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This survey was a “flash” pre-election study based on a sample of 840 respondents interviewed in the period from 21st to 24th September 1999 by field associates of the Permanent network of the Center for Political Studies and Public Opinion Research, Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade. However, the questionnaire used in this research included even more than 120 variables suggesting a relatively wide range of questions about phenomena of election motivation of citizens – potential voters (inhabitants 18 years old and above with right to vote). A quota model of sample was applied but only in the last stage of respondent selection. Previously, the sample was formed as a typical random (probability) proportional and stratified model with demographic regions at the first stage, municipalities at the second stage, and local communities at the third stage. The rate of non-response was only 13%, and additional control showed that those who refused to participate in research or were unable to be interviewed at the time did not differ from people included in the sample in significant characteristics. For simple probabilistic sample with 840 units standard error is about 3.5%, but this figure is just an orientation because counting of SE for quota model is not possible.