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BASIC ENGLISH QUESTIONNAIRE

THE GALLUP ORGANISATION

Note: The basic questionnaire is provided only as a guide to the survey questions.
Please see the SPSS data definitions for definite coding.

QUESTIONNAIRE FL202

Good morning / afternoon, I'm _____ from COMPANY. We are conducting a survey among citizens aged 15 to 30. How many persons are there in your household who are between the ages of 15 and 30?

0 - 0 THANK AND TERMINATE [For this particular study we would like to interview people in this age group, and I am not allowed to interview anyone else. Thank you again for your willingness and cooperation. May I ask, if you would be interested in participating in future studies we will conduct?

- 1 - Yes
- 2 - No

1 - 1 CONTINUE WITH INTRO1
2 - 2 or more SKIP TO INTRO2

INTRO 1

May I please speak to this person in your household?

INTRO 2

I would like to interview the person in the family who had his or her birthday most recently of those family members who are between 15 and 30 years of age. Who would this person be out of those you mentioned? May I speak to him/her?

ONCE ELIGIBLE RESPONDENT IS REACHED

I would like to ask you to participate in a brief survey conducted among young citizens of the European Union. The survey is commissioned by the European Commission. Please help me with your answers, it will not take more than 8 minutes. The questionnaire is anonymous; your responses will be used to generate statistics for our country. You can refuse to answer to any of the questions, should you wish to.

.D1. Gender

(DO NOT ASK - MARK APPROPRIATE)

Male1
Female.....2

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 - ONE ANSWER ONLY]

- 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

D10. In your household, are you, the person who contributes most to the household income?
(READ OUT)

- Yes 1
- No 2
- [equally with others]..... 3
- [DK/NA] 9

IF CODE 2 IN D10

D11. What is the current occupation of the person who contributes most to the household income ? Would you say he/she is self-employed, an employee, a manual worker or would you say that he/she is without a professional activity? Does it mean that he/she is a(n)...

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 - other..... 15

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 - general management, director or top management..... 22
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 - 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

D12. Could you tell me what is your own current situation ? Are you
 (READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- Married? 1
- Unmarried, currently living with partner? 2
- Unmarried? 3
- Divorced? 4
- Separated? 5
- Widowed? 6
- Other (SPONTANEOUS) 7
- [Refusal] (SPONTANEOUS) 9

MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE

FUTURE OF EUROPE

Q1. I am going to read you a few statements on what the European Union means for people. Please tell me for each of them, if the European Union means this to you personally or not ?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

- Yes, it does 1
 - No, it does not 2
 - [DK/NA] 9
-
- A) A European government 1 2 9
 - B) Freedom to travel, study and work anywhere in the EU 1 2 9
 - C) A means of improving the economic situation in the EU 1 2 9
 - D) A way to protect the rights of citizens 1 2 9
 - E) A lot of bureaucracy, a waste of time and money 1 2 9
 - F) The risk of losing our cultural identity/diversity 1 2 9

Q2. Would you agree or disagree with the following statements about what the European Union will bring in ten years' time?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

- Agree..... 1
- Disagree 2
- [DK/NA] 9

- A) A better quality of life for most people 1 2 9
- B) More opportunities for people like me to find work..... 1 2 9
- C) More equality between men and women 1 2 9
- D) Less discrimination against foreigners and people from other cultures or ethnic groups..... 1 2 9
- E) It will be easier to travel, study, work and live anywhere in Europe..... 1 2 9
- F) More social problems (unemployment, strikes) 1 2 9
- G) There won't be a European Union anymore 1 2 9

CITIZENSHIP/PARTICIPATION/DEMOCRACY/INFORMATION

Q3. What do you regularly do during your leisure time?

(DO NOT READ OUT – PRECODED LIST – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

- Read 01
- Go to the cinema, theatre or concerts 02
- Watch TV..... 03
- Listen to music 04
- Go shopping 05
- Use the Internet, play video games 06
- Go for a walk, a bike ride, sport 07
- Meet friends, go dancing, go out to drink, to eat..... 08
- Play an instrument..... 09
- Participating in voluntary or community work..... 10
- Help out in the house 11
- Do some work for money 12
- [OTHER]..... 13
- [DK/NA] 99

Q4. Are you a member of an organisation?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- Yes..... 1
- No 2
- [DK/NA] 9

[If the answer is “yes” in Q4, Q4=1, otherwise skip to Q6.]

