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Eurobarometer 65.1

**Country Specific Questionnaire
Ireland**

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EB64.3 E

Q1 What is your nationality? Please tell me the country(ies) that applies(y).

MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

(118-144)

Belgium	1,
Denmark	2,
Germany	3,
Greece	4,
Spain	5,
France	6,
Ireland	7,
Italy	8,
Luxembourg	9,
Netherlands	10,
Portugal	11,
United Kingdom (Great Britain, Northern Ireland)	12,
Austria	13,
Sweden	14,
Finland	15,
Republic of Cyprus	16,
Czech Republic	17,
Estonia	18,
Hungary	19,
Latvia	20,
Lithuania	21,
Malta	22,
Poland	23,
Slovakia	24,
Slovenia	25,
Other countries	26,
DK	27,

EB64.4 Q1 TREND MODIFIED

IF OTHER OR DK AT Q1, CLOSE INTERVIEW

QA1 When you hold a strong opinion, do you ever find yourself persuading your friends, relatives or fellow workers to share your views? Does this happen...?

READ OUT

(145)

Often	1
From time to time	2
Rarely	3
Never	4
DK	5

EB64.2 QA2

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QA2 When did you last use the Internet? Was it...?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(146)
In the last seven days	1
Over a week ago but in the last month	2
Over a month ago but in the last 3 months	3
Over 3 months ago but in the last 6 months	4
Over 6 months ago but in the last year	5
Over a year ago	6
Never used the Internet	7
DK	8

NEW

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QA3 Please tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements.

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Total ly agre e	Tend to agre e	Tend to disa gree	Total ly disa gree	Not appli cable (SP ONT ANE OUS)	DK
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(147)	1	You are happy with your family life	1	2	3	4	5	6
(148)	2	You are happy with your current occupation	1	2	3	4	5	6
(149)	3	You are happy living in Ireland	1	2	3	4	5	6
(150)	4	You have difficulties paying all your bills at the end of the month	1	2	3	4	5	6

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QA4	When you hear the words "European Union", what comes to your mind first? And what else?
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RECORD RESPONSES VERBATIM – DO NOT PROMPT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

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QA5	In the last 12 months have you...?
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ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Yes, on several occasions	Yes, once or twice	No	DK
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(192)	1	Visited another EU country	1	2	3	4
(193)	2	Read a book, newspaper or magazine in a language other than your mother tongue	1	2	3	4
(194)	3	Socialised with people from another EU country	1	2	3	4

NEW

QA6 When you get together with friends or relatives, would you say you frequently, occasionally or never discuss...?

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Frequently	Occasionally	Never	DK
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(195)	1	National political matters	1	2	3	4
(196)	2	European political matters	1	2	3	4

NEW

QA7 Generally speaking, do you think that Ireland's membership of the European Union is...?

READ OUT

		(197)
A good thing		1
A bad thing		2
Neither good nor bad		3
DK		4

EB64.2 QA8a

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QA8 For each of the following areas, please tell me if you believe that more decision-making or less decision-making should take place at a European level?

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	More decision making at a European level	Less decision making at a European level	No change is needed (SPONTANEOUS)	DK
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(198)	1	Fighting unemployment	1	2	3	4
(199)	2	Protecting social rights	1	2	3	4
(200)	3	Ensuring economic growth	1	2	3	4
(201)	4	Fighting organised crime	1	2	3	4
(202)	5	Fighting terrorism	1	2	3	4
(203)	6	Ensuring food safety	1	2	3	4
(204)	7	Protecting the environment	1	2	3	4
(205)	8	Preventing major health issues	1	2	3	4
(206)	9	Equal treatment of men and women	1	2	3	4
(207)	10	Protecting agriculture	1	2	3	4
(208)	11	Promoting democracy and peace in the world	1	2	3	4
(209)	12	Cooperation in the field of research and innovation	1	2	3	4
(210)	13	Ensuring a continuous energy supply	1	2	3	4

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QA9 Please tell for each of the following words if it describes very well, fairly well, fairly badly or very badly the idea you might have of the European Union.

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Describes very well	Describes fairly well	Describes fairly badly	Describes very badly	DK
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(211)	1	Modern	1	2	3	4	5
(212)	2	Democratic	1	2	3	4	5
(213)	3	Protective	1	2	3	4	5
(214)	4	Inefficient	1	2	3	4	5
(215)	5	Technocratic	1	2	3	4	5

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QA10	For each of the following, can you please tell me whether you think a lot, a fair amount, very little or nothing has been achieved so far ...?
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SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE
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	READ OUT	A lot has been achieved so far	A fair amount has been achieved so far	Very little has been achieved so far	Nothing has been achieved so far	DK
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(216)	1	Economic unification of Europe	1	2	3	4	5
(217)	2	Political unification of Europe	1	2	3	4	5
(218)	3	Cultural cooperation in Europe	1	2	3	4	5

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QA11	Which two, if any, of the following would you consider to be most helpful for the future of Europe?
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 2 ANSWERS

	(219-227)
A common language	1,
Well defined external borders of the EU	2,
The introduction of the Euro in all EU countries	3,
Comparable living standards in all EU countries	4,
A common army	5,
A common Constitution	6,
Nothing would be helpful (SPONTANEOUS)	7,
Other (SPONTANEOUS – SPECIFY)	8,
DK	9,

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QA12a	Which of the following do you think is the most positive result of European unification? IF NONE/DK, SKIP TO QA13
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QA12b	And the second most positive result?
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SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN

READ OUT	(228)	(229)
	QA12a FIRST	QA12b SECOND
Peace among the Member States of the EU	1	1
The free movement of people, goods and services within the EU	2	2
The Euro	3	3
Student exchange programmes such as ERASMUS	4	4
The Common Agricultural Policy	5	5
None (SPONTANEOUS)	6	6
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	7	7
DK	8	8

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QA13 Using a scale from 1 to 10, how would you judge the performance of the European Union in each of the following areas where '1' means that the European Union's performance in a specific area is "not at all satisfactory" and '10' means that its performance is "very satisfactory"?

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	1 Not at all satis facto ry	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Very satis facto ry	DK
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(230-231)	1	Fighting unemployment	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(232-233)	2	Protecting social rights	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(234-235)	3	Protecting human rights	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(236-237)	4	Ensuring economic growth	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(238-239)	5	Fighting organised crime	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(240-241)	6	Fighting terrorism	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(242-243)	7	Ensuring food safety	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(244-245)	8	Protecting the environment	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(246-247)	9	Preventing major health issues	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(248-249)	10	Equal treatment of men and women	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(250-251)	11	Protecting agriculture	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(252-253)	12	Helping poor people in the world	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(254-255)	13	Promoting democracy and peace in the world	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(256-257)	14	Cooperation in the field of research and innovation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(258-259)	15	Ensuring a continuous energy supply	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

NEW

QA14 At the present time, would you say that things are generally going in the right direction or in the wrong direction, in...?

