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European Election Study 2004

**Country Specific Questionnaire
Lithuania (English)**

EUROPEAN ELECTION STUDY: LITHUANIA

Representative survey (N = 1005)

July 8-11, 2004

Vilnius - 2004

1. Tyrimo metodika

- ◆ **Fieldwork:** July 8 – 11, 2004
- ◆ **Number of respondents:** N = 1005
- ◆ **Target group:** 18+ years population in Lithuania
- ◆ **Survey method:** face-to-face interview
- ◆ **Sampling method:** multistage random sampling. The selection procedure of respondents ensures that every inhabitant of Lithuania has equal probability to be interviewed.
- ◆ **Sampling points:** Vilnius, Kaunas, Klaipeda, Siauliai, Panevezys, Marijampole, Visaginas, Svencionys, Alytus, Sakiai, Plunge, Pakruojis, Silute, Salcininkai, Kedainiai, Utena, Taurage and Rokiskis districts. Survey was conducted in 18 towns and 58 villages.

A3. For which party you have voted during elections to the European Parliament on June 13, 2004

One answer

1. Peasants and New Democracy Parties' Union (VNDS)
2. Lithuanian Social Democratic Party (LSDP)
3. Liberal and Centre Union (LCS)
4. Lithuanian Christian Democrats (LKD)
5. New Union (Social Liberals) (NS/SL)
6. Coalition of Lithuanian Polish Electoral Action and Lithuanian Russian Union (LLRA and LRS)
7. Party of National Progress (TPP)
8. National Centre Party (NCP)
9. Homeland Union (conservatives, political prisoners and deportees, christian democrats) (TS)
10. Christian Conservative Social Union (KKSS)
11. Labour Party (DP)
12. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
13. I took part in the election but voted none of listed parties
14. Did not take part in the election

A4. Why you voted for this party?

May choose several answers

1. Because I'd liked the party program
2. I trust politicians on the party list
3. Because were many new politicians on the party list
4. I liked campaign of this party
5. This party declares to fight corruption and crime
6. This party proposes higher social guarantees
7. This party opposes the current ruling majority
8. Other (*put in*)_____

A5. What may decide your decision to vote or not vote during the elections?

May choose several answers

1. Civic duty and responsibility
2. Appeal/ acceptability of parties and politicians participating in the election
3. Electoral campaign
4. Opinions of family, friends and relatives
5. Personal busyness on the election day
6. Weather conditions of the election day
7. Health
8. Easy access to voting place
9. Force majeure
10. Other (*put down*)_____
12. Don't see a sense to take part in the election

A6. What are main sources of your political information?

May choose several answers

1. Radio
2. Television
3. Press
4. Internet
5. Friends, relatives, co-workers
6. Other (*put down*)_____

A7. Opinion of which politician is important for you in order to decide your voting choice?

One answer

1. V.Adamkus
2. A.Brazauskas
3. A.Paulauskas
4. R.Paksas
5. K.Prunskiene
6. V.Uspaskich
7. P.Auštrevičius
8. V.Blinkevičiūtė
9. A.Kubilius
10. A.Zuokas
11. Mayor of your city or town
12. Leader of local community
13. Other (*put down*)_____
14. None among politicians

A8. What do influence most your voting for political party?

May choose several answers

1. General opinion about party
2. Political positions of the party and party manifesto
3. Politicians on the party's list
4. Party leaders and his/ her personal qualities
5. Personal qualities of candidates on the party's list
6. Party campaigning
7. Other (*put down*)_____
8. *Don't know*

A9. Are you intend to vote for new people in politics?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Depends on a candidate
4. *Nežinau*

A10. What do you think are the most important problems facing Lithuania? Any other important problems?

May choose several answers

1. Strengthening of democracy
2. Efficiency of foreign policy
3. Strengthening of Lithuania's national security
4. Efficiency of economy
5. Political continuity and stability
6. Corruption
7. Crime
8. Social justice

9. Law and order
10. Decrease of unemployment
11. Higher social guarantees
12. Lower consumer prices
13. Higher wages and salaries
14. Higher pensions
15. Higher stipends
16. Lower taxes
17. Strengthening of national identity
18. Decrease of lithuanians' emigration
19. Strengthening of information society
20. Strengthening of civil society
21. Unity of Lithuania
22. Increasing of birth rates
23. Increasing of investments
24. More attention to culture, arts and sports
25. More attention to health care
26. Other (*put down*) _____

A11. Which parties have the best chances to improve situation in Lithuania?

May choose several answers

1. Peasants and New Democracy Parties' Union (VNDS)
2. Lithuanian Social Democratic Party (LSDP)
3. Liberal and Centre Union (LCS)
4. Lithuanian Christian Democrats (LKD)
5. New Union (Social Liberals) (NS/SL)
6. Lithuanian Polish Electoral Action (LLRA)
7. Lithuanian Russian Union (LRS)
8. Party of National Progress (TPP)
9. National Centre Party (NCP)
10. Homeland Union (conservatives, political prisoners and deportees, christian democrats) (TS)
11. Christian Conservative Social Union (KKSS)
12. Labour Party (DP)
13. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) and Movement for "Just and Democratic Lithuania"
14. Other (*put down*) _____

A12. Are you intending to vote for politicians, who intend to change radically current policy?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

A13. For which party you would vote if Seimas (parliamentary) elections would be held on next Sunday?

One answer

1. Labour Party (DP)
2. Lithuanian Social Democratic Party (LSDP)
3. Homeland Union (conservatives, political prisoners and deportees, christian democrats) (TS)
4. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
5. Liberal and Centre Union (LCS)
6. New Union (Social Liberals) (NS/SL)
7. Other (*put down*)_____
8. Non vote
9. Don't know, no answer

A14. For which (second) party you may vote if Seimas (parliamentary) elections would be held on next Sunday?

One answer

1. Labour Party (DP)
2. Lithuanian Social Democratic Party (LSDP)
3. Homeland Union (conservatives, political prisoners and deportees, christian democrats) (TS)
4. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
5. Liberal and Centre Union (LCS)
6. New Union (Social Liberals) (NS/SL)
7. Other (*put down*)_____
8. Non vote, don't know, no answer

Respondent is ... [to be filled in by interviewer]

1. Male
2. female
9. No answer

Can you please tell me, your age?

Please indicate _____

What is your education degree?

1. Unfinished secondary
2. Secondary and vocational
3. University

Can you please tell me, what about is the NET monthly incomes per person in your household?

Please indicate _____

What is your current social status?

1. Unemployed
2. Housewife
3. Pensioner
4. Student, at school
5. Specialist with university education
6. Specialist without university education
7. Manual worker

Social class of respondent [recoded along level of monthly incomes in household per person]

1. Working and lower class [till 300 Lt]
2. Lower middle class [301- 500 Lt]
3. Middle class [501- 700 Lt]
4. Upper middle class [700- 1000 Lt]
5. Upper class [> 1001 Lt.]
9. No answer

Where is your living place?

1. Vilnius
2. Large town: Kaunas, Klaipeda, Siauliai, Panevezys
3. Small or middle size town
4. Rural area or village

Size of respondent's residence place... [to be filled in by interviewer]

1. more than 500.000 inhabitants
2. 100.000 to 500.000 inhabitants
3. 2.000 to 100.000 inhabitants
4. less than 2.000 inhabitants