

**ZA4566**

**European Election Study 2004**

**Country Specific Questionnaire  
Estonia (English)**

**Name of the Questioner** \_\_\_\_\_, **number** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>EB1</b>		
<b>Place of interview:</b>		
0101 Põhja-Tallinn	0205 Narva-Jõesuu town	0802 Pärnu town
0102 Haabersti	0206 Püssi town	0803 Sindi town
0103 Kesklinn (Tallinn)	0207 Sillamäe town	0899 Other Pärnumaa
0104 Kristiine	0208 Other Ida-Virumaa	
0105 Lasnamäe		0999 Raplamaa
0106 Pirita	0301 Jõgeva town	
0107 Mustamäe	0302 Mustvee town	1001 Kuressaare town
0108 Nõmme	0303 Põltsamaa town	1099 Other Saaremaa
	0399 Other Jõgevamaa	
0112 Keila town	0401 Paide town	1101 Elva town
0113 Loksa town	0402 Türi town	1102 Kallaste town
0114 Maardu town	0499 Other Järvamaa	1103 Tartu town
0115 Paldiski town		1104 Other Tartumaa
0116 Saue town	0501 Haapsalu town	
0199 Other Harjumaa	0599 Other Läänemaa	1201 Tõrva town
		1202 Valga town
0201 Kärkla	0601 Kunda town	1299 Other Valgamaa
0299 Other Hiiumaa	0602 Rakvere town	
	0603 Tamsalu town	1301 Mõisaküla town
	0604 Tapa town	1302 Suure-Jaani town
	0699 Other Lääne-Virumaa	1303 Viljandi town
0201 Jõhvi town		1304 Võhma town
0202 Kiviõli town	0701 Põlva town	1399 Other Viljandimaa
0203 Kohtla-Järve town	0799 Other Põlvamaa	
0204 Narva town		1401 Võru town
	0801 Kilingi-Nõmme town	1499 Other Võrumaa

**EB2 Sampling area** \_\_\_\_\_

**EB3 Sampling point no** \_\_\_\_\_

**EB4 Respondent no** \_\_\_\_\_

**EB5 Language of interview:**

- 1 Estonian
- 2 Russian

**EB6 Date of interview:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EB7 Time interview started:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EB8 Duration of interview:** \_\_\_\_\_ minutes

**Q1 What do you think are the most important problems [in Britain] at present? Any other important problems?**

**NOTE AS MANY PROBLEMS AS R MENTIONS!**

98 *dk*

99 *na*

**Q1a If more than one problem mentioned: Of those you have mentioned what would you say is the single most important problem?**

98 *dk*

99 *na*

**Q2 Which political party do you think would be best at dealing with <the most important problem>? - CARD D**

- 1 Eesti Keskerakond
  - 2 Eestimaa Rahvaliid
  - 3 Eesti Reformierakond
  - 4 Erakond Isamaaliit
  - 5 Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond
  - 6 Ühendus Vabariigi Eest – Res Publica
  - 7 Eestimaa Ühendatud Rahvapartei
  - 8 Eesti Kristlik Rahvapartei
  - 10 other party
  - 11 none of the parties
- 98 *dk*  
99 *na*

**Q3 As of today, is <the most important issue> mainly dealt with by regional, national, or European political authorities?**

- 1 **regional**
  - 2 **national**
  - 3 **European**
- 8 *dk*  
9 *na*

**Q4 And who do you think would be most appropriate to deal with <the most important issue>: regional, national, or European political authorities?**

- 1 **regional**
  - 2 **national**
  - 3 **European**
- 8 *dk*  
9 *na*

**Q5 Normally, how many days of the week do you watch the news on television?**

\_\_\_\_\_ (number 1-7)

8 *dk*

9 *na*

**Q6a Which channels or television news programmes do you watch regularly? MULTIPLE ANSWERS! - CARD 1**

- 1, ETV Aktuaalne Kaamera
  - 2, Kanal 2 Uued Uudised
  - 3, TV3 Seitsmesed Uudised
  - 4, ETV Terevisiooni uudised
  - 5, ETV venekeelne Aktuaalne Kaamera
  - 6, Esimese Balti Kanali uudised
  - 9, other news
- 98 *dk*  
99 *na*

