

Flash Eurobarometer 474

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Perceived independence of the national justice systems
in the EU among the general public

Basic bilingual questionnaire

TNS Political & Social

FL474 Independence of Justice GP BEF

D1	How old are you?
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(WRITE DOWN - IF "REFUSAL" CODE '99')

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D2	Gender.
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Male	1
Female	2

D4 In the last two years, have you been involved in any dispute which has gone to court?

(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Yes	1
No	2
DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT)	3

FL461 D8

Q1 From what you know, how would you rate the justice system in the UK in terms of the independence of courts and judges? Would you say it is very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad?

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Very good	1
Fairly good	2
Fairly bad	3
Very bad	4
DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT)	5

FL461 Q1

ASK Q2a IF 'FAIRLY BAD' (CODE 3) OR 'VERY BAD' (CODE 4) IN Q1 – OTHERS GO TO Q2b

Q2a: ROTATE ITEMS 1 TO 3

Q2a Could you tell me to what extent each of the following reasons explains your rating of the independence of the justice system in the UK:

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

		Very much	Somewhat	Not really	Not at all	DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT)
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1	Interference or pressure from government and politicians	1	2	3	4	5
2	Interference or pressure from economic or other specific interests	1	2	3	4	5
3	The status and position of judges do not sufficiently guarantee their independence	1	2	3	4	5

FL461 Q2a

ASK Q2b IF 'VERY GOOD' (CODE 1) OR 'FAIRLY GOOD' (CODE 2) IN Q1

Q2b: ROTATE ITEMS 1 TO 3

Q2b Could you tell me to what extent each of the following reasons explains your rating of the independence of the justice system in the UK:

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

		Very much	Somewhat	Not really	Not at all	DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT)
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1	No interference or pressure from government and politicians	1	2	3	4	5
2	No interference or pressure from economic or other specific interests	1	2	3	4	5
3	The status and position of judges sufficiently guarantee their independence	1	2	3	4	5

FL461 Q2b

D5 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')

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D6a 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?

(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Self-employed	1
Employee	2
Manual worker	3
Without a professional activity	4
Refusal (DO NOT READ OUT)	5

ASK D6b IF SELF-EMPLOYED, CODE 1 IN D6a

D6b Would you say you are...?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Farmer, forester, fisherman	1
Owner of shop, craftsman	2
Professional (lawyer, medical practitioner, accountant, architect,...)	3
Manager of a company	4
Other\ Refusal (DO NOT READ OUT)	5

ASK D6c IF EMPLOYEE, CODE 2 IN D6a

D6c Would you say you are...?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Professional (employed doctor, lawyer, accountant, architect, ...)	1
General management, director or top management	2
Middle management	3
Civil servant	4
Office clerk	5
Other employee (salesman, nurse, ...)	6
Other\ Refusal (DO NOT READ OUT)	7

ASK D6d IF MANUAL WORKER, CODE 3 IN D6a

D6d Would you say you are...?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Supervisor\ foreman (team manager, ...)	1
Manual worker	2
Unskilled manual worker	3
Other\ Refusal (DO NOT READ OUT)	4

ASK D6e IF WITHOUT A PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY, CODE 4 IN D6a

D6e Would you say you are...?

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Looking after the home	1
Student (full time)	2
Retired	3
Seeking a job	4
Other\ Refusal (DO NOT READ OUT)	5

D12 What county do you live in?

(READ OUT IF NECESSARY - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

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D13 Would you say you live in a...?

(READ OUT - SINGLE CODE)

Rural area or village	1
Small or medium-sized town	2
Large town/city	3
DK (DO NOT READ OUT)	4

D18 Have you got a mobile phone?

(DO NOT READ OUT

Yes	1
No	2

D20 Have you got a landline phone?

(DO NOT READ OUT

Yes	1
No	2

D22 Could you tell me how many people aged 15 years or more live in your household, yourself included?

(WRITE DOWN - IF "DK" CODE '98' - IF "REFUSAL" CODE '99')

	Number of people aged 15 or more in the household
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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Between 09th and 11th of January 2019, Kantar Public Brussels on behalf of TNS Political & Social carried out the FLASH EUROBAROMETER 474 survey on request of the EUROPEAN COMMISSION, Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers. It is a general public survey co-ordinated by the Directorate-General for Communication, "Media monitoring and Eurobarometer" Unit.

The FLASH EUROBAROMETER 474 survey covers the population of the respective nationalities of the European Union Member States, resident in each of the 28 Member States and aged 15 years and over.

All interviews were carried using the Kantar Public e-Call centre (our centralised CATI system). In every country the respondents were called both on fixed lines and mobile phones. The basic sample design applied in all states is multi-stage random (probability). In each household, the respondent was drawn at random following the "last birthday rule".

Kantar Public has developed its own RDD sample generation capabilities based on using contact telephone numbers from responders to random probability or random location face-to-face surveys, such as Eurobarometer, as seed numbers. The approach works because the seed number identifies a working block of telephone numbers and reduces the volume of numbers generated that will be ineffective. The seed numbers are stratified by NUTS2 region and urbanisation to approximate a geographically representative sample. From each seed number the required sample of numbers are generated by randomly replacing the last two digits. The sample is then screened against business databases in order to exclude as many of these numbers as possible before going into field. This approach is consistent across all countries.