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Things are going in the right direction	Things are going in the wrong direction	Neither (SPONTANEOUS)	DK
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(260)	1	Ireland	1	2	3	4
(261)	2	The European Union	1	2	3	4

NEW

QA15 Today, each European Union Member State is responsible for its own social welfare system. To what extent would you be in favour of or opposed to the harmonisation of social welfare systems within the European Union?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(262)
Strongly in favour	1
Somewhat in favour	2
Somewhat opposed	3
Strongly opposed	4
DK	5

NEW

QA16a Please tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with the following. If the Euro had not been introduced in Ireland...

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
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(263)	1	The Punt would have been vulnerable on foreign exchange markets	1	2	3	4	5
(264)	2	Inflation would have been much higher	1	2	3	4	5
(265)	3	The Irish economy would have been more competitive	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

ASK ALL

QA17 Which one of the following two propositions is closest to your opinion with regard to globalisation?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

Globalisation represents a good opportunity for Irish companies thanks to the opening-up of markets	(269) 1
Globalisation represents a threat to employment and companies in Ireland	2
DK	3

NEW

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QA18	Could you please tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.
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SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE
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	READ OUT	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
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(270)	1	Further EU enlargement would increase problems in the Irish job market	1	2	3	4	5
(271)	2	Due to the enlargement of the EU, many products have become cheaper	1	2	3	4	5
(272)	3	Further EU enlargement improves the influence of the EU in the world	1	2	3	4	5
(273)	4	Overall, the enlargement of the EU is something positive	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

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QA19	When you hear discussions about further enlargement of the European Union, which of the following words first comes to mind?
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READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

Excitement	(274) 1
Satisfaction	2
Hope	3
Frustration	4
Annoyance	5
Fear	6
Indifference	7
Other (SPONTANEOUS - SPECIFY)	8
DK	9

NEW

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QA20	Which two of the following would strengthen how you feel about being a European citizen?
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MAX. 2 ANSWERS
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(275-284)

Being able to vote in all elections organised in the Member State where you live	1,
A European social welfare system	2,
A President of the European Union directly elected by Member State citizens	3,
The replacement of national income tax by a European income tax	4,
A European Constitution	5,
A European Olympic team	6,
None of the above (SPONTANEOUS)	7,
I do not want to be a European citizen (SPONTANEOUS)	8,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	9,
DK	10,

NEW

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QA21	Which two of the following do you think are the best ways of ensuring one's voice is heard by decision-makers?
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MAX. 2 ANSWERS
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(285-295)

Voting in elections	1,
Joining a political party	2,
Joining a demonstration	3,
Signing a petition	4,
Going on strike	5,
Joining a trade union	6,
Being a member of a Consumer association	7,
Being a member or supporter of an NGO (non-governmental organisation)	8,
Participating in debates using the Internet	9,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	10,
DK	11,

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QA22	Using a scale from 1 to 10, how likely would you be to participate in the following where '1' means that you would definitely not take part and '10' means that you would be very likely to take part.
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SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE
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	READ OUT	1 Will defin itely not parta ke	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Is very likely to parta ke	DK
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(296-297)	1	Voting in referenda organised to take place on the same day in all European Member States on European issues	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(298-299)	2	Signing a Europe wide petition to tackle some issues at a European level rather than nationally	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

NEW

QA23	For each of the following statements about the European Union, could you please tell me whether you think it is true or false?
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	READ OUT	True.	False.	DK
(300)	1 The European Union currently consists of fifteen Member States	1	2	3
(301)	2 The members of the European Parliament are directly elected by the citizens of the European Union	1	2	3
(302)	3 Ireland has a European Commissioner	1	2	3

EB64.2 QA28 TREND MODIFIED

QA24 Would you say that you are very interested, fairly interested, not very interested or not at all interested in...?

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Very interested	Fairly interested	Not very interested	Not at all interested	DK
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(303)	1	Domestic affairs	1	2	3	4	5
(304)	2	European affairs	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

Now lets move on to another topic

QB1 Please tell me if you have purchased any goods or services (READ OUT) in the last 12 months from a provider in Ireland, from a provider in the EU or from a provider outside the EU?

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE PER LINE

READ OUT	Yes, from a seller provider located in Ireland	Yes, from a seller provider located in another EU country	Yes, from a seller provider located outside the EU	Yes, but you do not know where the seller provider was located	No	DK

(305-310)	1	Via the Internet (website, email, etc.)	1,	2,	3,	4,	5,	6,
(311-316)	2	By phone	1,	2,	3,	4,	5,	6,
(317-322)	3	By post (catalogues, mail order, etc.)	1,	2,	3,	4,	5,	6,
(323-328)	4	From a sales representative who visited you at your home or work place	1,	2,	3,	4,	5,	6,

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QB2	In the last 12 months, have you...?
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ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Yes, several times	Yes, but only once or twice	No	DK
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(329)	1	Made a trip to another EU country, primarily for shopping (i.e. buying clothes, electronics, etc.)	1	2	3	4
(330)	2	Taken the opportunity to purchase goods or services, whilst on holiday or on a business trip in another EU country (excluding purchases linked to the trip such as travel accommodation, leisure activities, meals)	1	2	3	4

NEW

ASK QB3 IF RESPONDENT HAS MADE AT LEAST ONE EU CROSS-BORDER PURCHASE (CODE 2 AT QB1 OR CODE 1-2 AT QB2) OTHERS GO TO QB4
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QB3	In the last 12 months, approximately what was the total value of the goods or services you purchased from sellers/providers located in other European Union countries?
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SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(331)
Less than 100 euros	1
Between 100 and 499 euros	2
Between 500 and 999 euros	3
Between 1000 and 4999 euros	4
5000 euros or more	5
Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	6
DK	7

NEW

ASK QB4 IF RESPONDENT HAS MADE AT LEAST ONE PURCHASE VIA INTERNET, PHONE OR BY POST (CODE 1 - 4 AT QB1.1- QB1.3) OTHERS GO TO QB5

QB4 During the past 12 months have any of the following situations happened to you when purchasing something at a distance for example: on the Internet, phone or by post either in Ireland or elsewhere?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

(332-341)

(IF CODE 1 AT QB1.1, QB1.2 or QB1.3) A delay in the delivery of something purchased from a seller\ provider located in Ireland	1,
(IF CODE 1 AT QB1.1, QB1.2 or QB1.3) You purchased something from a seller\ provider located in Ireland and it was not delivered	2,
(IF CODE 2 AT QB1.1, QB1.2 or QB1.3) A delay in the delivery of something purchased from a seller\ provider located in another EU country	3,
(IF CODE 2 AT QB1.1, QB1.2 or QB1.3) You purchased something from a seller\ provider located in another EU country and it was not delivered	4,
(IF CODE 3 AT QB1.1, QB1.2 or QB1.3) A delay in the delivery of something purchased from a seller\ provider located outside the EU	5,
(IF CODE 3 AT QB1.1, QB1.2 or QB1.3) You purchased something from a seller\ provider located outside the EU and it was not delivered	6,
(IF CODE 4 AT QB1.1, QB1.2 or QB1.3) A delay in the delivery of something purchased from a seller\ provider based somewhere unknown to you	7,
(IF CODE 4 AT QB1.1, QB1.2 or QB1.3) You purchased something from a seller\ provider that was based somewhere unknown to you and it was not delivered	8,
None of these (SPONTANEOUS)	9,
DK	10,

