 in terms of left and right? Please tick (✔) one box.

	LEFT						RIGHT				*don't know*

PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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And where would you place Sinn Féin from 0 to 10 in terms of left and right? Please tick (✔) one box.

	LEFT						RIGHT				*don't know*
SINN FEIN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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Q21. Over the past 5 years or so, have you done any of the things below to express your views about something the government should or should not be doing?

1. Contacted a politician or government official either in person, or in writing or in some other way..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2

2. Taken part in a protest, march or demonstration..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2

3. Worked together with people who shared the same concern..... Yes..... 1 No..... 2

Q22. How much respect is there for individual freedom and human rights nowadays in Ireland? Do you feel there is…

A lot of Respect... 1 | Some Respect..... 2 | Not much Respect... 3 | No Respect At all…… 4 | Don't Know……5

Q23. How widespread do you think corruption such as bribe taking is amongst politicians in Ireland?

Very Widespread... 1 | Quite Widespread. 2 | Not very Widespread.. 3 | Hardly happens At all…… 4 | Don't Know……5

Q24. Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? Please tick (✔) one box.

	LEFT						RIGHT				*don't know*
YOURSELF	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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Q25. Now turning to the problem of UNEMPLOYMENT. Thinking back over the last five years, the lifetime of the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that

UNEMPLOYMENT in Ireland increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; fell a little or fell a lot over that period? Please tick (✓) one box.

Increased A lot	Increased A Little	Stayed the same	Fell a Little	Fell a Lot	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

Q26. Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government..... 1

NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government 2 **(Go to Q28)**

Q27. Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... 1 due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... 2 due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... 3

Q28. Which of the following parties, if any, would have handled UNEMPLOYMENT better?

No other party….1 Fine Gael ….2 Labour….3 Greens….4 Sinn Fein….5

Q29. Again, thinking back over the last five years, during the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the COST OF LIVING in the country as a whole increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; fell a little or fell a lot over that period? Please tick (✓) one box.

Increased A lot	Increased A Little	Stayed the same	Fell a Little	Fell a Lot	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

Q30. Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government..... 1

NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government 2 **(Go to Q32)**

Q31. Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... 1 due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... 2 due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... 3

Q32. Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE COST OF LIVING?

No other party….1 Fine Gael ….2 Labour….3 Greens….4 Sinn Fein….5

Q33. Thinking back over the last five years, would you say that the LEVEL OF TAXATION in the country as a whole has increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; fell a little or fell a lot over that period? Please tick (✔) one box.

Increased A lot	Increased A Little	Stayed the same	Fell a Little	Fell a Lot	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

Q33. Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government..... 1

NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government 2 **(Go to Q35)**

Q34. Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... 1 due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... 2 due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... 3

Q35. Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with THE LEVEL OF TAXATION?

No other party….1 Fine Gael ….2 Labour….3 Greens….4 Sinn Fein….5

Q36. Again, thinking back over the last five years, during the 1997 to 2002 Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government – would you say that TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT in Ireland got a lot worse; got a little worse; stayed the same; got a little better or got a lot better over that period? Please tick (✔) one box.

Got a lot worse	Got a little worse	Stayed the same	got a little better	got a lot better	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

Q37. Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?

MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government..... 1

NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government 2 **(Go to q38)**

Q31. Was this due equally to both parties in government – Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats – mainly due to the Progressive Democrats, or mainly due to Fianna Fail?

Due equally to both parties..... 1 due mainly to the Progressive Democrats... 2 due mainly to Fianna Fáil..... 3

Q38. Which of the following parties, if any, would have been better at dealing with TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT?

No other party….1 Fine Gael ….2 Labour….3 Greens….4 Sinn Fein….5

Q39. Thinking about the economy in Ireland in the past twelve months, would you say that it has been ….

Very Good	Good	Neither Good nor bad	Bad	Very bad	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

Q40. And how do you think the economy in Ireland will develop over the next 12 months? Will it….

Get A Lot Better	Get a Little Better	Stay the same	Get a little worse	Get a lot worse	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

Q41. How does the financial situation of your household compare now with what it was 12 months ago? Has it……

Got A Lot Better	Got a Little Better	Stayed the same	Got a little worse	Got a lot worse	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

Q42. How do you think the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months? Will it…..

Get A Lot Better	Get a Little Better	Stay the same	Get a little worse	Get a lot worse	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

Q43. How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? Put a tick (✔) in one box on each line

	NOT VERY HONEST								VERY HONEST		*don't know*
BERTIE AHERN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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	NOT VERY HONEST					VERY HONEST					*don't know*
MICHAEL NOONAN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

	NOT VERY HONEST					VERY HONEST					*don't know*
RUARI QUINN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Q44. To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. Put a tick (✔) in one box on each line

	NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people					IN TOUCH with ordinary people					*don't know*
BERTIE AHERN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

	NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people					IN TOUCH with ordinary people					don't know
MICHAEL NOONAN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

	NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people					IN TOUCH with ordinary people					don't know
RUARI QUINN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Q45. How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country. Put a tick (✓) in one box on each line.

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country									WOULD BE very good at running the country		*don't know*
BERTIE AHERN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country									WOULD BE very good at running the country		*don't know*
MICHAEL NOONAN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

	WOULD NOT BE very good at running the country									WOULD BE very good at running the country		*don't know*
RUARI QUINN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Q46. How much you personally trust religious leaders? People who <u>do not trust them at all</u> would give a score of '0'. People who <u>trust them a lot</u> would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on this scale? Put a tick (✓) in one box on each line.

	Do not trust at all										**Trust a lot**
religious leaders	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

And how much do you trust the political parties?

	Do not trust at all										**Trust a lot**
the political parties	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

And how much do you trust the gardai?

	Do not trust at all										**Trust a lot**
the gardai	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

And how much do you trust business leaders?

	Do not trust at all										**Trust a lot**
business leaders	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Q41a Please record your date of birth:_____ day _____ month _____ year

Q42b Please tick to indicate male or female: ..... Male 1 Female.....

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IRISH ELECTION SURVEY
POSTAL FOLLOW UP, SUMMER 2003

This short questionnaire is being sent to people who completed the Election Survey with us in 2002. The same team of researchers is interested in whether people's views of the government and of political parties have changed during the life of the present government. We would now ask you to please complete this questionnaire and return it, as soon as possible, in the pre-paid envelope to the Economic and Social Research Institute.

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Got A Lot Better ☐1 | Got a Little Better ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Got a little worse ☐4 | Got a lot worse ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

Q.2 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1

Not mainly due to the policies of this government ..... ☐2

Q.3 Again, thinking back over the last 12 months or so - the lifetime of the current government - would you say that the HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period?

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Q.4 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1

Not mainly due to the policies of this government ..... ☐2

Q.5 Supposing a GENERAL ELECTION were being held tomorrow, can you indicate on a scale of 0 to 10 how likely it is that you would vote in that election? Please place yourself at a point on this scale where "0" indicates that you would definitely not vote, "10" indicates that you would definitely vote and the remaining numbers indicate something in between these two positions. [Put a tick (a) in one box]

I would definitely NOT vote ⟷ *I would definitely vote*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

Q.6 If there was a GENERAL ELECTION tomorrow to which of the following would you give your 1st preference vote?
[Put a tick (a) in one box only.]

Fianna Fail ..... ☐1
Fine Gael..... ☐2
Green Party ..... ☐3
Labour Party ..... ☐4
Progressive Democrats ..... ☐5
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Got A Lot Better ☐1 | Got a Little Better ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Got a little worse ☐4 | Got a lot worse ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

Q.2 **Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?**

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1

Not mainly due to the policies of this government ..... ☐2

Q.3 **Again, thinking back over the last 12 months or so - the lifetime of the current government - would you say that the HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period?**

Got A Lot better ☐1 | Got a Little better ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Got a little worse ☐4 | Got a lot worse ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

Q.4 **Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?**

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1

Not mainly due to the policies of this government ..... ☐2

Q.5 **Supposing a GENERAL ELECTION were being held tomorrow, can you indicate on a scale of 0 to 10 how likely it is that you would vote in that election? Please place yourself at a point on this scale where "0" indicates that you would definitely not vote, "10" indicates that you would definitely vote and the remaining numbers indicate something in between these two positions. [Put a tick (a) in one box]**

I would definitely NOT vote ⟷ *I would definitely vote*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

Q.6 **If there was a GENERAL ELECTION tomorrow to which of the following would you give your 1st preference vote?**
[Put a tick (a) in one box only.]

Fianna Fail ..... ☐1
Fine Gael..... ☐2
Green Party ..... ☐3
Labour Party ..... ☐4
Progressive Democrats ..... ☐5
Sinn Fein..... ☐6

Q.7 Suppose there was a EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ELECTION being held tomorrow, can you indicate on a scale of 0 to 10 how likely it is that you would vote in that election? Please place yourself at a point on this scale where "0" indicates that you would definitely not vote, "10" indicates that you would definitely vote and the remaining numbers indicate something in between these two positions. *[Put a tick (a) in one box]*

I would definitely NOT vote ⟷ *I would definitely vote*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

Q.8 Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right?
[Put a tick (a) in one box.]

LEFT ⟷ *RIGHT*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

Q.9 Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independence from the European Union. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place your view. *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]*

Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union ⟷ *Ireland should do all it can to protect its independence from the European Union*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

Q.10 How important is this issue of the European Union for you personally? *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]*

Very Important ☐1 | Fairly Important ☐2 | Not very Important ☐3 | Not Important at all ☐4

Q.11 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on this scale? *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]*

There should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland ⟷ *Abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

Q.12 I would like you to indicate how strongly you Disagree or Agree with the following statement. For each statement please indicate whether you Strongly Disagree; Disagree; Slightly Disagree; Neither Agree nor Disagree; Slightly Agree; Agree; or Strongly Agree. *[Put a tick (a) in one box for each statement]*

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
A. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
B. Many of the claims about environmental threats are exaggerated	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
C. The British government should declare its intention to withdraw from Northern Ireland at a fixed date in the future	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
D. There should be very strict limits on the number of immigrants coming to live in Ireland…..	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

Q.13 To what extent are you personally concerned about environmental issues? *[Put a tick (a) in one box]*

Very Concerned ☐1 | Fairly Concerned ☐2 | Not very Concerned ☐3 | Not Concerned at all ☐4

Q.14 Are you a member of an environmental organisation or would you consider joining such an organisation?
[Put a tick (a) in one box]

I am a member of an environmental organisation ☐1
I am not a member of an environmental organisation but would consider joining one ☐2
I am not a member of an environmental organisation and would NOT consider joining one ☐3

Q.15 In the last five years, have you … *[Put a tick (a) in one box for each statement]*

signed a petition about an environmental issue Yes ☐1 No ☐2
given money to an environmental group? Yes ☐1 No ☐2
taken part in a protest or demonstration about an environmental issue? Yes ☐1 No ☐2

Q.16 Please indicate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements.
[Put a tick (a) in one box for each statement]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
A. It is just too difficult for someone like me to do much about the environment	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
B. I do what is right for the environment, even when it costs more money or takes more time	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
C. There are more important things to do in life than protect the environment	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
D. There is no point in doing what I can for the environment unless others do the same	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

Q.17 From what you know, what happens to the majority of household waste that is collected in your area?
[Put a tick (a) in one box]

It is buried in a landfill site ☐1
It is burned in an incinerator ☐2
It is recycled ☐3
Don't know ☐4

Q.18 What do you think SHOULD happen to the majority of household waste that is collected in your area?
[Put a tick (a) in one box]

Bury it in a landfill site ☐1
Burn it in an incinerator ☐2
Recycle it ☐3
Don't know ☐4

Q.19 Please indicate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about the burning of household waste in incinerators. *[Put a tick (a) in one box for each statement]*

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
A. Waste incinerators are essential for effective waste management in Ireland	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
B. Waste incinerators harm the environment	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
C. Waste incinerators are a threat to the health of people living nearby	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
D. Waste incinerators make local water and farm products unfit for human consumption	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

Q.20 A proposal has been made to build a waste incinerator in the Ringsend area of Dublin, to treat part of Dublin's household waste. Please describe how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about this.
[Put a tick (a) in one box for each statement]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
A. A waste incinerator should be built in Ringsend to deal with part of Dublins' household waste	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
B. Building this waste incinerator should be a matter for the people who have to live close to it	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
C. I would be happy to see my household waste treated in a waste incinerator	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
D. I would oppose any plan to build a waste incinerator close to where I live	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

Q.21 Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party?
Yes ..... ☐1 (go to Q22)
No..... ☐2 (go to Q24)
Don't know ..... ☐3 (go to Q24)

Q.22 Which party is that? *(Please write in the party name.)* _____ (go to Q23)

Q.23 Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?