**Q7 And how many days of the week do you read a newspaper?**

\_\_\_\_\_ (kirjutage number 1-7)

8 *dk*

9 *na*

**Q7a Which newspaper or newspapers do you read regularly? MULTIPLE ANSWERS! - CARD 2**

- 1, Postimees
  - 2, Eesti Päevaleht
  - 3, SL Õhtuleht
  - 4, Äripäev
  - 5, Molodjož Estonii
  - 6, Estonija
  - 7, Den za Dnjom
  - 8, Eesti Ekspress
  - 9, Maaleht
  - 11, local newspaper
  - 12, other newspaper
- 98 *dk*  
99 *na*

**How often did you do any of the following during the three or four weeks before the European election? How often did you: ONE ANSWER IN EACH ROW! - CARD 3**

	often	some- times	never	<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
<b>Q8a ... watch a program about the election on television? Often, sometimes, or never?</b>	1	2	3	8	9
<b>Q8b ... read about the election in a newspaper? Often, sometimes, or never?</b>	1	2	3	8	9
<b>Q8c... talk to friends or family about the election?</b>	1	2	3	8	9
<b>Q8d ... attend a public meeting or rally about the election?</b>	1	2	3	8	9
<b>Q8e ... look into a website concerned with the election?</b>	1	2	3	8	9

**Q9 Thinking back to just before the elections for the European Parliament were held, how interested were you in the campaign for those elections: very, somewhat, a little, or not at all?**

- 1 very interested
- 2 somewhat interested
- 3 a little interested
- 4 not interested at all
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

**Thinking at the campaign before European elections, how much do you agree with the following statements: -  
CARD 4**

	completely agree	agree	do not agree	do not agree at all	<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
<b>Q9a Candidates were too superficial in their arguments</b>	1	2	3	4	8	9
<b>Q9b Campaign was rather strategical than substantial</b>	1	2	3	4	8	9

**Q10 Many people did not participate in the European elections on June 13th, while others voted. Did you you're your vote?**

- 1 yes, voted
- 2 did not vote → *CONTINUE Q12*
- 8 *dk* → *CONTINUE Q12*
- 9 *na*

**Q11 Which party did you vote for? ONE ANSWER! -  
CARD A**

- 1 Eesti Keskerakond
- 2 Eestimaa Rahvaliit
- 3 Eesti Reformierakond
- 4 Erakond Isamaaliit
- 5 Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond
- 6 Ühendus Vabariigi Eest – Res Publica
- 7 Vene Erakond Eestis
- 8 Eesti Demokraatlik Partei
- 9 Eesti Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Tööpartei
- 10 Eesti Pensionäride Erakond
- 11 individual candidate
- 96 voted blanc / spoilt the ballot
- 97 did not vote
- 98 *do not remember / dk*
- 99 *na*

**Q12 Which party did you vote for at the 2003  
Riigikogu elections? ONE ANSWER! – CARD B**

- 1 Eesti Keskerakond
- 2 Eestimaa Rahvaliit
- 3 Eesti Reformierakond
- 4 Erakond Isamaaliit
- 5 Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond
- 6 Ühendus Vabariigi Eest – Res Publica
- 7 Eestimaa Ühendatud Rahvapartei
- 8 Eesti Kristlik Rahvapartei
- 10 other party
- 11 individual candidate
- 96 voted blanc / spoilt the ballot
- 97 did not vote
- 98 *do not remember / dk*
- 99 *na*

**Q13 If there was a general election tomorrow, which party would you vote for? ONE ANSWER! -  
CARD B**

- 1 Eesti Keskerakond
- 2 Eestimaa Rahvaliit
- 3 Eesti Reformierakond

- 4 Erakond Isamaaliit
- 5 Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond
- 6 Ühendus Vabariigi Eest – Res Publica
- 7 Eestimaa Ühendatud Rahvapartei
- 8 Eesti Kristlik Rahvapartei
- 10 other party
- 11 individual candidate
- 96 would vote blanc / spoil the ballot
- 97 would not vote
- 98 *dk*
- 99 *na*