	C O U N T R I E S	I N S T I T U T E S	N° I N T E R V I E W S	D A T E S		P O P U L A T I O N 15+	P R O P O R T I O N E U 28
				F I E L D W O R K			
BE	Belgium	Kantar Belgium (Kantar TNS)	1001	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	9,430,478	2.18%
BG	Bulgaria	KANTAR TNS BBSS	1000	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	6,108,289	1.41%
CZ	Czechia	Kantar CZ	1003	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	8,930,036	2.07%
DK	Denmark	Kantar Gallup	1003	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	4,793,807	1.11%
DE	Germany	Kantar Deutschland	1000	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	71,834,280	16.62%
EE	Estonia	Kantar Emor	1000	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	1,102,407	0.26%
IE	Ireland	Kantar UK Limited	1008	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	3,666,259	0.85%
EL	Greece	Taylor Nelson Sofres market research	1000	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	9,190,023	2.13%
ES	Spain	TNS Investigación de Mercados y Opinión	1002	10/01/2019	11/01/2019	39,460,860	9.13%
FR	France	Kantar Public France	1002	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	54,651,908	12.64%
HR	Croatia	HENDAL	1001	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	3,548,976	0.82%
IT	Italy	Kantar Italia	1000	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	52,545,031	12.16%
CY	Rep. Of Cyprus	CYMAR Market Research	500	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	717,310	0.17%
LV	Latvia	Kantar TNS Latvia	1000	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	1,650,098	0.38%
LT	Lithuania	TNS LT	1000	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	2,428,325	0.56%
LU	Luxembourg	Kantar Belgium (Kantar TNS)	505	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	493,032	0.11%
HU	Hungary	Kantar Hoffmann	1002	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	8,395,200	1.94%
MT	Malta	MISCO International	501	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	376,304	0.09%
NL	Netherlands	TNS NIPO	1007	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	14,312,179	3.31%
AT	Austria	Kantar Deutschland	1001	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	7,516,038	1.74%
PL	Poland	Kantar Polska	1000	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	32,246,194	7.46%
PT	Portugal	Marktest – Marketing, Organização e Formação	1000	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	8,877,432	2.05%
RO	Romania	Centrul Pentru Studierea Opiniei si Pietei (C.S.O.P)	1005	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	16,608,007	3.84%
SI	Slovenia	Mediana D.O.O	1004	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	1,756,267	0.41%
SK	Slovakia	Kantar Slovakia	1000	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	4,599,960	1.06%
FI	Finland	Kantar TNS Oy	1004	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	4,608,516	1.07%
SE	Sweden	Kantar Sifo	1000	09/01/2019	10/01/2019	8,227,534	1.90%
UK	United Kingdom	Kantar UK Limited	1002	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	54,203,274	12.54%
TOTAL EU28			26,551	09/01/2019	11/01/2019	432,278,024	100%*

Readers are reminded that survey results are estimations, the accuracy of which, everything being equal, rests upon the sample size and upon the observed percentage. With samples of about 1,000 interviews, the real percentages vary within the following confidence limits:

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%	
	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%	70%	65%	60%	55%	50%	
N=50	6,0	8,3	9,9	11,1	12,0	12,7	13,2	13,6	13,8	13,9	N=50
N=500	1,9	2,6	3,1	3,5	3,8	4,0	4,2	4,3	4,4	4,4	N=500
N=1000	1,4	1,9	2,2	2,5	2,7	2,8	3,0	3,0	3,1	3,1	N=1000
N=1500	1,1	1,5	1,8	2,0	2,2	2,3	2,4	2,5	2,5	2,5	N=1500
N=2000	1,0	1,3	1,6	1,8	1,9	2,0	2,1	2,1	2,2	2,2	N=2000
N=3000	0,8	1,1	1,3	1,4	1,5	1,6	1,7	1,8	1,8	1,8	N=3000
N=4000	0,7	0,9	1,1	1,2	1,3	1,4	1,5	1,5	1,5	1,5	N=4000
N=5000	0,6	0,8	1,0	1,1	1,2	1,3	1,3	1,4	1,4	1,4	N=5000
N=6000	0,6	0,8	0,9	1,0	1,1	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,3	1,3	N=6000
N=7000	0,5	0,7	0,8	0,9	1,0	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,2	1,2	N=7000
N=7500	0,5	0,7	0,8	0,9	1,0	1,0	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	N=7500
N=8000	0,5	0,7	0,8	0,9	0,9	1,0	1,0	1,1	1,1	1,1	N=8000
N=9000	0,5	0,6	0,7	0,8	0,9	0,9	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0	N=9000
N=10000	0,4	0,6	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,9	0,9	1,0	1,0	1,0	N=10000
N=11000	0,4	0,6	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,9	0,9	0,9	0,9	0,9	N=11000
N=12000	0,4	0,5	0,6	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,9	0,9	0,9	0,9	N=12000
N=13000	0,4	0,5	0,6	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,9	0,9	N=13000
N=14000	0,4	0,5	0,6	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	N=14000
N=15000	0,3	0,5	0,6	0,6	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,8	0,8	N=15000
	5%	10%	15%	20%	25%	30%	35%	40%	45%	50%	
	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%	70%	65%	60%	55%	50%	

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