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EUROBAROMETER NO. 24

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Good morning/afternoon. I am from Irish Marketing Surveys Limited. We are carrying out a survey and I would be grateful for your help in answering some questions.

Q.148 Are you Irish? IF YES: Do you know whether your name appears in the Electoral Register (the register of people entitled to vote in the next General Election) under your present address, at another address, or does not appear at all?

At present address	1	(48)
At another address	2	
Don't know if registered	3	
Does not appear at all	4	
No answer	5	

Is not Irish	0
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Q. 149 So far as you are concerned, do you think that 1986 will be better or worse than 1985?

Better	1	(49)
Worse	2	
The same	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q.150/ Looking ahead to next year, 1986,
Q.151 do you think

Q. 150 Strikes and industrial disputes in Ireland will increase, decrease or remain the same?

Increase	1	(50)
Decrease	2	
Remain the same	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 151 ... It will be a peaceful year, more or less free of international disputes, a troubled year with much international discord, or remain the same?

Peaceful year	1	(51)
Troubled year	2	
Remain the same	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

SHOW CARD "A"

Q. 152 Here is a sort of scale. Would you, with the help of this card, tell me how you assess the chances of a world war breaking out in the next ten years?

World war certain within the next 10 years	100	V	(52)
	90	X	
	80	0	
	70	1	
	60	2	
	50	3	
	40	4	
	30	5	
	20	6	
	10	7	
No danger of a war in the next 10 years	0	8	

Don't know/no reply		E	

Q. 153 How do you think the general economic situation in this country has changed over the last twelve months?
READ OUT

Got a lot better	1	(53)
Got a little better	2	
Stayed the same	3	
Got a little worse	4	
Got a lot worse	5	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 154 How does the financial situation of your household now compare with what it was 12 months ago?
READ OUT

Got a lot better	1	(54)
Got a little better	2	
Stayed the same	3	
Got a little worse	4	
Got a lot worse	5	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 155 On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the life you lead?

Very satisfied	1	(55)
Fairly satisfied	2	
Not very satisfied	3	
Not at all satisfied	4	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 156 On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Ireland?

Very satisfied	1	(56)
Fairly satisfied	2	
Not very satisfied	3	
Not at all satisfied	4	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 157 When you, yourself, hold a strong opinion, do you ever find yourself persuading your friends, relatives or fellow workers to share your views? If so, does this happen often, from time to time, or rarely?

Often	1	(57)
From time to time	2	
Rarely	3	
Never	4	
Don't know/no reply	0	

SHOW CARD "B"

- Q. 158 There is a lot of talk these days about what this country's goals should be for the next ten or fifteen years. On this card are listed some of the goals that different people say should be given top priority. Would you please say which one of them you yourself consider most important in the long run? SINGLE CODE IN GRID BELOW
- Q. 159 And what would be your second choice? SINGLE CODE IN GRID BELOW

	<u>Q. 158</u>	<u>Q. 159</u>
	<u>First</u>	<u>Second</u>
	(58)	(59)
● Maintaining order in the nation	1	1
● Giving the people more say in important government decisions	2	2
● Fighting rising prices	3	3
● Protecting freedom of speech	4	4
● Don't know/no reply	0	0

SHOW CARD "C"

- Q. 160 Have you heard anything about the "Eureka" project?
IF YES: With the help of this card, can you tell me what it is about? SINGLE CODE

A TV game programme	1	(60)
A computer programme	2	
A method for discovering new oil fields	3	
An organisation for technological co-operation between member countries of the European Community	4	
A specialised organisation of the United Nations, like Unesco, or the Food & Agricultural Organisation etc.	5	
Don't know/no reply	0	

- Q. 161 When you get together with your friends, would you say you discuss political matters frequently, occasionally or never?

Frequently	1	(61)
Occasionally	2	
Never	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

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Q. 163 Would you say you are very proud, quite proud, not very proud or not at all proud to be Irish?

