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Eurobarometer 74.2

**Country Specific Questionnaire
Ireland**

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EB73.5 E

ASK ITEM 28 ONLY IN TURKEY

ASK ITEM 29 ONLY IN CROATIA

ASK ITEM 30 ONLY IN TURKISH CYPRIOT COMMUNITY

ASK ITEM 31 ONLY IN FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA

ASK ITEM 32 ONLY IN ICELAND

Q1 What is your nationality? Please tell me the country(ies) that applies(y).

MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

	(138-171)
Belgium	1,
Denmark	2,
Germany	3,
Greece	4,
Spain	5,
France	6,
Ireland	7,
Italy	8,
Luxembourg	9,
Netherlands	10,
Portugal	11,
United Kingdom (Great Britain, Northern Ireland)	12,
Austria	13,
Sweden	14,
Finland	15,
Republic of Cyprus	16,
Czech Republic	17,
Estonia	18,
Hungary	19,
Latvia	20,
Lithuania	21,
Malta	22,
Poland	23,
Slovakia	24,
Slovenia	25,
Bulgaria	26,
Romania	27,
Other countries	33,
DK	34,

EB74.1 Q1 TREND MODIFIED

IF OTHER OR DK AT Q1, CLOSE INTERVIEW

QA1 On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the life you lead?

READ OUT

	(172)
Very satisfied	1
Fairly satisfied	2
Not very satisfied	3
Not at all satisfied	4
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	5

EB73.5 QA1

QA2 When you get together with friends or relatives, would you say you frequently, occasionally or never discuss...?

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Frequently	Occasiona lly	Never	DK
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(173)	1	National political matters	1	2	3	4
(174)	2	European political matters	1	2	3	4
(175)	3	Local political matters	1	2	3	4

EB73.4 QA2

QA3 When you hold a strong opinion, do you ever find yourself persuading your friends, relatives or fellow workers to share your views? Does this happen...?

READ OUT

	(176)
Often	1
From time to time	2
Rarely	3
Never	4
DK	5

EB73.4 QA3

ASK ALL

QA4a How would you judge the current situation in each of the following?

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Very good	Rather good	Rather bad	Very bad	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(177)	1	The situation of the Irish economy	1	2	3	4	5
(178)	2	The state of the European economy	1	2	3	4	5
(179)	3	The state of the global economy	1	2	3	4	5
(180)	4	Your personal job situation	1	2	3	4	5
(181)	5	The financial situation of your household	1	2	3	4	5
(182)	6	The employment situation in Ireland	1	2	3	4	5

EB73.5 QA2 (1+4-6) + EB73.4 QA4a (2-3) TREND MODIFIED

ASK ALL

QA5a What are your expectations for the next twelve months: will the next twelve months be better, worse or the same, when it comes to...?

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	BETTER	WORSE	SAME	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(189)	1	Your life in general	1	2	3	4
(190)	2	The economic situation in Ireland	1	2	3	4
(191)	3	The financial situation of your household	1	2	3	4
(192)	4	The employment situation in Ireland	1	2	3	4
(193)	5	Your personal job situation	1	2	3	4
(194)	6	The economic situation in the EU	1	2	3	4
(195)	7	The global economic situation	1	2	3	4

EB73.5 QA3 (1-5) + EB73.4 QA6a (6-7) TREND MODIFIED

ASK QA6a1 AND QA7a1 ONLY TO SPLIT A - SPLIT B GO TO QA6a2

QA6a1 What do you think are the two most important issues facing Ireland at the moment?

SHOW CARD - READ OUT - MAX. 2 ANSWERS

	(203-219)
Crime	1,
Economic situation	2,
Rising prices/inflation	3,
Taxation	4,
Unemployment	5,
Terrorism	6,
Defence/Foreign affairs	7,
Housing	8,
Immigration	9,
Healthcare system	10,
The educational system	11,
Pensions	12,
The environment	13,
Energy	14,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	15,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	16,
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	17,

EB73.4 QA7a TREND MODIFIED (SPLIT ADDED)

QA7a1 And personally, what are the two most important issues that you are facing at the moment?

