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**European Parliament Election Study 2019,  
Voter Study**

**- Basic Questionnaire -**

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

**OF THE**

**VOTER STUDY**

**OF THE**

**EUROPEAN ELECTIONS STUDY 2019**

**MASTER QUESTIONNAIRE**

Q1 What do you think is the most important issue or problem facing the [country] at the moment?

<Source: EES2014 QPP1a>

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98 dk

Q2 Which political party do you think would be best at dealing with this problem? [first 7 parties from, PARTY LIST C, PTV]

<Source: EES2009 Q02 >

1 party A

2 party B

...

10 other party

11 none of the parties

98 dk

Q3 On the whole, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in [country]? Are you

<Source: EES 2009 Q84>

1 very satisfied

2 fairly satisfied

3 not very satisfied

4 not at all satisfied

98 dk

Q4 All in all again, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in the European Union?

<Source: EES 2009 Q85>

1 very satisfied

2 fairly satisfied

3 not very satisfied

4 not at all satisfied

98 dk

Q5 Let us now come back to [country]. Do you approve or disapprove the government's record to date?

<Source: EES 2009 Q86, for Croatian similar wording in EES2014 QPP20\_1>

1 approve

2 disapprove

98 dk

Q6 The European Parliament elections were held on the [insert correct date for each country]. For one reason or another, some people in the UK did not vote in these elections. Did you vote in the recent European Parliament elections?

<Source EES2014 QP1 >

- 1 yes, voted
  - 2 no, did not vote
  - 98 dk
- } go to Q8

Q7 Which party did you vote for in the European Parliament elections? [PARTY LIST A, EP vote recall]

<Source EES2014 QP2 >

- 1 Party 1
- 2 Party 2
- ...
- 90 other party
- 96 did vote blanc or nil
- 98 do not remember

Q8 How closely did you follow the campaign ahead of the European Parliament elections in the media or on social media? Please indicate using any number on an 11-point-scale. On this scale, where 0 means "not at all" and 10 means "very closely" which number best describes your situation?

<New question>

- 0 Not at all
- 1
- ...
- 9
- 10 Very closely
- 98 dk

Q9 Which party did you vote for at the [General Election] of [Year of Last General Election]? [PARTY LIST B]

<Source EES2009 Q27, for Croatian similar wording in EES2014 QPP4 and QPP5 >

- 1 Party 1
- 2 Party 2
- ...
- 90 other party
- 96 did vote blanc or nil
- 97 did not vote
- 98 do not remember

Q10 We have a number of parties in <country> each of which would like to get your vote. How probable is it that you will ever vote for the following parties? Please answer on a scale where 0 means "not at all probable" and 10 means "very probable".

[ PARTY LIST C, PTV list up to 10 parties]

<Source: EES2014 QPP12>

	0 not at all probable	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 very proba- ble	Don't know the party
Party 1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
Party 2	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
Party 3	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
Party 4	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
Party 5	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
Party 6	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
Party 7	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
Party 8	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
Party 9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
Party 10	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98

Q11 In political matters people talk of "the left" and "the right". What is your position? Please indicate your views using any number on an 11-point-scale. On this scale, where 0 means "left" and 10 means "right," which number best describes your position?

<Source: EES 2014 QPP13>

	0 Left	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Right	DK
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98

Q13 And about where would you place the following political parties on this scale? Which number from 0 to 10, where '0' means "left" and '10' means "right" best describes these parties?

[PARTY LIST D, limited to 7 parties]

<Source: EES 2014 QPP14>

	0 Left	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Right	Don't know how to place the party
Party 1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 2	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 3	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 4	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 5	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 6	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 7	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99

Q14 Now I would like you to tell me your views on various issues. For each issue, we will present you with two opposite statements and we will ask your opinion about these two statements. We would like to ask you to position yourself on a scale from 0 to 10, where '0' means that you "fully agree with the statement at the top" and '10' means that you "fully agree with the statement at the bottom". Then if your views are somewhere in between, you can choose any number that describes your position best.

