



428120 – INES QUESTIONNAIRE

Good morning/afternoon/evening.

We would like you to participate in a new survey about the last election.

As always, all answers recorded will remain confidential and used strictly for research purposes only.

CLASSIFICATION/ QUOTA SECTION

Q.C1 Gender?

1. Male
2. Female
3. Other

Q.C2 What age are you?

RECORD EXACT

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Q.C3 Please indicate to which occupational group the Chief Income Earner in your household belongs, or which group fits best. If the Chief Income Earner is retired or not in paid employment, please answer for their most recent occupation.

SC (DO NOT SHOW (A), (B) etc.)

Higher managerial/ professional/ administrative (e.g. Established Doctor, Solicitor, Board Director in a large organisation 200+ employees, top level Civil Servant/Public Service/Government employee)	A
Intermediate managerial/ professional/ administrative (e.g. Newly qualified (under 3 years) Doctor, Solicitor/Lawyer, Board Director small organisation, Middle Manager in large organisation, Principle Officer in civil service/local government)	B
Supervisory or clerical/ junior managerial/ professional/ administrative (e.g. Office worker, Student Doctor/Med Student, Foreman with 25+ employees, Salesperson, Nurse, Teacher etc.) OR Student	C1
Skilled worker (e.g. Skilled Bricklayer, Carpenter, Plumber, Painter, Bus/ Ambulance Driver, HGV driver, AA patrolman, Police, Firefighter, Chef, Barman etc.)	C2
Semi or unskilled work (e.g. Manual workers, all apprentices to be skilled trades, Caretaker, Park Keeper, non-HGV Driver, Shop Assistant)	D
Casual worker – not in permanent employment OR Homemaker OR Retired and living on state/Government pension OR Unemployed or not working due to long-term sickness OR Full-time carer of other household member	E
Farmer 50+ Acres	F50+
Farmer 50- Acres	F50-



Q.C4 Which county of Ireland do you live in?

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| 1. Carlow | 15. Louth |
| 2. Cavan | 16. Mayo |
| 3. Clare | 17. Meath |
| 4. Cork | 18. Monaghan |
| 5. Donegal | 19. Offaly |
| 6. Dublin | 20. Roscommon |
| 7. Galway | 21. Sligo |
| 8. Kerry | 22. Tipperary |
| 9. Kildare | 23. Waterford |
| 10. Kilkenny | 24. Westmeath |
| 11. Laois | 25. Wexford |
| 12. Leitrim | 26. Wicklow |
| 13. Limerick | |
| 14. Longford | |

CHECK QUOTAS

CORE BLOCK – ASK ALL (Q1-Q14)

Q1. Talking to people about the recent general election on Saturday 8th February, we have found that a lot of people didn't manage to vote. What about you, did you vote?

1. I voted
2. I did not vote
3. I am not registered to vote
4. Refused
5. Don't know
6. Missing

IF VOTED AT Q1, OTHERWISE SKIP TO Q3

Q2. Which constituency did you vote in?

Carlow–Kilkenny	Galway East
Cavan–Monaghan	Galway West
Clare	Kerry
Cork East	Kildare North
Cork North-Central	Kildare South
Cork North-West	Laois–Offaly
Cork South-Central	Limerick City
Cork South-West	Limerick County
Donegal	Longford–Westmeath
Dublin Bay North	Louth
Dublin Bay South	Mayo
Dublin Central	Meath East
Dublin Fingal	Meath West
Dublin Mid-West	Roscommon–Galway
Dublin North-West	Sligo–Leitrim
Dublin Rathdown	Tipperary
Dublin South-Central	Waterford
Dublin South-West	Wexford
Dublin West	Wicklow
Dún Laoghaire	

IF VOTED AT Q1

Q2a-c: The candidates that ran in the General Election in your constituency are listed on this ballot paper. Please indicate to which candidate you gave your

- A) 1st preference
- B) 2nd preference
- C) 3rd preference

Show candidates for constituency at Q2, allow for following extra codes

Refused

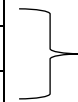
Didn't give 2nd or 3rd preference

Can't remember

Q3: Did you vote in the previous General Election in 2016?