Very close.....☐1 (go to Q26) Somewhat close.... ☐2 (go to Q26) Not very close.... ☐3 (go to Q26)

Q.24 Do you feel yourself a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?
Yes ..... ☐1 (go to Q25)
No..... ☐2 (go to Q26)
Don't know ..... ☐3 (go to Q26)

Q.25 Which party do you feel yourself a little closer to? _____
(Please write in the party name.)

Q.26 How did your father vote when you were growing up? Some people know about this, while others do not. What party did your father usually vote for or did he vote for various different parties?

Don't Know	☐1	Clann na Poblachta	☐8
Fianna Fail	☐2	Clann na Talmhan	☐9
Fine Gael	☐3	Voted for different parties	☐10
Labour	☐4	Other	☐10
Progressive Democrats	☐5	Did not vote	☐12
Sinn Fein	☐6	Voted for different parties	☐13
Worker's Party/Democratic Left	☐7		

Q.27 Finally, could you please record your date of birth? ___ ___ Day _____ ____ Month _____ Year

Q.28 Are you male or female? Male ..... ☐1 Female.....☐2

Q.29 We may be contacting some people again in the future.
If you have moved, or expect to move in the near future, could you give us your new address?

Address:

_____

_____

_____

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I'd like to begin by asking about the performance of the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government which has been in office since 2002.

1. **Thinking back over the last two years or so – the lifetime of the current government – would you say that the ECONOMY in Ireland over that period got a lot better, a little better, stayed the same, got a little worse, or got a lot worse?**

Got a Lot Better ☐1 | Got a Little Better ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Got a little worse ☐4 | Got a lot worse ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

2. **Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?**

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1

Not mainly due to the policies of this government ..... ☐2

3. **Again, thinking back over the last two years or so - the lifetime of the current government - would you say that the HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland over that period got a lot better, a little better, stayed the same, got a little worse, or got a lot worse?**

Got a Lot better ☐1 | Got a Little better ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Got a little worse ☐4 | Got a lot worse ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

4. **Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?**

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1

Not mainly due to the policies of this government ..... ☐2

5. **Again, thinking back over the last two years or so - the lifetime of the current government - would you say that the CRIME in Ireland over that period got a lot better, a little better, stayed the same, got a little worse, or got a lot worse?**

Got a Lot better ☐1 | Got a Little better ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Got a little worse ☐4 | Got a lot worse ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

6. **Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?**

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1

Not mainly due to the policies of this government ..... ☐2

7. **Now thinking in general about the performance of the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government which has been office since 2002. *In general,* how good or bad a job do you think it has done over the past two years? Has it done a**

Very Good Job..... ☐1 | Good Job ..... ☐2 | Bad Job..... ☐3 | Very Bad Job .... ☐4 | Don't Know ..... ☐4

8. During the election campaign in May and June did a candidate or anyone from a political party contact you to persuad you to vote for them?

Yes..... ☐1 No .....☐2

9. As you may know, many people did not vote in the recent LOCAL elections on June 11th. How about you? Did you vote in the local elections in June? If you had the option to vote in both the County Council and Town or Borough Council elections, please answer in relation to the County Council.

Yes.....☐1 →Go to Q. 10 No.....☐2 →Go to Q. 12

10. Could I ask which party you gave your first preference vote to in the June LOCAL election? Again, if you had the option to vote in both the County Council and Town or Borough Council elections, please answer in relation to the County Council.

_____ (party vote, local election)

11. Which would you say was more important in deciding how you cast your first preference vote in the LOCAL elections in June of this year – the party or the candidate him/herself ?

Party .....☐1 Candidate.....☐2

12. What about the EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT election. Did you vote in that election?

Yes.....☐1 →Go to Q. 13 No.....☐2 →Go to Q. 15

13. Could I ask which party you gave your first preference vote to in the EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT elections.?

_____ (party vote, European Parliament election)

14. Which would you say was more important in deciding how you cast your first preference vote in EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT election in June of this year – the party or the candidate him/herself ?

Party .....☐1 Candidate.....☐2

15. What about the CITIZENSHIP REFERENDUM. Did you vote in that referendum on June 11th?

Yes.....☐1 →Go to Q. 16 No.....☐2 →Go to Q. 17

16. Could I ask whether you voted 'Yes' or 'No' in the CITIZENSHIP REFERENDUM?

Yes.....☐1 No.....☐2

17 Thinking about the different sorts of elections that take place in Ireland, local elections, elections to the Dail, and elections to the European parliament, which of these do you think is most important for you personally:

Dáil elections …. ☐1 Local elections …. ☐2 European parliament elections …. ☐3

18. And which is least important for you personally?

Dáil elections …. ☐1 Local elections …. ☐2 European parliament elections …. ☐3

19. Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right?
[Put a tick (a) in one box.]

LEFT ←→ *RIGHT*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

20. Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independence from the European Union. On the 0-10 scale below where would you place your view. *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]*

Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union ←→ *Ireland should do all it can to protect its independence from the European Union*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

21. How important is this issue of the European Union for you personally? *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]*

Important..... ⌊_1 Important ..... ⌊_2 Important ..... ⌊_3 at all.....⌊_4

22. And now we'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on this scale? *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]*

There should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland ⟷ *Abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

23. Please indicate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements.
[Put a tick (a) in one box for each statement]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
A. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
B. Many of the claims about environmental threats are exaggerated	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
C. The British government should declare its intention to withdraw from Northern Ireland at a fixed date in the future	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
D. There should be very strict limits on the number of immigrants coming to live in Ireland	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
E. The ordinary person has no influence on politics	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
F. It doesn't really matter which political party is in power, in the end things go on much the same	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
G. Waste incinerators are essential for effective waste management in Ireland	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

24. A proposal has been made to build a waste incinerator in the Ringsend area of Dublin, to treat part of Dublin's household waste. Please describe how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about this.
[Put a tick (a) in one box for each statement]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
A waste incinerator should be built in Ringsend to deal with part of Dublins' household waste	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

25. We have a number of political parties in Ireland each of which would like to get your vote. How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? Please use the numbers on this scale to indicate your views, where '1'means 'not at all probable' and '10' means 'very probable' [Tick (✓) one box on each line]

How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to…

	Not at all Probable ⟶									**Very Probable**
Fianna Fáil	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Fine Gael	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Green Party	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Labour	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Progressive Democrats	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Sinn Féin	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
An Independent Candidate	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10

26. Supposing a GENERAL ELECTION were being held tomorrow, can you indicate on a scale of 0 to 10 how likely it is that you would vote in that election? Please place yourself at a point on this scale where "0" indicates that you would definitely not vote, "10" indicates that you would definitely vote and the remaining numbers indicate something in between these two positions. [Put a tick (a) in one box]

I would definitely NOT vote ⟷ *I would definitely vote*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

[Put a tick (a) in one box only.]

Fianna Fail	☐1	Progressive Democrats	☐5
Fine Gael	☐2	Sinn Fein	☐6
Green Party	☐3	An Independeent Candidate	☐7
Labour Party	☐4	Another party	☐8

28. Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party?

Yes ..... ☐1 (go to Q29)
No..... ☐2 (go to Q31)
Don't know ..... ☐3 (go to Q31)

29. Which party is that? *(Please write in the party name.)* _____ (Go to Q30)

30. Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?

Very close.....☐1 (Go to Q33) Somewhat close.... ☐2 (Go to Q33) Not very close.... ☐3 (Go to Q33)

31. Do you feel yourself a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?

Yes ..... ☐1 (go to Q32)
No..... ☐2 (go to Q33)
Don't know ..... ☐3 (go to Q33)

32. Which party do you feel yourself a little closer to? *(Please write in the party name.)*_____

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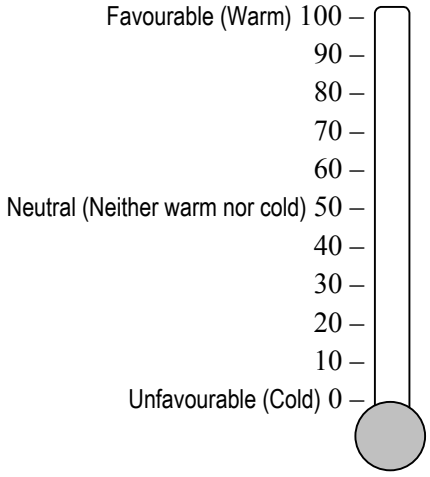

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If you *don't feel particularly warm or cold* (have no feeling towards the politician at all) then you should place him/her at 50 degrees

Where would you place these Irish politicians?

	Thermometer Degrees		Thermometer Degrees
1. AHERN, Bertie	_____	5. SARGENT, Trevor	_____
2. KENNY, Enda	_____	6. ADAMS, Gerry	_____
3. HARNEY, Mary	_____	7. MacDOWELL, Michael	_____
4. RABBITTE, Pat	_____		_____

34. How did your father vote when you were growing up? Some people know about this, while others do not. What party did your father usually vote for or did he vote for various different parties?

Don't Know	☐1	Clann na Poblachta	☐8
Fianna Fail	☐2	Clann na Talmhan	☐9
Fine Gael	☐3	Voted for different parties	☐10
Labour	☐4	Other	☐10
Progressive Democrats	☐5	Did not vote	☐12
Sinn Fein	☐6	Voted for different parties	☐13
Worker's Party/Democratic Left	☐7		

35. Finally, could you please record your date of birth? ___ ___ Day _____ __Month _____ Year

36. Are you male or female? Male ..... ☐1 Female.....☐2

37. We may be contacting some people again in the future.
If you have moved, or expect to move in the near future, could you give us your new address?

Address:

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_____

_____

Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this survey.
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IRISH ELECTION SURVEY
POSTAL FOLLOW UP, Spring 2006

RESP ID LABEL

This short questionnaire is being sent to people who completed the Election Survey with us in 2002. The same team of researchers is interested in how people's views of the government and of political parties develop as time passes and circumstances change. We would now ask you to please complete this questionnaire and return it, as soon as possible, in the pre-paid envelope to the Economic and Social Research Institute.

It is very important that the same person who completed the survey with us after the General Election in 2002 completes this questionnaire. The name of this person is shown in the accompanying letter.

All information you provide will be treated in the strictest confidence. The identity of our respondents will never be revealed to any outside body. The information will be used for research purposes only.