Very proud	1	(63)
Quite proud	2	
Not very proud	3	
Not at all proud	4	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 164 Do you ever think of yourself not only as an Irish citizen, but also as a citizen of Europe? READ OUT

Often	1	(64)
Sometimes	2	
Never	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 165 Of course, we all hope that there will not be another war, but if it were to come to that, would you be willing to fight for your country?

YES	1	(65)
NO	2	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 166 There has been a lot of talk of possible standardisation of notices at frontier posts, airports and sea ports, of the countries belonging to the European Community. The new notices would carry the name of the country you are entering and also the words "Member Country of the European Community".

For instance, travellers arriving in Ireland would see ... READ OUT

"IRELAND : MEMBER COUNTRY OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY"

Are you for or against this idea?

For	1	(66)
Against	2	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 167 Have you recently seen or heard in the papers, or on the radio or TV, anything about the European Parliament? That is, the parliamentary assembly of the European Community or Common Market?

YES	1	(67)
NO	2	
Don't know/no reply	0	

IF YES:

Q. 168 Has what you read or heard given you a generally favourable or unfavourable impression of the European Parliament?

Generally <u>favourable</u> impression	1	(68)
Generally <u>unfavourable</u> impression	2	
Neither favourable nor unfavourable (VOLUNTEERED)	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

ASK ALL

Q. 169	How important would you say is the European Parliament in the life of the European Community nowadays? <u>READ OUT</u>	Very important	1	(69)
		Important	2	
		Not very important	3	
		Not important at all	4	
		Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 170	Would you personally prefer that the European Parliament played a more or a less important part than it does now?	More important	1	(70)
		Less important	2	
		About the same (VOLUNTEERED)	3	
		Don't know/no reply	0	

SHOW CARD "D"

Q.171/
Q.173 Here are a number of present day problems. For each one, would you tell me if it is better that decisions about it should be taken by each country separately or by the member countries of the European Community (Common Market) acting together?

	<u>Separately</u> (71)	<u>Together</u> (72)	<u>Don't know/ No Reply</u> (73)
Reduce the differences between different regions by helping the least developed ones	1	1	1
Protect the environment and fight pollution	2	2	2
Fight against rising prices	3	3	3
Stimulate the economy so as to help fight unemployment	4	4	4
Develop scientific and technical research in the new growth industries (such as computers, telecommunications, automation, modern agriculture, etc)	5	5	5
Fight against terrorism and crime	6	6	6
Guarantee energy supplies	7	7	7
Help the countries of the Third World	8	8	8
Protect Ireland's security against external threats both present and future	9	9	9
Protect the consumer against false or misleading advertising	X	X	X

Q. 174 When important decisions have to be taken in the European Community, they could be made in one of two ways ... READ OUT

A. The decision can only be taken if every member country of the Community agrees.

OR ...

B. The decision can be taken if a majority agrees, even if some countries vote against it or abstain.

Which is the better way of the two, in your opinion?

● A is better	1	(74)
● B is better	2	
● Depends on the circumstances (VOLUNTEERED, BUT DO <u>NOT</u> PROMPT)	3	
● Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 175 Ireland is a member of the European Community which is also called the "Common Market". Which of these two names do you personally prefer?

The European Community	1	(75)
The Common Market	2	
Another name (SPECIFY)		
.....	3	
Neither of them/no preference	4	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 176 Generally speaking, do you think that Ireland's membership of the European Community (Common Market) is ... READ OUT

A good thing	1	(76)
A bad thing	2	
Neither good nor bad	3	
Don't know no reply	0	

Q. 177 Taking everything into consideration, would you say that Ireland has on balance benefited or not from being a member of the European Community (Common Market)?

Benefited	1	(77)
Not benefited	2	
Don't know/no reply	0	

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(79)
(80)
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Q. 240 If you were to be told tomorrow that the European Community (Common Market) had been scrapped would you be very sorry about it, indifferent or relieved?