Q5. Which type of organisations are you a member of?

(DO NOT READ OUT – PRECODED LIST – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

- A) Sports clubs/associations 01
- B) Youth organisations (scouts, youth clubs) 02
- C) Trade unions..... 03
- D) Political parties 04
- E) Human rights movements or organisations..... 05
- F) Organisations for the protection of animals, the environment..... 06
- G) Religious or parish organisations 07
- H) Cultural or artistic associations 08
- I) Consumer organisations 09
- J) Hobby or special interest clubs/associations (collectors clubs, ‘fan-clubs’, computer clubs, etc.)..... 10
- K) Other clubs or organisations 11
- L) [DK/NA]..... 99

Q6. Are you engaged in any voluntary activities?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- Yes..... 1
- No 2
- [DK/NA]..... 9

Q7. Which of the following, do you think “being a citizen of the European Union” means?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

- Mentioned 1
 - Did not mention 2
 - [DK/NA] 9
-
- A) The right to move permanently to any country in the European Union
..... 2 9
 - B) The right to work in any country in the European Union..... 1 2 9
 - C) The right of non nationals to vote or to be elected in local elections in the Member State where they reside 1 2 9
 - D) Access to healthcare and social welfare anywhere in the European Union
..... 1 2 9
 - E) Being able to study in any European Union country..... 1 2 9

Q8. From which of the following sources did you learn about your rights and responsibilities as a citizen in today’s Europe?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

- Mentioned 1
- Did not mention 2
- [DK/NA] 9

- A) Political parties / electoral campaigns 1 2 9
- B) The European institutions 1 2 9
- C) Public bodies at the local, regional , national level 1 2 9
- D) Family, friends 1 2 9
- E) Youth organisations/youth clubs 1 2 9
- F) School, university 1 2 9
- G) Media 1 2 9

Q9. Which of the following would help you to be more active as a citizen in the society?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

- Mentioned 1
- Did not mention 2
- [DK/NA] 9

- A) If the voting age would be lower 1 2 9
- C) If a compulsory educational programme about citizenship would be introduced in schools 1 2 9
- D) If more programmes encouraging voluntary work would be available 2 9
- E) If young people will be consulted before any public decision concerning them is taken 1 2 9

Q10. Which of the following political actions do you think is the MOST important to ensure that your voice is heard by the policy makers? I will read six possibilities please select the MOST important one!

(READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- To sign a petition 1
- To join a political party 2
- To take part in a demonstration 3
- To join a trade union 4
- To be member or support a NGO 5
- To participate in debates with policy makers 6
- [Other] 7
- [DK/NA] 9

Q10A Have you voted in an election or a referendum (local, regional, national) in the last three years? If there was not such an event in your country or at that time you were not eligible to vote, please say so.

(READ OUT)

- YES, voted in an election or a referendum 1
- No, did not vote in an election or a referendum 2
- No, because there was no election or referendum held 3

- No, because you were not eligible 4
- [DK/NA]..... 9

Q10B There are different ways of being involved in political life in order to ensure that your voice is heard by the policy makers. Have you done any of the following in the last year ?

[READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE]

- Yes 1
- No..... 2
- [DK/NA] 9

- a) Worked for a political party or action group?..... 1 2 9
- b) Were active in or were member of a trade union?..... 1 2 9
- c) Worked for a non governmental organisation or association?..... 1 2 9
- d) Signed a petition? 1 2 9
- e) Took part in a public demonstration? 1 2 9
- f) Presented your view in an online discussion / forum? 1 2 9

Q11. Would you say, you are very interested, interested, not interested or not at all interested in what is going on in politics and current affairs:

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

- Very interested 4
- Interested 3
- Not interested 2
- Not at all interested 1
- [DK/NA] 9

- A) ..in your city or in your region 1 2 3 4 9
- B) ..in your country 1 2 3 4 9
- C) ..in the European Union..... 1 2 3 4 9

EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL INCLUSION/EDUCATION/FAMILY-WORKING LIFE RECONCILIATION

Q12. If you would be looking for a job, which is the MOST important reason why you would not be able to find one?

(READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- Because I have not received proper job orientation at school 1
- Because there are not enough training opportunities 2
- Because I don't have enough practical experience 3
- Because of the lack of job opportunities in [COUNTRY] 4
- [I would find a job, no difficulties]..... 5
- [Other] 6

- [DK/NA] 9

Q13. Who would provide the BEST support for you to find a job? Please select one from the list I am going to read.

(READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- School/University 1
- Employment Agencies 2
- Youth organisations 3
- Social Services 4
- Companies 5
- [Other] 6
- [None] 7
- [DK/NA] 9

Q14. What do you think is the MAIN reason that young adults live in their parents' homes longer than they used to? Again, please select one from the list I am going to read.

(READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- They can't afford to move out 1
- They get married later than they used to 2
- There's not enough affordable housing available 3
- They want all the home comforts without all the responsibilities.... 4
- They have to support their parents financially 5
- [Other reasons] (SPONTANEOUS)..... 6
- [DK/NA] 9

Q15. I am going to list five things which might create difficulties if someone would like to work abroad. If you wanted to work abroad, what would be the MAIN difficulty for you? Please select one answer.

(READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- I would not know how to find a job..... 1
- I would have language difficulties 2
- I could not afford it 3
- I would have administrative difficulties..... 4
- I would have difficulties in getting my qualifications recognised ... 5
- [Other] 6
- [No difficulties]..... 7
- [I am not interested in working abroad]..... 8
- [DK/NA] 9

Q16. If you are/were unemployed, which of the following would you MOST probably do? Please choose one out of the following 6 possibilities!

(READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- Accept any job, without conditions 1
- Accept any job, with conditions (like stable, well paid etc)..... 2
- Do voluntary work, social activities without being paid 3
- Try to set up my own company 4
- Work in the “black economy”, that is, without declaring my earnings 5
- Try to do an apprenticeship/traineeship, or training courses 6
- [Keep on looking for the job appropriate for me]..... 7
- [Other] (SPONTANEOUS)..... 8
- [DK/NA] 9

Q17. Which of the following qualities do you think is the most useful for you in finding a good job? I will read you six possibilities, and will ask you to choose ONLY ONE that you consider to be the MOST useful among these.

(READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- Foreign languages skills..... 1
- IT, Computer, communication technology skills 2
- Entrepreneurial skills, knowledge of the business world 3
- Communication and teamwork skills 4
- Good appearance 5
- Having completed an apprenticeship or training course 6
- [Other] 7
- [DK/NA] 9

Q18. Where do you get MOST of your money from?

(READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- My regular job 1
- Unemployment or social security benefits 2
- Training allowance or educational grant..... 3
- Relatives, partner 4
- Casual work..... 5
- Work in the “black economy” 6
- [Other] 7
- [DK/NA] 9

Survey Details

This survey on the " Youth Survey" was conducted for the European Commission, Directorate-General Directorate-General for Education and Culture/ EAC-D-1

Telephone interviews were conducted between the 30/01/2007 and the 04/02/2007 in the countries by these Institutes:

Belgium	BE	Gallup Europe	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Bulgaria	BG	Vitosha	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Czech Republic	CZ	Focus Agency	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Denmark	DK	Hermelin	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Germany	DE	IFAK	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Estonia	EE	Saar Poll	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Greece	EL	Metroanalysis	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Spain	ES	Gallup Spain	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
France	FR	Efficienc3	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Ireland	IE	Gallup UK	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Italy	IT	Demoskopea	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Cyprus	CY	CYMAR	(Interviews : 31/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Latvia	LV	Latvian Facts	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Lithuania	LT	Baltic Survey	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Luxembourg	LU	Gallup Europe	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Hungary	HU	Gallup Hungary	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Malta	MT	MISCO	(Interviews : 02/02/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Netherlands	NL	Telder	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Austria	AT	Spectra	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Poland	PL	Gallup Poland	(Interviews : 31/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Portugal	PT	Consulmark	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Romania	RO	Gallup Romania	(Interviews : 31/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Slovenia	SI	Cati d.o.o.	(Interviews :30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Slovakia	SK	Focus Agency	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
Finland	FI	Hermelin	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 03/02/2007)
Sweden	SE	Hermelin	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)
United Kingdom	UK	Gallup UK	(Interviews : 30/01/2007 - 04/02/2007)

Representativeness of the results

Each national sample is representative of the population aged between 15 and 30 years.