EVERYONE WHO COMPLETES AND RETURNS THIS SHORT QUESTIONNAIRE WILL BE ENTERED INTO A LOTTERY, WITH A FIRST PRIZE OF €1,000; A SECOND PRIZE OF €500; FOUR €100 PRIZES; AND FOUR €50 PRIZES. MANY THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

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1. Thinking back over the last four years or so – the lifetime of the current government – IN GENERAL how good or bad job do you think the Fianna Fáil/Progressive Democrat government has done over that period? Has it done a …

Very Good Job..... ☐1 Good Job ..... ☐2 Bad Job..... ☐3 Very Bad Job .... ☐4 Don't Know ..... ☐9

2. Thinking back over the last four years or so –- the lifetime of the current government – would you say that the ECONOMY in Ireland over that period got a lot better, a little better, stayed the same, got a little worse, or got a lot worse?

Got a lot Better	Got a little Better	Stayed the same	Got a little worse	Got a lot worse	Don't know
☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐9

3. Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1 Not mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐2

4. Still thinking back over the last four years or so, would you say that the HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland over that period got a lot better, a little better, stayed the same, got a little worse, or got a lot worse?

Got a lot Better	Got a little Better	Stayed the same	Got a little worse	Got a lot worse	Don't know
☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐9

5. Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1 Not mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐2

6. Still thinking back over the last four years or so - the lifetime of the current government – would you say that the problem of CRIME in Ireland over that period got a lot better, a little better, stayed the same, got a little worse, or got a lot worse?

Got a lot Better	Got a little Better	Stayed the same	Got a little worse	Got a lot worse	Don't know
☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐9

7. Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of this government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of this government?

Mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐1 Not mainly due to the policies of this government..... ☐2

8. How is the economy in your local area performing now compared with 12 months ago? Has it……

Got a lot Better	Got a little Better	Stayed the same	Got a little worse	Got a lot worse	Don't know
☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐9

9. Some people say that the government may spend money to improve local services or amenities in order to win additional support at the next election. How much sign have you seen of any additional spending in your local area?

A great deal ..... ☐1 Some signs.... ☐2 Not much ... ☐3 None at all..... ☐4 Don't Know ..... ☐9

10 Next, there are a number of opposing statements.
People who agree fully with the statement on the left would give a score of '0'.
People who agree fully with the statement on the right would give a score of '10'.
Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views.
Where would you place yourself on these scales?

Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union — *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]* — *Ireland should do all it can to protect its independence from the European Union*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

We should insist on a united Ireland Now — *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]* — *We should abandon the aim of a united Ireland altogether*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

There should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland — *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]* — *Abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

Public and semi state companies are the best way to provide the services people need — *[Put a tick (a) in one box.]* — *Private enterprises are the best way to provide the services that people need*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

14 Please indicate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements. *[Tick (a) one box for each statement]*

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
a. The ordinary person has no influence on politics	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
b. There should be very strict limits on the number of immigrants coming to live in Ireland	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
c. A man's job is to get money; a woman's job is to look after the home and family	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
d. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
e. Many of the claims about environmental threats are exaggerated	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
f. The British Government should declare its intention to withdraw from Northern Ireland at a fixed date in the future	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
g. Ordinary working people get their fair share of the nation's wealth.	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

15 Did you vote in the last general election in 2002?

Yes ..... ☐1 (go to Question 16)
No ..... ☐2 (go to Question 17)
Don't know/Can't remember ..... ☐3 (go to Question 17)

16 Which party did you give your first preference vote to in the 2002 general election?

Fianna Fáil ..... ☐1
Fine Gael ..... ☐2
Green Party ..... ☐3
Labour Party ..... ☐4
Progressive Democrats ..... ☐5
Sinn Fein ..... ☐6
An Independent Candidate ..... ☐7
Another party ..... ☐8
Don't know/Can't remember ..... ☐9

17 Supposing a GENERAL ELECTION were being held tomorrow, can you indicate on a scale of 0 to 10 how likely it is that you would vote in that election? *[Put a tick (a) in one box]*

I would definitely NOT vote ⟷ *I would definitely vote*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		Don't Know
☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

18 If there was a GENERAL ELECTION tomorrow to which party, if any, would you give your 1st preference vote?

Write in Party Name _____

Would vote for an Independent Candidate .... ☐7 Don't know/ ..... ☐99 Would not vote ☐00

19. We have a number of political parties in Ireland each of which would like to get your vote. How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? Please use the numbers on this scale to indicate your views, where '1'means 'not at all probable' and '10' means 'very probable' [Tick (✓) one box on each line]

How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to…

Not at all Probable ⟷ *Very Probable*

Fianna Fáil	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
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20 Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party?

Yes ..... ☐1 (go to Question 22)
No ..... ☐2 (go to Question 21)
Don't know ..... ☐3 (go to Question 21)

21. If not:Do you feel yourself a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?

Yes ..... ☐1 (go to Question 22)
No ..... ☐2 (go to Question 24)
Don't know ..... ☐3 (go to Question 24)

22. Which party is that? *(Please write in the party name.)* _____ (go to Question 23)

23. Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?

Very close ..... ☐1
Somewhat close ..... ☐2
Not very close ..... ☐3

24. How did your father vote when you were growing up? Some people know about this, while others do not. What party did your father usually vote for or did he vote for various different parties?

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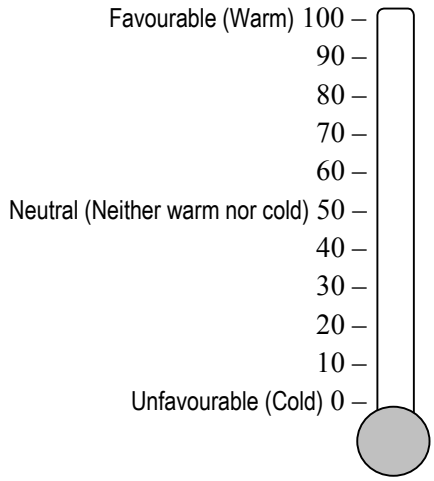

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Where would you place these Irish politicians?

	Thermometer Degrees		Thermometer Degrees
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2. Enda KENNY	_____	5. Trevor SARGENT	_____
3. Mary HARNEY	_____	6. Gerry ADAMS	_____

26 Have you contacted any TDs from this constituency in the last twelve months?

Yes ..... ☐1 (go to Question 27)
No ..... ☐2 (go to Question 29)

27 Did you contact just one TD, or more than one?

Just one..... ☐1
More than one but they are all from the same party..... ☐2
More than one and they are from different parties..... ☐3

28 Thinking of the next general election, would your experience of this contact influence your decision as to how you cast your first preference vote?

Yes, it would make a difference ..... ☐1
No, it would make no difference..... ☐2

29. Finally, could you please record your date of birth? ___ ___ Day _____Month _____ Year

30. Are you male or female? Male ..... ☐1 Female .....☐2

31. Finally, we'd like to ask you a general question. The next general election will take place within the next 12 months or so. What do you think will be the single most important issue that will influence your vote at that election?

write in _____

_____

32 We may be contacting some people again in the future.
If you have moved, or expect to move in the near future, could you please give us your new address?

Address:

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_____

_____

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IRISH ELECTION SURVEY, SUMMER 2007

Interviewer's Name _____ Interviewer's Number ☐☐☐☐☐

Constituency Code ☐☐ Cluster Code ☐☐☐ Respondent Code ☐☐

Date of Interview: Day ☐☐ Month ☐☐ Time Interview Began (24hr clock) ☐☐☐☐

Introduction (to Target Respondent)

Good morning/afternoon/evening. I am from the Economic and Social Research Institute in Dublin. We are carrying out a survey into the way people voted in the recent general election.
Follow-up Resps: You may remember that we interviewed you five years ago after the last general election.
NEW Resps: Your address has been selected at random from the Geo-Directory.
The interview will take about 45 minutes to complete and all information provided will be treated in the strictest confidence. It will not be possible for anyone to identify your individual views or attitudes from the published results.

SECTION A

A1a Looking back on the recent general election campaign in May of this year, could you tell me if a candidate called to your home?

Yes ..... ☐1 No ..... ☐2 Don't know..... ☐3

A1b Which candidates?

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ .....5. _____ 6. _____

A2a Did a party worker (or representative of an independent candidate) call to your home?

Yes ..... ☐1 No ..... ☐2 Don't know..... ☐3

A2b From which party(ies)? 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

A3a Did a party worker (or representative of an independent candidate) *'phone'* your home?

Yes ..... ☐1 No ..... ☐2 Don't know..... ☐3 No phone.... ☐4

A3b From which party(ies)? 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

A4 How closely did you follow the election campaign?

Very closely ..... ☐1 Fairly closely.... ☐2 Not very closely ..... ☐3 Not closely at all.... ☐4

A5 Which of the following newspapers do you regularly use for political information? [Int. Show Card A1 and Tick all that apply]

1. Irish Times ..... ☐1
2. Irish Independent ..... ☐2
3. Irish Examiner ..... ☐3
4. Irish Star ..... ☐4
5. Evening Herald ..... ☐5
6. Irish Sun ..... ☐6
7. None of them ..... ☐7
8. Other (specify) _____ ☐8

A6 **On a scale of 0 –7 where 0 means 'Never' and 7 means 'every day', how often do you do the following:** [Int. Show Card A2; Tick one box on each line]

	Never → Every day									
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		DK(9)
1. …watch television news?										
2. …read a newspaper?										
3. …listen to NATIONAL radio news?										
4. …listen to LOCAL radio news?										
5. …browse online for news?										

A7 **On a scale of 0–4 where 0 means 'Never trust' and 4 means 'Always trust' how much do you trust political information from these different media?:** [Int. Show Card A3]

	Never → Always						
	0	1	2	3	4		DK(9)
1. …newspapers?							
2. …television?							
3. …radio?							
4. …internet?							

A8 **In general, do you think that being contacted by candidates or party workers is helpful or unhelpful for people making up their minds how to vote?**

Helpful ..... ☐1 Unhelpful ..☐2

A9 **I will now read out a series of statements. These cover a range of different areas and topics and I would like you to tell me how strongly you Disagree or Agree with each. For each statement I read please tell me whether or not you Strongly Disagree; Disagree; Slightly Disagree; Neither Agree nor Disagree; Slightly Agree; Agree; or Strongly Agree.** [Int. Show Card A4]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. It would be better if more people with strong religious beliefs held public office	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
2. I would be willing to accept a cut in my standard of living in order to protect the environment	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
3. Ordinary working people get their fair share of the nation's wealth	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
4. Income tax should be increased for people on higher than average incomes	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
5. In general things would improve if there were more women in politics	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
6. There is nothing wrong with some people being a lot richer than others	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
7. Many of the claims about environmental threats are exaggerated	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

A10 I will now read out some more statements. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement [Int. Show Card A5 and Tick one on each line]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. **There should be very strict limits on the number of immigrants coming to live in Ireland**	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
2. **The British Government should continue to have a lot of say in the way Northern Ireland is run**	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
3. **The long term policy for Northern Ireland should be to reunify with the rest of Ireland**	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
4. **The British government should declare its intention to withdraw from Northern Ireland at a fixed date in the future**	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
5. **People should not have to put up with Travellers' halting sites in their neighbourhood**	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
6. **Asylum seekers should have the same rights to social services as Irish people**	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
7. **A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who stays at home**	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
8. **I would be willing to pay much higher taxes in order to protect the environment**	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

SECTION B

B1 Talking to people about the general election on May 2007, we have found that a lot of people *didn't* manage to vote. Which of the statements on this card best describes what you did? . [Int. Show Card B1]

I am sure I voted in the election……☐1

B2a Did you vote in this constituency or in another constituency?