SHOW CARD - READ OUT - MAX. 2 ANSWERS

	(220-236)
Crime	1,
Economic situation	2,
Rising prices/inflation	3,
Taxation	4,
Unemployment	5,
Terrorism	6,
Defence/Foreign affairs	7,
Housing	8,
Immigration	9,
Healthcare system	10,
The educational system	11,
Pensions	12,
The environment	13,
Energy	14,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	15,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	16,
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	17,

EB73.4 QA8a TREND MODIFIED (SPLIT ADDED)

ASK QA6a2 AND QA7a2 ONLY TO SPLIT B – SPLIT A GO TO QA8

QA6a2 What do you think are the two most important issues facing Ireland at the moment?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT – MAX. 2 ANSWERS)

	(237-254)
Crime	1,
Economic situation	2,
Rising prices\ inflation	3,
Taxation	4,
Unemployment	5,
Terrorism	6,
Ireland's external influence	7,
Government debt	8,
Immigration	9,
Healthcare system	10,
The educational system	11,
Pensions	12,
The environment	13,
Energy supply	14,
Climate change	15,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	16,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	17,
DK	18,

NEW

QA7a2	And personally, what are the two most important issues that you are facing at the moment?
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(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 2 ANSWERS)

(255-272)

Crime	1,
Economic situation	2,
Rising prices\ inflation	3,
Taxation	4,
Unemployment	5,
Terrorism	6,
Ireland's external influence	7,
Private debt	8,
Immigration	9,
Healthcare system	10,
The educational system	11,
Pensions	12,
The environment	13,
Energy costs	14,
Climate change	15,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	16,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	17,
DK	18,

NEW

ASK ALL

QA8 What do you think are the two most important issues facing the European Union at the moment?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT – MAX. 2 ANSWERS)

	(343-360)
Crime	1,
Economic situation	2,
Rising prices\ inflation	3,
Taxation	4,
Unemployment	5,
Terrorism	6,
EU's influence in the world	7,
The state of Member states public finances	8,
Immigration	9,
Healthcare system	10,
The educational system	11,
Pensions	12,
The environment	13,
Energy supply	14,
Climate change	15,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	16,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	17,
DK	18,

NEW

ASK ALL

QA10c Taking everything into consideration, would you say that Ireland has on balance benefited or not from being a member of the European Union?

	(365)
Benefited	1
Not benefited	2
DK	3

EB73.4 QA10a

ASK ALL

QA11a At the present time, would you say that, in general, things are going in the right direction or in the wrong direction, in...?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Things are going in the right direction	Things are going in the wrong direction	Neither the one nor the other (SPONTANEOUS)	DK
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(366)	1	Ireland	1	2	3	4
(367)	2	The European Union	1	2	3	4

EB73.4 QA13a TREND MODIFIED

ASK ALL

QA12a I would like to ask you a question about how much trust you have in certain institutions. For each of the following institutions, please tell me if you tend to trust it or tend not to trust it?

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	TEND TO TRUST	TEND NOT TO TRUST	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(370)	1	The press	1	2	3
(371)	2	Radio	1	2	3
(372)	3	Television	1	2	3
(373)	4	The Internet	1	2	3
(374)	5	Justice/the Irish legal system	1	2	3
(375)	6	The police	1	2	3
(376)	7	The army	1	2	3
(377)	8	Religious institutions	1	2	3

EB72.4 QA10 (items 1-5, 7) + EB69.2 QA12 (item 6) + EB68.1 QA8 (item 8) TREND MODIFIED

QA12b	And what about the following institutions? Please tell me if you tend to trust it or tend not to trust it.
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(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Tend to trust	Tend not to trust	DK
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(378)	1	Trade unions	1	2	3
(379)	2	Big companies	1	2	3
(380)	3	Political parties	1	2	3
(381)	4	The Irish government	1	2	3
(382)	5	The Dail	1	2	3
(383)	6	The European Union	1	2	3
(384)	7	The United Nations	1	2	3
(385)	8	Small companies\ SMEs	1	2	3

EB73.4 QA14 (items 3-7) + EB68.1 QA8 (item 1) + EB64.2 QA7 (item 2) TREND MODIFIED

QA13	In general, does the European Union conjure up for you a very positive, fairly positive, neutral, fairly negative or very negative image?
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ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(386)
Very positive	1
Fairly positive	2
Neutral	3
Fairly negative	4
Very negative	5
DK	6

EB73.4 QA15

QA14 What does the European Union mean to you personally?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP - MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(387-402)

Peace	1,
Economic prosperity	2,
Democracy	3,
Social protection	4,
Freedom to travel, study and work anywhere in the EU	5,
Cultural diversity	6,
Stronger say in the world	7,
Euro	8,
Unemployment	9,
Bureaucracy	10,
Waste of money	11,
Loss of our cultural identity	12,
More crime	13,
Not enough control at external borders	14,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	15,
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	16,

EB73.4 QA16

QA15 Please tell me for each of the following words if it describes very well, fairly well, fairly badly or very badly the idea you might have of the European Union.

