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Q'aire No (col 5-8)
CARD ONE COL 9-10/(01)

**IRISH ELECTION SURVEY
FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

Good morning/afternoon/evening. I am _____ from RED C Research & Marketing, an independent Irish market research agency. We are carrying out a survey today about politics and the recent election. Would you mind answering a few questions?

Respondent's Full Name _____		
Telephone Number _____ Interview Date _____		
Interviewer's name _____ Assignment No: <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> * (11-15)		
Constituency code <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> (16-17)		
I declare that this interview has been carried out strictly in accordance with your specification and has been conducted within the MRS Code of Conduct with a person unknown to me.	Interviewer's signature.	Checked by supervisor

SECTION A - ATTITUDES

(v2000) Could I firstly check that you were eligible to vote in the recent Irish General Election?

	(18)	
Yes	1	CONTINUE
No	2	CLOSE
D/K	3	CLOSE

(v0001) Looking back on the recent general election campaign in February of this year, could you tell me if a candidate called to your home?

	(19)	
Yes	1	
No	2	
D/K	3	

IF YES: SHOW BALLOT SHEET

(Candidates: v0003, v0005, v0007, v0009, v0011, v0013)

(Parties of candidates: v0004, v0006, v0008, v0010, v0012, v0014)

(v0024: total number of parties)

Which candidates?

WRITE IN 3 DIGIT CANDIDATE CODES FOR EACH BELOW FROM BALLOT SHEET

Candidate 1			Candidate 2			Candidate 3			Candidate 4			Candidate 5			Candidate 6		
(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)	(32)	(33)	(34)	(35)	(36)	(37)

(v0016 (total); v0017_1-v0017_10) Apart from those who may have called with the candidates themselves. From which party, if any, did any other party workers, or representatives of an independent candidate call to your home? **MULTICODE SHOWCARD A1**

		(38)	
(v0017_1)	Fianna Fáil	1	
(v0017_2)	Fine Gael	2	
(v0017_3)	Labour	3	
(v0017_4)	Sinn Féin	4	
(v0017_5)	Green Party	5	
(v0017_6)	United Left Alliance	6	
(v0017_7)	Other party	7	
(v0017_8)	Independent Candidate	8	
(v0017_9)	NONE	9	
(v0017_10)	DK	10	

(v0048) How closely did you follow the election campaign?

		(39)	
	Very closely	1	
	Fairly closely	2	
	Not very closely	3	
	Not at all closely	4	

On a scale of 0 –7 where 0 means ‘Never’, 1 means one day a week, 2 means two days a week, and so on until 7 means ‘every day’ of the week, how often do you do the following:

SHOWCARD A2

READ OUT. ROTATE ORDER ↓		Never							Every Day	D/K	
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
(v0058)	Watch television news	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	X	(40)
(v0059)	Read a newspaper	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	X	(41)
(v0060)	Listen to NATIONAL radio news	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	X	(42)
(v0061)	Listen to LOCAL radio news	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	X	(43)
(v2001)	Visit social media sites, such as Facebook	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	X	(44)
(v2002)	View a twitter account	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	X	(45)
(v0062)	Browse online for news	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	X	(46)

During the campaign did you sign up on the internet to receive online information or alerts from a party or candidate? **IF SO**, which party? **MULTICODE**

(v2003)		Fianna Fáil	(47)	
(v2004)		Fine Gael	1	
(v2005)		Labour	2	
(v2006)		Sinn Féin	3	
(v2007)		Green Party	4	
(v2008)		United Left Alliance	5	
(v2009)		Other party	6	
(v2010)		Independent Candidate	7	
(v2011)		NONE	8	
(v2012)		DK/no reply	9	
			10	

Which of the following newspapers do you regularly use for political information?

SHOWCARD A3

MULTICODE

(v0049)		Irish Times	(48)	
(v0050)		Irish Independent	1	
(v0051)		Irish Examiner	2	
(v0052)		Irish Star	3	
(v0053)		Evening Herald	4	
(v0054)		Irish Sun	5	
(v2013)		Other weekday paper	6	
(v2014)		Local newspaper/freesheets	7	
(v2015)		Sunday Independent	8	
			(49)	
(v2016)		Sunday Times	1	
(v2017)		Sunday Business Post	2	
(v2018)		News of the World	3	
(v2019)		The Sunday World	4	
(v2020)		Other Sunday paper	5	
(v0055)		None of these	6	
(v0056)		Other (specify) _____	7	

I will now read out some statements. Please tell me to what extent you Disagree or Agree with each statement. **SHOWCARD A4**

READ OUT – ROTATE ORDER ↓		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Disagree slightly	Neither agree nor disagree	Slightly agree	Agree	Strongly agree	
(v0247)	There should be very strict limits on the number of immigrants coming to live in Ireland	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(50)
(v0252)	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	(51)
(v0245)	People should not have to put up with Travellers' halting sites in their neighbourhood	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(52)
(v0325)	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	(53)
(v0213)	I would be willing to pay much higher taxes in order to protect the environment	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(54)
(v0295)	So many people vote, my vote does not make much difference to who is in government	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(55)
(v0375)	The assumption that TDs should provide a local service is a strength of the Irish political system	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(56)
(v0275)	The presence of large international companies is good for the Irish economy	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(57)
(v0276)	Ireland should limit the import of foreign products in order to protect its national economy.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(58)

v2022 In terms of the long term future of Northern Ireland, which would you prefer? Northern Ireland should:...**READ OUT...** **SINGLE CODE ONLY**

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 Or, Unify with the Republic of Ireland D/K	(59)	
	1	
	2	
	3	
	4	

SECTION B – ELECTION 2011

(v2023) Different people feel differently about voting. For some, voting is a DUTY. They feel that they should vote in every election however they feel about the candidates and parties. For others, voting is a CHOICE. They feel free to vote or not to vote in an election depending on how they feel about the candidates and parties.

