

**ZA5443**

**Flash Eurobarometer 294  
(European Union Citizenship)**

**Country Specific Questionnaire  
Ireland**

**FLASH EUROBAROMETER  
ON CITIZENSHIP OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**Q1. This survey concerns the citizenship of the European Union. Are you familiar with the term “citizen of the European Union”?**

*[READ OUT-ONLY ONE ANSWER POSSIBLE]*

- *Yes and you know what it means. .... 1*
- *Yes, you have heard about it, but you are not sure what it means. .... 2*
- *No, you have never heard the term “citizen of the European Union”. .... 3*
- *[DK/NA] ..... 9*

**Q2. How well do you feel that you are informed about your rights as a citizen of the European Union?**

*[READ OUT-ONLY ONE ANSWER POSSIBLE]*

- *Very well informed ..... 1*
- *Well informed ..... 2*
- *Not well informed ..... 3*
- *Not informed at all ..... 4*
- *[DK/NA] ..... 9*

**Q3. For each of the statements which I am going to read out, please state whether you think they are true or false:**

*[READ OUT-ONE ANSWER PER LINE]*

- *True ..... 1*
- *False..... 2*
- *[DK/NA] ..... 9*

- A. You have to ask to become a citizen of the Union ..... 1 2 9*
- B. You are both a citizen of the Union and Ireland at the same time ..... 1 2 9*
- C. If you so wish, you can choose not to be a citizen of the Union..... 1 2 9*

**Q4. In fact, all citizens of the EU Member States are “citizens of the European Union” already since 1992. In your opinion what rights does a citizen of the Union have?**

*[READ OUT-ONE ANSWER PER LINE]*

- Yes ..... 1
  - No ..... 2
  - [DK/NA] ..... 9
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- A. *He/she has the right to reside in any Member State of the European Union, subject to certain conditions ..... 1 2 9*
  - B. *He/she has the right to acquire the nationality of any Member States in which he has lived for at least 5 years ..... 1 2 9*
  - C. *He/she has the right to make a complaint to the European Commission, European Parliament or European Ombudsman ..... 1 2 9*
  - D. *When residing in another Member State, he/she has the right to be treated exactly in the same way as a national of that State..... 1 2 9*
  - E. *Being outside the EU he/she has the right to ask for help at embassies of other EU Member States, if his/her country does not have an embassy there. .... 1 2 9*
  - F. *He/she has the right to participate in a Citizens’ initiative, a request signed by at least 1 million EU citizens inviting the European Commission to propose a new policy measure. .... 1 2 9*

**Q5. If you are in a country where Ireland does not have an embassy, you have the right, as an EU citizen, to get help from the embassy of any other EU Member State. The type/level of help you will get, depends on which embassy you go to. Which statement do you agree with more:**

*[READ OUT-ONLY ONE ANSWER POSSIBLE]*

- *Any of the embassies should define themselves what type of help they provide OR ..... 1*
- *Any of the embassies should provide at least a minimum help OR..... 2*
- *Any of the embassies should provide exactly the same type of help as I would get from my own embassy..... 3*
- [DK/NA] ..... 9

**Q6. In cases where family members of EU citizens are not nationals of an EU Member State, do you believe they should be entitled to assistance by the embassies of Member States under the same conditions as EU citizens?**

*[READ OUT-ONLY ONE ANSWER POSSIBLE]*

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

**D1. Gender**

(DO NOT ASK- MARK APPROPRIATE)

- Male..... 1
- Female ..... 2

**D2. How old are you?**

- years old
- [ 9 9 ] [REFUSAL/NO ANSWER]

**D3. How old were you when you stopped full-time education?**

(Write in THE AGE WHEN EDUCATION WAS TERMINATED)

- years old
- [ 9 9 ] [REFUSAL/NO ANSWER]
- [ 0 1 ] [NEVER BEEN IN FULL TIME EDUCATION]
- [ 0 0 ] [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?**

**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

**D6. Would you say you live in a ...?**

- metropolitan zone .....	1
- other town/urban centre.....	2
- rural zone .....	3
- (Refusal) .....	9