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Describes very well	Describes fairly well	Describes fairly badly	Describes very badly	DK
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(403)	1	Modern	1	2	3	4	5
(404)	2	Democratic	1	2	3	4	5
(405)	3	Protective	1	2	3	4	5
(406)	4	Inefficient	1	2	3	4	5
(407)	5	Technocratic	1	2	3	4	5

EB70.1 QD15 TREND MODIFIED

QA16 Have you heard of...?

	READ OUT	YES	NO	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(408)	1	The European Parliament	1	2	3
(409)	2	The European Commission	1	2	3
(410)	3	The Council of the European Union	1	2	3
(411)	4	The European Central Bank	1	2	3

EB73.4 QA17 TREND MODIFIED

QA17 For each of the following European bodies, please tell me if you tend to trust it or tend not to trust it.

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	TEND TO TRUST	TEND NOT TO TRUST	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(412)	1	The European Parliament	1	2	3
(413)	2	The European Commission	1	2	3
(414)	3	The Council of the European Union	1	2	3
(415)	4	The European Central Bank	1	2	3

EB73.4 QA18 TREND MODIFIED

QA18 For each of the following statements about the European Union, could you please tell me whether you think it is true or false?

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT - ROTATE	True	False	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(416)	1	The EU currently consists of 27 Member States	1	2	3
(417)	2	The members of the European Parliament are directly elected by the citizens of each Member State	1	2	3
(418)	3	Switzerland is a member of the EU	1	2	3

EB73.4 QA19 TREND MODIFIED

QA19 What is your opinion on each of the following statements? Please tell me for each statement, whether you are for it or against it.

ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT - ROTATE	FOR	AGAINST	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(419)	1	A European economic and monetary union with one single currency, the euro	1	2	3
(420)	2	A common foreign policy of the 27 Member States of the EU	1	2	3
(421)	3	Further enlargement of the EU to include other countries in future years	1	2	3
(422)	4	A common defence and security policy among EU Member States	1	2	3

EB73.4 QA20 (items 1-3) + EB70.1 QA27 (item 4) TREND MODIFIED

QA20 Would you be in favour of or against each of the following countries and territories becoming part of the European Union in the future?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT - ROTATE)	In favour	Against	DK
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(423)	1	Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	2	3
(424)	2	Serbia	1	2	3
(425)	3	Montenegro	1	2	3
(426)	4	Kosovo	1	2	3
(427)	5	The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)	1	2	3
(428)	6	Croatia	1	2	3
(429)	7	Albania	1	2	3
(430)	8	Turkey	1	2	3
(431)	9	Ukraine	1	2	3
(432)	10	Switzerland	1	2	3
(433)	11	Norway	1	2	3
(434)	12	Iceland	1	2	3

EB69.2 QA44

QA21	European integration has been focusing on various issues in the last years. In your opinion, which aspects should be emphasized by the European institutions in the coming years, to strengthen the European Union in the future?
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(SHOW CARD QA11 – READ OUT – ROTATE – MAX. 5 ANSWERS)

	(435-455)
The Single Market	1,
Cultural policy	2,
Foreign policy	3,
Defence policy	4,
Immigration policy	5,
Education policy	6,
Environmental policy	7,
Energy policy	8,
Regional development policy	9,
Scientific research policy	10,
Health policy	11,
Social policy	12,
The fight against crime	13,
The fight against climate change	14,
Transport policy	15,
Consumer protection	16,
Fundamental rights of European Union's citizens	17,
Economic and monetary policy	18,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	19,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	20,
DK	21,

EB73.4 QA21 TREND MODIFIED

ASK ALL

QA22 For each of the following areas, do you think that decisions should be made by the Irish Government, or made jointly within the European Union?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	READ OUT – ROTATE	IRISH GOVERNMENT	JOINTLY WITHIN EUROPEAN UNION	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(456)	1	Fighting crime	1	2	3
(457)	2	Taxation	1	2	3
(458)	3	Fighting unemployment	1	2	3
(459)	4	Fighting terrorism	1	2	3
(460)	5	Defence and foreign affairs	1	2	3
(461)	6	Immigration	1	2	3
(462)	7	The educational system	1	2	3
(463)	8	Pensions	1	2	3
(464)	9	Protecting the environment	1	2	3

EB73.4 QA22

QA23 And for each of the following areas, do you think that decisions should be made by the Irish Government, or made jointly within the European Union?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	READ OUT - ROTATE	IRISH GOVERNMENT	JOINTLY WITHIN EUROPEAN UNION	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(465)	1	Health	1	2	3
(466)	2	Agriculture and fisheries	1	2	3
(467)	3	Consumer protection	1	2	3
(468)	4	Scientific and technological research	1	2	3
(469)	5	Support for regions facing economic difficulties	1	2	3
(470)	6	Energy	1	2	3
(471)	7	Transport	1	2	3
(472)	8	Fighting inflation	1	2	3
(473)	9	Economic growth	1	2	3
(474)	10	Tackling public debt	1	2	3
(475)	11	Reform and supervision of the financial sector	1	2	3