<Source: EES 2014 QPP17>

Q14.1 What do you think of state regulation and control of the economy

<Source: EES 2014 QPP17.1>

*0 You fully in favour of state intervention in the economy*

*1*

*2*

*3*

*4*

*5*

*6*

*7*

*8.*

*9*

*10 You fully opposed of state intervention in the economy*

*98 dk*

Q14.2 Redistribution of wealth

<Source: EES 2014 QPP17.2>

*0 You fully in favour of redistribution from the rich to the poor in [country]*

*1*

*2*

*3*

*4*

*5*

6  
7  
8  
9

*10 You fully opposed of redistribution of wealth from the rich to the poor in  
[country]*

*98 dk*

Q14.3 Same-sex marriage:

<Source: EES 2014 QPP17.4>

*0 You fully in favour of same sex marriage*

*1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9*

*10 You fully opposed of same sex marriages*

*98 dk*

Q14.4 Civil liberties

<Source: EES 2014 QPP17.5>

*0 You fully support privacy rights even if they hinder efforts to combat crime*

*1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9*

*10 You fully support restricting privacy rights in order to combat crime*

*98 dk*

Q14.5 Immigration:

<Source: EES 2014 QPP17.6>

*0 fully in favour of a restrictive policy on immigration*

*1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9*

*10 fully opposed of a restrictive policy on immigration*

*98 dk*

Q14.6 Environment

<Source: EES 2014 QPP17.8>

0 Environmental protection should take priority even at the cost of economic growth

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10 Economic growth should take priority even at the cost of environmental protection

98 dk

Q15 Imagine there were a referendum in [country] tomorrow about the membership of the European Union. Would you vote for [country] to remain a member of the European Union or to leave the European Union”.

<Source: ESS round 8 question E71>

1 Remain a member of the EU

2 Leave the EU

3 (Would submit a blank ballot paper)

4 (Would spoil the ballot paper)

5 (Would not vote)

6 (Not eligible to vote)

Q16 How important is it for you to live in a country that is governed democratically? On this scale where 1 means it is “not at all important” and 10 means “absolutely important” what position would you choose?:

<Source: ESS round 6 question B18d>

1 Not at all important

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10 Absolutely important

98 Don't know

99 No answer

Q17 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

	Fully agree	Agree	Neither agree or disagree	Disagree	Fully disagree	DK
1 Independent judges should be able to overrule the decisions of democratically elected government if the decisions violate the rights of individuals or groups in society.	1	2	3	4	5	98
2 Governments should be allowed to prohibit a peaceful protest if many citizens will be offended by its slogans.	1	2	3	4	5	98
3 In order to secure the independence of the public media, elected politicians should have no influence on the content of their broadcasting.	1	2	3	4	5	98
4 Having a strong leader in government is good for [country] even if the leader bends the rules to get things done.	1	2	3	4	5	98
5 The people, and not politicians, should make our most important policy decisions.	1	2	3	4	5	98

Q18 For each of the following statements, please tell me to what extent it corresponds or not to your attitude or opinion. (M)

< Sources: EES2014 QPP9,1 and QPP9.2 >

	Yes, totally	Yes, somewhat	Neither trust or distrust	No, not really	No, not at all	DK
1 You trust the (NATIONALITY PARLIAMENT) (USE PROPER NAME FOR LOWER HOUSE)	1	2	3	4	5	98
2 You trust the European Parliament	1	2	3	4	5	98

Q19 What do you think about the economy? Compared to 12 months ago, do you think that the general economic situation in the <country name>

<Source EES2014 QPP15>

- 1 a lot better
- 2 a little better
- 3 stayed the same
- 4 a little worse
- 5 a lot worse
- 98 dk

Q20 And over the next 12 months, how do you think the general economic situation in the <country name> will be? Will it....?

<Source EES2014 QPP16>

- 1 get a lot better
- 2 get a little better
- 3 stay the same
- 4 get a little worse
- 5 get a lot worse
- 98 dk

Q21 To what extent would you say you are interested in politics? Very, somewhat, a little, or not at all?