Very sorry	1	(40)
Indifferent	2	
Relieved	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 241 If one of the countries of the European Community other than our own finds itself in major economic difficulties, do you feel that the other countries including Ireland should help it or not?

YES	1	(41)
NO	2	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 242 Are you personally prepared or not to make some personal sacrifice, for example, paying a little more taxes, to help another country in the European Community experiencing economic difficulties?

YES, prepared to	1	(42)
NO, Not prepared to	2	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 243 In general, are you for or against efforts being made to unify Western Europe? READ OUT

FOR - very much	1	(43)
FOR - to some extent	2	
AGAINST - to some extent	3	
AGAINST - very much	4	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 244 Some people talk of the idea of forming a "United States of Europe", putting together the member countries of the European Community. This means a kind of political union like there is between the fifty states of the U.S.A. or the ten provinces that form Canada.

Does this idea of forming a United States of Europe some day, including Ireland, seem a good or a bad idea to you?

A good idea	1	(44)
A bad idea	2	
It depends (VOLUNTEERED)	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 245 Whether you like it or not, do you think that a United States of Europe is likely to come about, and if so, in about how many years? READ OUT

In the next ten years	1	(45)
10 to 15 years from now	2	
20 to 30 years from now	3	
It might take several generations	4	
Never	5	
Don't know/no reply	0	

SHOW CARD "E"

Q. 246 In political matters, people talk of "the left" and "the right". How would you place your views on this scale? DO NOT PROMPT. THE TEN BOXES ON THE CARD ARE NUMBERED. RING CHOICE. IF RESPONDENT INDICATES "10" FROM THE CARD, CODE X BELOW. IF RESPONDENT HESITATES ASK HIM TO TRY AGAIN. MARK REFUSALS UNDER "R"

Left	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	X	Right	<u>Refusal</u> "R"	(46)
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SHOW CARD "F"

Q. 247 On this card are three basic kinds of attitudes vis a vis the society we live in. Please choose the one which best describes your own opinion?
SINGLE CODE

● The entire way our society is organised must be radically changed by revolutionary action	1	(47)
● Our society must be gradually improved by reforms	2	
● Our present society must be valiantly defended against all subversive forces	3	
● Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 248 Do you consider yourself to be close to any particular party? If so, do you feel yourself to be very close to this party, fairly close or merely a sympathiser?

Very close	1	(48)
Fairly close	2	
Merely a sympathiser	3	
Close to no particular party	4	
Don't know/no reply	0	

SHOW CARD "G"

Q. 249 And how important is God in your life? Please use this card to indicate - 10 means very important, and 1 means not at all important? IF RESPONDENT INDICATES "10" FROM THE CARD, CODE X BELOW

Not at all important	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	X	Very Important	<u>DK/Not Stated</u> 0	(49)
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Q.250 Taking all things together, how would you say things are these days - would you say you're very happy, fairly happy, or not too happy these days?

Very happy	1	(50)
Fairly happy	2	
Not too happy	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 251 Some people favour restrictions on foreign imports to protect Irish jobs in certain industries. Others oppose restrictions because they would lead to higher consumer prices for certain products. Which view is closer to your own?

● Favour restrictions on foreign imports	1	(51)
● Oppose restrictions on foreign imports	2	
● Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 252 Some people say that we should not impose customs duties on food imports from outside the European Community because that increases the price we must pay for our food. Others say that these duties on imported food are necessary to protect our farmers from foreign competition and to avoid becoming dependent on imported food. Which of these views is closer to your own?

● No customs duties on food imports from outside the EEC	1	(52)
● Customs duties necessary	2	
● Don't know/no reply	0	

And now, a few questions about the United States of America ...

SHOW CARD "H"

Q. 253 Please use this card to tell me your feelings about the United States of America. Do you have a very good, fairly good, rather bad, or very bad opinion of the United States?