EB73.4 QA23 TREND MODIFIED

ASK ALL

QA24a Please tell me for each statement, whether you tend to agree or tend to disagree?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	READ OUT	TEND TO AGREE	TEND TO DISAGREE	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
(476)	1 I understand how the EU works	1	2	3
(477)	2 The interests of Ireland are well taken into account in the EU	1	2	3
(478)	3 I feel I am safer because Ireland is a member of the EU	1	2	3
(479)	4 My voice counts in the EU	1	2	3
(480)	5 My voice counts in Ireland	1	2	3
(481)	6 The EU's voice counts in the world	1	2	3

EB73.4 QA25 (items 1-2) + EB71.3 QA12a (items 4-5) + EB69.2 QA15a (item 3) TREND MODIFIED

ASK ALL

QA25 Would you say that you are very optimistic, fairly optimistic, fairly pessimistic or very pessimistic about the future of the European Union ?

ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(486)
Very optimistic	1
Fairly optimistic	2
Fairly pessimistic	3
Very pessimistic	4
DK	5

EB73.4 QA26

ASK ALL

QA26 In the following list, which are the three most important values for you personally?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS

(487-500)

The Rule of Law	1,
Respect for human life	2,
Human rights	3,
Individual freedom	4,
Democracy	5,
Peace	6,
Equality	7,
Solidarity, support for others	8,
Tolerance	9,
Religion	10,
Self-fulfilment	11,
Respect for other cultures	12,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	13,
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	14,

EB72.4 QD7

QA27 Which three of the following values best represent the European Union?

SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS

(501-514)

The Rule of Law	1,
Respect for human life	2,
Human rights	3,
Individual freedom	4,
Democracy	5,
Peace	6,
Equality	7,
Solidarity, support for others	8,
Tolerance	9,
Religion	10,
Self-fulfilment	11,
Respect for other cultures	12,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	13,
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	14,

EB72.4 QD8

EUROPE 2020

To exit the financial and economic crisis and face the world new challenges the European Union has defined a strategy called "Europe 2020". Europe 2020 puts forward different objectives. Let's now discuss them.

ASK ALL

QB1 The following objectives are to be reached in the European Union by 2020. For each please tell me if you think that it is too ambitious, about right or too modest?

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Too ambitious	About right	Too modest	DK
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(535)	1	Three quarters of men and women aged between 20 and 64 years should have a job	1	2	3	4
(536)	2	The share of funds invested in research and development should reach 3% of the wealth produced in the EU each year	1	2	3	4
(537)	3	To reduce EU greenhouse gas emissions by at least 20% by 2020 compared to 1990	1	2	3	4
(538)	4	To increase the share of renewable energy in the EU by 20% by 2020	1	2	3	4
(539)	5	To increase the energy efficiency in the EU by 20% by 2020	1	2	3	4
(540)	6	The number of young people leaving school with no qualifications should fall to 10%	1	2	3	4
(541)	7	At least 40% of the younger generation should have a degree or a diploma	1	2	3	4
(542)	8	The number of Europeans living below the poverty line should be reduced by a quarter by 2020	1	2	3	4

EB73.4 QC2 TREND MODIFIED

QB2a Thinking about innovation, which one of the following do you think should be the EU's priority?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(543)

Refocus research on new challenges such as climate change, energy and resource efficiency	1
Encourage cooperation between researchers	2
Give more financial support to research	3
DK	4

NEW

QB2b And which of the others should they address?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(544-547)

Refocus research on new challenges such as climate change, energy and resource efficiency	1,
Encourage cooperation between researchers	2,
Give more financial support to research	3,
DK	4,

NEW

QB3a Thinking about young people, which one of the following do you think should be the EU's priority?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(548)

Encouraging students to study in another EU country	1
Increasing the overall quality of all levels of education	2
Getting more young people into employment	3
DK	4

NEW

QB3b And which of the others should they address?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(549-552)

Encouraging students to study in another EU country	1,
Increasing the overall quality of all levels of education	2,
Getting more young people into employment	3,
DK	4,

NEW

QB4a Thinking about the Internet, which one of the following do you think should be the EU's priority?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(553)