For you personally, would you say voting is FIRST AND FOREMOST a... **SINGLE CODE**

Duty Choice Not Sure	(60)	
	1	
	2	
	3	

ASK ALL CODE 1 AT (v2023)

(v2024) How strongly do you feel personally that voting is a duty?

Very Strongly Somewhat Strongly Not Very Strongly	(61)	
	1	
	2	
	3	

ASK ALL

(v0072) Talking to people about the recent general election we have found that a lot of people *didn't* manage to vote. Which statement on this card best describes what you did?

SHOWCARD B1 SINGLE CODE ONLY

I am sure I voted in the election I did not vote in the election I thought about voting in the election but in the end I didn't I usually vote but didn't this time	(62)	
	1	
	2	
	3	
	4	

ASK ALL WHO DID NOT VOTE – (CODE 2-4 @ v0072)

(v0070/v0071) Why did you decide not to vote?

DO NOT READ OUT. WRITE IN. PROBE Any other reasons? Any others?

V	X	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	(63)
V	X	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	(64)
V	X	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	(65)

ASK ALL**BALLOT PAPER – USE BALLOT PAPER FOR CONSTITUENCY****IF VOTED IN FEB 2011 ELECTION (CODE 1 @ v0072) ASK:**

(v0077 onwards) I have a ballot paper here for this [or the _____] constituency. Please fill it in as you did on polling day – as best you can remember.

IF DID NOT VOTE IN FEB 2011 ELECTION (CODE 2-4 @ v0072) ASK:

I have a ballot paper here for this [or the _____] constituency. Suppose you had voted in the Feb 2011 election, how would you have filled in the ballot paper on Election Day?

IF RESPONDENT REFUSES TO FILL OUT BALLOT PAPER or IF DID NOT VOTE IN CONSTITUENCY ASK:

(v0148) Can I ask you which party you gave your first preference vote to?

(v0195) **Vote intention**(Party) **Vote (actual and intention)**

		(66)	
	Fianna Fáil	1	
	Fine Gael	2	
	Labour	3	
		blank	
	Sinn Féin	5	
	The Green Party	6	
	Independent Candidate	7	
	United Left Alliance candidate	8	
Other party (Specify) _____		9	
	Did not vote	0	
	Undecided	X	
	Refused	V	

ASK (v0153)-(v2026) TO ALL WHO VOTED AT GENERAL ELECTION FEB 2011, IF DIDN'T VOTE AT ELECTION 2011 GO TO v0179.

(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?

ASK IF YES @ (v0153):

(v0154) And did you vote for the candidates in that order?

	v0153	v0154	
	(67)	(68)	
Yes	1	1	
No	2	2	
D/K	3	3	

(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 or grouping?

	(69)	
Yes	1	

No	2
D/K	3

CHECK BALLOT - IF GAVE 1ST PREFERENCE TO CANDIDATE FROM A PARTY ASK v0155 & v0174, IF GAVE 1ST PREFERENCE TO INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE SKIP TO v0205

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

	(70)	
Party	1	
Candidate	2	
D/K	3	

(v0174) 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?

	(71)	
Yes	1	
No	2	
Depends on the other party/ D/K	3	

ASK ALL GAVE 1ST PREFERENCE VOTE TO INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE, OTHERS GO TO v0179

(v0205) Which would you say was more important in deciding how you cast your first preference vote in the general election in February of this year – the candidate him/herself or the fact that the candidate was independent?

	(72)	
Candidate	1	
Fact that candidate was independent	2	
D/K	3	

(v0206) If your first preference candidate had been running for FOR A PARTY, would you still have given a first preference vote to him/her?

	(73)	
Yes	1	
No	2	
Depends on the other party/ D/K	3	

ASK ALL

(v0179/v0180) I would now like you to think back, very carefully, to the last *general election* in June 2007. If you actually voted at the last election could you tell me the party or independent candidate, if any, you actually voted for in the polling station? Was it Fianna Fáil, Fine Gael, Labour, Sinn Féin, the Progressive Democrat's, the Green Party, an Independent candidate or some other party?

SINGLE CODE ONLY

	(74)	
Fianna Fáil	1	
Fine Gael	2	
Labour	3	
Progressive Democrats (PDs)	4	
Sinn Féin	5	
The Green Party	6	
Independent Candidate	7	
Socialist Party	8	
Other party (Specify) _____	9	
Did not vote	0	
Don't Know / Can't Remember	X	
Refused	V	

(v0207) How interested would you say you are in politics?

	(75)	
Very interested	1	
Quite interested	2	
Not very interested	3	
Not at all interested	4	

v0039 Prior to the recent election, did you discuss the election with family, friends or acquaintances?

	(76)	
Yes	1	
No	2	
D/K	3	

v0867 Did you contact any TDs from this constituency in the 12 months before the election?

	(77)	
Yes	1	
No	2	
D/K	3	

SKIP COL (78-80)
REPUNCH COL 1-9 ON CARD 2, COL 10 (02)

IF YES AT (v0867) ASK (v12b_11), OTHERS GO TO (v0187)

(v12bpa_11 onwards) Can you please tell me the names of the TDs you contacted?

(names of TDs contacted (any party): v12bpa_11-v12bpb_11)

(Names of TDs contacted: v12bpb_11-v12bpc_11)

(Names of TDs party: v12bpc_11-v12bpd_11)

WRITE IN TD 3 DIGIT CODES BELOW (TAKE FROM CANDIDATES ON BALLOT SHEET)

IF TD NOT RUNNING CODE AS 999

IF TD IN DIFFERENT CONSTITUENCY CODE AS 998

IF DON'T REMEMBER NAME OF TD CODE AS 999

Candidate 1			Candidate 2			Candidate 3			Candidate 4			Candidate 5		
(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)

ASK FOR EACH CANDIDATE CONTACTED AT B12b

(v12cp1a_11-v12cp5d_11) 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

	Cand 1	Cand 2	Cand 3	Cand 4	Cand 5
	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
National Policy	1	1	1	1	1
Community where you live	2	2	2	2	2
A matter personal to you or your family	3	3	3	3	3

ASK ALL CONTACTED TD AT (v0867) ASK FOR EACH TD CONTACTED

(v13ap1a_11-v13ap5e_11) How satisfied were you in the response you received from the TD you contacted?