● Very good	1	(53)
● Fairly good	2	
● Neither good nor bad (VOLUNTEERED)	3	
● Rather bad	4	
● Very bad	5	
● Don't know/no reply	0	

SHOW CARD "H" AGAIN

Q. 254 Please use the same card to tell me how you would describe current relations between the United States of America and Ireland. Would you say that relations are very good, fairly good, rather bad, or very bad?

Very good	1	(54)
Fairly good	2	
Neither good nor bad (VOLUNTEERED)	3	
Rather bad	4	
Very bad	5	
Don't know/no reply	0	

SHOW CARD "I"

Q. 255 Which of the statements on this card most closely reflects, in your opinion, present United States policy towards West European unification?

● It supports the development of a strong, unified Western Europe and <u>is</u> actively working for it	1	(55)
● It supports the development of a strong, unified Western Europe but is <u>not</u> actively working for it	2	
● It opposes the development of a strong, unified Western Europe but is <u>not</u> actively working against it	3	
● It opposes the development of a strong, unified Western Europe, and <u>is</u> actively working against it	4	
● Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 256 From what you have heard or read, do you think that the economic policies and actions of the United States have been more helpful or more harmful to the economic situation in our country, or have they had little effect on our country?

Helpful	1	(56)
Harmful	2	
Little effect	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 257 And do you think that the economic policies and actions of Japan have been more helpful or more harmful to the economic situation in our country, or have they had little effect on our country?

Helpful	1	(57)
Harmful	2	
Little effect	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 258 In its economic relations with other countries, do you think that the United States gives greater importance to Japan or to Western Europe, or would you say they are equally important to the United States?

Greater importance to Japan	1	(58)
Greater importance to Western Europe	2	
Equally important	3	
Don't know/no reply	0	

Q. 259 In trying to resolve economic problems with Ireland, is it your impression that the United States has been very co-operative, fairly co-operative, rather unco-operative, or very unco-operative?

Very co-operative	1	(59)
Fairly co-operative	2	
Rather unco-operative	3	
Very unco-operative	4	
Don't know/no reply	0	

CLASSIFICATION DETAILS

CARD TWO

MARITAL STATUS:

- Are you ... Single 1
- Married 2
- Common Law Marriage 3
- Divorced 4
- Separated 5
- Widowed 6

(60)

- SEX:** MALE 1
FEMALE 2

(66)

PRECISE AGE (Write in Boxes Below)

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→ (67) → (68)

EDUCATION:

How old were you when you finished your full-time education?

- 14 years or younger 1
- 15 years 2
- 16 years 3
- 17 years 4
- 18 years 5
- 19 years 6
- 20 years 7
- 21 years 8
- 22 years or more 9
- Still at school/univ. X

(61)

NUMBER IN HOUSEHOLD: How many persons live at home? (Including respondent, all adults and children) **SINGLE CODE**

- 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 and over

(69)

CHILDREN 8 - 15:

How many children living at home between 8 - 15 years, inclusive? **SINGLE CODE**

- 1 2 3 4 5 and over

(70)

CHILDREN UNDER 8 YEARS: How many children living at home under 8 years? **SINGLE CODE**

- 1 2 3 4 5 and over

(71)

SHOW "INCOME CARD"

Here is a scale of incomes. We would like to know in what group your family is, counting all wages, salaries, pension and any other income that comes in. Just give me the number of the group your household falls into, before tax and deductions.

- Income group 1
- Income group 2
- Income group 3
- Income group 4
- Income group 5
- Income group 6
- Income group 7
- Income group 8
- Income group 9
- Income group X
- Income group V
- Don't know/ no reply 0

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POLITICAL PREFERENCE:

SHOW CARD "J"

Generally speaking, which political party do you feel closer to?

- Fianna Fail 1
- Fine Gael 2
- Labour 3
- Workers Party 4
- The Ecology Party 5
- Other Party (State & code) 6
-) 6
- None/No preference 9
- Don't know/no answer 0

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If there was a general election tomorrow, which party would you give your first preference vote to?