NEW

ASK QB5 IF RESPONDENT HAS MADE AT LEAST ONE PURCHASE VIA INTERNET, PHONE OR BY POST WITHIN THE EU (CODE 1 OR 2 AT QB1.1 - QB1.3) OTHERS GO TO QB6

QB5 You have the legal right to return a product or cancel a contract for a purchase made on the Internet, phone or by post within 10 days without paying a penalty. This is known as the cooling-off period. In the last 12 months, have you tried to return a product or cancel a contract, within the cooling-off period, after having purchased something by Internet, phone or post in Ireland or somewhere else in the European Union?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 2-4. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 5-7

(342-349)

No	1,
(IF CODE 1 AT QB1.1 - QB1.3) Yes, from sellers\ providers located in Ireland and the sellers\ providers always honour this	2,
(IF CODE 1 AT QB1.1 - QB1.3) Yes, from sellers\ providers located in Ireland and the sellers\ providers sometimes honour this	3,
(IF CODE 1 AT QB1.1 - QB1.3) Yes, from sellers\ providers located in Ireland and the sellers\ providers never honour this	4,
(IF CODE 2 AT QB1.1 - QB1.3) Yes, from sellers\ providers located in another EU country and the sellers\ providers always honour this	5,
(IF CODE 2 AT QB1.1 - QB1.3) Yes, from sellers\ providers located in another EU country and the sellers\ providers sometimes honour this	6,
(IF CODE 2 AT QB1.1 - QB1.3) Yes, from sellers\ providers located in another EU country and the sellers\ providers never honour this	7,
DK	8,

NEW

ASK ALL WHO HAVE BOUGHT PRODUCTS/SERVICES FROM A SALES REP WITHIN THE EU (CODE 1 OR 2 AT QB1.4) OTHERS GO TO QB7

Now thinking about any purchases you have made from someone visiting your home or work (known as doorstep selling).

Now thinking about any purchases you have made from someone visiting your home or work (known as doorstep selling).

QB6 You have the legal right to return a product or cancel a contract from doorstep selling within 10 days without paying a penalty. This is known as the cooling-off period. Now, thinking about anything you have bought from a sales representative at home or at the work place, in the last 12 months. Have you tried to return a product or cancel a contract within the cooling-off period?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 2-4. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 5-7.

(350-357)

No	1,
(IF CODE 1 AT QB1.4) Yes, from companies located in Ireland and this is always honoured	2,
(IF CODE 1 AT B1.4) Yes, from companies located in Ireland and this is sometimes honoured	3,
(IF CODE 1 AT QB1.4) Yes, from companies located in Ireland and this is never honoured	4,
(IF CODE 2 AT QB1.4) Yes, from companies located in another EU country and this is always honoured	5,
(IF CODE 2 AT QB1.4) Yes, from companies located in another EU country and this is sometimes honoured	6,
(IF CODE 2 AT QB1.4) Yes, from companies located in another EU country and this is never honoured	7,
DK	8,

NEW

ASK ALL

QB7 In the last 12 months have you purchased or signed up to any of the following financial services?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

(358-369)

A current or savings account	1,
A credit/debit card (this can also include payment\ bank card)	2,
A life insurance policy	3,
A private pension plan	4,
Other kind of insurance (health, home, travel, car insurance, etc.)	5,
Stocks \ shares	6,
Shares in an investment fund	7,
A mortgage (loan to buy a house)	8,
A loan for something other than buying a house	9,
None of these	10,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	11,
DK	12,

NEW

ASK IF RESPONDENT HAS PURCHASED\ SIGNED UP TO AT LEAST ONE FINANCIAL SERVICE (CODE 1 - 9 OR 11 AT QB7) OTHERS GO TO QB10

QB8 Were any of these financial services purchased or signed up to over the Internet, phone or by post in the last 12 months?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

(370-375)

No, not over the Internet, phone or by post	1,
Yes, from a seller\ provider located in Ireland	2,
Yes, from a seller\ provider located in another EU country	3,
Yes, from a seller\ provider located outside the EU	4,
Yes, but you do not know where the seller\ provider was located	5,
DK	6,

NEW

ASK ALL WHO HAVE PURCHASED OVER THE INTERNET, PHONE OR BY POST (CODE 2 - 5 AT QB8) OTHERS GO TO QB10

QB9 Have you encountered any of the following problems when purchasing or signing up to financial services by Internet, phone or post in the last 12 months?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

	(376-388)
You have not encountered any significant problems	1,
Insufficient\ inaccurate information before signing a contract	2,
Misleading\ deceptive information before signing a contract	3,
Excessive\ incomprehensible information	4,
Different conditions from the ones agreed in the contract (hidden charges, etc.)	5,
Excessive fees	6,
Service provided was poor and did not meet the terms fixed by the contract\ agreement	7,
Difficulties in contacting the financial company	8,
Difficulties in complaining to the financial company	9,
Difficulties in changing bank\ financial institution	10,
Difficulties in comparing offers from financial service providers	11,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	12,
DK	13,

NEW

ASK ALL

QB10 In your opinion, what are the main barriers you see in purchasing or signing up for financial services from sellers\ providers in another European Union country compared to Ireland? Please, give maximum 3 answers.

SHOW CARD -- READ OUT -- MAX. 3 ANSWERS

(389-402)

Insufficient\ inaccurate information	1,
Misleading\ deceptive information	2,
Excessive\ incomprehensible information	3,
Risks related to fraud in purchasing financial services in other EU countries	4,
Extra costs related to purchasing financial services in other EU countries	5,
The deposit necessary is too big	6,
Issues related to proof of identity when purchasing\ signing up for financial services in other EU countries (residence permit, utility bills, etc.)	7,
Lower level of consumer protection in other EU countries	8,
Having to communicate in another language	9,
Lower level of customer service in other EU countries	10,
Lack of personal contact when purchasing or signing up remotely/at a distance	11,
The risks are the same whether you purchase financial services from companies located in other EU countries or from companies located in Ireland (SPONTANEOUS)	12,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	13,
DK	14,

NEW

Now lets move on to another topic

QB11 In the last 12 months, how often have you seen or heard advertisements or offers which invited you to purchase goods or services directly from sellers\ providers located in other EU countries (via the Internet, email, by post, leaflets in your post box, by telephone, on television, on radio, in newspapers, magazines, etc.).... ?

READ OUT -- ONE ANSWER ONLY

(403)

Often	1
Sometimes	2
Rarely	3
Never	4
DK	5

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QB12 Have any of the following happened to you in the last 12 months in Ireland or elsewhere?