Develop further Internet services to the citizens (e.g. E-government, online health)	1
Increase consumer confidence in e-commerce (buying goods and services online)	2
Extending broadband access to all European citizens	3
DK	4

NEW

QB4b And which of the others should they address?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(554-557)

Develop further Internet services to the citizens (e.g. E-government, online health)	1,
Increase consumer confidence in e-commerce (buying goods and services online)	2,
Extending broadband access to all European citizens	3,
DK	4,

NEW

QB5a Thinking about energy, which one of the following do you think should be the EU's priority?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(558)

To lower carbon emissions (CO2) from the transport sector	1
To give financial support to small business and households to make their energy consumption more efficient	2
To promote renewable sources of energy	3
DK	4

NEW

QB5b And which of the others should they address?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(559-562)

To lower carbon emissions (CO2) from the transport sector	1,
To give financial support to small business and households to make their energy consumption more efficient	2,
To promote renewable sources of energy	3,
DK	4,

NEW

QB6a Thinking about industry, which one of the following do you think should be the EU's priority?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(563)

To change the rules to make it easier to set up and run a business, especially small and medium sized businesses	1
To restructure those industries in difficulty	2
To make the most of the opportunities of the green economy (i.e. environmental technologies, recycling, renewable energy)	3
DK	4

NEW

QB6b And which of the others should they address?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(564-567)

To change the rules to make it easier to set up and run a business, especially small and medium sized businesses	1,
To restructure those industries in difficulty	2,
To make the most of the opportunities of the green economy (i.e. environmental technologies, recycling, renewable energy)	3,
DK	4,

NEW

QB7a Thinking about jobs and skills, which one of the following should be the EU's priority?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(568)

To help people adapt to new working conditions and potential career shifts	1
To safeguard people's rights to live and work in another EU country	2
To promote education and training opportunities for all those of working age ("lifelong learning")	3
DK	4

NEW

QB7b And which of the others should they address?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(569-572)

To help people adapt to new working conditions and potential career shifts	1,
To safeguard people's rights to live and work in another EU country	2,
To promote education and training opportunities for all those of working age ("lifelong learning")	3,
DK	4,

NEW

QB8a Thinking about poverty, which one of the following should be the EU's priority?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(573)

To provide innovative education, training and employment opportunities to the most vulnerable	1
To ensure the sustainability of social protection and pension systems and better access to health care systems	2
To fight discrimination and help those groups at risk (such as one-parent families, elderly women, minorities, Roma, people with a disability and homeless people)	3
DK	4

NEW

QB8b And which of the others should they address?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(574-577)

To provide innovative education, training and employment opportunities to the most vulnerable	1,
To ensure the sustainability of social protection and pension systems and better access to health care systems	2,
To fight discrimination and help those groups at risk (such as one-parent families, elderly women, minorities, Roma, people with a disability and homeless people)	3,
DK	4,

NEW

QB9 Having heard about the priorities of the EU, do you think that the European Union is going in the right direction or in the wrong direction to exit the crisis and face the world new challenges?

(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(578)

In the right direction	1
In the wrong direction	2
Neither the one or the other (SPONTANEOUS)	3
DK	4

NEW

THE EUROPEANS AND THE CRISIS

ASK ALL

QC1 Some analysts say that the impact of the economic crisis on the job market has already reached its peak and things will recover little by little; others, on the contrary, say that the worst is still to come. Which of the two statements is closer to your opinion?

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(599)

The impact of the crisis on jobs has already reached its peak	1
The worst is still to come	2
DK	3

EB73.4 QB1

QC2 Which of the following statements best reflects your household situation?

SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY

(600)

Your current situation does not allow you to make any plans for the future. You live day by day	1
You know what you will be doing in the next six months	2
You have a long-term view of what your household will be doing in the next 1 or 2 years	3
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	4
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	5

EB73.4 QB2

QC3 In your opinion, which of the following is best able to take effective actions against the effects of the financial and economic crisis?

SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ROTATE - ONE ANSWER ONLY

(601)

The Irish Government	1
The European Union	2
The USA	3
The G20	4
The International Monetary Fund (IMF)	5
Others (SPONTANEOUS)	6
None (SPONTANEOUS)	7
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	8

EB73.4 QB3a TREND MODIFIED (SPLIT DELETED)

QC4	Could you tell me whether you totally agree, tend to agree, tend to disagree or totally disagree with the following statement: Overall the euro has cushioned the effects of the economic crisis.
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(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(602)

Totally agree	1
TEND TO AGREE	2
TEND TO DISAGREE	3
Totally disagree	4
DK	5

EB73.4 QB5 TREND MODIFIED

QC5	Which three initiatives could most improve the performance of the European economy?
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(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)

