

**IRELAND**

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## ASK ALL RESPONDENTS

Q.1	Have you recently heard or read or seen anything about the Treaty of Maastricht? This treaty foresees , within the European Community, the development of a European Union with a single currency and a common foreign and security policy.	Yes..... 1 No..... 2 Do not remember ..... 3	(46)
Q.2	If there was another referendum on whether to agree to the Maastricht Treaty or not, would you vote for or against the ratification of the Maastricht Treaty?	For ..... 1 Against ..... 2 Undecided ..... 3 Don't know ..... 4	(47)
Q.3	How much do you feel you know about the Maastricht Treaty? READ OUT →	A great deal ..... 1 A fair amount ..... 2 Know just a little ..... 3 Heard of, know nothing ..... 4 Never heard of ..... 5	(43)

- Q.4** Irrespective of other details of the Maastricht Treaty, what is your opinion of each of the following proposals? Please tell me for each proposal, whether you are for it or against it? **READ OUT EACH STATEMENT IN A DIFFERENT ORDER FOR EACH INTERVIEW.**

	For	Against	Don't know	
a) There should be a European Monetary Union with one single currency replacing by 1999 the Irish pound and all other national currencies of the Member States of the European community .....	1	2	3	(49)
b) There should be a European Monetary Union with a European Central Bank pursuing a policy of monetary stability i.e. of fighting inflation .....	1	2	3	(50)
c) The member states of the European Community should have one common foreign policy towards non-EC countries .....	1	2	3	(51)
d) The EC Member states should work towards one common policy in matters of defence .....	1	2	3	(52)
e) The EC Member States should have some basic common principles in the domain of social policy but details of social policy should be left to national governments.....	1	2	3	(53)
f) The Governments of EC Member States should work towards common rules in matters of political asylum, refugees and immigration.....	1	2	3	(54)
g) The governments of EC Member States should work towards close cooperation in matters of fighting drugs traffic and organised crime.....	1	2	3	(55)
h) The directly elected European Parliament should have a greater say in European Community legislation.....	1	2	3	(56)
i) The President and the members of the European Commission should need the confidence of a majority in the European Parliament. Otherwise they should have to step down.....	1	2	3	(57)
j) In matters of legislation, taxation and expenditure the European Parliament should have equal rights with the council of Ministers representing the national governments .....	1	2	3	(58)
k) Any citizen of another EC Country who resides in Ireland should have the right to vote in local elections.....	1	2	3	(59)
l) Any citizen of another EC Country who resides in Ireland should have the right to be a candidate for local elections .....	1	2	3	(60)
m) The European Community should have a European Government responsible to the European Parliament and to the European Council of Heads of National Government.....	1	2	3	(61)
n) The European Community should be responsible only for matters that cannot be effectively handled by National Governments....	1	2	3	(62)