<Source EES2009 q78 >

- 1 very
- 2 somewhat
- 3 a little
- 4 not at all
- 98 dk

Q22 Generally speaking, do you think that [country] membership of the European Union is..?

<Source: EES2014 QP7>

- 1 good thing
- 2 bad thing
- 3 neither
- 98 dk

Q23 Some say European unification should be pushed further. Others say it already has gone too far. What is your opinion? Please indicate your views using a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means unification 'has already gone too far' and 10 means it 'should be pushed further'. What number on this scale best describes you position?

<Source: EES2014 QPP18>

	0 unification has already gone too far	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 unification should be pushed further	DK
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99

Q24 And about where would you place the following parties on this scale, where 0 means "already gone too far" and 10 means "should be pushed further"? [PARTY LIST D, limited to 7 parties]

<Source: EES2009 Q81>

	0 unificati on has already gone too far	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 unificati on should be pushed further	Don't know how to place the party
Party 1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 2	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 3	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 4	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 5	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 6	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Party 7	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99

Q25 Do you consider yourself to be close to any particular party? If so, which party do you feel close to? [PARTY LIST E]

<Source: EES2014 QPP21>

No, you do not feel close to any party	1
Party A	2
Party B	3
Party C	4
Party D	5
Party E	6
Party F	7
Party G	8
Party H	9
Party I	10
Party J	11
Party K	12
Party L	13
Party M	14
Other	90
DK	98

Q26 Do you feel yourself to be very close to this party, fairly close or merely a sympathiser?

<Source: EES2014 QPP21>

- 1 very close
- 2 fairly close
- 3 merely a sympathiser
- 98 dk

Q27 For each of the following candidates for President of the next European Commission, can you tell me which European Party Group or which [nationality] party supports their nomination?

<Source: EES2014 QPP21>

	Socialists & Democrats / [National party]	European People's Party/ [National party]	Liberals and Allies Group/ [National party]	The European Conservative and Reformists/ [National party]	D K
1 Manfred Weber	1	2	3	4	98
2 Frans Timmermans	1	2	3	4	98
3 Jan Zahradil	1	2	3	4	98

Q28 The British have decided to leave the European Union, what do you think the consequences for United Kingdom will be, if any?

<New question >

- 1 United Kingdom will be better off
- 2 There will be no significant change
- 3 United Kingdom will be worse off
- 98 dk

Q29 The British have decided to leave the European Union, what do you think the consequences for <your country> will be, if any?

<New question >

- 1 <My country> will be better off
- 2 There will be no significant change
- 3 <My country> will be worse off
- 98 dk

Q30 Which of these statements best represent your general view towards Britain leaving the European Union?

<New question >

- 1 Britain should stay a member of the European Union
- 2 Britain is right to leave the European Union
- 3 Britain should have never joined the European Union
- 98 dk

**[Q29 and Q30, were only fielded to EU27 respondents and not asked in the UK, instead Q29uk and Q30uk questions are specifically for UK respondents and are asked instead of Q29 and Q30]**

Q29uk As you may recall, the United Kingdom held a referendum about the membership of the European Union in 2016. Did you vote for United Kingdom to remain a member of the European Union or to leave the European Union?

- 1 Remain a member of the EU
- 2 Leave the EU
- 4 Spoiled the ballot paper
- 5 Did not vote
- 98 Don't remember

Q30uk Since the EU referendum last year, some people now think of themselves as Leavers and Remainers, do you think of yourself as:

- 1 A Leaver
- 2 A Remainer
- 3 Neither a Leaver nor a Remainer
- 98 Don't know

**Experiment**

**QT. Treatments** [*respondents randomly assigned to three groups*]

**Group 1:** Britain leaving the EU is expected to reduce growth and may lead to an economic recession in Britain

**Group 2:** Britain leaving the EU will mean that Britain will have more control over its own laws, including controlling migration

**Group 3:** [*Control group: no information -> go straight to question*]

Q31 If <COUNTRY> decided to leave the European Union, what do you think the consequences for your country will be, if any?