	Cand 1	Cand 2	Cand 3	Cand 4	Cand 5
	(31)	(32)	(33)	(34)	(35)
Very satisfied	1	1	1	1	1
Quite satisfied	2	2	2	2	2
Not very satisfied	3	3	3	3	3
Not at all satisfied	4	4	4	4	4

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' **SHOWCARD B2**

READ OUT. ROTATE ORDER ↓		Not at all probable								Very Probable				D/K	
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
(v0187)	Fianna Fáil	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(36-37)
(v0188)	Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(38-39)
(v0190)	Labour	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(40-41)
(v0192)	Sinn Féin	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(42-43)
(v0189)	Green party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(44-45)
(v0193)	Independent candidate	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(46-47)
(v2028)	United Left Alliance	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(48-49)

ASK ALL:

Thinking of the Dáil, could you tell me what you think about the way in which TDs spend their time between local issues and national issues. By local issues I mean working to solve the problems of individual constituents, or trying to ensure that their constituency gets a bigger share of resources. By national issues I mean contributing to debates on national policy issues, or playing an active part in drawing up legislation to deal with national issues.

What proportion of their time do you think that TDs generally spend on local issues vs. national issues?

WRITE IN - USE LEADING ZEROS

(v2029)

(v2030)

Local

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 (50-52)National

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 (53-55)**TOTAL MUST ADD TO 100%**

And, what proportion of their time do you think that TDs SHOULD spend on local issues vs. national issues? **WRITE IN - USE LEADING ZEROS**

(v2031)

(v2032)

Local

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 (56-58)National

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 (59-61)**TOTAL MUST ADD TO 100%**

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. **MULTICODE**

SHOWCARD B3

(v0383)		Speak their own mind	(62)
(v0384)		Speak up for the area they represent	1
(v0385)		Help individual voters sort out their problems	2
(v0386)		Be loyal to the party they represent	3
(v0387)		Other (write in) _____	4
(v0388)		D/K	5
			8

When thinking about the work of a TD, how important are the following aspects of their work? This time please use a 5 point scale where 1 = of little importance and 5 = Of Great Importance.

SHOWCARD B4

READ OUT – ROTATE ORDER		Little importance			Great importance		DK	
(v2038)	Working on legislation	1	2	3	4	5	V	(63)
(v2039)	Raising awareness of important social needs and interests	1	2	3	4	5	V	(64)
(v2040)	Developing policies	1	2	3	4	5	V	(65)
(v2041)	Get as much for their constituency from the government as possible	1	2	3	4	5	V	(66)
(v2042)	Balancing different interests in society	1	2	3	4	5	V	(67)
(v2043)	Representing the individual interests of individual citizens	1	2	3	4	5	V	(68)

(v2044) How much do you feel that you know about the way in which the Dáil works and operates on a daily basis? **SINGLE CODE**

		(69)
	A lot	1
	A fair amount	2
	Some	3
	Very little or nothing	4

During the election campaign, there were a lot of discussions by various parties about the political reforms that would be made. Considering each one of these, how much do you agree or disagree with each?

SHOWCARD B5

READ OUT – ROTATE ORDER ↓		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Disagree slightly	Neither agree nor disagree	Slightly agree	Agree	Strongly agree	
(v2045)	The Seanad should be abolished	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(70)
(v2046)	Cabinet ministers should step down as TDs to concentrate on running their ministries and be replaced by someone else from the same party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(71)
(v2047)	Some experts who are not TD's should be brought into the cabinet	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(72)
(v2048)	The number of TDs should be significantly reduced	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(73)
(v2049)	Local government should be given power to raise and to manage their own finances	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(74)
(v2050)	Our PR-STV (Single Transferable Vote) electoral system should be replaced	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(75)
(v2051)	Parties should be forced to nominate more women as candidates	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(76)

SKIP COL (77-80)
REPUNCH COL 1-8 ON CARD 3, COL 9-10 (03)

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? **SHOWCARD B6**

Would you place yourself on these scales? SHOWCARD 20

(v0270)	Business and industry should be strictly regulated by the State							Business and industry should be entirely free from regulation by the State				DK	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(11-12)
(v0272)	Most of business and industry should be owned by the state							Most of business and industry should be privately owned				DK	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(13-14)
(v0282)	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	X	(15-16)
(v0263)	God definitely <u>does not</u> exist							God definitely <u>does</u> exist				DK	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(17-18)
(v0214)	We should protect the environment even if this damages economic growth							We should encourage economic growth even if this damages the environment				DK	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(19-20)
(v0266)	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	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(21-22)

(v0239) In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place yourself on a scale 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	(23-24)

v0842_11 What has been the issue most important to you personally in this election?

DO NOT READ OUT. PROBE TO PRE-CODES, SINGLE CODE ONLY

v0843_11 What has been the issue second most important to you personally in this election?

DO NOT READ OUT. PROBE TO PRE-CODES, SINGLE CODE ONLY

	Most Important	2 nd most important
	(25)	(28)
Anger with the government	1	1
Been let down by politicians	2	2
Education/Local Schools	3	3
Health services/ Hospitals/Waiting lists	4	4
The state of Irish economy/ management of the economy	5	5
The state of the public finances/deficit	6	6
Job creation	7	7
IMF/EU bailout	8	8
Taxation	9	9
Social welfare cuts/ child benefit/ unemployment benefit etc	0	0
Stable government	X	X
	(26)	(29)
Political Reform	1	1
Universal social charge	2	2
Problems with the banks/ banking crisis	3	3
Public Sector Reform	4	4
Emigration	5	5
Immigration	6	6
Road safety/boy racers	7	7
Drugs	8	8
Negative Equity/ Help with paying my mortgage	9	9
Crime/ Law & Order/ Vandalism	0	0
	(27)	(30)
Ghost Estates	1	1
The environment	2	2
Other (specify)	3	3
No Other		4