Yes – I voted in 2016	1
No – I was too young to vote in 2016	2
No – I did not vote in 2016	3
Can't recall	4

Go to Q4



GO TO Q.5

For ALL who VOTED IN 2016

Q.4 To which party or independent candidate did you give your first preference vote in the 2016 General Election?

Fine Gael	1
Fianna Fáil	2
Sinn Féin	3
Labour Party	4
Social Democrats	5
AAA-PBP	6
Green Party	7
Independent	8
Some other party	9
Can't remember	0
Refused	X

ASK ALL VOTERS IN GE 2020, CODE 1 AT Q1

Q5a: What was the **one issue** or problem that **most influenced** your decision as to how you voted in the most recent general election? **Single code**

Q5b And what other of these issues influenced your decision as to how to vote?
Multicode

	Q5a	Q5b
Crime	1	1
Brexit	2	2
Housing/Homelessness	3	3
The Economy	4	4
Education	5	5
Health	6	6
Taxation	7	7
The Environment/Climate Change	8	8
Immigration	9	9
Childcare	10	10
Pension Age	11	11
Local Issue(s)	12	12
Rising cost of living	13	13
Rural neglect	14	14
Other	15	15
Don't know	16	16

ASK ALL

Q.6 In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place yourself on the sliding scale below, from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right?

LEFT										RIGHT	DK
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X

ASK ALL

Q.7. Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party?

Yes	1	ASK Q.8
No	2	GO TO Q9

IF YES in Q7,

Q.8 Which party is that?

Fine Gael	1
Fianna Fáil	2
Sinn Féin	3
Labour Party	4
Social Democrats	5
Solidarity/PBP	6
Green Party	7
Other	8

ASK ALL

Q.9: On a scale of 0 to 10, where '0' means government should CUT TAXES A LOT and SPEND MUCH LESS on services, and '10' means government should INCREASE TAXES A LOT and SPEND MUCH MORE on services. Where would you place yourself in terms of this scale?

<i>Government should CUT TAXES A LOT and SPEND MUCH LESS on services</i>								<i>Government should INCREASE TAXES A LOT and SPEND MUCH MORE on services</i>			DK
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

ASK ALL

Q10: On a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you strongly believe that *there should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland*, and 10 means that you strongly believe that *Abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one*, where would you place your view?

<i>There should be a total ban on abortion in Ireland</i>								<i>Abortion should be freely available in Ireland to any woman who wants to have one</i>				D K
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		

ASK ALL

Q.11 In terms of the long term future of Northern Ireland, which would you prefer?
Northern Ireland should:

Remain in the UK with a direct and strong link to Britain
Remain in the UK and have a strong Assembly and Government in Northern Ireland
Unify with the Republic of Ireland
Other
Don't know

ASK ALL

Q.12: On a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you strongly believe that *we should protect the environment even if it damages economic growth*, and 10 means that you strongly believe that *we should encourage economic growth even if it damages the environment*, where would you place your view?

<i>We should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth</i>						<i>We should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment</i>					DK
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

ASK ALL

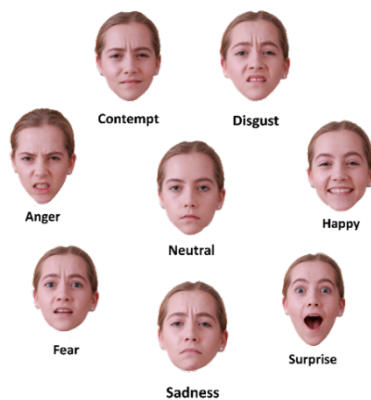
Q13: We'd like to know what you think about each of our political parties. Please rate each party on the slider from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that party and 10 means that you strongly like that party. If there is a party you are not familiar with or you feel you do not know enough about, just indicate DK.