This constituency……☐1

Another constituency……☐2

B2b [If other constituency] **Which one?**

_____

Go to B4

I did not vote in the election……☐2

I thought about voting in the election but in the end I didn't……☐3

I usually vote but didn't this time……☐4

B3 If you had voted, in which constituency would you have voted?

_____

Would not have voted……☐0

Go to B4

B4 BALLOT PAPER

[Int: Check assignment sheet; if follow-up respondent he/she would have received a ballot paper in the post and should have it filled out, if required provide with a new blank Ballot paper]

I have a ballot paper here for this [or the _____] constituency.

Int. *If respondent voted in May 2007 ask:* Please fill it in as you did on polling day – as best you can remember.

***Int. If respondent did not vote in May 2007 ask:* Suppose you had voted in the May 2007 election, how would you have filled in the ballot paper on election day?**

[INT: B5 AND B6 TO BE FILLED OUT BY INTERVIEWER]

B5 Interviewer: Was ballot paper filled out?

Yes…….☐1→go to B7 No……☐2

B6 Could I ask which party you gave [or who you would have given] your first preference vote to?

_____ (party vote) Refused…….☐9

Go to B7

[INT. ASK B7 TO B15 ONLY IF RESPONDENT VOTED IN GENERAL ELECTION IN MAY THIS YEAR (code 1 at B1) - IF RESPONDENT DID NOT VOTE (codes 2,code 3 or code 4 AT B1) GO TO B16]

B7 Did the political party to which you gave your first preference vote in the election ask people in this area to vote for their candidates in a particular order?

Yes……☐1 No……☐2 Don't know……☐3

B7b And did you vote for the candidates in that order? Yes…☐1 No…☐2

B8 Which would you say was more important in deciding how you cast your first preference vote in the general election in May of this year – the party or the candidate him/herself ?

Party…….☐1 Candidate……☐2

B9 When did you decide which PARTY to give your first preference vote to in the general election in May this year? [Int. Tick (✓) one box only]

1. Before the election campaign..... ☐1
2. In the first two weeks of the campaign ..... ☐2
3. In the last week of the campaign ..... ☐3
4. On the day of the election…… ..... ☐4
5. Don't know ..... ☐5
6. Not applicable ..... ☐6

B10 Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously thought you might give your first preference vote to a different PARTY?

Yes…….☐1→go to B11 No……☐2→go to B11 Don't know……☐3→go to B11

B11 When did you decide which CANDIDATE to give your first preference vote to in the general election in May this year? [Int. Tick (✓) one box only]

1. Before the election campaign..... ☐1
2. In the first two weeks of the campaign ..... ☐2
3. In the last week of the campaign ..... ☐3
4. On the day of the election…… ..... ☐4
5. Don't know ..... ☐5
6. Not applicable ..... ☐6

B12 Was there any time during the general election campaign when you seriously thought you might give your first preference vote to a different CANDIDATE of the same party?

Yes…….☐1 No……☐2 Don't know……☐3

B13 If your first preference candidate had been running for any of the other parties would you still have given a first preference vote to him/her?

Yes…….☐1 No……☐2 Depends on the other party……☐3

B14 On the day of the election how likely did you think it was that the candidate you gave your first preference vote to would be elected? Was it: [Int. Show Card B2 and Tick (✓) one box only]

Definitely/Very Likely ....☐1 Quite likely.....☐2 Not very likely..... ☐3 Definitely wouldn't……☐4

B15 Thinking about the candidate whom you gave your first preference vote to, how often, if ever, have you spoken to the candidate? [Int. Tick (✓) one box only]

Often ..... ☐1 Occasionally..... ☐2 Once or Twice…… ☐3 Never..... ☐4

[Int : Ask All repondents]

B16 How about the leaders of the largest political parties. Have you ever met Bertie Ahern or Enda Kenny? [Int. Tick (✓) one box only]

Ahern..... ☐1 Kenny ..... ☐2 Both of them…… ☐3 Neither of them..... ☐4

B17 How interested would you say you are in politics – are you: [Int. Tick (✓) one box only]

Very Interested... ☐1 Somewhat Interested....☐2 Not Very Interested….☐3 Not at all Interested……☐4

B18 I will now read out some more statements. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement [Int. Show Card B3 and Tick one box on each line]

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. So many people vote, my vote does not make much difference <u>to who is in government</u>	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
2. Whatever I think about the parties and candidates, I really do think it is my duty to go out and vote in a general election	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
3. So many people vote, my vote does not make much difference <u>to which candidates are elected</u>	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
4. The assumption that TDs should provide a local service is a strength of the Irish political system.	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
5. A constituency represented by a cabinet minister will have more money spent in it by the government.	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
6. The presence of large international companies is good for the Irish economy	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7
7. Ireland should limit the import of foreign products in order to protect its national economy.	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7

B19 If you had not voted/did not vote would/do you feel very guilty, fairly guilty, not very guilty or not guilty at all? Very guilty…..☐1 Fairly guilty…..☐2 Not very guilty…..☐3 Not guilty at all……☐4

B20 On this card I have a number of opposing statements. People who agree fully with the statement on the left would give a score of '0'. People who agree fully with the statement on the right would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on these scales? The first scale is as follows: [Int. Show Card B7, and tick (✓) one box on each line]

B20.1. Business and industry should be <u>strictly regulated</u> by the State → *Business and industry should be <u>entirely free from regulation</u> by the State*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B20.2. Ireland's membership of the European Union is a <u>bad</u> thing. → *Ireland's membership of the European Union is a <u>good</u> thing*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B20.3. *Foreign workers and immigrants living in Ireland should be allowed to preserve their own culture.* → *Foreign workers and immigrants living in Ireland should have to adjust themselves fully to Irish culture*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B20.4. *Most of business and industry should be owned by the State* → *Most of business and industry should be privately owned*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B20.5. *Homosexuality is never justified* → *Homosexuality is always justified*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B20.6. *European unification has already gone too far* → *European unification should be pushed further*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B20.7 *God definitely does not exist* → *God definitely does exist*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK

B21 Some people think that we should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth. Other people think that we should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment. Where would you place yourself on this scale?

And what about the political parties? Where would you place the parties on the card in terms of their views on the environment and economic growth? [Int: Show Card B5 and tick (✓) one box only]

	We should protect the environment even if this *damages economic growth* →										*We should encourage economic growth even if* this damages *the environment*			*dk*
1. Self	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10			☐11
2. Fianna Fail	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10			☐11
3. Fine Gael	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10			☐11
4. Green Party	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10			☐11
5. Labour	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10			☐11
6. PDs	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10			☐11
7. Sinn Fein	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10			☐11

B22 How important is this issue of the balance between the environment and economic growth for you personally?

Very Important..... ☐1 Fairly Important..... ☐2 Not very Important..... ☐3 Not Important At all…… ☐4

B23 Some people think that Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union. Other people think that Ireland should do all it can to protect our independence from the European Union. Where would you place yourself on this scale?

And what about the political parties? Where would you place the parties on the card in terms of their views on the European Union? [Int: Show Card B6 and tick (✓) one box only]

	Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union →										*Ireland should do all it can to protect our independence from the European Union*		*don't know*
1. Self	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
2. Fianna Fail	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
3. Fine Gael	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
4. Green Party	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
5. Labour	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
6. PDs	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
7. Sinn Fein	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

B24 How important is this issue of the European Union for you personally?

Very Important..... ☐1 Fairly Important..... ☐2 Not very Important..... ☐3 Not Important At all…… ☐4

B25 We have a number of political parties in Ireland each of which would like to get your vote. How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? Please use the numbers on this scale to indicate your views, where '1'means 'not at all probable' and '10' means 'very probable' [Int. Show Card B7 and tick (✓) one box on each line]

	Not at all Probable →									*Very Probable*
Fianna Fáil	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Fine Gael	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Green Party	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Labour	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Progressive Democrats	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
Sinn Féin	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10
An Independent Candidate	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10

B26 I would like you to think about changes in the economy in the area around here since the general election 5 years ago in 2002. Do you think this area has been doing better than the rest of the country, the same as the rest of the country or worse than the rest of the country?

Better than the Rest of the country.....☐1 Same as rest of the country..... ☐2 Worse than rest of the country..... .... ☐3

B27 Who is most responsible for any improvements in the economic situation around here over the last five years? [Int. Tick (✓) one box only]

Government policies in general……. ☐1 The efforts of Local TDs…….☐2 Neither……☐3 There have been no improvements around here..... ...☐4

B27b Which TD in particular? _____

B28 Still thinking about the area around here, what is the most important local problem for you personally? [Int: If none write NONE and go to B31 below**]**

_____

_____

B29 Is there any one party better able to deal with this problem than the other parties?

Yes…….☐1→ **B30 Which party?** _____ No……☐2

B31 Thinking about all the CANDIDATES who ran in this constituency in the recent election in May of this year, which of them, if any, do you think is best able to deal with this problem?

_____ None of the candidates……☐0

B32 Which of the qualities shown on this card would you say are particularly important for TDs to have? You may choose more than one, none, or suggest others. [Int: Show card B8 and tick all that apply]

Speak their own mind ..... ☐1
Speak up for the area they represent ..... ☐2
Help individual voters sort out their problems ..... ☐3
Be loyal to the party they represent ..... ☐4
Other (PLEASE SAY WHAT) _____ ..... ☐5

_____

(Don't Know) ..... ☐8
(Refused) ..... ☐9

SECTION C

C1 I'd like to know what you think about each of our political parties. After I read the name of a party, please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that party and 10 means that you STRONGLY LIKE that party. If you come to a party you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know' [Int: Show card C1 and Tick (✓) one box on each line]

	Strongly Dislike →										*Strongly Like*		
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK
1. Fianna Fáil													
2. Fine Gael													
3. Green Party													
4. Labour													
5. Progressive Democrats													
6. Sinn Féin													

C2 And what do you think of the party leaders? After I read the name of a party leader, please rate them on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that candidate and 10 means that you strongly like that candidate, If I come to a party leader you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know'[Int: Show card C2 and Tick (✓) one box on each line]

	Strongly Dislike →										*Strongly like*		
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK
1. Bertie Ahern													
2. Enda Kenny													
3. Trevor Sergent													
4. Pat Rabbitte													
5. Michael McDowell													
6. Gerry Adams													

C3 **Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency. After I read the name of a candidate, please rate each candidate on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you STRONGLY DISLIKE that candidate and 10 means that you STRONGLY LIKE that candidate. If you come to a candidate you haven't heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say 'Don't know'**
[Int: Show card C3 and enter one number for each candidate in the relevant constituency]

[Interviewer. You MUST write name of constituency from prompt card here _____]

[Int.: If respondent voted in general election in May (code 1 at B1, pg3) show card for appropriate constituency.
If respondent did NOT vote in general election in May (code 2,code 3 or code 4 at B1, pg3) but gave a constituency at B3 show appropriate constituency card. *[Yellow reference card or from list of all candidates]*
If respondent did NOT vote in general election in May (code 2,code 3 or code 4 at B1, pg3) and did NOT give a constituency at B3 show card for constituency in which interview is taking place. *[Yellow reference card]*

Candidate 1 _____	Candidate 5 _____	Candidate 9 _____
Candidate 2 _____	Candidate 6 _____	Candidate 10 _____
Candidate 3 _____	Candidate 7 _____	Candidate 11 _____
Candidate 4 _____	Candidate 8 _____	Candidate 12 _____
		Candidate 13 _____

C4 **Thinking back over the last five years – the lifetime of the 2002 to 2007 Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government – would you say that the ECONOMY in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse?**

Got A Lot Better ☐1 | Got a Little Better ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Got a little worse ☐4 | Got a lot worse ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

C5 **Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?**

Mainly due to the policies of that government .....☐1 Not mainly due to the policies of that government ...☐2

C6 **Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled the economy better?**

Better….☐1 Much the same ….☐2 Worse….☐3

C7 **Again, thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HEALTH SERVICES in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period?**

Got A Lot Better ☐1 | Got a Little Better ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Got a little worse ☐4 | Got a lot worse ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

C8 **Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government?**

Mainly due to the policies of that government ..... ☐1 Not mainly due to the policies of that government ...☐2

C9 **Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled Health Services better?**

Better….☐1 Much the same ….☐2 Worse….☐3

C10 **Again, thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that the HOUSING SITUATION in Ireland over that period of time got a lot better; a little better; stayed the same; got a little worse; or got a lot worse over that period?**

Got A Lot Better ☐1 | Got a Little Better ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Got a little worse ☐4 | Got a lot worse ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

C11 **Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of the government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of the government?**

Mainly due to the policies of that government……☐1 Not mainly due to the policies of that government…☐2

C12 Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled Housing Situation better?

