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**Flash Eurobarometer 137  
(The United Kingdom and the European Union, Wave 1)**

**Questionnaire**

## Flash Eurobarometer The UK and the European Union

- D1. Sex**
- |     |        |
|-----|--------|
| [1] | Male   |
| [2] | Female |
- D2. Exact Age:**    [ ][ ]    years old  
                          [00]    [REFUSAL/NO ANSWER]
- D3. Age when finished full time education : [EXACT AGE IN 2 DIGITS]**
- |        |                                     |
|--------|-------------------------------------|
| [ ][ ] | years old                           |
| [00]   | [REFUSAL/ NO ANSWER]                |
| [01]   | [NEVER BEEN IN FULL TIME EDUCATION] |
| [99]   | [STILL IN FULL TIME EDUCATION]      |
- 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 ?**  
[READ OUT LEFT ITEMS - THEN ASK TO SPECIFY ("that is to say")  
- ONLY ONE ANSWER]
- 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 (SPECIFY) ..... 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 (SPECIFY) ..... 27
  - **Manual worker**
    - i.e. : - supervisor / foreman (team manager, etc ...) ..... 31
    - manual worker ..... 32
    - unskilled manual worker ..... 33
    - other (SPECIFY) ..... 34
  - **Without a professional activity**
    - i.e. : - looking after the home ..... 41
    - student (full time) ..... 42
    - retired ..... 43
    - seeking a job ..... 44
    - other (SPECIFY) ..... 45
  - (Refusal)
- D5. Region = "European Administrative Regional Unit" (N.U.T.S. 1) [2 DIGITS]**
- D6. Type of Locality?**
- |                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| - metropolitan zone.....       | 1 |
| - other town/urban centre..... | 2 |
| - rural zone.....              | 3 |

**Q.1 How much do you feel you know about the European Union, its policies, its institutions? Would you say that...**

- You know a great deal about it
- You know quite a lot about it
- You know a little about it
- You know nothing at all about it

**Q.2 When you are looking for information about the EU, its policies, its institutions, which of the following sources do you use? (Multiple answers possible)**

- Discussions with relatives, friends, colleagues
- Daily newspapers
- Other newspapers, magazines
- TV
- Radio
- The internet, the WWW
- Books, brochures, information leaflets
- EU-information offices, EICs Euro-info-points, Euro-libraries etc.
- MEP/MP
- Other
- Never look for such info/not interested (Spontaneous answer)
- Don't know

**Q.3 In general, how would you prefer to get information about the EU? (Multiple answers possible)**

- A leaflet or a brochure
- On the internet
- From the TV
- From the radio
- From the daily papers
- From other papers/magazines
- Other
- I don't want info about the EU (Spontaneous answer)
- None of these ways (Spontaneous answer)
- Don't know

**Q.4 How fairly do you think the media cover European Union Affairs?**

- Very fairly
- Quite fairly
- Not very fairly
- Not at all fairly

- Don't know

**Q.5 Generally speaking do you think that the UK's membership of the EU is ...?**

- A good thing
- Neither a good nor a bad thing
- A bad thing
- Don't know

**Q.6 Taking everything into consideration, would you say that the UK has on balance benefited or not from being a member of the EU?**

- Benefited
- Not Benefited
- Don't know

**Q.7 If you were told tomorrow that the European Union had been scrapped, would you be very pleased, indifferent or very sorry?**

- Very pleased
- Indifferent
- Very sorry
- Don't know

**Q.8 What is your opinion on each of the following statements? Please tell me for each statement, whether you are for it or against it.**

- You are for it
- You are against it
- Don't know

- A European Monetary Union with one single currency, the euro
- One common foreign policy among the member states of the European Union, towards other countries
- A common defence and security policy among the European Union member states
- The enlargement of the European Union to include new countries
- The European Union being responsible for matters that cannot be effectively handled by national, regional and local governments
- The resignation of the President of the European Commission and the European Commissioners if they do not have the support of a majority in the European Parliament
- Teaching school children about the way European Union institutions work

**Q.9 I would like to ask you a question about how much trust you have in certain institutions. For each of the following institutions, please tell me if you tend to trust it or tend not to trust it?**

- You tend to trust it
- You tend not to trust it
- Don't know

- The press
- Radio
- Television
- Trade unions
- Political parties
- The civil service
- Big companies
- The British government
- The British Parliament (House of Commons)
- The European Union
- The United Nations
- Non-Governmental Organisations (NGO)

**Q.10 For each of the following areas, do you think that decisions should be made by the UK government or at the European Union level ?**

- By the UK government
- At the European Union level
- Don't know

- Fighting poverty and social exclusion
- Protecting the environment
- Guaranteeing the quality of food products
- Protecting consumers and guaranteeing the quality of other products
- Fighting unemployment
- Fighting organised crime and drug trafficking
- Guaranteeing the rights of the individual and respect for the principles of democracy
- Fighting terrorism
- Tackling the challenges of an ageing population

## **Fieldwork description plus report – FLASH EB 137**

### ***Sampling & interviewing procedures:***

- RDD sample, 70501 pieces
- Standard regions quotas applied – Northern Ireland included

### ***Starting & ending dates***

- Start date: 11/11/2002
- End date: 25/11/2002

### ***Statistics:***

- Average length of interview: 8.35 minutes
- Maximum length: 41 minutes
- Minimum length: 4 minutes
- Median length: 8 minutes

### ***Weighting documentation:***

1. sex and age by each region, one for each of the 12 regions to be used in conjunction with the twelve separate data files, Weights (expressed as %)

	Male	Female	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
North	48	52	15	17	19	16	12	21
North West	49	51	15	17	18	15	13	21
Yorks/Humber	49	51	15	17	18	16	12	20
East Midlands	49	51	13	18	17	18	13	22
West Midlands	49	51	15	18	18	15	14	20
Eastern	48	52	14	18	19	17	12	19
Greater London	49	51	18	23	19	16	10	14
South East	49	51	14	18	19	17	13	19
South West	48	52	14	15	18	17	13	22
Wales	49	51	16	17	19	16	13	20
Scotland	48	52	15	18	19	16	13	19
Northern Ireland	48	52	18	20	19	15	12	17

2. target weights proportioned out for the whole country and used in conjunction with the collapsed data file

	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
North	319	348	403	331	252	450	1012	1091
North West	830	951	1023	855	728	1166	2701	2852
York&Humber	629	706	754	664	502	824	1990	2089
East Midlands	650	763	756	660	601	847	2094	2183
West Midlands	427	617	564	611	454	742	1675	1740
Eastern	616	788	846	724	538	849	2114	2247
Greater London	574	623	747	698	543	880	1963	2102
South East	933	1174	1270	1097	882	1240	3225	3371
South West	1029	1360	1093	928	595	813	2852	2966
Wales	377	398	458	380	305	468	1165	1221
Scotland	606	755	794	659	561	791	1992	2174
Northern Ireland	230	256	242	197	160	221	629	677

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