<New question >

*Please select one.*

- 1 My country will be better off
- 2 There will be no significant change
- 3 My country will be worse off
- 98 Don't know

QG32\_1 People sometimes talk about what the aims of this country should be for the next ten years. Some of the goals that different people would give top priority are listed below. Would you please say which one of these you, yourself, consider the most important?

*(Click one answer only under "first choice")*

<New question, Gallup International >

QG32\_2 And which would be the next most important? *(Click one answer only under "second choice")*

<New question, Gallup International >

	<i>First choice</i>	<i>Second choice</i>
1. A high level of economic growth	1	1
2. Making sure this country has strong defense forces	2	2
3. Seeing that people have more say about how things are done at their jobs and in their communities	3	3
4. Trying to make our cities and countryside more beautiful	4	4
98 Don't know	98	98
99 No answer	99	99

QG34\_1 If you had to choose, which one of these things would you say is most important? *(Click one answer only under "first choice"):*

<New question, Gallup International >

QG34\_1 And which would be the next most important?

(Click one answer only under "second choice"):

<New question, Gallup International >

	<i>First choice</i>	<i>Second choice</i>
1. Maintaining order in the nation	1	1
2. Giving people more say in important government decisions	2	2
3. Fighting rising prices	3	3
4. Protecting freedom of speech	4	4
98 Don't know	98	98
99 No answer	99	99

QG36\_1 Here is another list. In your opinion, which one of these is most important?

(Click one answer only under "first choice"):

<New question, Gallup International >

QG36\_2 And what would be the next most important?

(Click one answer only under "second choice"):

<New question, Gallup International >

	<i>First choice</i>	<i>Second choice</i>
1. A stable economy	1	1
2. Progress toward a less impersonal and more humane society	2	2
3. Progress toward a society in which ideas count more than money	3	3
4. The fight against crime	4	4
98 Don't know	98	98
99 No answer	99	99

QG38 Here are statements concerning a variety of social issues. You will probably find that you agree with some of the statements, and disagree with others, to varying extents. Please indicate your reaction to each statement according to the following scale:

<New question, Gallup International >

QG38\_1. Homosexuals and feminists should be praised for being brave enough to defy traditional family values.

<New question, Gallup International >

1. Very strongly disagree
2. Strongly disagree
3. Moderately disagree
4. Slightly disagree
5. Feel neutral
6. Slightly agree
7. Moderately agree
8. Strongly agree
9. Very strongly agree

99. Prefer not to answer (NA)

QG38\_2. What our country really needs, instead of more civil rights, is a stiff dose of law and order.

<New question, Gallup International >

1. Very strongly disagree
2. Strongly disagree
3. Moderately disagree
4. Slightly disagree
5. Feel neutral
6. Slightly agree
7. Moderately agree
8. Strongly agree
9. Very strongly agree
99. Prefer not to answer (NA)

QG38\_3. Our country will be destroyed some day if we do not smash the perversions eating away at our moral fiber and traditional beliefs.

<New question, Gallup International >

1. Very strongly disagree
2. Strongly disagree
3. Moderately disagree
4. Slightly disagree
5. Feel neutral
6. Slightly agree
7. Moderately agree
8. Strongly agree
9. Very strongly agree
99. Prefer not to answer (NA)

QG38\_4. It is wonderful that young people today have greater freedom to protest against things they don't like, and to make their own "rules" to govern their behavior.

<New question, Gallup International >

1. Very strongly disagree
2. Strongly disagree
3. Moderately disagree
4. Slightly disagree
5. Feel neutral
6. Slightly agree
7. Moderately agree
8. Strongly agree
9. Very strongly agree
99. Prefer not to answer (NA)

QG38\_5. People should pay less attention to the Bible and the other old traditional forms of religious guidance, and instead develop their own personal standards of what is moral and immoral.