(603-615)

Increase the number of working hours	1,
Improve education and professional training	2,
Invest in research and innovation	3,
Make it easier for companies to access credit	4,
Make it easier to set up a business	5,
Use energy more efficiently	6,
Invest in transport (motorways, railways, etc.)	7,
Invest in environmentally friendly products and services	8,
Increase the retirement age	9,
Reduce public deficits and debt	10,
Strengthen regulation of financial markets	11,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	12,
DK	13,

NEW (BASED ON EB73.4 QB6)

QC6	For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you totally agree, tend to agree, tend to disagree or totally disagree.
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SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	(READ OUT)	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
(616)	1 We need to reform to benefit future generations even if that means making some sacrifices now	1	2	3	4	5
(617)	2 Ireland needs reforms to face the future	1	2	3	4	5
(618)	3 EU Member States should work together more in tackling the financial and economic crisis	1	2	3	4	5
(619)	4 You are ready to reduce your living standards now in order to guarantee living standards for future generations	1	2	3	4	5
(620)	5 (ONLY TO SPLIT A) Measures to reduce the public deficit and debt in Ireland cannot be delayed	1	2	3	4	5
(621)	6 (ONLY TO SPLIT B) Measures to reduce the public deficit and debt in Ireland are not a priority for now	1	2	3	4	5
(622)	7 The economic crisis means we should increase public deficits to create jobs	1	2	3	4	5

EB73.4 QB8 (items 1-6) + EB73.4 QB9 (item 7) TREND MODIFIED

QC7	A range of measures to tackle the current financial and economic crisis is being discussed in the European institutions. For each, could you tell me whether you think it would be effective or not?
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SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	(READ OUT - ROTATE)	Very effective	Fairly effective	Not very effective	Not at all effective	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(623)	1	A more important role for the EU in regulating financial services	1	2	3	4	5
(624)	2	A closer supervision by the EU of the activities of large financial groups\ most important international financial groups	1	2	3	4	5
(625)	3	A stronger coordination of economic policy among all the EU Member States	1	2	3	4	5
(626)	4	A closer supervision by the EU when public money is used to rescue banks and financial institutions	1	2	3	4	5
(627)	5	A stronger coordination of economic and financial policies among the countries of the euro area	1	2	3	4	5

EB73.4 QB10 TREND MODIFIED

QC8 Thinking about reforming global financial markets, please tell me whether you are in favour or opposed to the following measures to be taken by the EU.

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT - ROTATE)	Strongly in favour	Somewhat in favour	Somewhat opposed	Strongly opposed	DK
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(628)	1	Tougher rules on tax avoidance and tax havens	1	2	3	4	5
(629)	2	The introduction of a tax on profits made by banks	1	2	3	4	5
(630)	3	The introduction of a tax on financial transactions	1	2	3	4	5
(631)	4	The regulation of wages in the financial sector (i.e. traders' bonuses)	1	2	3	4	5
(632)	5	A closer supervision of so-called "hedge funds"	1	2	3	4	5
(633)	6	Increasing transparency of financial markets	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

QC9 In your opinion, which of the following is best placed to regulate and reform the global financial market?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ROTATE - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

	(634)
The Irish Government	1
The European Union	2
The USA	3
The G20	4
The International Monetary Fund (IMF)	5
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	6
None (SPONTANEOUS)	7
DK	8

NEW

QC10 Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements regarding the role of the European Union in the economy?

SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Totally agree	TEND TO AGREE	TEND TO DISAGRE E	Totally disagree	DK
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(635)	1	(ONLY TO SPLIT A) The European Union should take a stronger role in developing new rules for the global financial markets	1	2	3	4	5
(636)	2	(ONLY TO SPLIT B) The European Union should be less involved in developing new rules for the global financial markets	1	2	3	4	5
(637)	3	The European Union has sufficient power and tools to defend the economic interests of Europe in the global economy	1	2	3	4	5

EB71.1 QA18 TREND MODIFIED

QC11 Since the beginning of the economic crisis, would you say that each of the following has acted effectively or not to combat the crisis up till now?

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT - ROTATE)	Yes, very effectively	Yes, fairly effectively	No, not very effectively	No, not at all effectively	DK
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(638)	1	The European Union	1	2	3	4	5
(639)	2	The Irish Government	1	2	3	4	5
(640)	3	The USA	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

INFORMATION ON EUROPEAN POLITICAL MATTERS

ASK ALL

QD1 Overall, to what extent do you think that in Ireland people are well informed or not about European matters?