- Fianna Fail 1
- Fine Gael 2
- Labour 3
- Workers Party 4
- The Ecology Party 5
- Other Party (State & code) 6
-) 6
- Would not vote 7
- Undecided 8
- Refused 9

(63)

SKIP TO RECORD SEX ETC.

GO TO NEXT QUESTION

Which party would you be most inclined to give your first preference vote to?

- Fianna Fail 1
- Fine Gael 2
- Labour 3
- Workers Party 4
- The Ecology Party 5
- Other Party (State & code) 6
-) 6
- Would not vote 7
- Undecided 8
- Refused 9

(64)

CARD TWO

NAME OF RESPONDENT:

.....
ADDRESS

OCCUPATION OF RESPONDENT:

SKILL/QUALIFICATION:

IF MGR./PROP. NO. OF EMPLOYEES,
 IF FARMER, STATE ACREAGE

RELATIONSHIP OF RESPONDENT TO H.O.H.

OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF H/HOLD:

SKILL/QUALIFICATION:

IF MGR./PROP. NO. OF EMPLOYEES,
 IF FARMER, STATE ACREAGE :

OCCUPATION/PROFESSION OF RESPONDENT:

Self-employed:

Farmer/fisherman (skipper) 1
 Professional (lawyer, accountant, etc) 2
 Business (owner of shop/craftsman/proprietor) 3

Employed:

Manual worker 4
 White Collar/Office Worker 5
 Executive/Top Management/Director 6

Not Employed:

Retired 7
 Housewife, not otherwise employed 8
 Student 9
 Unemployed 0

"NOT EMPLOYED" GO TO NEXT POINT -
 OTHERS ASK:

How many people are working where you work (organisation/company, shop, factory, etc)?

Less than 5	1
5 to 50	2
50 to 500	3
500 and over	4

(74)

RESPONDENT STATUS:

Are you the head of the household?

YES 1 -

GO TO LANGUAGE
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 AREA TYPE

(75)

NO 2 - CONTINUE

IF "NO" ABOVE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS &
 CODE OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF H/HOLD.

OCCUPATION/PROFESSION OF HEAD OF
 HOUSEHOLD:-

Self-employed:

Farmer/fisherman (skipper)	1
Professional (lawyer/accountant, etc)	2
Business (owner of shop/craftsman/ proprietor)	3

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Employed:

Manual worker	4
White Collar/Office worker	5
Executive/Top Management/Director	6

Not employed:

Retired	7
Housewife, not otherwise employed	8
Student	9
Unemployed	0

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CARD TWO

AREA TYPE: Would you say you live in

- A rural area or village 1
- A small or middle-sized town 2
- A big town 3

(78)

HABITAT: (O.U.O.)

- Less than 2,000 people 1
- 2,000 - 19,000 2
- 20,000 - 99,000 3
- 100,000 and over 4

(77)

REGION (O.U.O.):

DONEGAL 1

(79)

NORTH WEST

(Sligo/Leitrim) 2

NORTH EAST

(Cavan/Monaghan/Louth) 3

WEST

(Mayo/Galway) 4

MIDLANDS

(Westmeath/Roscommon/
Longford/Laois/Offaly) 5

EAST

(Dublin/Meath/Kildare/
Wicklow) 6

MID-WEST

(Limerick/Clare/Tipperary
North Riding) 7

SOUTH EAST

(Waterford/Wexford/Carlow/
Kilkenny/Tipperary South
Riding) 8

SOUTH WEST

(Kerry/Cork) 9

INTERVIEWER:

LANGUAGE QUESTION "W"

What language is spoken in your family?

- English 1
- Irish 2
- Other 3
- Refused to answer 4

No
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INTERVIEWER:

LANGUAGE QUESTION "Z"

Do you agree or disagree with the following
statement:-

"Ireland would not really be Ireland
without its Irish speaking people"

- Agree 1
- Disagree 2
- Don't know/not stated 3

No
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strictly in accordance with your instructions.

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____