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE PER LINE

READ OUT	Yes, from a seller\ provider located in Ireland	Yes, from a seller\ provider located in another EU country	Yes, from a seller\ provider located outside the EU	Yes, but you do not know where the seller\ provider was located	No	DK
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(404-409)	1	You received unsolicited commercial advertisements or offers (cold calls, spam emails, direct marketing, etc.)	1,	2,	3,	4,	5,	6,
(410-415)	2	You received, saw, or heard misleading, deceptive or fraudulent advertisements or offers	1,	2,	3,	4,	5,	6,
(416-421)	3	You responded to a misleading, deceptive or fraudulent advertisement or offer by contacting the seller\ provider in some way (calling them, replying to an email, paying some money, etc.)	1,	2,	3,	4,	5,	6,

NEW

QB13 To what extent would you be in favour or opposed to the banning of all unsolicited commercial advertisements or offers (cold calls, spam emails, direct marketing, etc.)?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

Strongly in favour of banning	(422)	1
Somewhat in favour of banning		2
Somewhat opposed to banning		3
Strongly opposed to banning		4
DK		5

NEW

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QB14	In the last 12 months, have you been unduly coerced or pressurised to purchase anything or sign up to a contract?
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READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

(423)

Yes, on several occasions	1
Yes, but only once or twice	2
No	3
DK	4

NEW

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QB15	If you buy goods which do not conform to the original sales contract or which show a defect within two years of delivery, you have the right to ask for the goods to be replaced, repaired, reduced in price or for the contract to be cancelled. Did you try to replace, repair, ask for a price reduction or cancel a contract in the last 12 months?
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 2-4. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 5-7. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 8-10
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(424-434)

No	1,
Yes, and sellers\ providers located in Ireland always comply	2,
Yes, and sellers\ providers located in Ireland sometimes comply	3,
Yes, and sellers\ providers located in Ireland do not comply	4,
Yes, and sellers\ providers located in other EU countries always comply	5,
Yes, and sellers\ providers located in other EU countries sometimes comply	6,
Yes, and sellers\ providers located in other EU countries do not comply	7,
Yes, and sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you always comply	8,
Yes, and sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you sometimes comply	9,
Yes, and sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you do not comply	10,
DK	11,

NEW

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QB16	In the past 12 months, have you come across what you regard to be unfair consumer contract terms or conditions in Ireland or elsewhere?
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 2-3. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 4-5. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 6-7. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES '8-9
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(435-444)

No	1,
Yes, on several occasions, from sellers\ providers located in Ireland	2,
Yes, but only once or twice, from sellers\ providers located in Ireland	3,
Yes, on several occasions, from sellers\ providers located in other EU countries	4,
Yes, but only once or twice, from sellers\ providers located in other EU countries	5,
Yes, on several occasions, from sellers\ providers located outside the EU	6,
Yes, but only once or twice, from sellers\ providers located outside the EU	7,
Yes, on several occasions, from sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you	8,
Yes, but only once or twice, from sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you	9,
DK	10,

NEW

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QB17	In the past 12 months, how often have you compared the price of products by looking at the price per unit measure for example, price per kilo, per metre or per litre?
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY
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(445)

Often	1
Sometimes	2
Rarely	3
Never	4
DK	5

NEW

QB18 In the past 12 months, have you purchased a "timeshare" or a similar product, that is to say the right to spend a set period every year in the same property for a number of years?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

(446)

No	1
Yes, and you did not encounter any problem when buying this kind of product	2
Yes, but you encountered some problems when buying this kind of product	3
DK	4

NEW

QB19 In the past 12 months, how many times have you purchased a package holiday, that is a combination of transport and accommodation arrangements, from a company based in the European Union?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

(447)

Yes, one	1
Yes, two	2
Yes, three or more	3
No	4
DK	5

NEW

ASK ALL WHO HAVE PURCHASED A PACKAGE HOLIDAY IN PAST 12 MONTHS (CODE 1 - 3 AT QB19) OTHERS GO TO QB21

QB20 Thinking about the package trip(s) you have taken in the last 12 months, do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	DK
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(448)	1	Sufficient information was given to you by the package holiday operator prior to your departure on the itinerary, type and category of transport, type and category of accommodation, meals, insurance policy, cancellation policy etc	1	2	3
(449)	2	The package holiday (transport arrangements, accommodation, meals, etc) matched the way it was described to you by the operator prior to departure	1	2	3

NEW

ASK ALL

QB21 Thinking generally about purchasing goods or services from sellers\ providers located elsewhere in the European Union, which we refer to as "cross border shopping", please tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
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(450)	1	You are prepared to purchase goods and services using another EU language	1	2	3	4	5
(451)	2	You know where to get information and advice about cross border shopping in the EU	1	2	3	4	5
(452)	3	You are less interested in cross border shopping, because you prefer to shop in person and not by post, phone or through the Internet	1	2	3	4	5
(453)	4	You are not interested in cross border shopping because you do not have access to the Internet	1	2	3	4	5
(454)	5	You are not interested in making a cross border transaction in the EU in the next 12 months	1	2	3	4	5
(455)	6	In the next 12 months, you intend to make cross border purchases worth more than the cross border purchases you made in the past 12 months	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

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QB22	For each of the following, would you be more confident, as confident or less confident making purchases from sellers\ providers located in other European Union countries compared to purchases from sellers\ providers located in Ireland?
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SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE
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	READ OUT	More confident in another EU country	As confident	Less confident in another EU country	DK
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(456)	1	Purchasing goods or services via the Internet	1	2	3	4
(457)	2	Purchasing goods or services by phone or post	1	2	3	4
(458)	3	Purchasing goods or services from sales representatives at your home or work	1	2	3	4
(459)	4	Purchasing goods or services from a seller\ provider whilst on holiday, on a shopping trip or on a business trip to another EU Member State	1	2	3	4

NEW

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QB23	For each of the following statements, please tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with it. Compared to sellers\ providers located in Ireland, when purchasing from sellers\ providers located in other European Union countries....
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SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE
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	READ OUT	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
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(460)	1 It is harder to resolve problems such as complaints, returns, price reductions, guarantees, etc.	1	2	3	4	5
(461)	2 There is a greater risk of falling victim of a scam or fraud	1	2	3	4	5
(462)	3 There is a greater chance of having delivery problems with goods or services	1	2	3	4	5
(463)	4 There are more problems returning a product you bought by Internet, phone or post within the cooling-off period of 10 days	1	2	3	4	5
(464)	5 It is harder to trust the safety of goods and services	1	2	3	4	5
(465)	6 Sellers\ providers are less likely to respect consumer protection laws	1	2	3	4	5
(466)	7 Sellers\ providers often refuse to sell or deliver goods or services because you are not resident in their country	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

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QB24	In the last 12 months, have you made any kind of formal complaint by writing, by telephone or in person, to a seller\ provider?
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 2-4. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 5-7. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 8-10.