Better….☐1 Much the same ….☐2 ..... Worse….☐3

C13 Again, thinking back over the last five years of the Fianna Fail – Progressive Democrat government, would you say that CRIME in Ireland over that period of time increased a lot; increased a little; stayed the same; decreased a little; or decreased a lot over that period?

Increased A Lot ☐1 | Increased a Little ☐2 | Stayed the same ☐3 | Decreased a little ☐4 | Decreased a lot ☐5 | Don't know ☐6

C14 Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of the government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of the government?

Mainly due to the policies of that government……☐1 Not mainly due to the policies of that government…☐2

C15 Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled Crime better?

Better….☐1 Much the same ….☐2 Worse….☐3

C16 With regard to the Northern Ireland problem some people think we should insist on a United Ireland now while other people think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether. Of course other people have opinions somewhere between these extremes. Suppose the people who believe that we should insist on a United Ireland now are at one end of the scale, at '0', and the people who think we should abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether are at the other end, at '10'. Where would you place yourself on this scale?

And what about the political parties? Where would you place the parties on the card in terms of their views on Northern Ireland? [Int: Show card C4 and Tick (✓) one box on each line]

	Insist on a United Ireland now →										*Abandon the aim of a United Ireland altogether*		*DK*
1. Self	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
2. Fianna Fail	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
3. Fine Gael	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
4. Green Party	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
5. Labour	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
6. PDs	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
7. Sinn Fein	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

C17 How important is the issue of Northern Ireland for you personally? Is it:

Very Important.....☐1 Fairly Important ..... ☐2 Not very Important.....☐3 Not Important at all … ☐4

C18 And now I'd like to ask you a question about abortion. People who fully agree that there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree that abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on this scale? [Int: Show card C and Tick (✓) one box on each line]

And what about the political parties? Where would you place the parties on the card in terms of their views on abortion?

	There should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland →										Abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one		DK
1. Self	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
2. Fianna Fail	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
3. Fine Gael	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
4. Green Party	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
5. Labour Party	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
6. Progressive Democrats	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
7. Sinn Fein	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

C19 How important would you say is this issue of abortion for you personally?

Very Fairly Not very Not Important

Important..... ☐1 Important..... ☐2 Important..... ☐3 At all…… ☐4

C20 I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card [Int: Show card C6 and Tick (✓) one box on each line]**. A '0' means government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and '10' means government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services.**
(a) where would you place yourself in terms of this scale;
(b) and where would you place the political parties on this scale

Government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services → Government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services

													DK
1. Self	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
2. Fianna Fail	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
3. Fine Gael	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
4. Green Party	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
5. Labour Party	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
6. Progressive Democrats	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11
7. Sinn Fein	☐0	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5	☐6	☐7	☐8	☐9	☐10		☐11

C21 How important is this issue of taxation and spending on health and social services FOR YOU PERSONALLY?

Very Important…… ☐1 Fairly Important…….. ☐2 Not very Important…… ☐3 Not Important At all…….. ☐4

C22 During the last 12 months, did you or a family member go on a waiting list for or receive hospital treatment?

Yes…… ☐1 No…… ☐2 Don't know…… ☐3

C23 Generally speaking, how satisfied was your experience of the medical services?

Very Satisfied ☐1 Fairly Satisfied ☐2 A little Dissatisfied ☐3 Very Dissatisfied ☐4 Don't know ☐5

C24 During the last 12 months, did you or a family member have any contact with recent immigrants to Ireland?

Yes…… ☐1 No…… ☐2 Don't know…… ☐3

C25 Generally speaking, how would you evaluate this contact?

Very Positively ☐1 Fairly Positively ☐2 A little Negatively ☐3 Very Negatively ☐4 Don't Know ☐5

C26 During the last 12 months, did you or a family member seek assistance from the authorities over a crime committed in your home, in your neighbourhood, or at work?

Yes…… ☐1 No…… ☐2 Don't know…… ☐3

C27 Generally speaking, how satisfied were you with this assistance?

Very Satisfied ☐1 Fairly Satisfied ☐2 A little Dissatisfied ☐3 Very Dissatisfied ☐4 Don't know ☐5

SECTION E SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS

E1 Since when have you lived in this constituency? _____ month _____ year

E2 Since when have you lived at this address? _____ month _____ year

E3a Are you registered to vote at this address? Yes…….☐1 No……..☐2 Don't know……☐9

E3b Are you registered to vote at another address?
Yes…….☐1 No……☐2 Don't know……☐9

E4 Sex of respondent Male ..... ☐1 Female ..... ☐2

E5 Could I ask for your date of birth Day ___ ___ Month ___ ___ Year ___ ___ ___ ___

E6a Could I ask about your current marital status? Are you:

Married…..☐1 Separated ….. ☐2 Divorced….☐3 Widowed……☐4 Never married…..☐5

E6b Are you currently living with your husband/wife?
Yes…☐1 No…☐2

E6d Are you currently living with a partner? Yes…☐1 No…☐2

E6c Are you currently living with another partner? Yes…☐1 No…☐2

E7 Which of the following best describes the highest level of education you have completed to date.
[Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

None ..... ☐1
Completed Primary ..... ☐2
Junior/Inter Group or equivalent ..... ☐3
Leaving Cert. or equivalent ..... ☐4
Diploma or Certificate ..... ☐5
University Degree or equivalent ..... ☐6

E8 During the last five years have you been unemployed and seeking work? By unemployed I mean available for and actively seeking work in contrast, for example, to someone who is engaged in home duties.

Yes…..☐1→go to E9 No……..☐2→go to E10

E9 For how many months, over the last five years were you unemployed?_____

E10 Which of the following best describes your present situation with regard to employment: [Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

At work full-time (30 hrs or more) ..... ☐1→ Go to E13
At work part-time (less than 30 hrs weekly)..... ☐2→ Go to E13
At work as relative assisting/unpaid family worker..... ☐3→ Go to E13
Unemployed and seeking work..... ☐4→ Go to E11
Student ..... ☐5→ Go to E11
Retired ..... ☐6→ Go to E11
Engaged in home duties..... ☐7→ Go to E11
Long term sick or disabled ..... ☐8→ Go to E11
Other, specify_____ ☐9→ Go to E11

E11 [Int: For people who are unemployed or coded 4-9 in question E10] **Did you ever work at any time in the past, even if not currently working now?**

Yes ……..☐1 No ..... ☐2 →go to E22

E12 When did you give up this job?_____month _____year →go to E13

E13 **What is/was your occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc.**

_____

_____

E14 **Do/did you work in the public or private sector?** [PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY]

Civil Service ..... ☐1
Local Authority Health Board or VEC ..... ☐2
Non-commercial semi-state body ..... ☐3
Commercial Semi-state body ..... ☐4
Private sector ..... ☐5

E15 **Are/were you self employed (including farmer) or are you an employee?**

Self employed ..... ☐1 Employee ..... ☐2

E16 How many people do/did you employ, including yourself? _____

E17 **Are/were you a member of any trade union?** Yes..... ☐1 No..... ☐2

E18 **Do/did you normally supervise any other workers in your job?**

Yes ..... ☐1 No..... ☐2 → **Go to E20**

E19 Approximately how many do you supervise? _____ → Go to E20

[Int: Check if respondent is currently living with spouse/partner- 'yes' at E6b or 'yes' at E6c or 'yes' at E6d on page 12] if so ask E20 to E32, if not skip to E33]

E20 **During the last five years has your partner been unemployed and seeking work? By unemployed I mean available for and actively seeking work in contrast, for example, to someone who is engaged in home duties.**

Yes…… ☐1→go to E21 No…….. ☐2→go to E22

E21 **For how many months, over the last five years was s/he unemployed?_____**

E22 **Which of the following best describes your partner's present situation with regard to employment:** [Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

At work full-time (30 hrs or more) ..... ☐1→ Go to E25
At work part-time (less than 30 hrs weekly)..... ☐2→ Go to E25
At work as relative assisting/unpaid family worker..... ☐3→ Go to E25
Unemployed and seeking work..... ☐4→ Go to E23
Student ..... ☐5→ Go to E23
Retired ..... ☐6→ Go to E23
Engaged in home duties..... ☐7→ Go to E23
Long term sick or disabled ..... ☐8→ Go to E23
Other, specify_____ ☐9→ Go to E23

E23 [Int: For people whose partner is unemployed or coded 4-9 in question E22] **Did your partner ever work at any time in the past, even if not currently working now?**

Yes …… ☐1 No ..... ☐2 →go to E32

E24 **When did your partner give up this job?_____**month _____year →go to E25

E25 **What is/was your partner's occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc.**

_____

_____

E26 **Do/did your partner work in the public or private sector?** [PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY]

Civil Service ..... ☐1
Local Authority Health Board or VEC ..... ☐2
Non-commercial semi-state body ..... ☐3
Commercial Semi-state body ..... ☐4
Private sector ..... ☐5

E27 **Is/was your partner self-employed (including farmer) or is/was s/he an employee?**

Self employed ..... ☐1 Employee ..... ☐2

E28 How many people does/did your partner employ, including him/herself? _____

E29 **Is/was your partner a member of any trade union [at this time]?** Yes ..... ☐1 No ..... ☐2

E30 **Do/did your partner normally supervise any other workers in their job?**

Yes ..... ☐1 No ..... ☐2 → **Go to E32**

E31 Approximately how many does/did s/he supervise? _____ → **Go to E32**

[Int: Ask all respondents]

E32 **How worried are you that you might become unemployed in the next year?**

Very worried..... ☐1 Somewhat worried..... ☐2 A little worried..... ☐3 Not at all worried..... ☐4

E33 **With regard to your accommodation, could you tell me if it is….** [Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

Owner without a mortgage or loan (incl LA tenant purchase).... ☐1
Owner with a mortgage or loan (incl. LA tenant purchase)..... ☐2
Local Authority tenant ..... ☐3
Private tenant ..... ☐4
Other, please specify ..... ☐5 _____

E34 **Do you belong to any religious denomination?**

Yes ..... ☐1 → Which one? _____ → go to E35
No……..... ☐2 → go to E36
Don't Know..... ☐3 → go to E36

E35 **How often nowadays do you attend religious services?** [Int: Show Card E1 and tick (✓) one box only]

Several times a week ..... ☐1
Once a week ..... ☐2
2 or 3 times a month..... ☐3
Once a month ..... ☐4
Several times a year..... ☐5
Once a year..... ☐6
Less Frequently ..... ☐7
Never ..... ☐8
Refused ..... ☐9
Don't Know ..... ☐10
No Answer ..... ☐11

E36 **Have you ever lived outside the Republic of Ireland continuously for two years or more?** [Int. Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

No..... ☐1 Yes..... ☐2 → **What year did you return?** _____

E37 **Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party**? Yes ..... ☐1 (go to E38)
No ..... ☐2 (go to E40)
Don't know ..... ☐3 (go to E40)

E38 **Which party is that?** Record all parties

First PARTY mentioned: IF ONLY ONE PARTY MENTIONED _____(go to E42)

Second PARTY (if volunteered): IF MORE THAN ONE PARTY MENTIONED _____(go to E39)

Third PARTY (if volunteered): IF MORE THAN TWO PARTIES MENTIONED _____(go to E39)

E39 **Which party do you feel closest to** _____(go to E42) no party identified ☐0 (go to E43)

E40 Do you feel yourself a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?