**There are a number of parties in Estonia and all of them would like to get your vote. How probable is it that you will in the future vote for the following parties? Please specify your views on a 10-point-scale where 1 means "not at all probable" and 10 means "very probable".**

**What mark out of ten best describes how probable it is that you will ever vote for the following parties? ONE ANSWER IN EACH ROW! - CARD C**

	not probable at all										<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
	very probable											
<b>Q13a Keskerakond</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q13b Res Publica</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q13c Reformierakond</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q13d Rahvaliid</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q13e Isamaaliit</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q13f Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond (endine Mõõdukad)</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q13g Eestimaa Ühendatud Rahvapartei</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q13h Eesti Kristlik Rahvapartei</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q13i Eesti Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Tööpartei</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99

**Please tell me on a score of 1-10 how much you personally trust each of the institutions I read out. 1 means that you do not trust an institution at all, and 10 means you have complete trust. If you do not know an institution well enough, just say so and I will go on to the next. ONE ANSWER IN EACH ROW! - CARD 5**

	do not trust at all										trust completely	<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
<b>Q14a Riigikogu</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99	
<b>Q14b European Parliament</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99	
<b>Q14c The government</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99	
<b>Q14d European Commission</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99	
<b>Q14fe Euroopa Council of Ministers</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99	

**Q15 In political matters people talk of "the left" and "the right". What is your position? Please indicate your views using any number on a 10-point-scale. On this scale, where 1 means "left" and 10 means "right," which number best describes your position? - CARD 6**

Left	Right										Refused	<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	97	98	99	

**Where would you place the followint parties on this scale? ONE ANSWER IN EACH ROW! - CARD C**

	Left										Right	<i>eoö</i>	<i>vasta-mata</i>
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
<b>Q15a Keskerakond</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99	
<b>Q15b Res Publica</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99	
<b>Q15c Reformierakond</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99	
<b>Q15d Rahvaliid</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99	

<b>Q15e Isamaaliit</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q15f Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond (former Mõõdukad)</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q15g Eestimaa Ühendatud Rahvapartei</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q15h Eesti Kristlik Rahvapartei</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q15i Eestimaa Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Tööpartei</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99

**Q16 What do you think about the economy?**  
**Compared to 12 months ago, do you think that the general economic situation in this country is ...**

**CARD 7**

- 1 much better
- 2 a little better
- 3 stayed the same
- 4 a little worse
- 5 much worse
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

**Q16b How do you think the general economic situation in this country will be in 12 months?**

**CARD 7**

- 1 much better
- 2 a little better
- 3 stayed the same
- 4 a little worse
- 5 much worse
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

**How much do you agree with the following statements? ONE ANSWER IN EACH ROW:- CARD 4**

	agree very much	agree	dis- agree	disagree very much	<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
<b>Q17 If the jobs are scarce, should the employers give priority to Estonian people over the people from other EU-countries who wish to work here.</b>	1	2	3	4	8	9
<b>Q18 Citizens of other EU-countries who live in Estonia should be entitled to vote in local elections.</b>	1	2	3	4	8	9
<b>Q19 Citizens of other EU-countries who live in Estonia should not be entitled to social security or unemployment benefits.</b>	1	2	3	4	8	9

**Q20 To what extent would you say you are interested in politics? Very, somewhat, a little, or not at all?**

- 1 very interested
- 2 somewhat interested
- 3 a little interested
- 4 not interested at all
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

**Q21 Do you think that Estonia's membership of the European Union is generally a good thing, a bad thing, or neither good nor bad?**

- 1 good
- 2 bad
- 3 neither good nor bad
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

**Q22 Some say European unification should be brought further. Others think that it has already gone too far. What do you think? On this scale, 1 means unification 'has already gone too far' and 10 means it 'should be brought further'. What number on this scale best describes your position?- CARD 8**

already gone too far										should be brought further	<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		98	99