SECTION C – POLITICAL ATTITUDES

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' **SHOWCARD C1**

READ OUT. ROTATE ORDER ↓		Strongly dislike								Strongly Like				D/K	
(v0540)	Fianna Fáil	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(31-32)
(v0541)	Fine Gael	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(33-34)
(v0543)	Labour	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(35-36)
(v0545)	Sinn Féin	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(37-38)
(v0542)	Green party	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(39-40)
(v2052)	United Left Alliance	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(41-42)

And what do you think of various 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' **SHOWCARD C1**

READ OUT. ROTATE ↓		Strongly dislike								Strongly Like				D/K	
(v0521)	Micheál Martin	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(43-44)
(v0522)	Enda Kenny	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(45-46)
(v0524)	Eamonn Gilmore	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(47-48)
(v0526)	Gerry Adams	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(49-50)
(v0523)	John Gormley	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(51-52)
(v0521_11)	Brian Cowan	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X		(53-54)

Next I'd like to know what you think about some of the candidates who stood in this constituency for political parties. 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'. **WRITE IN SCORE FROM 0-10 FOR EACH OF TOP 10-11 PERFORMING CANDIDATES IN CONSTITUENCY - DON'T KNOW SHOULD BE RECORDED AS X**

USE SHOWCARD "X" - INTERVIEWER NOTE 'CANDIDATE 01' RELATES TO THE FIRST CANDIDATE THAT APPEARS ON SHOWCARD X, 'CANDIDATE 02' RELATES TO THE SECOND CANDIDATE ON THE LIST AND SO ON.

(a=Candidate ID for Candidate x, b= Party ID for Candidate x)

Candidate 01	(v0458, v0458a, v0458b)	(55-56)	Candidate 06	(v0463, v0463a, v0463b)	(65-66)	Candidate 11	(v0468, v0468a, v0468b)	(75-76)
Candidate 02	(v0459, v0459a, v0459b)	(57-58)	Candidate 07	(v0464, v0464a, v0464b)	(67-68)			
Candidate 03	(v0460, v0460a, v0460b)	(59-60)	Candidate 08	(v0465, v0465a, v0465b)	(69-70)			
Candidate 04	(v0461, v0461a, v0462b)	(61-62)	Candidate 09	(v0466, v0466a, v0466b)	(71-72)			
Candidate 05	(v0462, v0462a, v0462b)	(63-64)	Candidate 10	(v0467, v0467a, v0467b)	(73-74)			

SKIP COL (77-80)

REPUNCH COL 1-8 ON CARD 4, COL 9-10 (04)

(v0700) Thinking back over the last four years – the lifetime of the 2007 to 2011 Fianna Fáil/PD/Green 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? **SINGLE CODE**

	(11)	
Got a lot better	1	
Got a little better	2	
Stayed the same	3	
Got a little worse	4	
Got a lot worse	5	
D/K	6	

ASK ALL CODE 1-5 AT (v0700), IF DON'T KNOW AT (v0700) – SKIP TO (v0730)

(v0701) Do you think this was **MAINLY** due to the policies of that government or **NOT MAINLY** DUE to the policies of that government? **SINGLE CODE**

	(12)	
Mainly due to the policies of that government	1	
Not mainly due to the policies of that government	2	
D/K	3	

(v2057) Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled the economy better in the past?

		(13)	
Yes		1	
No		2	
D/K		3	

ASK ALL

(v2057) Thinking back over the last four years – the lifetime of the 2007 to 2011 Fianna Fáil/PD/Green 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? **SINGLE CODE**

		(14)	
Got a lot better		1	
Got a little better		2	
Stayed the same		3	
Got a little worse		4	
Got a lot worse		5	
D/K		6	

ASK ALL CODE 1-5 AT (v0730), IF DON'T KNOW AT (v0730) – SKIP TO (v2059)

(v0731) Do you think this was MAINLY due to the policies of that government or NOT MAINLY DUE to the policies of that government? **SINGLE CODE**

		(15)	
Mainly due to the policies of that government		1	
Not mainly due to the policies of that government		2	
D/K		3	

(v2058) Would a Fine Gael/Labour coalition have handled the HEALTH SERVICES better in the past?

		(16)	
Yes		1	
No		2	
D/K		3	

Generally speaking, how do you feel about the way things are going in the country these days? For each of the following emotions can you tell whether you are Extremely, Very, Moderately A little, or Not at all feeling this. So first of all how _____ are you or not about the way things are going in the country. **SHOWCARD C2**

READ OUT – ROTATE ORDER ↓		Not at all	A little	Moderately	Very	Extremely	DK	
(v2059)	Angry	1	2	3	4	5	V	(17)
(v2060)	Afraid	1	2	3	4	5	V	(18)
(v2061)	Proud	1	2	3	4	5	V	(19)
(v2062)	Hopeful	1	2	3	4	5	V	(20)
(v2063)	Worried	1	2	3	4	5	V	(21)
(v2064)	Outraged	1	2	3	4	5	V	(22)

I am going to name a number of organisations. For each one, could you tell me how much confidence you have in them: is it a great deal of confidence, quite a lot of confidence, not very much confidence or none at all? **SHOWCARD C3**

READ OUT – ROTATE ORDER ↓		None at all	Not very much confidence	Quite a lot of confidence	A great deal of confidence	DK	
(v2065)	The church	1	2	3	4	V	(23)
(v2066)	Trade Unions	1	2	3	4	V	(24)
(v2067)	The Gardaí	1	2	3	4	V	(25)
(v2068)	The courts	1	2	3	4	V	(26)
(v2069)	Political parties	1	2	3	4	V	(27)
(v2070)	Banks	1	2	3	4	V	(28)
(v2071)	The Dáil	1	2	3	4	V	(29)
(v2072)	The Civil service	1	2	3	4	V	(30)
(v2073)	RTÉ	1	2	3	4	V	(31)
(v2074)	Local authority/local government	1	2	3	4	V	(32)
(v2075)	The European Union	1	2	3	4	V	(33)