Fine Gael
Fianna Fáil
Sinn Féin
Labour Party
Social Democrats
Solidarity/PBP
Green Party

ASK ALL

Q14. You are now going to see a number of party leaders one after the other. As quickly as possible after you see each party leader, I want you to select which of the following faces most closely represents how you immediately feel about that person?

SCRIPTER: SHOW EMOTIONAL FACES BEFORE SHOWING PARTY LEADER. RANDOMISE PARTY LEADER



1. Leo Varadkar
2. Micheál Martin
3. Mary Lou McDonald
4. Brendan Howlin
5. Eamon Ryan

Block A - Campaign – ASK 50% OF SAMPLE QA15 – QA21

ASK ALL VOTERS IN GE 2020, CODE 1 AT Q1

Q.A15. Did you change your mind about how you would vote over the course of the election campaign?

Yes	1
No	2
DK	3

ASK ALL VOTERS IN GE 2020, CODE 1 AT Q1

Q.16 Which would you say was more important in deciding how you just cast your first preference vote – the party or the candidate him/herself?

The Party	1
The Candidate	2
Don't know	3

ASK ALL VOTERS IN GE 2020, CODE 1 AT Q1

Q.17 If your first preference candidate had been running for any of the other parties or groupings would you still have given a first preference vote to him/her?

Yes	1
No	2
Depends on the party	3
Don't know	4

ASK ALL

QA18a. Did you contact any TDs from your constituency in the 12 months before the election?

Yes	1
No	2
DK	3

(If Yes at QA18a):

QA18b Did you contact them about a matter of national policy; about a matter that concerns the community where you live; or about a matter personal to you or your family? **MULTICODE**

National Policy	1
Community Matter	2
Personal Matter	3

ASK ALL

Q19: If no party is able to govern on its own after the election, which of these do you prefer.
Rank 1-5

Fianna Fáil, Fine Gael and Green Party	
Sinn Féin led left wing coalition with smaller parties and/or independents	
Fianna Fáil, Sinn Féin and Fine Gael	
Fianna Fáil single party minority government	
Fianna Fáil and Sinn Féin with support of smaller parties	

ASK ALL

Q20: If there was a general election tomorrow, to which party or independent would you give your first preference?

Fine Gael	1
Fianna Fáil	2
Sinn Féin	3
Labour Party	4
Social Democrats	5
Solidarity/PBP	6
Green Party	7
Independent	8
Other	9
Wouldn't vote	10
Don't know	11
Refused	12

ASK ALL

Q21: To what extent would you agree or disagree with the following statement. Please use a scale of strongly agree / Agree / Neither / Disagree / strongly disagree.

1. I find the things that happen directly in my local area more interesting than news about national and international developments.

Block B- Ideology - ASK 50% OF SAMPLE QB16 – QA21

ASK ALL

QB16a Thinking about the economy as a whole, do you think that the country is better off, worse off, or about the same as last year?

Better off	1
The same	2
Worse off	3

ASK ALL

Q.B16b Do you yourself feel better off financially, worse off financially or about the same compared to last year?

Better off	1
The same	2
Worse off	3

ASK ALL

QB17a. Which party would you trust most

RANDOMISE STATEMENTS & PARTIES

- A) To resolve the housing crisis?
- B) To Improve the healthcare system?
- C) To Safeguard the economy?
- D) On Brexit?
- E) To Tackle Crime?
- F) To tackle the environment/climate change?

Fine Gael	1
Fianna Fáil	2
Sinn Féin	3
Labour Party	4
Social Democrats	5
Solidarity/PBP	6
Green Party	7
Independent	8
Other	9
Don't Know	10
Refused	11

ASK ALL

QB18. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Strongly agree,
Somewhat agree,
Neither agree nor disagree,
Disagree somewhat
Strongly disagree
Don't know

- a) Most politicians do not care about the people.
- b) Most politicians are trustworthy
- c) Most politicians only care about the interests of the rich and powerful'

ASK ALL

QB19. On a scale of 0 to 10, where '0' means *European unification has already gone too far*, and '10' means *European unification should be pushed further*. Where would you place yourself in terms of this scale?