	(467-477)
No,	1,
Yes, often to sellers\ providers located in Ireland	2,
Yes, sometimes to sellers\ providers located in Ireland	3,
Yes, but rarely to sellers\ providers located in Ireland	4,
Yes, often to sellers\ providers located in another EU country	5,
Yes, sometimes to sellers\ providers located in another EU country	6,
Yes, but rarely to sellers\ providers located in another EU country	7,
Yes, often to sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you	8,
Yes, sometimes to sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you	9,
Yes, but rarely, to sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you	10,
DK	11,

NEW

ASK ALL WHO HAVE MADE A FORMAL COMPLAINT (CODE 2 - 10 AT QB24) OTHERS GO TO QB27
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QB25	In general, were you satisfied or not with the way your complaint(s) was(were) dealt with by the seller\ provider?
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READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(478)
Very satisfied	1
Fairly satisfied	2
Not very satisfied	3
Not at all satisfied	4
I didn't receive an answer	5
DK	6

NEW

ASK ALL DISSATISFIED WITH HANDLING OF COMPLAINT (CODE 3 -5 AT QB25)
OTHERS GO TO QB27

QB26 What did you do when your complaint(s) was(were) not dealt with in a satisfactory manner?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

(479-485)

You went to a consumer association\ consumer help desk for advice	1,
You went to a solicitor for advice	2,
You brought the matter to an arbitration, mediation or conciliation body	3,
You brought the matter to court	4,
You took no further action	5,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	6,
DK	7,

NEW

ASK ALL

QB27 Among the following, what do you think are the best ways to protect consumers?

SHOW CARD – ROTATE – READ OUT – MAX. 5 ANSWERS

	(486-500)
Easy comparison of offers (including price)	1,
Clear and transparent pricing	2,
The right to be given clear written information about the main features of the goods or services and the sales contract before you sign it	3,
The right to replace, repair, ask for a price reduction or cancel a contract when you buy a product either at home or by Internet, phone or post	4,
The right to return products within the cooling-off period without giving a reason when you buy either at home or by Internet, phone or post	5,
Obligation of sellers\ providers to indicate prices of goods in unit terms (price per kilo, per metre, per litre, etc.)	6,
Legal obligation to ensure timely delivery	7,
Legal obligation to ensure safe goods and services	8,
Legal requirements on sellers\ providers not to mislead or deceive consumers	9,
Ability of public authorities to detect, investigate and prosecute sellers\ providers who do not respect consumer rights	10,
The right as an individual to take a seller\ provider to court	11,
The right to join with other consumers to take a seller\ provider to court	12,
Information and advice from consumer organisations	13,
None of these (SPONTANEOUS)	14,
DK	15,

NEW

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QB28	For each of the following statements, please tell me if you agree or disagree with it. In Ireland...
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SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
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(501)	1	It is easy to resolve disputes with sellers\ providers through an arbitration, mediation or conciliation body (goods that do not work (properly), late\ non-delivery, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
(502)	2	It is easy to resolve disputes with sellers\ providers through the courts	1	2	3	4	5
(503)	3	You trust independent consumer organisations to protect your rights as a consumer	1	2	3	4	5
(504)	4	You trust public authorities to protect your rights as a consumer	1	2	3	4	5
(505)	5	You would be more willing to defend your rights in court if you could join with other consumers who were complaining about the same thing	1	2	3	4	5
(506)	6	You feel that you are adequately protected by existing measures to protect consumers	1	2	3	4	5
(507)	7	Sellers\ providers generally respect your rights as a consumer	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

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QB29	In the last 12 months, have you encountered any difficulties in understanding safety information relating to goods or services you have bought (language problems, unclear\ unknown symbols, etc.)?
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 2-3. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 4-5. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 6-7. ONE ANSWER ALLOWED FOR CODES 8-9.
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	(508-517)
No	1,
Yes, often, for goods or services provided by sellers\ providers located in Ireland	2,
Yes, sometimes, for goods or services provided by sellers\ providers located in Ireland	3,
Yes, often, for goods or services provided by sellers\ providers located in another EU country	4,
Yes, sometimes, for goods or services provided by sellers\ providers located in another EU country	5,
Yes, often, for goods and services provided by sellers\ providers located outside the EU	6,
Yes, sometimes, for goods and services provided by sellers\ providers located outside the EU	7,
Yes, often, for goods or services provided by sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you	8,
Yes, sometimes, for goods and services provided by sellers\ providers based somewhere unknown to you	9,
DK	10,

NEW

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QB30	For which, if any, of the following products do you think provision of safety information is most inadequate? Choose the 3 most important for you.
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS

	(518-532)
Toys	1,
Household appliances	2,
Electric lamps	3,
Cosmetic products	4,
Detergents	5,
Paints and varnishes	6,
Other DIY products\ tools	7,
Childcare products (nappies etc)	8,
Children's equipment (pushchairs, furniture etc)	9,
Hobby\ sports equipment	10,
Gardening equipment\ machines	11,
Kitchen\ cooking accessories	12,
Textiles	13,
Furniture	14,
DK	15,

NEW

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QB31	Do you prefer to receive safety information via...?
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READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(533)
Logos or symbols only	1
Text only	2
A combination of logos, symbols and text	3
The retailer\ salesperson	4
It depends (SPONTANEOUS)	5
DK	6

NEW

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QB32	With which of the following statements concerning the safety of consumer products do you most agree with?
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READ OUT – MAX. 2 ANSWERS

(534-539)

Safety instructions should explain clearly what to do	1,
Safety instructions play an important role in preventing accidents	2,
Safety instructions should indicate the risk to children, the elderly or disabled more clearly when using the product	3,
Safety instructions must be clear about the possible consequences of not following them	4,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	5,
DK	6,

NEW

D10	Record Gender.
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(540)

Male	1
Female	2

EB64.4 D10

D11	How old are you?
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(541-542)

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EB64.4 D11

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QC1	Which of the following suggestions aimed at solving potential shortages in the work force do you most agree with?
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 2 ANSWERS

(543-552)

Discouraging early retirement	1,
Raising the legal retirement age	2,
Encouraging people to have more children	3,
Encouraging the immigration of workers from outside the EU	4,
Encouraging part-time workers to change to full-time work	5,
Increasing the number of legal weekly working hours	6,
Encouraging non-working women to participate in the labour market	7,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	8,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	9,
DK	10,

NEW

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QC2	Generally speaking, what do you think is the ideal number of children for a family?
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DO NOT PROMPT – CODE USING THE LIST BELOW

	(553-554)
None	1
One	2
Two	3
Three	4
Four	5
Five	6
Six	7
More than six	8
There is no ideal number, it depends	9
DK	10

NEW

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QC3	And for you personally, what would be the ideal number of children you would like to have or would have liked to have had?
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DO NOT PROMPT – CODE USING THE LIST BELOW

	(555-556)
None	1
One	2
Two	3
Three	4
Four	5
Five	6
Six	7
More than six	8
There is no ideal number, it depends	9
DK	10

NEW

ASK ALL AGED 25 YEARS OR OLDER (SEE AGE AT D11) OTHERS GO TO QC6

QC4 AND QC5 ARE ONLY ABOUT BIOLOGICAL CHILDREN (NOT ADOPTED OR STEPCHILDREN)

QC4 Thinking back to the time when you were around 20 years old, how many children did you want to have. We are talking here about your own biological children and not adopted children or stepchildren.