How HONEST do you think each of the following politicians are, using the 0-10 scale where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY HONEST and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY HONEST? **SHOWCARD C4**

READ OUT. ROTATE ↓		Not very honest								Very honest			D/K	
(v0480)	Micheál Martin	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(34-35)
(v0480_11)	Brian Cowen	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(36-37)
(v0483)	Enda Kenny	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(38-39)
(v0482)	Eamonn Gilmore	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(40-41)
(v2078)	Gerry Adams	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(42-43)

To what extent do you think that the following politicians are in touch with ordinary people, using the 0-10 scale where 0 means you think that politician IS NOT VERY IN TOUCH and 10 means you think that politician IS VERY IN TOUCH? **SHOWCARD C5**

READ OUT. ROTATE ↓		Not very In touch								Very In touch			D/K	
(v0506)	Micheál Martin	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(44-45)
(v0506_11)	Brian Cowen	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(46-47)
(v0509)	Enda Kenny	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(48-49)
(v0508)	Eamonn Gilmore	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(50-51)
(v2081)	Gerry Adams	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(52-53)

C14 How good do you think that the following politicians would be at running the country, using the 0-10 scale where 0 means you think that politician would be NOT VERY GOOD at running the country and 10 means you think that politician would be VERY GOOD? **SHOWCARD C6**

READ OUT. ROTATE ORDER ↓		Not very Good								Very Good			D/K	
(v0502)	Micheál Martin	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(54-55)
(v0502_11)	Brian Cowen	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(56-57)
(v0505)	Enda Kenny	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(58-59)
(v0504)	Eamonn Gilmore	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(60-61)
(v2083)	Gerry Adams	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(62-63)

SKIP COL (64-80)

REPUNCH COL 1-8 ON CARD 5, COL 9-10 (05)

SECTION D – THE ECONOMY

(v2084) I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 on this card. A '0' means government should MAINTAIN TAXES and SPEND LESS on health and social services, and '10' means government should INCREASE TAXES A LOT and SPEND THE SAME on health and social services. where would you place yourself in terms of this scale **SHOWCARD D1**

How would you place yourself in terms of this scale SNOWBOARD 21													
Government should MAINTAIN TAXES and SPEND LESS on health and social services								Government should INCREASE TAXES A LOT and SPEND THE SAME on health and social services			DK		
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	(11-12)	

Thinking about each of the following, and bearing in mind that government might need more revenue in order to maintain spending levels on public services, would you be in favour of, or opposed to, the introduction of each one of these measures in order to raise revenue for the public finances?

READ OUT. ROTATE ORDER ↓		In Favour Of	Opposed To	D/K	
(v2085)	Property Tax	1	2	3	(13)
(v2086)	Water Charges	1	2	3	(14)
(v2087)	The sale of state assets such as ESB	1	2	3	(15)
(v2088)	Re-Introduce student fees	1	2	3	(16)

In the past few years the economy has been in recession. How responsible, if at all, are each of the following for the poor economic conditions of the past two years? Extremely responsible, Very responsible, moderately responsible, A little responsible, Not at all responsible

SHOWCARD D2

READ OUT – ROTATE ORDER ↓		Not at all responsible	A little responsible	Moderately responsible	Very responsible	Extremely responsible	DK	
(v2089)	The Irish Government	1	2	3	4	5	V	(17)
(v2090)	The European Union	1	2	3	4	5	V	(18)
(v2091)	Department of Finance and Irish Central Bank	1	2	3	4	5	V	(19)
(v2092)	International economic situation	1	2	3	4	5	V	(20)
(v2093)	Bankers	1	2	3	4	5	V	(21)
(v2094)	Membership of the euro	1	2	3	4	5	V	(22)

Which, if any, of the following have happened to you or someone in your household since the 2007 general election?

READ OUT. ROTATE ORDER ↓		Applies	Does not apply	D/K	
(v2095)	Made redundant/ lost job	1	2	3	(23)
(v2096)	Had a pay freeze in work	1	2	3	(24)
(v2097)	Had a pay cut in work	1	2	3	(25)
(v2098)	Employer has cut working hours	1	2	3	(26)

In 2011, how worried, if at all, are you about.... **SHOWCARD D3**

READ OUT – ROTATE ORDER ↓		Not at all worried	Not very worried	Quite worried	Very worried	DK	
(v2099)	Paying your household bills	1	2	3	4	V	(27)
(v2100)	Having to reduce your standard of living	1	2	3	4	V	(28)
(v2101)	Losing your job	1	2	3	4	V	(29)
(v2102)	Paying your mortgage	1	2	3	4	V	(30)

D6 Now I am going to read out some more statements that other people have made about the economy. Considering each one, can you please tell me how much you agree or disagree with each?

SHOWCARD D4

READ OUT – ROTATE ORDER ↓		Strongly Disagree	Disagree slightly	Neither agree nor disagree	Slightly agree	Strongly agree	
(v2103)	The government was wrong to accept the bailout from the EU/IMF	1	2	3	4	5	(31)
(v2104)	A new government should be able to get much better terms on the loan from the EU/IMF	1	2	3	4	5	(32)
(v2105)	We should “burn the bondholders”: that is, we should default on debt in the banks rather than take on more debt for the country	1	2	3	4	5	(33)
(v2106)	We are all to blame for the economic problems in Ireland as we all got too greedy	1	2	3	4	5	(34)
(v2107)	Those having difficulty in keeping up with their mortgage repayments should be assisted by financial support from the government, paid by all taxpayers	1	2	3	4	5	(35)

SECTION E – POLITICAL CLOSENESS

(v0680) Do you usually think of yourself as close to any political party?