<New question, Gallup International >

1. Very strongly disagree
2. Strongly disagree
3. Moderately disagree
4. Slightly disagree
5. Feel neutral
6. Slightly agree
7. Moderately agree
8. Strongly agree
9. Very strongly agree
99. Prefer not to answer (NA)

QG38\_6. The only way our country can get through the crisis ahead is to get back to our traditional values, put tough leaders in power, and silence the troublemakers spreading bad ideas.

<New question, Gallup International >

1. Very strongly disagree
2. Strongly disagree
3. Moderately disagree
4. Slightly disagree
5. Feel neutral
6. Slightly agree
7. Moderately agree
8. Strongly agree
9. Very strongly agree
99. Prefer not to answer (NA)

D1 Are you yourself a member of a trade union or is anyone else in your household a member of a trade union?

<Source: EES2014 D76>

- 1 Yes, you are a member of a trade union
- 2 Yes, someone else in your household is a member of a trade union
- 3 Yes, you and someone else in your household are members of a trade union
- 4 No, no one in your household is a member of a trade union

D2 How old were you when you stopped full-time education?

<Source: EES2014 D8>

- xy [age in years]
- 97 still studying

D3 Are you ...

<Source: EES2009 Q102>

- 1 male
- 2 female
- 3 Other

D4 What year were you born?

<Source: EES2009 Q103>

wxyz [year]

D4a In which country were you born?

<Source: EES2009 Q104>

1 [Country]

2 other, please specify

D4b IF OTHER When did you first come to [Country]?

<Source: EES2004 D4b>

wxyz [year]

D5 Could you tell me which of these best describes your own current situation?

<Source: EES20014 D7>

MARRIED OR REMARRIED
1 Living without children
2 Living with the children of this marriage
3 Living with the children of a previous marriage
4 Living with the children of this marriage and of a previous marriage
SINGLE LIVING WITH A PARTNER
5 Living without children
6 Living with the children of this partnership
7 Living with the children of a previous marriage/partnership
8 Living with the children of this partnership and of a previous marriage/partnership
SINGLE
9 Living without children
10 Living with children
DIVORCED OR SEPARATED
11 Living without children
12 Living with children
WIDOW/ER
14 Living without children
15 Living with children

D6 What is your current work situation? Are you:

<Source: EES2009 Q110>

1 self-employed

2 employed

3 in school

4 working in the household

5 retired

- 6 unemployed
- 7 other

D6a IF SELF-/EMPLOYED, UNEMPLOYED or RETIRED: Are/were you working in ...  
 <Source: EES2009 Q111>

- 1 agriculture
- 2 state industry
- 3 private industry
- 4 public services
- 5 private services
- 6 other

D7 If you were asked to choose one of these five names for your social class, which would you say you belong to - the working class, the lower middle class, the middle class, the upper middle class or the upper class?

<Source: EES2009 Q114>

- 1 working class
- 2 lower middle class
- 3 middle class
- 4 upper middle class
- 5 upper class
- 6 other

D8 Would you say you live in a...?

<Source: EES2014 D25>

- 1 rural area or village
- 2 small or middle size town
- 3 large town

D9 Do you consider yourself to be...?

<Source: EES2014 D74>

1. Catholic
2. Orthodox
3. Protestant
4. Other Christian
5. Jewish
6. Muslim
7. Sikh
8. Buddhist
9. Hindu
10. Atheist
11. Non believer/Agnostic
12. Other

D10 Apart from weddings or funerals, about how often do you attend religious services?

<Source: EES2014 D76>

- 1 More than once a week
- 2 once a week
- 3 once a month
- 4 About each 2 or 3 month

- 5. Only on special holy days
- 6 About once a year
- 7 Less often
- 8 never

D11 Taking everything into account, at about what level is your family's standard of living? If you think of a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 means a poor family, 7 a rich family, and the other numbers are for the positions in between, about where would you place your family?

<Source: EES2009 Q120>

1 poor family	2	3	4	5	6	7 rich family	DK
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	98