European unification has already gone too far					European unification should be pushed further					DK	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

ASK ALL

QB20. On a scale of 0 to 10, where '0' means *The government should focus on public housing to solve the housing crisis*, and '10' means *the government should encourage the private sector to build more houses*. Where would you place yourself in terms of this scale?

The government should focus on public housing to solve the housing crisis					The government should focus on encouraging the private sector to solve the housing crisis					DK	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

ASK ALL

QB21. On a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means you strongly believe that the government SHOULD ACT to reduce differences in income and wealth, and 10 means that you strongly believe that the government SHOULD NOT ACT to reduce differences in income and wealth, where would you place yourself?

<i>The Government SHOULD ACT to reduce differences in income and wealth</i>							<i>The Government SHOULD NOT ACT to reduce the differences in income and wealth</i>				DK
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

ASK ALL

QB22. To what extent would you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Strongly agree,
 somewhat agree,
 neither agree nor disagree,
 Disagree somewhat
 strongly disagree
 Don't know

Immigrants should be required to adapt to the customs of the Republic of Ireland.
People should not have to put up with Travellers' halting sites in their neighbourhood
Asylum seekers should have the same rights to social services as Irish people

ASK ALL

QB23: To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

I see myself as someone who...
...is reserved
...is generally trusting
...tends to be lazy
...is relaxed and handles stress well
...has few artistic interests
...is outgoing and sociable
...tends to find fault with others
...does a thorough job
...gets nervous easily
...has an active imagination

Demographics

ASK ALL

Q.C6 How interested would you say you are in politics – are you?

Very Interested	Somewhat Interested	Not Very Interested	Not at all Interested
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ASK ALL

Q.C7 Which of the following best describes your current marital status?

RANDOMISE ORDER, SINGLE CODE

1. Married/Living as married / Civil Partnership
2. Single
3. Divorced
4. Widowed
5. Separated
6. Other

ASK ALL

QC8 Are there any dependent children in your household - regardless of their age?

SINGLE CODE

1. Yes, dependent children
2. No dependent children

ASK ALL QC7 CODE 1

QC8B Are you personally responsible for any of these dependent children in your household?

1. Yes
2. No

ASK ALL QC7 CODE 1

QC9 Can you please write in the space below the number of dependent children you have in each age category living in your home?

WRITE IN FOR EACH.

1. Up to 4 years old
2. Between 5 and 12 years old
3. Between 13 and 17 years old
4. 18 years old or over

QC10 Which of the following best describes where you live?

- In a town or city with a population of more than 5,000 (large town/city)
- On the suburbs of a large city or town (Commuter Belt)
- In a town with a population of more than 1,500
- In a rural area with a population of less than 1,500
- Prefer not to say

QC11. Which of the following best describes your current working status?

- Working full time - working 30 hours per week or more
- Working part time - working between 8 and 29 hours per week
- Unemployed
- Housewife
- Full time Student
- Retired
- Prefer not to say

IF WORKING FULL TIME/PART TIME AT QC11

QC11B Are you employed in the public/private sector?

Public sector

Private sector

ASK ALL

QC12. What is the highest level of education you have attained to date?

- No education/only basic education
- Primary School Level
- Lower Secondary (Junior Certificate)
- Higher Secondary (Leaving Certificate)
- Post Leaving Certificate (e.g. VEC)
- Third Level Non-Degree (e.g. Diploma)
- Third Level Degree
- Third Level Postgraduate Degree (e.g. Master, PhD)
- Refused/Do not know/no answer

QC13 Which of these best describes your current living arrangements?

- Living in private rented accommodation
- Living in council provided accommodation
- Living in own home with a mortgage
- Living in own home with no mortgage
- Living in parents/family home
- Other
- Prefer not to say

QC14 How often do you attend religious services these days? *(please tick one box only).*

Daily	At least once a week	2 or 3 times a month	Once a month	A few times a year	Once a year	Less often	Never