Yes ☐1 → (go to E41) no ☐2 →(go to E43) don't know ☐3 →(go to E43)

E41 Which party is that _____ (go to E42)

E42 Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?

Very close..... ☐1 somewhat close.... ☐2 not very close..... ☐3

E43 And now a couple of questions about how your father voted when you were growing up; some people know about this while others do not. Which party did he usually vote for or did he vote for various different parties [Int. Show Card E2 and tick (✓) one box only]

Don't know ☐1	Workers' Party/Democratic Left ☐7
Fianna Fail ☐2	Clann na Poblachta ☐8
Fine Gael ☐3	Clann na Talmhan ☐9
Labour ☐4	Voted for different parties ☐10
Progressive Democrats ☐5	Other ☐11
Sinn Fein ☐6	Did not vote ☐13

E44.1 Are you a citizen of Ireland? Yes, citizen of Ireland..... ☐1 No..... ☐2

E44.2 Which country are you a citizen of? _____(please specify)

E45.1 Which Government Department received the most money in last year's budget?

Health... ☐1 Social Welfare... ☐2 Foreign Affairs... ☐3 Transport... ☐4

E45.2 Who was the Minister for Finance at when the last Dail was dissolved?

Charlie McCreevy ... ☐1 Michael McDowell... ☐2 Brian Cowen... ☐3 Martin Cullen... ☐4

E45.3 What was the approximate rate of consumer price inflation in Ireland at the end of 2006?

2%... ☐1 5%... ☐2 15%... ☐3 20%... ☐4

E45.4 Which was the first party to announce that it would cut the standard rate of tax in the 2007 campaign?

PDs... ☐1 Fine Gael... ☐2 Fianna Fail... ☐3 Labour... ☐4

E45b What was the approximate percentage of women in the last Dail?

13%... ☐1 21%... ☐2 32%... ☐3 40%... ☐4

E46 Are you or your partner the head of your household?

Respondent..... ☐1→go to E52a Partner ..... ☐2→go to E52a Other Person ☐3

E47 What is/was occupation of the head of the household? Please describe as fully as possible. **[If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc.]**

_____

_____

E48 Is he/she self employed (including farmer) or are you an employee?

Self employed..... ☐1 Employee..... ☐2

E49 How many people does he/she employ, including him/herself? _____

E50 Does he/she normally supervise any other workers in his/her job?

Yes .... ☐1 No ... ☐2 → **Go to E52a**

E51 Approximately how many do he/she supervise? _____ → **Go to E52a**

E52a **I would like to ask about the approximate level of net household income? This means the total income, after tax, PRSI and other statutory deductions, of *all* members of the household. It includes all types of income: income from employment, social welfare payments, child benefit, rents, interest, pensions etc. We would just like to know into which of four broad groups the total income of your household falls. I'd like to assure you once again that all information you give me is entirely confidential** [Int. Show Card E3 and tick (✓) one box below]

	Per week	*Per Month*	*Per Year*	
A	**A. Under €240**	**Under €1050**	**Under €12,500**..... ☐1	**⇒Go to Q.A below, Show Card A**
B	**B. €241 - €450**	**€1051 - €2000**	**€12,501 - €24,000**..... ☐2	**⇒Go to Q.B below, Show Card B**
C	**C. €451 - €700**	**€2001 - €3000**	**€24,001 - €36,000**..... ☐3	**⇒Go to Q.C below, Show Card C**
D	**D. €701 to €1000**	**€3000 to €4330**	**€36,000 - €52,000**..... ☐4	**⇒Go to Q.D below, Show Card D**
	E €1,000 or more	**€ 4331 or more**	**€52,001 or more** ..... ☐5	**⇒Go to Q.E below, Show Card E**

E52b [INT: Show Card A, B, C , D or E from the yellow cards as appropriate. Tick ONE Box only below]

A Would that be:	(per week)	**Under €100** ☐1	**€100 - €150** ☐2	**€151 - €200** ☐3	**€201 - €240** ☐4
	(per month)	**Under €430** ☐1	**€431 - €650** ☐2	**€651 - €850** ☐3	**€851 - €1050** ☐4
	(per year)	**Under €5150** ☐1	**€5151 - €7800** ☐2	**€7801 - €10500** ☐3	**€10201 - €12500** ☐4
B Would that be:	(per week)	**€241 - €280** ☐1	**€281 - €350** ☐2	**€351 - €400** ☐3	**€401 - €450** ☐4
	(per month)	**€1050 - €1200** ☐1	**€1201 - €1500** ☐2	**€1501 €1700** ☐3	**€1701 - €2000** ☐4
	(per year)	**€12500 - €14400** ☐1	**€14401 - *€18000*** ☐2	**€18801 -€20400** ☐3	**€20401 - €24000** ☐4
C Would that be:	(per week)	**€451 - €500** ☐1	**€501 - €570** ☐2	**€571 - €630** ☐3	**€631 - €700** ☐4
	(per month)	**€2001 - €2150** ☐1	**€2151 €2475** ☐2	**€2476 - €2700** ☐3	**€2701 - €3000** ☐4
	(per year)	**€24000 - €25800** ☐1	**€25801 - €29700** ☐2	**€29701 - €32400** ☐3	**€32401 - €36000** ☐4
D Would that be:	(per week)	**€701 - €770** ☐1	**€771 - €840** ☐2	**€841 - €910** ☐3	**€911- €1000** ☐4
	(per month)	**€3050 - €3335** ☐1	**€3336 - €3640** ☐2	**€3641 -€3940** ☐3	**€3941- €4330** ☐4
	(per year)	**€36450 - €40000** ☐1	**€40,001 - €43,700** ☐2	**€43,701 - €47,300** ☐3	**€47,301-€52,000** ☐4
E Would that be:	(per week)	**€1001 - €1394** ☐1	**€1395 - €1730** ☐2	**€1731 - €1923** ☐3	**€1924 or more** ☐4
	(per month)	**€4331 - €6041** ☐1	**€6042 - €7500** ☐2	**€7501 - €8333** ☐3	**€8334 or more** ☐4
	(per year)	**€52,0001- €72,500** ☐1	**€72,501 - €90,000** ☐2	**€90,001 - €100,000** ☐3	**€100,001 or more** ☐4

E53 **Could you tell me whether you or your partner had or have an SSIA account?**

Yes, I did ..... ☐1
Yes, My partner did ..... ☐2
No, neither of us did ..... ☐3

E54 Could you tell me (a) how many persons living in the household are aged less than 14 years; (b) 14 to less than 18 years; (c) 18 years or more.

(a) Less than 14 years_____

(b) 14 to less than 18 years _____

(c) 18 years or more _____

Total _____

[Int. Say so that means there are _____ persons in the household. Amend if necessary]

E55 Size of location in which household is situated:

Open Country	☐ 1	Waterford City	☐ 7
Village (200-1,499)	☐ 2	Galway City	☐ 8
Town (1,500-2,999)	☐ 3	Limerick City	☐ 9
Town (3,000-4,999)	☐ 4	Cork City	☐ 10
Town (5,000-9,999)	☐ 5	Dublin City (incl. Dun Laoghaire)	☐ 11
Town (10,000 or more)	☐ 6	Dublin County (outside Dublin city)	☐ 12

E56 Interviewer Record Time (24 hour clock) ☐☐☐☐

E57 Interviewer Record judgement on how knowledgeable the respondent is about politics, on a scale of 1-5 where 1 is very little or no knowledge and 5 is very knowledgeable indeed. ☐

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS.

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IRISH ELECTION SURVEY, SUMMER 2007

Interviewer's Number ☐☐☐☐☐

Constituency ☐☐ Cluster Code ☐☐☐ Respondent Code ☐☐

Date of Interview: Day ☐☐ Month ☐☐

Self-Completion Questionnaire

Thank you for having completed the Irish Election Survey, 2007. We would now ask you to please complete this final section of the questionnaire.

Most questions will require you to put a tick (a) in a single box or series of boxes. For example:

Very Satisfied ☐1	Fairly Satisfied ....☐2	Not very Satisfied ..☐3	Not at all Satisfied……☐4

Please complete using a blue or black pen and mark your answers as clearly as possible. Only you should fill in the questionnaire, and not anyone else at your address. ALL ANSWERS WILL BE TREATED AS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.

EVERYONE WHO COMPLETES AND RETURNS THIS FINAL SECTION OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE WILL BE ENTERED INTO A LOTTERY, WITH A FIRST PRIZE OF €1,000; A SECOND PRIZE OF €500 AND THREE €100 PRIZES.
MANY THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

Q1. What has been the issue most important to you personally in this election?

_____

_____

Q2. What has been the issue second most important to you personally in this election?

_____

_____

Q3. What do you think is the most important political problem facing Ireland today?

_____

_____

Q4. What do you think is the second most important political problem facing Ireland today?

_____

_____

Q5. Thinking of the <u>most</u> important political problem facing <u>Ireland</u> which party do you think is best in dealing with it?

Fianna Fail….☐$_1$ Fine Gael ….☐$_2$ Labour….☐$_3$ Greens….☐$_4$ PDs….☐$_5$ Sinn Fein….☐$_6$

Q6. And the second most important political problem facing <u>Ireland</u> which party do you think is best in dealing with it?

Fianna Fail….☐$_1$ Fine Gael ….☐$_2$ Labour….☐$_3$ Greens….☐$_4$ PDs….☐$_5$ Sinn Fein….☐$_6$

Q7. During the election campaign in May did a candidate or anyone from a political party contact you to persuade you to vote for them?

Yes…….☐$_1$ No……☐$_2$

Q8. Did you discuss the election with family, friends or acquaintances?

Yes..... ☐$_1$ No.....☐$_2$ Don't Know.....☐$_3$

Q9. Did you see information about political parties and candidates on the Internet?

Yes..... ☐$_1$ No.....☐$_2$ Don't Know.....☐$_3$

Q10. On the whole are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied, or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Ireland?

Very Satisfied ....☐$_1$ Fairly Satisfied ..... ☐$_2$ Not very Satisfied ..... ☐$_3$ Not at all Satisfied……☐$_4$

Q11. Some people say that no matter who people vote for it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the scale below – where ONE means that voting can make a big difference and FIVE means that voting won't make any difference to what happens, where would you place yourself? Put a tick (a) in one box

Who people vote for CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE → who people vote for WON'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE

1	2	3	4	5	*don't know*
					11

Q12. How good or bad a job do you think the Fianna Fail/Progressive Democrat government did over the past five years in terms of the most important political problem facing Ireland [indicated in your answer to Q3 above]? Did they do a:

Very Good Job... ☐1 Good Job .... ☐2 Bad Job.. ☐3 Very Bad Job……☐4 Don't know...☐5

Q13. Would you say that any of the parties in Ireland represents your views reasonably well?