READ OUT

(557-558)

None	1
One	2
Two	3
Three	4
Four	5
Five	6
Six	7
More than six	8
I wanted to have children, but didn't know how many	9
I didn't think about it\ didn't care	10
DK	11

EB56.2 Q62 TREND MODIFIED

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QC5	Do you have now the number of children you wanted to have when you were around 20? I am still talking about your own biological children and not adopted children or stepchildren.
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SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS

(559-573)

Yes, I have as many children as I wanted to have when I was around 20	1,
No, I have more children than I intended to have when I was around 20	2,
No, I have\ had health problems	3,
No, my partner has\ had health problems	4,
No, I did not find the right partner for raising children or I have\ had problems with my partner	5,
No, I have\ had financial problems	6,
No, my partner has\ had financial problems	7,
No, I find\ found it difficult to combine work and family life (lack of childcare facilities, etc.)	8,
No, availability of suitable accommodation was a problem	9,
No, the cost of children (education, etc.) is\ was too high	10,
No, I could not find the right time to have a child/children	11,
I do not want the same number of children now that I am older	12,
No, I still intend to have another child/other children	13,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	14,
DK	15,

EB56.2 Q63 TREND MODIFIED

ASK ALL

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QC6	How many children do you have?
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(574-575)

None	1
One	2
Two	3
Three	4
Four	5
Five	6
Six	7
Seven	8
Eight	9
Nine	10
Ten or more	11
DK	12

EB56.2 Q64 TREND MODIFIED

ASK ALL WITH 1 OR MORE CHILDREN (CODE 2 - 11 AT QC6) OTHERS GO TO QC9a

QC7 How old were you when you had your first child?

CODE DK\ DO NOT REMEMBER AS '99'

(576-577)

YEARS OLD

EB56.2 Q65 TREND MODIFIED

QC8 Looking back, what do you now think of the timing of your first child?

(578)

It would have been better if I had had my first child earlier	1
It would have been better if I had had my first child later	2
The timing was about right	3
DK	4

NEW

ASK ALL

QC9a How many (more) children do you intend to have?

(579)

None	1
One	2
Two	3
Three	4
Four	5
Five	6
Six	7
More than six	8
DK	9

EB56.2 Q66 TREND MODIFIED

ASK THOSE WHO INTEND TO HAVE CHILDREN (CODE 2 - 8 AT QC9a) OTHERS GO TO QC10

QC9b How sure are you that you will be successful in having the number of children you would like?

(580)

Very sure	1
Fairly sure	2
Not very sure	3
Not at all sure	4
DK	5

NEW

QC9c Do you intend to have a\ another child in the next three years?

(581)

Definitely yes	1
Probably yes	2
Probably not	3
Definitely not	4
DK	5

NEW

ASK ALL

QC10 How important is each of the following in deciding whether or not to have or a\ another child?

SHOW CARD

	READ OUT	Very important	Fairly important	Not very important	Not at all important	DK
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(582)	1	The financial situation	1	2	3	4	5
(583)	2	The working situation of the mother	1	2	3	4	5
(584)	3	Housing conditions	1	2	3	4	5
(585)	4	The health of the mother	1	2	3	4	5
(586)	5	Having a supportive partner	1	2	3	4	5
(587)	6	The working situation of the father	1	2	3	4	5
(588)	7	The health of the father	1	2	3	4	5
(589)	8	Availability of childcare	1	2	3	4	5
(590)	9	The opportunity to go on parental leave or care leave	1	2	3	4	5
(591)	10	The costs of children	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

SPLIT BALLOT A

QC11a In your opinion, what is the ideal age for a woman to have her first child?

IF NO IDEAL AGE CODE AS '98' – IF DK CODE AS '99'

(592-593)

YEARS OLD

NEW

QC12a And from what age do you feel a woman should no longer have children?

IF NO LIMIT CODE AS '98' – IF DK CODE AS '99'

(594-595)

YEARS OLD

NEW

SPLIT BALLOT B

QC11b In your opinion, what is the ideal age for a man to have his first child?

IF NO IDEAL AGE CODE AS '98' – IF DK CODE AS '99'

(596-597)

YEARS OLD

NEW

QC12b And from what age do you feel a man should no longer have children?

IF NO LIMIT CODE AS '98' – IF DK CODE AS '99'

(598-599)

YEARS OLD

NEW

ASK ALL

QC13 Please tell me which of the following statements applies to your situation.

READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

(600-607)

- You have the same number of children as your own parents had
- Your parents think that you should have a\ another child
- Most of your relatives have the same number of children as you do
- Most of your relatives think that you should have a\ another child
- Most of your friends have the same number of children as you do
- Most of your friends think that you should have a\ another child
- None of these (SPONTANEOUS)
- DK

- 1,
- 2,
- 3,
- 4,
- 5,
- 6,
- 7,
- 8,

NEW

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QC14a	Which of the following statements best reflects your household situation?
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READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

(608)

Your current situation does not allow you to make plans for the future. You live day by day	1
You know what you will be doing in the next six months	2
You have a long-term view of what your household will be during in the next 1 or 2 years	3
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	4
DK	5

NEW

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QC14b	Do you think that in the next two years, your household situation will be...?
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READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

(609)

Much better	1
Somewhat better	2
About the same as it is now	3
Somewhat worse	4
Much worse	5
DK	6

NEW

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QC15	Here is a list of statements relating to the role of men and women when it comes to raising children. Please tell me to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of them.
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SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE
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	READ OUT	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
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(610)	1	A working mother can establish a relationship with her children that is just as warm and secure as that established by a mother who does not work	1	2	3	4	5
(611)	2	A pre-school child is more likely to suffer if his\her mother works	1	2	3	4	5
(612)	3	All in all family life suffers when the woman has a full time job	1	2	3	4	5
(613)	4	Both men and women should contribute to the household income	1	2	3	4	5
(614)	5	Ideally, the woman should stay at home to look after the children while the man goes out to work	1	2	3	4	5
(615)	6	Family life often suffers when men concentrate too much on their work	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

Now lets move on to another topic

QD1a Compared to about ten years ago, do you find it easier or more difficult to travel from one Member State of the European Union to another or do you think that nothing has changed since then?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(616)
Yes, it is easier	1
Nothing has changed	2
No, it is more difficult	3
DK	4

NEW

QD2a Compared to about ten years ago, have you noticed a better choice of products from other Member States of the European Union in your shops and supermarkets?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(618)
Yes	1
No	2
DK	3

NEW

ASK ALL

The European Single Market enables the free movement of people, capital, goods and services. It formally started in January 1993. Since then a number of reforms have been introduced in all Member States, including the 10 States which joined the European Union in 2004, and which are now part of this Single Market. The following questions relate to these reforms and changes and their impact on your day-to-day life.

QD3 Would you say that, for consumers, the Single Market has been very positive, fairly positive, fairly negative or very negative in respect of...?

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

READ OUT	Very positive	Fairly positive	Fairly negative	Very negative	Neither positive nor negative (SPONTANEOUS)	DK
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(620)	1	The range of products and services	1	2	3	4	5	6
(621)	2	The prices of products and services	1	2	3	4	5	6
(622)	3	The quality of products and services	1	2	3	4	5	6

NEW

QD4 The Single Market has increased competition in many areas like transportation, telecommunications, banking and insurance services. Overall, would you say that this is ...?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

A very good thing	(623)	1
Quite a good thing		2
Quite a bad thing		3
A very bad thing		4
Neither a good nor a bad thing (SPONTANEOUS)		5
DK		6

NEW

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QD5 In relation to your rights within the Single Market, do you feel...?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(624)
Very well informed	1
Well informed	2
Fairly uninformed	3
Not at all informed	4
DK	5

NEW

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QD6 Are the following sentences true or false?

SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	True.	False.	DK
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(625)	1	You need a "work permit" to work in another Member State	1	2	3
(626)	2	You can obtain a mortgage in another Member State when buying a house in Ireland	1	2	3
(627)	3	When you buy a car in another Member State, you have to pay VAT in both that Member State and in Ireland	1	2	3
(628)	4	You can get household insurance in another Member State to cover your house in Ireland	1	2	3
(629)	5	When you are travelling or working in another Member State you have access to health care in that country	1	2	3
(630)	6	Your academic qualifications give you the right to study in another Member State	1	2	3
(631)	7	Citizens in the EU can pursue an occupation in a Member State other than the one in which they acquired their professional qualifications	1	2	3
(632)	8	Products bought in another Member State are guaranteed in Ireland	1	2	3

NEW

QD7 Recently, have you noticed any price difference for the same products or services between Member States?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

(633)

Yes	1
No	2
DK	3

NEW

QD8 Would you consider going to another Member State to buy a product or a service if it was cheaper or better?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

(634)

Yes, certainly	1
Yes, probably	2
No, probably not	3
No, certainly not	4
DK	5

NEW

ASK IF RESPONDENT WOULD NOT CONSIDER GOING TO ANOTHER MEMBER STATE TO BUY A PRODUCT OR SERVICE (CODE 3 OR 4 AT QD8) OTHERS GO TO QD11

QD9a Which one of the following is the most important reason for not being willing to buy a product or service that proved to be better or cheaper in another Member State? IF NONE?DK SKIP TO QD10

QD9b And which would be your second most important reason?

SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN

READ OUT	(635)	(636)
	QD9a First most important	QD9b Second most important
Concern about after-sales service	1	1
Concern about administrative formalities	2	2
Concern that your consumer rights will not be upheld in another Member State	3	3
Too time consuming	4	4
Language barriers	5	5
Travel costs too high	6	6
None (SPONTANEOUS)	7	7
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	8	8
DK	9	9

NEW

QD10 Have you ever visited another Member State of the European Union to buy a product or a service...?

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

READ OUT	Yes	No	DK
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(637)	1	Because it was cheaper	1	2	3
(638)	2	Because the quality was better	1	2	3

NEW

ASK ALL

QD11 Would you consider buying a product or service from another Member State via the Internet if it was cheaper or better?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

(639)

Yes, certainly	1
Yes, probably	2
No, probably not	3
No, certainly not	4
DK	5

NEW

ASK IF RESPONDENT WOULD NOT CONSIDER BUYING OVER THE INTERNET (CODE 3 OR 4 AT QD11) OTHERS GO TO QD13

QD12a Which of the following is the most important reason for not being willing to buy a product or service via the Internet if it proved to be better or cheaper in another Member State? IF NONE/DK, SKIP TO QD13a

QD12b And which would be your second most important reason?

SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN

(640)

(641)

READ OUT	QD12a First most important	QD12b Second most important
Not sure what to do if the product is not delivered	1	1
Not sure what to do if the product delivered is not satisfactory or is faulty	2	2
Not sure what to do if the price invoiced is different from that shown on the web	3	3
Unwilling to disclose your charge card or credit card numbers on the Internet	4	4
Language barriers	5	5
No Internet access	6	6
None (SPONTANEOUS)	7	7
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	8	8
DK	9	9

NEW

ASK ALL

QD13a As a European Union citizen, you have the right to study or work in another Member State of the European Union, or to settle there yourself after retirement. Which of the following is the main obstacle that would prevent you from moving to another Member State? IF NONE/DK, SKIP TO QD14a

QD13b And which would be your second most important reason?

SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN

READ OUT	(642-643)	(644-645)
	QD13a	QD13b
	First most important	Second most important
Language barriers	1	1
No wish to do so	2	2
Concerned about administrative formalities	3	3
Family considerations	4	4
Concerned about tax implications	5	5
Cannot afford to live in another Member State	6	6
Worried that your academic qualifications will not be recognised	7	7
Lack of information about the study/work opportunities	8	8
Difficulty in finding an appropriate job	9	9
Concerned about living in a country where the social welfare and the healthcare system are less developed	10	10
None (SPONTANEOUS)	11	11
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	12	12
DK	13	13

NEW

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QD14a	Have you, yourself, ever considered living in another Member State in order to study?
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QD14b	Have you, yourself, ever considered living in another Member State in order to work?
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QD14c	Have you, yourself, ever considered living in another Member State after your retirement?
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ONE ANSWER POSSIBLE PER COLUMN

	(646)	(647)	(648)
READ OUT	QD14a	QD14b	QD14c
	In order to study	In order to work	After your retirement
Yes, and have already done it	1	1	1
Yes, you thought about it but haven't decided yet	2	2	2
Yes, you thought about it but gave up on the idea	3	3	3
No, you have never thought about it	4	4	4
DK	5	5	5

NEW

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QD15	Have you considered taking out an insurance policy or obtaining a mortgage in another Member State of the European Union?
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READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(649)
Yes, and have already done it	1
Yes, you thought about it but haven't decided yet	2
Yes, you thought about it but gave up on the idea	3
No, you have never thought about it	4
DK	5

NEW

ASK IF RESPONDENT WOULD NOT CONSIDER GETTING INSURANCE/MORTGAGE IN ANOTHER MEMBER STATE (CODE 3 OR 4 AT QD15) OTHERS GO TO QD17

QD16a Which of the following is the most important reason for not considering taking out an insurance policy or obtaining a mortgage in another Member State of the European Union? IF NONE/DK, SKIP TO QD17

QD16b And which would be your second most important reason?

SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN

READ OUT	(650)	(651)
	QD16a	QD16b
	First most important	Second most important
Concern about administrative formalities	1	1
Concern about tax implications	2	2
Lack of information about the study/work opportunities	3	3
Worried that your consumer rights will not be upheld in another Member State	4	4
Language barriers	5	5
No wish to do so	6	6
None (SPONTANEOUS)	7	7
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	8	8
DK	9	9

NEW

ASK ALL

QD17 If you wanted to work in another Member State but discovered you would be paid less because your academic qualifications or professional experience were not recognised in that Member State, to whom would you turn first for assistance?

READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(652)
A lawyer or legal advice service	1
The national authorities (ministry, local authorities, etc.)	2
The national authorities of Ireland (embassy, consulate, ministry, etc.)	3
The European Institutions	4
A trade union	5
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	6
DK	7

NEW

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QD18 The European Commission offers the following services to help citizens concerning their rights in the Single Market. Which of the following services have you heard of?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

(653-660)

Your Europe	1,
SOLVIT	2,
Citizens Signpost Service	3,
FIN-NET	4,
Europe Direct	5,
European Consumer Centres (Euroguichets)	6,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	7,
DK	8,

NEW

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QD19 I'm going to read out a number of measures established by the Single Market. Could you tell me, for each of them, whether you think it has had a very positive effect, a fairly positive effect, a fairly negative effect or a very negative effect in Ireland.