		(36)		
Yes	1	Go to E2		
No	2	Go to E4		
D/K	3	Go to E4		

ASK ALL YES AT (v0680) – OTHERS SKIP TO (v0687)

(v0681) Which party is that? DO NOT READ OUT. RECORD 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD MENTIONS IF MORE THAN ONE MENTIONED ASK

(v0685) Which party do you feel closest to?

		v0681			v0685	
		1 st mention SINGLE CODE	2 nd mention SINGLE CODE	3 rd mention SINGLE CODE	CLOSEST SINGLE CODE	
		(37)	(38)	(39)	(40)	
	Fianna Fáil	1	1	1	1	
	Fine Gael	2	2	2	2	
	Labour	3	3	3	3	
	Sinn Féin	4	4	4	4	
	Green party	5	5	5	5	
	Other party	6	6	6	6	
	D/K REFUSED	7	7	7	7	

ASK ALL NO / DON'T KNOW AT (v0680)

(v0687) Do you feel yourself as a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?

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	(41)	
Yes	1	Go to (v0688)
No	2	Go to (v0890)
D/K	3	Go to (v0890)

ASK ALL YES AT (v0687)

(v0688) Which party is that? DO NOT READ OUT. RECORD ONE PARTY ONLY

		(42)	
	Fianna Fáil	1	
	Fine Gael	2	
	Labour	3	
	Sinn Féin	5	
	The Green Party	6	
	Other party	7	
	D/K, Refused	V	

ASK ALL CODE PARTY AT (v0688)

(v0686) Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close? SINGLE CODE

		(43)	
Very close	1		
Somewhat close	2		
Not very close	3		

ASK ALL

(v2108) Now I would like to ask you some factual questions about politics. It doesn't matter if you know the answers or not, we are just interested to see how close people are to politics in Ireland. So, first of all do you know how many seats there are currently in the Dail?

DO NOT READ OUT OR PROMPT ANSWER SINGLE CODE ONLY

	166 exactly	1	(44)
	160-170, but not 166 exactly	2	
	Other	3	
	D/K	4	

(v0894_11) Who is the current Irish Commissioner to the EU? DO NOT READ OUT OR PROMPT ANSWER

SINGLE CODE ONLY

	Marie Geoghegan-Quinn	1	(45)
	Other	2	
	D/K	3	

(v2109) Who was the Minister for Health from 2004 until January this year? **DO NOT READ OUT OR PROMPT ANSWER SINGLE CODE**

Mary Harney	1	(46)
Other	2	
D/K	3	

(v2110) Who is the current First Minister of Northern Ireland? **DO NOT READ OUT OR PROMPT ANSWER SINGLE CODE**

Peter Robinson	1	(47)
Other	2	
D/K	3	

CLASSIFICATION QUESTIONS

(v2111) Which of these best describes your job position?

Managing Director/ CEO	1	(48)
Company Director	2	
Manager	3	
Team leader	4	
Clerical/ office staff	5	
Student	6	
Manual worker	7	
Other	8	

(v0995) Which of the following best describes where you live?

A town or city with a population of more than 1,500	1	(49)
A town, village or rural district with a population of less than 1,500	2	

annual_income What is your overall annual household income before tax, including any benefits you may be entitled to?

Under €20,000	1	(50)
€20,000 - €24,999	2	
€25,000 - €29,999	3	
€30,000 - €34,999	4	
€35,000 - €39,999	5	
€40,000 - €49,999	6	
€50,000 - €74,999	7	
€75,000 - €99,999	8	
€100,000 - €149,000	9	
€150,000+	X	
Refused	0	

Now, I just want to ask a few questions to help classify you in our sample...

(v0900) GENDER (51)		(v2112) DEPENDENT CHILDREN (58)		
Male	1	Any dependent children under 16	1	
Female	2	No dependent children under 16	2	
(0917) MARITAL STATUS (52)		HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION X AGE		
Married	1	Write in number of persons living in household for each:		
Living as married	2			
Single	3			
Widowed/Divorced/Separated	4			
(v0924) WORKING STATUS (53)		Children aged less than 14 years	(v0990) (59)	
Housewife	1	Persons aged 14 to 17 years	(v0991) (60)	
At School	2	Person aged 18-59	(v2115) (61)	
Full time student	3	Persons aged 60+	(v2116) (62)	
Temporarily unemployed	4			
Persons aged 30-60	5	TRADE UNION MEMBER:	Self (63)	Other Member in h/hold (64) (v0958)
Person aged 60 or more	6	Yes	(v0936) 1	1
Full time working (30+ hours)	7	No	2	2
Part time working (<30 hrs week)	8			
(v0934) EMPLOYMENT (54)		(v0933) EMPLOYER (65)		
Self Employed	1	Private sector	1	
Employee	2	Public sector	2	
		Semi state body	3	
(v0931; v2112, v2113) OCCUPATION OF CHIEF INCOME EARNER		(v0973) NATIONALITY: (66)		
<i>INTERVIEWER: PROBE FULLY WRITE IN FULL DESCRIPTION AND GIVE JOB TITLE. USE PRECISE TERMS SUCH AS 'RETAIL STORE MANAGER' NOT 'MANAGER. IF TEACHER, RECORD PRIMARY OR SECONDARY. IF RETIRED, RECORD OCCUPATION PRE-RETIREMENT</i>		Irish	1	
		UK	2	
		Rest of Europe	3	
		Rest of World	4	
		(v0921) EDUCATION LEVEL ACHIEVED TO DATE: (67)		
		Primary	1	
		Junior cert or equivalent	2	
		Leaving cert or equivalent	3	
		Diploma or Certificate	4	
		University Degree /equivalent (completed)	5	
		University Degree /equivalent (incomplete)	6	
IF FARM OR FARMER, WRITE IN FARM ACRES.				
Is this self (55)				
	1			
Other	2			
CODE SOCIAL CLASS (v2113) (56)		(v905/v0906/agei/) AGE (write in and then code below): (68-70)		
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C1	2			
C2	3	(71)		
D	4			
E	5	18-24	1	
F 50+	6	25-29	2	
F 50-	7	30-34	3	
		35-39	4	
		40-44	5	
(v0943) TENURE: SINGLE CODE (57)		45-49	6	
Owned without mortgage or loan	1	50-54	7	
Owned with mortgage or loan	2	55-59	8	
Local authority tenant	3	60-65	9	
Private tenant	4	65+	0	
Other Specify	5			

THANK AND CLOSE – COMPLETE FINAL QUESTIONS OVERLEAF

(v1125) Interviewer Record Interview length in minutes

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(72-73)

(v0889) 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.