Yes……☐1 No……☐2 →go to Q15 don't know ☐3→go to Q15

Q14. Which party represents your views best?

Fianna Fail..... ☐1
Fine Gael..... ☐2
Green Party ..... ☐3
Labour ..... ☐4
Progressive Democrats ..... ☐5
Sinn Fein..... ☐6
Other (specify) _____ ☐7

Q15. Regardless of how you feel about the parties, would you say that any of the individual party leaders at the election in May of this year represents your views reasonably well?

Yes……☐1 No……☐2 →go to Q17 don't know ☐3→go to Q17

Q16. Which leader?

Bertie Ahern..... ☐1
Enda Kenny ..... ☐2
Trevor Sargent..... ☐3
Pat Rabbitte..... ☐4
Michael McDowell... ☐5
Gerry Adams ..... ☐6
Other (specify) _____ ☐7

Q17. In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place each of the following parties on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? Please tick (a) one box.

	LEFT → RIGHT											*Don't know*
FIANNA FAIL	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
FINE GAEL	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
GREEN PARTY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
LABOUR PARTY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
SINN FEIN	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

Q18. And Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right? Please tick (a) one box

	LEFT → RIGHT											don't *know*
SELF	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Q19. How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale below where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? Put a tick (a) in one box on each line

	Not very honest → Is very honest												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK
1. Bertie Ahern													
2. Enda Kenny													

Q20. To what extent do you think the following politicians are IN TOUCH WITH ORDINARY PEOPLE? Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that politician is NOT IN TOUCH with ordinary people and 10 means you think that politician IS IN TOUCH with ordinary people. Put a tick (a) in one box on each line

	Not in touch → In touch												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK
1. Bertie Ahern													
2. Enda Kenny													

Q21. How good do you think each of these politicians would be at RUNNING THE COUNTRY if they were in government. Please rate each politician on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you think that the politician WOULD NOT BE VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means that you think the politician WOULD BE VERY GOOD at running the country. Put a tick (a) in one box on each line.

	Not very good → Very good												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		DK
1. Bertie Ahern													
2. Enda Kenny													

Q22. Thinking back to how you cast your ballot and who you gave your first preference to in May did you consider giving your first preference to any other party?

Yes……☐1 No……☐2

Q22a. Which one? Please tick (a) one box

Fianna Fail..... ☐1 Labour Party ..... ☐4
Fianna Gael ..... ☐2 Progressive Democrats ..... ☐5
Green Party..... ☐3 Sein Fein ..... ☐6

Q23. And were there any parties that you would never vote for?

Yes……☐1 No……☐2

Q23a. Which one? Please tick (a) all that apply

Fianna Fail..... ☐1 Labour Party ..... ☐4
Fianna Gael ..... ☐2 Progressive Democrats ..... ☐5
Green Party..... ☐3 Sein Fein ..... ☐6

Q24. During the election campaign, would you say there were major differences between the parties, minor differences or no differences at all?

Major Differences…….☐$_1$ Minor Differences……☐$_2$ No difference at all……☐$_3$

Q25. There are different opinions about which people a TD should primarily represent. What is your opinion? Please rank all of the options below in importance. Mark the <u>most</u> important as 1, the <u>next most</u> important as 2 and so on.

	Rank
All those in the constituency who voted for the TD	_____
All those in the constituency who voted for the TDs party	_____
All voters in the constituency	_____
All those in the country who voted for the TDs party	_____
Members of a particular social group	_____
All voters in the country	_____

Q26. People hold different views on political issues. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. Immigrants should be required to adapt to the customs of Ireland…...	☐$_1$	☐$_2$	☐$_3$	☐$_4$	☐$_5$
2. Politicians should not intervene in the economy.....	☐$_1$	☐$_2$	☐$_3$	☐$_4$	☐$_5$
3. Stronger measures should be taken to protect the environment.....	☐$_1$	☐$_2$	☐$_3$	☐$_4$	☐$_5$
4. Same-sex marriages should be prohibited by law.....	☐$_1$	☐$_2$	☐$_3$	☐$_4$	☐$_5$
5. People who break the law should be given stiffer sentences	☐$_1$	☐$_2$	☐$_3$	☐$_4$	☐$_5$
6. income and wealth should be redistributed towards ordinary people.....	☐$_1$	☐$_2$	☐$_3$	☐$_4$	☐$_5$
7. What young people need most of all is strict discipline by their parents.	☐$_1$	☐$_2$	☐$_3$	☐$_4$	☐$_5$

Q27. Here are a few more things that people say about politics. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5
2. The ordinary person has no influence on politics	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5
3. I think I am better informed about politics and government than most people	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5
4. In today's world, an Irish government can't really influence what happens in this country	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5
5. It doesn't really matter which political party is in power, in the end things go on much the same	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4	☐5

Q28. Before the 2002 General Election, the following promises were made by one or both of the parties who afterwards formed the government. For each of these, do you think the promise was fully met, partially met, or not met at all?

	Fully met	Partially met	Not Met at all	Don't know
1. A promise to increase the numbers of Gardai by 2,000	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4
2. A promise to take those on the minimum wage out of the income tax net	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4
3. A promise to end waiting lists in our hospitals	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4
4. A promise to ensure that the average size of classes for children under 9 is less than 20	☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4

Q29. Do you think that house prices in Ireland will go up, stay the same or fall in the next year?

Will go up	Stay the same	Will fall	Don't know
☐1	☐2	☐3	☐4

Q30. Please record your date of birth:_____ day _____ month _____ year

Q31. Please tick to indicate male or female: Male ☐1 Female ☐2

THANK-YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS SURVEY

A Election Survey2002

The Irish National Election Study (INES) 2002 is based on a survey of a representative sample of Irish people. The survey was conducted by the Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) after the election and was based on face-to-face interviews. Persons 18 years or older were interviewed and no regions of the country were excluded from the sample frame.

Persons residing in institutions were excluded. Military personnel were included provided they lived at a private address and were excluded if their primary address was an institution. Note that almost all military personnel in Ireland live in private households. In total, approximately 2.7 percent of the Irish population live in institutions. No other persons were excluded from the sampling frame.

A three-stage clustered sampling approach was used for sample selection. In the first instance a random sample of PSUs (Primary Sampling Units) was selected. In the second, a random sample of households was selected. In the third a random person within the household was selected. The sampling frame used was the most up to date national electoral register. Electors are recorded in the electoral list in so-called Polling Books. For sample selection purposes these polling books are reconstituted into area units known as District Electoral Divisions. There is a total of 3,400 DEDs in Ireland. These DEDs are the most spatially disaggregated area units for which census data are available and are the standard PSU building block for random sample selection. Once the Electoral Register has been re-structured into the District Electoral Division structure a random sample of 220 PSUs was selected. Each PSU was made up of the DED or aggregate thereof using a minimum population threshold criteria. A sample of 25 addresses was selected from within each of the 220 PSUs. This was the second stage of sampling. Households were randomly selected from within the PSU. Individuals were then selected from within households using the 'next-birthday' rule. This was the third stage of sample selection.

A sample line was designated non-sample if any of the following applied: it was a non-residential sample point; all members of the household are ineligible; the housing unit is vacant; or there was no answer at the housing unit after five call-backs. No non-sample replacement methods were used. No letter was sent to the respondent prior to the study and there were no payments or gifts used. However, as an incentive, respondents were entered into a lottery, which had eight prizes.

A.1 Response Rate

Table 552: Outcomes of the Election Survey Follow-up, 2003

Total number of sample line sissued	4674
Number of refusals	909
Number never contacted (no contact)	216 (could not locate/demolished)
Other non-response	834 (not available during fieldwork; ill; bereavement in household etc)
Number of lines of non-sample:	166 selected but not issued
Total number of completed interview	2715 (52 of which not used in analysis due to incomplete data)
Total number of questionnaires analysed	2663
Response rate	60% (2663/(909+834+2715))

A.2 Sample weights

The weights were constructed using a minimum information loss routine with marginal constraints based on age, gender, principal economic status, region, marital status, level of educational attainment, household size (number of persons aged 18 years and over). Because the PSUs were selected from the Electoral register larger households had a disproportionately higher probability of selection than smaller households. This was addressed in the re-weighting scheme by including a dimension on household size. This weighting scheme adjusts for both design and non-response effects. A further adjustment was made to bring the vote shares of the parties in line with recorded vote shares in the election.

Just over 150 interviewers worked on the survey. Approximately 40 percent are male. In terms of age distribution, approximately 20 percent are aged less than 30 years. A further 40 percent are aged between 31 and 40 years and the remainder are aged 51 or over. In terms of interviewer training, the following points are relevant. A pilot stage was held for the project. This involved interviewer briefing for half a day. De-briefing took place after the pilot. Interviewers were given half a day briefing for the main study. The first three completed questionnaires from each interviewer were checked immediately by data coding staff with detailed written comments sent back to the interviewer. Re-briefing of selected interviewers was carried out where necessary.

A.3 When were the interviews completed?

Because these were face-to-face with individuals in designated households these could not be completed within a few weeks. However, interviews started a few days after the election and 20 percent were completed within the first month, and two-thirds within two months, 90 percent were completed within two and a half months and almost every interview was carried out within 4 months. The fact that interviewing was done over so many weeks obviously gives rise to concerns that there may be biases in the responses associated with the time of the interviews. Accordingly, some simple checks were carried out. Public support for Fianna Fáil and satisfaction with the government had declined very sharply by the time that the first post election poll was published in late September (Irish Times, 28 September, 2002). It was seen as a result of severe cutbacks in government spending after the election. This might well mean that fewer Fianna Fáil voters would have admitted their support for the party as it became clear there was no money left in the government's coffers. However, there is no significant relationship in our data between the timing of the interview and support for Fianna Fáil. Nor do we find any link between voting and the timing of interviews, using either the report of voting or the validated voting measure.

A.4 How long did each survey take to complete?

On average each survey took an hour to complete. Half of the surveys were completed between 54 and 106 minutes. One quarter took less than 54 minutes and one quarter took more than 106 minutes with five percent taking less than 25 minutes another 5 percent taking more than 1 hour 35 minutes.

A.5 Reported turnout

In the 2002 Irish National Election Study, 76 percent of respondents report that they voted. However, the official level of electoral participation is 63 percent. Ireland is not unique, as over-reporting of participation is common in many countries. On average, reported turnout exceeds official turnout by

26 percentage points in the British general elections, 40 percentage points in the American presidential elections, 42 percent in New Zealand general elections (Karp and Brockington, 2005)

The most common explanation for over-reporting is that some people give a socially desirable answer in order to cast themselves in a positive light. That is, people regard voting as a right and a responsibility of citizens and are reluctant to admit to an interviewer that they did not carry out this duty. That said, over-reporting may also be due to a sampling bias: people who do vote are more willing to participate in election studies that those who do not vote.

We established the degree of over-reporting by comparing a respondent's reported turnout against the official registers of electors. In Ireland, the official marked registers of electors are available for inspection up to six-months after an election. Of the 2663 respondents, 60 percent correctly reported that they voted and 21 percent correctly reported that they did not vote. A very small percentage of respondents, 2 percent, voted even though the reported that they did not vote. Comparing reported turnout with the official records allows us to identify the 17 percent of respondents who did not vote yet reported to the INES that they did vote.

It should be noted that the sampling procedure (by household) meant that when two members of a household share the same name it was not possible to identify the respondent. For example, the voting register may indicate that two individuals named Patricia Murphy live in the same household. One of these may have participated in the INES and one may have voted. Since it is not possible to distinguish between these two individuals, we code the respondent as having voted.