Sizes of the sample

In most EU countries the target sample size was 800 respondents, in Estonia Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Slovenia the targeted size was 500. The below table shows the achieved sample size by country

A weighting factor was applied to the national results in order to compute a marginal total where each country contributes to the European Union result in proportion to its population.

The table below presents, for each of the countries:

- (1) the number of interviews actually carried out in each country
- (2) the population-weighted total number of interviews for each country

TOTAL INTERVIEWS

	Total Interviews			
	Conducted	% of Total	EU27 Weighted	% on Total (weighted)
Total	19625	100	19625	100
BE	807	4.1	388	2.0
BG	809	4.1	332	1.7
CZ	804	4.1	458	2.3
DK	802	4.1	193	1.0
DE	803	4.1	2913	14.8
EE	504	2.6	60	0.3
GR	801	4.1	489	2.5
ES	803	4.1	1857	9.5
FR	806	4.1	2395	12.2
IE	815	4.2	195	1.0
IT	800	4.1	2097	10.7
CY	506	2.6	29	0.1
LV	502	2.6	103	0.5
LT	502	2.6	151	0.8
LU	504	2.6	17	0.1
HU	812	4.1	461	2.3
MT	501	2.6	18	0.1
NL	809	4.1	603	3.1
AT	802	4.1	308	1.6
PL	808	4.1	1868	9.5
PT	805	4.1	462	2.4
SI	500	2.5	1030	5.3
SK	800	4.1	85	0.4
RO	807	4.1	269	1.4
FI	811	4.1	197	1.0
SE	800	4.1	334	1.7
UK	802	4.1	2313	11.8

Questionnaires

1. The questionnaire prepared for this survey is reproduced at the end of this results volume, in English.
2. The institutes listed above translated the questionnaire in their respective national language(s).
3. One copy of each national questionnaire is annexed to the data tables results volumes.

Statistical significance of the results

The results in a survey are valid only between the limits of a statistical margin caused by the sampling process. This margin varies with three factors:

1. The sample size (or the size of the analysed part in the sample): the greater the number of respondents is, the smaller the statistical margin will be;
2. The result in itself: the closer the result approaches 50%, the wider the statistical margin will be;
3. The desired degree of confidence: the more "strict" we are, the wider the statistical margin will be.

As an example, examine this illustrative case:

1. One question has been answered by 500 people;
2. The analysed result is around 50%;
3. We choose a significance level of 95 % (it is the level most often used by the statisticians, and it is the one chosen for the Table hereafter);

In this illustrative case the statistical margin is: (+/- 4.4%) around the observed 50%. And as a conclusion: the result for the whole population lies between 45.6% and 54.4 %.

Hereafter, the statistical margins computed for various observed results are shown, on various sample sizes, at the 95% significance level.

STATISTICAL MARGINS DUE TO THE SAMPLING PROCESS (AT THE 95 % LEVEL OF CONFIDENCE)

Various sample sizes are in rows;

Various observed results are in columns:

	5%	10%	15%	20%	25%	30%	35%	40%	45%	50%
N=50	6,0	8,3	9,9	11,1	12,0	12,7	13,2	13,6	13,8	13,9
N=500	1,9	2,6	3,1	3,5	3,8	4,0	4,2	4,3	4,4	4,4
N=1000	1,4	1,9	2,2	2,5	2,7	2,8	3,0	3,0	3,1	3,1
N=1500	1,1	1,5	1,8	2,0	2,2	2,3	2,4	2,5	2,5	2,5
N=2000	1,0	1,3	1,6	1,8	1,9	2,0	2,1	2,1	2,2	2,2
N=3000	0,8	1,1	1,3	1,4	1,5	1,6	1,7	1,8	1,8	1,8
N=4000	0,7	0,9	1,1	1,2	1,3	1,4	1,5	1,5	1,5	1,5
N=5000	0,6	0,8	1,0	1,1	1,2	1,3	1,3	1,4	1,4	1,4
N=6000	0,6	0,8	0,9	1,0	1,1	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,3	1,3

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