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(V1049/V1050)

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CARD TEN COL 9-10 / (10)

**IRISH ELECTION SURVEY
FINAL DROP OFF QUESTIONNAIRE**

Respondent's Full Name _____	
Telephone Number _____	Interview Date _____
Interviewer's name _____ Assignment No: <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> * (11-15)	
Constituency code <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> (16-17)	

Self-Completion Questionnaire

Thank you for having completed the Irish Election Survey, 2011. We would now ask you to please complete this final section of the questionnaire.

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 AND THREE €100 PRIZES. MANY THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

(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? PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX

Very Satisfied ☐ 1 Fairly Satisfied..... ☐ 2 Not very Satisfied..... ☐ 3 Not at all Satisfied..... ☐ 4 (18)

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 (✓) ONE BOX PER ROW

	LEFT —————→ RIGHT											Don't know
(v0670) FIANNA FAIL	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>	X <input type="checkbox"/> (19-20)
(v0671) FINE GAEIL	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>	X <input type="checkbox"/> (21-22)
(v0672) GREEN PARTY	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>	X <input type="checkbox"/> (23-24)
(v0673) LABOUR PARTY	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>	X <input type="checkbox"/> (25-26)
(v0675) SINN FEIN	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>	X <input type="checkbox"/> (27-28)

Below are a series of statements. These cover a range of different areas and topics. Thinking about each can you please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each using the scale below. PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX PER ROW

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Disagree slightly	Neither agree nor disagree	Slightly agree	Agree	Strongly agree	
(v0261) It would be better if more people with strong religious beliefs held public office	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	(29)
(v0216) I would be willing to accept a cut in my standard of living in order to protect the environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	(30)
(v0240) Ordinary working people get their fair share of the nation's wealth	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	(31)
(v0328) In general things would improve if there were more women in politics	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	(32)
(v0243) There is nothing wrong with some people being a lot richer than others	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	(33)

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

Rank
(write in 1-6)

(v0301) All those in the constituency who voted for the TD		(34)
(v0302) All those in the constituency who voted for the TDs party		(35)
(v0303) All voters in the constituency		(36)
(v0304) All those in the country who voted for the TDs party		(37)
(v0305) Members of a particular social group		(38)
(v0306) All voters in the country		(39)

For each of the next statements, please say whether you would like to see more or less government spending in each of the following areas. Remember if you say “more” it could require a tax increase, or “less”, it could require a reduction in those government services. Do you think the government should SPEND much more, more, the same as now, less or much less on on...? PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX PER ROW

	Much More	More	The Same	Less	Much Less	Don't Know	
1. Health (v2124)	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	(40)
2. Education (v2125)	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	(41)
3. Support for unemployed (v2126)	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	(42)
4. Defence (v2127)	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	(43)
5. Old age pensions (v2128)	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	(44)
6. Business & Industry (v2129)	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	(45)

(v2130) Please indicate to what extent you Disagree or Agree with this statement; ‘Over the next ten years or so, my family and I have a good chance of improving our standard of living’

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX

Strongly Disagree Disagree Agree Strongly Agree Don't Know
☐1.....☐2.....☐3.....☐4....☐5 (46)

(v0700b) Would you say that over the past 12 months, the state of the economy in Ireland has got better, stayed about the same or got worse...?

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX

Much Worse Somewhat Worse Stayed the same Somewhat Better Much Better
☐1.....☐2.....☐3.....☐4....☐5 (47)

(v0238) I would like you to look at the scale from 0 to 10 below. 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 in terms of this scale?

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX ONLY

	Government should		Government should	DK	
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<i>CUT TAXES A LOT and SPEND MUCH LESS on health and social services</i>								<i>INCREASE TAXES A LOT and SPEND MUCH MORE on health and social services</i>				
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	X	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	(48-49)

(v2131) 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 your view? PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX ONLY

<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	X	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	(50-51)

(v0002) During the campaign, did a party, candidate or political organisation contact you about voting for a particular party or candidate?

Yes.....☐₁ No.....☐₂ (52)

IF YES AT (v0002) ANSWER below OTHERS GO TO v2137

How did they contact you? PLEASE TICK (✓) ALL THAT APPLY

(53)

- (v2132) In person ☐1
(v2133) By mail or phone ☐2
(v2134) By text ☐3
(v2135) By email, or a social networking site ☐4
(v2136) DK/no reply ☐5

(v2137) During the campaign, did a FRIEND, family member, neighbour, work colleague or other acquaintance contact you about voting for a particular party or candidate?

Yes.....☐₁ No.....☐₂ (54)

IF YES AT (v2137) ANSWER below OTHERS GO TO v2143

Q11b How did they contact you? PLEASE TICK (✓) ALL THAT APPLY

(55)

- In person (v2138) ☐1
By mail or phone (v2139) ☐2
By text (v2140) ☐3
By email, or a social networking site (v2141) ☐4
DK/no reply (v2142) ☐5

During the campaign, did you seek out information about any TD or political party via any of the following online means? PLEASE TICK (✓) YES OR NO FOR EACH

		Yes (56)	No (57)
(v2143)	Search Engines (Google, Yahoo, Bing etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
(v2144)	On a social networking site (Facebook / MySpace etc)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
(v2145)	Online Video Platforms (YouTube, Vimeo, etc)	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
(v2146)	Online news Sources (IrishTimes.ie, RTE.ie, Independent.ie etc)	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

And thinking about the information you saw on political party or individual candidate websites, overall can you please rate how informative, persuasive and accurate you feel these websites were.