**Q22a Where would you place the following parties on this scale?- CARD C**

ONE ANSWER IN EACH ROW!											<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
<b>Q22a Keskerakond</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q22b Res Publica</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q22c Reformierakond</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q22d Rahvaliid</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q22e Isamaaliit</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99

<b>Q22f Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond (former Mõõdukad)</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q22g Eestimaa Ühendatud Rahvapartei</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q22h Eesti Kristlik Rahvapartei</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
<b>Q22i Eestimaa Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Tööpartei</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99

**Q23** Do you ever think of yourself not only as a Estonian citizen, but also as a citizen of the European Union?

- 1 often
- 2 sometimes
- 3 never
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

**Q24** Are you personally proud or not to be a citizen of the European Union? Are you ...

- 1 very proud
- 2 fairly proud
- 3 not very proud
- 4 not at all proud
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

**Q25b** Thinking back to the referendum held in Estonia on the question of EU membership, do you remember whether you cast a vote and whether you voted in favour or against?

- 1 did not vote
- 2 voted in favour of membership
- 3 voted against membership
- 8 *dk/do not remember*
- 9 *na*

**Q26** Now I would like to ask you a question about how much trust you have in people from various countries. Can you please tell me for each, whether you have a lot of trust of them or not very much trust. If you do not know a country well enough, just say so and I will go on to the next. How about the Austrians: do have a lot of trust of them or not very much trust? And the Belgians? Etc. **ONE ANSWER IN EACH ROW! - CARD 9**

	trust a lot	do not trust much	<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
<b>Austrians</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Belgians</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>British</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Bulgarians</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Spaniards</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Dutch</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Irish</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Italians</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Greek</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Cypriots</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Lithuanians</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Luxembourgers</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Latvians</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Maltese</b>	1	2	98	99

**NB! The alphabetic ordering of countries was based on Estonian.**

	trust a lot	do not trust much	<i>dk</i>	<i>na</i>
<b>Polish</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Portuguese</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>French</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Swedes</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Romanians</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Germans</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Slovaks</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Slovenes</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Finns</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Danes</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Czechs</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Turks</b>	1	2	98	99
<b>Hungarians</b>	1	2	98	99

**Q27** How satisfied are you generally with the way democracy works in Estonia? Are you

- 1 very satisfied
- 2 fairly satisfied
- 3 not very satisfied
- 4 not satisfied at all
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

- 1 very satisfied
- 2 fairly satisfied
- 3 not very satisfied
- 4 not satisfied at all
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

**Q28** How satisfied are you generally with the way democracy works in the European Union? Are you

**Q29 Let us now come back to Estonia. Do you approve or disapprove the government's record to date?**

- 1 approve
- 2 disapprove
- 8 dk
- 9 na

**Q30a Do you consider yourself to be close to any particular party? If so, which party do you feel close to? ONE ANSWER! CARD B**

- 1 Eesti Keskerakond

**Q30b Do you feel yourself to be very close to this party, fairly close, or merely a sympathiser?**

- 1 very close
- 2 fairly close
- 3 merely a sympathiser
- 8 dk
- 9 na

**Q31 How much confidence do you have that decisions made**

**by the European Union will be in the interest of Estonia?**

- 1 firmly confident
- 2 rather confident
- 3 rather not confident
- 4 not confident at all
- 8 dk
- 9 na

**Q32 How much confidence do you have that decisions made by the European Union will be**

- 2 Eestimaa Rahvaliid
- 3 Eesti Reformierakond
- 4 Erakond Isamaaliit
- 5 Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond
- 6 Ühendus Vabariigi Eest – Res Publica
- 7 Eestimaa Ühendatud Rahvapartei
- 8 Eesti Kristlik Rahvapartei
- 10 other party → CONTINUE Q31
- 11 no → CONTINUE Q31
- 97 refused → CONTINUE Q31
- 98 dk
- 99 na

**in the interest of people like you?**

- 1 firmly confident
- 2 rather confident
- 3 rather not confident
- 4 not confident at all
- 8 dk
- 9 na

... COUNTRY-SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ...