We found that over reporting was close to random in terms of demographic and political features

A.6 Sample Weights

In 2002 there are seven weights on the file as follows:

Table 553: Weights for 2002 study

Variable name	WEIGHT	DESCRIPTION	Number of Cases
	WGALL	All cases weighted by age, gender, class and household size	2,663
	WGBLU	Blue only	1,339
	WGYEL	Yellow only	1,324
	WGSELF	All self completion (regardless of colour of main questionnaire)	2,367
v1161	WGYELSF	Yellow + self-completion	1,180
v1162	WGBLUSF	Blue + self-completion	1,187
v1170	WGALLR	All cases weighted by age, gender, class and hiusehold size, vote reported and turnout	2663

- Household size (1 to 5+ adults)
- Age by sex (9 age groups for each sex)

- Age by sex by marital status (single under 30, single 30+, married under 44, married 45 to 64, married 65+, widowed, divorced/separated).
- Economic status by sex (at work, unemployed, home duties, student, retired, other)
- Education by sex (primary, lower secondary, upper secondary and pre-degree, degree and higher)
- Region (8 regional authority areas)
- Party preference (first preference among voters).

B Election Survey Follow-Up 2003

B.1 Data Collection

The Election Follow-Up Survey was conducted by post in 2003, one year after the original sample had completed a detailed personal interview regarding the 2002 General Election. All of the 2663 participants in the 2002 survey were contacted by post, and asked to complete a four page questionnaire. A reply-paid envelope was provided. A total of 4 mail shots were issued to respondents - the original plus 3 follow-ups. Table 1 provides an overview of the outcome of the follow-up survey.As well as the substantive content, the self-completion questionnaire collected information on the respondent's date of birth and sex to check that the correct household member completed the follow-up questionnaire. The importance of this was emphasised in the letter accompanying the questionnaire. Nevertheless, checks revealed that 112 of the completed questionnaires were clearly completed by a different person. In about one third of these cases, a comparison of the dates of birth suggested that the questionnaire might have been completed by a parent or child or the original respondent, possibly with the same name. This, unfortunately, is a common phenomenon in surveys of this nature where a postal follow-up is carried out of an original face-to-face survey. The follow-up yielded almost 1,200 cases where the original sample member completed and returned the questionnaire, representing 45 per cent of the original sample. This percentage is high for postal surveys of the general population, perhaps reflecting the greater interest in the topic due to having participated in the original in-person interview. We have no information on the reason for non-response for the majority of non-respondents (1249, or 47 per cent of the original sample). Four per cent were completed but not usable because the questionnaire appeared to have been completed by a different person. The number of explicit refusals was small (only 13 cases). A further 3 per cent were returned by An Post because the named person had moved leaving no forwarding address. A small number (6 cases) were returned marked "Deceased".

B.2 Representativeness and Sample Weights

Table 550 shows how the sample completing the follow-up survey compares to the original sample along a number of selected dimensions. The figures in the table are weighted using the weights developed for the original sample. No adjustment is made in Table 2 for any lack of representativeness in the follow-up sample. In general, the follow-up sample is very close to the original survey sample in terms of the distribution of characteristics. Those living alone, females age 25-34, single women under age 30, women engaged in home duties, women with lower levels of education and Fianna

Table 554: Outcomes of the Election Survey Follow-up, 2003

Outcome	Per cent	Number of Cases
No Contact	47%	1249
Completed, incorrect match	4%	112
Completed, correct match	45%	1197
Refused	0%	13
Returned by an Post	3%	86
Deceased	0%	6
Total	100%	2663

Fail supporters were less likely than average to return the follow-up questionnaire. However, the difference between the original sample and the completed sample amounted to only 2-3 percentage points. Nonetheless, the sample was reweighted to adjust for the difference between the original and follow-up samples. The weight from the original sample was carried to the follow-up sample. Using Gross programme, this weight was adjusted to match the population distribution using the following as control totals:

- Household size (1 to 5+ adults)
- Age by sex (9 age groups for each sex)
- Age by sex by marital status (single under 30, single 30+, married under 44, married 45 to 64, married 65+, widowed, divorced/separated).
- Economic status by sex (at work, unemployed, home duties, student, retired, other)
- Education by sex (primary, lower secondary, upper secondary and pre-degree, degree and higher)
- Region (8 regional authority areas)
- Party preference (first preference among voters).

To avoid extreme weights, the resulting weight was truncated so as to range from 1/8 of the average weight to 8 times the average weight. The match between the population and sample characteristics was only marginally affected by this truncation. The correlation between the weight for the follow-up sample and the weight for the original sample was .891.

C Sample 2004

The Election Follow-Up Survey conducted by post in 2004, was the second postal follow-up of the original sample of persons who completed a detailed personal interview regarding the 2002 General Election. All of the 2663 participants in the 2002 survey were contacted by post in 2004, and asked to complete a four-page questionnaire. A reply-paid envelope was provided. A total of 4 mail shots were issued to respondents. Table 2 provides an overview of the outcome of the follow-up survey.
As well as the substantive content, the self-completion questionnaire collected information on the respondent's date of birth and sex to check that the correct household member completed the follow-up

Table 555: Outcomes of the Election Survey Follow-up, 2004

Outcome	Per cent	Number of Cases
No Response	47%	1251
Completed, incorrect match	4%	112
Completed, correct match	41%	1102
Refused	2%	47
Returned by an Post	5%	137
Deceased	1%	14
Total	100%	2663

questionnaire. The importance of this was emphasised in the letter accompanying the questionnaire. Nevertheless, checks revealed that 112 of the completed questionnaires were clearly completed by a different person. In about one third of these cases, a comparison of the dates of birth suggested that the questionnaire might have been completed by a parent or child or the original respondent, possibly with the same name. The follow-up yielded 1,102 cases where the original sample member completed and returned the questionnaire, representing 41 per cent of the original sample. This compares with a figure of 45 per cent achieved in the 2003 follow-up of the same sample. As with the 2003 follow-up, we have no information on the reason for non-response for the majority of non-respondents (1,251, or 47 per cent of the original sample). Four per cent were completed but not usable because the questionnaire appeared to have been completed by a different person. The number of explicit refusals was small (only 47 cases). A further 5 per cent were returned by An Post because the named person had moved leaving no forwarding address. A small number (14 cases) were returned marked "Deceased". Representativeness and Sample Weights

In general, the follow-up sample is very close to the original survey sample in terms of the distribution of characteristics. Those living alone, young and single adults, women with lower levels of education and those who voted for independent candidates were somewhat less likely than average to return the follow-up questionnaire. People living in two-adult households had a higher response rate than average. However, the difference between the original sample and the completed sample amounted to, at most, only 2-4 percentage points. Nonetheless, the sample was reweighted to adjust for the difference between the original and follow-up samples. The weight from the original sample was carried to the follow-up sample. Using Gross programme, this weight was adjusted to match the 2002 population using the following as control totals:

- Household size (1 to 5+ adults)
- Age by sex (9 age groups for each sex)
- Age by sex by marital status (single under 30, single 30+, married under 44, married 45 to 64, married 65+, widowed, divorced/separated).
- Economic status by sex (at work, unemployed, home duties, student, retired, other)
- Education by sex (primary, lower secondary, upper secondary and pre-degree, degree and higher)
- Region (8 regional authority areas)

- Party preference (first preference among voters).

To avoid extreme weights, the resulting weight was truncated so as to range from 1/10 of the average weight to 10 times the average weight. The match between the population and sample characteristics was only marginally affected by this truncation. The correlation between the weight for the follow-up sample and the weight for the original sample was 0.88.

D Sample 2006

D.1 Election Follow Up 2006

Table 556: Outcomes of the Election Survey Follow-up, 2006

Outcome	Per cent	Number of Cases
Completed, correct match	40%	1056
Completed, incorrect match	5%	123
Refused	1%	34
Returned by an Post	6%	159
Deceased	1%	38
Other reason for non-response	1%	20
No Response	46%	1233
Total	100%	2663

In general, the follow-up sample is very close to the original survey sample in terms of the distribution of characteristics. Those living alone, young and single adults, women with lower levels of education were somewhat less likely than average to return the follow-up questionnaire. People living in two and three-adult households had a higher response rate than average, as did those who voted FF in 2002 and married men 45-64. However, the difference between the original sample and the completed sample was typically less than 4 percentage points, the major exception being single young people (-7). The sample was reweighted to adjust for the difference between the original and follow-up samples. The weight from the original sample was carried to the follow-up sample. Using Gross programme, this weight was adjusted to match the population distribution using the following as control totals:

- Household size (1 to 5+ adults)
- Age by sex (9 age groups for each sex)
- Age by sex by marital status (single under 30, single 30+, married under 44, married 45 to 64, married 65+, widowed, divorced/separated).
- Economic status by sex (at work, unemployed, home duties, student, retired, other)
- Education by sex (primary, lower secondary, upper secondary and pre-degree, degree and higher)
- Region (8 regional authority areas)
- Party preference (first preference among voters).

E Final Outcomes of Election Survey 2007

Table 557: Outcomes of the Election Survey Follow-up, 2007

Outcome	Type of Sample		Total
	1 Original sample followed from 2002	2 New sample cases in 2007	
Completed in Person	1022	274	1296
Completed by post	130	9	139
Refused	253	81	334
Other non-response (contacted)	257	36	293
Vacant	16	76	51
Other ineligible	62	43	105
Non Contact	395	111	547
Total	2135	630	2765
Eligible	2057	511	2609
Completed	1152	283	1435
Response Rate	56%	55%	55%

For the 2007 survey, 2135 respondents who had responded in 2002 were selected (excluding only those who had died or who had moved in the intervening years and no follow-up address was available). Interviews were obtained with 1013 people. A short mail questionnaire was sent to non-respondents and this succeeded in getting 130 replies. 43 percent if interviews were completed by the end of June, a month after the election, with 88 percent completed by the end of July and 95 percent by the end of August.

In addition, a supplementary three-stage sample was selected from the GeoDirectory (a national listing of all addresses). At the first stage, addresses were clustered by electoral division, with ED's aggregated to give a minimum population of 1,000 addresses. One cluster was selected at random within each of 39 Constituencies. At the second stage, addresses were selected at random from each cluster (total of 630 addresses). At the third stage, a respondent was selected within the household so as to over-represent adults who would not be included in the follow-up sample. The rule was as follows:

- If the household contains one or more person age 18-23 who is registered to vote, use the next birthday rule to select the respondent from this group.
- If the household contains no adult age 18 to 23, select the respondent with the next birthday from this group (must be eligible to vote in national election).

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The PSUs were Electoral Divisions (ED)or aggregates of electoral divisions. EDs were aggregated so that each PSU had a minimum size of 1,000 electors (2002) or 1,000 addresses (2007). PSUs were selected using a systematic sample, having sorted by area and characteristics of area (socio-economic

status, urban-rural location), with a random start. The sort means that an element of stratification is incorporated. There are two sets of weight variables for 2007, one looking back to the 2002 sample and a second providing a representative cross section in 2007. For the follow-up (panel) sample, the weight from 2002 was carried forward to the 2007 sample. The resulting sample was then calibrated to population totals from 2002 using a minimum distance algorithm (Gross, developed by Johanna Gomulka).

For the 2007 cross-sectional sample, a design weight was first applied (based on number of adults age 18 and over in the household) to the supplementary sample, the 2002 weight was carried forward for the panel sample, and the weighted (by design weight/2002 weight) sample totals were calibrated to the population totals using the Gross minimum distance algorithm. These population totals are from the 2006 Census and the Quarterly National Household Survey in terms of household size (number of adults age 18 and over), age, sex, education, economic status, marital status and region.