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX PER ROW

(v2147)	Very Informative <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Quite Informative <input type="checkbox"/> 2	Not Very Informative <input type="checkbox"/> 3	Not informative at All <input type="checkbox"/> 4	Did Not Visit online Sites <input type="checkbox"/> 5	(58)
(v2148)	Very Persuasive <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Quite Persuasive <input type="checkbox"/> 2	Not Very Persuasive <input type="checkbox"/> 3	Not Persuasive At All <input type="checkbox"/> 4	Did Not Visit online Sites <input type="checkbox"/> 5	(59)
(v2149)	Very Misleading <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Somewhat Misleading <input type="checkbox"/> 2	Quite Accurate <input type="checkbox"/> 3	Very Accurate <input type="checkbox"/> 4	Did Not Visit online Sites <input type="checkbox"/> 5	(60)

During the campaign, did you interact (read, click through, play a game etc.) with any political advertisements on any of the following? PLEASE TICK (✓) ALL THAT APPLY

		Yes (61)	No (62)
(v2150)	On a social networking site (Facebook / MySpace etc)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
(v2151)	Online News Sources (IrishTimes.ie, RTE.ie, Independent.ie etc)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
(v2152)	Online Video Platforms (YouTube, Vimeo, etc)	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
(v2153)	Search Engines (Google, Yahoo, Bing etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
(v2154)	Online Blogs or forums	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

And thinking overall about the advertisements you interacted with, can you please rate how informative, persuasive and accurate you feel these advertisements were.

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX PER ROW

(v2155)	Very Informative <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Quite Informative <input type="checkbox"/> 2	Not Very Informative <input type="checkbox"/> 3	Not informative at All <input type="checkbox"/> 4	Did Not interact with ads <input type="checkbox"/> 5	(63)
(v2156)	Very Persuasive <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Quite Persuasive <input type="checkbox"/> 2	Not Very Persuasive <input type="checkbox"/> 3	Not Persuasive At All <input type="checkbox"/> 4	Did Not interact with ads <input type="checkbox"/> 5	(64)
(v2157)	Very Misleading <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Somewhat Misleading <input type="checkbox"/> 2	Quite Accurate <input type="checkbox"/> 3	Very Accurate <input type="checkbox"/> 4	Did Not interact with ads <input type="checkbox"/> 5	(65)

(v2158) Generally speaking, when deciding how to cast your first preference vote, which is more important to you, that the candidate is from the party you want to support, or that the candidate is from this area?

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX ONLY

			(66)
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	The candidate is from the party you want to support	<input type="checkbox"/>	1
	The candidate is from this area	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
	Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/>	3

(v2159) How likely, if at all, is it that your income or job might be lost in the next year?

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX ONLY

Very Likely ☐1 Fairly Likely ☐2 Not very Likely ☐3 Not at all Likely ☐4 (67)

(v2160) If your income/job was lost in the next year, how easy or difficult do you think it would be to find another job/source of income?

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX ONLY

Very Easy ☐1 Fairly Easy ☐2 Fairly Difficult ☐3 Very Difficult ☐4 (68)

Do you or a member of your household own any of the following....

PLEASE TICK (✓) ALL THAT APPLY

			(69)
(v2161)	Your own residence (e.g. a home or apartment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	1
(v2162)	A business	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
(v2163)	Piece of property (other than your primary residence)	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
(v2164)	A farm	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
(v2165)	Livestock	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
(v2166)	Stocks or shares	<input type="checkbox"/>	6
(v2167)	A current or savings account	<input type="checkbox"/>	7
(v2168)	Did not answer		

To what extent, if at all, do you believe that the Dáil should have more or less of each of the following? PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX PER ROW

	A Lot Less	A Little Less	The Same as Now	A little More	A lot More	Don't Know	
(v2169) Female TD's	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	(70)
(v2170) Working Class TD's	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	(71)
(v2171) Young TD's	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	(72)
(v2172) Christian TD's	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	(73)
(v2173) Old age pensioners	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	(74)
(v2174) TD's of a pensionable age	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	(75)
(v2175) TD's who live in the area that they represent	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	(76)
(v2176) Gay and lesbian TD's	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	(77)
(v2177) TD's with disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	(78)

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Now, please can you indicate, using a 0 to 10 scale, how important each of the following is, where 0 means not at all important and 10 means very important. All other things being equal, how important do you think it is that your TD? PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX PER ROW

	Not at all important									Very important			
(v2178) Has the same political viewpoint as you?	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	<input type="checkbox"/> 10		(11-12)
(v2179) Is of the same sex as you?	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	<input type="checkbox"/> 10		(13-14)
(v2180) Is from the same area as you?	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	<input type="checkbox"/> 10		(15-16)

(v2181) Is from the same social class as you?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	(17-18)
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
(v2182) Has the same religious views that you have?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	(19-20)
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
(v2183) Is of approximately the same age as you?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	(21-22)
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
(v2184) Has the same level of education that you have?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	(23-24)
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

ASK ALL

(v2185) Which, if any, of these persons was Finance Minister before the recent election?

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX ONLY

		(25)	
Brian Lenihan	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	
Brian Cowen	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	
Micheál Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	
Michael Noonan	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	
Do Not Know	<input type="checkbox"/>	6	

(v2186) What is the longest time period permitted by law between one election and the next?

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX ONLY

		(26)	
5 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	
7 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	
4 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	
10 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	
Do Not Know	<input type="checkbox"/>	6	

(v2187) What was the name of the main opposition party prior to the recent 2011 election?

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX ONLY

		(27)	
Fine Gael	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	
Green	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	
Labour	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	
Fianna Fáil	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	
Do Not Know	<input type="checkbox"/>	6	

(v2188) Who was the first president of South Africa after apartheid ended?

PLEASE TICK (✓) ONE BOX ONLY

		(28)	
Desmond Tutu	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	
Robert Mugabe	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	
Nelson Mandela	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	
Rupiah Banda	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	
Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	6	

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