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

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

- 1 yes, I am
- 2 yes, someone else is
- 3 yes, both I and someone else
- 4 no
- 8 dk
- 9 na

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

\_\_\_\_\_ (age in full years)

- 98 dk
- 99 na

**D3 Are you ...**

*FILLED BY THE QUESTIONER*

- 1 male
- 2 female
- 8 dk
- 9 na

**D4 What year were you born?**

\_\_\_\_\_ (year)

- 9998 dk
- 9999 na

**D4a In which country were you born?**

- 1 Estonia –continue D5
- 2 somewhere else, please specify → CONT. D4B
- 8 dk
- 9 na

**D4b IF OTHER: What year did you first come to Estonia?**

\_\_\_\_\_ (year)

- 9998 dk
- 9999 na

**D5 How many people live in your household, who are 18 years of age or older (including yourself)?**

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9 or more
- 98 dk
- 99 na



**D6 What is your current work situation?**

Are you:

- 1 self-employed → CONT D6A
- 2 employed → CONT D6A
- 3 in school → CONT D7
- 4 working in the household or home-staying →  
CONT D7
- 5 retired → CONT D6A
- 6 unemployed → CONT D6A
- 7 other → CONT D7
- 9 na

**IF SELF-/EMPLOYED, UNEMPLOYED or  
RETIRED:**

**D6a Are/were you working in ...**

- 1 agriculture
- 2 state industry
- 3 private industry
- 4 public services
- 5 private services
- 7 inap
- 8 dk
- 9 na

**D6b Milline on Teie positsioon töökohas, kust saate  
suurima sissetuleku? - KAART 10**

**AINULT ÜKS VASTUS!**

- 1 Liht- või oskustööline (mehhaanik, müüja)
- 2 Teenistuja, kontoriametnik (sekretär, kassiir)
- 3 Spetsialist, kuid mitte juht (arst, jurist)
- 4 Keskastme juht: asutuse, ettevõtte mõne  
allüksuse juht (osakonnajuhataja, peainsener)
- 5 Tippjuht: asutuse, ettevõtte juht (direktor,  
asetäitja)
- 6 Isikliku äri juht, ettevõtja (talupidaja,  
vabakutseline)
- 7 Muu
- 8 Ei töötanud (pensionär, invaliid, kodune,  
(üli)õpilane, töötu)
- 98 dk

**D7 If you were asked to chose one of these five names  
for your social class, which would you say you  
belong to?**

- 1 working class
- 2 lower middle class
- 3 middle class
- 4 upper middle class
- 5 upper class
- 6 other
- 7 refused
- 8 dk
- 9 na

**D8 Would you say you live in a rural area or village,  
in a small or middle size town, or in a large town?**

- 1 rural area or village
- 2 small or middle size town
- 3 large town
- 8 dk
- 9 na

**D9 Do you consider yourself as belonging to a particular religion?**

**If yes, to which one? ONE ANSWER!**

**CARD 11**

- 1 Roman Catholic
- 2 Protestant (**Lutheran**)
- 3 Orthodox
- 4 Jewish
- 5 Muslim
- 6 Buddhist
- 7 Hinduist
- 8 other
- 9 none

98 *dk*

99 *na*

**D10 How often do you attend religious services?**

**ONE ANSWER!**

**CARD 12**

- 1 several times a week
- 2 once a week
- 3 a few times a year
- 4 once a year or less
- 5 never
- 8 *dk*
- 9 *na*

**D11 We also need some information about the income of this household to be able to analyse the survey results for different types of households. Please count the total wages and salaries per month of all members of this household; all pensions and social insurance benefits; child allowances and any other income like rents etc ... Of course your answer as all other replies in this survey will be treated confidentially and referring back to you or your household will be impossible. Can you please tell me, what about is the monthly income of your household?**

**Estonian kroons**

9999997 refused  
9999998 *dk*  
9999999 *na*

**D12 Your ethnicity:**

- 1 Estonian
- 2 Russian, Belorussian, Ukrainian
- 3 Other

***Thank you for the interview!***