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Very positive	Fairly positive	Fairly negative	Very negative	DK
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(661)	1	The possibility for citizens from other Member States to work in Ireland and for citizens from Ireland to work elsewhere in the EU	1	2	3	4	5
(662)	2	The possibility for citizens from other Member States to study in Ireland and for citizens from Ireland to study elsewhere in the EU	1	2	3	4	5
(663)	3	The possibility for products from other Member States to be marketed in Ireland under the same conditions as Irish products	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

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QD20	Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
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SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
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(664)	1	Making it easier for workers to move within the EU can help fight unemployment within the EU more effectively	1	2	3	4	5
(665)	2	The further free movement of people, products and services in the EU will make the EU's economy more successful compared to the rest of the world	1	2	3	4	5
(666)	3	The Internal Market rules have increased consumer protection within the EU	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

DEMOGRAPHICS

D1 In political matters people talk of "the left" and "the right". How would you place your views on this scale?

SHOW CARD - INT.: DO NOT PROMPT - IF CONTACT HESITATES, TRY AGAIN

(667-668)

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

Refusal (SPONTANEOUS) 11

DK 12

EB64.4 D1

NO QUESTIONS D2 TO D6

D7 Could you give me the letter which corresponds best to your own current situation?

SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY

(669-670)

X Married	1
F Remarried	2
K Unmarried currently living with partner	3
Y Unmarried having never lived with a partner	4
R Unmarried having previously lived with a partner, but now on my own	5
B Divorced	6
M Separated	7
Q Widowed	8
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	9
Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	10

EB64.4 D7

D8 How old were you when you stopped full-time education?

CODE STILL STUDYING AS '00' - CODE NO FULL-TIME EDUCATION AS '98' - CODE DK AS '99'

(671-672)

Input boxes for coding

EB64.4 D8

NO QUESTION D9

NO QUESTION D12 TO D14

ASK D15b ONLY IF RESPONDENT IS NOT DOING ANY PAID WORK CURRENTLY -
CODE 1 TO 4 AT D15a

D15a What is your current occupation?

D15b Did you do any paid work in the past? What was your last occupation?

	(673-674)	(675-676)
	D15a	D15b
	CURRENT OCCUPATION	LAST OCCUPATION
NON-ACTIVE		
Responsible for ordinary shopping and looking after the home, or without any current occupation, not working	1	
Student	2	
Unemployed or temporarily not working	3	
Retired or unable to work through illness	4	
SELF EMPLOYED		
Farmer	5	5
Fisherman	6	6
Professional (lawyer, medical practitioner, accountant, architect, etc.)	7	7
Owner of a shop, craftsmen, other self-employed person	8	8
Business proprietors, owner (full or partner) of a company	9	9
EMPLOYED		
Employed professional (employed doctor, lawyer, accountant, architect)	10	10
General management, director or top management (managing directors, director general, other director)	11	11
Middle management, other management (department head, junior manager, teacher, technician)	12	12
Employed position, working mainly at a desk	13	13
Employed position, not at a desk but travelling (salesmen, driver, etc.)	14	14
Employed position, not at a desk, but in a service job (hospital, restaurant, police, fireman, etc.)	15	15
Supervisor	16	16
Skilled manual worker	17	17
Other (unskilled) manual worker, servant	18	18
NEVER DID ANY PAID WORK		19

EB64.4 D15a D15b

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D15c More precisely, would you say that you are currently working...?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY

(677)

Full time	1
Part time more than 24 hours per week	2
Part time between 12 and 24 hours per week	3
Part time less than 12 hours per week	4
Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	5

NEW

ASK ALL

NO QUESTIONS D16 TO D24

D25 Would you say you live in a...?

READ OUT

(678)

Rural area or village	1
Small or middle sized town	2
Large town	3
DK	4

EB64.4 D25

NO QUESTIONS D26 TO D39

D40a Could you tell me how many people aged 15 years or more live in your household, yourself included?

RECORD BELOW

(679-680)

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EB64.4 D40a

D40b Could you tell me how many children less than 10 years old live in your household

RECORD BELOW. CODE NONE AS '00'

(681-682)

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EB64.4 D40b

D40c Could you tell me how many children aged 10 to 14 years old live in your household?

RECORD BELOW. CODE NONE AS '00'

(683-684)

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EB64.4 D40c

NO QUESTION D41

D42 Which of these proposals corresponds to your situation?

SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(685)
Your mother and your father were born in Ireland	1
One of your parents was born in Ireland and the other was born in another Member State of the European Union	2
Your mother and your father were born in another Member State of the European Union	3
One of your parents was born in Ireland and the other was born outside of the European Union	4
Your mother and your father were born outside the European Union	5
DK/Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	6

EB64.4 D42

D43a Is there a fixed telephone available in the household?

D43b Do you personally own a mobile telephone?

	(686)	(687)
	D43a Fixed	D43b Mobile
Yes	1	1
No	2	2

EB64.4 D43a D43b

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D45	Apart from weddings or funerals, about how often do you attend religious services?
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SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY
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(688)

More than once a week	1
Once a week	2
About once a month	3
About each 2 or 3 month	4
Only on special holy days	5
About once a year	6
Less often	7
Never	8
DK	9

EB63.4 D45

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D46	Which of the following goods do you have ?
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SHOW CARD - READ OUT - SEVERAL ANSWERS POSSIBLE

(689-698)

Television	1,
DVD player	2,
Music CD player	3,
Computer	4,
An Internet connection at thome	5,
A car	6,
An apartment / a house which you have finished paying for	7,
An apartment / a house which you are paying for	8,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	9,
DK	10,

EB63.4 D46

INTERVIEW PROTOCOLE

P1 DATE OF INTERVIEW

(699-700)

(701-702)

DAY

MONTH

EB64.4 P1

P2 TIME OF THE BEGINNING OF THE INTERVIEW

INT.:USE 24 HOUR CLOCK

(703-704)

(705-706)

HOUR

MINUTES

EB64.4 P2

P3 NUMBER OF MINUTES THE INTERVIEW LASTED

(707-709)

MINUTES

EB64.4 P3

P4 Number of persons present during the interview, including interviewer

(710)

Two (interviewer and respondent)
Three
Four
Five or more

1
2
3
4

EB64.4 P4

P5 Respondent cooperation

(711)

Excellent
Fair
Average
Bad

1
2
3
4

EB64.4 P5

P6 Size of locality

(LOCAL CODES)

(712-713)

EB64.4 P6

P7 | Region

(LOCAL CODES)

(714-715)

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EB64.4 P7

P8 | Postal code

(716-723)

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EB64.4 P8

P9 | Sample point number

(724-731)

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EB64.4 P9

P10 | Interviewer number

(732-739)

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EB64.4 P10

P11 | Weighting factor

(740-747)

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EB64.4 P11