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(661)

Very well informed	1
Fairly well informed	2
Not very well informed	3
Not at all informed	4
DK	5

NEW (BASED ON EB68.1 QA19)

QD2 And overall, to what extent do you think that you are well informed or not about European matters?

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(662)

Very well informed	1
Fairly well informed	2
Not very well informed	3
Not at all informed	4
DK	5

NEW (BASED ON EB67.2 QA22b)

QD3 Could you tell me to what extent you...?

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

(READ OUT)	Everyday \ Almost everyday	Two or three times a week	About once a week	Two or three times a month	Less often	Never	No access to this medium (SPONTANEOUS)	DK
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(663)	1	Watch television	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(664)	2	Listen to the radio	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(665)	3	Read the written press	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(666)	4	Use the Internet	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(667)	5	Use online social networks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

NEW

QD4a Where do you get most of your news on European political matters?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Television	(668) 1
The press	2
Radio	3
Internet	4
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	5
You do not look for news on European political matters (SPONTANEOUS)	6
DK	7

NEW

QD4b	And from which of the following do you also get your news on European political matters?
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(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(669-675)

Television	1,
The press	2,
Radio	3,
Internet	4,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	5,
You do not look for news on European political matters (SPONTANEOUS)	6,
DK	7,

NEW

QD5	When you are looking for information about the European Union, its policies, its institutions, which of the following sources do you use?
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SHOW CARD - READ OUT - MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE

(676-687)

Attending conferences, talks, meetings	1,
Discussions with relatives, friends, colleagues	2,
Daily newspapers	3,
Other newspapers, magazines	4,
Television	5,
Radio	6,
The Internet	7,
Books, brochures, information leaflets	8,
Telephone (Info lines, Europe Direct, etc.)	9,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	10,
Never look for such information, not interested (SPONTANEOUS)	11,
DK	12,

EB67.2 QA25

QD6	Generally speaking, do you think that Irish... talks too much, about the right amount or too little about the European Union?
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ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Too much	Enough	Too little	DK
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(688)	1	Television	1	2	3	4
(689)	2	Radio	1	2	3	4
(690)	3	Press	1	2	3	4
(691)	4	Websites	1	2	3	4

EB68.1 QC1

QD7	Do you think that the Irish ... presents the European Union too positively, or is objective in its presentation or too negatively?
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ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Too positively	Objectively	Too negatively	DK
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(692)	1	Television	1	2	3	4
(693)	2	Radio	1	2	3	4
(694)	3	Press	1	2	3	4
(695)	4	Websites	1	2	3	4

EB68.1 QC2

QD8	Thinking about online social networks (social networking websites, video hosting websites and blogs), please tell me whether you totally agree, tend to agree, tend to disagree or totally disagree with each of the following statements.
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(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT - ROTATE)	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
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(696)	1	Online social networks are a modern way to keep abreast of political affairs	1	2	3	4	5
(697)	2	Information on political affairs from online social networks cannot be trusted	1	2	3	4	5
(698)	3	Online social networks can get people interested in political affairs	1	2	3	4	5
(699)	4	Online social networks are a good way to have your say on political issues	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

DEMOGRAPHICS

NO QUESTIONS D1 TO D6

D1 In political matters people talk of "the left" and "the right". How would you place your views on this scale?

SHOW CARD - INT.: DO NOT PROMPT - IF CONTACT HESITATES, TRY AGAIN
(720-721)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Left									Right
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Refusal (SPONTANEOUS) 11

DK (SPONTANEOUS) 12

EB74.1 D1

D7 Could you give me the letter which corresponds best to your own current situation?

SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY
(722-723)

MARRIED OR REMARRIED	
Living without children	1
Living with the children of this marriage	2
Living with the children of a previous marriage	3
Living with the children of this marriage and of a previous marriage	4
NOT MARRIED, LIVING WITH A PARTNER	
Living without children	5
Living with the children of this union	6
Living with the children of a previous union	7
Living with the children of this relation and of a previous union	8
NOT MARRIED, LIVING WITHOUT A PARTNER	
Living without children	9
Living with children	10
DIVORCED OR SEPARATED	
Living without children	11
Living with children	12
WIDOW	
Living without children	13
Living with children	14
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	15
Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	16

EB74.1 D7

D8 | How old were you when you stopped full-time education?

INT.: IF "STILL STUDYING", CODE '00' - IF "NO EDUCATION" CODE '01' - IF "REFUSAL" CODE '98' - IF "DK" CODE '99'

(724-725)

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EB74.1 D8

NO QUESTION D9

D10 | Record Gender.

(726)

Male	1
Female	2

EB74.1 D10

D11 | How old are you?

