

**ZA4731**

**Flash Eurobarometer 213  
(European Citizenship)**

**Country Specific Questionnaire  
Ireland**

## Flash 213 – Awareness of Citizen’s rights

**Q1. This survey concerns the citizenship of the European Union. Are you familiar with the term “citizen of the European Union”?**

- Yes and you know what it means..... 1
- Yes, you have heard about it, but you are not sure what it means. . 2
- No, you have never heard the term “citizen of the European Union”.3
- [DK/NA]..... 9

**Q2. How well do you feel that you are informed about your rights as a citizen of the European Union?**

**ONLY ONE ANSWER POSSIBLE**

- Very well informed ..... 4
- Well informed..... 3
- Not well informed..... 2
- Not informed at all..... 1
- [DK/NA]..... 9

**Q3. For each of the statements which I am going to read out, please tell me if this is true or false:**

**ONE ANSWER PER LINE**

- True ..... 1
  - False.....2
  - [DK/NA] .....9
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- a. You have to ask to become a citizen of the European Union..... 1 2 9
  - b. You are both a citizen of the European Union and the citizen of Ireland at the same time. .... 1 2 9
  - c. If you so wish, you can choose not to be a citizen of the European Union ..... 1 2 9

**Q4. In fact, all citizens of the EU Member States are “citizens of the European Union”.  
In your opinion, what rights does a citizen of the European Union have?**

**ONE ANSWER PER LINE**

- Yes, has this right ..... 1
- No, does not have this right ..... 2
- [DK/NA]..... 9
  
- a) A citizen of the European Union has the right to reside in any Member State of the European Union, subject to certain conditions. .... 1 2 9
- b) A citizen of the European Union has the right to acquire the nationality of any Member State in which he has lived for at least 5 years. .... 1 2 9
- c) A citizen of the European Union has the right to make a complaint to the European Commission, European Parliament or European Ombudsman..... 1 2 9
- d) A citizen of the European Union from another Member State, living in Ireland, has the right to vote or to stand as a candidate in municipal elections here. .... 1 2 9
- e) A citizen of the European Union from another Member State, living in Ireland, has the right to vote or to stand as a candidate in elections to national Parliaments here. .... 1 2 9
- f) A citizen of the European Union from another Member State, living in Ireland, has the right to vote or to stand as a candidate in European Parliament elections here..... 1 2 9
- g) A citizen of the European Union finding himself outside the EU has the right to ask for help at embassies of other European Union Member countries, if his country does not have an embassy there. .... 1 2 9
- h) A citizen of the European Union, residing in another Member State, has the right to be treated exactly in the same way as a national of that State. .... 1 2 9

**Q5. Are you familiar with the “Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union”, which also guarantees fundamental rights to European Union citizens?**

**ONLY ONE ANSWER POSSIBLE**

- Yes and you know what it is. .... 1
- Yes, you have heard about it, but you are not sure what it is. .... 2
- No, you have never heard about the “Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union”. .... 3
- [DK/NA]..... 9

**D1. Gender** [DO NOT ASK - MARK APPROPRIATE]

- [1] Male
- [2] Female

**D2. How old are you?**

- [ ][ ] years old
- [00] [REFUSAL/NO ANSWER]

**D3. How old were you when you stopped full-time education?**

[Write in THE AGE WHEN EDUCATION WAS TERMINATED]

- [ ][ ] years old
- [00] [STILL IN FULL TIME EDUCATION]
- [01] [NEVER BEEN IN FULL TIME EDUCATION]
- [99] [REFUSAL/NO ANSWER]

**D4. As far as your current occupation is concerned, would you say you are self-employed, an employee, a manual worker or would you say that you are without a professional activity? Does it mean that you are a(n)...**

[IF A RESPONSE TO THE MAIN CATEGORY IS GIVEN, READ OUT THE RESPECTIVE SUB-CATEGORIES - ]

**- SELF-EMPLOYED**

- i.e. : - farmer, forester, fisherman.....11
- owner of a shop, craftsman.....12
- professional (lawyer, medical practitioner, accountant, architect,...).....13
- manager of a company .....14
- other.....15

**- Employee**

- i.e. : - professional (employed doctor, lawyer, accountant, architect).....21
- general management, director or top management.....22
- middle management.....23
- Civil servant .....24
- office clerk.....25
- other employee (salesman, nurse, etc...) .....26
- other.....27

**- Manual worker**

- i.e. : - supervisor / foreman (team manager, etc...) .....31
- Manual worker .....32
- unskilled manual worker .....33
- other.....34

**- Without a professional activity**

- i.e. : - looking after the home.....41
- student (full time).....42
- retired .....43
- seeking a job .....44
- other.....45
- [Refusal] .....99

**D6. Would you say you live in a ...?**

- metropolitan zone..... 1
- other town/urban centre ..... 2
- rural zone..... 3
- [Refusal]..... 9