(727-728)

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EB74.1 D11

NO QUESTION D12 TO D14

ASK D15b IF "NOT DOING ANY PAID WORK CURRENTLY", CODES 1 to 4 in D15a

D15a What is your current occupation?

D15b Did you do any paid work in the past? What was your last occupation?

	(729-730)	(731-732)
	D15a	D15b
	CURRENT OCCUPATION	LAST OCCUPATION
NON-ACTIVE		
Responsible for ordinary shopping and looking after the home, or without any current occupation, not working	1	
Student	2	
Unemployed or temporarily not working	3	
Retired or unable to work through illness	4	
SELF EMPLOYED		
Farmer	5	5
Fisherman	6	6
Professional (lawyer, medical practitioner, accountant, architect, etc.)	7	7
Owner of a shop, craftsmen, other self-employed person	8	8
Business proprietors, owner (full or partner) of a company	9	9
EMPLOYED		
Employed professional (employed doctor, lawyer, accountant, architect)	10	10
General management, director or top management (managing directors, director general, other director)	11	11
Middle management, other management (department head, junior manager, teacher, technician)	12	12
Employed position, working mainly at a desk	13	13
Employed position, not at a desk but travelling (salesmen, driver, etc.)	14	14
Employed position, not at a desk, but in a service job (hospital, restaurant, police, fireman, etc.)	15	15
Supervisor	16	16
Skilled manual worker	17	17
Other (unskilled) manual worker, servant	18	18
NEVER DID ANY PAID WORK		19

EB74.1 D15a D15b

NO QUESTIONS D16 TO D24

D25 Would you say you live in a...?

READ OUT

(733)

Rural area or village	1
Small or middle sized town	2
Large town	3
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	4

EB74.1 D25

NO QUESTIONS D26 TO D39

D40a Could you tell me how many people aged 15 years or more live in your household, yourself included?

RECORD BELOW

(734-735)

EB74.1 D40a

D40b Could you tell me how many children less than 10 years old live in your household

RECORD BELOW

(736-737)

EB74.1 D40b

D40c Could you tell me how many children aged 10 to 14 years old live in your household?

RECORD BELOW

(738-739)

EB74.1 D40c

NO QUESTIONS D41 AND D42

D43a Do you own a fixed telephone in your household?

D43b Do you personally own a mobile telephone?

(740)

(741)

	D43a	D43b
	Fixed	Mobile
Yes	1	1
No	2	2

EB74.1 D43a D43b

NO QUESTIONS D46 TO D59

D60 During the last twelve months, would you say you had difficulties to pay your bills at the end of the month...?

SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY

(742)

Most of the time	1
Occasionally	2
Almost never\ never	3
Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	4

EB74.1 D60

D61 On the following scale, step '1' corresponds to "the lowest level in the society"; step '10' corresponds to "the highest level in the society". Could you tell me on which step you would place yourself?

SHOW CARD - ONE ANSWER ONLY

(743-744)

1 The lowest level in the society	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10 The highest level in the society	10
Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	11

EB74.1 D61

D62	Could you tell me if...?
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SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	(READ OUT)	Everyday \ Almost st ever yday	Two or three time s a week	Abou t once a week	Two or three time s a month	Less often	Never	No Internet access (SP ONT ANE OUS)
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(745)	1	You use the Internet at home	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(746)	2	You use the Internet on your place of work	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(747)	3	You use the Internet somewhere else (school, university, cyber-café, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

EB74.1 D62

INTERVIEW PROTOCOLE

P1 DATE OF INTERVIEW

(768-769)

(770-771)

DAY

MONTH

EB74.1 P1

P2 TIME OF THE BEGINNING OF THE INTERVIEW

INT.:USE 24 HOUR CLOCK

(772-773)

(774-775)

HOUR

MINUTES

EB74.1 P2

P3 NUMBER OF MINUTES THE INTERVIEW LASTED

(776-778)

MINUTES

EB74.1 P3

P4 Number of persons present during the interview, including interviewer

(779)

Two (interviewer and respondent)
Three
Four
Five or more

1
2
3
4

EB74.1 P4

P5 Respondent cooperation

(780)

Excellent
Fair
Average
Bad

1
2
3
4

EB74.1 P5

P6 Size of locality

(LOCAL CODES)

(781-782)

EB74.1 P6

P7 | Region

(LOCAL CODES)

(783-784)

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EB74.1 P7

P8 | Postal code

(785-792)

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EB74.1 P8

P9 | Sample point number

(793-800)

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EB74.1 P9

P10 | Interviewer number

(801-808)

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EB74.1 P10

P11 | LEAVE BLANK

(809-816)

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